



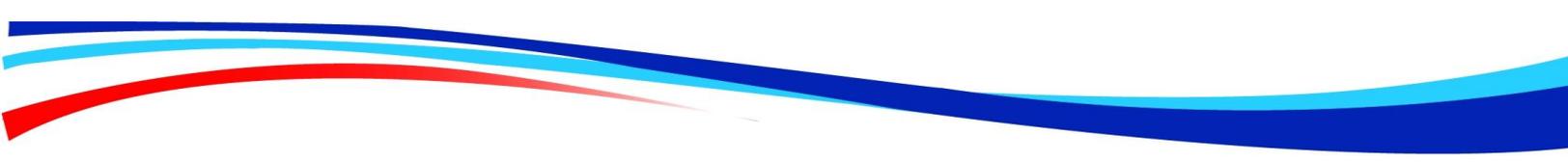
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Boat Buddy Cleaning System –

The Professional Way to Clean your Boat

The Boat Buddy Cleaning System has been designed to clean and protect your boat using a follow through system rather than the random application of various cleaning products in the hope of achieving satisfactory results. Please read this manual carefully and follow the instructions to optimize the effectiveness of the Boat Buddy System.

This first section of the manual will provide you with an overview of the Boat Buddy product range, what each product has been designed to do and a general description of the type of dirt and staining each product will remove. It is important that you have a clear idea of the system and it's intended method of use prior to starting any work on your boat.

Boat Buddy Tips: These are tips from Boat Buddy to help you achieve the best results from our product. The tips highlighted here can make the difference between achieving a professional clean or just an average result with a lot of hard work! Please pay particular attention to the Boat Buddy Tips!

Boat Buddy Warnings: These are warnings from Boat Buddy to help you avoid where possible causing damage to your boat. Please pay particular attention to the Boat Buddy Warnings! This is not an exhaustive list and it is up to each individual to make themselves aware of the hazards associated with maintaining their boat.

Product Range

The complete Boat Buddy range consists of eight products three of which make up the unique Boat Buddy Cleaning system. There is the Boat Buddy Unique 3 stage cleaning system which is then complimented by five additional products which either tackle specific cleaning issues or provide cleaning maintenance without undoing the 3 stage cleaning process or these additional products may be used as a standalone product to deliver excellent results.

Boat Buddy Product Range

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Wash

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Wash has been designed to clean down all exterior surfaces of your boat. It will remove surface staining such as soot, oil, grease, old wax polish, atmospheric dirt, moss and algae and general surface staining. It is highly concentrated so a little goes a long way however it can be used in stronger dilutions or neat for areas of heavy staining or soiling.



Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner has been designed to gently neutralise, absorb and remove deep seated staining such as yellow/brown waterline staining, rust staining leaching from metal fittings, bird lime and general staining that has penetrated deeper into the surface of the boat. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner tackles those stains that are often hardest to remove without the use of abrasives or other methods which can damage the surface of the boat.



Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector has been designed to enhance that glossy shine on the surface and provide protection by sealing the surface therefore preventing further attack from dirt, grime, UV and harsh chemicals present in the atmosphere. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector will achieve this in just one very simple action. No more sore arms and muscles simply wipe on and buff off. As Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector contains no harsh abrasives it delivers a high gloss finish without any damage to the surface. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector contains high quality UV filters to keep the harmful sun's rays from oxidising your gelcoat thereby dulling the surface to a chalky matt appearance. For use on Boats with Gel Coat in good condition.



Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator has been designed as a “one-step” renovating polish for older dull or faded fibreglass or painted surfaces that have lost their lustre and deep gloss appearance. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator gently restores the surface and provides protection from further attack from dirt, grime, UV and harsh chemicals present in the atmosphere. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator will achieve this in just one very simple action. Simply apply to the dull surface buff lightly in a circular motion until the gloss is restored and polish off with a clean microfibre cloth. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator contains high quality UV filters to keep the harmful sun’s rays and harsh weather from oxidising your gelcoat thereby dulling the surface to a chalky matt appearance. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator is formulated for hand or machine use. For old dull faded fiberglass simply substitute our Stage 3 Protector with our Marine Surface Renovator to achieve that “as new finish”.



Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer

Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer has been designed as a standalone product to assist in the maintenance of your boat. Once your boat has been cleaned using our 3 stage cleaning system it is important to maintain that protection and appearance right throughout the season. By adding a small amount of Boat Buddy Wash & Sealer solution to a bucket of water and washing down your boat monthly, or even better, fortnightly you will maintain a glossy shiny surface. Boat Buddy’s unique Wash & Sealer has cleaning and liquid sealing additives to gently clean and protect your boat from further staining. Unlike most other boat wash products it will not remove the existing Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector or wax coating but will enhance it, keeping your boat fully protected from the elements.



Boat Buddy Marine Bilge Cleaner & Deodouriser

Boat Buddy Marine Bilge Cleaner & Deodouriser has been designed to tackle the interior of the boat; bilges, lockers, toilet areas and the galley. Boat Buddy’s citrus based Bilge Cleaner & Deodouriser will tackle cleaning in all of these areas quickly and effectively as well as leaving a pleasant fragrance. Safe to use on wood, metal and fibreglass and being environmentally responsible you can clean the bilges and then pump out using your bilge pump.



Boat Buddy Marine Sail & Cover Cleaner

Boat Buddy Marine Sail & Cover Cleaner has been designed to gently dissolve industrial pollution, soot, oil, grease and harsh chemicals from the atmosphere which don't just attack the solid surfaces of the boat but also attack sails, covers, vinyl seating and other soft furnishings leaving them as new matching the rest of your boat. Excellent cleaning power when used with hot or cold water. Boat Buddy Marine Sail and Cover Cleaner is safe to use on all water washable surfaces.



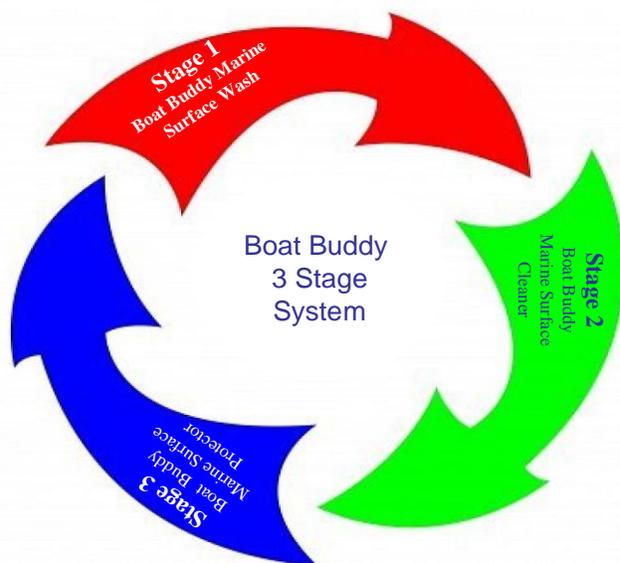
Boat Buddy Marine RIB Cleaner

Boat Buddy Marine RIB Tube Cleaner has been specifically designed to effortlessly and effectively remove dirt, oil, grime, grease and general staining from RIB Tubes whether Hypalon or PVC with truly outstanding results. It can also be used on inflatable dinghies, fenders and mooring buoys, PVC covers and vinyl seating. Boat Buddy Marine RIB Cleaner, which contains our unique liquid sealing agent, also seals the surface to help guard against future staining. Being environmentally responsible and biodegradable you can wash your RIB tubes in the water without fear of damaging the environment. Highly effective when used with either fresh or salt water. Highly concentrated so a little goes a long long way.



Boat Buddy Cleaning System – Instructions for Use

The Boat Buddy Boat Cleaning System is a follow through cleaning system which when followed will ensure the best results from the Boat Buddy products. The basic Boat Buddy System works in 3 stages to clean and protect your boat and return it to “as new” condition. The 3 stages are clearly laid out below and should be followed exactly for excellent results.



The Boat Buddy 3 Stage Boat Cleaning System is quite unique in that it offers you a complete system for cleaning and protecting your boat. The 3 stages which are outlined in Figure 1 above have been carefully designed to ensure that the correct sequence of cleaning is followed and that the results achieved by following this sequence are outstanding. The key to success is following the system and giving the products the correct amount of time to work their magic – with Boat Buddy the secret is to sit back and let the products do all the hard work, it really is that simple.

