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SKEEETER®

Performance Fishing Boats



OWNER'S MANUAL



Congratulations!

The name SKEETER has become a symbol of excellence in the world of boating. Behind this name are the creators and makers who believe quality and owner satisfaction are unquestionably the most important part of every boat we build.

Our objective, here at SKEETER, is to earn your confidence and satisfaction with a quality product and the kind of service you have come to expect when purchasing a SKEETER boat. You have our assurance that we are firmly committed to that end and are making an earnest effort at every level to achieve it.

This owner/operator manual was prepared to acquaint you with the operation and maintenance of your SKEETER boat. We suggest you read this manual carefully and follow the recommendations to assure enjoyable and trouble free operation.

For service and assistance, remember to call upon your SKEETER dealer. He will be happy to assist you in matters concerning maintenance, warranty, and any other questions that you may have concerning your SKEETER.

In closing, we would like to express our thanks for your choosing SKEETER. We hope you will enjoy many years of fishing and boating pleasure with your new SKEETER.

WELCOME TO "TEAM SKEETER".

SKEETER PRODUCTS

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Hull Identification Number Plate (Serial Number)

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MODEL YEAR

Your Hull Identification Number Plate is located on the transom on the starboard side, above the waterline. The Hull Identification Number (Serial Number) must be included in any inquiries or when ordering parts. The U.S.C.G. requires that your H.I.N. be permanently affixed and remain in the original position on the boat.

DO NOT ALTER THIS PLATE IN ANY WAY!

U. S. Coast Guard Capacity Plate

Your U.S. Coast Guard Capacity Plate is located on the deck of your boat. For safe boating, familiarize yourself with your boat's maximum capacity so that you do not over load your boat.

CAPACITY VARIES BY MODEL OF BOAT.

U.S. COAST GUARD	
MAXIMUM CAPACITIES	
PERSONS OR	LBS.
LBS. PERSONS, MOTORS, GEAR H.P. MOTOR	
THIS BOAT COMPLIES WITH U.S. COAST GUARD SAFETY STANDARDS IN EFFECT ON THE DATE OF CERTIFICATION	
MODEL NO.	SKEETER PRODUCTS KILGORE, TEXAS 75662

Safety and Maintenance Tips

Periodic inspection as outlined below is strongly recommended.

Maintenance or repairs should be performed by your SKEETER Dealer or other qualified repair center.

1. Check fuel hose connections at the deck fuel fill, fuel tank vent, and fuel delivery connections.
2. Check fuel system for leaks before each boating season.
3. Do not store items on or around the fuel tanks or batteries. Proper maintenance and housekeeping in this area is essential to safe boating and trouble free fuel and electrical systems.
4. Do not store portable fuel tanks in sunlight for extended periods of time.
5. Check the fuel tank hold down brackets, making sure that they are secure.
6. Check the battery hold down system, making sure that the battery can not move around.
7. Should fuel hose replacement become necessary, use only U.S.C.G. approved hose.


NOTICE: A leak free fuel system is a must for proper safety and operation. Always inspect your boat for fuel leaks prior to connecting a battery charger to your batteries. The fuel tank/battery storage compartment lids **MUST ALWAYS** be propped open for ventilation when charging any batteries.

Your Boat's Finish

Most things when left outdoors...man made or natural...will gradually deteriorate from exposure to sunlight, water, dust, and chemicals in the air. Such exposure may cause your boat's surface to show a variety of changes, including but not limited to:

- Chalking (fine, powdery whiteness on the surface)
- Fading (gradual loss of color)
- Clouding (milky looking spots)
- Yellowing
- Loss of gloss

Routine, periodic maintenance is the only practical way to keep the surface of your boat looking good.



Maintenance Procedures

You will get years of boating pleasure while slowing the changes described previously by following the simple maintenance procedures described below.

When Not In Use

Keep your boat covered when not in use. A boat cover, preferably light in color, is a wise investment to help prevent damage while the boat is stored or on the road (option available from your SKEETER Dealer). Do not use sheet plastic or other non-porous materials which can trap moisture between the cover and the boat's surface.

Each Month

Wash the boat's surface with a mild soap to remove normal accumulation of soil and stain. Avoid any kind of alkaline cleansers such as tri-sodium phosphate (TSP) and abrasives, bleaches and ammonia. Do not use acids or other strong chemicals to clean the boat. For best results, use cleaners recommended for fiberglass and follow the label directions.

Twice Yearly (Minimal)

Wax your boat's gel coat surface to help prevent loss of gloss and protect the finish. Use only wax recommended for use on fiberglass and follow the instructions carefully. Apply only a thin coat of wax to a small area (3 feet by 3 feet) at a time using clean applicator cloths. If you are using a power buffer, never use a high speed buffer, as high heat may build up and cause damage to the finish. NEVER wax a gel coat surface that has been sitting in the sun and is hot. Never wax a gel coat surface in direct sunlight.

