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OWNER'S SAFETY MANUAL

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INTRODUCTION

For over 10 years, Walker Bay has been on the leading edge of design and technology in recreational water products. With over half a dozen awards for product design and innovation, Walker Bay continues to raise the bar in performance and fun on the water.

New and innovative, Walker Bay's line of Airis™ Kayaks are the lightest, most compact high-pressure inflatable kayaks in the world. Providing rigidity and durability through AirWeb™ High Pressure Construction, Airis™ Kayaks are tear and abrasion resistant, quick to inflate, simple to use and so portable, you can throw one on your back and take it with you wherever you go (custom designed AirPack™ Backpack included).

Whether you travel by bus, car, or bike, toss an Airis™ Kayak on your back and you are ready to launch; the perfect kayak for your next camping, RV'ing, or boating trip. Getting on the water has never been easier.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Read this Owner's Safety Manual carefully before using your kayak. After reading this manual, store it in a safe place for future reference. If you transfer ownership of your kayak give this manual to the new owner.

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

International standards to which conformity is declared:
International Organization for Standardization, ISO: 6185-1
American Boat and Yacht Council, ABYC: H-28
National Marine Manufacturers Association, NMMA: H-28

CERTIFYING BODY



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TYPE OF EQUIPMENT: Kayak

HIN / CIN (Found on craft): US-EWV_____

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BOATING SAFETY SIGNS AND SYMBOLS



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.



DANGER

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury or substantial property damage.



WARNING

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury or property damage.



CAUTION

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.

CAUTION

Used without the safety alert symbol indicates a potentially hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.

NOTICE

Indicates installation, operation or maintenance information which is important but not hazard related.

OPERATOR INSTRUCTIONS & NAVIGATION

WARNING

Risk of serious injury or death from drowning.

Paddle sports can be very dangerous and physically demanding.

The user of this product acknowledges and understands an assumption of the risks involved in paddle sports.

Observe the following safety standards and safe operating practices whenever using this product.

- Read this owner's safety manual prior to using this product.
- Always wear a coast guard approved personal flotation device.
- Do not exceed maximum weight capacity. Regardless of number of persons on board, total weight of persons and equipment must not exceed maximum weight capacity.
- Do not operate the kayak under the influence of drugs or alcohol or any other impairment or disability.
- Wear a helmet where appropriate.
- Do not use this product under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Do not paddle alone.
- Children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
- Dress appropriately for weather and marine conditions; cold water and/or weather can result in hypothermia.
- Beware of offshore winds and currents, they could take you out to sea.
- Check weather forecasts and obtain local knowledge of marine environment and weather conditions prior to your voyage.
- Do not exceed your paddling ability; be aware of your limitations.

CAUTION

- Carry, read, and understand navigation charts when appropriate.
- Observe right-of-way as defined by "Rules of the Road" and required by COLREGS.
- Obey signs for restricted areas designated for swimming, bathing or other forms of recreation.
- Learn to control your craft and know the limitations of your capabilities and the capabilities of your craft. If necessary take a paddling course to learn these limitations.
- Inform someone of your Float Plan including time and place of departure, proposed route and expected time of return.

CAUTION

- Obtain paddle sports instructions specific to this type of craft. Proper instruction will make your paddling experience safer and more enjoyable (Information on paddling can be obtained from your dealer or from the American Canoe Association at WWW.AMERICANCANOE.ORG).
- Consult your physician prior to beginning your paddle sports training.
- Obtain certified first aid and CPR training, and carry appropriate first aid, rescue and safety equipment (see SAFETY EQUIPMENT).
- Be aware of appropriate river water levels, tidal changes, currents, and obstacles in and above the water.
- Check your equipment prior to each use for signs of wear, leaks or failure.
- Tie a leash to your paddle when appropriate.
- Always inform someone of your paddling route, the time and location of your departure and your intended time and location of arrival.
- Always carry identification.
- Do not paddle in flood conditions.
- Make sure you are able to exit the craft if necessary.
- Scout unfamiliar waters; portage where appropriate.

MODELS AND FEATURES

The Airis Play is amazingly lightweight, extremely stable and so quick to set up so you'll be on the water in no time. The shorter length of the Play makes it easy to maneuver whether you are exploring coves, or tackling whitewater, while the shape of the hull provides incredible stability and comfort. A fun, fast way to get on the water, Play is the perfect recreational kayak.

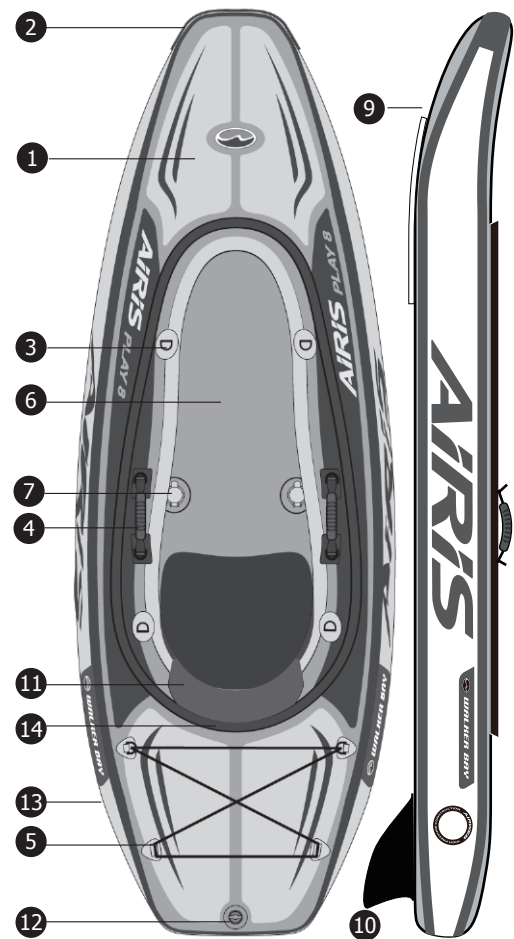
16425 PLAY 8

FEATURES

- 1- Hi-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- 2- Bow bumper rail
- 3- Four D-rings for attaching accessories
- 4- Two molded carrying handles
- 5- Storage bungee
- 6- Hi-Pressure Airweb floor w. EVA seat pad and H3 valve
- 7- Two Drain Valves and Two Cup Holders
- 9- Bow keel
- 10- Rear skeg for excellent tracking
- 11- Adjustable back rest
- 12- H3 valve
- 13- Airweb window
- 14- Splash guard
- 15- AirPack™ Deluxe portaging backpack

NOT SHOWN

- AirPack™ deluxe portaging backpack
- Hi-pressure air pump with guage
- Repair kit



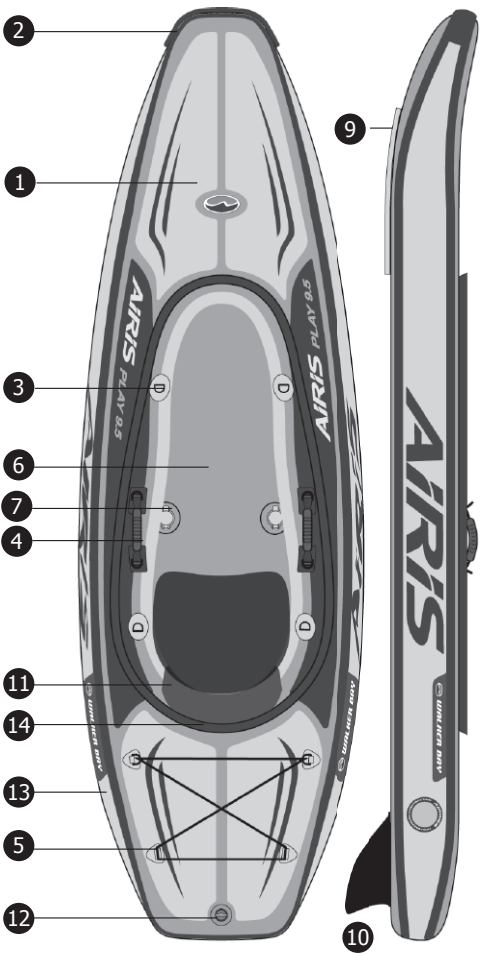
16426 PLAY 9.5

FEATURES

- 1- Hi-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- 2- Bow bumper rail
- 3- Four D-rings for attaching accessories
- 4- Two molded carrying handles
- 5- Storage bungee
- 6- Hi-Pressure Airweb floor w. EVA seat pad and H3 valve
- 7- Two Drain Valves and Two Cup Holders
- 9- Bow keel
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- 13- Airweb window
- 14- Splash guard
- 15- AirPack™ Deluxe portaging backpack

