

Bigfoot Surfboards LLC

Wakesurf boards Manual

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This MANUAL CONTAINS IMPORTANT PRODUCT AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Water sports can be safe and fun for all levels of enthusiast. The operator's manual is presented to enhance your enjoyment of the sport. Is intended to alert you to some of the potentially dangerous conditions that can arise and all water sports.

To reduce the risk of injury or death follow these guidelines:

*Wakesurfing close to a propeller may result in user striking a propeller which may cause injury or death. To reduce this risk the wake surfer must be used behind boats with an inboard drive only. Do not use surfer behind stern drive boats, including boats powered by outboard, inboard/outboard or jet drive motors. If boat stops or suddenly for any reason, steer the board away from the transom. Driver must use extra caution, approaching a fallen rider and keep eye contact on fallen riders at all times. Put the boat in neutral when near fallen rider. Turn the engine off when people are getting into or out of the boat or in the water near the boat.

*Carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning from engine exhaust, may cause injury or death. If you smell the exhaust, you may also be inhaling odorless carbon monoxide. If you get a headache or become dizzy, you may be feeling the effects of exposure to carbon monoxide. To reduce risk of CO exposure rider of wakes must ride far enough behind boat to be out of imminent exposure to exhaust. Rider should also limit the amount of time behind the boat. Headache, dizziness, and nausea may be signs of excessive CO exposure. Do not sit, lay or kneel on the board while boat is running. Do not sit on the boat transom or boarding platform while the engine is running. These activities may lead to excessive CO exposure, which may cause injury or death. Improve the airflow in your boat by opening the windows and flaps. If you can smell engine exhaust while in the boat, do not stay seated in that position for prolonged periods. Never "platform drag" by holding onto the boarding platform or be dragged directly behind the boat. An improperly tuned engine will produce excessive exhaust. Have your engine checked and corrected by a mechanic. Boat speed, or direction relative to the wind can reduce or increase boat exhaust from accumulating near the boat and rider. Consult your boat owner's manual or the United States Coast Guard website www.uscg.mil for more information how to protect others and yourself from the dangers of CO poisoning.

*Do not exceed the weight guidelines of your boat. Only use water ballasts and people for additional weight. Do not allow passengers to hang outside the boat or sit on the gun walls outside the normal seating area of your boat. And even weight distribution or additional weight may affect the handling of the boat. Never allow water to overflow the gunwales of your boat. Inspect the board and for loose screws, wears, cracks, delamination, or tearing. These conditions may affect the boards, performance and integrity of the board. Make the necessary repairs prior to using.

*Use the correct size of board. This product is designed for use only on water.

*Do not toss a rope and handle back to the rider to help them stay in the wake. Rider may be injured by the rope or handle, especially if the rider becomes entangled and falls. When in the boat, keep away from the tow rope to avoid injury. Passengers can be hit or become entangled in the rope.

*When pulling a rider, the driver should avoid sudden stops because the rider may hit the boat or the propeller and be injured.

*Do not allow the rider to dismount from or onto the boat transom or boarding platform while the boat is running.

*When rider falls backward, the board may be launched into boat, passengers need to be alert to avoid injury.

WATERSPORTS SAFETY CODE

Watersports are fun and challenging but involve inherent risks of injury or death. To increase your enjoyment of the sport and to reduce your risks, use common sense and follow these rules:

Before you start:

*Familiarize yourself with all applicable, federal, state and local laws, the risks inherent in the sport and the proper use of the equipment.

*Know the waterways.

*Always have a person other than the driver as an observer.

*The rider, observer and the driver must agree on hand signals.

*Never start out until rider signals he/she is ready.

*Carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning from engine exhaust may cause injury or death. Do not sit on the boat transom or boarding platform while the engine is running. These activities may lead to excessive CO exposure, which may cause injury or death. If you can smell engine exhaust while in the boat, do not stay seated in that position for prolonged periods. Never “platform drag” by holding onto the boarding platform or be dragged directly behind the boat. An improperly tuned engine will produce excessive exhaust. Have your engine checked and corrected by a mechanic. Changing boat, speed or direction relative to the wind can reduce or increase boat exhaust from accumulating near the boat and rider. Consult your boat owner’s manual or the United States Coast Guard for more information on how to help protect others and yourself from the dangers of CO poisoning.

