

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLING NUTEAK PANELS ON THE EXTERIOR SURFACE OF YOUR VESSEL

## INSTALLING NUTEAK

The New Standard in Synthetic Teak Decking



Begin with a clean and faired sole. Clean with denatured alcohol to remove all grease and dirt. All holes, low spots or high spots should be faired prior to beginning the gluing process. Any uneven areas will profile.

### YOU WILL NEED:

- 1/8th inch V Notch Trowel
- Hand Roller for flooring
- Razor Knife
- Blue tape
- Sanding block with 40 and 60 grit paper
- Rubber or latex gloves

- FixTech Adhesive provided by ICA Group in the US

   (Bostik and Sika can also be used as long as it is a marine adhesive that is UV resistant and bonds to PVC.)
- Denatured Alcohol
- Lint free Rags
- Clean, dry weights (eg. bricks or sealed buckets of water.)

#### THESE ARE THE STEPS TO INATSLL YOUR NUTEAK DECK

- 1. Lay the completed panel on your boat and position to its final resting place. Weigh it down with clean, dry weights.
- 2. With blue tape, outline the entire area leaving an 1/8th of an inch or so between the edge of panel and the blue tape.
- 3. With small panels that are easily handled, remove and set aside. (On larger panels, move the weights to 1 half of the panel and lift the other half. Apply the adhesive from the middle point outwards, then repeat on the other side.) Unseal the adhesive and squeeze enough out to cover the area. Depending on the temprature you will need to work quickly to spread the adhesive, keeping it as uniform as possible, remove any lumps or foreign materials from the adhesive.
- 4. \*\* if glue gets on the panel, not a problem, just leave it, and sand off after it is completely dry. Trying to remove it while wet, makes a much larger mess! ( **Always sand in the direction of the grain.**)
- 5. Give a little extra glue Around the edges. Once your glue is all down and uniform, place the panel and adjust as necessary, with your hand roller, roll from the center out in all directions to spread the glue evenly and push out all air pockets. You will hear air escape and bubbles pop, this is a good thing!
- 6. Once the area is thoroughly rolled, weigh it down. (If you choose to use the 5 gallon buckets filled with water, please place a panel of ¼ inch plywood or an equivalent under the bucket so it will not leave ridges.) Leave until partially cured before removing the weights. With a razor knife, trim the glue off the edge of the panel, cutting though the adhesive, (careful not to scratch the gel coat )and pull up the blue tape. Trimming after the glue has set, will leave a nice neat caulk line. Clean any ooze with a rag damp with denatured alcohol.
- 7. If necessary, run a very slim bead of adhesive/sealant along the edges. Use a wet finger to seal and smooth the bead.
- 8. Allow the adhesive and sealant to dry completely prior to use.

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