

# THE COMPASS SCHEME BOAT SYSTEM FITTING INSTRUCTIONS A QUICK FIT INSTALLATION GUIDE



Thank you for purchasing the Datatag Boat System. Please read the instructions fully before starting to encode your craft.

The Datatag Boat system allows you to apply identifying marks to your boat using Datatag's state of the art marking technologies. Once marked, your boats details can be securely registered on our 24/7 Police accessible database.

## Registration Process

To register your boat follow the instructions on the enclosed Registration Card.

After we have received your completed registration we will email you a PDF registration document. Sometimes this email can get diverted to your junk mail folder so please check before contacting us.

## How Does Datatag Help Protect My Craft?

Professional thieves like to steal goods which are difficult to trace and easy to dispose of. Datatag makes your boat and any on board accessories and equipment much easier to identify thereby reducing its desirability to thieves.

## How Does The System Work?

The Visible hull ID number, Datadots, Radio Frequency Identification tags and the unique ID labels have been registered in the Datatag database together with your craft information and personal details. Enquiring on our database will provide the Police with the information to identify the complete boat or the marked items. Police have access to special Datatag scanners and ultra-violet torches that will enable them to find and read all of the identification technologies on your boat.

## THE DATATAG BOAT SYSTEM INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING

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1 x Set of self-adhesive identification numbers



2 x Self-adhesive circular transponders



1 Tamper evident warning and re-registration label



1 x Set of 6 black & white visible tamper evident ID numbers



1 x Self-adhesive circular warning label



1 x Domed resin Datatag warning label



1 x Tube of Datadots® containing 100's of Datadots including an invisible Datatag Forensic DNA with brush applicator.

**ADDITIONALLY: 1 x Datatag on line registration card**

## What Happens If My Craft or Equipment Is Stolen?

Please advise us immediately quoting your membership number and we will flag a warning on our database. This is in addition to you advising the Police. We will need you to quote your membership number and also the crime report number the Police will give you.

## What Happens If I Sell My Craft?

The membership is transferable and for a small re-registration fee the new owner can have their name and address added to our records. He or she will need to quote the membership number and complete the change of owner section on the original registration document. Alternatively they can contact our registration team on registration@datatag.co.uk or call 03450 700440 where they will assist in starting the process.

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 1) Self-Adhesive Circular Transponders

These transponders are used to identify the Hull and Transom of your craft. The transponder is self-adhesive and should be affixed to the inside of the Hull or Transom preferably hidden behind buoyancy foam or inside a locker where they cannot be easily seen by thieves. Please make sure you clean the area where you intend to affix the transponder with the supplied alcohol wipe before fitting.



### 2) Datadots®

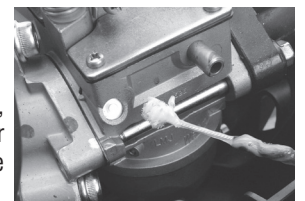


- Each tube contains hundreds of Datadots®; each dot within the tube carries the same unique ID information!
- Datadots are used to protect as many parts of the boat as possible; even if components are stripped from the boat the Datadots can provide conclusive identification.
- Datadots are visibly read using special magnifiers, already issued to the Police and other official organisations.

**IMPORTANT!** The Datadots are suspended in a clear glue which may not dry to a perfect factory type "flat" paint finish therefore, do not apply Datadots® to overt areas where they may impair vision or look unsightly such as the external surfaces or areas that are subject to abrasion and wear. Ensure surfaces are always clean and dry prior to application.

### Instructions

- I. Shake the tube well before use
- II. Using the brush supplied within the tube, paint the dots onto the components or areas to be marked making sure that the dots are applied sparingly.



Examples of typical items that can be marked with Datadots® include:

Underside and rear of seats, engine bay, inside of masts and booms, trims, inside lockers and storage areas, instruments, steering mechanisms etc.

Apply the Datadots where they are least likely to be affected by dirt, rain, spray, wear and tear or regular washing.

### 3) The 6 Ultra Destruct Visible Identification Labels



The 6 Ultra Destruct Visible ID labels are to mark the major structural components of your boat, for example:

- The inside of the hull
- The mast and boom
- Seats
- Lockers



Do not use on hot areas such as exhaust, or cylinder heads if used on inboard engines.

