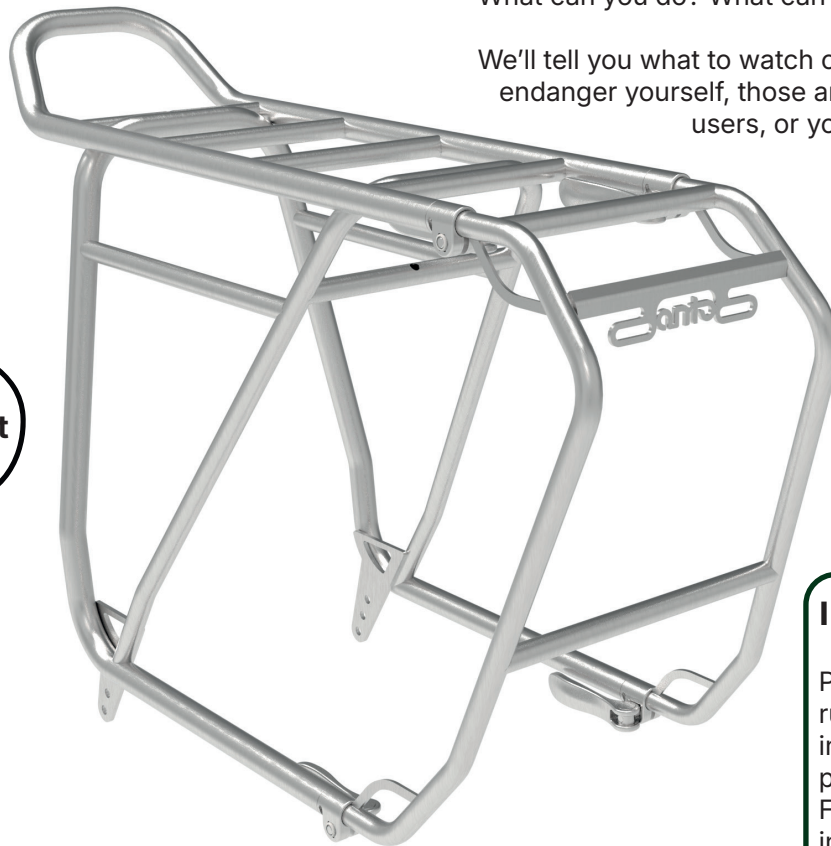


How do you handle your Tragfläche? What can it do? What can you do? What can your bike do?

We'll tell you what to watch out for so you don't endanger yourself, those around you, other road users, or your surroundings.



Here are the most important steps!



### IMPORTANT!

Please read these instructions carefully before installing and using the product for the first time. Failure to follow these instructions may result in accidents, serious injury, or property damage.

## 1. Intended use

- The Tragfläche is intended for transporting objects in accordance with the technical specifications
- Not permitted: Transporting people or animals, exceeding the maximum load capacity, using it on unsuitable surfaces, improper use

## 3. Installation & Mounting

- Install only at designated and suitable mounting points (e.g. seat stays, dropouts, fender mounts)
- Check the frame for suitability and integrity before installation
- Use only suitable and undamaged fasteners
- Observe the specified tightening torques
- Check the fit and fastenings after installation
- Not permitted: Improvised solutions or homemade constructions
- Not permitted: Modifications to the product or bicycle frame
- Improper installation can lead to system failure and accidents

## 2. Requirements & Compatibility

- Use only on bicycles with suitable and sturdy mounting points
- Check whether the bicycle and frame are suitable for a luggage rack (not all bicycles are suitable)
- Observe the maximum system weight (bicycle + rider + luggage)
- Follow the manufacturer's specifications regarding system weight
- Ideally, have installation and final inspection performed by qualified personnel
- If in doubt, consult the manufacturer's specifications, instructions or FAQ

