EasyCare Fit Kit Instructions

The EasyCare Fit Kit

The ideal tool for determining proper sizing for the Easyboot Glove, Easyboot Back Country, and the Easyboot Glue-On.

There are 2 versions of the Fit Kit: The Regular Fit Kit and the Wide Fit Kit.

This Fit Kit contains:

1. Three shells

2. A postage paid return label and envelope



3. Fitting instructions and photos

Your complete Fit Kit must be returned in good, clean condition within 30 days of your invoice date. Failure to do so will result in a charge to you of the retail price, plus a non-return fee.

"The EasyCare Fit Kit is for the Easyboot Glove, Easyboot Back Country and Easyboot Glue-On only.





The Easyboot Glove

The Easyboot The Easyboot Glue-On Back Country

Each shell has only four millimeters of width difference between the next shell size. For reference, 4mm is the width of three dimes. This tight gap between sizes helps ensure a snug fit, but it also means that there is little room for error in measuring and determining the proper size of boot.



Although taking hoof measurements is a great starting point for fitting any hoof boot, the Fit Kit will allow you to see for certain which size fits best. Before receiving this kit, you should have taken an accurate measurement on your horse's clean hooves after a fresh trim. You are receiving the size your horse should fit into, according to your measurements, plus one half size above, and one half size below.

How It Works:

- 1. First, measure your horse's feet in millimeters. For detailed measuring instructions, please see reverse.
- Compare your measurement with the Easyboot Glove/Back Country/ Easyboot Glue-On size charts on reverse. Please note: size charts for these boots are in millimeters only.

Measuring in inches and converting to millimeters will render the measurement process inaccurate. Be sure to use a ruler or tape measure that includes millimeters.

 Your measurements will determine which size fit kit you need.* For example, if your horse's hoof measurements call for a size #1.5, order a #1.5 EasyCare Fit Kit. A #1.5 Fit Kit comes with the following size shells #1, #1.5 and #2.

*If your measurements fall into 2 sizes, order based on the size the width falls into.

*Keep in mind that most horses require larger boots on the front feet. You may need to order two EasyCare Fit Kits, one kit to accommodate front feet and one to accommodate the rear feet.

*If your measurements are wider than long, we recommend the Wide Fit Kit. If your measurements are longer than wide, we recommend the regular Fit Kit.

- 4. You will be charged a flat postage fee per Fit Kit for delivery, which includes a prepaid return postage label and envelope.
- 5. When the boots arrive, try them on the horse's feet to determine the perfect boot size:
 - a. The optimal boot size can be pushed on the hoof.
 - b. The boot will be very snug around the hoof wall and no gaps will appear. All portions of the shell will be below the hairline. Ideally, the V in the front of the boot shell will stretch out. The boot should fit snugly, making it difficult to remove.
 - c. Although the size chart for the Easyboot Back Country is the same as the Easyboot Glove, the fit does not need to be as snug. Customers who are unable to use the Easyboot Glove due to length of trim cycle or lack of hand strength should consider the Easyboot Back Country. If your horse is on a trim cycle longer than four weeks, we recommend using a half size larger than the snug fit required for the Easyboot Glove. Sizing up a half size also allows for ease of application.
- 6. Record the boot size and model based on the fitting exercise.
- If the boots become dirty or muddy, please rinse them off and dry them thoroughly to avoid mold during shipping and as a courtesy to our staff.

- 8. Return the Fit Kit to EasyCare in the addressed, postage paid envelope. If you lose your prepaid envelope you will be responsible for shipping the boots back at your expense.
- For tips, instructional videos, or to order the proper products from an EasyCare dealer, visit us online at www.easycareinc.com.
 E-mail us at admin@easycareinc.com

Tips for using EasyCare Fit Kit

What should you look for in a good fit?

- 1. The perfect boot size can be pushed on the hoof, but it should take a bit of effort. You should feel the shell flex as it goes over the hoof.
- 2. The boot will be snug around the hoof wall and no gaps will appear. All portions of the shell will be below the hairline.
- 3. Ideally, the V at the front of the shell should expand as seen in the photo.



