

WATERROWER MAINTENANCE

> START UP MAINTENANCE

During the first weeks of use, the wood in your WaterRower will adjust to the temperature and humidity of the environment. During this period it is strongly advised that you GENTLY tighten all the connecting bolts with the Allen key stored under the rear spacer. Please be careful not to overtighten any of these bolts.

Additionally, as the drive and recoil belts loosen up with use, it may be necessary to tighten the bungee cord. To do this, leave the handle in the full forward position and adjust the bungee/recoil belt buckle to provide a little more tension. It may be necessary to tighten to perform these two simple start up procedures once or twice over the first month of use.

Please refer to Adjusting the Recoil video at: www.waterrowerservice.com/videos.

> PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Periodic maintenance is required to maintain the condition of the water in the tank. We strongly ADVISE USING MUNICIPAL TAP WATER which contains treatments to keep it free from bacteria and algae, etc. The water must be refreshed periodically by adding a water purification tablet provided. The purification tablet degrades by exposure to light: this may vary from 6 months in direct sunlight to 2 years in an artificially lit environment. Generally we suggest adding one purification tablet every six months.

If water discoloration occurs, add a purification tablet immediately. If the water does not clear, we recommend emptying the tank, flushing it out with clean water, refilling and adding a purification tablet.

NEVER USE POOL CHLORINE OR CHLORINE BLEACH in the tank as this will irreparably damage the polycarbonate tank.

> MAINTAINING AND CLEANING

To maintain the appearance and integrity of your WaterRower it is necessary to keep the machine clean. It is particularly important to ensure that there is no dust build up in the clutch and belt mechanism between the top and bottom decks. Dust can be removed by using a cloth or vacuum cleaner.

The surface of the rails must be kept clean to prevent dust and dirt from deteriorating the seat wheels; the rails can be cleaned by wiping with a damp cloth. The surface of the tank can be cleaned, however, please ensure you read the instructions for any cleaning fluids prior to use.

DO NOT USE METHYLATED SPIRITS, CHLORATES, BLEACH OR AMMONIA BASED FLUIDS WHEN CLEANING ANY PART OF YOUR WATERROWER.

> MAINTAINING THE WOOD

The natural wood WaterRowers are finished with Danish oil which gives a deep penetrating finish to the hardwood frame. Other than occasional dusting or polishing, the wood requires no maintenance. If you are the owner of an Oxbridge WaterRower, you will notice that Cherry wood is photosensitive and will develop a wonderful dark patina color over time. The finish of the wood is not water resistant; we do not recommend storing the WaterRower outside.