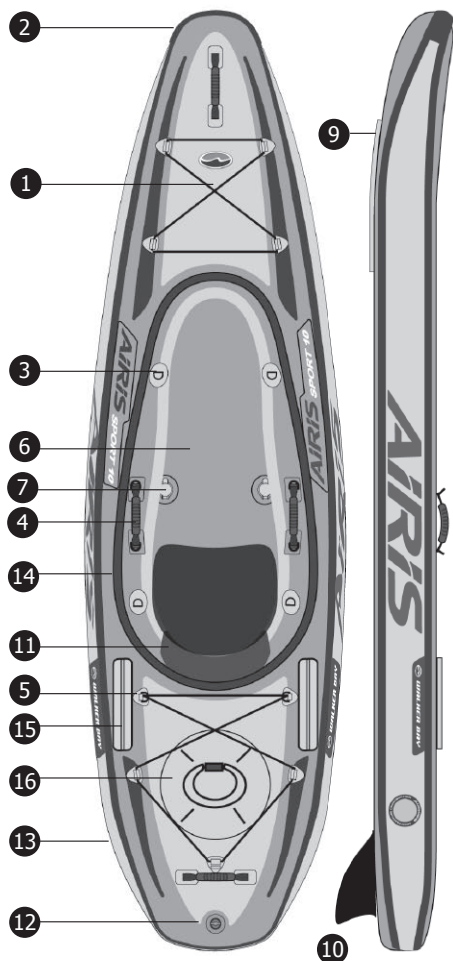
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- AirPack™ deluxe portaging backpack
- Hi-pressure air pump with guage
- Repair kit



16427 SPORT 10

Loaded with features, the Airis Sport is a versatile inflatable kayak perfect for short expeditions or fun day trips. The long hull design combined with the bow keel and oversized rear skeg results in great tracking performance, so paddling distances is easier. The bungee tie-downs and integrated storage compartment are great for transporting gear while the rubber handles and lightweight hull make it the ideal kayak for portage. Whether you're exploring, or just on a quick paddle, the Airis Sport is sure to provide fun & adventure.



FEATURES

- 1- Hi-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- 2- Bow bumper rail
- 3- Four D-Rings for attaching accessories
- 4- Four molded carrying handles
- 5- Two storage bungees
- 6- Hi-Pressure Airweb floor w. EVA seat pad and H3 valve
- 7- Two Drain Valves and Two Cup Holders
- 9- Bow keel
- 10- Rear skeg for excellent tracking
- 11- Adjustable back rest
- 12- H3 valve
- 13- Airweb window
- 14- Splash guard
- 15- Two accessory attachment rails
- 16- Integratd dry bag
- 17- AirPack™ Deluxe portaging back-pack

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AirPack™ deluxe portaging back-pack
Hi-pressure air pump with guage
Repair kit



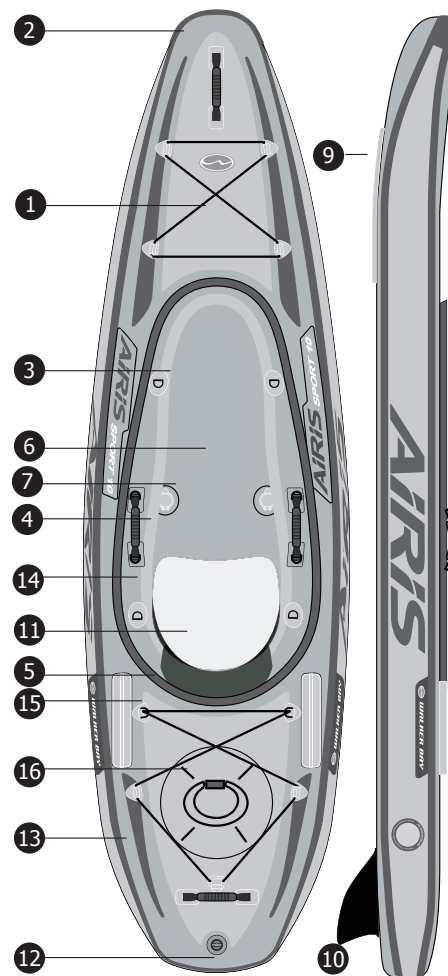
16428 SPORT 11

FEATURES

- 1- Hi-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- 2- Bow bumper rail
- 3- Four D-Rings for attaching accessories
- 4- Four molded carrying handles
- 5- Two storage bungees
- 6- Hi-Pressure Airweb floor w. EVA seat pad and H3 valve
- 7- Two Drain Valves and Two Cup Holders
- 9- Bow keel
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Hi-pressure air pump with guage
Repair kit



16803 VELOCITY

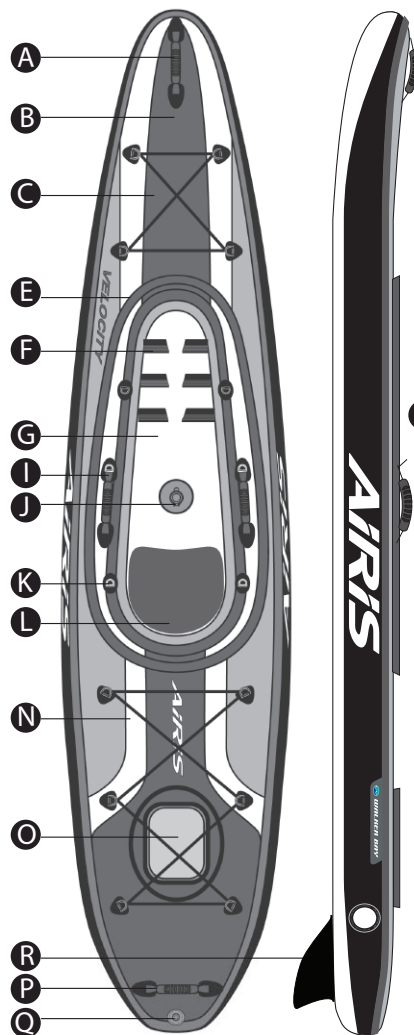
Sporty and fast, the Velocity features a narrow beam and sleek hull design to maximize paddling efficiency. As a result, the Velocity glides through the water quickly and easily. With a storage compartment for food and refreshments, and integrated bungee cords for gear, the Velocity is the ideal kayak for day trips.

FEATURES

- A - Molded Forward Carry Handle
- B - High-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- C - Forward D-rings (4) and Bungee Cords for attaching accessories
- E - Splash Guard
- F - Foot Rests
- G - High-Pressure AirWeb™ floor
- I - Molded Carry Handles
- J - Cup Holder with Drain Plug
- K - D-rings for attaching accessories (6)
- L - EVA Seat Pad with floor air valve
- N - Stern D-rings (6) and Bungee Cords for attaching accessories
- O - Stern Storage Compartment with cover
- P - Molded Stern Carry Handle
- Q - H3 Air Valve
- R - XL Skeg
- S - AirPack™ Deluxe portaging backpack

NOT SHOWN

- 1 - High-pressure Air Pump with gauge
- 2 - Repair Kit



16804 PLAY TANDEM

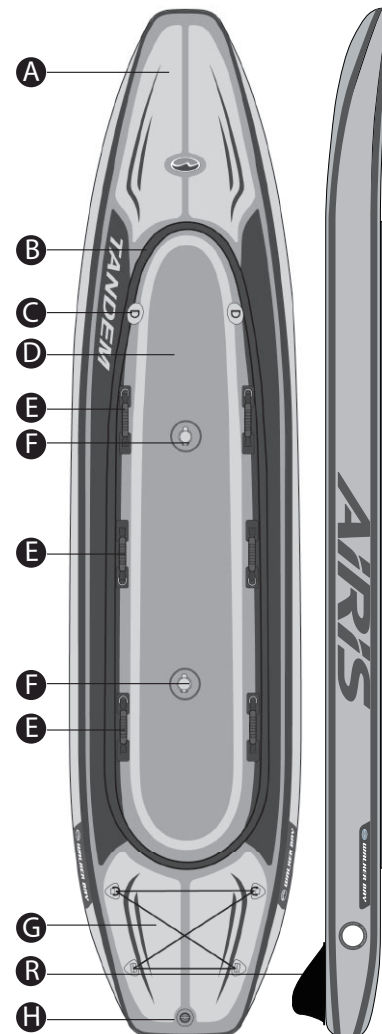
Two kayaks in one! Still compact enough to fit in its own custom backpack, the Play Tandem is designed to comfortably accommodate two paddlers. The Tandem can also be converted into a single paddler kayak, or a face-to-face canoe, simply by adjusting the seating arrangement. Now you can have it all.