- 4. It should be very difficult to fit a hoof pick between the shell and the hoof.
- The hairline at the heel of the horse should be no more than 1/2 an inch above the shell. Keep in mind that if the shell fits over or close to the rear hairline, you can always trim your boots down. Please do not trim the Fit Kit boots.



 The boot should fit snug and will be difficult to pull off the hoof. A good fit will give you the impression that the shell will stay on the foot without glue or without a gaiter. It should fit like a glove.

What should you look for in a poor fit?

- 1. Gaps (small or large) can be seen between the upper boot portion and the hoof.
- 2. The V in the front of the shell does not expand. In the photo below, the V on the left boot has failed to expand (poor fit). The V on the right has expanded and is a good fit.
- 3. If there is more than a 1/2 inch between the top of the boot shell and the hairline, the hooves may have a high heel and/or a long toe. A horse with a high heel and/or a long toe may have success with the Easyboot Back Country, but will not have success with the Easyboot Glove because the gaiter will fit poorly.

The V in the front of this shell has not expanded. The fit is too loose. The V in the front of this shell has expanded, indicating a good, tight fit.



Gaps like this between the upper portion of the boot and the hoof indicate a fit that is too loose.



What can you do to turn a bad fit into a good fit?

- 1. Have your horse trimmed by a hoof care professional. Make sure they are conscious about barefoot trimming methods, toe length and heel height.
- 2. It is likely that a good trimming cycle will allow you a successful fit.
- Some feet are just not the right shape or don't have the correct angles for the Easyboot Glove, Easyboot Back Country or Glue-On. Don't worry, other boots in our product line are more adjustable and will probably fit.

 $\mbox{Success}$ with EasyCare hoof boots is determined by accurate measurements and a snug fit.

Do not assume that if you wear a certain size in another boot style, you will wear the same size Glove, Glue-On or Back Country.



How to Measure for Boots

- After a fresh trim, measure the width of the hoof across the bottom at the widest point of the hoof. The widest point of the hoof will be different for each horse.
- 2. Measure the length of the hoof from the toe to the buttress line of the heel. The buttress line is the farthest weight-bearing point of the heel where the hoof wall ends. It may help you to locate the buttress line by first identifying the widest part of the frog. Note: Do not include the heel bulbs in the measurement.

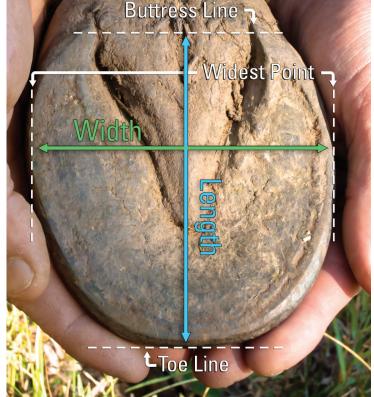




Measuring for Hoof Width Measuring for Hoof Length

- 3. Compare your measurements with the size chart for your boot. Ideally, the length and width measurements will fit into the same size for your boot. If you are unsure of your measurements, or if your horse's length and width vary on the chart, use the Fit Kit to properly determine the correct size.
- 4. We're here to help! If you want to send us photos of the boot shells on your horse's hooves, we'd be happy to provide feedback on the quality of the fit. Simply email your photos to admin@easycareinc.com.

Size Chart							
Normal				Wide			
Size	Width in mm	Length in mm		Size	Width in mm	Length in mm	
00	96-99mm	106-109mm		0W	114-117mm	114-117mm	
00.5	100-103mm	110-113mm		0.5W	118-121mm	118-121mm	
0	104-107mm	114-117mm		1W	122-125mm	122-125mm	
0.5	108-111mm	118-121mm		1.5W	126-129mm	126-129mm	
1	112-115mm	122-125mm		2W	130-133mm	130-133mm	
1.5	116-119mm	126-129mm		2.5W	134-137mm	134-137mm	
2	120-123mm	130-133mm		3W	138-141mm	138-141mm	
2.5	124-127mm	134-137mm	Always double check the fit using the Fit Kit before purchasing boots. Contact us for more details. Info@horsegearcanada.com 888.492.8225				
3	128-131mm	138-141mm					
3.5	132-135mm	142-145mm					
4	136-139mm	146-149mm					
4.5	140-143mm	150-153mm					
5	144-147mm	154-157mm					



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