

Riverside Canoe Car Topper Instructions



LOAD THE CANOE

Snap foam block on canoe gunwales, two on each side approximately one-third of the distance from either end. Center the canoe on car roof, bottom up. Reposition blocks as close to the front and rear of car roof as possible and evenly distribute weight on all four blocks. For very curved roofs, move blocks closer together.

IMPORTANT! Make sure bottom of blocks and area of roof under blocks are clean and free of debris.

SECURE TOP STRAP

Open car doors on each side. Throw non-buckle end of the 15' center strap over the middle of the canoe, letting the ends hang on either side of the car. Pull the strap tight and run the ends through open doors on each side. Buckle tightly on the inside of car. The center strap can now be adjusted for tension without leaving the car.

SECURE FRONT AND BACK OF CANOE

A. Starting at the front of car, secure hook from tie down strap into towing loop or frame below car bumper. **IMPORTANT! Do not attach hook to bumper.**

B. Take strap (with cambuckle) and bring cambuckle end up to front of canoe and wrap around carry handle

twice with cambuckle hanging down towards ground. (If canoe does not have a carry handle use a piece of rope and make a loop attached to end of canoe).

C. Take strap (without buckle) from opposite end of bumper and bring it up and through the hanging cambuckle. Tighten strap until foam blocks begin to compress.

D. Repeat the above procedure on the opposite end of canoe.

IMPORTANT! Make sure no part of the canoe contacts car roof.

IMPORTANT USE & CARE TIPS

Limit transport distance to 250 miles.

Clean block and roof surfaces before use.

Check strap tension frequently.

Keep straps away from exhaust system and sharp or abrasive surfaces.

Ensure canoe does not touch car roof after tightening straps.

If straps hum or buzz at high speeds, give strap a few twists or fold sides of strap together and secure with tape or a shielded garbage tie. This breaks up wind vibration.

SAFETY CHECK

After driving about five miles, stop and check to make sure straps and ropes are still tight and canoe is secure on top of car.

PLEASE REMEMBER

It is your responsibility to ensure the safe and proper loading of a rental canoe on your vehicle.

Improper loading and attachment of a canoe may result in damage to your vehicle, vehicles around you, and the canoe itself.