

INFLATABLE BODYBOARD USER GUIDE



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**Make sure your watersports experience is a safe one.
Regularly consult these safety points before you head out on the water.**



WARNING!

Safety tips

Check weather conditions, surf forecasts and tides for your destination before you head out. Be honest about your level of experience.

Always speak to the lifeguards before you enter the water. Follow their guidance and recommendations at all times. Also consult any locals for additional safety tips whenever you are at a new spot.

Only ride this board in a properly designated area (Between the red and yellow flags on a patrolled beach).

Always wear a leash. This prevents you and your board from becoming seperated, particularly in rough conditions.

Avoid using inflatables in offshore winds. Due to these boards sitting high in the water they are much more susceptible to wind than a standard bodyboard.

Avoid riding alone. If not possible, ensure someone knows where you are going, and when you plan to be back.

Dress appropriately for the weather and the water conditions. Either a wetsuit or boardshorts/bikini and rash vest, depending on the water temperature.

These inflatable boards are not designed to be pulled behind a boat, for skimboarding or sliding down sand dunes.

Inflate and deflate only with a compatible pump and never over-inflate your board. Regularly inspect your kit and follow our maintenance guidelines.

Avoid rocks and other sharp submerged objects at all times as these can puncture your board or cause personal injury.

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Optional accessories

If you already own an inflatable paddleboard, you may have opted to buy just the inflatable bodyboard by itself, with no additional accessories included. If this is the case, you will be able to use any inflatable paddleboard pump to get your new inflatable bodyboard pumped up and in the water. Likewise, if you already own bodyboards, you may opt to reuse a bodyboard leash that you already own.

We do also sell our inflatable bodyboards as either a 'Basic Pack' or 'Starter Pack', these options include leashes, pumps and carry bags along with your board.

Inflatable Bodyboard



Inflation / Deflation Pump



Coiled Wrist Leash



Carry Bag



BEFORE YOU INFLATE YOUR BOARD

Tightening your inflation valve

Your valve is a 2 piece design that can be tightened and loosened. It is not uncommon that your valve can work its way loose while in storage and during transportation. A loose valve will slowly leak air, so it is important to check this before you use your board for the first time. This is something that you should check periodically to prevent minor losses in air pressure and to ensure optimum performance of your board.

The top section of your valve protrudes from the top side of your board and the bottom section is located inside the air chamber. These 2 sections screw together to create an airtight seal. In order to tighten your valve, your board must be deflated so you can apply pressure on the internal section of the valve to hold it firmly while the top section is screwed down tightly.

Step 1



Remove the valve cap and ensure your board is deflated. Insert the valve wrench into the valve so the teeth of the tool fit firmly into the slots in the valve.

Step 2



Use your free hand to apply pressure to the valve, pressing the internal section against the floor to hold it firmly in place while the top section is tightened.

Step 3



Maintaining downward pressure on the valve so the internal section is held firmly against the floor, twist the wrench clockwise to tighten the valve.

Step 4



Remove the valve tool and make sure to reattach the valve cap to keep your valve protected from dust, dirt and moisture until you are ready to inflate your board.

SETTING UP YOUR PUMP

Assembling your pump

Your pump will be supplied disassembled. It is designed in a way that it must be built up before use. This enables it to be disassembled again after use to save space when in storage or during transportation in your carry bag.



Step 1

Attach your pump handles by screwing them in a clockwise direction onto the head of your pump. This extends the handles to allow a firm grip while pumping.



Step 2

Attach the base by twisting it firmly onto the bottom of the pump body. This provides a stable base that you can stand on to hold your pump securely while pumping.



Step 3

Attach your hose by screwing it in a clockwise direction on to the inflation port. Make sure this fits tightly so no air escapes while you inflate your board.

INFLATING YOUR BOARD

Step 1



Attach your pump hose to the 'Inflate' air port on your pump. This port has 'Inflate' clearly labelled on the pump head.

Step 2



Ensure the red bung is secured in the body of the pump. This activated the high capacity inflation mode on the pump.

Step 3



Remove the valve cap from your board and ensure the valve button is in the 'UP' position.

Step 4



Attach the air hose to the valve on your board by inserting it and twisting it clockwise to lock it in place.

Step 5



Begin pumping. Continue until your board reaches approximately 5psi of air pressure.

Step 6



At around 5psi, remove the red bung from the pump body to activate the high pressure inflation mode.

Step 7



Stop pumping once you have achieved between 15 and 18psi of pressure. Never inflate your board past 18psi.

Step 8



Remove the pump hose and reattach the valve cap to protect the valve from any dirt and moisture while in use.

ATTACHING YOUR LEASH

Always wear a leash

Not all of our packages are supplied with a leash, however it is critically important that you wear one at all times when in the water. Many riders will already own a suitable leash that they can transfer to their new bodyboard, but if you don't have one, make sure you get one before you use your board.

Leashes are an essential bit of safety equipment and will prevent you from becoming separated from your board. This is particularly important in rough or windy conditions. Conditions can change rapidly, even if the water looks calm before you head out. Currents can also drag you into more dangerous areas than where you enter the water.

Attaching your leash

Step 1



Remove the leash plug from the end of your leash. This will not be needed as the board already has a mounting point built in.

Step 2



Do not tie the leash onto your board. Instead, pass the string loop end of your leash through the metal D-ring mounted at the front of the board.