FEATURES

- A - High-Pressure AirWeb™ hull & floor
- B - Splash Guard
- C - D-rings for attaching accessories (8)
- D - High-Pressure AirWeb™ floor
- E - Molded Carry Handles (6)
- F - Cup Holders with Drain Plugs (2)
- G - Stern D-rings (4) and Bungee Cords for attaching accessories
- H - H3 Air Valve
- R - XL Skeg
- S - AirPack™ Deluxe portaging backpack

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- 1 - High-pressure Air Pump with gauge
- 2 - Repair Kit



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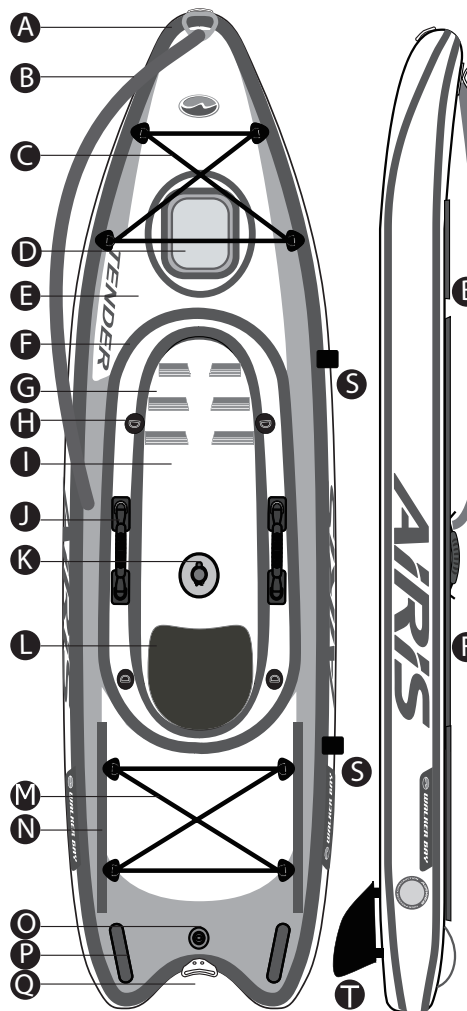
For yacht owners, the Airis Tender is the ideal craft for getting from ship to shore and comes loaded with features such as an integrated bow storage compartment, a paddle holder, bow line, storage bungees and accessory attachment rails. Removable skegs make the Tender store in less space than other Airis kayaks. The Tender also features Walker Bay's exclusive Connect-a-Yak™ system (patent pending) that turns 2 Tender kayaks into a tandem! Utility and versatility meet portable fun.

FEATURES

- A - Molded Forward Double-loop Carry Handle
- B - Life-line Rope
- C - Forward D-rings (4) with Bungee Cords
- D - Forward Storage Compartment with water-tight cover
- E - High Pressure AirWeb(TM) hull
- F - Splash Guard
- G - Foot Rests
- H - Cockpit D-rings (6) for accessory attachment
- I - High Pressure AirWeb(TM) Floor
- J - Molded Carry Handles
- K - Cup Holder with Drain Plug
- L - EVA Seat Pad with Floor Air Valve
- M - Stern D-rings (4) and Bungee Cords
- N - Versa-Track(TM) Rails for accessory attachment
- O - Air Valve for main hull
- P - Stern Carry Handles
- Q - Connect-A-Yak Rear Connection Unit
- R - Connect-A-Yak Front Connection Unit
- S - Paddle Holders
- T - Removable Double Skegs
- U - AirPack™ Deluxe portaging backpack

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- 1 - High-pressure Air Pump with gauge
- 2 - Repair Kit



16802 ANGLER - CAMOUFLAGE 16807 ANGLER - YELLOW

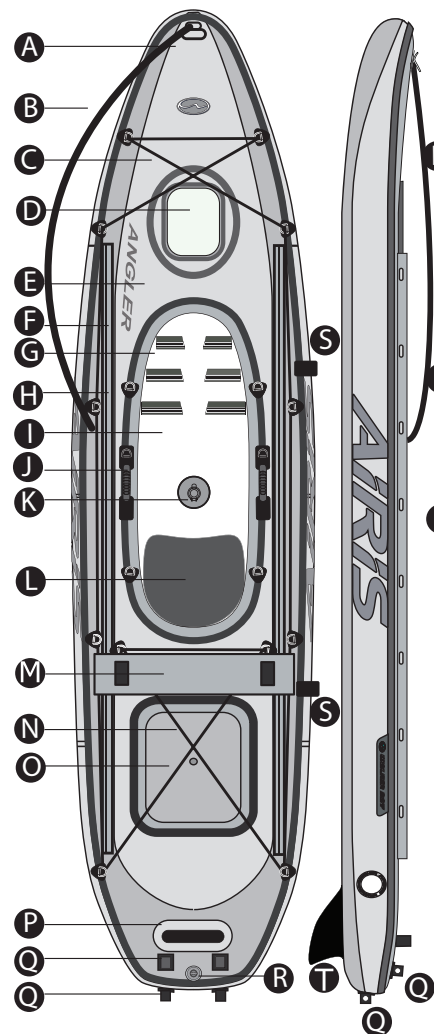
Loaded with practical features, yet compact enough to stow in its own backpack, the Angler is a versatile and functional way to get on the water and fish. The Angler offers a wide, durable, stable hull that comes fully equipped with fishing rod holders, foot rests, bowline, integrated storage compartments, and paddle holders. The highlight of the Angler is a multifunctional accessory attachment system called Versa-Track™ that runs down both sides of the kayak, features 32 attachment points for gear, and comes with an aluminum gear-mount platform for adding tools such as fish finders, depth sounders, down riggers, etc. Available in two color options: Camouflage or Yellow.

FEATURES



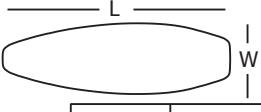
- A - Molded Forward Double-loop Carry Handle
- B - Life-line Rope
- C - Forward D-rings (4) with Bungee Cords
- D - Forward Storage Compartment with water-tight cover
- E - High Pressure AirWeb(TM) hull
- F - Full-Length Versa-Track(TM) Rail for accessory attachment
- G - Foot Rests
- H - Cockpit D-rings (6) for accessory attachment
- I - High Pressure AirWeb(TM) Floor
- J - Molded Carry Handles
- K - Cup Holder with Drain Plug
- L - EVA Seat Pad with Floor Air Valve
- M - Aluminum Gear Mounting Platform
- N - Middle and Stern D-rings (6) and Bungee Cords
- O - Stern Storage Compartment with Drain Hole
- P - Stern Carry Handles
- Q - Wheel Holders (4) for Wheel Kit
- R - Air Valve for main hull
- S - Paddle Holders
- T - XL Skeg
- U - AirPack(TM) Deluxe portaging backpack

NOT SHOWN

- 1 - High-pressure Air Pump with gauge
- 2 - Repair Kit



SPECIFICATIONS AND CAPACITIES*

MODEL	ISO / ABYC									
		LB	KG		LB	KG	FT	CM	IN	CM
Play 8	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	225	102	1	15	7	8	244	33	84
Play 9.5	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	250	113	1	18	8	9	275	33	84
Tandem	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	450	204	2	39	17.5	12	366	33	84
Sport 10	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	250	113	1	20	9	10	305	33	84
Sport 11	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	250	113	1	21	9.5	11	335	33	84
Velocity	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	275	125	1	33	15	12	366	30	76
Angler	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	300	136	1	38	17.3	12	366	33	84
Tender	6185-1, TYPE III, B/H28	275	125	1	33	15	10	305	33	84

*Specifications and capacities subject to change without notice.

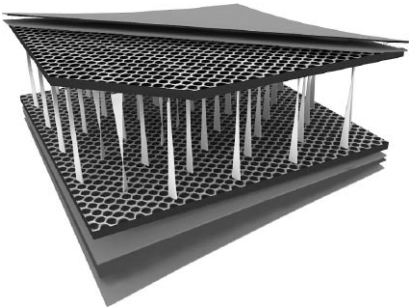
! WARNING

Do not exceed the stated maximum capacities under any circumstances. Overloading will reduce freeboard and increase the likelihood of swamping, especially in heavy seas. Overloading causes handling to become sluggish, making it difficult to react quickly.

MATERIALS

AirWeb™

Airis™ Inflatable Kayaks are made using AirWeb™ High Pressure Construction, formed from a heavy duty, 7 layer polymer coated fabric that is joined inside by thousands of drop-stitch fibers. AirWeb™ makes it possible to inflate Airis™ Kayaks to more than 6 PSI or 0.42 bar, up to 6 times the maximum air pressure of other inflatable kayaks! This creates a hull that is incredibly rigid and durable without the use of aluminum inserts or other complicated frame parts, and keeps the assembly of Airis™ Kayaks quick and simple.



