

MANUAL

# COASTER 17®

Assembly Instructions and  
Operating Guidelines



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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## COASTER 17® Hard-Shell Boat / HDPE Rigid Hull Construction

This sit-on-top hard-shell boat has been designed for demanding use on lakes, rivers, and coastal waters. Its durable rigid HDPE hull, unsinkable construction, and waterproof storage hatch in the bow provide safety, longevity, and reliable performance.

Please read this user manual carefully before using the boat.

## 2. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS, CARE AND STORAGE

### 2.1. General Safety Instructions

Rowing and watersports can be hazardous and physically demanding. Use of the COASTER 17® may lead to situations that could result in serious injury. The user must have a basic understanding of the risks associated with watersports and accepts these risks by using the product.

Please observe the following safety guidelines:

- Receive proper instruction in rowing techniques and safety procedures.
- Attend a first-aid course and carry appropriate first-aid equipment.
- Always wear a personal flotation device (PFD) or other suitable buoyancy aid.
- Never row alone.
- Dress appropriately for the weather conditions. Cold water and cold weather can lead to hypothermia.
- Inspect the boat before each use for visible damage or wear (hull, storage hatch, rub rail, attachment points).
- Do not consume alcohol or mind-altering substances before or during use.

- Do not use the boat during floods or in extreme weather conditions.
- Be aware of water levels, tides, currents, and changing weather conditions.
- Familiarize yourself with unfamiliar waterways. Carry the boat where necessary over shallow or rocky sections.
- Do not overestimate your abilities.
- Consult your physician before starting any training program if necessary.
- Use only accessories approved by the manufacturer.
- Read this manual completely before using the boat.

## 2.2. Launching

- Carry the boat whenever possible and avoid dragging it over hard surfaces for extended distances.
- Launch the boat only in sufficiently deep water to prevent damage to the hull.
- Board the boat carefully and ensure stable footing at all times.

## 2.3. Use of the Waterproof Storage Hatch

- Check the hatch seal before every outing.
- Whenever possible, store your gear in waterproof bags.
- Close the hatch carefully and ensure it is securely fastened.
- Open the hatch only on shore or in calm conditions.

## 2.4. Care

Regular maintenance will significantly extend the service life of your COASTER 17®.

- Clean the boat with fresh water after each use.
- After use in salt water, rinse the boat thoroughly with fresh water.
- Use mild soap if necessary.
- Do not use aggressive cleaning agents, solvents, or pressure washers.
- Regularly inspect the hull, storage hatch, seals, and rub rail.
- Minor scratches on the HDPE hull are normal and do not affect the boat's performance.
- In the event of significant damage, contact your dealer or the manufacturer.

## 2.5. Storage Instructions

If the boat will not be used for an extended period:

- Store it in a cool, dry, and shaded location.
- Ideally, store the boat horizontally on a flat surface.
- Alternatively, it may be stored on suitable boat supports that do not create concentrated pressure points on the hull.
- Avoid permanent stress or deformation caused by improper support points.
- Store the boat clean and completely dry.
- Remove any loose items from the storage hatch and leave the hatch slightly open to allow any remaining moisture to escape.

## 2.6. Maintenance

The COASTER 17® is designed for low maintenance.

- Regularly inspect the replaceable wear strip at the stern and replace it if necessary.
- Check the storage hatch regularly to ensure it remains watertight.
- Inspect all attachment points and fittings to ensure they are secure.
- In the event of structural damage to the hull, please contact your authorized dealer.

With proper use, regular maintenance, and correct storage, your COASTER 17® will provide many years of reliable performance on the water. We wish you safe and enjoyable adventures!

3. COASTER 17®



- 1.....COASTER 17®
- 2.....Storage Hatch with Lid
- 3.....Fin
- 4.....Drain plug

## 4. PREPARATION

Before launching your COASTER 17®, please carry out the following checks and preparations:

Visual Inspection:

- Inspect the entire hull for visible damage, deep scratches, or deformation.
- Check the wear strip at the stern for secure attachment and signs of wear.
- Inspect the storage hatch for damage, ensure the sealing surface is clean, and verify that the hatch is securely closed.
- Make sure that all fittings and attachment points are securely fastened.
- Store luggage and equipment in waterproof bags whenever possible.
- Avoid dragging the boat over rough or uneven surfaces for extended distances. To prevent damage, the boat should preferably be carried.
- Launch the boat only in sufficiently deep water to avoid damage to the hull.

