



Pontoon Shade Instructions

Item #12008 & #12009

A quick and easy way to gain additional shaded area on your Pontoon Boat. Shade is available in sizes to accommodate boats up to 102" width and extends out to 11 ft. of coverage. Constructed from HotShot™ marine grade polyester fabric, the top is strong yet light weight. It is secured to the Bimini Top and playpen rails by means of snap down adjustable straps and quick release buckles for fast installation and removal. (After initial installation of snaps, the shade can be put up and taken down in minutes). Shade folds down to compact size for ease of storage and is available in (9) colors to best match your boat.

Shade includes:

- Fabric Shade Top
- 14 male self-tapping screw snaps
- 10 short adjustable strap/snap assemblies (perimeter of shade)
- 2 short adjustable snap strap assemblies with quick release buckles
- 2 long adjustable strap/snap assemblies (lower rear corners of shade)



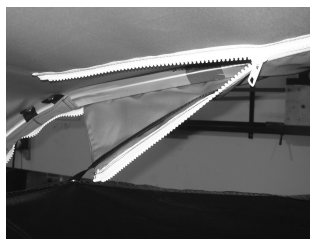
This shade is designed to only be in place on your boat when anchored or at drift. NEVER leave this product up and assembled on your boat when underway!

Tools required: Phillips Screw Driver (cordless or electric drill and Phillips tip works best). The Assembly will be easier if you work with a helper.

Step 1: Rear Shade Center Installation

Starting with your existing Bimini Top up in the assembled position, simply unfold the Pontoon Shade and orient with widest section (part that has webbing and snaps attached) towards the front on the bimini and centered as closely as possible.

- A.** If the front of your bimini is zipped to the front of the frame section, locate the webbing strap on the shade. Unzip one side of the bimini top, align webbing strap on shade to frame and re-zip - capturing the strap from the shade into the bimini top. Repeat for the other side zipper of the bimini - capturing the webbing from the shade.



Locate the center strap (with snap) on the Shade. Pull this strap up to the frame between the zippered portions of the Bimini and locate the place on the face of the aluminum where the snap would attach. Using a drill with a Phillips tip, attach one of the self-tapping screw snaps (male) to the marked location on the frame. Pull the webbing up to and snap in place. This will secure the rear portion of the shade to your top.



- B.** If the fabric on your Bimini Top fully covers the front frame section, locate the short webbing straps with snaps on the top edge of the pontoon shade. Measure and mark the center of the frame section. Using a drill with a Phillips tip and one of the self-tapping male snaps - attach snap thru fabric into the aluminum frame. Snap center webbing female snap onto the male.

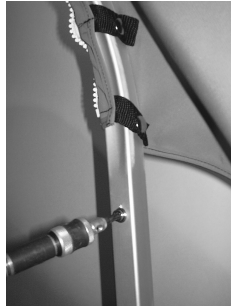


Locate the next webbing snap on the shade; mark position on frame where that snaps should be, (pulling shade taught) and install another snap. Repeat for third snap along front of existing bimini. This will secure the rear portion of the shade to your top.



Step 2: Rear Shade Corner Installation

The upper corners of the shade have a buckle sewn in. Take one of the shorter webbing strap assemblies with quick release buckle and insert the male end of the adjuster into the buckle on the shade. Adjust the length of the webbing as necessary - to determine where the snap will meet the corner of the aluminum frame on the bimini top. Install one of the male snaps (as in previous step) into the frame as determined. Adjust the webbing strap so that it wraps around the frame and then goes back to the shade corner buckle. Pull strap tight to secure. Repeat for the other corner of the shade.



Adjustable Buckle Assembly Instructions:

Thread webbing through adjustable buckle. Insert the end from the backside of the buckle, through the middle opening on buckle as shown in the picture. Now insert end of webbing through the bottom opening of the buckle (from the front side) and pull down until the strap is tightened securely as in the pictures to the right.



Step 3: Shade Perimeter Installation

Spaced around the perimeter of the shade are sewn-in adjustable buckles. You will be pulling out and positioning the fabric to the bow and sides of the playpen area on your boat and installing the male snaps into the outside of the lower playpen railing. It is best to start in the center of the bow section and work your way around evenly from side to side on the boat. Insert several of the shorter webbing/snap assemblies into the sewn-in buckles on the shade. Pulling the fabric taut and straight, locate the position on the railing where the female snap on the first snap will fall. Install a male screw snap into the center of the railing where determined. Position the snaps together and pull the webbing strap to snug the shade.



Repeat this procedure for each of the straps around the perimeter of the shade - keep shade tight and evenly centered over the playpen on the boat. Note: If possible, do not install strap/snaps into frame of entry ways onto boat.

Step 4: Lower Rear Corner Installation

The last straps/snaps to be installed are the lower rear corners of the shade. This will use the two longer strap assemblies, as it sometimes is necessary to locate these straps further towards the stern of the playpen area. Installation is the same - just screw in the male snaps and adjust the webbing straps.

When removing shade, simply work your way around the playpen, unsnapping the webbing straps as you go. Keep the straps adjustment "as is" for ease of installation for your next use. The last snaps to be undone should be the sides and top section that are attached to the front of your existing bimini.



Never put the shade away when wet or damp...always allow to dry thoroughly prior to storage.

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