



# Longtail Kit

**We congratulate and thank you** for joining the ranks of Xtracycle Longtail owners – people around the world discovering happier, hipper, friendlier, richer ways to get around.

**Every Day Adventure** is about getting the most out of life, in the most unexpected ways, and making the world a better place while we're at it. This kit is your essential toolbox to get your longtail lifestyle in gear - we hope you find these products exceedingly well designed, yet simple and practical. That's the essence of Longtail Technology - the original longtail standard that's built on simplicity, functionality, and quality. Enjoy!

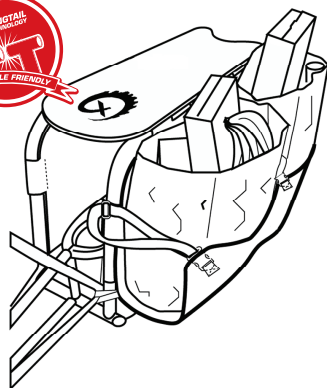
## Contents of the Longtail Kit

### Snap Deck

- Serves as loading platform & passenger seat
- Tensions V-Racks
- Acts as a fender (use true fenders for seriously wet conditions)

### V-Racks & FreeLoaders

- Keep your load away from your wheel
- Add rigidity to entire load-hauling assembly
- Flexible cargo space allows for dizzying array of loads
- Open ends & expandable girth enable you to carry

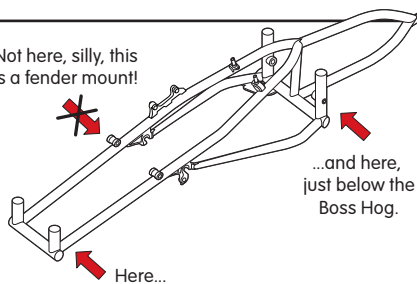


## STEP 1 FreeLoader Installation

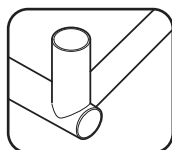
Making sure you install them correctly is essential to getting the most out of your Xtracycle.

First, take a look at your frame and locate the FreeLoader mounts, if you have any. They will be small threaded holes mounted on the frame. The diagram at right details the

Not here, silly, this is a fender mount!



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Bare Tubes

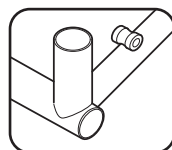
Frames purchased before August 2008 require retrofit kit (part no. FL-RET-08) to work with FL-07 and FL-08 model FreeLoaders

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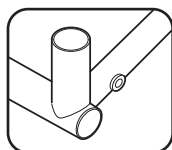


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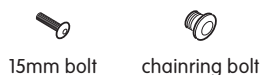


Rack Mount



Flush Mount

#### STANDARD KIT INCLUDES:



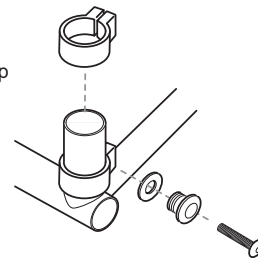
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## Longtail Kit Installation Continued

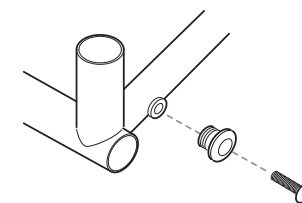
### STEP 2a Retrofit Kit - Bare Tube

You may need to open up the clamp for the front tube.

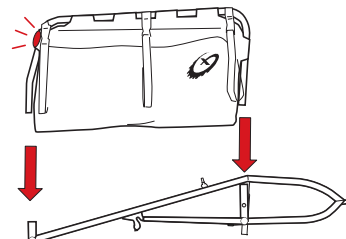
Place it as far down as it will go.



### STEP 2b Standard Kit Rack & Flush Mounts



**STEP 3** Insert the V-racks into the frame, being sure to insert them completely.

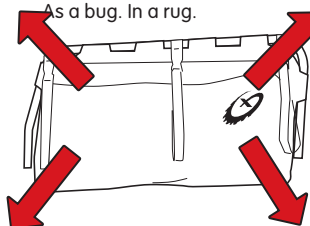


**STEP 4** Snap the D-ring of the FreeLoader strap over the mount, then tighten the other end of the strap.

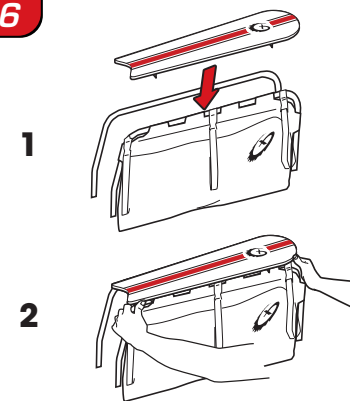
### STEP 5

Important! To get the best performance out of your Xtracycle, make sure the straps are well tensioned and that everything is snug.

