



## Adjustable Windshield Mount

KTM 1290 SA 2017 - Up

*Please read this entire manual before proceeding with installation.*

### What is in the box:

- (1) KTM 1290 brackets set
- (1) Aluminum crossbar
- (2) M6 x 12 screws
- (2) M6 flat washers
- (4) M5 x 12 screws
- (4) M5 lock washers
- (4) M5 flat washers
- (4) M5 x 30 truss screws
- (4) plastic flat washers
- (10) rubber washers

### **Tools Needed:**

- T-30 Torx (star) driver
- #2 Phillips screwdriver



These MadStad adjustable windshield brackets are designed to bolt to the factory windshield mounting points and the factory shield (or any other aftermarket shield made for the 1290 SA) attaches to the front of our brackets.

## INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

The MadStad brackets attach to the stock windshield mounting holes. Before you begin installation, lower the stock shield all the way down, lock the factory height adjusters in place and remove the stock shield using a T-30 Torx driver or bit. (You will not need these screws for the MadStad brackets.)

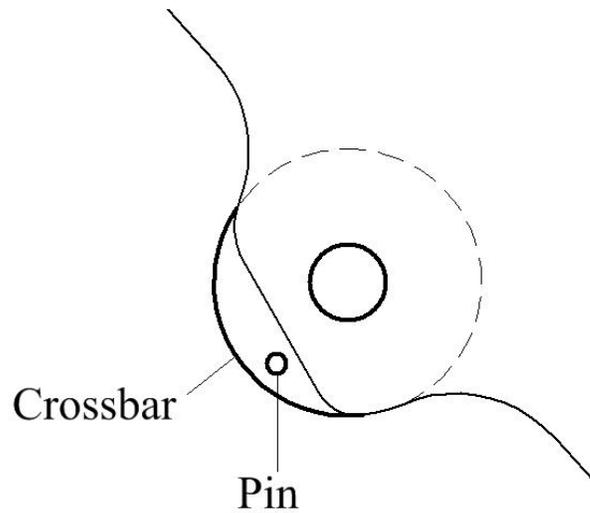
**BRACKETS:** – Attach the MadStad brackets to the factory windshield mounting points. Use the M5 Phillips screws, lock washers and flat washers that came with the kit. First slide an M5 lock washer then a flat washer onto each M5 screw, and run that through our bracket mounting holes and into the threaded factory holes. The adjustment knobs and windshield mounting tabs should face inward toward the center of the bike (see image at right).

**NOTE:** Turn the factory height adjustment knobs to lower the factory brackets to their lowest position. You will be able to use the MadStad adjustment knobs to control both height and angle.



## Crossbar

The crossbar gets installed between the two brackets as seen in the photo below. There is a small protruding pin on one side of the bar that must be placed outside of the brackets to keep the crossbar from rotating. The diagram below shows how to place the pin before screwing in the bar.

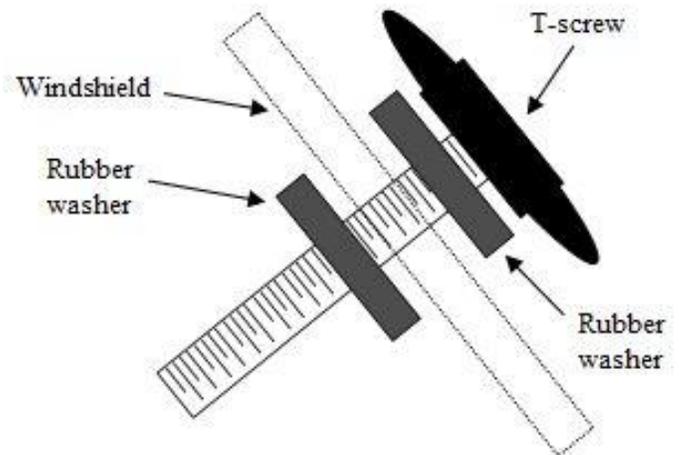


Use the M6 x 12mm button head screws with flat washers to secure the crossbar on both sides.

## Windshield Installation

Once installation is complete, the windshield attaches to the front of the brackets with T-screws and rubber washers. Make sure the adjustable front brackets are both set at the same height and angle.

