

HELMET OWNER'S MANUAL



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(Snell Memorial Foundation)

CE, EN1078

(Europe Safety Standard)

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ABOUT THE LIMITS OF YOUR HELMET

Your helmet will not protect against injury in all types of accidents. Even while wearing a helmet, low speed accidents may result in serious head injury or death.

Because every accident scenario is different, it is impossible to know whether use of a helmet will provide partial or complete protection. Studies have shown that you are better off with a helmet than without one.

A bicycle helmet does not protect what it doesn't cover, and as noted it may not protect what it does cover. A bicycle helmet will not protect against injuries to the spine, neck, or face.

WARNING: No protective headgear can protect the helmet wearer against all foreseeable impacts.

Specialized recommends that you choose a helmet which provides the most coverage, as a helmet that covers more of your head may provide additional protection. Always wear your bicycle helmet low in the front to protect the forehead. Studies have shown that area is mostly likely to be impacted in a bicycle crash. Make sure the helmet fits snugly and is tightly fastened at all times.

ABOUT YOUR HELMET

The Specialized helmet is one of the lightest, coolest, most comfortable helmets available. Your helmet is intended to reduce the harmful effects of a blow to the head. Accordingly, the helmet is very carefully constructed, and inspected repeatedly during the manufacturing process.

It is extremely important to familiarize yourself with the proper use and care of your new helmet. To do its job, this helmet must fit properly, be worn properly, and be properly fastened.

ABOUT THE WARNINGS: This manual and the stickers inside your helmet contain many instructions and warnings about your helmet. It is important for you to understand everything communicated in them before your first ride. If you do not, please contact your authorized Specialized retailer with any questions you may have. Also, failure to follow any of the provided instructions or warnings could void your warranty, and, most importantly, could result in severe personal injury or death. Because of this, we will not repeat this in regard to each warning or instruction.

WARNING: In the event of any impact or blow, do not use this helmet. There may be damage invisible to you, which may reduce the ability of the helmet to reduce the harmful effects of a blow to the head. Such a helmet should be returned to Specialized for inspection, or destroyed and replaced.

WEARING THE SPECIALIZED HELMET

THE PROPER FIT

All Specialized helmets are available in a wide range of styles and sizes designed to fit most anyone. Of course head size is independent of how old you are so select a helmet that fits you snugly with out being uncomfortably tight.



WARNING: For maximum protection, this helmet must be fitted and attached properly to the wearer's head in accordance with the following instructions. If after adjustment of the pads and retention system the helmet does not fit properly, do not use the helmet. Return it to the Dealer or Specialized.

HOW TO FIT THIS HELMET

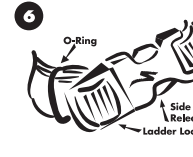
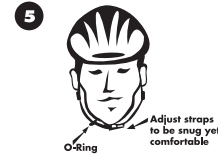
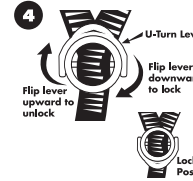
For proper use, the helmet must sit level on the head and low on the forehead in the manner shown in Diagram 1. The Specialized helmet uses a simple, quick-release buckle retention system that, once adjusted, can be buckled and unbuckled without changing the adjustment. For proper use, the straps must be snugly and evenly tensioned.

To properly fit your helmet:

- Position the helmet like in Diagram 1. Diagram 2 shows how NOT to position the helmet.
- Position the U-Turn centered, just below your ears like in Diagram 3.
- If the helmet needs to be adjusted simply flip the U-Turn lever upward and adjust the straps. You want to position the helmet so the helmet is covering your forehead and that the buckle is positioned under the chin and back against the throat. Lastly adjust the straps so they are comfortable around the ears.
- Once the U-Turn is in the proper positioning simply flip the lever downward to lock the U-Turn (Diagram 4) and you should feel a snap. When the U-Turn is in the downward position tug on the straps to make sure the U-Turn is in its fully locked position.
- With the U-Turn now locked and in the proper position as shown in Diagram 3, it is now time to adjust the strap tension at the buckle. Adjust the strap tension so that it is snug yet comfortable (Diagram 5) by pulling both strap ends through the buckle "Ladder Lock" to either tighten or loosen as needed. Use the "O-Ring" to secure any excess strap as shown in Diagram 6.



