



# INSTRUCTIONS FOR REAR BICYCLE CARRIER 5 STRAP FIXING MAXIMUM 3 BICYCLES

MODEL NO: **BS3.V3**

Thank you for purchasing a Sealey product. Manufactured to a high standard, this product will, if used according to these instructions, and properly maintained, give you years of trouble free performance.

**IMPORTANT:** PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. NOTE THE SAFE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, WARNINGS & CAUTIONS. USE THE PRODUCT CORRECTLY AND WITH CARE FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT IS INTENDED. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CAUSE DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY AND WILL INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY. KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS SAFE FOR FUTURE USE.



Refer to  
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## 1. SAFETY

- ✘ **DO NOT** use the cycle carrier if any parts are missing or damaged as this may cause failure or possible personal injury.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Due to the variety in design of vehicles & cycles, it is the user's full responsibility to ensure no damage occurs whilst using this cycle carrier. Correct attachment of carrier to a vehicle is therefore critical and is beyond control of the manufacturer, distributor, or supplier.
- ☐ **WARNING!** The user must secure the carrier and any cycles to be carried properly, checking the security frequently when in use.
- ✓ Use strong, good quality tie restraints for securing cycles to the carrier. **DO NOT** use string, or elasticated straps.
- ✓ If your vehicle lights and/or number plate are obscured by your bikes, you are required **BY LAW** to replicate them with an auxiliary lighting kit.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Make an assessment of the suitability of the carrier to fit the vehicle. Refer to the manufacturer's handbook to find the suitability of attachment points. Consider the position and strength of spoilers, large glass panels and large body panels. Be aware of when the rear wiper will operate automatically.
- ✓ Avoid damage caused by hot exhaust fumes do not position cycles directly next to the vehicle's exhaust, especially the bicycle tyres. If necessary fit an exhaust deflector.
- ✓ Ensure that bicycles do not come into contact with the vehicle bodywork and provide protection as required.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Remove any loose objects from the bikes i.e pumps, bottles etc.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Avoid any protrusions beyond the side of the car as these may present a risk of injury to passers-by.
- ✘ **DO NOT** use the cycle carrier for any purpose other than for which it is designed.
- ✘ **DO NOT** strap any other items to the carrier, only bicycles.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Drive carefully - Be aware of cross winds, sudden braking or hard cornering, reduce speed accordingly when using carrier.
- ☐ **WARNING!** This carrier is designed for temporary use only, remove when not in use or before going through a car wash.
- ✓ Every time before use check the carrier for security of fittings or any sign of wear and tear. Replace any worn or damaged parts.
- ☐ **WARNING!** Remember the driver of the vehicle is responsible for the security and safety of the load carried.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

Rigid yet lightweight carrier designed to fit most saloons, hatchbacks, vans, estates and coupés. Carries up to 3 standard bicycles. Includes five nylon fixing straps and foam rubber tubes for protection of vehicle at contact points. Folds for easy storage. Available separately; set of adaptors for use when fixing straps of bicycle carrier to glass edged hatches - order Model no. BS3/1.



### 3. SPECIFICATION

Model no: .....BS3.V3

Width: ..... 440mm

Depth: ..... 580mm

Height: ..... 875mm

### 4. ASSEMBLY

4.1. Unfold frame and set the required frame angle for the vehicle type that the carrier is being fitted to, refer to figs.1 to 6.

#### 4.2. Adjusting the Frame Angle

4.2.1. Pull the over centre levers back to allow the frame to be moved to the required angle. Fix the angle brackets to the frame using Angle Bracket Nut, see fig.1.

#### 4.3. Locking the Frame

4.3.1. The frame is locked by using the over centre levers, see fig.1. The pressure exerted by the over centre lever is increased by holding the nut on the back stationary and winding the lever clockwise. Ensure that frame is securely locked in position and that both levers are pushed fully over (shut).

### 5. FIXING CARRIER TO VEHICLES

5.1. Wash the vehicle to remove any dirt etc. that could scratch the paintwork where the hooks attach to it.

5.2. Position the carrier on the rear of your vehicle. The arms should be adjusted to an angle of between 10° and 30° above the horizontal, refer to section 4.2.