Insert all four T-screws and washers into the four windshield holes before attempting to attach the windshield onto the brackets. Set them up as shown in the diagram at right. Once they are all set in then you can set the shield over the brackets and run the T-screws into the well nuts. The rubber well nuts are flexible and shield holes are oversized so you can nudge the shield around to align the T-screws with the well nuts. Tighten only until the well nuts begin to swell up and the shield is snug against the brackets. Over tightening can damage the rubber well nuts.



**DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN THE SHIELD SCREWS!** The rubber well nuts cannot be pulled up out of the brackets, even if they are not tight, so tighten only until the well nuts begin to swell up and the shield is snug against the brackets. Over tightening can damage the rubber well nuts.

## **Adjusting the MadStad Brackets**

The knob screws release the brackets allowing the windshield to slide and tilt. These knob screws must always be tightened securely before riding. **DO NOT** attempt to adjust the brackets while riding! You must come to a complete stop before making adjustments. Also make sure that you do not set the windshield in such a way that causes your handlebars or hand guards (if installed) to hit the windshield when turning, or before reaching full lock.

To make adjustments, loosen the knobs 1-2 turns and set the windshield so the top edge is at about your chin level as you look straight ahead while seated on the bike. Set the angle at approximately 60 degrees. (Use the angle guide on the back page of this manual as a guide.) Tighten the knobs and go for a ride to see if you now have smooth airflow over and around your helmet. Do this on a calm day if at all possible; windy days make it hard to judge the airflow. Don't ever try to adjust the mount while in motion!

To try a different windshield position, bring the motorcycle to a complete stop and out of traffic. Loosen the two knob screws and tilt the windshield forward or back 2-3 degrees or so, and/or adjust it up or down if necessary. Re-tighten the knobs and go for another ride.

Continue experimenting with different positions at different speeds until you find a combination of height and rake angle that eliminates buffeting and gives a smoother ride. You may have more than one favorite position, for example shield tilted forward on cooler days, and shield tilted back for hot days to let more air to your body.

## Notes on Windshield Angle

Most windshields work best when set at a 55-60 degree angle. We have provided an angle guide **on the back page of this manual** so that you can check and see if your shield is set somewhere in this range.

To check your shield angle, your bike should be in an upright position either on a center stand or held up by a helper. Set the spine (folded edge) of the manual against the front of the shield. If the large arrow marked  $60^\circ$  is pointing straight up, then your shield is at a 60 degree angle. (See diagram on Page 5.) A little farther back and your angle would somewhere between 55 and 60 degrees. Anywhere in this range is fine for your initial test ride. On some bikes a more vertical angle works better, so don't be afraid to experiment later if tilting the shield back doesn't seem to be ideal.

## **PIVOT SCREWS**

The MadStad mount has a pivot screw on each set of brackets, located near the center of the bottom bracket. A nylon lock nut keeps the screw snugly in place, yet allows the brackets to slide back and forth. It is adjusted at the factory to have a minimum of play yet still allow the brackets to move.

If for some reason you wish to adjust the tightness of this pivot screw or move it to an alternate pivot position, use a 4mm Allen wrench along with a 10mm socket or crescent wrench to make the adjustment. If you tighten the lock nut completely you will not be able to slide the brackets.

## **Disclaimer**

Neither MadStad Engineering nor its owners shall be liable for any damages, consequential or inconsequential, resulting from the use of our products. Installation of any of our products constitutes acceptance of these terms.

It is the responsibility of the user to make sure all fasteners are tightened securely, the windshield is mounted properly and the adjustment knobs are tightened snugly before putting the motorcycle in motion. MadStad systems ARE NOT intended to be adjusted while the vehicle is in motion; you must pull over out of the way of traffic and come to a complete stop before making any changes. The user must never place the windshield in such a position as to interfere with the safe and complete movement of the handlebars and controls.

## **Returns and Warranty**

If you are not satisfied with your new windshield system you have 30 days to return it. Full details are available on our web site at [www.madstad.com](http://www.madstad.com). If purchased from a dealer then please contact the dealer for their return policy.

MadStad adjustable brackets carry a lifetime warranty against manufacturing defects. This does not include cosmetic issues nor any parts that inherently wear out or degrade over time such as rubber and plastic parts. Windshields, deflectors and other similar plastic parts are warranted for 1 year against manufacturing defects, not against cosmetic issues or issues related to normal wear and tear.

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