Stage 1 – Boat Buddy Marine Surface Wash

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Wash Surface Wash.

1.0 Equipment & Materials

- 1.1 Bucket
- 1.2 Sponge
- 1.3 Water
- 1.4 Hose
- 1.5 Non scratch cleaning pad/nylon scrubbing brush

2.0 Procedure

- 2.1 Decant 100ml (half a cupful) of neat Boat Buddy Marine Surface Wash into the bucket and add 5 litres of warm water, if warm water is not available cold will do. For areas of heavy soiling use a double concentration.
- 2.2 Starting at the highest point on the boat work downwards bringing all the dirt with you.

Boat Buddy Tip: There is no point starting at the bottom and having dirty run off water from higher sections running over the cleaned areas below.

- 2.3 Using a sponge apply the solution to the surface of the boat ensuring that all areas get a good covering. The most important thing to do is to give the Boat Buddy Marine Surface Wash time to work.
- 2.4 Having covered a reasonable area of approx 5 to 6 metres square go back to where you started and give the area a thorough agitating with a sponge, non scratch cleaning pad or soft nylon scrubbing brush and rinse thoroughly. In sunny or hot weather the area should be reduced to prevent the cleaning solution drying on the surface, as this entails repeating the procedure to remove the now dried in dirt.
- 2.5 The surface dirt should now be removed showing up only deep seated staining. Ensure the surface is thoroughly rinsed with water to remove all dirt and cleaning solution.
- 2.6 Continue cleaning the boat section by section. It may be necessary to use some “neat” product on heavily stained areas such as exhausts and bilge pump outlets. Do not worry if all the dirt and staining is not removed at this stage as this is only the first part of the process.
- 2.7 On stubborn marks apply some neat cleaning product to the area, leave for a few minutes and agitate with non scratch cleaning pad. This should remove most major marks especially those from fender scuffs and black soled rubber footwear.

Boat Buddy Tip: If treating non-slip areas or areas with heavy moss or algae it will help to scrub all areas with a hand deck scrubbing brush in order to “work “ the solution into the surface especially around fittings where dirt collects.

You are now ready to move onto stage 2.



It is extremely important to allow a few minutes contact time to allow the cleaner to effectively dissolve the dirt and grime.

Stage 2 – Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner to remove the next type of staining; rust staining leaching from fastenings and fittings, yellow/brown waterline staining, bird lime and deep seated staining from general atmospheric pollution.

1.0 Equipment & Materials

- 1.1 Bucket
- 1.2 Paint Brush
- 1.3 Sponge
- 1.4 Hose
- 1.5 Water

2.0 Procedure

- 2.1 Decant a cupful of Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner into a clean bucket or other suitable receptacle; make sure that the bucket is dry inside as any water present will dilute the cleaner making it less effective.
- 2.2 Apply Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner to the stained areas using a small paint brush. For larger areas or for heavily stained hulls it may be necessary to coat the entire hull, this can be easily achieved using a larger brush. Treating just a small area may leave you with a “clean spot” showing up the dirt and staining on the rest of your boat necessitating an overall treatment. To avoid leaving “clean spots”, the entire area should be treated with Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner.

Boat Buddy Tip: Cover the exposed metal area of the paint brush with masking tape to stop it from accidentally scratching the surface of the boat. Boat Buddy Marine Surface cleaner will also clean and restore rusty stainless steel fittings.

- 2.3 Leave the cleaner on the surface for at least twenty minutes, longer in colder weather or heavier staining, and then rinse off with a sponge clean water. It is vitally important to allow the cleaner “time” to gently neutralise the stains and absorb them, DO NOT rush this process, it may be best to get on with another task or have some lunch as a “watched pot” never boils!! For stubborn stains re-apply Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner to that area. Thoroughly rinse the entire surface with a sponge and water. You should now have a beautifully clean boat and it is time to move on to stage 3.

Boat Buddy Tip: Although BB Marine Surface Cleaner is primarily designed for use on fibreglass it is compatible with most two-part paint systems currently used on many timber and steel craft.

