



Built-in Driver Backrest for GL1800 (2001-2017)



A driver's backrest that becomes part of your seat. No bars in the way of the driver's hips and legs or passenger's legs. Folds forward to ease passenger getting on or off and adds to safety by getting out of the way in sudden stops. Includes up and down height adjustments, as well as driver seating position, back and forth, to help driver sit upright to avoid slouching, a big factor in driver fatigue.

Backrest is concaved and pivots at the top of bar as you lean against it so no uncomfortable edges dig into your back. Well padded with foam, but only 1 1/2" thick which takes up less seating room than most other driver backrests. Comes with a handy pouch and shoulder strap to enable conversion to a shoulder bag.

INSTALLS IN MINUTES WITHOUT TAKING OFF SEAT COVER !

Available for most motorcycle stock seats only and comes with stock stitching to match closely to your seat.

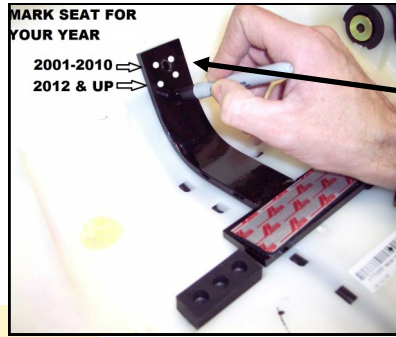
OPTIONS: Upper Bar Cover; For passenger who would feel more secure with padded bar..
Quick-Out Bar; Seldom needed, but available when frequent removal of backrest is desired.

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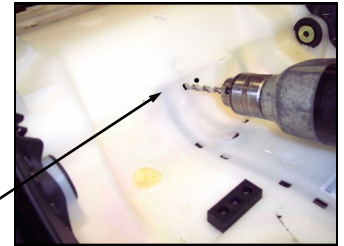
Utopia Built-in Driver Backrest Installation

Simply follow these step by step instructions, viewing procedures in the pictures. Use additional sheet with these instructions for heated seat.



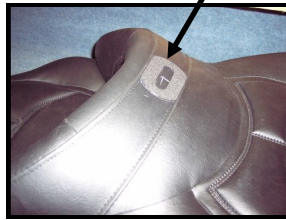
Step 1 Lay hole end of T-Bar flush against seat base to mark holes. T end will be off seat base up to about 1/4" and flat part of bar will rest on raised hole already in seat base. Use the holes for your year Goldwing.

Step 2 Drill 9/32" holes in seat base. NOTE- SHADOW IS NOT A WIRE! It is where the front and rear foam meet

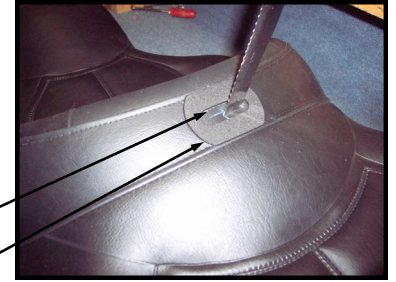


Step 3: Measure from front of seat back 2". Feel for and measure foam, not loose seat cover. Mark and center side to side. Will be approx. centered between the real thread on band between front and rear seat on GL1800

Step 4: Stick boot in place centered over mark you just made on your seat.



Step 5: With a long serrated knife cut hole through boot and cover 1 1/2" wide into foam, **clearing foam** from area where you just drilled in step 2. boot will keep you from cutting too wide.

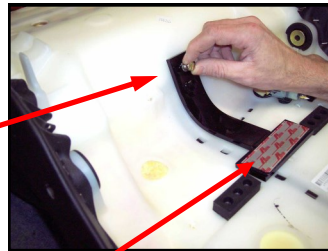


Slit will not tear more under normal use.

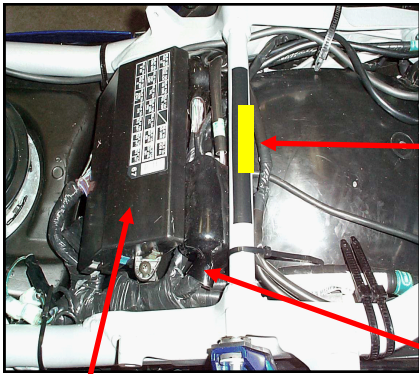
Step 6: Slide inside bar into slit, from top of seat, through Boot



Step 7: Turn seat upside down. Push down on seat compressing foam and line up holes through T-Bar, seat base and inside bar. Insert bolts through lock washer, Bottom T-Bar, seat base and into Inside Bar threaded holes and tighten.



