

# **Installing a Carver Boat Cover**

# How to Prolong the Life of Your Boat Cover

- Avoid letting water or snow stand on the boat cover - use support poles, straps, or bows.
- Always tie boat cover down securely with included tie-down kit (if applicable).
   Additional tie-down kit (sold separately) is highly recommended for covers over 20' in length.
- Take the precaution of padding windshield, trolling motors, depth finders, etc. before installing boat cover.
- Clean beat cover regularly to remove salt, pollen and environmental pollutants that could support the growth of mildew. Brush off any loose dirt or soil, then spray the cover with a solution of mild, nondetergent soap (such as Lux, Dreft, lvory or Woolite) and cool/warm water. A soft brush may be used on heavily soiled areas. Rinse thoroughly. If cleaning diminishes the water repellency of the cover, we recommend treating with 303 High Tech Fabric Guard™ Water Repellent.
- Allow boat cover to dry thoroughly before folding for storage.

## **Carver Limited Warranty**

The materials and workmanship are guaranteed to be free of defects at time of manufacture. Warranty coverage commences on the original date of purchase. The warranty does not cover normal wear, weather soiling, stains from environmental pollution, and/or standing water, cuts from sharp objects, neglect, accident or misuse. The boat cover must be properly installed, utilized and maintained. The length of the warranty is determined by the type of material ordered.

Please visit www.CarverCovers.com for detailed warranty information.

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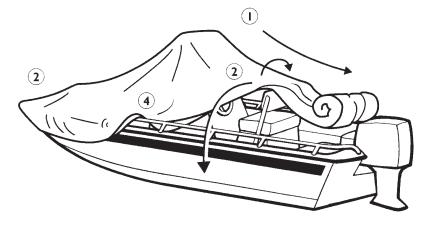
Please take extra care when trying your boat cover on for the first time!

Should you need to return the boat cover, it MUST be in its original, new condition. The cover must be clean and free of debris (including pet hair). Soiled, wet, mildewed, torn or otherwise mishandled covers cannot be accepted for exchange or credit.



All Carver Boat Covers are rolled and packaged with the bow (front) end of the cover to the outside. The tag on the bow end is sewn into the <a href="inside">inside</a> hem of the cover. To cover your boat, proceed as follows:

- 1. Place the bow (front) end of the rolled cover on or near the bow of your boat and unroll towards the stern or back, positioning it down the center of the boat as you unroll.
- 2. Slip the front of the cover over the bow and pull the cover open to the sides as you work towards the back of the boat.
- If using support poles (optional and highly recommended for most covers), position the poles under your cover prior to completely covering the boat. Also add any padding needed for the windshields, trolling motors, depth finders, etc.
- 4. Adjust cover fit by pulling cover tight to eliminate sagging areas. These areas may collect standing water or snow and shorten the life of your cover.
- 5. Using the reinforced tie-down loops, secure the cover to your trailer. One tie-down kit is included with most boat covers, however an additional tie-down kit (sold separately) is recommended for covers 20' and over. If you purchased a travel cover, our heavy-duty tie-downs must always be used when trailering.
- Remove the boat cover by folding to the center from both sides and rolling the
  cover from back to front. This will make it easier to repeat steps 1 through 5 when
  covering your boat again. (Important: Allow the cover to dry thoroughly before
  folding for storage.)



Additional instructions are also provided for specialty and/or certain custom-fit cover styles in the subsequent pages.



## **Installing a Carver Tie-Down Kit**

A tie-down kit is included with most boat covers and is sufficient for covers up to 20'.

Based upon the size of your boat cover, it may not be necessary to use all of the tie-down straps, however if your cover is 20' or larger an additional tie-down kit (sold separately) is highly recommended to properly secure your cover.

#### Step 1

Thread the buckle-end of the strap through the tie-down loop from back to front. Pull through approximately 12 inches and tie-off with a simple overhand knot so that the strap is secure. Space the straps evenly around the hem. Note: Not all of the hem tabs need to be utilized.

#### Step 2

Guide the opposite end of the strap around the trailer from back to front.

#### Step 3

Thread the strap through the top slot in the quick release buckle from back to front, pulling the end of the strap toward you.

#### Step 4

Continue threading the strap over the center bar of the buckle and into the bottom slot of the buckle. The strap is now fully adjustable by pulling down on the loose end of the webbing. Install all the straps on the cover before tightening.

#### Step 5

Be sure the cover is centered on the boat, then tighten all straps securely so that the cover is taut. If installed correctly, the straps should not pull out.

#### Step 6

Trim the straps. Leave approximately 12" of webbing for adjustability and trim off any excess using a pair of scissors. Lightly singe the cut edge of the webbing using a cigarette lighter to fuse the yarns and prevent the webbing from unraveling. DO NOT SET ON FIRE AND BE SURE TO EXTINGUISH ANY FLAMES. To remove the boat cover, simply disconnect the quick release buckles by squeezing the sides. For quick and easy reinstallation of the cover, leave the straps attached to the tie-down loops. After first use, check straps for tautness. If they require adjustment, untie knot and refer to step 1.







Step 1B





Step 1D



Step 1E











Step 2

Step 3

Top / Bottom Slots

Step 4 Step 5