

# FITTING HINTS - TREADMASTER ORIGINAL

## **DECK PREPARATION**

## **Wood Decks**

Ensure that wooden decks are abraded and then cleaned. Dust and dirt should be removed from the surface and the deck must be dry.

### **Steel Decks**

The surface should be degreased, abraded and degreased again, and any residue on the surface following the degreasing process should be removed.

## **Aluminum Decks**

Surface should be prepared only 10-15 minutes prior to the installation of Treadmaster. This is to avoid oxidation, which would adversely affect the bond quality. As with the steel decks it should be degreased, abraded and degreased again, any residue being totally removed from the surface.

### **GRP Decks**

Sand the area with 120 grit sandpaper. Wipe down with methylated spirits or acetone to remove the dust and any greasy residues. **Do not use white spirit**.

## **INSTALLATION GUIDE - MARINE EPOXY ADHESIVE**

## **Planning**

Identify all areas to be covered. Establish a centre line and make all measurements from it. Avoid butting up sheets. Leave about 25mm between the sheets to allow water to drain away. It is a good idea to make templates from cardboard or thin ply.

### Cutting

Treadmaster can be easily cut with a craft knife or large scissors. Ensure the diamonds are aligned lengthways along the deck. Corner radii can be finished with fine abrasive paper.

### Mixing

Treadmaster Marine Epoxy is made up of two parts, a white epoxy resin in Part A and a light brown hardener in Part B. The hardener from Part B should be poured into the epoxy resin Part A, the two parts should then be thoroughly mixed together until it is an even and consistent beige colour. The mixed adhesive has a pot life of approximately 45minutes (depending upon temperature). Small amounts of adhesive can be mixed together in a 1:1 ratio (Part A:Part B). Full Treadmaster Marine Epoxy adhesive data sheet available.

### Application

Apply the adhesive to the back surface of the Treadmaster sheet using a notched spreader. Making sure that the entire surface is evenly covered.

# Fitting

If using Treadmaster Marine Epoxy on a cambered deck, the Treadmaster should be taped down to prevent it from moving before the adhesive sets.

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# **INSTALLATION GUIDE - PSA BACKED**

Please Note: The backing used is a Marine grade Pressure Sensitive Adhesive (PSA), it is suitable for use in all conditions; however, for more arduous or permanent fixing requirements, we would recommend using Treadmaster Marine Epoxy adhesive.

# **Planning**

Identify all areas to be covered. Establish a centre line and make all measurements from it. Avoid butting up sheets as the sheet surface pattern may not align – leave a gap of approximately 25mm between the sheets to allow water to drain away. It is a good idea to make templates from cardboard or thin ply.

# Cutting

Treadmaster can be easily cut with a craft knife or large scissors. Ensure the Diamonds are aligned lengthways along the deck. Corner radii can be finished with fine abrasive paper.

## **Fitting**

Peel the backing paper from the PSA and stick the Treadmaster down from one end; ensuring that no air is trapped between the sheet and the deck. We recommend using a roller whilst laying to ensure that full contact between the PSA backing and the deck is achieved, this will also help to prevent air trapping.

## **SUPPLY DETAILS**

Treadmaster Original is supplied in two different surface finishes, Diamond Pattern (DP) and Smooth Pattern (SP). These products can be supplied as either a plain back to be bonded with an adhesive or with a Self-Adhesive backing (PSA).

Below are the standard supply sizes.

### Diamond Pattern (DP)

## **Sheet Size**

1200 x 900 x 3mm

1200 x 900 x 3mm (PSA)

2000 x 1000 x 3mm

2000 x 1000 x 3mm (PSA)

### **Step Pads**

550 x 135 x 3mm (PSA)

412 x 203 x 3mm (PSA)

275 x 135 x 3mm (PSA)

# **Smooth Pattern (SP)**

**Sheet Size** 

1200 x 900 x 2mm

1200 x 900 x 2mm (PSA)

**Step Pads** 

550 x 135 x 2mm (PSA)

412 x 203 x 2mm (PSA)

275 x 135 x 2mm (PSA)



