

The GoBoat Owners Manual

IMPORTANT

THIS BOOKLET CONTAINS IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION.
READ IT THOROUGHLY BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT AND
KEEP IT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

IMPORTANT! DO NOT RETURN PRODUCT TO STORE

To purchase parts and accessories or to obtain non-technical assistance, **Visit www.thegoboat.com**

For technical assistance and missing parts call us toll-free (for U.S. and Canadian Residents):

1-918-973-2628

Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm Central Time

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Introduction

This manual has been compiled to help you to operate your craft with safety and pleasure. It contains details of the craft, the equipment supplied or fitted, its systems, and information on its operation and maintenance. Please read it carefully, and familiarize yourself with the craft before using it.

If this is your first craft, or you are changing to a type of craft you are not familiar with, for your own comfort and safety, please ensure that you obtain handling and operating experience before assuming command of the craft. Your dealer or national sailing federation or yacht club will be pleased to advise you of local sea school, or competent instructors.

PLEASE KEEP THIS MANUAL IN A SECURE PLACE, AND HAND IT OVER TO THE NEW OWNER WHEN YOU SELL THE CRAFT. RECORD THE "HULL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER" (HIN) WHICH IS PRINTED ON THE BOAT'S HULL IN THE FOLLOWING BOX:

HIN:	

A WARNING

- Please exercise caution when maneuvering on The GoBoat, taking care to keep weight well balanced and centered as much as possible.
- Do not operate The GoBoat without a properly fitting Life Vest.
- Do not operate The GoBoat without the Safety Lanyard.
- GoBoat operators must be 16 years old or under the direct supervision of an adult.
- Do not operate The GoBoat while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Do not operate The GoBoat after dark unless properly lighted according to local laws.
- The GoBoat is not a life saving device.
- Do not tow The GoBoat from any boat or vehicle.
- Do not operate The GoBoat within 50 feet of swimmers.
- Always distribute weight evenly on The GoBoat.
- Do not use The GoBoat in high wind, strong currents, open water or dangerous tides.
- Do not over inflate The GoBoat.
- Never dive into water from The GoBoat.
- Do not operate The GoBoat near debris or obstructions.
- Do not store The GoBoat in or near water.
- Always follow local water safety and boating rules and regulations.
- Do not operate The GoBoat in unprotected, unfamiliar or dangerous water.
- Do not remove The GoBoats Hull Identification Numbers for any reason.
- Not for white water rafting or any other extreme sports activities.
- Do not use The GoBoat if you suspect a puncture or leak.



FEATURES

- Innovative Free Flow Stability Control Design, Which Lets Water Flow In and Out of the Floorboard Area to Stabilize The GoBoat.
- Quick Install and Adjustable Straps Made of Hook and Loop Material.
- Tool Free Assembly.
- Accepts U17 Batteries as well as Group 24 / Group 27 Batteries.
- Comfort and Traction Provided by the EVA Seat Pad.
- Compatible with Horizontal Mount Trolling Motors.
- Built-in horizontal Trolling Motor/Transom Mount.
- Dual Handles for Easy Carrying and Portability.
- Built in Traction Ridges on the Floorboards.
- High Velocity Boston Style Inflation Valve.
- 9 Position Adjustable Battery Tray.

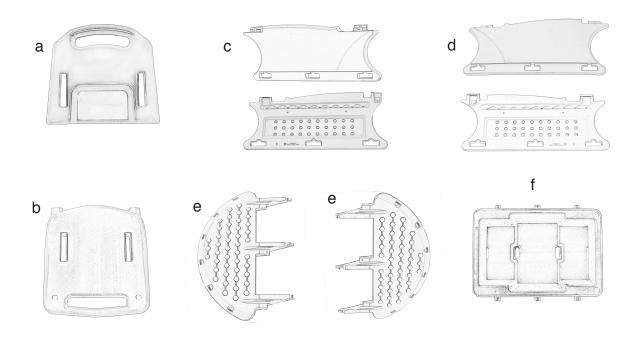
Specifications

Length - 62.5 inches
Width - 62.5 inches
Height - 18 inches
Hull Construction – Blow Molded HDPE
Tube Construction – PVC, 1mm thick
Assembled Weight – 40 pounds
Weight Capacity – 365lbs/1 person (300lbs + motor/battery)
Maximum Speed – 5 mph
Maximum Inflation – 5 psi



