

# SW Motech 11-14 Liter Pro City Tank Bag

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SW Motech's Pro City Tank Bag is a compelling choice for commuting and touring applications, with many functional features serious riders will love. Chief among them is the novel mounting system, whereby the bag itself arrives with a preassembled top ring guide rail, which then mates to a model-specific, fiberglass-reinforced magnetic tank ring that's assembled onto the bike's gas cap assembly. From there, a mechanical snap-lock strap running vertically across the front of the tank bag allows one-handed installation or removal of the whole assembly, since the magnetic effect from the tank ring "pulls" the bag into place quickly, without any of the fidgeting or precise placement that non-magnetic systems are usually famous for. When locked in place, the Pro City hovers just barely above my RT's paintwork, eliminating the ugly scuffing effect of bags which sit directly on the gas tank.

Aesthetically, the Pro City is handsome enough, with a UV-resistant black / grey themed 1680D ballistic nylon shell sandwiched by a tough laminated EVA material for the top lid and bottom section. The lid also has a hypalon MOLLE attachment, the military-style mounting system for optional dry bags to hold smartphones, tablets, maps, etc. Two side pockets add more quick access storage that segregate from the main compartment, and each has reflective accents which add some conspicuity to the design.

There's also a carrying strap with

cable access ports both front and rear. The whole bag measures 14.6 x 11.6 x 9.8 inches and weighs 2.8 pounds.

Inside, the interior liner is "water resistant," though an external rain cover is also provided for sustained riding in heavy downpours. Three mesh compartments (one per each side plus one on the underside of the top lid) are provided to aid in organization. Total volume is 11 liters zipped up, expandable to 14 liters at full capacity.

Out on the road, the Pro City impressed me on short trips and long tours alike. Even with heavy winter gloves on, the one handed on/off was a boon at every fuel stop and unpacking

session. I like how its *clicks* into place affirmatively, so you can hear that things are secure. The zippers and all material have held up extremely well, and I have no doubt this bag will last through many years of regular use. MSRP is \$299.95, and the Pro Tank Bag Ring is \$37.00.

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