Step 8. Pull Velcro on T-Bar apart, peel off backing and stick in center of cross frame (highlighted). This protects cross frame and adds to rigidity of backrest.



Tuck wires in here.

Step 9 Tuck all wiring in area, down between cross frame and black wiring junction box, to assure no wire gets pinched.



Step 10: Install bar attached to pad to tube now sticking out of seat. Slide in bolt furnished and tighten bolts. Make tight enough that backrest will stay in place, but will still hinge back and forth.

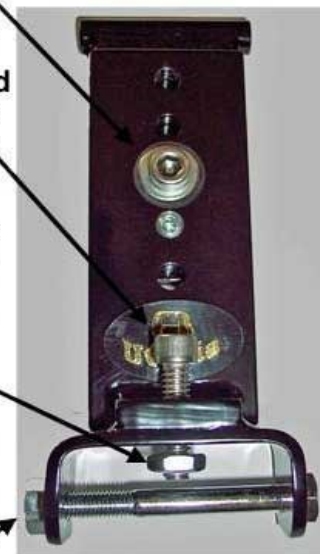
Backrest Adjustments

Height Screw

Turn Position Screw in to Adjust Forward out to Adjust Rearward.

Position Lock Nut and Prevents over Rearward Adjustment

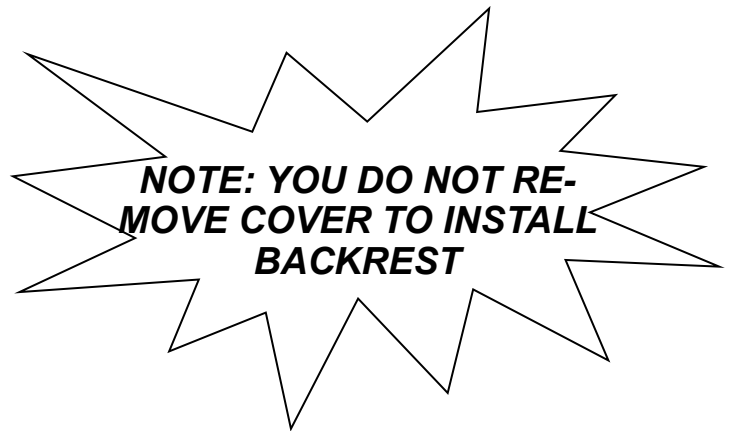
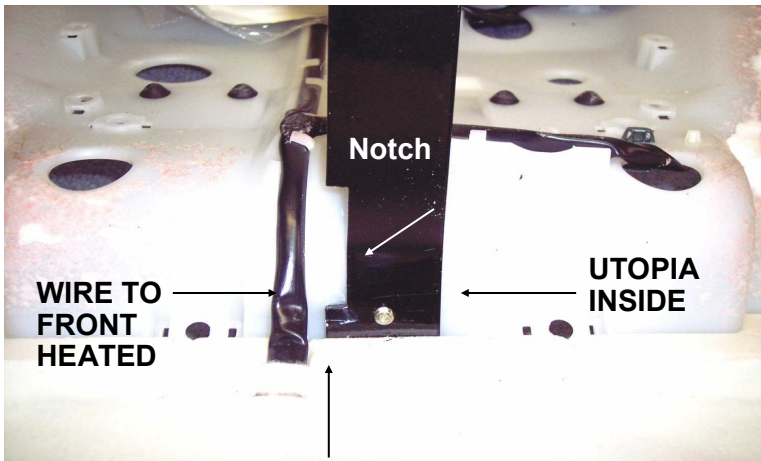
Tighten Hinge Locknut to Keep where Set but still be able to Hinge Fore and Aft



NOTE FOR GL1800 HEATED SEATS

Installs same as all GL1800 seats without heated seat, with the following precaution. The installed Utopia inside bar is shown below with the foam and cover removed. This is only so you know what's inside—you do not need to remove the seat cover! Wires DO NOT interfere with Installation. When making the slit in foam, just aim for the holes you drilled in Step 2 on installation instructions, not making slit any wider than the needed 1 1/2". The ridge of the channel that protects the wire will stop your knife from cutting too wide. Be sure to direct the serrated edge AWAY from the wire. As long as you don't go wild with the knife, you will not touch the wire. Not a problem if you bump the wire, as the wire is wrapped with rubber tubing.

