

Riverside Kayak Universal Instructions



Step # 3 & # 4



Step # 5



Go Paddle!

1. LASHING BLOCKS TO KAYAK

Unroll the 9' straps. Run each one of the straps through drilled hole on each block and go completely around kayak and buckle tightly. Both blocks should be secure to kayak.

2. OPTIONAL BLOCK LOCATION

Blocks can be mounted to factory rack or located inside/outside of rack.

3. LOADING KAYAK

Load kayak on car (cockpit-up) centered on roof. Reposition blocks if necessary, so that weight is evenly distributed on each block.

IMPORTANT! Make sure bottom blocks and area of the roof under the blocks are clean and free of debris. On rainy days, be sure to cover exposed cockpit. Locate blocks as close to front and rear of car roof as possible.

4. OVER-THE-TOP STRAP

Unroll 15" center strap. Open car doors on each side. Throw non-buckle end of the center strap over the middle of the kayak, letting the ends hang on either side of the car. Pull the strap tight and run the ends through open doors on each side. Buckle strap tightly on the inside of car. The center strap can now be adjusted for tension without leaving the car.

5. SECURING FRONT AND BACK

A. Slip small end of steel hooks through sewn loops in the end of each pair of tie down straps.

B. Starting at the front of your car, place hook into towing loop or frame located at each end underneath car bumper.

C. Take strap (with cambuckle) and bring cambuckle end up to front of kayak and wrap around carry handle twice with cambuckle hanging down towards ground.

(If your kayak does not have a carry handle; use a piece of rope and make a loop

attached to end of craft).

D. Take strap (without buckle) from opposite end of bumper and bring it up and through the hanging cambuckle. Pull it down until you see tension and foam blocks compressing. Repeat the above procedure on the opposite end of kayak.

IMPORTANT! Make sure no part of the kayak contacts car roof.

IMPORTANT! DO NOT ATTACH HOOK TO BUMPER.

6. **IMPORTANT USE & CARE TIPS**

Limit transport distance to 250 miles. Clean block and roof surfaces before use. Check strap tension frequently. Keep ropes away from exhaust system and sharp or abrasive surfaces. Ensure kayak does not touch car roof after tightening straps.

7. **SAFETY CHECK**

After driving about five miles, stop and check to make sure straps and ropes are still tight and kayak is secure on top of car. Check to make sure no sharp or abrasive surfaces touch straps. To prevent strap hum or buzz at high speeds, simply fold the sides of the strap together and wrap with tape or a shielded garbage bag tie.

8. **PREVENTING STRAP HUM**

If straps hum or buzz at high speeds, give strap a few twists or fold sides of strap together and secure with tape or a shielded garbage tie. This breaks up wind vibration.