



Dear Sir/Madam

Firstly, thank you for your purchase. Your new outboard cover/s will give years of protection from many conditions if maintained and treated in the correct manner. To ensure that you get the most from your *Outboard Cover/s*, below is a guideline on how to care and install your new cover/s.

Before fitting this outboard cover you should clean the motor so if any exchanges are needed (e.g. wrong leg size), the outboard cover can be returned without grease and stains on it. We will not exchange dirty or grease stained covers!

Note: Oil filler holes on 2 stroke motors are not provided for the following reasons: Oil can be spilt between the cover & the cowling & damage both e.g. sand sticking. Your cover should be removed & cleaned about the same time as your oil will need to be replenished, so this is a good time to clean both your cover and cowling. Oil view holes are provided on all splash covers if fitted.

Care & Cleaning

Ensure the outboard has a good coat of wax at all times. Recommended waxes can be obtained from your local marine dealership (DO NOT USE A CUTTING COMPOUND WAX).

1. Keep the inner and outer surfaces of your *Outboard Covers* free from dirt, sand and grime. This can be done by simply hosing off the cover and letting it air dry. You should take your cover off every 6 weeks to check & clean it. You can use a high pressure cleaner on your cover at a safe distance of about 1.0 metre, but please avoid high pressure cleaning of the logo, as the shear force will literally remove the print from the product.
2. Use a mild cleaner for stains (Detailed cleaning instructions & recommended products can be found on our web site).

INSTALLATION NOTE:

Prior to any installation you MUST ensure that the motor casing is free from dirt, sand and salt to avoid scratching.

Splash® Cover Fitting:

The Splash® Cover (cowling cover) has been designed to be a **very** tight fit & may be used when towing, storing and when operating on the water. The best way to fit this cover is to open it out and stretch it over the cowling using both hands. The cowling MUST be on the motor & all clips/locking arms in place to prevent the cowling from flexing & cracking & moving while fitting this cover. Try & get the cover on about ¾'s of the way down & once this is achieved (Picture 1), go to the front of the motor (front of the boat), & fit this end first. Ensuring that your cover is over the front where the cowling meets the main motor and covers the rubber seal (Picture 2). Once you have achieved this and only then, come to the rear of the motor & pull the back of the cover the rest of the way over (Picture 3). In most cases the bottom of the cover will sit over the rubber seal where the top cowl meets the motor base. **Some** Splash® covers will go well below this point, the trick is to make the cover fit by pulling it tight and lining it up straight. Don't be afraid to pull your cover on using force it will not rip (rated to 300kg). A badly fitted cover will have lots of wrinkles in it! This can be fixed by ensuring the cover is on straight, to achieve this line up our OCA logo to the centre of the back of the motor.

Caution: Each cover has either a mesh vent or hole in it to allow air to be pulled in by the engine. This is required for the normal operation of the motor & you must ensure your cover is fitted correctly to ensure this happens. Blocking the air intakes or misaligning your cover could potentially harm your motor! If you are not happy with the fit you may have the wrong cover for your motor. Outboard Covers will not be held responsible for poorly fitted covers & the damage caused by this.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

Splash® covers come with a Velcro strap at the front which is made up of a 250mm hook and loop lengths; this is designed to be attached to the wiring loom, cables, steering arm or front handle on smaller motors. It is designed to stop any chance of a poorly fitted cover "blowing off". Secure the Velcro in suitable position male on female and cut to length to make neat. See **cable or wiring loom** pictures V1- V3 below or T1- T3 to attach to the front arm of the motor or similar. Either method will work but anywhere on the front of the motor will work. DON'T install on any moving parts.