WARNING: Always make sure that your U-Turn is in the fully closed and locked position before riding your bicycle. Never use your helmet with the U-Turn in the open or unlocked position.



Here is a good test for determining if you have properly adjusted your helmet: With the helmet positioned on your head as shown in Diagram 1, you should feel the chin strap pull firmly against your chin as you open your mouth.

When all straps are evenly tensioned, buckle the chinstrap and attempt to pull the helmet off the front or rear. If your helmet moves to the front more than 1/2", increase the rear strap tension. With the chin strap tightly fastened, the helmet should not be able to be rolled backwards, forwards or side to side more than approximately 1/2".

Specialized helmets come with either the PRO Fit or FORM Fit Retention systems, which stabilizes the helmet, helping it stay in position when you ride. When properly adjusted this system will wrap around your head and cradle it with firm, but comfortable pressure.

This helmet must be of good fit and the straps adjusted properly to afford protection in the event of a blow or impact.



WARNINGS: Always make sure the retention system is properly adjusted and the buckle is properly fastened before you ride. Failure to follow this instruction could result in serious personal injury, as the helmet may not stay in position while riding or during a fall. For proper use, make sure the loose end of the strap is tucked through the rubber "O" ring.

Check for proper fit and adjustment often, including each time you wear it, and periodically during use.

Do not wear anything underneath your helmet, such as a cap, hood, bundled hair, headphones, barrettes, as the helmet may loosen or come off. Do not wear anyone else's helmet and don't loan your helmet to anyone else.

CLEANING YOUR SPECIALIZED HELMET

Use only water, mild soap and non-abrasive cloth to clean the helmet's shell, pads and retention system.



WARNING: This helmet can be damaged by contact with common substances (for example, certain solvents (ammonia), cleaners (bleach), paints, abrasives) and this damage may not be visible to the wearer. Do not use this helmet if it has been exposed to such substances.

WARNING: Do not take risks just because you are wearing a helmet.

WARNING: This helmet has been designed for recreational bicycling. This helmet has not been approved and is not intended for extreme uses such as downhill racing at high speeds, jumping or leaping with a fully suspended bicycle, snow sports, water sports, motor sports, street hockey, playground activities, or other activities where face, ear, or greater protection or coverage is desired.

This helmet has been tested and certified to meet and exceed the Bicycle Safety Standard for Bicycle Helmets, 16 CFR 1203. A copy of this regulation can be obtained by visiting CPSC.gov.



WARNING: A bicycle helmet is for bicycling only! Always wear a helmet when bicycling. When you get off your bicycle, remove your helmet. Do not wear a helmet while climbing trees, in play areas, on playground equipment, or, at any time while not riding a bicycle. Adults: Instruct children to follow this warning. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious personal injury, death by strangulation, death.



The shell of this helmet is constructed of expanded polymer foam. Ventilation holes may allow harmful objects to pass in the helmet interior.

WARNING: Do not attach anything to your helmet, including mirrors or lights.

High temperatures (above 110° F, 43° C) may melt the helmet's shell. Do not store your helmet in your car or anywhere else near a heat source. Do not use if the shell has been melted or deformed.

The protective capability of your helmet will diminish over time, dependent upon many factors such as dents, dings, and exposure to pollution, harmful chemicals, and long term exposure to the sun. The Snell Memorial Foundation recommends that helmets be replaced after five years.

Note: The useful life of your helmet may be less than five years as a result of exposure to sunlight, rough handling/storage that results in dents or cuts or as a result of heavy use.

ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

The following information pertains to helmets purchased in the USA only. For warranty information outside the USA, please contact the authorized Specialized dealer or distributor in your local market. Specialized Bicycle Components, Inc. warrants to the Original Purchaser of this product that the product is free from defects of material and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of one (1) year from the date of the original purchase. If within one (1) year from the date of the original purchase, this product is found to be defective in material or workmanship under normal use or service, Specialized Bicycle Components, Inc. will, at its sole option, repair or replace the product without charge, provided that the Original purchaser returns the product to an Authorized Dealer indicating the specific reasons for returning the product and proof of date of purchase. Specialized does not warranty any helmet damaged by heat.

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