ASSEMBLY, INFLATION AND DEFLATION

ASSEMBLY

Your kayak requires very little assembly. All you have to do is ensure that the kayak floor and back rest are correctly positioned in the kayak cockpit prior to inflation of the kayak floor.

OPERATING THE PUMP

The pump included with your kayak has been chosen specifically for its ability to quickly inflate your Airis™ kayak to the high pressure required.

The pump included with your kayak is equipped with a pressure gauge. The pressure gauge will only display pressure while you are inflating. The pressure reading will subside when you stop pumping.

The pump can be used for inflating and deflating. For inflation mode attach the fitting on the pump hose to the fitting on the pump handle marked "Inflate". For deflation mode attach the fitting on the pump hose to the fitting on the pump handle marked "Deflate".

! CAUTION

Do not force the handle on the pump, it could break.
Use both hands to operate the pump; position one hand on each side of the pump handle. Pump by moving the handle in a vertical upwards and downwards motion.
Do not push unevenly on the handle; this could break the shaft of the pump.

NOTICE

If you prefer to use an aftermarket foot pump or an electric pump choose one capable of inflating to at least 6.5PSI/0.45Bar.

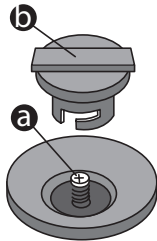
OPERATION OF VALVES

For inflation remove the valve cap (b), then push, twist and release the center valve stem (a) so it is in the "OUT" position.

After inflating install the valve cap (b) by inserting it and twisting clockwise.

For deflation remove the valve cap, then push, twist and release the center valve stem so it is in the "IN" position.

After deflating replace the valve cap to protect the valve's parts and mechanism.



INFLATION



CAUTION

Failure to follow inflation instructions may result in poor performance or damage to the kayak.

For optimum performance it is essential that the kayak is inflated to the correct working pressure of 6.5psi/0.45bar.

The kayak body should be rigid and very firm when inflated to the correct working pressure.

Do not under inflate. Under-inflation will result in poor performance.

Do not over inflate. Over inflation may cause air chambers to rupture.

Avoid leaving the kayak in direct sunlight when inflated to working pressure. This could cause an increase in air pressure beyond the kayak's maximum air pressure and cause air chambers to rupture.

Do not use compressors, CO2 or compressed air; these may damage your kayak.

CORRECT WORKING PRESSURE: 6.5PSI/0.45BAR.

MAXIMUM PRESSURE: 7PSI/0.49BAR.

MINIMUM PRESSURE: 6PSI/0.42BAR

Inflating the kayak body

1. Before inflating the kayak body set the valve stem in the closed/out position by pushing, turning counter clockwise and releasing. This will prevent air from escaping when you remove the pump hose once inflation is complete.
2. Insert the fitting on the end of the pump hose into the valve and twist the fitting clockwise to secure it for inflation.
3. Inflate the kayak body to correct working pressure (6.5psi/0.45bar) using the pump provided with your kayak.

NOTICE

Many pumps are not capable of high pressure inflation greater than 5psi/0.35bar. If/when not using the pump provided with the kayak you must use a high pressure pump or a pump capable of achieving at least 6.5psi/0.45bar).

4. Use the gauge mounted in the pump to determine the air pressure in the kayak. To release air push the valve stem in. (Notice: The gauge on the pump only shows the air pressure in the kayak when you are actively pumping).
5. Remove the pump hose and fitting from the inflation valve.
6. Seal the valve with the valve cap.

Installing the backrest on Play & Sport models

For the new Deluxe and Basic Backrests as optional parts, see Accessory Guide in this manual.

Before inflating the kayak floor install the back rest.

To install the back rest, position the bottom flap of the back rest under the inflatable floor. When the floor is inflated it will secure the lower portion of the back rest.

Pass the webbing straps on the back rest through the rear D-rings on kayak's handles.

Feed the webbing straps through the buckles on the back rest.

When the floor is completely inflated use the webbing straps to adjust the back rest to a comfortable position.

Inflating the kayak floor

1. Position the kayak floor in the cockpit of the kayak body before you inflate the kayak floor.
2. To inflate the kayak floor repeat steps 1 through 6 with the kayak floor.
3. Make sure both valves are tightly secured.

Deflating the kayak body and kayak floor

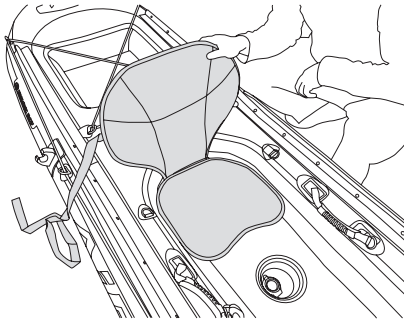
1. To deflate the kayak, remove the valve cap from the valves in the kayak floor and kayak body.
2. Release the air by pushing the valve stem in and turning clockwise. The valve should lock in the depressed position allowing the kayak to deflate completely.
3. Completely deflate the kayak body and floor either by rolling the kayak from the front/bow to the rear/stern or by using the pump by switching the pump from inflate mode to deflate mode.
4. Replace the valve caps on the kayak body and floor once they are completely deflated. This will protect the valves when the kayak is not in use.

ACCESSORY GUIDE

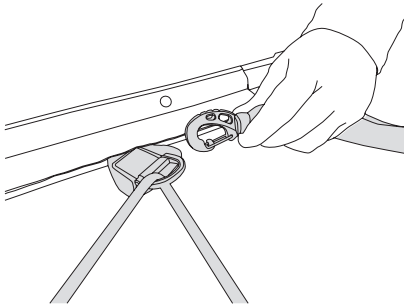
SEAT CUSHION & BACKREST

Walker Bay® Seat Cushion and Backrest is available in 2 versions: Basic and Deluxe.

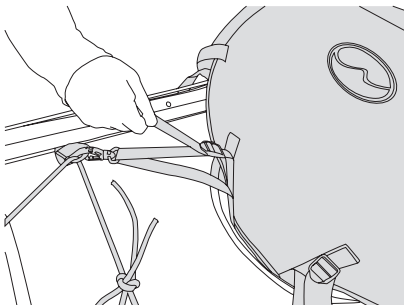
The Basic Seat & Backrest is made of reinforced fabric with meshed foam padding for support and ventilation. The Deluxe Seat & Backrest is made of ergonomic and stylish molded foam material for your best comfort.



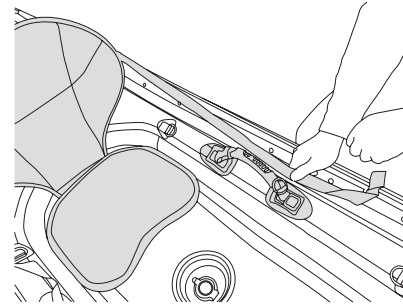
To install the Seat Cushion and Backrest, place the seat cushion on top of the black EVA foam pad on the kayak, with the backrest facing forward.



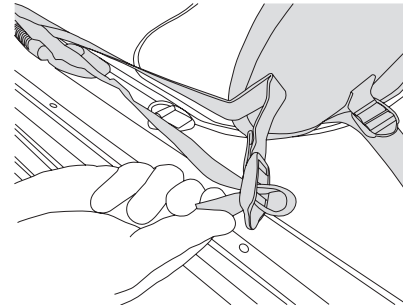
Connect the hooks on the straps on the back of the seat to the black plastic D-rings behind the seat. These straps will keep the backrest erect.



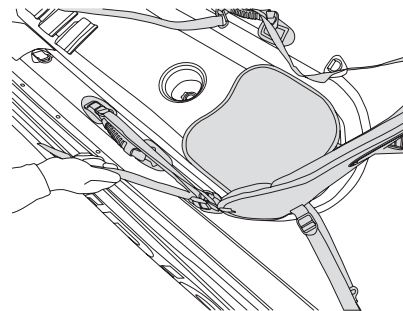
After both hooks are connected, pull the ends of the straps back to the best angle you like. DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN, or it may rip the fabric. We recommend a more upright sitting position for long-time comfortable paddling.



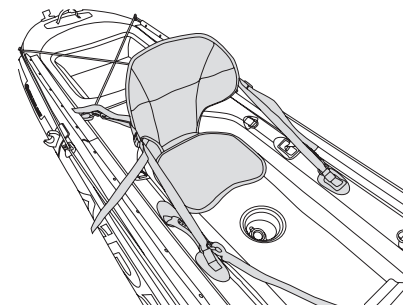
There is one long strap on each side of the backrest. Lead it through the forward D-ring on the kayak's side carry handle.



