

# STEALTH 1200 OWNER'S MANUAL



#### **DIMENSIONS:**

Overall: 12'L x 44" W x 17" D Cockpit: 8'L x 27" W x 13" D

Weight: 100 Lbs
Weight Cap: 550 Lbs

#### **FEATURES:**

5-Year Warranty

Twin-hull catamaran style bottom 100 % Polyethylene construction

**UV Resistant** 



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Congratulations on the recent purchase of your new Stealth 2000 by Otter Outdoors! You have Purchased a boat from one of the leading manufacturers of hunting & ice fishing gear!. Your Boat represents years of commitment to product design, excellence in engineering and quality in manufacturing. With proper care and maintenance your boat should last for many years to come.

# Manufacturers Statement of Origin (MSO)

You should receive a MSO with your new boat. Most states require that you register the boat if it has a motor. Each boat comes with a document called a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (MSO). Think of it like the title to your car. It's your proof, along with your sales receipt, of ownership. You'll need both the MSO completed and signed by the retailer and your sales receipt to register the boat with the State Department of Motor Vehicles or Natural Resources.

# Owners Manual Keep your owner's manual for future reference. It is a good idea to write down the following Information: Serial Number: Date of Purchase: Purchased from:

# **Applying Decals**

Before applying boat registration decals, clean the area with alcohol or any solvent that does not Leave a residue. Make sure solvent is put aside and is dry. Using a propane torch, lightly pass The flame back and forth over the area where the decals will be applied. **Do not melt the surface**. This process will enhance the adhesion of the decals.

# **Trailering**

If your Stealth 2000 will be transported on a trailer, here are some important considerations: Ensure that the trailer has supporting bunks that are 5' to 8' long. They should be made from 2" x 4" or 2" x 6" stock turned wide side up. If the trailer doesn't have bunk supports this size, you'll have to make them. Transporting and especially storing a boat on a trailer with too short or too narrow supports will cause the hull to dent and will significantly reduce performance. Do not wind the winch too tight. Just enough to snug it against the winch stop is adequate. Over tightening may distort the boat over time.

## **Storage**

Winter can be very hard on boats. For best results, we suggest our Stealth 2000 Protective Cover which can be ordered directly through Otter Outdoors. The cover will prevent water and debris from accumulating.

If possible, store your boat in a garage or barn.

Remove the seats and store them inside.

Don't fill the boat with gear

Release tension from the winch and tie down straps

Don't store the boat on sawhorses.

Do not store in direct sunlight. The plastic is UV resistant but long exposure to the sun will weaken the plastic over time.

## **About Your Duck Boat**

#### Material

Your Stealth 2000 is made from 100% high-density and UV resistant polyethylene plastic. Polyethylene is many times more impact resistant than fiberglass. It will remain colorfast and durable through many years of exposure to the elements and throughout wide ranges of temperature fluctuation.

Polyethylene is very abrasion resistant but not abrasion proof. Some care in handling and operating Your duck boat is necessary to ensure its long life. Clean the hull and deck with common household Detergents, hot water, and a scrub brush.

#### Capacity

The capacity of your boat, in both passengers and added cargo, is determined by the boat's size and Each boat has a capacity tag clearly displayed on the craft.

#### **Drain Plugs**

Just like any boat, your boat may take on some water. Because of its flexible nature, a polyethylene boat is prone to accumulate a small amount of water between the deck and hull. The rivets may also allow some water inside. Water may accumulate between the deck and hull due to rain, waves, and condensation. This is normal, not a defect, and should be drained after each use.. A drain plug is located on the molded handle of your Stealth duck boat. Remove the plug and lift the rear of the boat so that the water drains to the front. Please be sure to secure the drain plug after draining. Remove battery before draining your boat.

## Setting Up Your Fishing Boat

#### **Components and Basic Set-Up**

Please follow the recommended steps to prepare your boat:

#### **Electrical Power**

Use a 12V Deep Cycle Marine battery (not included), available from marine dealers, outdoor retailers, and mass merchandisers.