As a bug. In a rug.



### STEP 6



Press the snap deck into place one side at a time. It will be easier to insert one side first, then the other. Be careful not to pinch your fingers. The front of the deck should line up with the front of the V-racks.



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**You're finished! Enjoy your ride!**

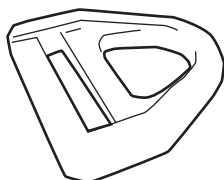


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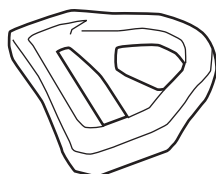
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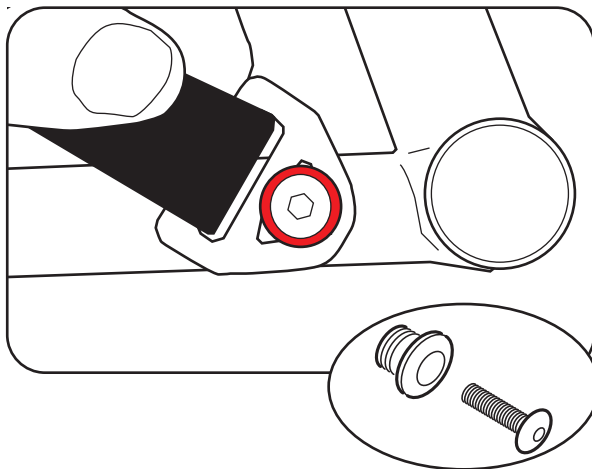
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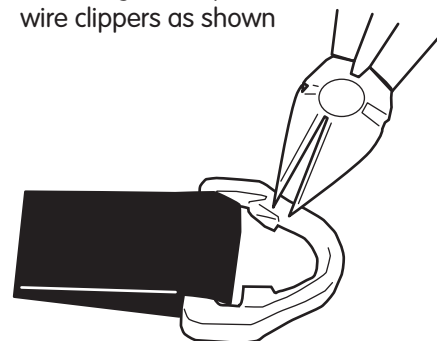
Abnormal D-ring



**Bolting option:**  
Bolt the D-ring in place  
with the provided chainring bolt and 5mm bolt



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wire clippers as shown



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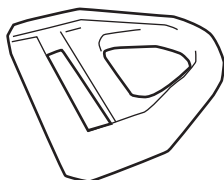


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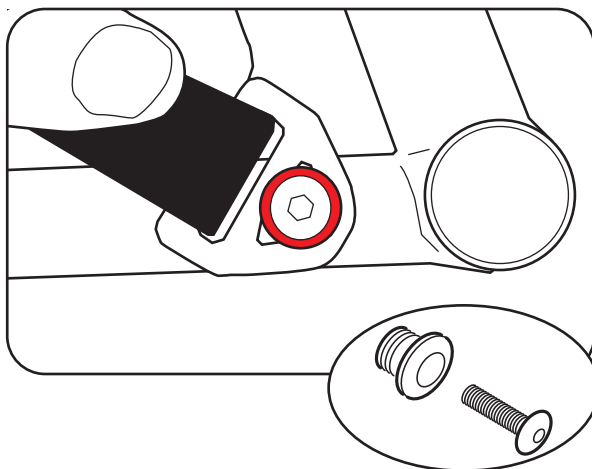
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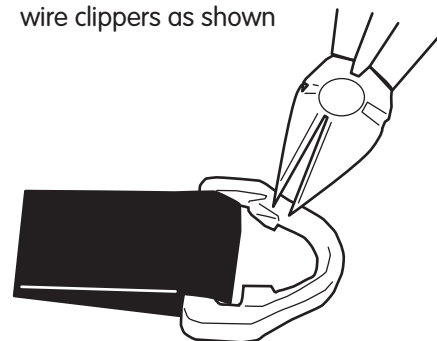
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