

# SNOWMOBILE COVER HINTS AND TIPS

## **WARNING! FAILURE TO READ MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO YOUR COVER OR MACHINE!**

### DEALERS PLEASE NOTE:

Always try to use the correct cover for your machine. The cover was designed with a certain model in mind taking into account overall fit, reinforcements on key areas, and standard features of the machine. It is also fit considering accessory attachments. Please remember that we can not make a cover work with every accessory. You will need to exercise judgement when selling a cover for a modified machine. Drastic changes to the machine include the addition of handlebar risers and hooks, windshields, and tunnel traction accessories. If accessories that are not offered standard on the machine are added there are certain steps that can be taken to help prolong the life of your cover. Remember; Damage due to normal wear and tear on the cover is not a warrantable defect. We ask that you use your best judgement when selecting a cover and adding accessories. To inspect for a cover that has been used on the wrong machine certain factors will be evident. Some of these factors include uneven wear from one side of the cover to another; windshields, bumpers, and seat backs wearing or marking in areas they were not designed to be.

**PRIOR TO INSTALLING YOUR COVER:** NOTE: We cannot guarantee our cover will fit with all accessories. It is most important to exercise good judgement. Below are some suggestions that may or may not apply to your cover and machine.

- \* If adding handlebar hooks be sure that the reinforcement on the cover falls on the end of the handlebar if it does not we suggest using a glove, balaclava, or even a cut open tennis ball placed on the end of the handlebar to prevent any pre-mature wear on this high stress area.
- \* If adding tunnel traction accessories such as roll grips or footwell pads be sure the cover does not rest against an abrasive portion of the plate if it does please use practical judgement. We suggest protecting the cover by using a piece of garden hose, or foam pipe insulation with a slit down the middle placed over the abrasive area on the edge of the footwell.

### INSTALLING YOUR COVER:

- \* Place the cover over the handlebars first, then the front connecting the buckles around the spindles, and finish with the back. To remove; reverse the process. Do not over stretch or jerk at cover.
- \* Be sure the gas cap is completely opened and closed prior to trailering
- \* The hooks should be attached to the suspension, if they must be attached to the track it is suggested to place them at the furthest point of the track in the event of the track shifting or rolling the cover will not be ripped. These hooks should be tightened evenly on all sides with approx. 20 lbs. of pressure. Give the rear strap an extra tug and cinch the straps again. This will help locate the cover and pre load the webbing for stretch.

### TRAILERING OF YOUR COVER:

- \* When trailering long distances it is suggested to periodically check the tension of the hooks and the location of the gas cap zipper as they may become loose. Adjust as necessary. If it is found that the gas cap zipper will not stay closed we suggest using a safety pin through the tab of the zipper pull. This problem has been improved upon as of the '03 production model year incorporating velcro that the zipper pull tab should be placed in between.

### CARE/CLEANING OF YOUR COVER:

- \* Do not install your cover on a dirty unit. Dirt and grime caught between the cover and the machine may result in dulling of the finish. To clean the cover, use mild soap and water and if necessary apply with a scrub brush and rinse with clean water. For best results do so while the cover is installed on the unit. Drip dry.
- \* Do not store covers in direct sunlight; intense heat and salt build up may result in a breakdown of the cotton fibers of your cover. If the cover must be stored outdoors it is suggested to do so in a shaded area, do not install atop over the covered machine, doing so will not allow the canvas to breathe and will rapidly increase the tendering of the material.

### CHECKING FOR FLAWS IN THE CANVAS:

- \* A flaw in the canvas is a legitimate claim. This is not common due to the fact that the material must go through many steps in the production process before it is at the end user. To check for a legitimate claim vs. a rip caused by the user due to wear and tear misuse or improper installation is quite simple. An actual flaw in the canvas will be completely black all the way through where as a rip will be white on the inside threads or the center of the rip. This is due to the fact that the canvas is dyed after it is woven, so any flaws will be dyed also.

### AFTER FINAL WINTER USE:

Remove tie straps and hose down thoroughly both inside and out to remove all road salt and dirt.

Reinstall cover after clothesline drying. (Do not machine dry.)

Do not store machine in direct sun with this cover on. Either remove cover or shade machine and cover.

Prolonged exposure to direct sunlight, heat and salt build-up can result in a breakdown of the cotton fibers in your cover. Damage due to prolonged exposure to direct sunlight cannot be warrantied.

### \*HINTS FOR INSTALLATION: (SEE ILLUSTRATIONS)

To quick click straps around spindles, place cover over handle bars and then pull the cover over the front. Pull the webbing and click the side release buckle before pulling the cover over the seat. This allows the strap to pull forward.

To prevent hooks from catching when installing the cover, place hook back into the hardware after hook is removed from suspension.

Open and close gas cap before trailering placing the tab of the zipper between the two pieces of velcro securely.

Do not use cover on the wrong machine!

For covers with elasticized hem: Check cover tension periodically during trailering.

Loose or flapping cover will cause damage! For machines with shorter tracks such as 136"-144" it is suggested for better performance to adjust the elastic sewn into the cover to be taught before trailering do so by installing the cover, pulling the knot in the elastic as far out as possible and retie the knot large enough not to slip inside the sewn edge. Check to see if the cover can be removed and reinstalled at the rear. Cut and sear the edge with a lighter.

Carefully read and understand instructions before trailering.

