## "The DockSider" "'

## Patented

## Assembly, Installation, Setup, and Operating Instruction <br> OM100-7/7/2021



## - Dock Surface Mount Models; Series 100-

- Holds Kayaks / Paddle boards up to 125 pounds.
- For Docks with Wood, Composite Wood Decking
- Vinyl and Aluminum Decking needs additional support. See Page 14
- Mounts to the top of your Dock, underside need not be accessible.
- Designed for standard dock decking thickness of up to $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches.
- Tools required - Drill with $1 / 2$ drill bit) for initial installation $-7 / 16$ socket


## A Kayak / SUP Lift and Dock Storage Rack Model DS100 - Aluminum Dockside Operation

Some Assembly Required

- Operates from the Dockside.
- Holds your Kayak / Paddleboard 5 to 17 inches below the dock surface.
- Accommodates Freeboard (Dock Surface to Water Level) height up to 30 inches.


## Model WS10o - Aluminum Waterside Operation

- Operates from the Waterside Only.
- Holds your Kayak / Paddleboard 5 to 17 inches below the dock surface.
- Accommodates Freeboard (Dock Surface to Water Level) height up to 36 inches.

Please read these instructions carefully before using this product and save this manual for future use.

For assistance, please call: 585-734-7374
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## IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

1. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THE "The DockSider"TM.
2. The intended use of the product is to store a Kayak or Paddleboard on the side of a boat dock. Do not use this product for other than its intended use.
3. The maximum weight of Kayak or Paddleboard to be racked in "The Docksider" TM shall not exceed 125 pounds.
4. For use in Salt Water, the unit should be rinsed with Fresh Water after use.
5. Kayaks should not contain more than one quarter inch $(1 / 4$ ") of water inside when storing in the "The DockSider"TM. Product Damage could result to the "The DockSider"TM if this is not followed and the Warranty will be voided. If your Kayak contains excess amounts of water (capsized or other), roll kayak over to empty.
6. To ensure proper use, do not attempt to modify this product in any manner. Please refer to the manual if questions arise.
7. If further assistance is needed, please contact DockCraft Industries prior to use of this product.
8. Do not allow children or adults to play on, around, or with the "The DockSider"TM while a kayak or Paddleboard is loaded or unloaded. Serious injury and damage to product, docks, and people could result if this warning is not followed.
9. Store only one kayak per "The DockSider" ${ }^{\text {TM }}$.
10. If the DockSider is not working properly, please contact DockCraft Industries immediately for assistance.
11. Do not enter or exit your Kayak or Paddleboard when your kayak is engaged within "The DockSider" ; in the loading or storage position.
12. Do not install your Kayak / Paddleboard Storage Rack such that "The DockSider" is near or in contact with any electrical or Dock Structural components.

## Limited Warranty

## What does your warranty cover?

- Any defect in materials or workmanship when used for the intended purpose of storing kayaks on the side of a boat dock under normal use and conditions.
- The warranty is limited to the original purchaser.


## For how long after the original purchase?

- One year


## What will we do?

- Provide you with a replacement part at no charge for any part found defective in materials or workmanship.


## How do you make a warranty claim?

- Please contact DockCraft Industries for a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number before returning items. A shipping address will be provided at that time.


## What does your warranty not cover?

- Damage from failures that occur as a result of improper assembly, failure to properly adjust and operate, misuse or neglect of product's intended purpose.
- Product which has been modified in any manner.
- Safeguards are not followed
- The warranty is not valid if you are not the original purchaser.
- Cosmetic defects


## "The DockSider" ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ PARTS LIST Bolt On Dock Mount Models; Series 100

Remove all parts from the box and remove the dock mount from the pivot lateral by unwrapping the stretch wrap.
If any parts are missing from the package (in type or quantity), do not assemble and contact DockCraft Industries immediately.

## Model DS100 - <br> Dockside Operation

## Model WS10o - <br> Waterside Operation



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## Assembly Instruction

## Attach Cradle Handle :

1 - Position Handle over Cradle.
2 - Slide the Handle over extension on Cradle.
3 - Depress Snap Button on Cradle.
4 - Seat Handle until Snap Button pops through the Handle hole.
5 -Repeat process for the other Cradle.