*Use caution and common sense

*Do not exceed the weight guidelines of your boat. Only use water ballast, and people for additional weight. Do not allow passengers to hang outside the boat or sit on the gunwales outside the normal seating area of the boat. Uneven, weight, distribution or additional weight may affect a handling of the boat. Never allow water to overflow the gunwales of your boat.

Your equipment and your tow rope:

*Inspect all equipment prior to use. Check, bindings, fins, and attachment point and flotation device prior to each use. Do not use if damaged.

*Always wear a US Coast Guard type III (PFD) lifejacket.

*Rope should be attached to the watercraft in an approved fashion with hardware designed for towing. Referred to your watercraft manual for instructions on proper tow rope attachment.

*Ropes stretch during use. If a rope breaks or is suddenly released, it can snap back into the watercraft. Warn all riders and occupants of the danger of rope recoil.

*When in the boat keep away from the tow rope to avoid injury. Passengers can be hit or become entangled in the rope.

*Inspect tow rope and its attachments before using. Do not use if tow rope is frayed, knotted or damaged. Replace when signs of excessive deterioration are indicated by discoloration, broken filaments, unraveling, or other obvious signs of wear on the rope or hardware.

*Use proper to rope for the activity.

*Ensure tow rope is clear of all body parts prior to starting out or during use.

*Keep persons and rope away from propeller when engine is running, even in neutral.

Should rope become entangled in propeller:

SHUT OFF ENGINE AND REMOVE IGNITION KEY BEFORE RETREIVING ROPE.

When you Wakesurf:

*Attempting land or dock starts, can increase the risk of injury or death.

USE THIS PRODUCT ONLY ON WATER.

*Always remove any slack in the rope between watercraft and rider before starting.

*Do not ride in shallow water, near the shore, pilings, docks, rafts, swimmers, other boats, or other obstacles. Such obstacles are examples of risks that are inherent in the sport.

*The driver and rider must watch for and be able to stop or turn to avoid obstacles.

*Always ride in control and at speed appropriate for your ability. Ride within your limits. Do not ride over ramp or jumps without prior instruction.

*Falling and the injuries that may result are inherent risks in the sport.

*Use a flag to signal to others that a rider is in the water.



*Driver must use extra caution approaching a fallen rider and keep eye contact on fallen rider at all times.

*Put the boat in neutral when near a fallen rider. Turn the engine off when people are getting into or out of the boat or in the water near the boat.

*Do not operate, watercraft, or ride under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

THE WARNINGS AND PRACTICES SET FORTH ABOVE IN THE WATERSPORTS SAFETY CODE REPRESENT SOME COMMON RISKS ENCOUNTERED BY USERS. THE CODE DOES NOT PURPORT TO COVER ALL INSTANCES OF RISK OR DANGER. PLEASE USE COMMON SENSE AND GOOD JUDGEMENT.

Please contact Bigfoot surfboards if you have any questions on the proper selection, function or safe use of this product.

