

## Cardo Scala Rider G4 Product Review

Cardo Scala Rider is on the top of the technology wave in communications. As with technology, the options are endless and Cardo pushes the limits of endlessness. It may just be simpler to state what this system cannot do. It can't bring you coffee in bed... but it can tell you where to find the coffee if you are out riding.

If you are a technologically savvy person you already know that this "information age" has developed through stages. First there were the Web 1.0 companies, then there was the web 2.0 companies. Now everything is going mobile. It is a little like Eric Clapton "UNPLUGGED". Now your info comes to you through phone and blue tooth. On the go. Technology is where you are.

Communication is essential, not only for progress but for safety. With the new G9 you can talk to your passenger, other riders in your group and even other G9 and G4 users nearby. **Click-to-Link™**, a unique Cardo Intercom feature that empowers users to make spontaneous connections to any scala rider G9 or G4 user within range. "Flash Pairing" allows users to establish a connection in seconds by bumping two scala rider G9 units together. This Scala Rider G9 can communicate up to 1 mile, allowing users to toggle back and forth to converse with up to eight riders, talk to as many as two friends simultaneously via an intercom system. The Intercom Conference Mode allows full duplex conversations with fellow riders, enabling four-way conversations between two drivers and two passengers, three-way conversations between three separate riders and two-way rider-to-rider or rider-to-passenger conversations.

Ride organizers and road guards can quickly see the need for these units. The larger the ride the more imperative for the road Captains in the front of the pack to communicate with the middle and the end of the group. There is always the problem of rubber band issues during the ride and traffic signals. To say nothing about communicating basic directions, stops, mechanical problems and problems with CAGES.

You can use them to access the radio or even your mp3 player. You can receive GPS navigation to get that cup of coffee. Many functions can be controlled by voice command for safe, hands-free operation (e.g., "music on," or call "Bill Smith"). An incredibly smart priority management system allows riders to automatically disconnect from the intercom or music to receive incoming phone calls or in-ear GPS instructions.

The rugged scala rider G9 has a unique social side with the Cardo Community web platform, which gives users an online venue to name tag their G9 unit, invite friends for a ride, plan tours, meet up with fellow riders, and customize the scala rider G9 to enhance social networking. The scala rider G9 is upgradable to ensure that users can take full advantage of all the latest technical features, which include Group Signal, that a rider can initiate to alert others on the ride and Hot-Dial calling. Its like social networking on [wheels](#).

The scala rider G9 provides users with up to 12 hours of talk time with a standby time of seven days. The unit charges in three hours and features advanced Digital Signal Processing.

Cardo Systems, Inc., headquartered in Pittsburgh, PA, has specialized in the design, development, manufacturing and sale of state-of-the-art communication and entertainment systems for motorcycle helmets since 2003. Cardo has pioneered the majority of the most useful and enjoyable innovations for Bluetooth motorcycle and snowmobile headsets. The company's **scala rider** line of headsets, now available in over 60 countries, is the world's best selling Bluetooth system for the motorcycle industry.