THE GOBOAT CONTENTS

- 1. 7 Chassis Components (Front "a", Seat "b", Left Side "c", Right Side "d", Platform x 2 "e", Battery Tray "f")
 Parts are labeled on the inside
- Chassis Hardware (Bagged, 6 Nylon Thumbs Screws, 6 Nylon Nuts)
- 3. Tube (Bagged)
- 4. Velcro Straps (Bagged, 12 big rolls, 1 small roll)
- 5. Deluxe Bellows Foot Pump
- 6. Information Packet (MCO, Manual, Hardware Kit, Safety Lanyard, Glue, Patch Kit)
- 7. Special Note; There are a total of 11 plugs pre-installed in the 7 chassis components. Please ensure all 11 plugs are correctly installed before putting your GoBoat on the water.



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ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Hold the two chassis side panels upright and parallel with the bottom edges nearly touching and the top edge farther apart.
- Place the front and seat panels onto their mount tabs on the side panels.
 Spread the bottom edges of the side panels, locking the seat and front panels into place.
- 3. Identify the smaller roll of Velcro strapping and install into the center slits of the battery tray. Place the battery tray between the side panels. Although there are many possible locations, we recommend placing the battery tray with the front of the tray aligned with the third hole from the front of the panel.
- 4. Install the left and right floorboard panels in the slots at the bottom of the side panels. They overlap and interlock. Use the six plastic screws and nuts to marry the floorboards at their locking joints and ensure the battery tray stays in place.
- 5. Place the tube on the chassis, starting with the seat then stretching the tube over the front from one side to the other. Align the boston valve at the back of the seat. *See page 7 for details on how to use boston valve*
- 6. Inflate the tube partially using the included foot pump. Do not fully inflate until step 8.
- 7. Attach the tube to the chassis by inserting the larger rolls of strapping into the holes in the floorboards and wrapping the straps around the tube and attaching it back to itself. Leave extra room in-between the straps and the tube. Repeat this process with all 12 straps.
- 8. Finish inflating the tube until it is free of wrinkles and firm to the touch. Re-adjust the straps to firmly hold the tube in place.
- 9. Your GoBoat is now ready to mount the trolling motor and battery. DO NOT stand on or place weight onto The GoBoat until it is in the water.

GOAT

INFLATING INSTRUCTIONS

Water Temperature and weather does affect the pressure in inflatable products. In cold weather your product will lose some pressure due to the fact the air will contract. If this occurs, you may want to add a little air to improve your products performance. However, in hot weather, the air will expand. You must let some air out to prevent your product from failing due to overpressure. You should avoid exposing your product to extreme temperatures (hot or cold).

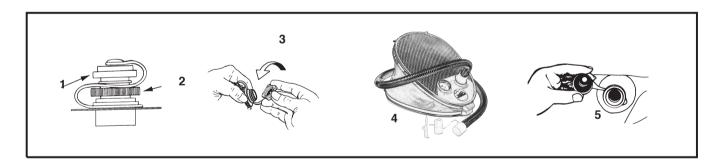
USE IN HIGHER ALTITUDES

Normal full inflation pressure for the tube is 3-5 PSI. If the boat is inflated when at sea level (low altitude) and is brought to a high altitude (i.e. for use in a mountain lake), the air pressure must be reduced at the higher altitude to prevent over-inflation.

How to Use Boston Valve, see illustration below:

- 1. Double valve cap (valve lets air in, not out).
- 2. Quick deflation cap.
- 3. Unscrew Double valve cap.
- 4. Insert output end of air pump into valve and fill. Do not over inflate or use high pressure compressor.
- 5. To deflate: unscrew quick-deflation cap. **CAUTION:** Double valve does not operate when this cap is off. Do not unscrew this cap while boat or inflatable is in water.