Pull the strap back and go through the plastic adjustable clip on each side of the backrest as shown here. Make sure the threaded sides on the clip is in touch with the strap.



Now you can also adjust the backrest from the front. Again, we recommend a more upright sitting position. It is more comfortable and will give you more leg room in the kayak.



A completed Seat Cushion and Backrest.

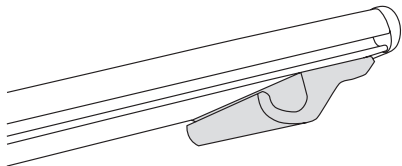
VERSA-TRACK™ ACCESSORY ATTACHMENT SYSTEM AND ALUMINUM GEAR MOUNTING PLATFORM

Only Walker Bay® Airis® kayaks have such a versatile accessory attachment rail system. The Sport 10, Sport 11 and Tender have the shorter version of the rail, while the Angler kayak comes with the full-length version.

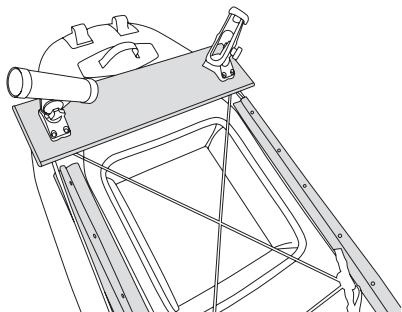
An aluminum accessory platform is available from Walker Bay Boats. It comes standard with the Angler kayaks, but owners of the Sport 10, Sport 11 and Tender kayaks can order it from Walker Bay or purchase it through any of the Airis® dealers.

The platform provides hundreds of possibilities of mounting equipments or accessories onto the kayak. Besides fishing rod holders, you can also mount GPS, fish finder, storage container, navigation/safety lights, or even water cannons on the platform! Just drill or tap on the platform, and install whatever you want to have on the kayak.

The full length rail system on the Angler kayaks allows you to position the aluminum platform anywhere you want – behind you, in front of you, or you can even sit on it. Or you can install more than one platforms for more equipments. The options are endless, only limited by your imagination!



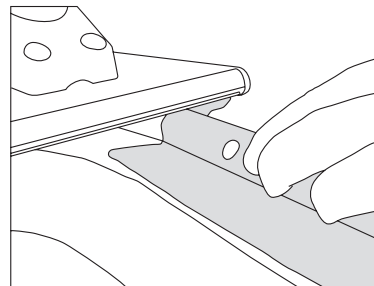
To mount the aluminum platform onto the rail, find the plastic adapters under the platform. It is like a hollow tube with opening on one side.



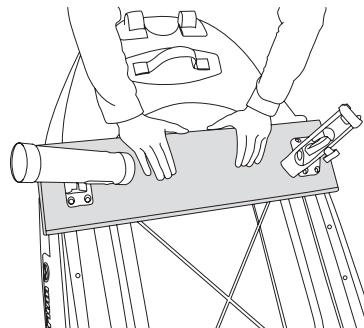
With the adapter facing down, align the platform on the back of the boat, in front of the ends of the rails.

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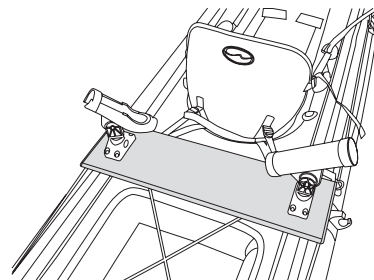
On the full-length rail system on the Angler kayak, there are 2 openings in the middle of the rail. If you want to have the platform near the middle section of the kayak, start from the nearest opening.



Insert the end of the rail runner into the opening of the adapter. Use water or soap water for lubrication.



After both rails are in the adapters, push the platform forward with both hands.



Push on both sides until the platform is at the ideal position.

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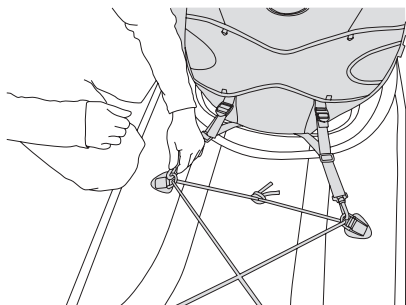
We do our best to make installing the aluminum platform as easy as possible. However, on rare occasions, the aluminum platform may be very tight and difficult to move on the rails. In this case, try partially deflating the kayak. This will make platform installation and movement a lot easier. Re-inflate the kayak after installation and positioning is complete.

CAUTION

Do not kick the aluminum platform or use too much force. It could damage the rails or puncture the hull of the kayak.

SPRAY COVER

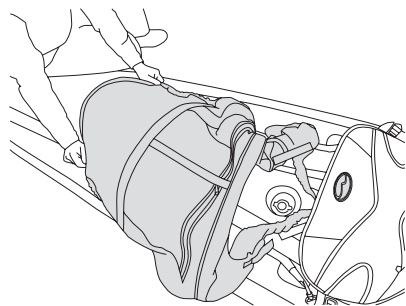
Convert your sit-on-top Airis® Kayak into a sit-inside model with the addition of the Spray Cover. Waterproof and UV resistant, the Spray Cover will keep you dry from drips and splashes, and protect you from the sun's harmful rays. One size fits all Airis® Kayaks (except Tandem and Angler models), it is available in yellow.



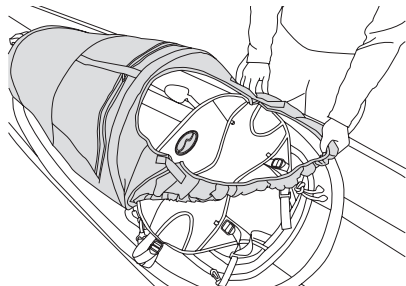
To install the Spray Cover, first remove the hooks of the back straps from the D-rings. You don't need to completely remove the seat and backrest. Just those 2 hooks to clear the splash guard around the seat.

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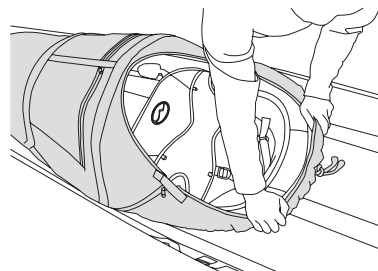
Loosening the straps before removing the hooks will make un-hooking a lot easier.



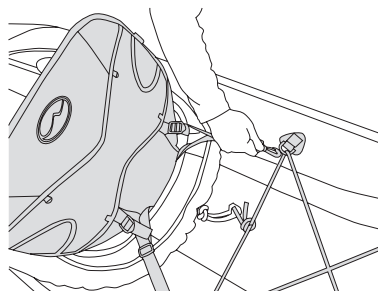
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Slowly pull the back end of the Spray Cover towards the rear, keeping the bungee cord under the splash guard.

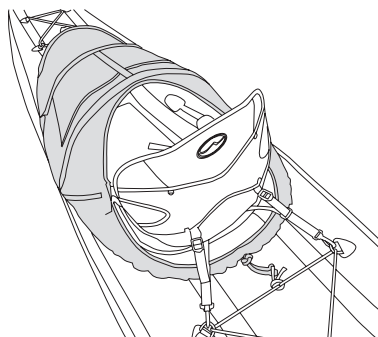


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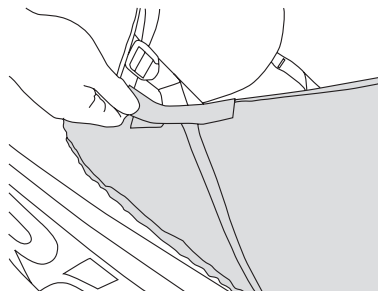


After you are happy with the fit, re-attach the hooks on the back of the seat to the rear D-rings.

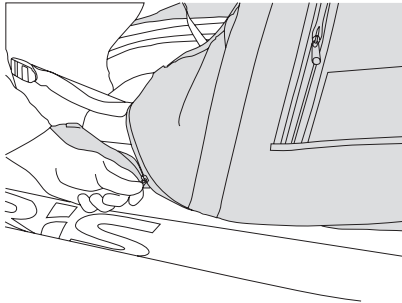
See the chapter of Seat Attachment for details on how to install the Seat and Backrest.



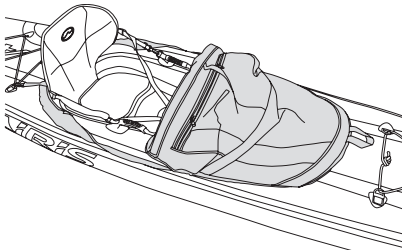
This is how it looks after it is properly set up.



