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PADDLE BOARD USER MANUAL AND GETTING STARTED GUIDE

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01 WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

Welcome to the world of Aquaplanet. Thank you for choosing one of our boards for your paddle boarding adventures. With care and maintenance your board will give you many years of paddling service.

These operating instructions should be read and followed carefully before using your SUP on the water. Take special care to follow the correct sequence of inflating/deflating and assembly procedures inside.

Keep this manual with your board for future reference. Happy paddling!

FIRST TIME USER?

We strongly advise that you pump your SUP up at home and get to know all the individual parts and how everything works. This stops any nasty suprises and will allow you to be quick and confident when you next use your board.

JOIN OUR OWNERS CLUB

Come and join our Facebook group full of hundreds of like-minded SUP enthusiasts. Get more support, skills, tips and tricks and share your stories, photos and videos with our community.

As a member of this ever-expanding online club you'll have the full support of Aquaplanet and board owners just like you!

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SAFETY WARNING

Stand Up Paddleboarding is an outdoor activity with associated risks. The sport can be relaxed and rewarding but also dangerous and physically demanding. Users of our boards on flat or moving waters should understand that paddling without due care and attention could result in serious injury or death in certain situations. We always recommend wearing a PFD when out on the water.

02 INFLATING YOUR BOARD

WARNING:



Please only use the pump provided or other recommended pumps. DO NOT use an air compressor as you will risk over-inflating the board and severely damaging your SUP beyond repair. Your warranty will be void in the event of damage via over-inflation. Please refer to the specific instructions written on the side of your pump before use.

Unroll the SUP and lay flat on a smooth surface avoid standing on the board on rocky or rough areas before it is inflated.

Identify the inflation valve. Remove the valve cap and push down and quarter-turn the button to familiarise yourself with the open and closed positions of the valve. **Ensure the button is up (closed) before you attach the pump and begin inflation.**

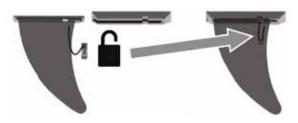
Connect the air tap on your pump to the inflation valve on your SUP. Firmly push the air tap inwards and twist clockwise to secure the connection.

Before you begin to pump, please consult the recommended PSI on the valve(s) of your SUP and inflate to the appropriate value. DO NOT over-inflate your SUP.

The PSI may not register on your pump until you reach at least 7 PSI - keep pumping!

Once the desired air pressure has been reached, please safely disconnect the hose (pull the hose gently away from the board as you twist) and secure the valve cap on your SUP.

03 ATTACHING THE FIN



Ensure your fin is clean and free from any debris.

Insert the detachable slide-in fin to the attached fin box on the rear underside of the board. This can be done when inflated or deflated.

Lock the fin in place using the locking pin attached to the fin. This fits into a channel through the fin base.

When removing the fin after paddling or if using your SUP in very shallow waters, press the recessed catch inside the pin and slide out before sliding the fin itself out of the fin box.

04 THE PADDLE



TOP TIP: HOW HIGH? Your paddle should be a hand's breadth (6") above your head

The paddle will be in three parts; blade, shaft and handle. Connect the blade segment to the shaft by depressing the sprung pin in the blade tube and sliding into the shaft where the pin will pop out through a hole in the shaft.

Open the tension lever at the other end of the shaft and slide in the handle piece. Close the lever to clamp the handle in place. The screws in the lever assembly can be adjusted to apply more pressure when closed and prevent the shaft from twisting.



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05 ATTACHING A KAYAK SEAT

For comfort, balance & performance, the kayak seat should be attached at the rear of the board, just behind the central carry handle.

Securely attach the top two straps to the forward-facing D-rings.

Tighten all straps so that the seat is both comfortable and firmly upright.

PLEASE NOTE

ß A kayak seat is only supplied with selected models but can be purchased seperately from aquaplanetsports.com

06 GENERAL RULES

Always check weather forecasts prior to using your SUP board. Never use the SUP board in thunderstorms or if there is any risk of lightning strikes.

Wear the correct protective clothing for the conditions such as a wetsuit or a UV top. Wind protection is vital in cold weather. Cold conditions when wet can result in hypothermia.

Attach the included leash to your SUP board and yourself at all times.

Children should always be under adult supervision.

Store your mobile phone in the waterproof case provided. Also, consider packing a whistle or torch in case of an emergency.

You should clean and maintain your board after each use. Hose down if necessary to prevent mildew build-up in storage. Do not use harsh chemicals for cleaning. Most dirt can be removed with mild soap and water.

