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Youth Kayak Manual

# Congratulations on the purchase of your new Ewrwild Water Bear kayak!

Expertly designed to be safe, fun and functional, we know our superior features and attention to detail will help launch your family into amazing memories on the water! With a little care, your kayak will maintain its premium quality and be shared from child to child for many years of enjoyment.

Children quickly become proficient paddlers! For even the most talented children we strongly encourage that they participate in certified kayaking courses and swimming lessons prior to heading out on the water. Please familiarize yourself with the information in this manual, including the kayak registration and the safety resources we have gathered for your use.



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We recommend recording the following information should you ever require service in the future.

Model

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Serial Number

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Date of Purchase

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Place of Purchase

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All Ewrwild kayak serial numbers begin with the letters AGC. They are 12 digits long and are located on the starboard (right) side of your kayak near the stern (rear).



## 1. Carry handles

Molded-in rear handle along with side and front carry handles provide multiple options for kids to carry with or without help.

*\*Rear handles also allows for lockable storage.*

## 2. Tankwell with bungee

Strap down your dry sack and get ready for adventure! Store your towel, snacks, sunscreen and a change of clothes.

*Plus whatever else your kid snuck in their bag...*

## 3. Treasure tray

For the special things collected along the way, also doubles as a great spot to set a snack. Ours is typically full of rocks!

## 4. Paddle rest

Molded-in paddle rest for when kids need a break or are jumping in the lake.

## 5. Footrests

Designed to fit a large range of leg lengths so every paddler can ride comfortably.

## 6. Molded-in cup holder

Easy to reach so kids stay hydrated.

## 7. Stable hull design

Flip resistant for added safety.

## 8. Scupper holes

Self-bailing holes that allow water to drain from the deck.

## 9. Anti-slip seat pad

For added comfort and to help kids stay in place.

## 10. Swim-up deck

Use for easy re-entry after cooling off. Second set of indented handles helps kids pull themselves back up.

## 11. Drain plug

Always ensure your drain plug is secure before launch. Drain if needed after use.



# Ready To Launch Checklist



Always wear an approved life jacket.

Adult Supervision



Life Jacket



Dry Sack



First Aid Kit



Sunglasses



Hat



Whistle



Sun Screen



Water Bottle



Paddle



# Storage and Transportation

## Storage

Empty the kayak of all water.

Store out of the sun whenever possible.

The kayak can be stored on padded supports or straps spaced approximately 1/3rd from each end. Do not store your kayak on its hull and do not hang your kayak by the handles or scuppers, as this could damage the kayak.

If stored outdoors, store upside-down on padded supports with a tarp suspended above the kayak to allow for proper air flow and to protect it from ultraviolet light.

## Transportation

The best ways to transport your kayak are by using a “J cradle” or saddle style mount attached to your vehicle’s cross bars.

The kayak should be strapped down to each cross bar as well as from the stern and bow to each end of the vehicle.

We do not recommend the use of ratcheting straps. They are easily over tightened and can cause denting.

Alternately, due to the shorter length of this kayak, you may be able to simply transport your kayak inside your vehicle or truck bed (securing it down with appropriate ties as needed).

If you go this route, please remember that your kayak may be wet or sandy when it’s time to head home and plan accordingly.

### NOTE:

Your kayak will become more flexible in warm conditions such as a hot, sunny day. It is possible for a kayak strapped tightly to a roof rack to become indented. If denting does occur, place your boat in a warm sunny location, Polyethylene has a tendency to return to its original molded shape as it warms up.

## Care and Maintenance

Your Evrwild kayak is made of high-density polyethylene (HDPE) which is a very durable material that requires minimal care.

All that will typically be needed is a quick rinse of fresh water to keep your kayak clean and functioning smoothly. A thorough rinse is recommended after paddling in salt water to remove all residue.

Some scratches may occur during normal use and are to be expected, but deep scratches require repair. In the unlikely event that your kayak needs repair, kits are available online or at your local outfitters. We recommend checking out YouTube for helpful walk-through videos.

In addition, for maximum protection of your kayak, we recommend applying an ultraviolet protectant, such as a 303 protectant at the beginning of each paddling season.

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Your Evrwild kayak is built to last for many, many years, but if the time comes that re-homing and/or repairing is no longer an option, your kayak can be recycled at your nearest recycling center.





# Safety Information

## WARNING

Read the following information before using your kayak. Failure to follow the warning precautions below may lead to serious injury including the possibility of death.

NEVER EXCEED THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT CAPACITY

NEVER ALLOW MINORS TO USE THIS BOAT WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION.

THE USER OF THIS KAYAK MUST BE AWARE OF THEIR ABILITIES AND NEVER EXCEED THEM.

MAKE SURE DRAIN PLUG IS SECURE before each use.

ALWAYS FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE BODY OF WATER WHERE YOU WILL BE BOATING

Learn what hours boating is permitted, whether there are any known hazardous conditions, and where you can get help quickly in case of an emergency or accident.

ALWAYS ABIDE BY COAST GUARD REGULATIONS AND STATE AND LOCAL LAWS, REGULATIONS, ORDINANCES, AND RULES CONCERNING BOATING AND BOATING SAFETY.

NEVER USE OR CONSUME ALCOHOL, DRUGS, OR ANY OTHER SUBSTANCE THAT MAY AFFECT YOUR COORDINATION, JUDGMENT, OR ABILITY TO SAFELY OPERATE THE BOAT.