**ALWAYS CONSULT YOUR SKEETER DEALER
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS!**

Carpet and Upholstery

CARPET:

Your SKEETER carpet possesses built in stain and soil release characteristics for easy, less costly maintenance.

Regular vacuuming and occasional shampooing helps it stay attractive and serviceable.

Maintenance such as vacuuming, hosing or washing should be performed. Most stains and mildews are easily removed from the carpet using common household cleaners. Whenever using a strong or harsh cleaner to clean mildew off of the carpet, first check the cleaner on a small area of carpet that is hidden to check for compatibility of cleaner and carpet.

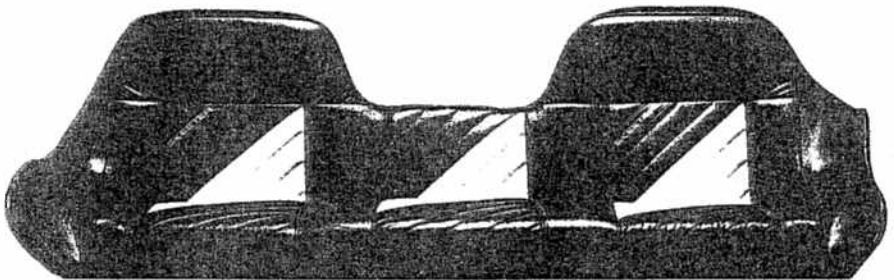
"FISH SCENTS", which are commonly sprayed on lures today, will cause deterioration of the carpet backing. Spray these formulas away from your boat carpet and any spills should be cleaned up promptly.


UPHOLSTERY:

SKEETER takes pride in upholstering its own custom interiors. The vinyl fabric in your SKEETER'S interior was especially selected to take the tough punishment of the elements and hard usage of an active boater.

For general care:

1. Do not use the seat straps as a handle when carrying seats.
2. Seats should be installed by an authorized SKEETER Dealer.
3. Use a quality upholstery cleaner to clean the vinyl upholstery.
4. Protect the seats from the weather whenever possible.





Aerated Livewell Systems

The standard SKEETER aerated livewell consists of one or two aerated livewells (depending on the model). This system has pumps located in the sump area of the boat which pump fresh water into the livewell(s) when the switches on either the bow or stern panels are switched on.

To use the livewell(s) you must first close the drain which has a remote mounted control located in the cockpit area near the driver's station.

Then turn on the pump switches. This will fill the wells with the excess being routed outside the boat through the overflow hoses.

The optional Tournament Livewell Package (not available on all models) consists of the standard livewell system with the addition of two extra pumps and spray heads which recirculate the water in the wells while simultaneously reoxygenating the water. This feature is especially useful for the fisherman who fishes a long distance from the landing, as the standard livewell system does not fill the livewell(s) when the boat is on plane.

To use the recirculation feature of the tournament livewell, you must first fill the well as noted above, and then turn on the respective switch located on the console. The right switch operates the right recirculation pump with the left switch operating the left pump.

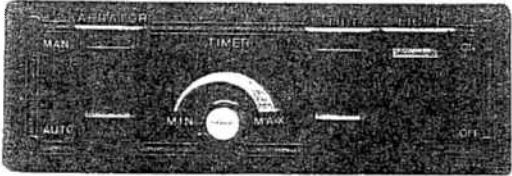
To drain the livewells turn all pumps off and open the remote drain valve controls. The wells drain faster when the boat is on plane.

Aerator/Timer Panel Control Center

Your Livewell Control Center was designed to keep your catch or bait alive as long as possible. The aerator control switch is labeled: manual, off and automatic. Moving the switch from off to manual will run your aerator pump continuously. Moving the switch from off to automatic will activate the timer which will run your pump for one minute each cycle. The pump off time is adjustable with the panel switch labeled "TIME". This time is variable from a minimum time of one minute. Increasing this time between pump operations reduces battery drain. During a hot summer day you may need to set your control to operate more frequently than you would on a cool night.

TIMER SPECIFICATIONS:

Supply Voltage:	11 to 16 volts DC
Output Capacity:	4 Amp maximum
Fuse Rating:	Pump manufacturer's recommendation, with a 4 Amp maximum
Temperature Range:	32 degrees F to 140 degrees F
On Time:	One Minute
Off Time:	One to Fifteen Minutes
Timer Power Consumption (off time):	0.030 Amps





Instrument Panel and Switch Panels

SKEETER boats have a console which houses many of the controls for the boat and accessories. A list of gauges and their functions is as follows (the actual number of switches and their locations vary, depending upon the model):

NOTE: Not all models have all of the following items. Some of the described items are extra cost options. SKEETER reserves the right to change specifications.