## Steps 1-4



Notes - Lifting Straps are on the inside
Dockside Rack - Short Legs on the outside
Waterside Rack - Shorter Legs on the inside

## Insert Clevis Pins to set height of rack from water

If the Water Level is 10 to 25 inches below your Dock Decking -
6 - Insert Clevis Pin through Hole \#2 in Pivot Lateral such that the head is between the Pivot Lateral and Cradle, attach retaining ring through the hole in the end of the clevis pin.
7 - If the Water Level is 25 inches or greater from the Dock Decking Insert Clevis Pin through Hole \#4 in Pivot Lateral such that the head is between the Pivot Lateral and Cradle, attach retaining ring through the hole in the end of the clevis pin.


Insert Clevis Pins to set height of rack from water - continued


## Thread Webbing through Cam Buckle :

8 - Obtain one of the Cam Buckles and Depress Lever
9 - Thread Webbing through opening in the Cam Buckle
Ensure the Slide on the Web Keeper is positioned as shown; Facing up and the webbing is not twisted.
10 - Pull webbing through the Cam Buckle until the pre-marked line is in position with the cam buckle.
11 - Repeat Steps 6 - 8 to thread the webbing through the other Cam Buckle.


## Completed Assemblies

Dockside Operation Model - DS10o


Waterside Operation Model - WS10o


Series 100 - Bolt On Dock Mount Installation
1 - Select a position on your dock where you choose to mount your Kayak Storage Rack.
Ensure there are not any electrical or structural components in the area.
2 - The Docksider should be mounted on 1 section of your dock.
3 - Make sure the wood on your dock is solid (not cracked or rotting) at the installation position.
4 - Ensure there are no obstructions above or below your dock.
5 - Place one Dock Mount on your Dock and position as shown below Note:


At the install position align Dock Mount as shown above With a pencil scribe the hole locations (2) on dock surface While the dock mount is positioned as shown above.
Note: the $2^{\text {nd }}$ mount is positioned
Dockside unit - 32 inch apart Waterside unit - $261 / 2$ inches apart

- Use a $1 / 2$ in. diameter drill for hardware provided
- Use a $1 / 8$ in. diameter drill for pilot for $1 / 4$ lag bolts
- Use a $1 / 4$ in. diameter drill for $1 / 4$ machine screws and nuts

Install the TOGGLER® brand SNAPTOGGLE® anchor *


Hold metal channel flat alongside plastic straps and slide channel through hole. Minimum clearance Under dock: 1-7/8"
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Hold ends of straps between thumb and forefinger and pull toward you until channel rests flush behind decking. Slide plastic cap along straps with other hand until flange of cap is flush with decking.


Snap straps at wall by pushing side to side, snapping off straps level with flange of cap.

Secure Surface Mount to Dock


Secure Dock Surface Mount with washers and $1 / 4-20$ screws pro Use 7/16 wrench or socket.

* "U.S. Patent no. 6,161,999 and foreign counterparts thereof. Other patents pending. TOGGLER \& typeface and SNAPTOGGLE are worldwide registered


## Installation - Continued

7 -Similarly to Step \#6, Mount the second Dock Mount


Position the second dock mount as shown above


Mark and drill as described in Step 6 Install Snaptogglers and secure mount to dock with screws.

## Installation is Complete and you are now ready for the Final Adjustments

## SETUP of "The DOCKSider"TM

Now that the assemblies are complete, it is now time to SETUP your Kayak Rack to "fit" your Kayak.

## Whether it be the Dockside Cradle or the Waterside Cradle

Mount the Cradle to the Bolt On Mounts - Both units, Straps are on the inside.


For the DockSide unit, the shorter legs on the Cradle are on the Outside, For the WaterSide unit, the shorter legs on the Cradle are on the Inside.

When inserting the cradle in the mounting bracket, the head of the clevis pin should be on the outside of the mounting bracket on one side and the circular retaining ring should be on the outside of the bracket on the other side. Seat the clevis pin head against the mounting bracket

## Kayak Storage Rack to Water Level Adjustment:

If the distance to the water from the dock decking is:
10 to 22 inches: insert clevis pin in 2nd hole of the pivot lateral into the top Slot of the mounting bracket.
17 to 29 inches: insert clevis pin in 2 nd hole of the pivot lateral into the bottom Slot of the mounting bracket 20 to 31 inches: insert clevis pin in the 4th hole of the pivot lateral into the top Slot of the mounting bracket $\underline{25}$ to 37 inches: insert clevis pin in 4th hole of the pivot lateral into the bottom Slot of the mounting bracket Adjust if required - up or down - based on your specific watercraft or if your water level changes significantly throughout the season.

To "Lock" the Brackets and Pivot Laterals together insert "Locking Pin" on both sides of unit. If Clevis Pin with Circular Retaining Ring in Hole 2 or 4 of Pivot Lateral is seated in the Top Slot.


