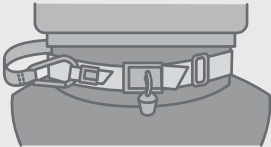




TOWLINE INFORMATION

TOWLINE USE

Wear the towline around the waist. Ensure the release buckle is accessible.



Wear with release buckle at the front and the pouch at the back.

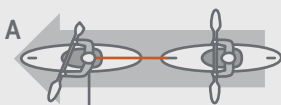
DEPLOYMENT

Clip towline to bow loop.

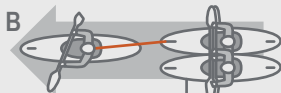


B Restow karabiner or clip on towline belt after use.

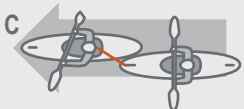
TOWING METHODS



Towing paddler.



Rafted pair.



Towing paddler pushes.

Introduction

Towlines are used to tow tired or injured paddlers to a point of safety whilst in their kayaks. All Palm towlines are easy to use. They are designed for quick and easy deployment, and when not in use, the webbing is easily stowed in the pouch safely out of the way.

You are obligated to understand there are potential hazards involved in towing. Being attached to a kayak, in any way, on moving water can be dangerous – empty kayaks can quickly become filled with water if overturned. If there is no internal buoyancy fitted, kayaks can sink and act as an anchor pulling you along with them. For this reason, ensure that the quick-release buckle is easily accessible at all times.

Towlines are suitable for use on calm water or short distances at sea. **We do not recommend towing kayaks on whitewater.**

Towline Use

Remember these points when wearing the towline:

- The towline should only be worn around the waist.
- Ensure the quick-release buckle is at the front and easily accessible.
- Care is needed to ensure the towline is not pulled under the buoyancy aid.
- When dressing to paddle, put the towline on last as this reduces the risk of it being hidden under the paddle jacket or buoyancy aid.

Towline Deployment

To deploy the towline to tow a paddler:

- Find and take hold of the karabiner or plastic clip, which is located in the pouch.
- Remove the towline webbing/rope from the pouch.
- Attach the karabiner or clip to the bow loop of the boat that needs to be towed (A). Paddle away pulling the towed boat behind you.
- After use, the towline webbing/rope should be replaced in the pouch.
- The Velcro flap should be securely closed to avoid the line escaping when not in use.
- Always restow the karabiner/clip after use (B).

Towing Methods

There are several different towing techniques:

Standard tow (A): One paddler tows another directly behind.

Rafted tow (B): One paddler tows two paddlers rafted together.

Short tow (C): It is important that the shortened towline does not entangle the user or the rescuer.

Shunt tow (D): This can be achieved without the towline and is useful where a short nudge is required rather than an extended tow.

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