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SHADYBOY™ AWNING USER GUIDE

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# **A MESSAGE FROM SHADYBOY™**

Thank you for choosing ShadyBoy™! Each one of our awnings is hand-assembled in Canada using only the highest quality materials from the United States to ensure your Shady Boy™ awning lasts more than one lifetime.

# IN THE BOX

In The Box:

1. (1) ShadyBoy™ Awning
2. (2) Short Rods for lateral inserts
3. (3) Long Rods for center holes
4. (2) "D" Ring Rods
5. (2) Awning Support Straps
6. (2) Pole Protection Bags
7. (Optional) Downdraft Poles



# AWNING SETUP

1. Start by inserting the 2 short rods (usually black) into the lateral holes on each aluminium side post of the awning case, snagging the fabric around the black vinyl end-caps.
2. Insert the other 3 long rods (usually black) into the holes in the center and diagonal ones on the side posts of the awning case. It helps to start with the center pole first.
3. Join them with the rods that go to the fabric side (1 center white rod and 2 white rods with “D” rings).
4. Bend the fibreglass rods enough to place them into the pockets at the corners and center of the fabric.
5. The center pole inserts into a small opening in the middle of the fabric. **\*Do not pull excessively on the fabric\***
6. Attach the hooks of the guy lines to the “D” rings on the support poles, the other hook attaches anywhere to the vehicle; fender well, rocker panel, etc.
7. Buckles attached to the fabric are used to connect optional downdraft poles.



## **SETUP VIDEO**

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=VB3JGCG8QGI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VB3JGCG8QGI)

# AWNING TAKEDOWN

1. After use, bundle up all rods with a bag at each end to protect the fabric from chafing while the vehicle is in motion. The short rods should have the vinyl caps toward the center, with the unprotected ends in the bags.
2. Fold the fabric to the width of the awning case and roll it up with the rods inside.
3. Two snap buttons at the corner of the fabric will help you to roll it up. Place the fabric into the case and secure it with the strap. (Pull all snap buttons in the upward direction)

# USING THE RED LOCK

Your awning may have a cap lock. Press against the lower part of the awning cover and enter the red part into the slightly open slot to lock the awning.

# CLEANING THE AWNING

It is very important to clean the fabric with water and soap only and store when dry with the rods.

To remove the fabric from the case, pull out one of the silicone plugs at either end and slide out the fabric. This protects the fabric during winter and saves weight when driving.

Please note: These special fabrics may have cosmetic irregularities in the weave or coating and will not affect the quality of the material.

# VANAGON INSTALLATION

1. Remove the screws from the back of the awning and install the mounting brackets to the awning first. (Use only one hole.) Insert screws by hand first and tighten with the supplied Allen wrench after you have attached the brackets to the vehicle.
2. Raise the pop-up roof and place the awning against the van roof. The adhesive tape will hold it in place while you mark the holes for both brackets. The brackets rest in the rain gutter, check for clearance of the sliding door by opening and closing it and making sure there's no rubbing or obstruction, you could set the brackets a bit higher ( $1/8''$  and not resting in the rain gutter) to get enough clearance. You can change the angle of the V shaped brackets by bending them in a bench-vice.
3. Don't let go of the awning. NOTE: The lower center hole of the brackets will be marked a bit lower due to the angle of your marker, so you should center punch those holes slightly higher. Center punch and drill holes with a  $5/32''$  bit. (Lubricate all screws.)
4. Thread the holes with the supplied sheet metal screw first. Wrench size is  $3/8''$ .
5. Place the awning with the brackets against the van roof and tighten all screws after they started to thread. You may want to put some sealant between the brackets and roof.
6. Wrench size is  $3/8''$ . (Do not over-tighten.)