A repair kit is provided, with extra patches and a valve tightening tool. From time-to-time your valve may need tightening to prevent any air leaks.

07 PACKING AWAY

When you have finished your SUP session, if possible allow your board to dry before deflating and packing away. Remove the large central fin and ensure it is clean and free of sand and debris.

Detach the leash, carry strap and any other bags, straps or other items connected to your SUP.

Remove the valve cap and carefully push down the button in the valve - please note it is under high pressure and air will rush out with significant force and noise. Take care not to alarm people, children or animals who may be nearby. **Avoid having your head directly over the valve as you release the pressure.**

Once the air is evacuating more slowly, push down and twist the button to keep the valve in the open position - the board will now gradually deflate over a minute or two.

To ensure full deflation, you can kneel & crawl, or sit over parts of the board to force the remaining air out. Once fully deflated, please re-attach the valve caps.

If your SUP pump has two ports for the hose, you can connect the hose to the 'in' port and use the pump to completely deflate the board - this is optional but will help to roll the board down into a small package.

For compact storage your board should be as flat as possible. Once flattened, please roll and fold the board from the nose down.

Please pack and store the SUP in the backpack provided in a cool dry place and away from direct sunlight.

08 TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault	Inspection	Solution
My pump isn't working.	Check whether the hose is blocked or damaged in any way.	Remove any blockages from the hose, or replace if damaged.
	The connection between the hose / Air Pump / inflation valve on your inflatable is not secure.	Pause the inflation, check all connections are secure and reinstall if necessary.
	The PSI gauge isn't working	The PSI value won't usually register until it reaches 7 PSI. Keep pumping!
		If the problem persists, please contact us. Additional resources may be found at aquaplanetsports.com/support.
My board has a puncture / leak.	With the board inflated, apply dish-washing liquid to a cloth and coat the valve.	If bubbling occurs, your valve will most likely need tightening using the tool provided. Deflate your board insert the valve tightening tool and twist clockwise until fully tightened and secure.
	With the board inflated, apply dish-washing liquid to a cloth and coat the deck and sides.	If bubbling occurs on the seams and deck-pad then you can easily repair a puncture with the patches provided and a strong adhesive glue. Apply glue to both the affected area on the board and the underside of the patch. Allow the glue to become tacky before applying the patch. TIP: You can heat the area with a hair-dryer to speed up the drying process.
		If the problem persists, please contact us. Additional resources may be found at aquaplanetsports.com/support.

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Fault	Inspection	Solution
One or some of my D-rings has come unstuck or has fallen off.	Check whether you just need to glue the D-ring back on, or if you require a new one.	Use a strong adhesive glue to re-apply the D-ring, source a new D-ring from a supplier or contact us for a replacement.
		If the problem persists, please contact us. Additional resources may be found at aquaplanetsports.com/support.
My paddle is loose and is slipping up and down.	The top of the paddle moves and doesn't stay in place.	The screws in the lever assembly can be adjusted to apply more pressure when closed and prevent the shaft from twisting.
My SUP won't fit back into the backpack.	The board is a very tight-fit and doesn't appear to fit back into the backpack.	Unfold the SUP and ensure that all of the air has been squeezed out. You can crawl on the board on your knees, or apply pressure by sitting on it to get the SUP as flat and deflated as possible. Roll the SUP up in approximately 1ft increments and re-pack. For some larger models, it may help to fold the sides inwards before rolling.
		If the problem persists, please contact us. Additional resources may be found at aquaplanetsports.com/support.
My SUP is bending in the water.	The board appears to curl upwards at the front and back when in the water.	Please ensure that the board is inflated to the correct PSI (at least 15). If the board still curls it may be that you exceed the weight limit for the board.
My SUP is low in the water.	The board sits low in the water and some water comes over onto the top deck pad.	Please ensure that the board is inflated to the correct PSI (at least 15). If the board still curls it may be that you exceed the weight limit for the board.

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Fault	Inspection	Solution
The fin won't fit into the fin box.	The fin box has warped and the fin won't slot back in.	Heat up the plastic on the fin box with a hair-dryer, which should allow you to squeeze the fin back in. Leave the fin in the fin box for a few hours so that the mould resets.
		If the problem persists, please contact us. Additional resources may be found at aquaplanetsports.com/support.
Water or moisture has entered my SUP.	Immediate action is required.	Remove the valve from the board entirely using the valve tool provided. Pump air through the vacant hole repeatedly for 20 minutes. Once complete, lay the board flat in a cool, dry area with plenty of ventilation for at least 24 hours



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