

What Do You Need To Put a GPS On a Motorcycle?



The best way to securely mount a GPS to a motorcycle is with RAM components. These are components that encompass adjustability, durability and security.



The first item you'll need is the [Ram Ball Accessory Mount](#) built by Advanced Sport Touring, item #C14-07. This part mounts directly to the motorcycle and will determine where your GPS will be located. This Accessory Mount can be mounted in several locations. Price: \$30



The second item you'll need is a Ram Socket Arm. Several are available in varying lengths. [Double Length](#) or [Long Double Length](#). These socket arms attach directly to the Ram Ball Accessory Mount by clamping onto the ball from the Accessory Mount. This gives a tremendous amount of versatility. You can adjust it to just about any position with ease. Prices starting at \$11



The third item you'll need is a [Cradle Holder](#). Each GPS will use a different Cradle Holder so its very important to get the one that fits your particular GPS. These holders are available at <http://www.RamMount.com>. Prices starting at \$10



The fourth and last item you'll need bolts into the back of the Cradle Holder. This is the [Diamond Base with Ball](#). This is the attachment point for the Ram Socket Arm. Prices starting at \$6



With these items, you be able to safely and securely mount your GPS to your motorcycle whether it was designed for a car or one that was specifically designed for a motorcycle. Some Motorcycle GPS units may come with the Cradle Holder and Diamond Base with Ball. Each model will vary.

Most car GPS units will come with a mount meant to be attached to a windshield of a car. NEVER use this system to mount to a motorcycle. These were never meant to handle the vibration a motorcycle will create and you'll more than likely end up losing the GPS when you ride on bad pavement.



The RAM system is designed to soak up bad pavement and survive the long haul.

Many people have asked what can be done when you're using a non-waterproof GPS and you're worried about it getting destroyed in the rain.

-Products such as the [Ram Aqua Box](#) are available and offer a great way to protect your GPS. If you're looking for something on-the-cheap, keep a plastic bag handy and just place it over the GPS when it rains. I'm referring to a household plastic bag meant to have food put in it. These help for the immediate need but keep a few around because once they get wrinkled or balled up, they're really difficult to see through.



If you have any questions on the subject, let me know and I'll be happy to answer them.

*The Garmin Nuvi 755 was used for this article.

*This GPS is not waterproof and should not be left out in the rain or inclement weather without protection.

*Ram Ball Accessory Mounts and Socket Arms are conveniently sold at www.AdvancedSportTouring.com.