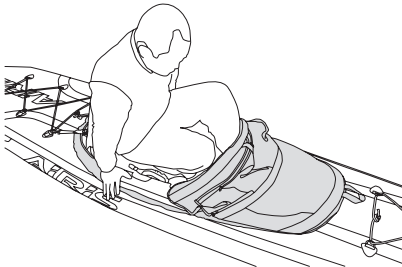
After the Spray Cover is installed, if you need to enter the kayak, follow these steps. First open the Velcro straps on both sides of the Spray Cover near the seat.



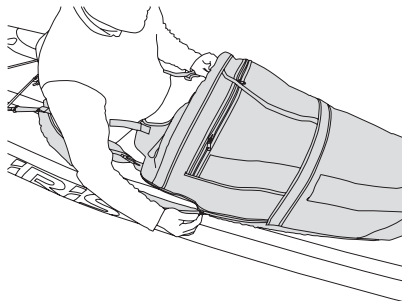
Open the zipper along both sides of the Spray Cover.



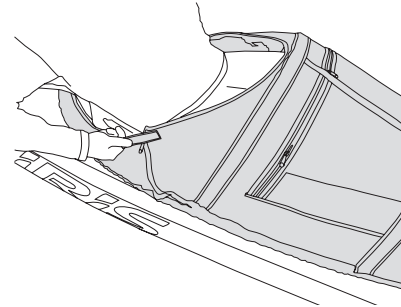
Push the top of the Spray Cover forward to give enough room for entering the kayak with ease.



Enter the kayak.



After being seated, pull the Spray Cover back to you, and close the zipper.



Finally, press the Velcro strap to secure the top in place.



WARNING

Do not use the Spray Cover in white water or where there are waves.

The Spray Cover is designed for recreational use. The bungee cord that secures the Spray Cover to the kayak may not be able to remain in place under extreme conditions, and may come off, especially if a loose fit was set by the user. This could result in the Spray Cover wrapping around the paddler's body.

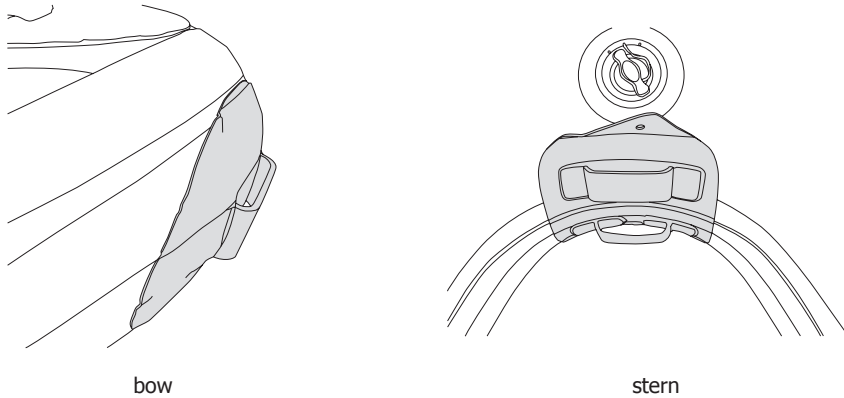
In the case of this situation, push the Spray Cover down below your waist, and lift your feet out of the top of the frame to exit.

CONNECT-A-YAK SYSTEM

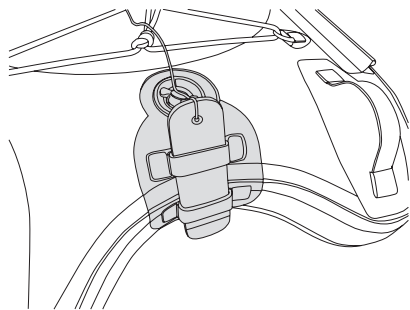
The Walker Bay® Connect-A-Yak® System is a very unique device to connect two or more kayaks together, which is not available on any other kayak in the world. It allows you to join Tender kayaks together for various purposes, or just for fun!

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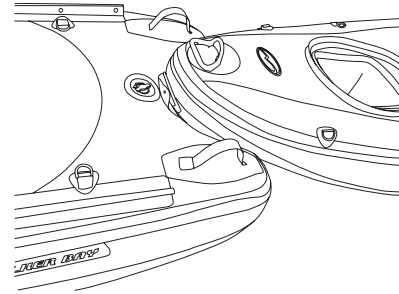
Only Walker Bay® Airis® Tender® Kayaks can be connected. Other Walker Bay® Airis® Kayaks do not come with this connection system, nor does any other kayak manufacturer's products in the market.



To connect two Tender kayaks, find the single connection loop at the bow of the kayak, and the double connection loop at the stern.



Find the metal connection bar attached to the double connection loops. Remove it from the loops. Use water or soap water for lubrication.



Align the stern of the front kayak with the bow of the back kayak, so the connection loops rest against each other. The single connection loop should be placed right between the double connection loops, allowing the metal connection bar to go through all 3 loops.

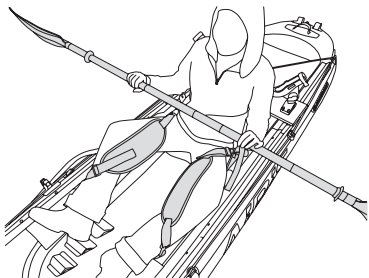
Use water or soap water to lubricate the metal connection bar, and insert it into all the 3 loops. It should be quite tight, and the bar will stay in place. Now the 2 kayaks are connected.

To connect more kayaks, repeat the same process.

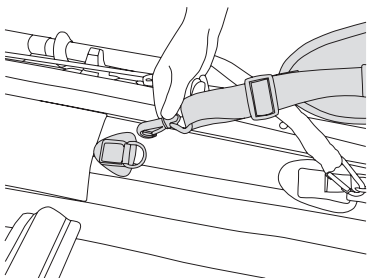
To disconnect, use water or soap water for lubrication, and pull the connection bar out of the loops. It will be tight. Use the attachment cord to help pull it out. After it is removed, attach it to the double connection loops at the stern so it does not get lost.

THIGH STRAPS

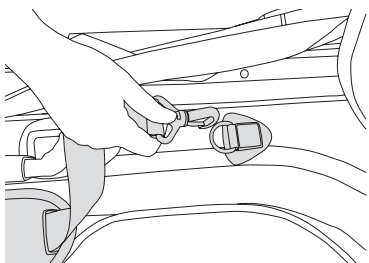
Especially useful in surf and whitewater, the Walker Bay® Thigh Straps help you get more control out of your Airis® kayak. Featuring double snap hooks for fast attachment and removal, the Thigh Straps are fully adjustable to fit any sized paddler. Available in yellow with gray mesh paddle.



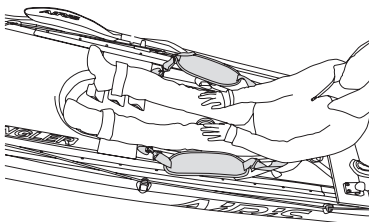
The Thigh Straps come in pairs. They are attached to the front and rear D-rings on both sides of the cockpit, and hold the paddler's thighs in place.



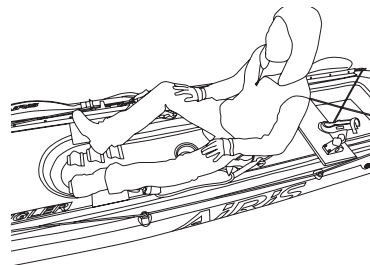
To install the Thigh Straps, attach the snap hook with the adjustable strap to the front D-ring near the footrests.



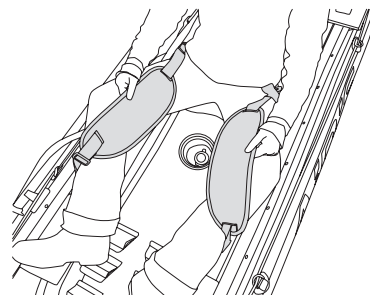
And attach the other snap hook to the rear D-ring beside the seat.



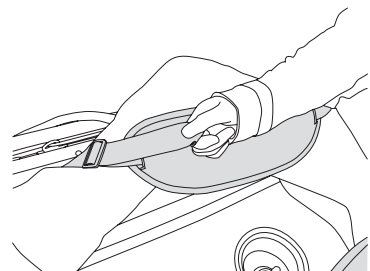
After the Thigh Straps are installed, you can start paddling with or without the Thigh Straps holding your legs to the sides.



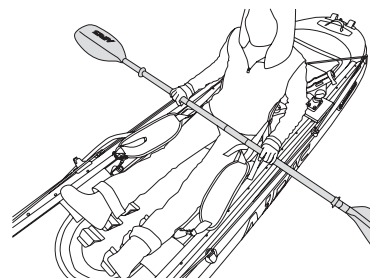
When you want to use the Thigh Straps, rest your knees on both sides of the cockpit in a comfortable and relaxed position.