If Clevis Pin with Circular Retaining Ring in Hole 2 or 4 of Pivot Lateral is seated in the Bottom Slot


Note: Push the heads of the clevis pins against the side of the mounting bracket to assure clearance when lifting the cradle itself from the loading position to the storage position.

## Webbing Length Adjustment :

As a result of the assembly procedure, the mark on the webbing should be located at the cam buckle.
This setting is a nominal setting for kayaks with a width of 27 to 29 inches. Based on the width and contour of your kayak, this setting may vary. As a guide, add 2 inches in length for every inch your kayak is greater in width than the 27 inches indicated. Shorten if less than 27 inches.

## This setting has 2 purposes:

1- To accommodate the size and contour of your Kayak

2 - To allow your Kayak to sit at an angle to minimize rain entering the Kayak and therefore collect in the cockpit


3 - Load your Kayak into your rack and rotate to the Kayak Storage Position by:
a: Rotating the Cradle toward the water such that there is a space between your watercraft and the handle of approximately 3 to 5 inches when you start the lift. With the Dockside Operation model do this using the tether strap. With the Waterside Operation model do this by standing in the water and centered on your rack, grasping the handle and rotating toward you.
b: Floating your kayak into the rack (between the handle and the webbing) such that the front of the cockpit seat is centered in the cradle.


Note:
This 3-to-5-inch dimension should be "measured / gaged" when starting the lift.
If your watercraft will not fit between the strap and the handle or is less than 3 inches; Lengthen the strap via the cam buckle.

If greater than 5 inches, shorten the strap.
c: Lift your kayak just out of the water. If your kayak wants to lean to the right or left, check the straps to see if there is an excessive amount of strap on the side that's leaning, if so shorten. Also, you may want to adjust the position of the kayak in the rack side to side. If the lean is to the left, reposition the kayak slightly to the right to have the center of gravity positioned between the straps. Reposition the kayak to the left if the lean is to the right. By holding the handle with both hands, you can "Feel" if there is more weight on one side versus the other. Remember this positioning for normal operation.
d: Grasp the center of the cradle or use tether strap and SLOWLY rotate the handle to the Cradle / Kayak storage position. Rotate SLOWLY, to understand the "feel" of the lift when your kayak rotates toward the Dock.

On the Waterside Model. as the Kayak starts to rotate, grasp the top of your Kayak and guide to its storage position.

On the Dockside Model, as the kayak / paddle board approaches it vertical position, slow down the lifting to allow a slower speed of rotation as the watercraft rotates into the storage position. Once in the storage position, rotate Latch Plates (both sides) into position to maintain the position of the Kayak / Paddle Board and Rack.
e: When you have your watercraft in the storage position, you may want to readjust the straps to achieve the desired angle of your vessel.

If your Kayak / Paddle Board in the storage position looks like

The webbing strap length is:
$\qquad$


To Short


To Long


To Long

Note: If the dock surface to water height is between 10 and 15 inches, the figure above on the left maybe the best that can be achieved with the contour of your kayak.

To adjust the Length of the webbing straps:
Loosen the Webbing Strap, then manually rotate the Kayak / Paddle Board to the desired position, then tighten the straps to secure your watercraft in that position.

The ideal storage position should look like:


Never adjust such that the bottom of your Kayak / Paddle Board is closer than 2 inches to the end of the cradle. Note: the closer the Kayak / Paddle Board is to the end of the cradle, the greater the reach of operation.

## Now that the webbing length is set, Secure Loose end of webbing length as follows:

Position the 1st Webbing Keeper approximately 10 to 18 inches down from the cradle handle; on each web strap.


Thread the loose end of webbing through Webbing Keeper (2 places Cam Buckle Loose End of Webbing Cam Buckle Kayak End of Webbing

## Note:

It is much easier to thread the webbing through the webbing keeper with the Kayak / Paddle Board out of the Rack.

Reposition the $2^{\text {nd }}$ webbing keeper and thread, similar to above, such that there is 1 to 3 inches of webbing extended beyond the webbing keeper after threading.

Reload your Kayak / Paddle Board, and rotate into its storage position.
You may place your Paddle in the loop between the handle and the $1^{\text {st }}$ webbing keeper.

## The Setup of "The DOCKSider"TM is now Complete.

## Operating Instructions

To UNLOAD: Note, if your paddle is stored in your Kayak Rack, remove your paddle first and set aside.

## Dockside Operating Models

1- Before unloading, check to Ensure that there are no objects or people in the path of the kayak when rotated toward the water.