V1



V2



V3



T1



T2



T3



Fitting, Cleaning & Maintenance Instructions

Full & Combo Cover Fitting:

The Full covers have been designed to be a snug fit & is to be used when towing at legal speeds & for storing. If you have purchased the Splash® Cover as well this is designed to be installed first then the Full cover goes over that (see Splash® fitting previous page). The best way to fit the full cover is to open all zips and Velcro patches (**leave the full cover in ONE piece, DO NOT SEPARATE the leg from the top section**) and start by putting the *Outboard Cover* over the skeg & prop (Picture 1), then gently pull up and over the top cowling. Each zipper is fitted with a zip protection flap to protect the zip from rubbing against the motor. Ensure when doing up the zips this flap is folded out correctly to prevent the zip from touching the gel coat of the motor.

Now close the leg zip (Picture 2) first then secure the zip stopper tag in place. Then take the "leg flap" (Picture 3) that is located in the middle of the cover and place it between the leg and the mounting bracket (Picture 4). Now pass it through the gap (Picture 5) and Velcro it on the other side of the cover in the provided area on the head cover (Picture 6). If you have installed the leg flap in the correct place the motor should be able to be moved up and down and left and right without interference. Now come to the top of the motor and pull the "top" zip down ensuring all Velcro patches are pulled up as tight as possible (Picture 7 & 8), as a loose installation may cause abrasion. *Again note the zipper flap is correctly installed to prevent zip chafe!*



Mooring Covers Fitting:-

Mooring covers are effectively the top part of a full cover so fitting is really simple (see "installation note" previous page). All you do is open the zip on the top part of the cover and open the LEG FLAP (picture 3) open all other Velcro ties and pull the cover over the motor. The zip should be towards the front of the motor or bow of the boat and the OCA logo to the rear. Now carefully slide the zip down and ensure the zip protector is in between the cowling and the zip teeth to prevent scratching of the motor. Once the body of the zip is fully done up, fold the Velcro tab over the zip body to stop the zip "riding up" in strong winds (Picture 2). Each zip has a built in locking device, but when travelling at high speeds this will prevent the zip from accidentally flapping around and becoming loose. Now half way down the cover there is a "leg flap" (picture 3) which you pass in between the motor mount and the upper leg (picture 4). If the Velcro does not do up you have fitted the leg flap incorrectly (picture 6). The motor once this is tightened should be able to be moved up and down and left and right. The cover should fit firmly once all these have been done up. Mooring covers like any product have to be cleaned & free from salt so as not to be abrasive. Simple soak in fresh water and you can even put the cover back on if you wish wet or hang out to dry.

As your *Outboard Cover* has been measured up to suit your particular motor, if for some reason it does not fit correctly, you may have ordered the incorrect cover. **OCA will not be responsible for refunding or replacing incorrectly ordered covers. Cover Returns:- These will not be accepted unless authorised by OCA prior to returning them.** Please contact your local agent by email or phone using your order number as a reference, we will then authorise the return. If purchased directly from OCA contact us by either the e-mail or phone which is listed on our web sites. Replacing accidental broken zips is not covered under warranty, however you can send the item back for replacement, please contact your local agent for a price. **PLEASE NOTE:- Any covers returned MUST be clean and free from grease. If covers are not clean & need to be returned YOU are responsible for the freight both ways.**

Warranty

All Outboard Covers carry a 3 year guarantee against faulty workmanship and fabric fading, this warranty is only valid if the product has been maintained according to manufacturer's instructions. If you should find a fault with the product, please contact your local distributor. It is the discretion of Outboard Covers to replace or repair faulty cover/s as we see fit. This does not affect your statutory rights.

FULL COVER & SPLASH COVER™ WARNINGS

NEVER start or run you engine with the FULL or MOORING covers on. When using the Splash® Cover you must ensure that the vent holes provided align with those on the outboard and that any "tell tale" water outlets or exhaust ports are not obstructed. Clean your covers regularly to ensure no salt builds up between the cover and the motor.

"Outboard Covers & Accessories or its Distributors accept NO responsibility for damages done through improper use, lack of maintenance or incorrectly installed covers". To gain more information and check all extra's added to your cover & cautions if applicable see out web site at:- <http://www.outboardcovers.com>. As we offer so many extra's we cannot cover each of these on these fitting & cleaning instructions.

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