Pull the Thigh Straps up and wrap them around your knees. Make sure that the straps are flat, not twisted.



Tighten the strap to the best fit that you feel comfortable with. Keep your knees slightly bent to keep the Thigh Straps engaged. For example, if you normally use the first pair of footrest, you could use the second pair of footrest when you use the Thigh Straps.



To remove the Thigh Straps, simply straighten your legs. The Thigh Straps will just loosen. Leave them on the sides of the cockpit till you get ashore.

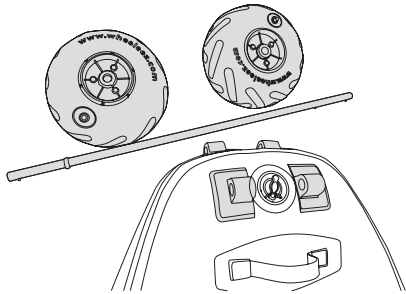
CAUTION

Unhooking the Thigh Straps during the trip may result in losing the Thigh Straps. Do not completely remove them until you have reached your destination or have access to storage.

WHEEL KIT FOR ANGLERS

A fishing kayak could get heavy after all the fishing and safety equipment and gear are loaded into the kayak. It becomes difficult to move the kayak on the beach unless you have wheels under it. Also, stability is very important to fishing kayaks because the operator will need to have access to all storage compartments and do several things at the same time. He/she may even need to move to different parts of the kayak.

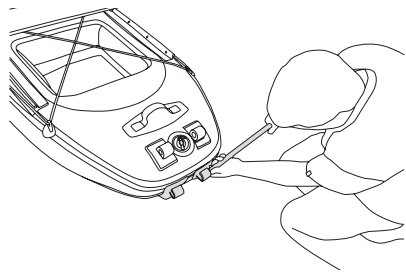
The Walker Bay Wheel Kit can help in both aspects. Equipped with balloon style tires and an easy to install/remove system, the Wheel Kit comes in handy no matter you are on shore, or paddling in water.



The Wheel Kit comes with 3 parts: 2 balloon wheels, and an aluminum axle. Inflate the wheels to the correct air pressure (see air pressure information on the wheels) with a bicycle pump.

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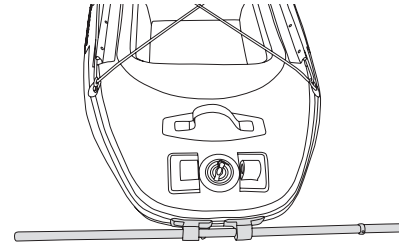
Do not over-inflate the wheels, or the tires could be stretched too thin and be prone to punctures.



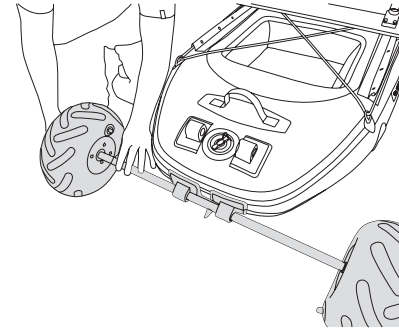
To install the wheel kit when you are on beach, insert the aluminum axle into the lower set of wheel holders. Start with the end without the ring.

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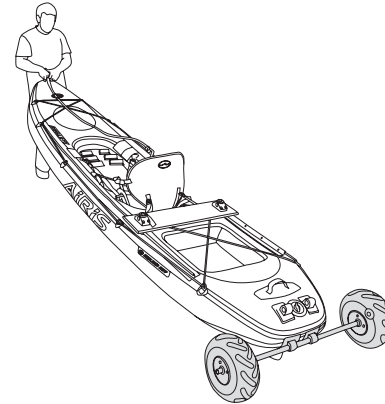
Only the lower wheel holders could provide a high enough clearance for you to pull the kayak without causing damage to the bottom of the kayak. Do not try to pull the kayak with the wheels installed on the upper wheel holders.



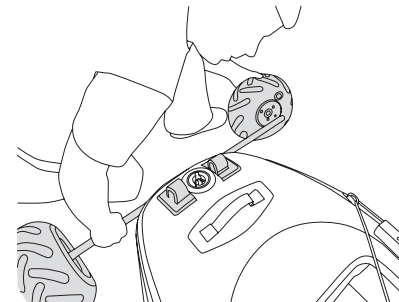
Push the axle through both lower wheel holders until it is centered. It should be a tight fit.



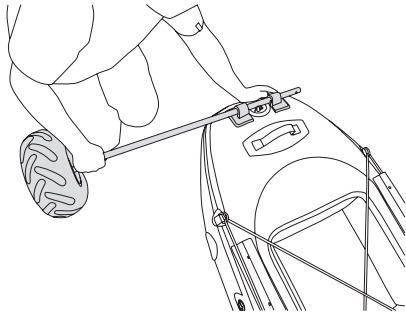
Install the wheels onto the axle on both sides, by pushing down the push button on the axle. The push buttons will hold the wheel in place. The wheels have specific rotation directions, so make sure that you install the one marked "right" on the right side, and "left" on the left side.



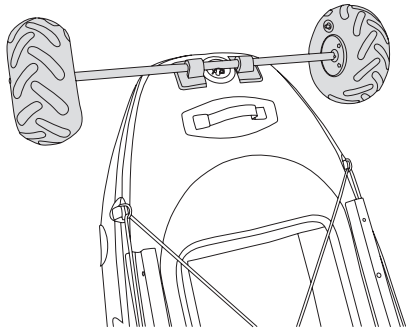
When ready to get into water, the wheels at the lower position must be changed to the higher position, or the kayak would be extremely slow. To do this, remove the wheel on the end without the axle ring.



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Pull the axle out from the lower wheel holders. You do not have to remove the other wheel. Insert it into the higher wheel holders.

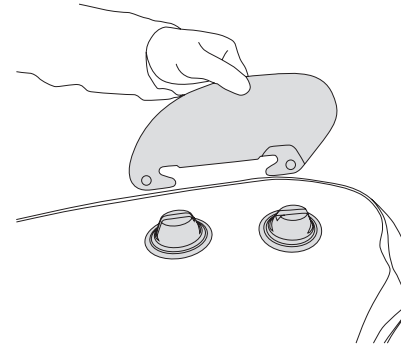


With the wheels at the upper position, the wheels will not be in water when you paddle. But when you have much weight on one side of the kayak or lose balance, the wheel on that side will engage and provide floatation.

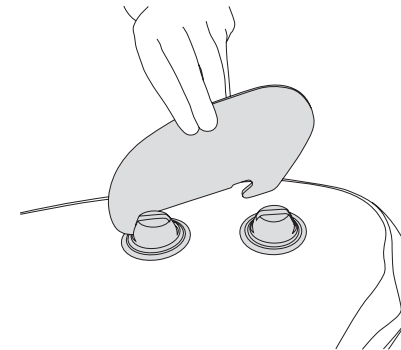
REMOVABLE SKEGS FOR TENDER

Walker Bay's Removable Skegs provide superior hydrodynamic performance, and at the same time offer the owner the choice to make the package smaller. Isn't it the best of both worlds?

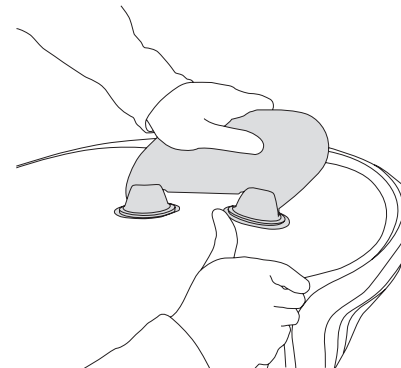
Removable Skegs are now only available on Airis Tender kayaks.



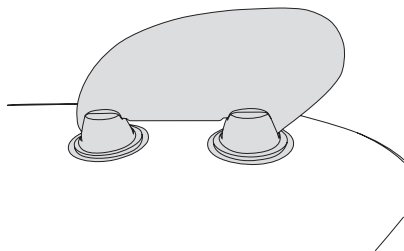
To install the Removable Skegs, first partially deflate the kayak. It cannot be installed when the kayak is fully inflated.



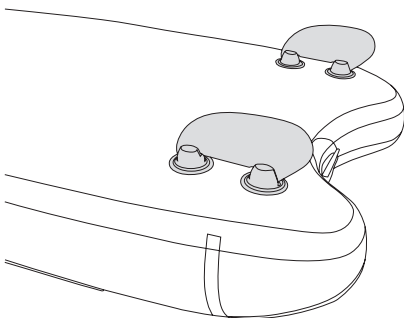
After the kayak is partially deflated, hook the front tip of the blade into the forward base.



