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▲ GENERAL WARNING

This manual contains important information about the safe operation and maintenance of your fork.

Reading this manual entirely, and properly maintaining your bicycle and suspension fork. To ensure that your RST fork performs properly, we recommend that you have your fork installed by a qualified bicycle mechanic.

Prior to riding your bicycle, you should inspect your suspension fork to ensure that no damage has occurred during the course of riding. Do not ride your bicycle if the fork shows any signs of bending, cracking, leaking, or if it is missing any of the original supplied components. Any fall from your bicycle can result in serious injury or even death. Following these instructions can help you reduce the risk of being injured. We recommends returning your suspension fork every1year for a thorough inspection and update.

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CONSUMER SAFETY INFORMATION

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- 2.Do not add threads to a threadless steerer tube. Cutting threads will weaken the steerer tube and cause an unsafe condition. The only safe thing to do is to obtain the proper crown/steerer from your dealer, or contact RST North America warranty service center at 1-888-RST-7731.
- 3.Any other alteration or modification to your fork should be considered unsafe. Contact your dealer or RST North America warranty service center prior to modifying your fork in any way for safety information.
- 4.Do not use the RST fork if any parts are broken, bent, cracked,or you suspect may be damaged. Contact your dealer or RST North America warranty service center, if you have any question concerning the integrity or condition of your fork.
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This warranty does not cover any fork that has been subject to misuse or abuse, including but not limited to, any breakage, bending, damage caused by crashes and/or collisions, owner's neglect, improper installation, and/or assembly, improper maintenance, or other excessive, improper or abnormal conditions. This warranty does not cover paint damage.

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This product is not intended for use in stunt or acrobatics riding, ramp jumping, or similar activities, the user assumes that any personal injuries, product damage or failure, and any other losses which may arise under such using.

If for any reason warranty work is necessary, return the fork to the place of purchase. In the USA, dealers should call RST North America warranty service center at 1-888-RST-7731. Customers in countries other than USA should contact their local dealer or distributor.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

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- 3.Install the headset crown race (as per manufacturer's instructions) firmly against the top of the fork crown.
- 4. Clean and lubricate the headset bearings and races.
- 5. Insert the steerer tube into the head tube of the frame.
- 6.Install the upper bearings, stem spacers, and stem.
- 7. Install the stem cap and bolt. Tighten the bolt to headset manufacture's specifications.
- 8.Install the handlebars to desired height and torque stem pinch screws or stem clamping system to manufacturer's specifications. Adjust the headset until you feel no play and drag.
- 9.Install the brakes and adjust per the manufacturer's instructions.
- 10.Install the front wheel into the dropout counter bore. The quick release must be tightened after it is properly seated into the dropout counter bores to manufacturer's specifications.
- 11. Make sure to check the tire clearance. To check tire clearance, remove the MCU and/or spring stacks and compress the fork completely to make sure at least a 1/4"(6.4mm) of clearance exists between the top of the tire and the bottom of the crown.
- 12. Your new fork is designed to break-in during your first few rides (about 20 hours total riding time). Prior to break-in, you may notice your fork feels tight and slightly notchy. Following the break-in period, your fork will feel much smoother and will react to bumps much better than when you first put it on your bike.

IMPORTANT

RST fork should not be used if any parts appear to be or are damped. Contact you local dealer or distributor for replacement parts.

MAINTENANCE

Before every ride, please perform the following inspection:

- 1.Ensure that quick release skewers are properly adjusted and tight.
- 2. Wipe the inner legs and clean and check entire fork for any obvious damage.
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Every 4 weeks or 25-30 hours of riding or whenever the performance of the fork has diminished (whichever occurs first), perform the following procedures:

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- 2.Inspect all parts for damage such as cracks, abrasions, and normal wear. If parts are found to be damaged or excessively worn in any way, replace them immediately. Stop using this product until the damaged or worn parts have been replaced. If all the parts are in usable condition, proceed to step 3.
- 3. Apply a liberal amount of grease to the upper and lower bushing, stanchion, valve assembly, and wipers. Fill the wipe pocket with a generous amount of grease. Do not use a lithium based grease as it may damage the bushing material.

Bushing replacement:

If the event that RST fork founded excessive play between the stanchion and outer leg, the bushing will need to be replaced.

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Replacing bushing requires special tools to remove and install the bushing properly. RST strongly recommends this work shall be done by a qualified mechanic with the proper tools. Improperly installed bushings are extremely dangerous and can result in serious and / or fatal injuries.

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Design concept

- *No tired of wires, clean & simple.
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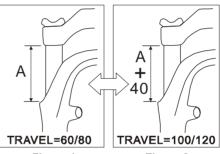


Figure-1 Figure-2

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