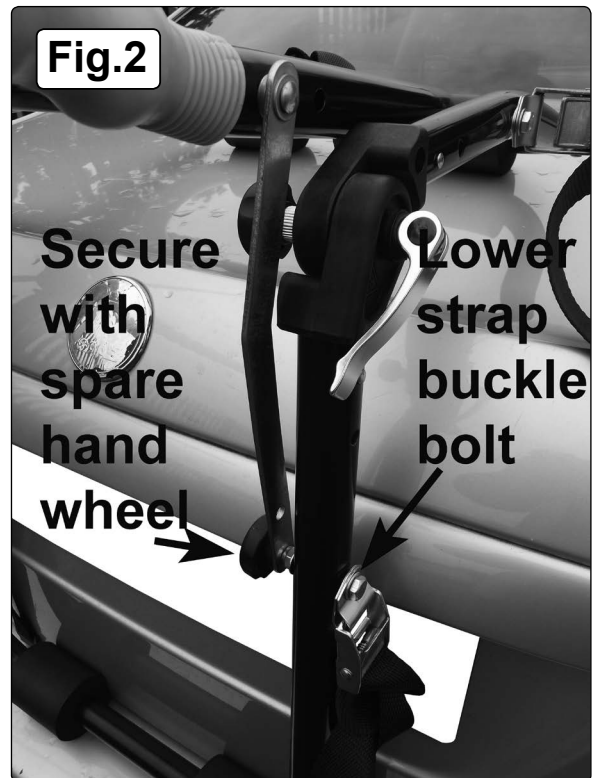
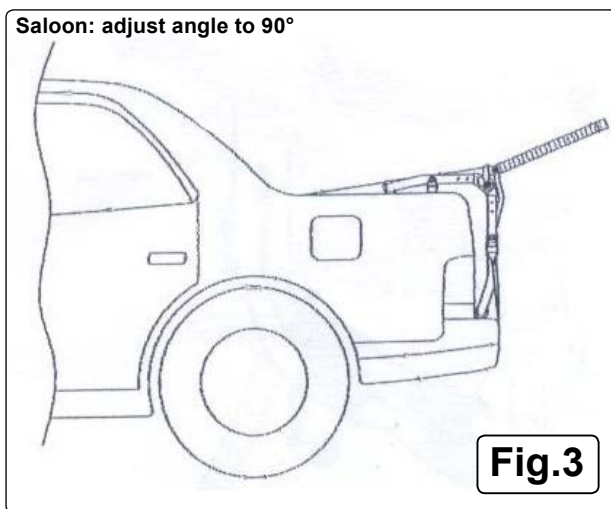
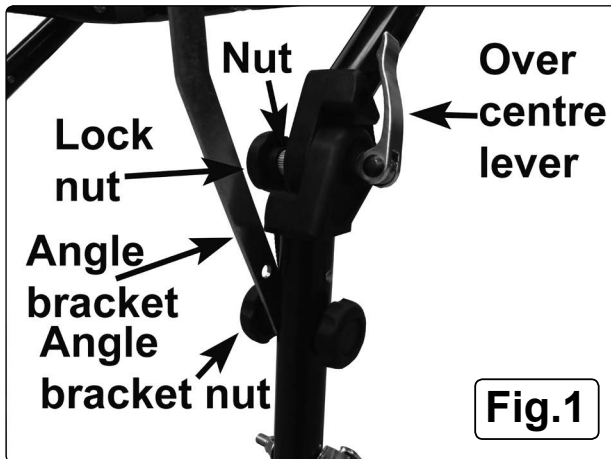
#### 5.3. Saloon Cars

5.3.1. When fitting the carrier ensure that straps are not twisted and that the straps are progressively tightened alternately and equally.

5.3.2. Ensure the carrier is centrally positioned.

5.3.3. Set the angle of the frame for a saloon car, see section 4.2, and refer to fig.3.

5.3.4. Depending on the shape of the car, the angle brackets may need to be fastened to the bolts which hold the lower strap buckles to the frame using the spare handwheels, see fig.2.