Use the included pump to inflate the GoBoat take care to ensure the boston valve is properly tightened.



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SAFETY AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

Before Departing from the Shore or Dock

Know all required information and inform your passengers:

- Take a boating safety course and get hands-on training from your boat dealer or local boating authorities.
- Know all local regulations and hazards related to water activities and boat operation.
- · Check weather forecast, local currents, tides and wind conditions.
- Advise someone on land of the time you plan to be back at your starting point.
- Children and non-swimmers need special instructions in the use of life jacket or personal floatation
- devices
- Learn how to determine the distance you can cover, and remember that strong wind conditions can alter this.
- · Review all safety requirements regularly.

Check the working condition of the boat and equipment:

- Check inflation pressure.
- Inspect the valves caps and make sure they are tight.
- Check that the load is evenly distributed, fore (front) to aft (back) and side-to-side.

Make sure that all required safety equipment is on board (check the laws and regulations of the country or locality in which you are boating to see if additional equipment may be needed):

- · One personal flotation device (PFD) per person.
- · Air pump, oars, repair kit and tool kit.
- · Any other mandatory equipment.
- The boat papers and your boating license (if applicable).
- Lights are required if operating after dark.

BATTERY AND TROLLING MOTOR INSTALLATION

- 1. Place battery onto the battery tray and secure the battery using the supplied battery strap.
- 2. Affix the trolling motor onto the chassis nose piece. Avoid letting the motor/prop go below the bottom of the chassis before entering the water. **DO NOT** Hook the trolling motor power leads to the battery.
- 3. Your GoBoat is ready for use.
- 4. Once in the water, ensure the trolling motor is turned off, lower the motor/prop into the water and attach the motor leads to the battery taking care to use the supplied Safety Lanyard.



SAFETY AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

Rules to Observe During Navigation

- Be responsible, do not neglect the safety rules, this could jeopardize your life and the lives of others.
- · Always keep control of your boat.
- · Respect local regulations and practices.
- · Near the shore, navigate in the designated boating area.
- Remember that weather conditions can rapidly deteriorate. Always be sure that you can reach a shelter rapidly.
- · You must always wear a personal flotation device (PFD).
- Do not drink alcohol or take drugs before or while operating your boat.
- · Do not exceed the authorized number of persons or weight.
- Be especially careful when docking. Arms and legs may be injured if they are outside the boat.
- · Keep clear of swimmers and divers. Always avoid areas where divers/swimmers are in the water.
- Keep a sharp lookout especially when operating near beaches and launch sites. The Alpha flag
 indicates proximity of divers. You MUST maintain a safe distance as required by your local boating
 laws, which may range from 50 meters (164 feet) to 91 meters (300 feet).
- · Avoid sharp turns at high speeds. You could get ejected from the boat.
- Avoid all contact between the buoyancy tubes and sharp objects or aggressive liquids (such as acid).

Care and Maintenance

The boat is made of the highest quality materials. Altering the construction of the boat will endanger your own safety and void the limited warranty!

There is very little that you have to do to keep your boat in good condition for many years. You must store it deflated. If you leave it outside, raise it up off the ground and do not place any heavy or sharp objects on it. If it is going to be in direct sunlight or exposed to debris or moisture, cover it with a tarp. We do not recommend hanging the boat. If you store it in a closet, basement or garage, we suggest you pick a cool, dry place, making sure the boat is clean and dry before you store it - or mold can accumulate.

Use as few cleaning agents as possible, do not discharge waste agents into water, and clean your boat preferably on land.

Clean your boat after a trip to prevent damage from sand, salt water or sun exposure.

Most dirt can be removed with a garden hose, a sponge and mild soap. Make sure the boat is completely dry before storing. Store the product and accessories in a dry, temperature controlled, between 32 degrees Fahrenheit (0 degrees Celsius) and 104 degrees Fahrenheit (40 degrees Celsius) storage location.



