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# *instructions for flush mount rod holder*

**Kit to fit a flush mount rod holder.**

This kit should contain the following:

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| 1x flush mount rod holder           | 1x foam gasket         |
| 1x rubber gasket with flip over cap | 3x self tapping screws |

You will also require some tools to fit this kit:

- Drill with 2mm drill bit
- <60mm hole cutter or a jigsaw
- Phillips screwdriver
- Marker pen
- Surform or sandpaper

**PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE FITTING!**

## **Step 1 - Positioning flush mount rod holder**

There are a number of things to consider when choosing the best location for the position of a flush mount rod holder:

1. Fitting must be on a flat area of deck to ensure a waterproof seal.
2. There must be enough depth under the deck to accommodate the rod tube.
3. Ensure there will be enough room for you to paddle your kayak without your paddle interfering with a rod left in the rod holder.
4. To make sure rods in the holder will end up pointing away from the seating area, the rod tube inside the kayak will point towards the seating position.
5. When fitting flush mount rod holders behind the seat on a Perception Scooter, there are small raised dimples to identify the ideal positions.

**If you are not sure about where to fit any accessories  
please contact your local dealer.**



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## Step 2 - Cutting out rod tube area

Place either **gasket** in the desired position on the kayak, ensuring it is facing in the correct direction. Use the centre hole of the gasket to mark the location and area to be cut out for the rod tube. Very carefully cut out the marked area ideally using a circular saw with a diameter of no more than 60mm. If using a jigsaw you will need to first drill a pilot hole to enable you to insert the blade. Use the jigsaw blade at the correct angle as per the manufacturers guidelines.

**Exercise great care in completing this step.**

## Step 3 - Trimming rod tube area

As the rod tube is set at an angle, you will need to enlarge the hole slightly to a more oval shape to allow the rod tube to sit perfectly flat. This should be done with great care not to enlarge the hole too much. The edges of the hole will be rough or sharp and should be trimmed using either a surform blade or coarse sandpaper.

**Caution as the plastic edging will be extremely sharp.**

## Step 4 - Fixing flush mount rod holder

Place the **foam gasket** on to the deck and then the **rubber gasket** with flip over cap on top. Push the **flush mount rod holder** tube down through both gaskets and set in position. Using a drill and 2mm drill bit, drill a pilot hole through the kayak before securing with **self tapping screws**. Be careful not to over tighten the screws.

NB: If you are fixing the flush mount rod holder onto a kayak that you sit inside, you may wish to use nuts and bolts instead of screws. This will eliminate sharp points from being exposed.

**KEEP RODS ATTACHED TO KAYAK WHEN ON THE WATER!**