Instructions for the Original Cougar Saddle and the Cougar Saddle with Batten Seat

To Replace the Rope Bridge or Rubber Bumpers:

Disassembling the Cougar Saddle

1. Unlatch the Velcro® on the leg strap (a) or batten seat (b) and unbuckle the strap completely. Remove the slide that’s on the quick-link buckle. Pull the leg strap through the leg strap connector (n), as shown in figure A. If completely removing to change from the leg straps (a) to the batten seat (b) or vise versa, flip the saddle over, remove the saddle’s leg straps (a) or batten seat (b). First, undo the accessory elastic strap (c) by running it back through the ladder lock (d) on the saddle’s back.

2. Repeat the same procedure with the other leg strap (a) or batten seat (b).

3. Unbuckle the buckle on the waist back for the rope bridge adjustment strap (e), as shown in figure B1. Pull the adjustment strap (f) through the side dee (g), through the nylon loop (h), through the elastic loop (i) and through the ring (j) on the rope bridge, as shown in figure B2.
4. Repeat the same procedure with the other side of the rope bridge adjustment strap (f).

5. Now it’s time to take apart the rope bridge (k). Pull the rope bridge (k) through one end of the loop rope bridge section of the rope bridge (see figure C1) and through the ring (j) (see figure C2). Then, do the same with the other side. Now the rubber bumpers (l) will slide off.

Reassembling the Cougar Saddle

1. Slide the rope bridge loop (o) through the ring (j), then slide the opposite rope bridge loop (o) through the first rope bridge loop (o), as shown in figure D, and pull tight.

2. Slide the four rubber bumpers (l) on the rope bridge (k).

3. Now, slide the rope bridge loop (o) through the other ring (j), then pull the opposite leg strap connector (n) with attached ring (j) through the rope bridge loop (o). Please note: It is important when attaching the rope bridge (k) back to the saddle that the looped parts on each side of the rope bridge (k) are facing outward.

4. Take the rope bridge adjustment strap (f) and run it back through the ring (j), through the elastic loop (i), through the nylon loop (h), through the side dee (g) and through the buckle (e) on the waist back, as shown in figure E.

5. Repeat the same procedure for the other side.

6. Run leg strap or batten seat through the leg strap or batten seat connectors (n), through the slide (that was removed) on the leg strap buckles or batten seat buckles and attach Velcro®. Make sure the elastic straps on the leg straps or batten seat are towards the saddle back and the buckle is on the outside.

7. Repeat procedure on the other side.

8. If leg straps or batten seat was completely removed, flip saddle over. Run the accessory elastic strap (c) back through the ladder lock (d) on the saddle’s waist back. You’ll run it through the first slot and back through the second slot.

9. Repeat the procedure on the other side.

For live action instructions, see our video on YouTube at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgLwTaDHjfo.
Use, Maintenance & Warning INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING

A fall could result in serious injury or death.
Do not use without proper training.
Read, understand and follow all instructions.

**DO NOT REMOVE PLASTIC WARNING TAGS ATTACHED TO EQUIPMENT**

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**Cougar Rope Bridge**
**Extra Wide Back Saddle with Memory Foam**

Please read all information on this card carefully before using product.

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A qualified person must inspect this equipment every 6 months. Mark the month of the current year if the item passes inspection. Remove it from service if it is not inspected every 6 months. If it fails inspection, remove it at once and replace.

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**Cougar Rope Bridge**
**Extra Wide Back Saddle with Memory Foam**

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Use, Maintenance & Warning

INSTRUCTIONS

Important: Only authorized replacement parts from Weaver Leather should be used on the Cougar Rope Bridge Extra Wide Back Saddle with Memory Foam. The use of unauthorized replacement parts will void Weaver Leather’s Warranty.

- This item is for use by properly trained professionals only.
- The use of locking snap hooks is required.
- Occupational Protective Equipment (OPE) must only be used for the specific purpose for which it is designed and intended.
- OPE must be destroyed if subjected to impact loading.
- Always visually check that all buckles are properly closed before use.
- Always visually check that: 1) each snap hook freely engages D-ring or anchor point, 2) keeper is completely closed with each use. NEVER rely solely on the feel or sound of a snap hook engaging.
- Before each use check for the following types of damage: 1) burns, cuts, cracks, tears or abrasions, undue stretching, mildew, operational defects, acid or other corrosion, broken stitching or excessive wear, 2) bent, loose or missing rivets, 3) distorted or cracked buckles and D-rings, 4) if there is a tongue buckle, that the tongue does not bind on the buckle and buckle holes are not damaged, 5) ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY REMOVE FROM SERVICE, DESTROY AND DISCARD BELT OR HARNESS IF IT FAILS INSPECTION.
- This item is for personal use only, NOT for towing or hoisting.
- All snap hooks attached to D-rings must have less than 3/4” (19mm) throat openings.
- NEVER attach ladder or rebar hooks to D-rings.
- NEVER attach multiple snap hooks to a D-ring.
- NEVER punch additional holes or alter any belt or harness in any way.
- If there is danger of a fall, never work without independent fall arrest protection.
- Employer - Must instruct employee as to the proper use, warnings and choice of suitable anchor points before using this equipment.
- Read, understand and follow all instructions and cautions attached to and/or packed with this and all occupational protective equipment before each use.
- This equipment not for bungee jumping or any recreational use.

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Type II Positioning & Suspension Saddle

▼▼ For Positioning & Suspension Use Only ▼▼

- This belt is for tree-trimming professional use only. Consult and follow ANSI Z-133.1 regulations.
- This product is to be used for positioning and suspension only, NOT FOR FALL ARREST.
- The use of fall arrest equipment is highly recommended in conjunction with this belt.
- Attach only connecting devices meeting government standards as outlined in ANSI #A10.14 1991 for positioning and suspension to belt D-rings.
- Attach only positioning connecting devices on waist belt D-rings. Attach only suspension connecting devices on seat strap D-rings.
- Positioning and suspension anchor points must support user’s weight plus all additional job related load.
- NOTE: 25 lbs. (11.3 kg) is the maximum load capacity for accessory hook and accessory ring.
- Store this equipment in a clean, dry place away from direct sunlight. Do not allow this equipment to come in contact with acids, petroleum products or solvents.

Please see the reverse side for the Cougar Rope Bridge Extra Wide Back Saddle six month inspection chart
The daily inspection and warnings mentioned in the “Use, Maintenance & Warning Instructions” included with the Cougar Saddle are especially important with the Rope Bridge.

The Cougar Saddle is designed to allow users to replace the Rope Bridge at the first sign of fray, cuts, cracks, tears, nicks, abrasion, unraveling, excessive wear or exposure to shock loading.

If the Rope Bridge shows any of the above signs, REPLACE IMMEDIATELY!

Due to rigorous strain the rope bridge endures, it should be replaced at the early signs of wear or every six months, whichever comes first.

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