

## Storing SeaDek

### Unpack SeaDek upon arrival

SeaDek may be rolled or folded inside the shipping package. This is acceptable for short-term transportation, however during long-term storage, permanent curling or creasing can occur. For long-term storage it is recommended that all pads be stored flat. To aid the release of any curling that may have occurred, weighted objects can be placed onto the material (e.g. books, plywood, etc.). Large, flat objects are preferable to small, pointed weights. Additionally, a light amount of heat can be applied to relax the material into a flat position. This can be accomplished by leaving the pads outside on a flat surface such as concrete.

NOTE: Long term exposure to humidity/moisture can compromise the pressure sensitive adhesive (PSA) and it is not advised to relax your materials in high humid areas or areas where the products could be rained on.

### Store in a dark/flat/dry/cool area

SeaDek paper backing, which protects the PSA, can be affected by humidity over time. If stored in a dry, cool area, the PSA can be preserved for later installation. Storage in a dark area (i.e. no sunlight) will ensure that no fading occurs and that all colours will match upon later installation.

### After installation, the preferred method of storage is that the boat (or any other surface of application) be covered

SeaDek pads are very durable, but they will last longer and the colours will fade more slowly if they are not exposed to the elements when not in use. Good practices include: keeping the boat in a garage, covered with a canvas boat cover, in a covered boat slip, etc.

### Situations to Avoid

Avoid placing SeaDek adjacent to reflective surfaces. In addition, avoid leaving inflatable pool toys, water bottles, glass or other reflective surfaces on or near SeaDek for extended amounts of time. These objects can refract/reflect the light, thereby concentrating the beams to a level which can be damaging to the material. Refer to the SeaDek Warranty Section II and the document related to "Light Amplification" for additional details.