BEFORE YOU RIDE... Dan’s recommends having your bike assembled by a qualified bike mechanic

1. **Locate & Record Serial Number** – Keep a record of your serial number in a safe place. Dan’s does not keep records of serial numbers. Most serial numbers are located on the frame under the bottom bracket or rear drop out.

2. **Tighten Stem & Handlebars** – Tighten the stem clamp bolts in a cross pattern. Be careful not to overtighten the bolts, as you can crush the bars or strip the threads in the stem. Loose stem bolts can also strip the bars clamp area. (Not covered by warranty)

3. **Adjust Headset** – Tighten the compression bolt to where there is no play in the headset, but the headset still moves freely. Do not over tighten the compression bolt! Damage to the bearings, cups or frame can result if the bearings are too tight or too loose. (Not covered by warranty)

4. **Check Cranks & Bottom Bracket** – Tighten the spindle and pinch bolts if needed. They can become loose and cause damage to the spindle or the crank arm could fall off. (Not covered by warranty)

5. **Tighten Pedals** – Pedals are marked R-right and L-left. Note: The left pedal has reverse threads and needs to be tightened counter clockwise. Your pedals can thread out of the cranks while pedaling if they’re not tight and can damage the threads in the crank arms. (Not covered by warranty)

6. **Tighten Seat/Post/Seat Clamp** – Make sure the seat is aligned straight with the toptube of the frame. Adjust and tighten the seat and seat angle to your preference.

7. **Check Brakes/Cables/Pads** (if using brakes) – Bolts need to be tight so the cable doesn’t slip. Brake pads need to be aligned with the rim and does not rub the tire. Brake cable should pull smooth, with no binding.

8. **Check Axle Nuts** – Your rear wheel could pull forward or the front wheel could fall out if the axle nuts are loose.

9. **Check Tire Pressure** – Locate the recommended pressure on the tire’s sidewall. Pinch flats can result from low tire pressure. (Not covered by warranty)

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**MAINTENANCE TIPS**

**DURING THE FIRST 7 RIDES...** Check and re-adjust as necessary

- **Headset:** Make sure it hasn't loosened up.
- **Crank & Bottom Bracket:** Make sure they haven't loosened up or fallen out.
- **Pedals:** Make sure the spindles are still tight in the crank arms.
- **Tire Pressure:** To avoid a pinch flat from low tire pressure, refer to sidewall of the tire for recommended P.S.I. rating.
- **Spoke Tension:** Gently squeeze spokes. Loose spokes need to be tightened and the wheel trued. Dan's strongly recommends a qualified bike mechanic for this.
- **Brakes/Cables/Pads:** All brake cables will stretch. Use the barrel adjuster to adjust brake cable tension.
- **Stem/Handlebars:** Tighten the stem bolts in a cross pattern. Do not overtighten the stem bolts. However, loose bolts can also strip the bars clamping area. (Not covered by warranty).
- **Seat/Post/Clamp:** Check bolts on seat, seatpost and seat clamp to prevent slippage.
- **Chain Tension/Alignment:** Chains will stretch. Too tight, too loose or if out of alignment can cause improper wear.
- **Clean/Lubricate Chain:** Wipe chain with clean cloth to remove excess lube and dirt. Apply light chain lube if necessary.
- **Axle Hardware:** The axle nuts may become loose and need to be tightened.

**BASIC MAINTENANCE** – Visit our Tech Help section @ www.danscomp.com/tech

- **Daily**
  - Check Headset
  - Check Cranks/Bottom Bracket (Pinch bolts and spindle bolt)
  - Check Pedals
  - Check Spoke Tension (Take to a qualified bike shop mechanic to have trued)
  - Check Stem/Handlebars
  - Check Brakes/Cables/Pads (Cable stretching – readjust)
- **Weekly**
  - Check Tire Pressure (See sidewall of tires for recommended P.S.I. rating)
  - Chain Tension (Maximum of 1/2” up & down movement)
  - Check Brakes/Cables/Pads
  - Check Axle Hardware
  - Check Stem/Handlebars
  - Check Spoke Tension
  - Check Pedals
- **Monthly**
  - Lubricate Brake cable (At both ends of the cable housing)
  - Clean Chain
  - Lubricate Chain
  - Check Seat/Post

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