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Installing a deck pad on a kayak is a relatively straightforward process, but it requires careful attention to ensure proper adhesion and alignment. Here's a step-by-step guide to help you with the installation.

MATERIALS YOU'LL NEED

■ Deck pad (Pre-cut or cut-to-fit) ■ Isopropyl alcohol or another suitable cleaner ■ Clean, lint-free cloth

# STEP-BY-STEP INSTALLATION



### **CLEAN THE SURFACE**

Clean the area of the kayak where you plan to install the deck pad using isopropyl alcohol and a clean, lint-free cloth. Make sure the surface is free from dirt, grease, and any other contaminants. A clean surface ensures better adhesion.



#### **DRY THE SURFACE**

Allow the cleaned area to dry completely. This is crucial because moisture can prevent the adhesive from sticking properly.



#### **POSITION THE DECK PAD**

Place the deck pad on the kayak without removing the backing paper to decide its final position. Ensure its aligned properly and covers the area you want.

Use a pencil or chalk to lightly mark the position on the kayak, or use masking tape as a guide.



#### **PEEL AND STICK**

Starting at one end of the deck pad, peel off a small section of the backing paper.

Carefully align the exposed adhesive section with your markings or tape, and press it onto the kayak.

Gradually peel off more of the backing paper as you press the deck pad onto the kayak. Smooth out any air bubbles as you go along.



## PRESS FIRMLY

Once the entire pad is in place, press it firmly onto the kayak. You can use a rubber roller or your hands to apply even pressure across the pad. This helps ensure a strong bond between the pad and the kayak's surface.



#### ALLOW ADHESIVE TO SET

Give the adhesive time to set according to the manufacturer's instructions. This usually involves waiting 24-48 hours before using the kayak to ensure the deck pad is securely attached.



#### **AVOID STRETCHING**

Don't stretch the pad while applying it, as this can cause it to lift later.

#### **TEMPERATURE**

Apply the deck pad in a warm environment. Cold temperatures can make the adhesive less effective.