BEFORE USING YOUR NEW BIGFOOT WAKESURF BOARD, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS	
<div>  WARNING </div>	
<p>Use of this product and participation in the sport involves inherent risks of injury or death. To reduce the risks:</p> <p>*Wakesurfing close to a propeller may result in user striking a propeller which may cause injury or death. To reduce this risk, the wakersurfer must be used behind boats with an inboard drive only. Do not use wakersurfer behind stern drive boats, including boats powered by outboard, inboard/outboard of jet drive motors.</p> <p>*Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning from engine exhaust may cause injury or death. To reduce the risk of CO exposure, rider or wakersurfer must ride far enough behind the boat to be out of immediate exposure to exhaust. Rider should also limit the amount of time behind the boat. Headache, dizziness or nausea may be signs of excessive CO exposure. Do not sit, lay or kneel on the board while boat is running. These activities may lead to excessive CO exposure which may cause injury or death.</p> <p>*Always wear US Coast Guard approved Type III (PFD) Life Jacket.</p> <p>*This product is designed for use on water only.</p> <p>*Wakesurf in control and do not use at speeds that exceed the skills of the rider. All riders should be towed at boat speeds that allow for reasonable control and stability.</p> <p>*Only start riding this board from the water, while holding a tow rope. To avoid injury rider and passengers in boat must not coil the rope in hands. Do not toss a rope and handle back to the rider to help them stay in the wake. Rider or passenger may be injured by these activities.</p> <p>*Do not use in shallow water or near shore, docks, pilings, swimmers or other watercraft.</p> <p>*Read Operator's Manual before use.</p>	
<div>  WARNING </div>	
<p>This water sports product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause birth defects and other reproductive harm.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Helpful Riding Tips</p> <p>Beginner:</p> <p>After reading the warning on the back of this card, you are ready to use your Wakesurf board. Position yourself and the board off to the right or left of the boat, (on the side that you want to surf the wake), with the board positioned at right angles against the direction you will ride. Lie back in the water with your heels on top of the board in roughly the position you will ride in, (rear foot on the tail, front foot in the middle of the board) and your arms straight out. The rope will lie across the center of the board. Have the boat driver smoothly increase speed. As the speed increases, keep your arms straight, push your heels down and bend your knees, allowing the wake surfboard to flip up against your feet. Once you have created enough pressure, the board will plan out of the water and the tip of your board will naturally turn in the direction you are moving. Keep your eyes on the boat and stand up. Congratulations, you're riding your wakesurf board.</p> <p>CAUTION: Those are guidelines only.</p> <p>There is no substitute for professional instruction. Instruction will teach general safety guidelines and proper techniques, thereby reducing your risk of injury. For more information contact your local wakesurf club.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">How to Treat Your Equipment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Always rinse equipment with fresh water after using in salt water 2. NEVER wax your wakesurf board 3. Buy a protective bag for your board. It helps keep it from being scratched, protects it from the sun and may protect the boat as well. 4. Inspect your board for damage every time you ride. 5. Replace excessively worn or damaged parts before riding your board 6. Check the fins. Make sure they are there and tight. Fins do not float. 7. Do not use thread sealant such as Loc-Tite on fin screws. These products can attach some types of plastic causing structural failure. 8. Gasoline, oils and most other petroleum products are bad for your board. So do not let your board come in contact with these chemicals. 	
<p style="text-align: center;">Ninety (90) day limited Warranty</p>	

Bigfoot surfboards warranties and obligations set forth below are in lieu of any other express warranties or obligations Bigfoot Surfboards LLC, it's distributors, or retailers. All Bigfoot Surfboards wakesurf boards are warrantied to the original purchaser to be free from defects in material or workmanship except otherwise provided herein.

Bigfoot surfboards LLC warranty extends for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of purchase. Proof of purchase is required. Receipt must clearly identify the date of purchase and where it was purchased. Bigfoot surfboards LLC will, at their option, repair or replace any wakesurf board which exhibits defects in material or workmanship.

REPAIRED OR REPLACED ITEMS ARE COVERED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE ORIGINAL WARRANTY ONLY.

Bigfoot surfboards LLC warranty does not cover:

(1) Cost of shipments to Bigfoot surfboards (2) Normal wear and tear including scratches, nicks or fading. (3) Using the wakesurf board commercially as a rental wakesurf board, for instructional purposes, at short term rentals, at a camp, as a demonstration wakesurf board. (4) abuse or misuse, including but not limited to use of the product contrary to the written instructions, collisions with objects, use of rails or sliders, dragging the wakesurf board across the ground, docks or other hard surfaces. (5) improper storage or use leading to scratches, nicks, fractures or other deformities or discoloration from the sun (6) modifying the wakesurf board or altering the wakesurf board. (7) use of the wakesurf board with accessories or parts not associated with Bigfoot surfboards including attaching fins, bindings, cutting and reshaping the wakesurf board (8) tow rope handle striking the wakesurf board (9) incidental and consequential damages

During the ninety (90) day warranty period, Bigfoot surfboards will, at its option either repair or replace a defective Bigfoot surfboard product. For a warranty claim Customer must contact Bigfoot surfboards via email at customerservice@bigfootsurfboards.com and receive a return authorization number by providing pictures of the defect and the original sales receipt. If approved, customer will be sent directions to return the board for a warranty claim and customer must pay shipping charges. Bigfoot surfboards reserve the right to deny any warranty claim.

Liability and Suitability of use

Activities involving the use of Bigfoot surfboards assume the risk of bodily injury arising from those activities.

Bigfoot surfboards LLC is not liable to the users of third parties for any incidental or consequential damages. Including damages for personal injury, beyond the responsibility Bigfoot surfboards LLC assumes for replacement or repair of its products subject to the conditions set forth herein.