Stage 3 – Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector which is a very important stage as it will restore that glossy shine and add a protective barrier against further staining and contains supreme quality UV inhibitors to protect the surface of your boat from damaging sunlight in order to maintain that “as new” look.

Equipment & Materials

1. Natural colour Mutton Cloth applicator
2. Micro Fibre Cloth for polishing

Procedure

1. Apply a small quantity of Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector to a dry mutton cloth and apply to the surface of the boat, rubbing it in a circular motion taking an imaginary area of about one square metre at a time. Polishing should be painless so no more sore arms and muscles, no more having to apply, leave for an hour then buff, no more white chalky residue, simply apply, spread evenly, leave for a few seconds.
2. Allow the protector to rapidly form a dry finish; lightly buff the area with a clean piece of micro fibre cloth for an effortless high shine.. The area should now be silky smooth. Glide your fingers across the area and you should be able to feel the smoothness and protective barrier on the area where you have applied the Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector.

Boat Buddy Tip: A hand held polisher with a lamb’s wool bonnet can also be used to buff Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector for large areas.

3. Continue this procedure over the rest of the boats surface working in small areas. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector can also be applied to any stainless steel fittings previously cleaned with Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner for a greatly enhanced finish and added protection from the elements.



Over time the surface of your boat is attacked in all sorts of ways by dirt, pollution and yes even sunlight. UV sunlight together with salt water and harsh chemicals present in our atmosphere are constantly attacking the clean shiny surface of your boat. As the surface is slightly porous it is important to seal it with a good quality sealer such as Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector to ensure that no dirt gets into those pores.

Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator which will restore the deep lustre to older dull/faded and chalky fibreglass and painted surfaces and add a protective barrier against further staining. It contains premium quality UV inhibitors to protect the surface of your boat from damaging sun/weather and maintain that “as new” look.

Equipment & Materials

1. Natural colour Mutton Cloth applicator
2. Micro-fibre cloth for polishing
3. Polishing machine, (optional for large areas)

Boat Buddy Tip: To cover large areas quickly set up some staging at the side of your boat as working from a ladder can be dangerous and more time is spent climbing up and down rather than polishing

Procedure

1. Apply a small quantity of Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator to a dry mutton cloth and apply to the dull faded surface of the boat, rubbing it in a circular motion. Gently buff the surface until the deep gloss lustre is restored, the amount of buffing will depend on how badly faded the surface is.
2. Once the deep gloss surface lustre has been restored polish off the area with a clean microfibre cloth for maximum shine. The area should now be silky smooth. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator gently restores and seals the surface. It also provides protection from further attack from dirt, grime, UV and harsh chemicals present in the atmosphere. Glide your fingers across the area and you should be able to feel the smoothness and protective barrier on the area where you have applied the Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator.
3. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator can also be applied by machine in order to cover larger areas in minimum time. Using a dry mutton cloth dab some product onto the surface over an area that can comfortably be covered in front of you, usually about one metre square, buff using a polishing machine in a back and forth motion from left to right slowly working up and down the area being treated until the surface has returned to its deep glossy lustre. Finish polishing the area by hand with a clean micro-fibre cloth to remove any excess polish and leave a clean silky smooth finish. Polishing machines are available from all good chandlers or car accessory shops.
4. Continue this procedure over the rest of the boat's surface. Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator can also be applied to any stainless steel fittings previously cleaned with Boat Buddy Marine Surface Cleaner for a greatly enhanced finish and added protection from the elements.

Maintaining Your Boat – Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer. Regular washing down of your boat with Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer will ensure that your boat maintains it as new finish.

Equipment & Materials

1. Bucket
2. Sponge
3. Hose
4. Non scratch cleaning pad/ Soft nylon scrubbing brush

Procedure

1. Decant 1/5 of a cupful of Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer into a bucket with 5 litres of water. Starting at the highest apply the Boat Buddy Wash & Sealer solution to the surface of your boat using a, sponge.

Boat Buddy Tip: If applying Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer in hot weather or in direct sunlight apply to a small area and rinse thoroughly as you go.

2. Allow the solution to work on the surface for 5 to 10 minutes, agitate with a non scratch cleaning pad or soft nylon scrubbing brush if necessary and then rinse thoroughly with clean water. Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer will remove all the accumulated surface dirt, soot, grease oil and grime. Boat Buddy Marine Wash and Sealer will greatly enhance the protective layer previously applied by using Boat Buddy Marine Surface Protector thus allowing longer intervals between full deep cleans.