The labels are highly adhesive and once stuck to a clean surface they are impossible to remove in one piece. Great care should be taken when applying the labels.

To apply the labels:

1. Carefully select area to place label (see above)
2. Clean chosen area with an isopropyl alcohol based solvent cleaner
3. Peel back just HALF of the protective backing and place the edge with the backing onto the selected surface.
4. Once you are happy with the positioning press down the edge with the adhesive exposed and then continue to peel the remaining backing away and press down the label.

Do not attempt to remove a label once you have started to stick it to the surface - it will break up.

### THE DATATAG WARNING & RE REGISTRATION LABELS

#### 4) Warning Label (Rectangular plastic domed label)



Fitting the decal forms a major part of the visible deterrent. It indicates to potential criminals that Datatag genuinely protects your boat and there is too high a risk of being traced if they were to steal it.

It is VERY important to apply the plastic domed WARNING label to a highly visible area such as the front of the boat hull or on the transom.



The warning decal is designed to be applied ONCE and cannot be removed without damage.

Please take care to position the decal correctly.

Carefully ensure the selected surface is clean and dry; peel back just HALF of the protective backing. Place the edge with the backing onto the selected surface - so allowing it to be moved and positioned correctly. When you're happy with its position, carefully affix. Then pull the backing from behind the rest of the decal, thus uncovering the remaining adhesive and apply.

#### 5) Self-adhesive circular warning label



The Self-Adhesive circular warning label helps to warn off potential thieves by advertising that your boat is protected by Datatag. Ideally try to place the warning label on a clearly visible inboard area of the boat, such as the top or side of the steering console or inboard locker door. Before affixing the label, please ensure that the surface to which you intend to affix the label is clean and dry.

### 6) The Square Tamper Evident WARNING & Re-registration Label



Fitting this label aids both the Police and future owners of the boat to contact Datatag easily. This should ideally be placed inside a locker or storage area.

The decal is designed to be applied ONCE and cannot be removed without damage. Please take care to position the decal correctly.

Carefully ensure the selected surface is clean and dry; peel back just HALF of the protective backing. Place the edge with the backing onto the selected surface - so allowing it to be moved and positioned correctly. When you're happy with its position, carefully affix. Then pull the backing from behind the rest of the decal, thus uncovering the remaining adhesive and apply.

### 7) The Unique COMPASS Scheme Tamper Evident Visible Identification Numbers

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The COMPASS Scheme visible identification numbers are one of the most important parts of the system. These tamper evident numbers show the 'COMPASS primary identification number' for the boat and also contains the scannable QR code. Care must be taken when applying these numbers as once applied it cannot be removed.



To be fully effective the numbers must be installed on the rear (transom) of the boat.

Depending upon the type of boat you own and the space available you may need to install the numbers in a single row, as supplied, or you may need to split the numbers and install in two rows, one above the other.

If you need to split the numbers, you MUST split the number equally with the B1 prefix on the top row, as shown below.

#### Procedure

Having selected a suitable location for the numbers, clean the area with the supplied alcohol wipe or other suitable solvent cleaner and dry with a dry clean cloth.

Peel away one edge of the backing sheet and apply the adhesive side of the numbers to the prepared surface. Continue to gently peel away the backing sheet, applying the numbers until they are in place. Smooth out the surface of the label using a dry clean cloth, ensuring that the numbers are properly pressed into the surface and any air bubbles are removed.

If you need to split the numbers, please ensure that the B1 prefix, the dash and following two digits are on the top row. Follow the above instructions for both rows.

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The numbers are tamper evident so once applied should not be adjusted or removed. Attempting to remove or adjust the numbers may result in tearing or distorting.

The numbers will become full tamper evident after around 12 hours and any attempt to remove or adjust the numbers after this time will result in the label breaking up.

**Once installed, immediately complete the online registration.**

**IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE YOUR REGISTRATION, YOUR CRAFT AND YOUR DETAILS WILL NOT BE REGISTERED.**

**In all instances please inform Datatag immediately if your craft is stolen and if it is later recovered.**