

Installation Instructions

Thank you for Purchasing the **Nor'easter™** Winter Cover System. It is our goal to make the Installation process as simple as possible for you. Please read the instructions carefully **BEFORE** installing the cover to ensure that it is done correctly. The entire installation should take approx. 60 minutes.

1. When your Cover arrives.

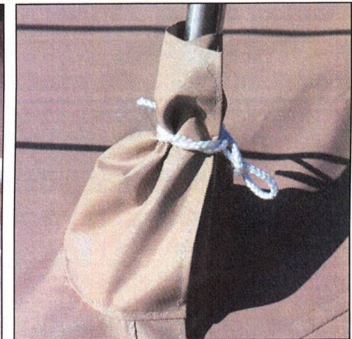
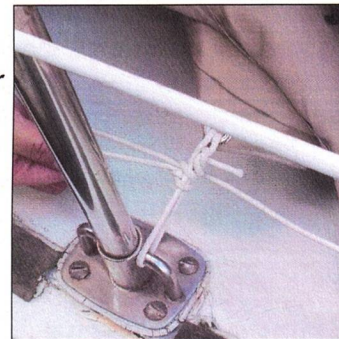
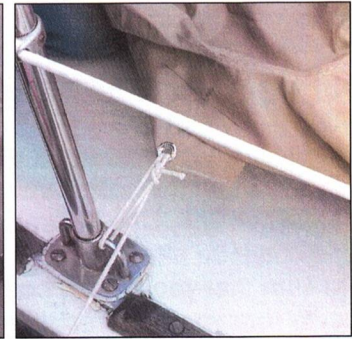
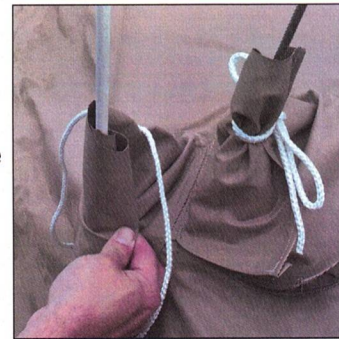
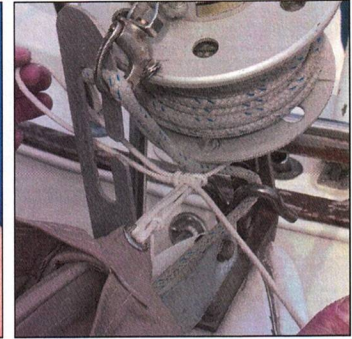
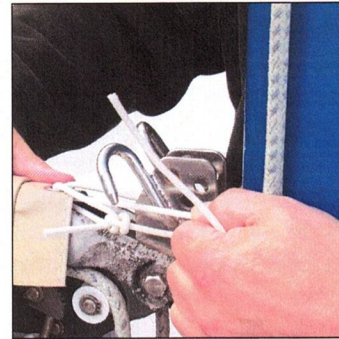
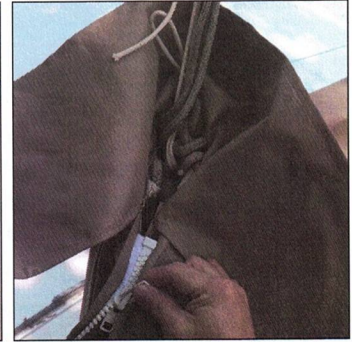
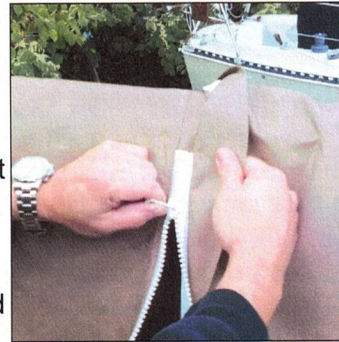
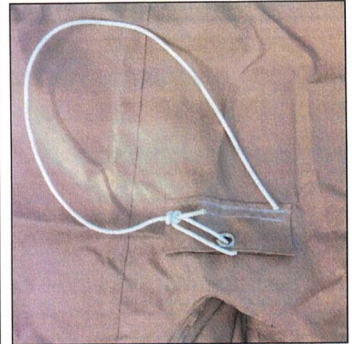
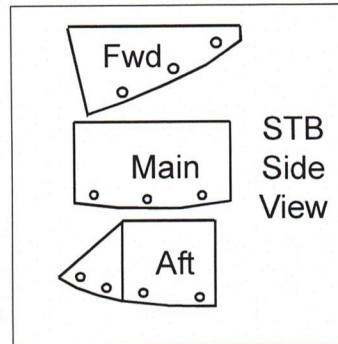
When you first receive your Nor'easter Winter Cover, the first thing you need to do is identify the 3 sections. Each section is marked on the bottom hem on the inside next to the connecting Zipper. Each Cover consists of 3 Sections, **Forward, Mid, and Aft**. Open the cover and locate the grommet tabs. These need to be tied to the base of all stanchions, shrouds, cleats, pad eyes, etc. Take the 1/8" Cotton line supplied and cut pieces approx. 24" and tie them with a bowline to each grommet. Do this in advance, **BEFORE** putting the cover on the deck. This will save a lot of time and make installing easier.