Step 3



Pass the wrist attachment through the string loop and pull the whole leash through so that the string is now connected to the D-ring.

Step 4



Attach the leash firmly around your wrist to connect you to your board. Make sure the wrist attachment will not come undone if pulled.

DEFLATING & PACKING YOUR BOARD

Step 1



Rinse and dry your board after each use before storage. Use a soft towel or leave your board in a shaded spot to dry fully.

Step 2



Deflate your board on a soft, grassy or carpeted area away from any sharp objects that could cause damage.

Step 3



Remove the valve cap and firmly press the valve button to release the air. This will make a loud noise, so be ready.

Step 4



Press the air out of your board by hand, starting at the tail end and working your way towards the air valve.

Step 5



Attach your pump hose to the 'Deflate' port on your pump. This will suck the remaining air out of the board when pumping.

Step 6



Once you have sucked the air out of your board, disconnect the pump hose, press the valve button to close the valve and reattach the valve cap.

Step 7



Fold your board at roughly 20cm intervals- Don't roll it as this can place excess strain on the seams or crease the PVC material or deckpad.

Step 8



Put all of your gear back into a storage bag to protect it from any knocks or scrapes that may happen during transportation or storage.

PRODUCT CARE GUIDELINES

General Care Guidance

Never overinflate your board past the recommended 18psi of pressure.

Do not leave your board in direct sunlight, particularly in warm weather. Exposure to heat will increase the internal air pressure and could cause your board to rupture.

Do not use your board for skimboarding, sliding down sand dunes or any other activity other than bodyboarding. Do not jump on your board or expose it to any excessive forces while either inflated or deflated.

Never stand or lie on your board when it is out of the water as this will likely cause damage and could even rupture your board.

Never let your board come into contact with sharp or abrasive objects, chemicals or solvents. These could cause cosmetic damage and even lead to punctures, or weakened materials and seams.

Never drag your board along the floor, even on the sand as this can conceal sharp objects like stones and broken shells that may scratch or puncture your board.

After Use Care

After use, rinse off the board and all accessories with fresh water and let them dry completely before you pack them away. Dismantle and clean all parts of your pump and other accessories to prevent salt build up. Do not use harsh chemicals for cleaning. Store your board in your carry bag to protect it from scuffs, scratches and dirt during transportation and storage.

Storage

Always store your board deflated. Leaving your board inflated can put strain on the seams and valves and cause issues due to changes in temperature and air pressure.

Do not store your board in extreme temperature conditions (eg above 35°C / 95°F or below -5°C / 23°F). Hanging the board is not recommended. Store in a cool, clean and dry place.

Do not store your board outside, exposed to weather or in direct sunlight.

REPAIRING YOUR BOARD

Avoiding and Diagnosing Damage

While our boards use premium reinforced materials and are made to be as durable as possible, they are still inflatable. This means that the nature of the product makes them susceptible to punctures when coming into contact with sharp objects, despite their solid and robust build.

If you need to perform a repair on your board, repair kits can be purchased from twobarefeet.co.uk.

Most often, any punctures and leaks are very small and can even be hard to identify. If you think your board is losing air, first inflate your board and check your valve as this is the most common cause of leaks. See our guidance on **Page 5** on how to tighten your valve. It is also worth checking all of your seams to make sure that no air is escaping there. You can use a soapy solution applied to the area to see if your valve, seams or any other area of your board is leaking air.

If you find a leak, mark it with a soft pencil or crayon so you can locate the affected area when you come back to repair the board.

Note: Holes smaller than 1/8" can be repaired without a patch. Just apply a small blob or bead of glue and leave it to dry for 24 hours before inflating. Any holes larger than 1/8" must be patched.

Preparation for Repairs

Repairs must be carried out when your board is deflated so that no air is able to escape through the hole you are trying to repair.

Before you come to actually perform your patch repair, make sure the affected area is clean, dry and free from any grease, grime or chemicals that may stop the glue from sticking. You may want to remove any pencil or crayon marks that were used to mark the location of your leak.

YOUR WARRANTY

6 Month Warranty from the Date of Purchase

Upon receiving your board please thoroughly inspect it for defects before use. Claims for imperfections or blemishes can not be credited on used boards. Boards left inflated that lose air pressure over time are not considered a warranty issue.

For all warranty queries please first contact us before returning your board. Please note that we may require supporting evidence for your claim and / or for your board to be returned for inspection.

Email: sales@twobarefeet.co.uk **Phone:** +44 (0) 1803 554695

Follow the link for more information about your bodyboard's warranty:

<https://www.twobarefeet.co.uk/inflatable-bodyboards-warranty>

The warranty does not cover damage or defects caused by:

- Normal wear and tear
- Failure to follow the guidance set out in this user guide
- Misuse, abuse, neglect or user error
- Punctures
- Improper customer repairs, alterations, tampering or intentional breakages
- Excessive heat exposure
- Improper handling or storage
- Damage caused by anything other than defects in materials and workmanship
- Leaking air valves (Unless all efforts have been made to tighten the valve in accordance with our instructions)

Thanks for Reading!

We hope you enjoy your board and want to say thank you for choosing Two Bare Feet gear for your watersports products!

We are sure you will love the quality, performance and design of our boards, but if you are not completely satisfied, please get in touch to let us know what we can do to improve! If you are happy with your purchase then just drop us a line to tell us more about your experience!

Get in Touch

Remember our team of friendly, knowledgeable staff are always available to help with your queries!

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