## Owner's Manual & Safety Instructions

Save This Manual Keep this manual for the safety warnings and precautions, assembly, operating, inspection, maintenance and cleaning procedures. Write the product's serial number in the back of the manual near the assembly diagram (or month and year of purchase if product has no number). Keep this manual and the receipt in a safe and dry place for future reference.

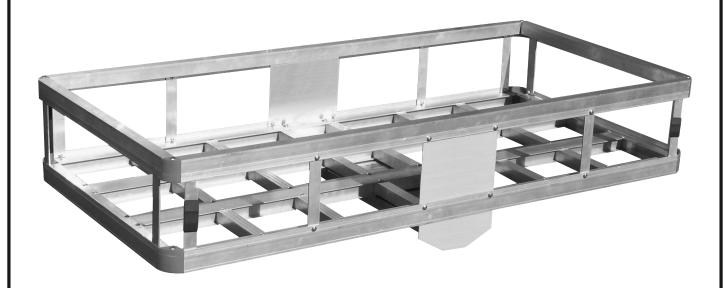
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**500 LB. CAPACITY** 



# ALUMINUM CARGO CARRIER



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When unpacking, make sure that the product is intact and undamaged. If any parts are missing or broken, please call 1-888-866-5797 as soon as possible.

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Tools required for assembly and service may not be included.

### **AWARNING**

Read this material before using this product. Failure to do so can result in serious injury. SAVE THIS MANUAL.

#### **Specifications**

Load Capacity	500 lb.
Vehicle Hitch Receiver Size	2" (Vehicle hitch requires a Class III or better tow rating.)
Inside Platform	47-1/4" L x 20-5/8" W x 6-5/8" H
Overall Dimensions	49" L x 33-1/2" W x 10-3/8" H

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**

#### **Assembly Precautions**

- 1. Assemble only according to these instructions. Improper assembly can create hazards.
- 2. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and heavy-duty work gloves during assembly.
- 3. Keep assembly area clean and well lit.

- 4. Keep bystanders out of the area during assembly.
- 5. Weight capacity and other product capabilities apply to properly and completely assembled product only.

#### **Use Precautions**

- 1. This product is not a toy. Do not allow children to play with or near this item.
- 2. Use as intended only.
- 3. Inspect before every use; do not use if parts are loose or damaged.
- Do not exceed listed weight capacity, evenly distributed. Be aware of dynamic loading! Sudden load movement may briefly create excess load causing product failure.
- Maintain product labels and nameplates.
   These carry important safety information.
   If unreadable or missing, contact
   Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.
- To prevent fire and heat damage to carrier and cargo, DO NOT install near vehicle exhaust.
   Carrier may not be compatible with vehicles with rear-facing exhaust.

#### **Specific Safety Rules**

- 1. Follow DOT guidelines for installation and use.
- Install sufficiently far away from hot exhaust to prevent heat damage to carrier or cargo.
- 3. Secure load before moving.
- 4. Turn vehicle's ignition OFF, set parking brake, and chock wheels before installing, loading, or unloading.
- Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and heavy-duty work gloves during installation, loading, and unloading.
- 6. Always secure the Carrier as close to your vehicle as possible, minimizing the distance of the Carrier and its load from your vehicle.

- 7. Keep Carrier clean and dry.
- 8. Load heaviest items toward the center of the Carrier. Be aware of openings and use larger containers that will not fall through gaps in the Carrier's framework. Only use Carrier with a properly installed Class III or better 2" hitch receiver capable of supporting the Carrier and its load.
- 9. The warnings, cautions, and instructions discussed in this instruction manual cannot cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. It must be understood by the operator that common sense and caution are factors which cannot be built into this product, but must be supplied by the operator.

#### **General Safety**

- Make sure the area in which the Carrier is assembled is clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- 2. Keep children and bystanders away while assembling the Carrier.

3. Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when using the Carrier. Do not use the Carrier while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication. A moment of inattention while using the Carrier may result in serious personal injury.

#### **Carrier Use and Care**

- 1. Use the correct Carrier for your application. The correct Carrier will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
- 2. Store the Carrier out of reach of children and do not allow people unfamiliar with the Carrier or these instructions to use the Carrier. *Use of carrier by untrained people may not be safe.*
- 3. Maintain the Carrier. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the Carrier's operation. If damaged, have the Carrier repaired before use. Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained equipment.
- 4. Use this Carrier in accordance with these instructions and in the manner intended for this particular type of product, taking into account the area conditions and the task to be performed.

  Use of this Carrier for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.

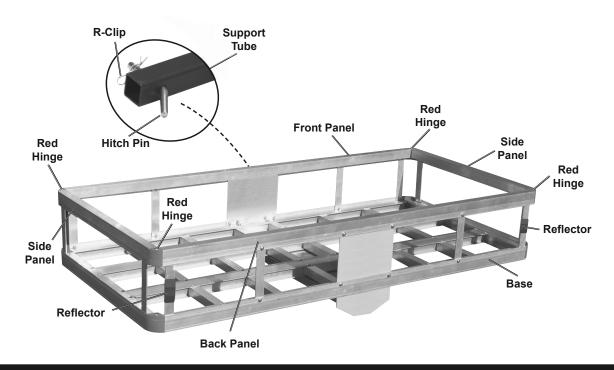
#### **Service**

Have this Carrier serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts. *This will ensure that the safety of the Carrier is maintained.* 





#### **Functions**



#### **Assembly Instructions**

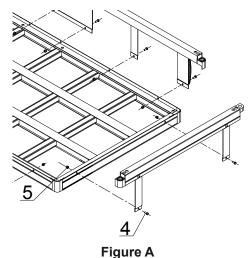


Read the <u>ENTIRE</u> IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION section at the beginning of this document including all text under subheadings therein before set up or use of this product.