2. Lay cover on the boat.

Make sure that the boom is level and sail removed. Lay the Fwd Section on the bow in front of the mast and the main and aft sections over the boom. Zip the Main and Aft Sections together. At the rear of the boom (Topping Lift) you will see a tab underneath. Tie a piece of line from the tab to the back of the boom. This will keep tension off of cover and the aft section center zipper. Zip the aft center zipper closed, wrap the collar around the topping lift and tie closed. Proceed to the mast and zip the fwd section to the main section. Tie the inside tab to the mast to protect the zippers from tension. Wrap the collar around the mast and tie with the line connected to the mast collar. Locate the halyard loop on the fwd section and attach an auxiliary Halyard. This will be tightened later. Move up to the bow and locate the fwd center tab under the cover. Cut a piece of line approx. 24" and attach it to the grommet. This is to be tied fwd to the base of the forestay. Run the line around the forestay as low as you can, back through the grommet and then fwd again. Tie a Half Hitch and then another with a quick release knot as shown. This will allow for easy removal in the spring.

3. Tie ALL points inside the cover to base of Stanchions.

Starting from the bow, tie all lines to the base of all stanchions, shrouds, cleats, pad eyes, etc. Zip the stanchion zippers up to the top and wrap the collar around the stanchion and tie with connected line. Use the same tying procedure as listed before and continue aft, alternating port and starboard at every tie point. Be sure that you tighten both sides of the boat evenly so that the cover remains centered. It helps if you have a second person on the other side of the boat to ensure even installation. The tighter you wrap the collar around the stanchion the better the seal will be and that will keep water from penetrating the cover. ***The collar around the stanchion is to seal the hole only. It is not designed to hold the cover to the boat. The grommet tab is the secure point and should be securely tied. This concludes the inside tying portion of the installation.***



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4. Lace the bow closed from the outside.

Tie sufficient line to the bottom grommet and begin lacing up toward the deck until all grommets are laced and tighten the line to desired tension.

5. Tying lines under the Hull.

Tie sufficient line to the outer tie tabs as shown. This procedure is not absolutely necessary but will considerably enhance the fit and make it stronger. Continue running the lines under the hull and attach to the other side of the boat as shown.

The last thing that you need to do is tighten the auxiliary halyard that is connected to the fwd section. Congratulations!! You are ready for Winter! During the course of the winter, it is advisable to visit the boat to make sure the lines are properly secured, especially after a heavy snow.

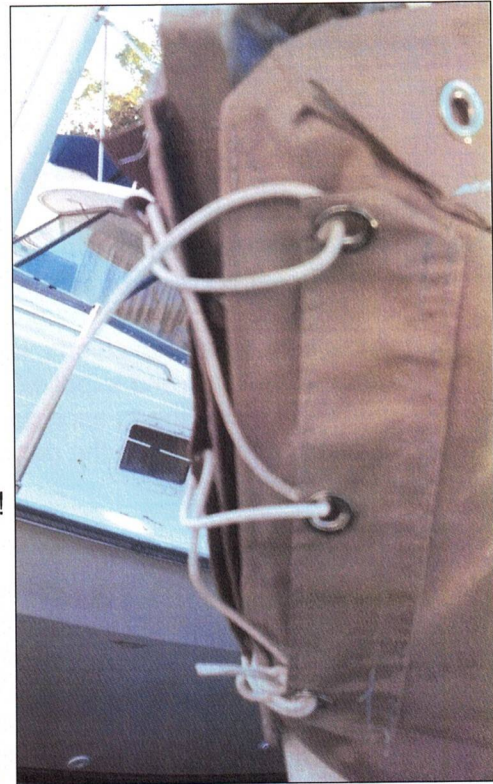
Care and Maintenance

Your Winter Cover is made with the very best material available but still needs to be cleaned and stored properly. Clean with a soft brush and a mild boat soap (no bleach), allow to dry before folding and storing. Store neatly in a dry place, free from insects and rodents. We suggest leaving the cotton lines attached to the grommet tabs for the next years installation.

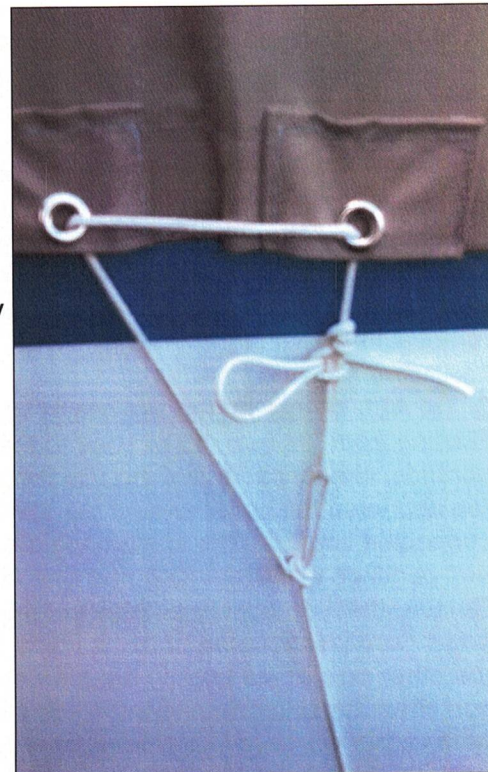
Awlgrip and painted hulls

Awlgrip painted hulls demand extra attention. Moisture trapped between the cover and the hull can cause blistering of the paint. To counter this, you must install closed cell tubing, available in most hardware stores or home improvement stores, between the cover and the hull to allow sufficient air flow to the painted surface. In addition, be sure to cover any lines with foam to keep them from rubbing on the hull. We suggest to hang 20" pieces from each stanchion and any available tie points to achieve proper air flow. ***North Shore Canvas Inc. is not responsible for damage to hull due to improper tying or failure to properly ventilate the painted surface.*** If you have any additional concerns, please contact Awlgrip technical dept. at 1 (888) 355-3090

Thank you. We Appreciate Your Business!



Lacing the Bow



Lines under Hull



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