

Carbon fiber is an extremely strong, durable material; however, its unique qualities also mean it will behave differently than metal components under stress. Carbon components will not deform or bend when damaged like metal components, they may crack or fail completely. Cracked components can fail without warning.

If you have crashed or taken an impact, suspect damage to your carbon component, or note any of the following signs of damage in the list below, stop riding your bicycle and take it to a qualified local dealer for inspection.



- Cracks, chips, fraying, loose fibers or rough, sharp edges
- Delamination of fibers (bumps, bulges, soft areas or discolored areas)
- Areas in the paint or graphics that have bubbles or discolored areas (this may indicate damage to the underlying carbon)

## Other considerations:



### Torque-

Carbon fiber components, like metal components, are susceptible to damage from over-torqued fasteners. ***Always follow torque specifications during installation and maintenance!***



### Cleaning-

Harsh cleaners are not recommended. Denatured alcohol can be used for stubborn grease and is safe for carbon and for chainguide plastics.



### Crash Damage-

So you had a crash, but that's OK, we've got you covered. All of our carbon products are eligible for a crash replacement discount for two years from their date of purchase and all of our wheels even come with lifetime warranty!