- TACHOMETER** The tachometer registers engine speed in revolutions per minute. Please refer to your engine operator's manual for the correct RPM range of your engine.
- SPEEDOMETER** The speedometer indicates the speed of the boat in miles per hour. Be sure that the speedometer pilot tube is clean and free from debris. Also make sure that the speedometer tube is not pinched and allows proper operation of the gauge.
- FUEL GAUGE** The fuel gauge registers the fuel level in the gas tank. Due to the various conditions affecting the way a boat floats, the gauge may register differently when the boat is on the trailer, at rest or on plane.
- VOLTMETER** The voltmeter indicates the state of the battery's charge. When turned on, a reading of 12-13 volts is normal. Readings below 11 volts indicate a lower than normal battery, and should be checked into.
- POWER SWITCH** This switch activates the gauges and most of the other switches.

- BILGE** The bilge switch activates the bilge pump which eliminates excess water in the bilge. To prevent damage to the pump, be sure the switch is kept in the off position unless the pump is in use.
- LIGHT** The light switch activates the bow and stern lights in the "NAV" position and just the stern light in the "ANCH" position.
- ACCESSORY** The accessory switch is installed for ease of installing optional equipment.
- HORN** The horn switch activates the horn. It is spring loaded and will return to the "off" position when released.
- FUEL** The fuel switch is used to switch the fuel gauge from one tank to the other.
- AERATOR** The aerator switch activates the aerator pump to recirculate the existing water in the livewell(s).



Electric Trolling Motor Panel Information

The means of connecting your batteries to operate in either the 12 volt position, or in the 24 volt position, or in the charge position is wired into the bow panel of your boat.

WIRING INSTRUCTIONS:

BATTERY/BATTERIES

1. Connect the Positive (RED) cable for Battery #1 to the #1 Battery Positive terminal.
2. Connect the Negative (BLACK) cable for Battery #1 to the #1 Battery Negative terminal.
3. Connect the Positive (RED) cable for Battery #2 to the #2 Battery Positive terminal.
4. Connect the Negative (BLACK) cable for Battery #2 to the #2 Battery Negative terminal.

NOTE: Steps 3 and 4 are not used if you are only using a 12 volt system.

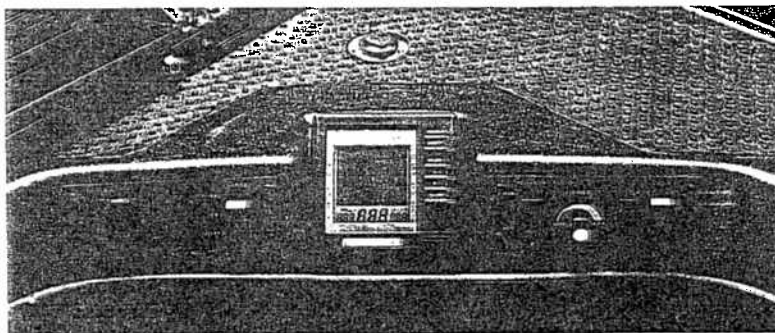
TROLLING MOTOR CABLE CONNECTIONS

1. Connect the Negative Trolling Motor battery cable to the BLACK wire on the Male Trolling Motor Plug.
2. Connect the Positive 12 volt Trolling Motor battery cable to the RED wire on the Male Trolling Motor Plug.
3. Connect the Positive 24 volt Trolling Motor battery cable to the ORANGE wire on the Male Trolling Motor Plug.

NOTE: Step 3 is only used if you have 24 volt Trolling Motor

BATTERY CHARGER CONNECTIONS

1. Connect the Negative Battery Charger Lead to the BLACK wire on the Male Trolling Motor Plug.
2. Connect the Positive Battery Charger Lead to the RED wire on the Male Trolling Motor Plug.

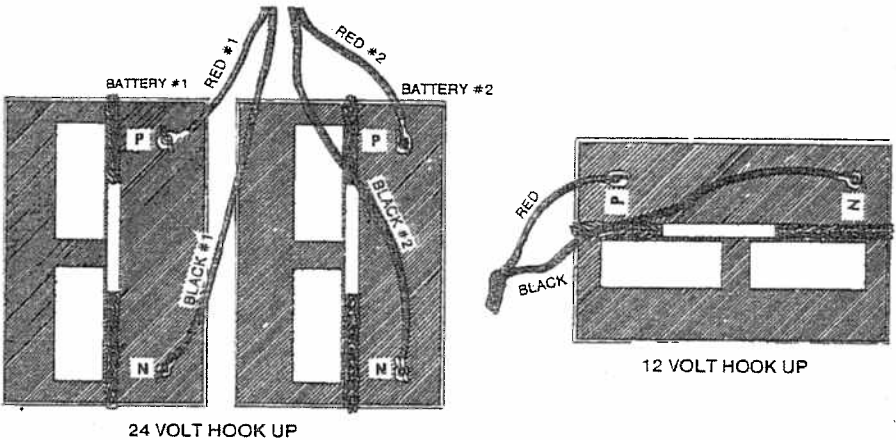


Switch Settings when using your Electric Trolling Motor Panel

SWITCH SETTING	USED WHEN
2/12V	Charging Trolling Motor Batteries
12V	Running a 12 volt Trolling Motor
12/24V	Running a 12 volt or a 24 volt Trolling Motor