SOUND SIGNALING DEVICE

The Coast Guard requires boaters to have a means of signaling other boats of their presence. You should always keep a device such as a whistle in the boat at all times. If possible, attach the sound device to your Personal Flotation Device.

## SLIPPERY WHEN WET

The hull material may be slippery when wet. Always wear slip-resistant shoes.

## HYPOTHERMIA

Dress appropriately for weather conditions, wearing a wet or dry suit if necessary. We recommend children only paddle when water temperatures are 70°F (21°C) or greater.

## ALWAYS TELL SOMEONE YOUR BOATING PLANS:

Inform others of your boating plans, including where you are going, how long you will be gone, and when you expect to return.

NEVER USE THIS KAYAK IN SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

## DO NOT PADDLE IN FLOOD CONDITIONS

Never use this boat in rapids or fast-moving currents: This boat is designed for leisure. The boat could be damaged and (or) the occupants could be severely injured should they attempt to utilize it in any other way.

## NEVER USE THIS BOAT AFTER SUNSET

This boat is not equipped with horns or lighting equipment required to ensure the safety of its occupants.

## ALWAYS WEAR A COAST GUARD APPROVED PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD) WHEN USING THIS BOAT

Before boating, read the PFD manufacturer's information pamphlet regarding the PFD and thoroughly familiarize yourself with how the PFD is to be worn.

## Resources for Safe Paddling

Safety is our top priority. We want kids to feel confident in and on the water and we believe they achieve confidence through instruction and training. See the links below for information about boating safety courses, life jacket safety, where to find local kayak instruction and more.

- Free online paddle sport safety course  
<https://www.boaterexam.com/paddling/>

- Open water safety checklist  
<https://www.safekids.org/checklist/open-water-safety-checklist>

- Short video on how to properly fit a life jacket  
<https://www.safekids.org/video/how-fit-life-jacket>

- General boating safety tips  
<https://www.safekids.org/tip/boating-safety-tips>

- US Coast Guard Auxiliary Course Finder  
[http://cgaux.org/boatinged/class\\_finder/](http://cgaux.org/boatinged/class_finder/)

- Paddle with Kids YouTube channel by the American Canoe Association  
<https://americancanoe.org/education/youth-paddling-development/educational-videos/>  
<https://americancanoe.org/education/youth-paddling-development/animated-videos/>  
<https://americancanoe.org/education/youth-paddling-development/infographics/>

For more great safety information we recommend contacting your state's local Department of Natural Resources.

# Registration, MSO and Warranty Information

Register your product for:

**OWNER VERIFICATION** Registration can serve as verification of your ownership in the event of product theft or loss.

**SERVICE** Completing registration will help you obtain more efficient warranty service in case there is a problem with your product.

## HOW TO REGISTER YOUR BOAT

This Limited Lifetime Warranty is not valid unless registration is submitted within 30 days of retail purchase. Please register your product via our website at [evrwild.com/Register](http://evrwild.com/Register).

## Manufacturers Statement of Origin (MSO)

Certain state governments require all boats to be registered. You will need a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin to complete this registration process.

Go To [Evrwild.com/Register](http://Evrwild.com/Register) to download yours.

## Limited Warranty

The hull and deck of your Evrwild kayak are covered for five (5) years from your original purchase date.

- For accessories, the warranty coverage is one year from consumer's original purchase date.
- Warranty applies only to the original owner.

If a problem occurs, you must contact Evrwild LLC in a timely manner by email to [service@evrwild.com](mailto:service@evrwild.com). Please include date of purchase, photos, your Hull Identification Number (See user manual for HIN location), your model of boat, and your order number for fastest resolution.

During the warranty period Evrwild is obliged only to repair or replace, at its discretion, the above-mentioned parts as decided by Evrwild LLC.

Transportation costs to and from the appointed place of repair or replacement are at the expense of the consumer. Evrwild LLC is not responsible 1) for any damages incurred in transport 2) for storing or transportation fees 3) nor for inconvenience or loss of time or money while repairs are being made.

The present warranty is only valid for the original buyer if the original buyer

registered the warranty within the thirty (30) day period immediately following the date of purchase. Registration can be done electronically via our website at [evrwild.com/warranty](http://evrwild.com/warranty).

This warranty does NOT cover:

Products used for commercial or rental purposes; normal wear and tear, including punctures, cuts and abrasions sustained in normal use; damage caused by accident, neglect, or misuse; damage caused by improper storage maintenance, or handling; damage caused by extreme weather or environmental conditions, including white water conditions; cosmetic wear, abrasion, or damage caused by excessive UV exposure; products determined to have been used for any activity other than an activity that is intended or customary for the product; products that have been structurally altered or modified; damage caused while the product is in possession of a freight carrier or party other than Evrwild LLC.

## Limitation and disclaimer of implied warranties

To the extent permitted by applicable laws:

Evrwild LLC does NOT make any implied warranty of merchantability as to any product or part, whether or not the product or part is covered by any express warranty herein;

Evrwild LLC does NOT make any implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose, and there are no warranties that extend beyond the description on the face hereof;

In those jurisdictions where the implied warranties may not be disclaimed, any implied warranty is limited in duration to the duration of the express warranty described in the warranty statement. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Contact us at [hello@evrwild.com](mailto:hello@evrwild.com)



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