Boat Buddy Tip: Use only a small amount of Boat Buddy Wash & Sealer as it is highly concentrated and using more will not lead to a better finish. BB Marine Wash & Sealer will also top up Boat Buddy marine Surface Protector so further water and dirt will easily sheet off the surface leaving your boat totally protected for longer and looking brilliant!

3. Apply Boat Buddy Marine Wash & Sealer at regular intervals, ideally every 2 to 4 weeks to maintain the “as new” look of your boat.

Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner & Deodouriser

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner and Deodouriser to clean the interior of your boat; Bilges, lockers, engine bays, toilets and galley area. This system is designed to effectively clean and deodourise all these areas leaving a nice clean fragrance throughout the interior of the boat.

Equipment & Materials

1. Bucket
2. Sponge
3. Non scratch cleaning pad
4. Soft nylon scrubbing brush
5. Low pressure spray (optional)

Procedure

1. **Bilges** - Mix Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner & deodouriser with some water at approx 30:1 ratio (1/2 cup full) of bilge cleaner to a 5 litre bucket of water). Apply to all surfaces with a sponge, leave to work for a few minutes, agitate if necessary and rinse off alternatively pour the Bilge Cleaner into the bilges, leave the mixture in the bilge and allow the motion of the boat to gently cleanse all areas of the bilge before pumping out.

Other Areas – Dilute/mix Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner and Deodouriser with water at approx 30:1 ratio. Apply mixture to the areas to be cleaned with a soft nylon brush, sponge or from a small spray bottle.

2. Allow the cleaner a few minutes to work on the treated areas, agitating a little if necessary.
3. Rinse with clean water

Boat Buddy Tip: Mixing some Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner in a small spray bottle is a convenient way to store some “ready made” cleaner in the toilet or galley area. Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner and Deodouriser can be used on all water washable surfaces

Note: Boat Buddy Bilge Cleaner is safe to use on wood, metal and fibreglass surfaces and can be used with either salt or fresh water.

Boat Buddy Marine Sail & Cover Cleaner

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy Marine Sail & Cover Cleaner. Cleaning your sails, covers and vinyl seating with Boat Buddy Marine Sail & Cover cleaner will help ensure that all stains from algae, soot and general dirt, grease, oil, grime and atmospheric pollution are removed especially before stowing such items away.

Equipment & Materials

1. Bucket
2. Sponge
3. Hose
4. Soft nylon scrubbing brush

Procedure

1. Remove the sails, covers and vinyl seating to the ground or onto the dock and lay out on a soft surface such as grass.
2. Decant a ½ cupful of Boat Buddy Sail and Cover Cleaner into a 5 litre bucket of water. Apply the solution to the sails and covering all areas using a sponge, allowing the product time to work on the surface. Agitate with a soft nylon brush if necessary. Rinse thoroughly.

Boat Buddy Tip: To prevent mildew forming ensure that all items are fully dried before storing. Boat Buddy Sail & Cover can also be mixed in a small spray bottle for routine cleaning throughout the season and is suitable for all fabrics

3. Use Boat Buddy Sail & Cover Cleaner neat to remove small stubborn marks. Apply to stain/mark, leave for 5 minutes and then rinse with clean water. Repeat if necessary.

Boat Buddy Tip: To remove rust marks from your sails or covers applying a small amount of Boat Buddy Stage 2 directly to the stain will effectively remove them. Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner can also be used on PVC covers and seat cushions, mooring buoys and fenders.

Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner

Purpose: To provide details of how to apply Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner. Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner is a very powerful and highly concentrated product which can be diluted up to 200:1 for light soiling or 2:1 for extreme staining.

Equipment & Materials

1. Bucket
2. Sponge/Cloth
3. Hose
4. Non scratch cleaning pad
5. Soft nylon scrubbing brush

Procedure

1. Decant 1/3 of a cupful of Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner into a 5 litre bucket of water. Using a sponge or cloth apply the Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner to the RIB tubes. Leave Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner to work, for a few minutes, agitate if necessary using a non scratch cleaning pad or soft nylon brush. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.
2. In hot weather clean smaller areas at a time and rinse to prevent product from drying on the surface of the tubes. Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner contains a liquid sealer to help seal the surface and prevent and guard against further staining.

