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Hatch installation instructions

Requirements for installation:

- #12 3/4" to 1" stainless steel tapping screws. (The length will depend on your deck thickness)
- Marine quality silicone caulking.
- Electric drill.
- Electric jigsaw

Installation instructions

1. Prepare your deck cutout according to the corresponding measurements of your hatch on a **level surface**.
2. Apply a generous amount of marine quality caulking to the stainless steel flange surface as well as to the deck cut out opening.
3. Complete your installation by securing the flange to your opening by drilling your screws in the predrilled holes on the flange.
4. Secure hatch cover to the flange
5. Allow the caulking to dry completely according to the manufacturers instructions. Wipe off any excess.

User instructions **IMPORTANT**

1. A permanent underdeck attachment is welded on all Anchor Hatches™. This attachment should be securely fastened to the under-deck portion of your boat by using a chain or cable (not included) in order to secure your hatch cover when removed.
2. It is recommended to attach a ground wire (not included) from the hatch and frame to the negative post of your battery to help lower the effects of pitting caused by static electricity
3. ***A T-Wrench, sold separately, is recommended for opening the hatch cover.***

Maintenance **IMPORTANT**

1. Regular washing or rinsing is recommended. Installation of mats or other materials around hatches will cause water pooling, leading to faster corrosion. P&E has taken every step possible to ensure the longest life to your hatches, such as Anodizing, during the manufacturing process (and before final assembly).
2. If a leak is discovered, try to tighten the bolt on the dogs (Quick Release models); or to bend the dogs back in place (regular ANC models) using a hammer, and check the caulking/silicone seal between the flange and deck.

Gasket material **IMPORTANT**

1. The gasket material provided on your new hatch is of highest quality. For best results, before the start of the season, and at the end of the season, ensure the gasket is lubricated using a petroleum based product. The gasket material is specially manufactured for our Anchor hatches to handle the clamping pressure, and maintain the correct spacing between the hatch and the frame.
2. In the event of you having to replace the gasket, ensure that all the adhesive material has been removed from the hatch using a plastic scraper. A metal scraper may scratch the Anodized coating, and cause problems with gasket adhesion. This may also lead to premature corrosion. Extra gasket material is available through your Anchor Hatches dealer.
3. Once the surface is clean and dry, ensure that the gasket material and hatch are at a warm temperature (80 degrees or so). At lower temperatures, the adhesive will not activate properly. If needed, a torch may be used on the outside edges (lightly) to warm up the Anodized Aluminum.

Replacement **IMPORTANT**

1. Should you feel you need a new hatch, contact your Anchor Hatches dealer. In the case of a hatch cover getting misplaced, or damaged, it is available as a replacement part.
2. The frames have slight differences between the Quick Release and regular styles, and are included with new hatch purchases.

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