

# ICON-CARE

LOOK AFTER YOUR ICON SKI AND  
GET THE MOST OUT OF IT

## AFTER COLLECTION

- Try not to paddle your new ICON ski for 2 weeks so it gets time to 'cure' (strengthen). If you do paddle it make sure you only paddle on flat water and not in the surf.
- Each time you paddle your ski make sure you inflate it with 4 or 5 deep breaths (if your bung does not have a breather pipe). This makes the ski stronger and more rigid.

**IMPORTANT: Never leave your bung in the ski on a hot day as the air inside will expand and may put undue pressure on the structure of the ski\* If your ski has been in the hot sun make sure you cool it down in the water before inflating it\***

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## WHEN STORING YOUR SKI

- Protect it from the sun's harmful UV rays as they may cause it to fade and damage the structure of the ski. If you have an 'epoxy resin' ski ensure it is kept in a bag, as UV light will slowly discolour the surface gel coat, ensure the ski is dry before storing in it's bag. If these skis are bagged in a damp environment they may become slightly textured on the surface. If you have a carbon black ski it may turn milky in colour.
  - Try to store it on racks off the ground to protect the hull from being scratched.
  - Position your racks evenly so they are a third of the ski length from either end (make sure they are padded).
  - You should try to wash your ski down with fresh water after every use to reduce any corrosion from salt water and prevent sand from scratching your ski.
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## REGULAR CHECKS

- Before you go for a paddle you should quickly check that your rudder, cables, pedals and straps are in good order.
  - Always make sure your ski is free from dings and cracks that may cause your ski to take on water. If you do find a ding. Rinse it out thoroughly with fresh water, allow it to dry and get it repaired.
  - Once a week (minimum) you should take your rudder hatch off, rinse the area out with fresh water and ensure that the cables are in good order, the rudder stem bolts are tight and the steering mechanism is in good order.
  - Once a month (minimum) you should spray all moving parts with a lubricating spray (e.g. WD40).
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## TRANSPORTING YOUR SKI

- When tying your ski to the roof rack make sure you use proper straps to reduce the chances of your ski being damaged and to ensure it is as secure as possible.
- Whilst making sure your ski is securely tightened to the roof rack make sure you don't over tighten the straps and damage the ski.

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