Quick Start Guide: RTMB Bicycles

Please refer to the Owner’s Manual for complete assembly and maintenance instructions.

1. **UNPACK BICYCLE:**
   Open the carton from the top and remove the bicycle. Do not discard packing materials until assembly is complete to insure that no required parts are accidentally discarded.

2. **INSTALL FRONT WHEEL:**
   **BOLT-ON FRONT WHEEL:**
   Install front wheel into the forks. If your bike has a linear pull front brake you will need to release the brake noodle (curved tube) to open the front brake in order to install the front wheel. Install retaining washers with raised lip pointed towards the fork, and insert into the small hole of the fork blade. Install axle nut and torque to 350in-lbs (39.5 Nm). Make sure the wheel is centered between the fork blades. Spin the wheel to make sure that it is centered and clears the brake shoes.

   **QUICK RELEASE FRONT WHEEL:**
   Unscrew the cap from the skewer (found inside the parts box), slide the skewer through the front hub, then reattach the cap. Install front wheel into the forks, then close the quick release. Adjust quick release to have proper tension when closed.

   REFER TO THE OWNER’S MANUAL FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO DO THIS STEP!
   If you can fully close the quick release without wraping your fingers around the fork blade for leverage, and the lever does not leave a clear imprint in the palm of your hand, the tension is insufficient. Open the lever, tighten the adjusting nut, and try again. Continue until the QR lever closes properly. Secondary retention devices are not a substitute for a correct quick release adjustment. Failure to properly adjust the quick release mechanism can cause the wheel to wobble or disengage, which could cause you to lose control and fall, resulting in serious injury or death.

3. **INSTALL STEM, HANDLEBARS AND FRONT REFLECTOR:**
   Remove protective cap from end of stem. Grease stem and install stem into steerer tube, do not extend past the “minimum insert line”. Align stem with front wheel and torque wedge bolt to 150in-lbs (17.0 Nm).

4. **HANDLEBARS:**
   Install handlebars into stem. Align clamp and torque clamp bolts to 120in-lbs (13.5 Nm).

5. **FRONT REFLECTOR:**
   First attach the reflector to the reflector bracket with the reflector screw, if not already done. Next, remove the clamp screw and open the reflector clamp bracket. Place reflector clamp bracket around the handlebar. Tighten the clamp screw to hold reflector assembly in place. Finally, adjust the reflector assembly in place and ensure that it is upright and facing away from the bike.

6. **INSTALL PEDALS:**
   Grease the threads on both pedals. Install the (R) pedal into the right crank arm. Install the (L) pedal into the left crank arm, this pedal has reverse threads on it.

7. **INSTALL SEAT POST AND SEAT:**
   Apply grease to the inside of the seat tube and install seat post, do not extend past the “minimum insert line”. Adjust quick release and tighten to secure seat post. Adjust angle and position of seat if desired.

8. **TEST AND ADJUST BRAKES AND SHIFTING:**
   Check the brakes (front and rear) for proper operations. If they are in need of adjustment refer to the owner’s manual. Check the shifting for proper operation. If it is in need of adjustment refer to the owner’s manual.

9. **FULLY CHARGE BATTERIES BEFORE FIRST USE:**
   Batteries should be fully charged for 4-6 HOURS immediately when they are received and immediately after each use for the recommended charge times, regardless of what the charger LED indicates.

10. **INSTALL BATTERY INTO RACK:**
    Push the battery into the back of the rack, then secure it using the lock. Charge the battery (on or off the bike) for 6 hours initially, then 4-6 hours after each ride.