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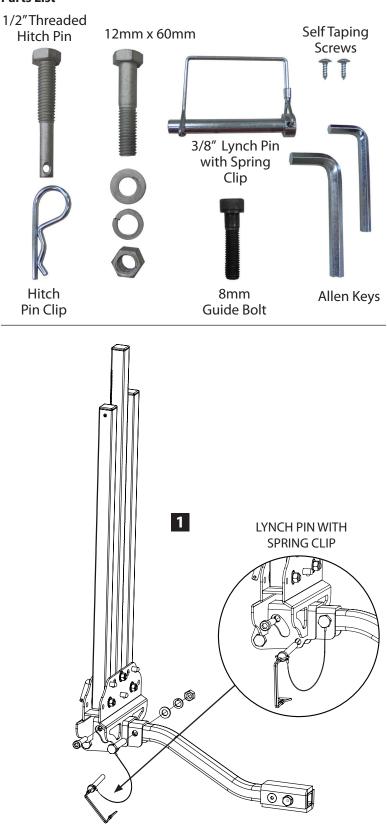
#### **Assembly Instructions**

- 1. Attach the 1-1/4 " receiver bar to the main assembly using the 12mm x 60mm bolt, washer and nut. Put the spring clip security lanyard and 3/8" Lynch pin on the bolt before inserting.
- 2. Using the 8mm Allen wrench insert and tighten the folding guide bolt (diagram 1). **NOTE:** Make sure to insert the bolt from the proper side. The guide bolt head fits into the slot. Refer to diagram 1.
- 3. Insert the lynch pin into the hole provide and attached the spring clip. **NOTE:** This lynch pin is removed if folding the bike rack away from the vehicle (diagram 1).
- 4. Slide the hooks onto the upright portion alternating the direction (diagram 2).
- 5. Unfold the two side arms as shown (diagram 2) and insert 2 lynch pins. Ensure that the pins are all the way in. Slide the hooks onto the upright portion alternating the direction
- 6. Slide the 4 wheel holder trays on to the bottom arms alternating the direction of the trays (diagram 3). Do not tighten them at this time, as they will have to be adjusted to fit each bike that you are carrying.
- After the wheel holders are installed you will need to screw in the 2 metal screws at the end of each arm. This will prevent wheel holders from coming off (diagram 4).
- Take the bike rack and install into the vehicle hitch. Install the threaded pin and clip and tighten to 50 ft. lbs. (tight).
- 9. If the rack is to be used on 1-1/4" receiver you will need to remove the Allen Bolt that hold on the spacers. Use the 6mm Allen Wrench (diagram 5).

#### Installing the Rack Into Your Vehicle:

- Insert the bike rack into the 2" or 1-1/4" receiver. Install the ½" threaded locking hitch pin and tighten to 50 ft lbs. (very tight). Put on the lock head until it is securely attached.
- 2. The rack is designed to carry up to two 35 lbs. bikes. You cannot combine weight to carry one bike over 35 lbs.

### Parts List



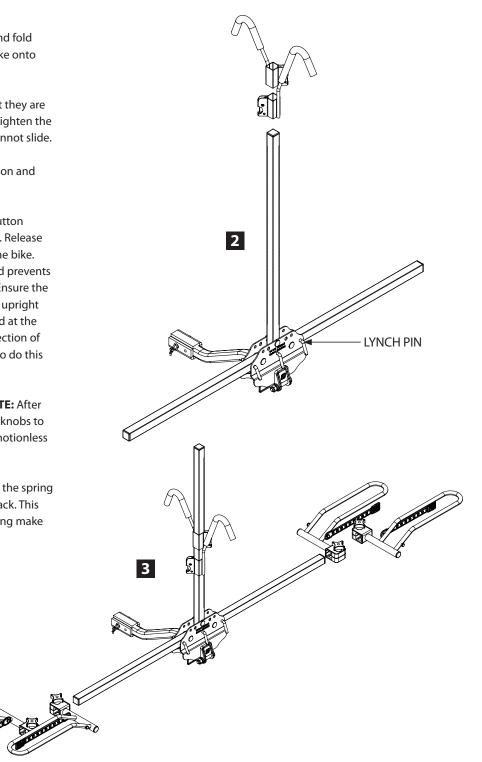
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#### **Bike Installation**:

- 1. Pull the pin on the bottom of the upright arm and fold down. This allows you to easily put the inside bike onto the rack (diagram 4).
- 2. Adjust the trays to the wheels of the bike so that they are all the way in the tray. Once these are adjusted tighten the knobs on the tray so that they are secure and cannot slide.
- 3. Fold the upright bar back into the upright position and insert the pin.
- 4. Push the hook down onto the bike. Press the button below the hook to slide it more easily into place. Release the button when the hook is securely holding the bike. Releasing the button locks the hook in place and prevents it from any upward movement while in transit. Ensure the hook arm is fully locked into the notches on the upright arm. **NOTE:** The hook should always be mounted at the lowest part on the top tube. This is at the intersection of the top tube and seat tube (diagram 6). Failure to do this can allow the bike to release from the rack.
- Install the outside bike in the same manner. NOTE: After complete installation check all pins and tighten knobs to ensure they are all tight and that the bikes are motionless on the rack.
- 6. To gain access to the rear of the vehicle, remove the spring clip and pull out the lynch pin. Slowly tilt rack back. This can be done with the bikes on or off. When driving make sure to tilt back and insert pin and spring clip.



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Due to the increase in thinner/lighter "carbon frame bikes" this rack may be inappropriate because the hook clamps the frame. Please check with your bike manufacturer for specific details.

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#### **Important Notes:**

- This bike rack has been designed to carry 1 or 2 bikes not exceeding 35lbs per bike. Do not combine total weight for one bike.
- This rack is designed for typical use and applications (on paved or smooth gravel roads). Do not use this rack on a vehicle that will be driven on rough roads or where the rack (and bikes) will be subject to significant or constant jarring and/or shock, or any vehicle with very stiff springs that will transfer the load shock directly to the rack and bikes.
- Proper fitting and installation of this carrier to your specific vehicle is critical, and is not the manufacturer's responsibility.
- Improper use of this product may result in damage to your rack, your vehicle, your bicycles, or even other vehicles driving behind you (as a result of colliding with or trying to avoid fallen bicycles and/or the rack).
- The purchaser should be aware that the load created by a rack and bicycles can exceed the maximum rating on the hitch or bumper.
- Swagman Racks are powder coated to help prevent rust. When leaving them outside for extended periods of time the finish will lose its luster. It is recommended that when not in use it is stored indoors.
- Take care to add padding on any area of the bikes that touches another bike or any part of the vehicle. Damage can and will happen (to your bikes and/or to the vehicle) if care is not taken during the loading and transporting of your bikes, and padding used where necessary.
- Bicycle tires, rims etc. should be kept at least 6" away from vehicle exhaust pipes. The bikes and/or bike rack should totally kept away from direct exhaust flow. The high temperatures of the exhaust is enough to melt tires and damage the finish on the bike for bike rack.
- Bikes fitted with large accessories (such as a child carrying seat) will greatly increase the wind resistance and therefore the pressure on the rack and all vehicle mounting points.
  Reducing vehicle speed will reduce the chance of any problems occurring because of this situation.
- After reading this manual, should you have any additional questions regarding the compatibility, fitting, and/or use of this rack, please call your nearest Swagman authorized retail dealer or Swagman Customer Service.

#### A Mounting the bike rack on a Trailer or 5th Wheel:

Purchaser is advised that the load created by rack and bicycles will exceed the strength of trailer or 5th wheel bumper, mounting location or the bike rack. The rack is not under warranty if mounted in this location.