2-Standing on the Dock, grasp the tether cord in one hand and then grasp the center of the handle.

3 - Rotate the Latch Plates on both Pivot Laterals 90 degrees counterclockwise. Note: Securely hold the handle as the Latch Plates are rotated out of the way, the weight of the Kayak will cause the Kayak Rack to want to rotate toward the water.

4- Firmly holding the tether cord, slowly lower the kayak into the water, by releasing (hand over hand) the length of the tether cord until your kayak is in the water.

5 - Secure the end of the tether cord that is left in your hand around one of the pivot laterals such that you may float your kayak out of the rack.

6 - Float your kayak completely out of the rack and then pull on the tether cord, to lift the cradle back into the storage position.

7- Rotate one of the Latch Plates back into its holding position such that the cradle will not rotate back into the water when released.

8 - Enter your Kayak ensuring you are clear of the rack, Grab your paddle and start your voyage.

## To Load and Store:

Dockside Operating Models
1- Exit your kayak assuring you are clear of kayak rack.

2 - Release the Latch Plates and lower the cradle.

## Waterside Operating Models

1 - Use caution when lowering your kayak as your kayak will be rotating to the water toward you. Ensure you are physically fit to
manage the weight of lowering your kayak and that there are not any obstacles in the water that would cause you to trip.

2-Stand in the water and center yourself with the length of the kayak rack.

3 - Release the Latch Plates by rotating both 90 degrees clockwise.

4- Grasp the center of the cradle handle with both hands and slowly lower your kayak into the water.

5-Float your kayak completely out of the rack and rotate the cradle back into its storage position.

6 - Rotate one of the Latch Plates back into position such that the cradle will not Rotate back toward the water.

7- Enter your kayak ensuring you are clear of the rack, grab your paddle and start your voyage

## Waterside Operating Models

1- Exit your kayak assuring you are clear of the the kayak rack.

2 - Release the Latch Plates and lower the cradle.

3 - Secure tether strap to the Pivot Lateral such that your kayak will float into your rack between the handle and the lifting webbing.

4-Float your kayak into the rack and position as determined 4-Float your kayak into the rack and position as

3 - Position the cradle such that your kayak will float into your rack between the handle and the lifting webbing. determined in step 3c of the webbing length adjustment (page 7).

5- Grasp the tether strap and slowly lift / rotate your Page 12 of 13 Grasp the center of the handle and slowly lift / kayak and rack into its storage position. rotate your kayak into its storage position.

6 - Grasp the handle of your rack, holding it in its storage position.

7-Rotate the Latch Plates into position such that your kayak will not rotate back into the water.

8 - Release your hand from the cradle handle and secure the tether cord to a pivot lateral or the handle with a simple overhand knot.

9- If you choose, store your paddle between the webbing under the cam buckle.

You're DONE - just Load / Latch / and walk away!

6 - Rotate the Latch Plates into position such that your kayak does not accidently rotate back into the water.

7- If you choose, store your paddle between the webbing under the cam buckle.


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## "The DockSider" Mounting Options <br> DockCraft Industries Bolt On Mount for "The DockSider" <br> - Kayak Dock Rack and Paddleboard Dock Lift -



## For Reference Only - Review the Dock Configuration Guide

## Wood Dock with Decking on top of Side Board



## Wood Decking overhanging Dock Sideboard



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## Wood Dock with Decking Flush with Side Board



## Wood Decking Flush with Aluminum Side Channel



## Wood Decking - Pipe Dock



- Location \#1 \& 2, Drill 1/8 or 3/16 inch pilot hole through decking and into the wood decking support.
- Insert Lag Screws and washers to secure.


## Aluminum / Vinyl Decking

We do not recommend attaching the Bolt On Kayak / Paddle board Surface Mount directly to
Aluminum / Vinyl decking as the Decking material is thin, however supported by 3 vertical members.


Given you choose to mount the Surface (Bolt On) Mount to Aluminum or Vinyl Decking; it is highly recommended that you install a backer board in the area of the mounting positions.

## Option \#1



The backer board should be slightly smaller than width between vertical members of decking and at least 6 inches long. The thickness should not extend beyond the height of the decking vertical members.

## Option \#2



The Backer board should be wider than the width between vertical members of the decking, at least 6 inches long; and have a thickness of $3 / 4$ to 1 inch.

When securing the Dock Bolt On Mount; the decking is actually clamped between the Bolt On Mount and the Backer Board. Use caution as not to over tighten.

