

# MODEL 302DN INSTRUCTIONS

## **PRODUCT REGISTRATION:**

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WARNING: Bikes or rack falling in road can cause serious accidents resulting in bodily injury—do not use rack on any vehicle on which it can not be properly mounted as described in this instruction sheet.

- Use this rack only on rear mounted external spare tires. Make sure that spare tire is securely attached and that the tire is fully inflated
- Never use rack on spare tires mounted on any type of trailer, RV, or on the front of vehicle.
- Never carry more than 2 bicycles (MAX CAPACITY: 70 LB) no tandems, mopeds, or recumbents. Car tail lights must remain visible. Bikes must be securely tied to rack. Use bike tie-downs, or additional straps if necessary.
- Drive conservatively, especially over bumps. Never use off-road.
- Do not use if any part of the rack is damaged, worn, or missing. Contact R. A. Allen Co., Inc. for replacement parts.

**CAUTION:** Use Allen 302DN only in accordance with local motor vehicle and traffic regulations.

- To avoid damage to rear door or trunk, do not open trunk or rear door when hooks or rack are in place.
- Install rack and load bicycles only at a safe distance away from moving traffic.
- Only rubber feet and rack should come into contact with car.
- Make sure that all of rack and bicycles are kept at a safe distance from road and hot exhaust.
- Remove rack from car when not in use.

## A. SETTING UP / ASSEMBLING RACK:

The 302DN ships with the bottom foot uninstalled. Please follow the steps below to assemble your rack and get ready to ride. Note: Two 7/16" wrenches needed for assembly.

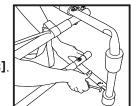
#### SETTING UP RACK

It is easiest to assemble the rack with the carry arms in a set-up position. Please follow 1-3 below.

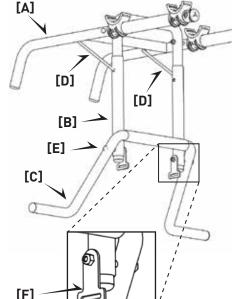
- Unfold rack and lay it on its side with Carry Arms [A] perpendicular to Middle Section [B].
  Pull up on Set Up Pins [D] to install into hole
- on Carry Arm.

Note: Use caution not to pinch your fingers.

3. Flip rack over and repeat on other side.



# INSTALLING BOTTOM FOOT ON RACK



#### **RACK PARTS**

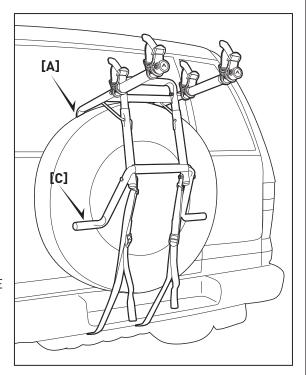
- A—CARRY ARM
- **B**—MIDDLE SECTION C—BOTTOM FOOT
- D—SET UP PINS
- E—BOTTOM STRAP BOLTS
- F-BOTTOM STRAP
- **BRACKETS**

#### INSTALLING BOTTOM FOOT

PASS BOTTOM STRAP BOLTS [E] THROUGH THE BOTTOM FOOT [C] AND TIGHTEN THE NYLON INSERT LOCK NUTS USING WRENCHES. THE THREADED ENDS OF THE BOLTS SHOULD FULLY PASS THROUGH THE NYLON LOCKING INSERTS ON THE NUTS TO ENSURE THAT THE BOLTS ARE PROPERLY SECURED. THE BOTTOM STRAP BRACKETS [F] SHOULD BE LOCATED ON THE INSIDE OF THE MIDDLE SECTION [B] AS SHOWN TO THE LEFT.

