

Pontoon Enclosure Instructions

An easy way to add additional shade or privacy area on your Pontoon Boat. Enclosure accommodates both 96" and 102" width boats and is supported by shock-corded fiberglass pole framework that breaks down for convenient storage. After initial installation of permanently mounted hardware to your playpen rail, the Enclosure sets up and attaches easily and comes down in minutes. This product is designed to only be in place on your boat when at idle speed or when anchored. NEVER leave this product up and assembled on your boat when underway! Never leave the Pontoon Enclosure in place when unattended or for any prolonged periods.

Tools Required:

Phillips Screwdriver Drill and 5/32" drill bit (a cordless drill works best)



You will need full access in and around the boat for initial installation. It can be done with the boat in the water, but best acomplished on the trailer, with a helper.

Pontoon Enclosure Includes:

Fabric Enclosure, Three 8-Section frame pieces, One 3-Section Center Frame piece, Six Side Mounting Brackets, (12)-#10 x 3/4" screws, (16) #8 Self-Tapping male snaps, (14) Short Webbing Snap/Straps, (2) Long Webbing Snap/Strap Assemblies, Storage bag and instructions.

Step 1:

Check to be sure that all the components listed above are there. If not, please call Customer Service at (518) 773-9400.

Step 2:

Determine the position on the boat that you desire to enclose. The top itself provides approximately 6 feet of coverage bow to stern by the width of the playpen rail; so you will need at least that amount of open space. This will vary slightly by the actual fit to your boat. Note that the mounting brackets will be permanently attached to the outside of the top playpen railing about 5 feet apart, on each side of the boat - so be sure that the area you choose is clear of entry way doors, Bimini Tops, other obstructions, etc. The sides of the enclosure are designed to accommodate seating along the sides of the playpen.

Step 3:

Attach the Side Mounting Brackets. Determine the appropriate position for the first bracket on one side of your top playpen railing. The back portion of the enclosure will accommodate a range of radii for the corners of your playpen rail so the first mounting bracket should be located at the very beginning of the bend (radius) on the top rail - make





sure that the open socket portion of the bracket is flush to the top of the railing. Mark screw locations with pen or marker; Drill mounting holes with 5/32" bit. Secure bracket using two #10 x 3/4" screws and Phillips screwdriver. Measure along that same railing, 28" from the center of the first bracket, to locate the second mounting bracket. Position that bracket and secure to the rail with screws as above. Repeat for a third mounting bracket - again located 28" on center from the second.

Step 4:

Secure the remaining three mounting brackets on the opposite side of the playpen railing - directly across from those previously attached.

Step 5:

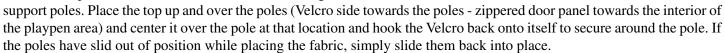
Unfold and assemble together one of the 8-Section fiberglass Shock-cord pole assemblies (ferruled end from one section slips into the non-ferruled end of the next and so on). Insert one end into a mounting bracket, gently bend pole to insert the

Step 5: (cont.)

other end (of the pole) into the bracket on the opposite side of the boat from that amount. **BE VERY CAREFUL AS YOU BEND THE POLE - IT WILL FLEX BACK STRAIGHT VERY QUICKLY IF NOT HELD SECURELY.** Repeat for the second and third 8-Section pole and the other mounting brackets.

Step 6:

Unfold Pontoon Enclosure. The underside has several pieces of Hook & Loop fastener stitched into the fabric, that align with the









Once all the Velcro pieces have been secured around the poles, re-align the top to the frame to properly center it.

Step 7:

Unfold and assemble together the 3-Section center pole. The Top has two pockets stitched into it, front and rear. From underside of the Top, slide the pole over the top of the three bent poles and position one end of the pole into the larger of the pockets. Slightly stretch the material to allow the other end of the pole to slide into the smaller of the pockets. This now supports the center section of the Top. There is a short section of Velcro strap in the center of the enclosure. Wrap this arund both the center support pole and the top support pole and secure onto itself.



Step 8:

Spaced around the outside perimeter of the enclosure you will find several sewn-in adjustable buckles. You will be securing the fabric to the stern and sides of the playpen area on your boat and installing the self-tapping male snaps into the outside of the lower playpen railing. These snaps will connect to the buckles using the webbing snap/strap assemblies. it is best to start in the rear section at the mounting bracket locations and work your way evenly for one side of the boat. Insert several of the shorter webbing/snap assemblies into the sewn-in buckles on the enclosure - per the illustration.







Pulling the fabric taut and straight, locate the position on the railing where the female snap on the first strap will fall - these should all be in line with the side mounting brackets. Install a male screw snap into the center of the railing where determined. Position the snaps together and pull the webbing strap to snug the fabric.

Adjustable Buckle Assembly Instructions:

Thread webbing through adjustable buckle. Insert the end from the backside of the buckle, through the middle opening on buckle as shown in the picture. Now insert end of webbing through the bottom opening of the buckle (from the front side) and pull down until the strap is tightened securely as in the pictures to the right.







Step 8: (cont.)

Repeat this procedure for each of the straps on both sides of the front section of the enclosure and on the back section - these will all be the shorter straps - keep fabric tight and evenly centered over the playpen on the boat. Note: If possible, do not install strap/snap into the frame of entry doors on the boat.





Step 9:

At each of the two stern corners on the outside of the enclosure, you will find an adjustable buckle and sewn-in strap that run parallel to the bottom outside edge of teh enclosure. These straps allow the fabric to be tightened or loosened at the radius of the frame corners, to fit properly. Position the end of the webbing into the adjustable buckle and snug to tighten up fabric from the sides to the rear of the enclosure.



Step 10:

In the front section of the enclosure, zip closed both sides of the entry way door. The sides are designed to drape around the interior seating on your boat. The bottom edges have the adjustable buckles and webbing snap/strap assemblies; designed to secure to any convenient location on the base of the seats or back to the bottom of the playpen railing base. Use the two longer strap assemblies as necessary, depending on what snap locations are available. Determine the best location for the installation of the male







self-tapping snaps for your applications. These locations should keep the bottom of the enclosure straight and taut, without putting undue stress on the entry way door zippers. It is best NOT to install the snaps directly onto the deck of the boat.

The initial assembly of your Pontoon Enclosure is now complete. Note that the windows and doorway can be rolled up and out of the way when desired - held in place with Hook & Loop straps.

To remove enclosure for storage or when your boat is underway, simply follow these easy steps:

- Unhook the snaps around the perimeter of the enclosure-leave the webbing in the buckles "as is" for ease of re-installation.
- Release the Hook & Loop fasteners from around the poles on the underside.
- Remove the center (3-Section) pole from the underside of the enclosure disassemble and fold up pole sections.

• Pull the top down off the three main frame poles - fold up and place aside (for long term storage - never pack up a wet or damp Top).

Gently pull one end of one pole from the mounting bracket - gently allow the pole to straighten out. BE VERY CAREFUL AS YOU MANUVER THE POLE - IT WILL FLEX BACK STRAIGHT VERY QUICKLY IF NOT HELD SECURELY. Disassemble and fold up the pole sections. Repeat for the second and third 8-Section pole.





• A convenient storage bag has been provided for your Pontoon Enclosure.

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