Safety Equipment:

- Ensure that the following equipment is available:
- Personal flotation device (PFD) or life jacket.
- Appropriate rowing equipment and accessories.
- Weather-appropriate clothing.
- First-aid kit (recommended).

The boat should only be used after all inspections and preparations have been completed.

## 5. POSITIONING OF THE ROWING SKIDS ON THE COASTER 17®

- The COASTER 17® can be used with a rowing system. The system is attached to the designated attachment points (D-rings) on the boat.
- For detailed instructions on positioning and installation, please refer to the "Rowing Systems" manual.

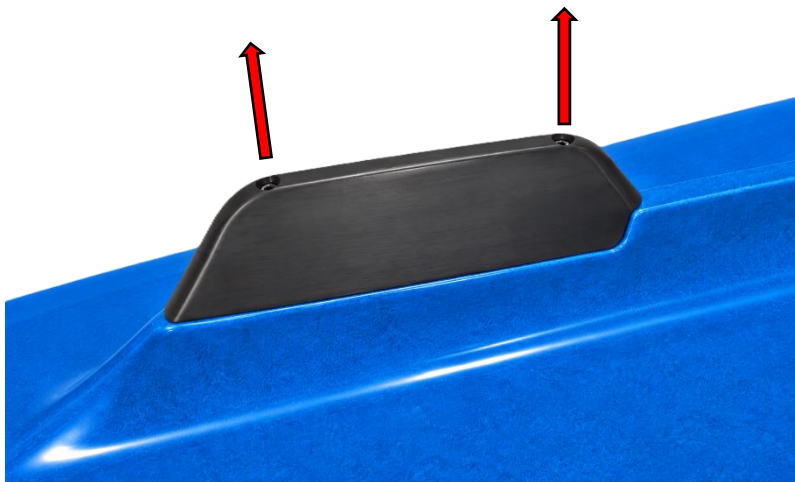




## 6 FITTING AND REMOVING THE FIN

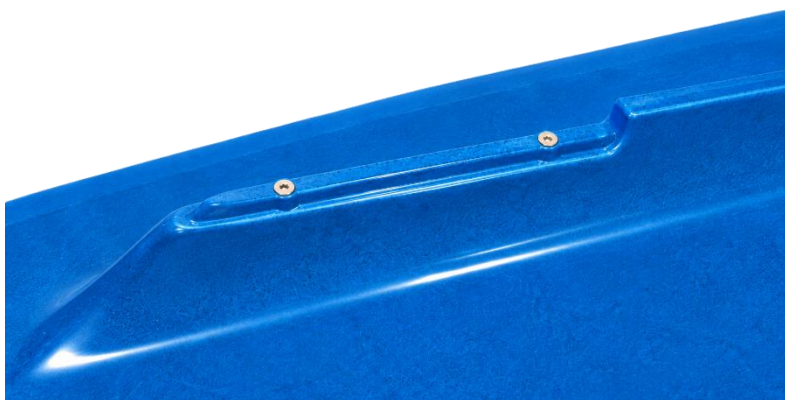
- The fin on the COASTER 17® improves straight-line tracking and directional stability.
- Do not drag the boat across the ground with the fin installed, as this may damage both the fin and the hull.
- Do not stand on the boat while the fin is installed. The additional load may damage the fin or its mounting.
- If the fin becomes worn or damaged during normal use, it can be ordered as a spare part and replaced easily.
- You will need a 4 mm Allen key.

Please carry out the work on land, on a clean and stable surface. Work carefully and avoid applying excessive force. After installation, ensure that the fin is securely fastened before using the boat.



**To remove the fin:**

Loosen the two fastening screws using a 4 mm Allen key and lift the fin off.



**To install the fin:**

Place the fin into the designated mounting recess. Align the mounting holes and secure the fin using the two fastening screws. Tighten the screws evenly until the fin is firmly attached.

## 7 DRAINING WATER

### Drain Plug at the Stern

To drain any water that has entered the hull, first open the drain plug. Then stand the board or boat upright on its stern to allow the water to drain out completely. Once all water has been removed, carefully close the drain plug again.



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