FRONT VIEW OF INSIDE BAR

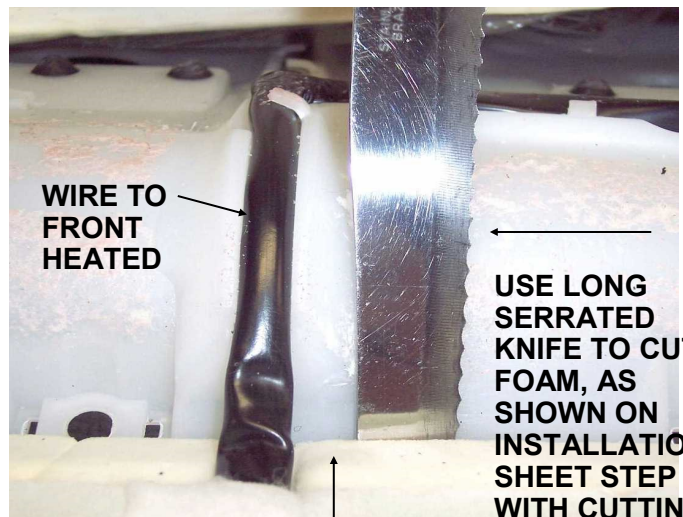
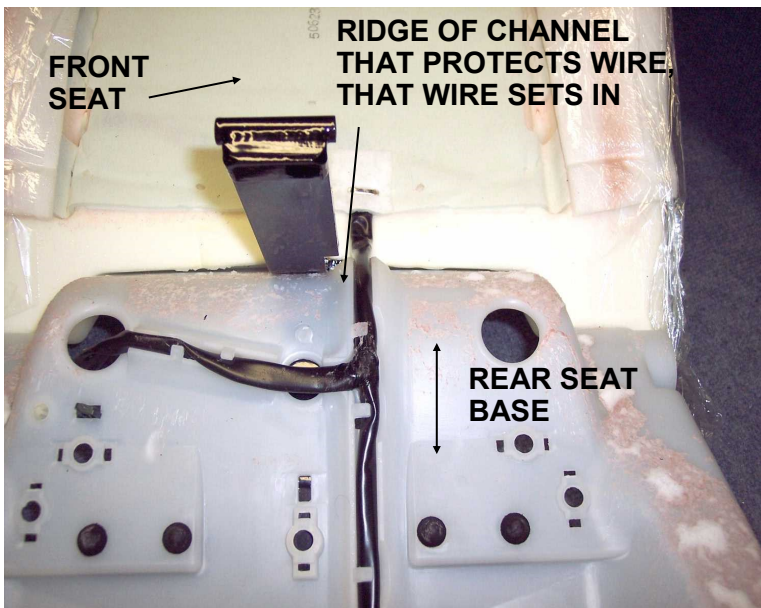


FRONT SEAT →

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*Note: Be sure the inside bar you have is notched as you see above, for wiring. If not you have older bar designed for 2001-2005, though notched bar will fit all years. We have also found some late model year 2005 have the 2006 seat. If so, you should also have the notched bar.

REAR VIEW OF INSIDE BAR



USE LONG SERRATED KNIFE TO CUT FOAM, AS SHOWN ON INSTALLATION SHEET STEP 5 WITH CUTTING EDGE AWAY FROM WIRE

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YOU CAN ALSO FLIP SEAT ON IT'S SIDE TO EXPOSE SEAT BOTTOM, AND SEE KNIFE AND WIRE THROUGH PLASTIC SEAT BASE, AS YOU CLEAR FOAM FROM AREA WHERE THE INSIDE BAR INSTALLS.