## **B.** INSTALLING RACK ON VEHICLE:

- 1. ONLY USE RACK ON REAR MOUNTED EXTERNAL SPARE TIRES INSTALLED ON STANDARD AUTOMOBILES AND TRUCKS. NEVER USE RACK ON TRAILERS OR RV'S. MAKE SURE THAT SPARE TIRE IS SECURELY ATTACHED AND FULLY INFLATED.
- 2. BEFORE INSTALLING, REMOVE ANY SPARE TIRE COVERS THAT MAY BE DAMAGED BY RACK.
- 3. COMPLETELY HOOK TOP FOOT/ CARRY ARM ASSEMBLY [A] OVER THE TOP OF SPARE TIRE. POSITION RACK WITH CARRY ARMS INCLINED SLIGHTLY UPWARDS AND HIGH ENOUGH TO KEEP TAIL LIGHTS VISIBLE
- 4. BOTTOM FOOT ASSEMBLY [C] MUST BE HELD AGAINST THE TIRE IN A FULLY EXTENDED POSITION.
- 5. COMPLETELY HOOK BOTTOM HOOKS TO A METAL EDGE BELOW BUMPER, OR AT THE BOTTOM OF THE REAR DOOR.
- 6. OPENING REAR DOOR SLIGHTLY CAN MAKE IT EASIER TO ATTACH BOTTOM HOOKS.
- 7. IF THERE IS NO METAL EDGE AT THE BOTTOM OF REAR DOOR, LOOK FOR A METAL EDGE BELOW THE BUMPER. ALTERNATIVELY, THE STRAPS CAN BE LOOPED AROUND BAR STYLE BUMPERS.
- 8. COMPLETELY TIGHTEN BOTTOM STRAPS BY PULLING ON FREE END OF STRAPS UNTIL ELASTIC PORTION OF STRAPS ARE COMPLETELY STRETCHED.





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#### C. LOADING BICYCLES ON RACK:

- 1. REMOVE ALL LOOSE ITEMS FROM BICYCLES (PUMPS, BAGS, ETC.), AND CHECK THAT ALL QUICK RELEASE HUBS ARE TIGHT.
- 2. LOAD FIRST BICYCLE INTO THE FIRST TIE-DOWN POSITION (THE ONE CLOSEST TO VEHICLE) WITH ITS CHAIN AND GEARS FACING AWAY FROM RACK. MAKE SURE THAT BICYCLES DO NOT COME IN CONTACT WITH VEHICLE.
- 3. LOAD SUBSEQUENT BICYCLES IN ALTERNATING DIRECTIONS. FOR BEST WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION, LOAD HEAVIEST BICYCLES FIRST, WITH LIGHTER BICYCLES ON THE OUTSIDE. ADD PADDING BETWEEN BICYCLE CONTACT POINTS, IF NECESSARY.

4. AFTER BICYCLES ARE LOADED, CHECK THAT ENTIRE RACK IS SECURE, AND THAT THE RACK IS FIRMLY IN PLACE. VISION OUT OF REAR WINDOW MAY BE RESTRICTED—USE SIDE MIRRORS ACCORDINGLY WHEN BACKING UP.

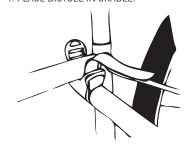
#### SPECIAL NOTE ON INSTALLING WOMEN'S STYLE FRAMES:

PLACE ONE CARRY ARM UNDER FRONT TOP TUBE. WITH THE OTHER CARRY ARM, ROTATE TIE-DOWN CRADLE, AND PLACE CARRY IN SPACE BEHIND SEAT TUBE AND BELOW REAR DOWN-STAY. THE **ALLEN 900B ADAPTOR BAR** IS ALSO RECOMMENDED FOR THIS APPLICATION.

## D. SECURING BIKES TO RACK:

ALL BIKES MUST BE SECURELY TIED TO RACK. USE INDIVIDUAL TIE-DOWN STRAPS, OR ADDITIONAL STRAPS IF NECESSARY.

1. PLACE BICYCLE IN CRADLE.



2. THREAD STRAPS.



3. PULL STRAP TIGHT.





SECURE FRONT WHEEL OF INSIDE BICYCLE WITH EXCESS BOTTOM STRAP, OR ADDITIONAL STRAPS TO PREVENT WHEEL FROM COMING INTO CONTACT WITH VEHICL F

# **ALLEN LIFETIME WARRANTY:**

IF AN ALLEN BIKE RACK IS FOUND TO HAVE A DEFECT IN WORKMANSHIP OR MATERIAL OVER THE LIFETIME OF THE ORIGINAL PURCHASER, ALLEN WILL REPAIR OR REPLACE THE RACK FREE OF CHARGE. THE WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER DAMAGE OR WEAR WHICH OCCURS AS A RESULT OF DAY TO DAY USE OR GENERAL WEAR AND TEAR.

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