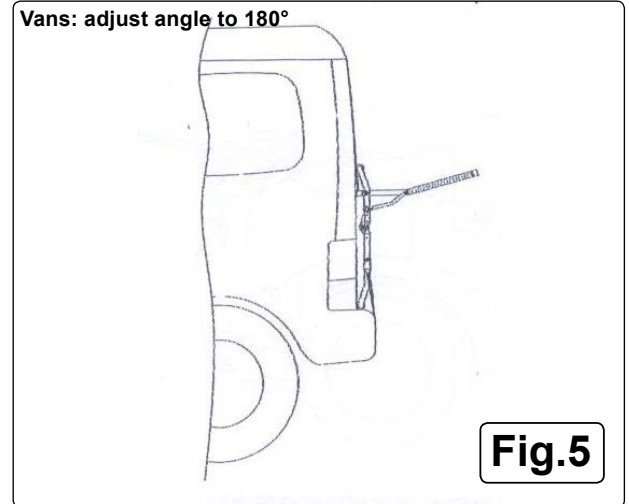
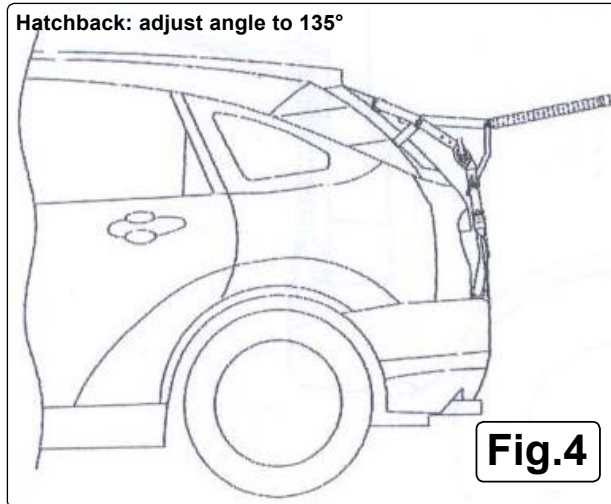
5.3.5. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's handbook.

5.3.6. Hook the top strap to the top edge of the boot lid, fix the two side straps to each edge of the boot lid and the two bottom straps to the bottom edge of the boot lid.

5.3.7. Equally tighten the straps, check the position of the carrier and fully tighten the straps.

#### 5.4. Hatchback and Estate cars

- **WARNING!** For vehicles with a glass edge to the top of the tailgate or door, use BS3/1 Hatchback Glass Pullers available from your Sealey stockist.
- 5.4.1. When fitting the carrier ensure that straps are not twisted and that the straps are progressively tightened alternately and equally.
- 5.4.2. Ensure the carrier is centrally positioned.
- 5.4.3. Set the angle of the frame, for a hatchback or an estate car, see section 4.2, and refer to fig.4.
- 5.4.4. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's handbook.
- 5.4.5. Hook the top strap to the top edge of the tailgate or door, fix the two side straps to each edge of the tailgate or door and the two bottom straps to the bottom edge of the tailgate or door.
- 5.4.6. Equally tighten the straps, check the position of the carrier and fully tighten.



#### 5.5. Vans

- 5.5.1. When fitting the carrier ensure that straps are not twisted and that the straps are progressively tightened alternately and equally.
- 5.5.2. Ensure the carrier is centrally positioned.
- 5.5.3. Set the angle of the frame, for a van, see section 4.2, and refer to fig.5.
- 5.5.4. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's handbook.
- 5.5.5. Hook the top strap to the top edge of the tailgate or door. Position the hook to one side of a pair of equally sized rear doors. The carrier must still be centrally positioned on the vehicle. Fix the two side straps to each edge of the tailgate or doors and the two bottom straps to the bottom edge of the tailgate or doors.
- 5.5.6. Equally tighten the straps, check the position of the carrier and fully tighten the straps.

### 6. PLACING CYCLES ON CARRIER

Refer to fig.6.

- 6.1. When placing cycles (max of 3) onto the carrier place them in opposite directions. Avoid placing them near the exhaust especially the tyres.
- 6.2. Secure cycle(s) onto the carrier with suitable ties or straps (2 provided). **DO NOT** use string or elasticated straps. Ensure that cycles do not come into contact with the vehicle's bodywork.
- 6.3. Recheck and retighten the straps, tie off the surplus lengths of strap for security.
  - **WARNING!** Remember the driver of the vehicle is responsible for the safety and security of the load carried. Check the tension of all straps and the security of the cycles frequently during your journey. If your lights or number plate are obscured, you must fit an auxiliary number plate and/or lighting system. Contact your local Sealey dealer for details.



**Fig.6**

Parts support is available for this product. To obtain a parts listing and/or diagram, please log on to [www.sealey.co.uk](http://www.sealey.co.uk), email [sales@sealey.co.uk](mailto:sales@sealey.co.uk) or telephone 01284 757500.



**Environmental Protection**

Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as waste. All tools, accessories and packaging should be sorted, taken to a recycling centre and disposed of in a manner which is compatible with the environment. When the product becomes completely unserviceable and requires disposal, drain off any fluids (if applicable) into approved containers and dispose of the product and the fluids according to local regulations.

**NOTE:** It is our policy to continually improve products and as such we reserve the right to alter data, specifications and component parts without prior notice.

**IMPORTANT:** No liability is accepted for incorrect use of this product.

**WARRANTY:** Guarantee is 12 months from purchase date, proof of which will be required for any claim.



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