#72500 - Padded Thigh Control Straps

Pair with Mounting Hardware

Kit Includes:

2 Paddle Thigh Straps

4 Pad Eyes

8 Rivets

1) Locate pad eyes on hull.

The location of the pad eyes should place the thigh straps centered on your knees. The standard location place the pad eyes relative to the existing seat pad eyes.

A) Locate the forward eyes.

Mark the hull 25" forward of the existing forward seat eye. Repeat on the opposite side of the hull.

B) Locate the rear eyes.

Mark the hull 11" aft of the existing forward seat eye or halfway between forward and rear seat eyes. Repeat on opposite side of the hull.

2) Mount the pad eyes.

Position the eyes at the location marks and place in position relative to the existing eyes in relation to the raised cockpit lip and the outer rail. Mark the rivet locations and drill with a 3/16" bit. Place the pad eyes and insert the rivets. Using a pop rivet gun, attach each eye to the hull. If the rivet pin does not break cleanly, either pull the remainder of the pin out or push in until flush with the rivet head. Be sure there are no sharp edges exposed.

3) Position the straps.

Position one strap per side with the wider ends (with Hobie logo) facing aft and curves toward the centerline of the boat. Hook each end to its eye.

4) Strap adjustment.

The thigh straps are intended to help you maintain balance of the kayak during powerful paddling and or wave conditions. Adjust the straps for comfort.

Caution: DO NOT fasten or adjust them in such a way as to prohibit you from exiting the kayak during a roll over. The straps are not intended to be used as a seat belt. Obtain further instructions on their use from your dealer if needed.



