

Description

The paddle retainer is a webbing strap with cam and quick release buckles that attaches a paddle to the shoulder strap of a bouyancy aid. It can be used as an aid by paddlers with limited hand function to hold a paddle securely. The attachment has the effect of replacing the pivot point usually created by the top hand.

It is essential that the retainer is fitted to a paddle with a T grip or similar handle and that the cam buckles and quick release are working correctly priot to use. DO NOT use this product alone if you are unable to release it independently it in an emergency.

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Fish II Paddle Retainer

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Attachment



1 Loop the cam buckle webbing around the BA shoulder strap on the chosen side and tighten.



2 When in the boat, loop the webbing around the paddle and secure in the quick release buckle. Ensure that the release toggle is identified and accessible.

Attachment Considerations

- Consider using tape, or cord and tape to reduce any slipping of the shaft
- The paddle shaft should cross the body during use ensuring that any impacts on the blade do not result in facial impacts by the T grip
- Consider the length of the paddle and blade to make best use of available trunk rotation and reduce the strain on the shoulders, back and wrists.

Safety and Use

- The retainer is a semi-captive device and may cause minor entrapment scenarios. Before use consider the risks and practice emergency procedures that may be required
- Never use the retainer without prior knowledge of the sport and always temper your activities to your abilities, the conditions and the available support
- It is recommended that short practice journeys are undertaken to fine tune your skills before undertaking more adventurous and committing trips.

Storage and Cleaning

- Store away from heat, direct light, chemical fumes and moisture
- After use rinse in fresh water with addition of a small quantity of mild washing powder if required
- Hang to drip dry away from direct heat and sunlight
- Do not tumble dry and do not iron.

Life Span

Even with careful and average use, the leg loops are subject to natural aging. Equal Adventure recommends replacement after no more than 5 years of normal and competent use.

If the Leg Loops come into contact with aggressive chemicals or becomes damaged then immediate replacement is necessary.

Before use the retainer should be inspected for damage.