



# OWNER'S MANUAL THERMOFORMED KAYAK

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# WELCOME IN THE PELICAN FAMILY!

Thank you for choosing a Pelican kayak. This kayak was made according to rigorous quality standards and according to our know-how perfected since 1968. Take the time to read this manual and familiarize yourself with your kayak to fully enjoy this product. We know that a Pelican kayak offers a unique value and that you will be fully satisfied with it. We also know that you will create memorable paddling stories worth living.

See you on the water!

*Antoine & Christian Elie, Owners.*

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

MODEL: .....

DATE OF PURCHASE: .....

DEALER NAME: .....

REGISTRATION NO.: .....

PROVINCE/STATE: .....

MODEL NO.: .....

SERIAL NO. (ZEP): .....

## WHERE IS THE SERIAL NUMBER?

You can find the serial number in the back of your kayak on the outside of the hull in the right-hand corner. It starts with ZEP and is 12 characters long.

**Example: ZEP12345A678**



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# YOUR NEW KAYAK

Take the time to familiarize yourself with some of the key components of your kayak.

## NOTE

*Some models may be equipped with more or less components.*

**EVERYONE USING THIS KAYAK MUST READ WARNINGS, CAUTIONS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION VERY CAREFULLY.**

## WARNING

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

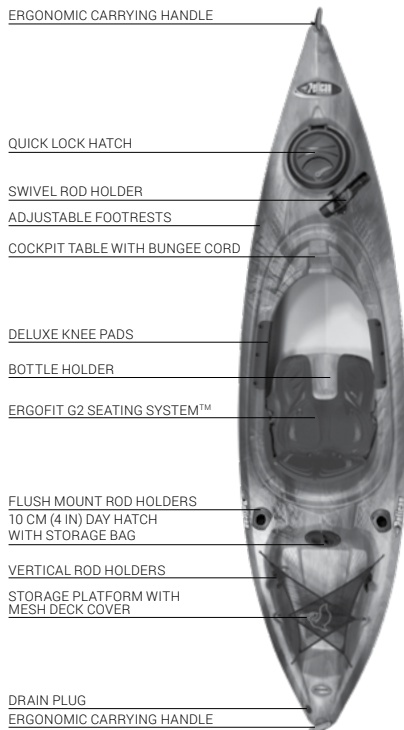
## CAUTION

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

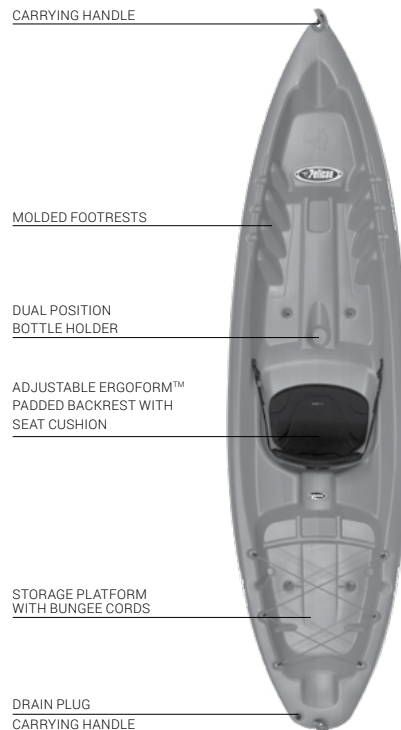
## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Provides useful tips and suggestions to make better use of your kayak.

## SIT-IN KAYAK



## SIT-ON-TOP KAYAK



# GETTING STARTED

Please read all the instructions in this owner's manual. Keep this manual in a safe place for future reference if necessary. The owner's manual includes:

## 01 IMPORTANT INFORMATION (PAGE 1)

This section is provided to record important information about your kayak. This information will come in handy if you need to contact our customer service department.

## 02 WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD (PAGE 8)

As outlined in the warranty section on page 8, you can register your warranty electronically at [www.pelicansport.com](http://www.pelicansport.com). You can also mail the completed warranty registration card available on page 6.

## 03 MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION OF ORIGIN (PAGE 7)

Foreign governments may require a Manufacturer's Declaration of Origin. Complete the form available on page 7 if you need one.

## 04 MATERIALS/MANUFACTURING

Pelican kayaks are made with the twin sheet thermoforming (TST) technology that shapes the deck and hull and fuses them together under extreme heat and pressure.

We also use our exclusive multi-layered RAM-X™ or RAM-X™ Premium which are lighter and higher density materials.

The result is a more rigid, more durable, impact resistant product than those made with other technologies and low/medium density polyethylene.



## 05 TRANSPORTATION

You can transport your kayak with the carrying handles located at the front, rear or centre. Do not use the handles to fasten your kayak to your vehicle.

**/ BY HAND:** Carry the kayak by using the carrying handles. If necessary, use a transport cart to help you with the transport.

**/ BY VEHICLE:** We recommend using a car top carrier to transport your kayak by vehicle. Remove all accessories and put them into the vehicle before leaving to avoid damaging or losing them.

Tie down the kayak firmly on the vehicle or the trailer. DO NOT overtighten the straps as this may result in pressure dings. Use padded straps instead of non-padded nylon.

**/ STRAPS:** Make sure that your kayak is properly fastened on the roof of your vehicle or on the trailer before starting your vehicle. Stop shortly after starting your trip to double check that your kayak is still properly fastened and that it has not moved. Always remember to regularly check the straps to ensure they do not lose tension after getting wet if you are traveling in bad weather.

