

INFLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIPPOS



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PLEASE INFLATE THE RAFTS ACCORDING TO THE NUMBERED VALVES. THIS ENSURES THAT THE RAFT IS CORRECTLY INFLATED!

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) Lay the boat flat on the ground, preferably in a shady spot. Be sure there are no sharp objects such as glass or metal laying under the boat.
- 2) If using an electric pump, open all the valves. (Press the middle pin down and turn counter-clockwise until it remains locked down.) If using a normal pump, place the valve adaptor in the valve and begin to pump.
- 3) Pump up the outer tubes starting with valve number 1 through to number 4 to approximately 0.2 bar (the tubes should be firm, but not at full pressure).
- 4) Then pump up the outer tubes to full pressure (approximately 0.25 - 0.30 bar) starting with valve number 4 followed by number 3, 2 and lastly number 1.
- 5) Pump the floor until the overpressure valve begins to blow. This should be approximately 0.15 to 0.17 bar. If the over-pressure valve does not work correctly, it can be easily removed and washed out with warm water.
- 6) After placing the boat in the river, be sure to double check the pressure. Due to air expansion caused by hot weather, contact with cold water will cause the air inside of the boat to contract. It is recommended that you carry a spare pump during the boating trip.

NEVER USE A COMPRESSOR TO PUMP UP THE BOAT. THIS CAN CAUSE NOT ONLY OVERPRESSURE IN THE TUBES, BUT OIL AND DIRT TO ACCUMULATE IN THE INSIDE OF THE BOAT CAUSING PERMANENT DAMAGE TO THE MATERIAL. DAMAGE DUE TO INFLATION WITH A COMPRESSOR IS NOT COVERED BY THIS GUARANTEE

DEFLATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) After use, be sure the boat is dry and clean and does not hold any sharp objects that may puncture it when rolled up.
- 2) Open all the valves.
- 3) When most of the air has been released, the Double Action Pump can be used to deflate the rest of the air out.
- 4) Close all the valves; this will prevent any water entering the tubes or the floor.

IMPORTANT TIPS:

- 1) Never leave a fully inflated boat in direct sunlight. After each trip or during breaks, place the boat in a shaded spot and reduce the pressure slightly.
- 2) Protect the boat from all sharp objects such as glass or metal.
- 3) When transporting a deflated boat, wrap it in a blanket or place it in a carry bag. This prevents any small holes that might occur due to rubbing friction.
- 4) Be sure that the boat and accessories are in good working condition before use.
- 5) When storing the boat over a longer period of time, it is best to lay it flat in a dry storage place slightly inflated.

We wish you a safe and happy boating experience.