



Owner's manual

FILETA TANDEM INFLATABLE CANOE

Preparing the vessel

- 1) spread the vessel and inflate both side air chambers to 50 %,
- 2) attach seats under the consoles and inflate both side air chambers to 100 %,
- 3) fully inflate the floor.

Use a rubber ring in the stern of the canoe to secure the pump.

Warning! It is essential that you decrease air pressure in all air chambers when the vessel is used in direct sun! Should you fail to do so irreversible damage might be caused to the vessel due to increased air pressure.

Self-bailing drain sleeve

The vessel is equipped with a self-bailing drain sleeve.

When paddling down rapids leave the sleeve open. While enjoying calm waters you may pull the sleeve into the vessel and close it with a bungee cord.

Securing thigh straps

- 1) thread both ends of your seat cord through the bottom side of the first console hole and seat hole,
- 2) thread both sides of the thigh strap onto the cord,
- 3) tie the cord ends together with a knot,
- 4) thread the thigh strap through a D-ring on the floor.

Using thigh straps

Thigh straps are designed for paddling while kneeling down on whitewater and help the paddler remain attached to the vessel. Before using thigh straps make sure you are 100% confident and familiar with their use.

Should your vessel capsizes just stretch your legs to disengage thigh straps and set yourself free.

Packing the vessel

- 1) decrease air pressure in air chambers and untie seats,
- 2) clean and dry vessel thoroughly,
- 3) fold side air chambers across the floor width,
- 4) fold bow and stern so that grab handles are touching,
- 5) continue folding from the stern keeping the floor width,
- 6) tie the vessel with two cords and stow it away into its bag.

Repairing the vessel

For minor defects use a repair kit included with your vessel or similar adhesives designed for gluing soft PVC materials.

Treat both surfaces with acetone, apply a thin layer of glue, leave it until glue goes tacky a glue the surfaces together.

Note for gluing outdoors: repairing defects outdoors might be tricky due to volatile adhesive vapors which can form atmospheric moisture, thus hindering proper gluing result. Therefore it is vital that you safely reheat the surface after leaving the glue to dry for 5 minutes.

Warning! You are using a highly flammable Class 1 substance! Also, the vessel itself is flammable. When at home, consider using a hairdryer for reheating surfaces.

For major defects contact the manufacturer. Do not expose the repair kit to direct sunlight and/or naked flames. Low temperatures below 18°C cause the glue to harden, thus making it difficult to apply. Therefore it is necessary that you reheat it before use, e.g. by placing it into a warm water container.