## 4. Inspection Requirements & Maintenance

- Before each ride: Check bolts for damage and ensure they are properly installed
- Regularly: Tighten connections and inspect components for abrasion
- If any abnormalities are noticed, stop using the equipment and have it inspected by a qualified professional

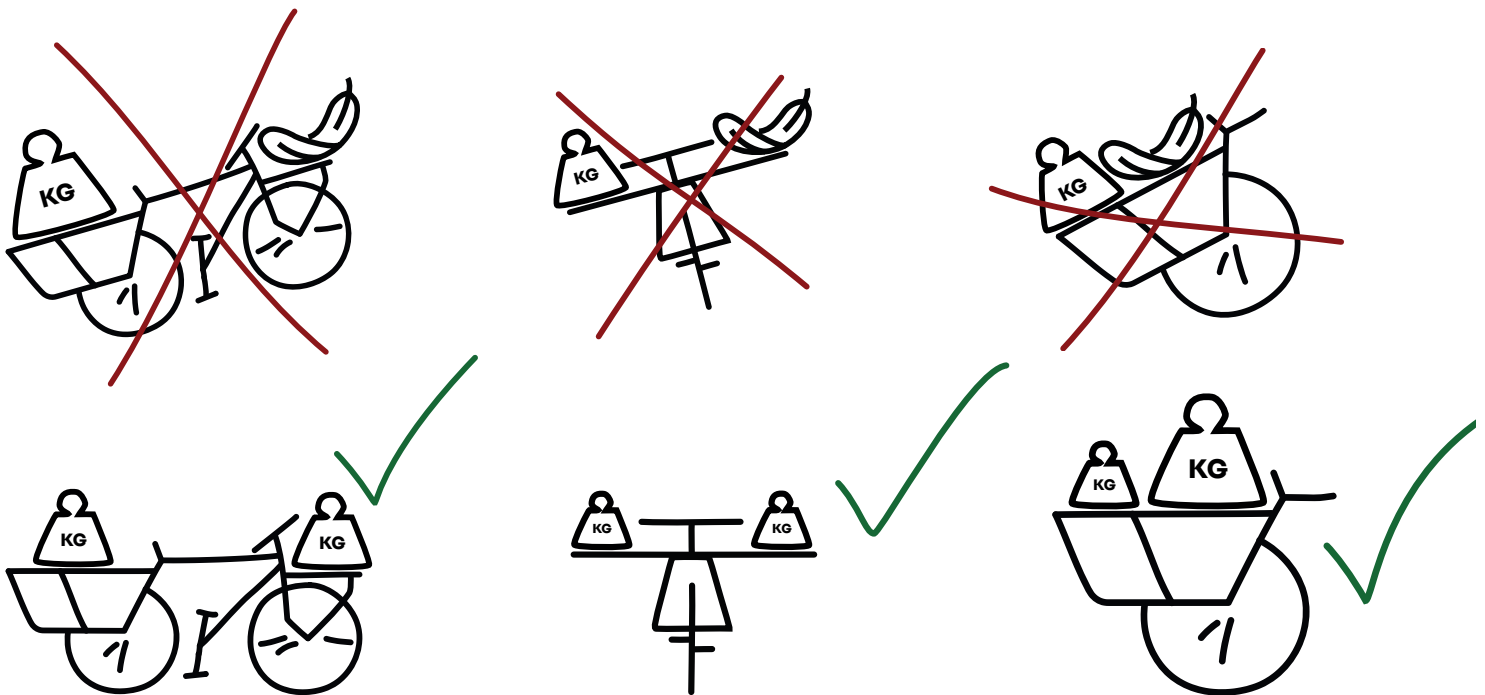
## 5. Load correctly

Improper loading can result in loss of control.

- Place heavy loads as close to the center of gravity as possible and as far forward as possible
- Distribute the weight evenly on both sides
- Carry only light loads behind the rear axle - maximum 8 kg
- Distribute the weight: If possible, load the front rack as well
- When extending the luggage rack, extend it only as far as necessary

### Warning:

Loads placed too far back can impair steering stability and cause the front wheel to lift off the ground. This can lead to a fall, an accident and a life-threatening situation.