Boat Buddy Tip: Do not apply Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner to bare aluminium surfaces or allow to dry on surfaces. As with most cleaning products it is advisable to test on an inconspicuous area prior to full treatment. Boat Buddy RIB Cleaner can also be used on PVC covers and seat cushions, mooring buoys and fenders.

Boat Buddy Cleaning System – Additional Information

At Boat Buddy we are all about boats and believe in helping everyone that is cleaning boat. We have added this section to provide you with additional information about our products and to answer those frequently raised questions. If there are any other questions that you would like us to answer please contact us directly through the Boat Buddy Website: www.boat-buddy.net.

The section below outlines some of the do's and don'ts which should be followed when cleaning your boat. This is not an exhaustive list and Boat Buddy advises all those starting to clean their boat to observe good safety procedures and the rules of their local marina and local by-laws and most importantly their impact on the marine environment.

DO

- Complete a small patch test prior to treating your boat with Boat Buddy products. As all boat finishes are different it is important to always test the products on an inconspicuous area.
- Always wear gloves and suitable eye protection when using any chemical products.
- Always wear a lifejacket when cleaning boats afloat as your mind may not be on safety at all times.

DON'T

- Never use a pressure washer to clean your boat as it can cause untold damage and remove sealants from around fittings
- If working from a ladder on the side of your boat do not overstretch as the ladder could slide. Better still use a set of trestles or small platform.

Boat Buddy System – Frequently Asked Questions

The section below outlines some of the frequently asked questions that we have received here at Boat Buddy. As always if there is a particular question you have that is not covered here please contact us directly and we will be happy to respond.

Q: *What happens if the products dry on my boat?*

A: The products along with all dirt will dry back into the pores necessitating the entire washing process to be repeated.

Q: *Can I use Boat Buddy cleaning system on a painted boat?*

A: Boat Buddy products are compatible with most two part paint systems as widely used on many steel and timber boats, as with all cleaning products it is essential to test a small inconspicuous patch prior to treating your entire boat.

Q: *My boat has been treated with perma-gard, can I now use Boat Buddy to clean my boat?*

A: Yes. Boat Buddy products work equally as well on Perma-gard coatings

Q: *How often should I clean my boat using the 3 stage system?*

A: Generally once a year should be sufficient however in areas of high pollution such as under aircraft flight paths more frequent applications may be required. Using Boat Buddy Marine Wash and Sealer greatly extends the intervals between treatments.

Q: *Are Boat Buddy products harmful to the environment and can I use them in the marina where they have strict policies about what is used?*

A: All our run-off products have been specifically designed to be environmentally responsible by being fully biodegradable and having negligible effects on marine and aquatic life ensuring the quality of our sea and inland waterways is maintained to the highest standards in accordance with criteria laid down in (EC) No. 648/2004 on detergents. All of our wash down systems are compliant with the British Marine Industries Federation wash down Environmental Code of Practise



Q: *Will Boat Buddy products damage the surface of my boat as they are chemical based?*

A: No. All our products are specifically designed for cleaning and protecting all areas of marine craft using extremely mild but highly powerful cleansing agents. For optimum results please follow the instructions for application of our products and system as outlined above..

Q: *Why are Boat Buddy products so concentrated?*

A: Many cleaning products available on the market, especially those in trigger spray bottles, are already heavily diluted with water and as all stains differ in intensity the products may be too diluted to remove them. Boat Buddy products are designed to gently remove even the toughest of stains however if the staining is milder you can simply dilute the product with more water making it go further. This means that every time you clean your boat you can evaluate the staining and determine how much product you will require therefore having much better control over the stain removal process and are getting better value for money.

Q: *My Boat has gone all chalky and faded; can any Boat Buddy products deal with this?*

A: Boat Buddy Marine Surface Renovator has been specifically designed to deal with this problem. Marine Surface Renovator is a “One Step” renovator polish which restores your dull faded boat to almost show room condition whilst adding a protective layer to prevent further damage to the surface.