DISASSEMBLY AND STORAGE

- 1. While it is not necessary to fully disassemble The GoBoat for storage, some customers may need to do so. The GoBoat recommends only partially deflating the tube for transport and storage unless needed.
- 2. Deflate tube by removing the lower portion of the boston valve.
- 3. Remove straps from chassis and return them to the storage box.
- 4. Remove tube from chassis, fold and place in the storage box.
- 5. Remove the 6 plastic screws and nuts from the floorboard joint area and place the floorboards in the storage box, the supplied bag works well for keeping this hardware organized.
- 6. Remove the floorboards and place them in the storage box.
- 7. Turn The GoBoat chassis upside down.
- 8. Remove the battery tray and place the tray in the storage box.
- 9. By tilting the left chassis upright towards the center of the chassis and pulling up, remove the left chassis upright from the nose and tail and place in the storage box.
- 10. Repeat Step 8 for the right chassis upright.
- 11. Place the nose and tail pieces in the storage box. Your GoBoat is ready for extended storage or transport.

Troubleshooting

If your boat appears a bit soft, it might not be because of a leak. If the boat was inflated late in the day with 90 °F (32 °C) air, that air might cool down to 77 °F (25 °C) overnight. The cooler air exerts less pressure on the hull, so it could appear soft the next morning.

If there has been no temperature variation, you need to start looking for a leak:

- Take a good look at your boat from just a few feet away. Flip it over and closely check over the outside. Any large leaks should be clearly visible.
- If you have an idea where your leak is, use a mix of dishwashing liquid and water in a spray bottle, and spray over the suspicious areas. Any leak will produce bubbles that will pinpoint the location of the leak.
- · Check valves for leak, if necessary, spray soapy water around the valve and the valve base.

Repairs

To Repair Small tears, Cuts and Punctures

Your GoBoat comes with a small glue kit to attach the included patches in case of a puncture.

However, if you no longer have the glue for any reason, The GoBoat recommends using "Amazing Goop" Mfr. Part#: 140211. Available at many local stores worldwide.

Through constant use you may occasionally puncture your boat. Most leaks only take a few minutes to repair. Your boat comes with a repair kit, and additional repair supplies can be ordered from: TheGoBoat.com or 918-973-2628

First locate the leak; soapy water will bubble out from the source of the leak. Thoroughly clean the area surrounding the leak to remove any dirt or grime.

Apply adhesive to the underneath side of the patch and around the area to be repaired.

Coat the affected area lightly but completely with glue.

Place the patch on the damaged area and press down firmly. You may want to use a weight on top to keep it in place. Allow 12 hours for repair to dry. After patch has dried, apply glue around the edges for a complete seal (dry 4 hours).

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The GoBoat Warranty



The GoBoat products and accessories are guaranteed against manufacturing defects for 1 year from the original date of purchase. The GoBoat's sole obligation in the event of such defects during this period is to repair or replace the defective item with a comparable item at the sole discretion of The GoBoat. Except for such repair or replacement, the sale, processing or other handling of this product is without warranty, condition or other liability even though the defect or loss may be caused by negligence or other fault. Damage resulting from use, accident, or normal wear and tear is not covered by this or any warranty. The GoBoat assumes no liability for any accident, injury, death, loss, or other claim related to or resulting from the use of this product. In no event shall The GoBoat be liable for incidental or consequential damages relating to or resulting from the use of this product or any of its parts or accessories. This limited warranty covers all defects encountered in normal use of the products, and does not apply in the case of loss of or damage to the product due to abuse, mishandling, improper installation by you, improper packaging by you, alteration, accident, failure to follow operating, maintenance or environmental instructions prescribed in The GoBoat's user manual, use of parts or supplies that cause damage to the product, or services performed by someone other than The GoBoat or a The GoBoat authorized service provider for the product. Returns or replacements of products and/or accessories may be subject to shipping, handling, replacement and/or restocking fees.

All returns must be shipped to: **The GoBoat, LLC Attn: Returns Department** 7909 E 148th St S, Bixby, OK 74008