

How to fit and care for your SHOCK product.

Foot straps

Fitting

We recommend bolting the foot straps to the boat or racks. It is possible to use rivets and if doing so care should be taken to ensure that they are a tight fit and that they remain tight.

The wide foot straps come supplied with a plastic plate. Drill holes through the straps the same size as the bolts that will be used to fit them. Don't be tempted to use a larger drill bit to make it easier to get the bolts through. Screw the bolts through the strap! Don't forget the plates!

Don't forget to seal the holes you drill in the boat.

Ensure that the foot straps are bolted down tight. If they are a loose fit the loading in your feet will pull the strap against the bolt and it will rip through the side of the strap.

They rely on the friction of the plate to hold them to the boat. Given an ankle snapping moment the straps tend to break first. But that is not guaranteed.

Care for the Foot Straps.

Try to avoid the boat cover crushing the straps for prolonged lengths of time. This will cause the strap to distort. (If this happens hold the strap in its required shape and gently heat for a few hours up to about 30 degrees C).

We suggest a tennis ball in the strap or a suitable sized piece of foam.

UV light will do long term damage to the straps, try to keep them covered when not in regular use.

Wash with fresh water on a regular basis to keep the salt at bay.

Otherwise they can be used and abused, don't be afraid to pull hard on them into big nosedives. Our experience says stay on the boat until it is terminal more often than not you will survive!