Bend the kayak body to shorten the distance between the 2 skag bases. Hook the rear of the blade into the rear base. Push the stern of the kayak into the bases if necessary (as shown in picture).



Stretch the 2 skeg bases to ensure a secure lock. Now the blade should stay vertically in place and should be firmly locked.



Install the other blade in the same way. After they are both in place, re-inflate the kayak to correct working pressure. Test again to make sure that both skegs are securely locked in place and cannot come off.

To remove the skegs, partially deflate the kayak body, bend the area between the 2 skeg bases to unlock the blade.

CLEANING

After use, rinse with fresh water; wash away sand and debris.
Rinse the cockpit and under the inflatable floor to remove sand and debris.

NOTICE

Do not clean with oily or abrasive substances or chemicals.
Do not use products that could be harmful to PVC.
Do not discharge cleaning products or chemicals into waterways.
Some suntan lotions can discolor PVC fabric.

STORAGE

Clean kayak before storing.
Dry kayak before storing to prevent accumulation of mould.
Store in a cool and dry place.

NOTICE

Do not store kayak in a place where it may come in contact with sharp or abrasive objects.

TRANSPORTATION & TOWING

To transport with an automobile deflate the kayak and transport it inside the trunk or boot of the automobile.



CAUTION

Do not transport kayak on an automobile roof rack. This could result in damage to the kayak or a hazardous driving situation.
Do not tow behind a boat. This craft is not designed for towing behind a boat.
Towing behind a boat could result in injury or damage to the craft.

REPAIRS

For repairs, parts, or service contact your local AIRIS™ dealer or Walker Bay® customer service at:

Tel: 1 (888) 44WALKER (449-2553) or 1 (604) 682-5699

Fax: 1 (888) 228-7222 or 1 (604) 683-1877

email: info@airiskayaks.com

SMALL TEARS, CUTS, PUNCTURES

Tears, leaks, or punctures less than 0.5 inches or 1cm can be repaired with the repair kit provided.

1. Prepare a round patch no less than 3 inches or 7 centimeters in diameter.
2. Clean the patch and the area surrounding the leak with Isopropyl Alcohol.

NOTICE

The patch and kayak skin must be clean or the patch may not adhere properly.

3. To contain excess glue, use masking tape to tape off the area around the patch.
Excess glue will discolor.
4. Apply 3 thin, even coats of repair kit adhesive to both the surface of the kayak and the patch. Wait 5 minutes between each coat.
5. After the 3rd coat, wait 10-15 minutes before applying the patch. Use a hand roller to apply the patch evenly. Pay special attention to the edges.
6. Wait 24 hours before re-inflating. Inflate to working pressure and check water-tightness and/or air-tightness before using.

FINDING SMALL LEAKS

1. Mix a solution of 4 cups of fresh water and 1 cup of mild non-antibacterial liquid soap. Do not use a spray bottle containing household cleaners.
2. Inflate kayak approximately to working pressure.
3. Spray the soapy solution over suspected area of leak.
4. Look for air bubbles. Bubbles around an air valve indicate it is probably loose. Use the tool included in the repair kit and gently tighten valve. Bubbles on the surface of the kayak skin indicate a puncture or leak.
5. Repair the kayak by following the procedure for SMALL TEARS, CUTS, PUNCTURES or contact Walker Bay® customer service.

LARGE REPAIRS TO SKIN - SEAMS

CAUTION

For large tears or repairs to seams it is recommended that the kayak be returned to Walker Bay® or your dealer for repair by a trained professional. Contact Walker Bay® Customer Service for Return Authorization, Repair Service and Freight Rates.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT*

- Coast Guard approved lifejacket or personal flotation device**
- Charts
- Protective clothing in case of weather change
- Flares
- Whistle
- First Aid kit
- Mobile phone
- Tow line
- Repair kit
- Pump
- Paddle leash
- Water & food
- Spare paddle

*NOTICE

Specific safety equipment may be mandatory in some countries.

Failure to carry safety equipment could result in fines or other penalties. Familiarize yourself with safety equipment and emergency maneuvering (re-boarding etc.).

**NOTICE

Wear a Coast Guard approved personal flotation device. In some countries, it is a legal requirement to wear an approved personal flotation device.

ACCIDENT REPORTING (USA)

Obtain knowledge of accident reporting requirements for the United States Coast Guard. Copies of the U.S. Coast Guard Boating Accident Report are available by calling the U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Hotline at 1 (800) 368-5647.

TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Air chamber loses air:	- Tube valve is loose. - There is a leak.	- Tighten valve. - Repair leak.
Kayak not rigid enough:	- Air pressure is too low.	- Increase air pressure.
Kayak is difficult to paddle:	- Kayak is under inflated. - There is too much load.	- Increase air pressure. - Reduce load.
Water accumulates in cockpit:	- Drain plug is open.	- Close drain plug.

WALKER BAY® BOATS NORTH AMERICAN LIMITED WARRANTY FOR AIRIS™ KAYAKS

(For export markets please contact the distributor for your country – see
www.walkerbay.com for distributor listing)

Attorneys can turn valuable Warranty Information into a document that is hard to understand. The following is an explanation of the Walker Bay AIRIS™ Limited Warranty in simple terms.

To be covered under the Walker Bay Limited Warranty, you must register your craft with Walker Bay within 30 days of purchase. Warranty Registration can be submitted by you or your Dealer:

- via mail using the Warranty Registration Card included with your Owner's Safety Manual
- online at www.walkerbay.com

Warranty registration extends the limited warranty on your AIRWEB™ hull from one year to a total of two years.

Registration also enables us to contact you should there be a recall or service notice. If you do not register, Warranty coverage is limited to one year. Warranty coverage is for defects in materials and workmanship, not from damage that occurs in shipping or from usage.

In the event of damage not covered under warranty, consult your insurance carrier.

AIRIS™ high pressure kayaks are covered by the Walker Bay Limited Warranty under two categories:

- AIRIS™ AIRWEB™ HIGH PRESSURE HULL MATERIAL
- ACCESSORIES

1. AIRIS™ AIRWEB™ HIGH PRESSURE HULL MATERIAL

For determining air retention and servicability Walker Bay follows the ABYC (American Boat & Yacht Council) standard H-28 and ISO (International Standards Organization) standard 6185.

AIRWEB Limited 2 Year Warranty covers:

- Air retention
- Structural integrity of the tube
- Servicability
- Seams and gluing

The AIRWEB material warranty does not cover:

- Damage from bumping or scraping against something
- Damage from hitting objects above or below the water
- Damage from over inflation or exposure to excessive heat, changes in air pressure and altitude
- Damage from alien attack, or deep sea monsters

2. ACCESSORIES - 1 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

An accessory is defined as something that can be added or removed from the craft, such as a back-rest, pump, floor, D-rings, handles, valves, etc. For these items we offer a one year limited warranty for defects in materials and workmanship.

Getting Service

It is recommended that you return to your selling dealer for service. It is the sole responsibility of the customer to get the craft to a Walker Bay AIRIS™ dealer for service. Walker Bay will not cover the cost of transportation to the dealer.

Walker Bay decides whether to repair or replace a part.

In the event of a possible Warranty Claim, have your kayak examined by your dealer. Your dealer will facilitate the Warranty Claim process with Walker Bay. Walker Bay endeavors to handle all issues in an expedient manner, so you can get back on the water.

What is not covered

The Walker Bay AIRIS™ Limited Warranty, covers defects in materials and workmanship. This means that when you take delivery, that all the parts fit and are in proper condition and that they will continue to fit and operate as per their intended design as long as they are not damaged by an outside force.

Walker Bay AIRIS™ kayaks are designed and built for recreational purposes. They are not commercial products, so using them for that purpose means they won't be covered under our warranty.

The warranty does not cover the effects of ultraviolet light, fire, fall out, acid rain, hurricanes, tornadoes and other extreme forces of nature.

The same is true for damage related to accidents or vandalism or abuse. Everything ages and normal aging is not something covered under a warranty. With age comes fading, discoloring and the need for a little more maintenance - none of which is covered under warranty. Like anything in life, the better you take care of it the longer it will last. A little TLC goes a long way. Sheltering the craft from the sun and heat when not in use is always recommended. Keep the kayak away from sharp objects that could cause damage.

We hope that your Walker Bay AIRIS™ kayak will provide you with many years of enjoyment. If you have any questions, contact your local dealer or Walker Bay Customer Service at 1-888-449-2553 or 1-604-682-5699.



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