NOTE: WHENEVER CHARGING BATTERIES, MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE COMPARTMENT DOORS ARE PROPPED OPEN TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE VENTILATION.

ALWAYS UNPLUG THE TROLLING MOTOR PLUG WHEN THE TROLLING MOTOR IS NOT IN USE TO PREVENT PERSONAL INJURY OR DAMAGE TO THE MOTOR.





IMPORTANT IMPORTANT IMPORTANT
TO VALIDATE WARRANTY RETURN WITHIN 15 DAYS
WARNING: FAILURE TO VALIDATE WARRANTY CAN RESULT IN NO WARRANTY!

LIMITED WARRANTY 1990/1991

Skeeter Products, Inc., P.O. Box 230, Attn. Warranty Repair Dept., located at 1 Skeeter Road, Kilgore, Texas 75662, warrants its new boats from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service during the period specified below for the type of defect indicated.

STRUCTURAL DEFECTS Those defects in material or workmanship of the internal strength providing framework of the boat such as transoms, stringers, or other like internal structure, for two (2) years from the date of delivery to the first purchaser from the dealer.

NON-STRUCTURAL DEFECTS Those defects in material or workmanship of the cosmetic appearance of the boat such as finish, carpet, or other like cosmetic attachments, or options providing for convenience such as livewells, rod boxes, or like constructed items, or other factory installed accessories and not covered by the supplying manufacturers' expressed or implied warranties but not to exceed those warranties, for one (1) year from the date of delivery to the first purchaser from the dealer.

This warranty is given only to the first purchaser from the dealer. No warranty is given to subsequent transferees. These warranty provisions are a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the buyer and seller.

During the warranty periods specified above, Skeeter Products will repair at its factory such boats returned to it (with transportation charges prepaid) as its examination shall disclose to its satisfaction to have been thus defective—provided that it receives the applicable boat registration card within the warranty validation period stating the date of purchase and further provided that it receives written notice of claim of defect within thirty (30) days from the date of discovery. Any legal action for a defect in these warranties must be brought within one (1) year from the date the defect is discovered or could reasonably have been discovered, and not afterwards. Skeeter Products does not authorize anyone to assume for it any liability in connection with the sale of its products. If the repair requires the boat to be derrygged, the boat must be sent to the factory derrygged. If it arrives rigged and requires dengging, Skeeter Products will deng and rig the boat at a charge to the purchaser which must be paid before the boat will be returned. After repair, the boat will be returned to the purchaser freight collect.

This warranty does not apply to: (1) engine, outdrives, controls, batteries, trailers, or other equipment or accessories carrying their own individual warranties (appropriate adjustments to them being provided by their respective manufacturers); (2) installation of engines or accessories installed by others; (3) gelcoat or metal flake cracks; (4) gelcoat fading; (5) upholstery damage; (6) any boat which has been altered, subjected to misuse, negligence, or accident, or used for racing purposes; and (7) any boat which has been overpowered according to the maximum BIA and U.S. Coast Guard recommended engine horsepower specifications on the capacity plate provided on the boat; (8) failure to perform periodic maintenance in accordance with Skeeter recommendations.

Skeeter boats contain floatation material; however, no boat is unsinkable. Therefore, life preservers should be carried for each passenger in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard requirements.

This warranty shall apply in accordance with the law of the State of Texas.

EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY STATED ABOVE NO WARRANTY IS GIVEN WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. NO IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS GIVEN. IF ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY IS DETERMINED TO EXIST, IT SHALL APPLY ONLY FOR 6 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF DELIVERY TO THE FIRST PURCHASER FROM THE DEALER. SKEETER PRODUCTS SHALL NOT IN ANY MANNER BE LIABLE FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR SPECIAL DAMAGE RESULTING FROM ANY DEFECTS IN ITS BOATS OR FROM A BREACH OF THIS WRITTEN LIMITED WARRANTY, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts or the exclusion or limitations of incidental or consequential damages. So the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

**THIS IS YOUR
WARRANTY STATEMENT**
Please Retain For Your Records

Date of Purchase: _____

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