



How To Fix Misaligned Bicycle Handlebars

Misaligned handlebars on your bicycle can cause serious safety risks. In a few steps I will help you fix this problem.

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INTRODUCTION

Bicycle safety is key to a safe and enjoyable trip no matter where or how far. One of the most crucial safety features is handlebar alignment. Most riders don't notice even the slightest unalignment until something unexpected happens. To prevent any potential safety hazards, I encourage you to check your bike's handle bars every time you ride.

For this project you will need an Allen wrench or hex key.



TOOLS:

- [Allen Key Hex Wrench Set](#) (1)
 - [Measuring Tape](#) (1)
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Step 1 — How To Fix Misaligned Bicycle Handlebars



- Stand with your bicycle in front of you.
- Put your front wheel between your legs.

Step 2



- Hold the bike's front wheel tight with your legs to keep the bike upright.
- Grab the handlebar and make it perpendicular to the front wheel.
- ⓘ Keep your bike stable at all times.

Step 3



- Loosen the stem using the Allen wrench. Do minor adjustments using your hand.
- Put the handlebar in a straight position. Then use a ruler, tape measure, or adjust by sight to the correct placement.

Step 4



⚠ DO NOT move your handle bars when you are adjusting the position.

- Use the Allen wrench or Hex key to gently turn the two bolts (**some bikes have one**) on the stem until they hold tight.

Step 5



- After tightening the bolt(s), check the alignment again.
- Now, try rotating your bike using handlebar.
- ❗ If it's still loose that means you may need to replace the handlebar.

Step 6



- If your handlebar works as expected you can ride your bike now.
- Have a safe trip!

Using this guide will help you easily fix your handlebar.