**Note:** For additional information regarding the parts listed in the following pages, refer to Parts List and Assembly Diagram on page 6.

**Note:** Finger tighten all connections until assembly is done.

- 1. Lay the Base on a flat, level, hard surface.
- Install the Front, Back and Side Panels with M5 Hex bolts (4), secure with M5 Locknuts (5).



**Note:** All Panels should be installed inside the rails of the Base.

- 3. Align holes on red hinges on all four corners of the Panels.
- 4. Insert M8x40 Cup-Head Hex Bolts (7) into hinges and secure with M8 Locknuts (8).

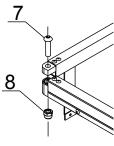


Figure B

- 5. Put assembled Carrier on top of Support Tube, making sure the 4 mounting holes are aligned.
- 6. Place M8 Flat Washers (10) over holes, insert M8x45 Cup-Head Hex Bolts (9), and secure from below with M8 Locknuts (8).
- 7. Tighten all bolts securely.

#### **Operation Instructions**

#### **AWARNING**

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Make sure the vehicle is turned off and in gear or park, with the emergency brake engaged and the wheels chocked.

Make sure the Carrier is secured onto the vehicle. Make sure the Carrier is clean and dry before loading.

#### **WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS**

**INJURY:** Do not exceed this Carrier's maximum weight capacity of 500 pounds.

- With assistance, lift the Carrier and insert the Support Tube into the towing vehicle's 2" hitch receiver (not included).
- 2. Slide the Hitch Pin through the pin holes and fasten in place by inserting the R-Clip.

## WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Make sure that the Hitch Pin is completely inserted and the R-Clip is securely attached.

 With assistance, place items to be loaded onto the Carrier. Center load on Carrier. Secure the load in place using appropriate tie-downs, ropes, flags, etc. (not included).

#### Maintenance and Servicing



Procedures not specifically explained in this manual must be performed only by a qualified technician.

#### **AWARNING**

#### TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:

Remove load from the Carrier before performing any maintenance or service.

Do not use damaged equipment. If the Carrier is damaged have the problem corrected before further use.

#### Cleaning, Maintenance, and Lubrication

- 1. **BEFORE EACH USE**, inspect the general condition of the Carrier. Check for:
  - · loose hardware,
  - · misalignment or binding of parts,
  - · cracked or broken parts, and
  - any other condition that may affect its safe operation.

2. Clean the Carrier after each use. Make sure dirt, oil, grease, and debris are not on the Carrier.

#### PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

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#### **Parts List and Assembly Diagram**

#### **Parts List**

Part	Description	Qty
1	Side Panels	2
2	Base	1
3	Back Panel	1
4	M5 Hex Bolt	16
5	M5 Locknut	16
6	Front Panel	1
7	M8x40 Cup-Head Hex Bolt	4

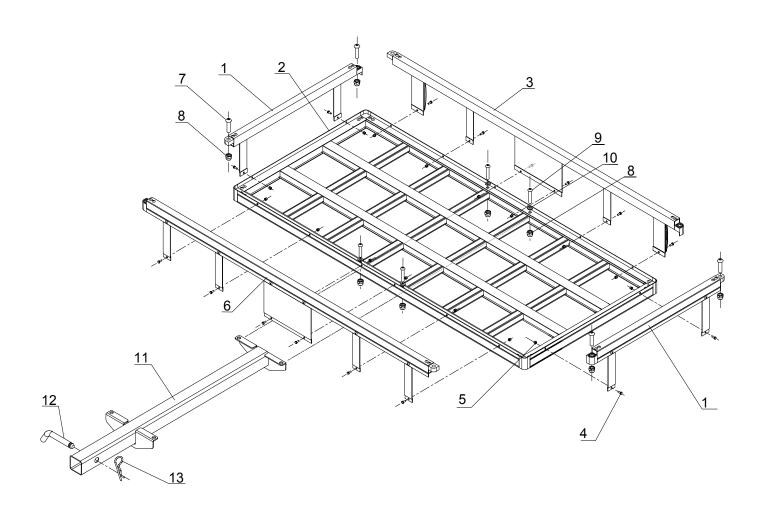
Part	Description	Qty
8	M8 Locknut	8
9	M8x45 Cup-Head Hex Bolt	4
10	M8 Flat Washer	4
11	Support Tube	1
12	Hitch Pin	1
13	R-Clip	1

#### **Record Serial Number Here:**

Note: If product has no serial number, record month and year of purchase instead.

**Note:** Some parts are listed for illustration purposes only, and are not available individually as replacement parts. Specify UPC 193175321909 when ordering parts.







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