# EUROVAN INSTALLATION

1. Remove the screws from the back of the awning and install the mounting brackets to the awning first. (Use only one hole.) Insert screws by hand first; and tighten with the supplied Allen wrench after you have attached the brackets to the vehicle.
2. Raise the pop-up roof and place the awning against the van roof. The flat back part of the awning case should be approx. vertical. The adhesive tape will hold it in place while you mark the holes for both brackets. Don't let go of the awning. (The bottom of the brackets align approx. with the small crease in the roofline).
3. Check for clearance of the pop-up roof by raising or lowering it.
4. Remove the awning with the brackets.
5. Center punch and drill holes with a 9/64 or #28 drill bit.  
(Lubricate all screws.)
6. Place the awning with the brackets against the van roof and tighten all screws after they started to thread. You may want to put some sealant between the brackets and roof.
7. Wrench size is 3/8". (Do not over-tighten.)



# BOLER INSTALLATION

For Boler installation instructions, please visit:

<http://www.boler-camping.com/boler-modifications/installing-a-shady-boy-awning/>

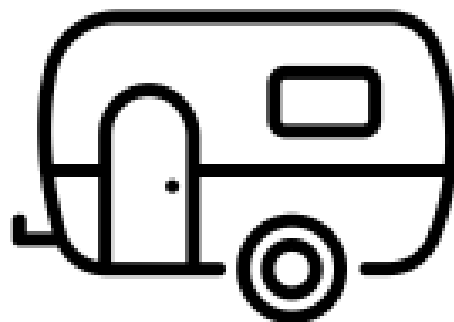
Additional tips for installing the awning to **Boler/Trillium/Scamp** and similar trailers.

$\frac{1}{4}$ "/20 machine screws are recommended.

Place a fender washer or similar on the inside of the wall to spread the load. We recommend 1-inch stainless steel fender washers. Use caulking, i.e. silicone, between the brackets and the fibreglass wall.

## **Note:**

The location for the brackets on the outside of the trailer should leave the flat side of the bracket in a more or less vertical position. The bracket determines the angle of the support rods for the fabric. You can change the angle of the V-shaped brackets by bending them in a bench vice if it is more convenient for your interior layout.



# TRAILER & WALL INSTALLATION

Mounting the awning on a trailer wall can be done by drilling through the back of the aluminium case.

We recommend  $\frac{1}{4}$  /20 stainless steel machine screws and nuts as well as 1-inch stainless steel fender washers to spread the load.

You may also need "wedges" on the inside for extra support, they can be made out of plywood, wood or even metal.

In addition, "spacers" made out of an aluminium bar, hard plastic or wood in between the back of the awning case and the wall of the trailer can help the awning sit nice and flat against the wall.

The "spacers" should be  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in thickness approximately since the short side rods for the lateral insert come out at an angle towards the wall of the vehicle.

Stainless steel wingnuts on the inside of the vehicle can make it easier to dismount it if necessary.

\*Our lightweight and compact designed awning can be mounted on almost any trailer, RV or SUV. For more specific details on installation and mounting assessment options please send us an email to [shadyboy@shadyboy.com](mailto:shadyboy@shadyboy.com) and we'll be more than glad to help you



# WARRANTY

Please note, all sales are final.

Since there are no moving parts, the warranty covers workmanship only and it does not cover any damage caused due to excessive rain and winds, mishandling, etc.

All Awnings are susceptible to damage from wind and should never be left deployed when you are away from the vehicle. If a thunderstorm or other windy weather is imminent, stow your awning until the wind calms down.

# FAQ

## **How is the awning in windy conditions?**

The awning is designed to withstand "moderate" wind and rain.

## **Is the fabric waterproof?**

The fabric is water-resistant and you will not get wet under it.

## **What material are the brackets made out of?**

Our heavy-duty brackets are made out of stainless steel and can be mounted onto almost any vehicle, RV, or camper.

## **How durable is the fabric for the awning?**

Our fabric is very durable and if well taken care of, can last many years

## **Can the awning be installed on fibreglass?**

Absolutely! Our brackets are made custom to your camper or vehicle and can be mounted onto almost any material.

## **Does Shady Boy™ sell replacement parts?**

Yes! Email us at [shadyboy@shadyboy.com](mailto:shadyboy@shadyboy.com) and we can sort out replacement parts for you.



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