Instructions for installing D-rings



Many of our customers like to put extra D-rings to customize their boats. Extra D-rings can be easily installed on our 1000 Denier boats.

<u>Note</u>: D-rings cannot be installed on our PolyKrylar boats as Polykrylar material is stretchable and is not compatible for D-rings.

- Inflate your boat and thoroughly clean the area where you need to install D-rings. You
 may use a mild detergent to clean the area. Make sure to completely dry the area after
 you clean it.
- 2) Position the D-ring patch on this area and using a ballpoint pen trace the outline of the patch on the boat. Angle the pen inward a bit so that the patch covers the trace mark later.
- 3) Apply a thin layer of included glue on the D-ring patch and the on boat with in the trace mark. Make sure that the glue is evenly spread on both the surfaces.
- 4) Allow the glue to become tacky for about 10 minutes.
- 5) In the meantime you can completely deflate the boat by depressing the yellow pin of the Halkey Roberts valve.
- 6) Now neatly place the patch on the boat and make sure that there are no air bubbles.
- 7) Put some heavy object of about 5-7 lbs. weight on the patch and allow it to dry for about 10-12 hours.

Instructions for removing old D-ring patch (if required)

Old patches can be easily removed with a solvent called **MEK (or Methyl Ethyl Ketone)**. MEK can be obtained from any hardware or paint store and it easily dissolves the marine PVC glue that we use on our boats.

<u>Warning:</u> Please bear in mind that MEK is a very strong solvent and can also cause damage to the material of the boat. So use it very sparingly. Also wear rubber gloves while handling MEK. It is also very flammable and so please keep it away from fire, cigarette or spark.

To remove old patches, dip a cotton swab in MEK and start applying it on one end of the patch. You will notice that the glue starts dissolving in MEK and the patch starts to separate. Sparingly keep applying MEK under the patch and keep peeling it off. Once the patch comes off the residual glue may be cleaned with a rag moistened with MEK solvent.