

RITCHEY CONSUMER SAFETY NOTICE

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Subject: Ritchey WCS Carbon Fork Safety Notice

Reason:

Ritchey has identified a potential issue affecting the crown mounting point located at the top/front of certain Ritchey carbon forks (listed below). Under some circumstances, installing third-party accessories on the fork can cause the insert to loosen. If the insert becomes loose, the accessory may detach and fall onto the front tire, causing the wheel to suddenly stop and potentially lead to a crash and serious injury.



Applies To:

- Ritchey Carbon Forks
 - WCS Carbon Mountain Adventure Fork
 - WCS Carbon Brevet Road Fork
 - WCS Carbon Adventure Gravel Fork
 - WCS Carbon Tapered Adventure Gravel Fork
- Ritchey Framesets (color)
 - Montebello (Hot Sauce)
 - Septimer (Black & White)
 - Outback (Aurora and Winter Sage)

Action Required

- If your fork is currently configured with a rack or other accessory attached at the crown mount, discontinue use of - and remove - the rack or accessory immediately
- The threaded hole at the top of the fork crown is not to be used and must be closed using the approved Ritchey Fork Crown Hole Closure Kit, which will render the mounting hole unusable. Upon [request](#), Ritchey will provide the Ritchey Fork Crown Hole Closure Kit to customers free of charge.

Exceptions

- The overall structural integrity of the forks is not affected. The matter relates solely to a specific insert within the fork crown assembly.
- While no accessory can be mounted to the crown mounting point and its insert, accessories attached to the fork leg mounts remain usable.

Contact

If you have questions about your specific setup, contact Ritchey customer support at ritcheysdesign@ritcheyllogic.com for United States customers or ri_service@ritcheyllogic.com for customers outside the US.