## 6. Load securing

- Secure all cargo to prevent it from shifting or falling
- Use appropriate securing equipment (e.g. straps)
- Check the cargo regularly: Vibrations during the ride can cause cargo to shift or straps to come loose
- Place bulky loads as centrally as possible
- Secure surfboards or similar items with multiple straps and ensure weight distribution
- Use mounting eyelets to secure luggage crosswise and all around
- When using bicycle bags, check the locking mechanism

### Risk:

Improperly secured cargo can lead to accidents.

## 7. Handling & Getting Used to It

- The Tragfläche affects the bike's handling
- Longer braking distance
- Shifted center of gravity
- Reduced maneuverability and stability
- Adjust your riding style
- Reduce your speed
- Ride defensively and anticipate hazards
- Avoid sharp steering movements and sudden braking
- Conduct initial test rides and braking tests in a safe environment
- Practice riding with a loaded rack before riding on public roads

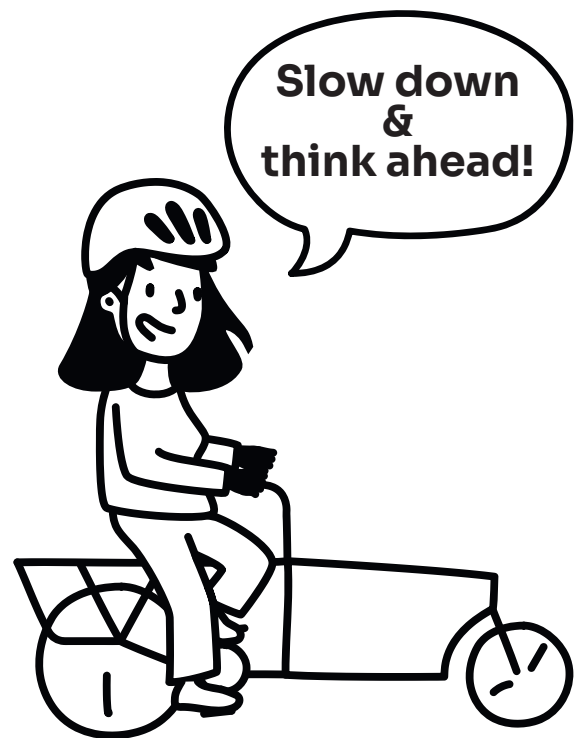
## 9. Use with increased responsibility

- If the load is heavy or the bike feels unstable, dismount and walk
- When transporting children (e.g. in a child seat), ride with extra caution
- For large or heavy loads, consider using a cargo bike or trailer instead



## 8. Exercise extra caution when driving

- Other road users may not be able to properly anticipate your changed driving behavior
- Expect a longer stopping distance
- Expect limited ability to swerve
- Brake early
- Maintain greater distances from other road users
- Do not make any sudden braking or steering maneuvers
- Avoid risky driving maneuvers



## 10. Prohibition on modifications

- Any modifications to the product are not permitted  
→ **Warranty/liability is void**

## 12. Liability Committee

The manufacturer is not liable for damages resulting from:

- Improper installation
- Use not in accordance with the intended purpose
- Exceeding the permissible load
- Lack of maintenance or inspection
- Unauthorized modifications

**Use is at your own risk.**

### Final note

Use the Tragfläche responsibly, in accordance with your abilities and the situation at hand.

When in doubt:  
Safety comes before transport - if in doubt, dismount and walk.

## 11. Residual risks

Even when used as intended, there are unavoidable risks:

- Fall due to a shift in the center of gravity
- Loss of control due to improper loading
- Material failure due to overloading or improper use

**These risks cannot be completely ruled out.**