#### **Installing Oar Locks (if desired)**

Oar lock kits are available for purchase through Otter Outdoors.

To install follow the instructions included with the Oar Lock Kit. Note that if the installation instructions Are not followed, the oarlocks may come loose and the boat may be damaged.

A 9' Stealth Kayak Paddle is available for purchase through Otter Outdoors.

# Mounting A Small Outboard

If you wish to use an outboard motor, attach it to the transom following the instructions provided with the motor. **Do not mount a motor with a horsepower rating higher than 2 HP.** 

### Pre-Launch Check

#### Capacity

Check the capacities shown on the capacity plate and make sure that your weight load and motor are within limits

#### Loading

When loading, distribute the weight of fuel tank, battery, guns & accessories evenly Across the boat so that it will sit reasonably level in the water. Remember this is a Small boat and extra caution should be taken to prevent overloading the craft as this Could result in unsafe operating characteristics.

#### **Weather Conditions**

Check weather conditions for high winds, waves, or impending storms. Take this into consideration when loading the boat and planning how far from shore you intend to go.

#### **Personal Flotation Gear**

Always make sure that everyone in the boat is wearing the proper Personal Flotation

Device (life jacket).

# **Transporting**

All models can be conveniently transported in the back of a full size pick up truck. Be sure to tie the boat down snugly using several tie down straps. **Do not over tighten the straps. This will distort the deck and hull.** 

# **Trailering**

All of the models can be trailored if desired.

Rest the weight of the boat on the support bunks. The support bunks on the trailer should be at least 3 ½" wide and 5' long. Do not rest the boat on the keel rollers. This may dent the hull. Be sure to tie the boat snugly with two or three tie down straps. **Do not over tighten the straps. This will distort the deck and hull.** 

# Maintenance & Repairs

#### **General Cleaning**

Wash with a mild detergent and water (Water that may get inside the hull leaks at the rivets...this is normal and is no cause for concern). If necessary, use a very soft bristle brush. Do not use Armour-All, or Other plastic conditioner products. They can discolor and even weaken plastic. Do not use abrasive cleaning products.

#### **Repairs**

As an owner of a boat made from plastic, one repair option which may be available to you is plastic welding. Polyethylene is recyclable and repairable, unlike many other plastics. Incidents necessitating welding happen to less than 1% of Otter Stealth duck boats, but if for some reason you should get a crack or hole in your boat, call Otter Outdoors and we will provide you with the information necessary to return your boat to peak condition.

We can also send you a plastic rod (in the original color of your boat) for small repairs.

A Rapid Repair Kit (Epoxy with a fiberglass mesh) is also available for purchase from us.

# **Storage**

**Remove the boat from the water**. Leaving the boat in the water for any longer than a few days will promote algae growth on the hull.

Store on a trailer or other supports under the hull. Supports must run along the length of the hull, not Across it.

Do not store on the ground.

Do not store where temperatures are too hot, as this can distort the hull.

If on a trailer, make sure to loosen tie down straps so hull does not distort over time.

If stored on other supports, there should be at least one under each side of the hull, placed along the length of the hull. Make sure each support is at least 3 ½" wide and 5' long. Note: A 2" x 4" on end is too narrow and will dent the hull.

# **Optional Accessories**

#### **Boat Covers**

A custom designed boat cover is available through Otter Outdoors. The cover is made from a long lasting weatherproof fabric.

#### **Motor Mounts**

A custom designed motor mount is available through Otter Outdoors and various dealers throughout the United States.

#### **For Rowing**

Oar Lock Kits are available through Otter Outdoors A Stealth Kayak 9' Kayak paddles is available through Otter Outdoors.

# Other Boats From Otter Outdoors

Phantom, Final Attack, Stealth 2000, Predator Field Blind

# Warranty

5-year limited warranty. If you have any warranty questions, please contact Otter Outdoors.

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