## 06 PRELAUNCH CHECKLIST

**/ Always wear a proper personal flotation device (PFD).**

**/ Always have an emergency safety kit on hand as required by applicable laws (whistle, etc.)**

**/ Ensure to remove the hardware used to attach the kayak during transport. Ensure the drain plug is firmly in place.**

**/ Ensure the length of your paddle is properly adjusted for your height.**

## 07 LAUNCHING YOUR KAYAK

To board your kayak, put your foot in the centre of the kayak to ensure it remains stable.

## 08 MOORING/DOCKING

**/ ALWAYS** moor the kayak away from rocks and sharp objects.

**/ ALWAYS** moor in sufficiently deep water to avoid damaging the hull.

**/ NEVER** moor the kayak against a dock that is not equipped with hull-protecting bumpers.

## 09 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note that the storage hatches on your kayak are not waterproof. All water-sensitive items must be properly protected.



# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Paddle sports can be dangerous and physically demanding. Read the following information carefully before using your kayak. Failure to follow these warnings and precautions could result in serious injury or death. When using a Pelican kayak, you are personally responsible to determine if you have the required skill level to handle the different water and wind conditions. You should use your best judgment as to when and where to use your kayak. All users of a Pelican kayak agree to assume all risks and accept all responsibilities for any damage or injury, including death, which may result from using or handling a kayak. We strongly recommend taking a course with an experienced kayaking instructor on proper paddling techniques, boating security and first aid before handling and using your kayak.

## 01 ⚠️ **WARNING WEATHER CONDITIONS AND WATER LEVELS**

Check weather conditions and water levels before heading out. *Never use your kayak when weather or water conditions (wind, heavy rain, thunderstorms, flooding, choppy water or strong currents) can impact your ability to steer your kayak. Head to shore as soon as possible if you already are on the water.*

## 02 ⚠️ **WARNING PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD)**

Always wear a Coast Guard and/or government approved personal floating device (PFD). Before you start paddling, read the manufacturer's documentation about your PFD and familiarize yourself with how to properly wear it.

## 03 ⚠️ **WARNING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS**

Never use or consume alcohol, drugs or any other mind altering substance that may affect your coordination, judgment or ability to safely and securely operate your kayak.

## 04 ⚠️ **CAUTION SOUND-SIGNALLING DEVICE**

Always have a sound-signalling device with you. *The Coast Guard (or other government bodies) requires that boaters be equipped with a sound-signalling device to alert other vessels to their presence. Attach it to your PFD if possible.*

## 05 ⚠️ **WARNING STANDING UP IN THE KAYAK**

Never stand up in your kayak unless if it is specified in the features that you can stand up in it. Standing up may cause it to capsize. If it capsizes, we recommend staying with your kayak as it is far more dangerous to attempt to swim to shore.

## 06 ⚠️ **WARNING ABILITY**

Know your limits. *Consult your physician before beginning your kayak training. Realistically assess your physical condition to determine how far and how long you can paddle or swim.*

## 07 ⚠️ **WARNING HYPOTHERMIA**

Dress properly for weather conditions and wear a wetsuit if necessary. *Kayak accidents in cold water are very dangerous. The loss of body heat due to immersion in cold water (hypothermia) can be fatal. Survival time in cold water can be as little as 15 to 20 minutes.*

## 08 ⚠️ **CAUTION BE ACCOMPANIED**

Always paddle with someone. *It is preferable to be accompanied in case of an emergency or accident. You should also be aware of the level of physical ability and medical conditions of people paddling with you. Always let someone know about your plan to go paddling, including your destination, how long you will be gone, and how many people will be with you.*

## 09 ⚠️ **WARNING ALWAYS FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE BODY OF WATER YOU INTEND TO NAVIGATE**

Scout unfamiliar water. *Find out when boating is permitted, if there are any known hazardous conditions and where to get help quickly in the case of an emergency or accident. Check tidal changes and currents specific to your location. If you decide to go down rapids, scout them in advance and portage your kayak to avoid unfamiliar or dangerous areas if necessary.*

## 10 ⚠️ **CAUTION REGULATIONS AND LAWS**

Always follow Coast Guard regulations, boating and safety laws, and regulations and orders of various levels of government (including regional). *Consult the Coast Guard and government authorities on the proper handling of a kayak and the required safety equipment such as lighting and sound alarms.*

## 11 ⚠️ **CAUTION DRAIN PLUG**

Make sure the drain plug is firmly in place before putting your kayak in the water. *Empty water that has accumulated due to condensation or seepage once in a while.*

## 12 ⚠️ **CAUTION SLIPPERY WHEN WET**

The kayak material is extremely slippery when wet. *We recommend wearing slip resistant shoes to increase traction and staying in the center of the kayak.*

## 13 ⚠️ **WARNING SELF PROTECTION**

Wear appropriate safety gear. *Always remember that you are putting yourself at risk of serious injury or death when you go down rapids. You must take the appropriate safety precautions, inspect your equipment thoroughly, and wear appropriate safety gear. We recommend always wearing a personal floating device and a helmet. We also strongly recommend wearing protection on your arms, legs, etc. It is your responsibility to have the proper equipment and familiarize yourself with the body of water where you will use your kayak.*

## ⚠️ **WARNING**

/ NEVER let minors use this kayak without adult supervision.

/ NEVER tow this kayak behind a boat.

/ NEVER use this kayak as a personal floating device.

/ NEVER exceed this kayak's maximum weight.

## HOW CAN YOU CARE FOR YOUR KAYAK?

Limit exposure of your kayak to direct sunlight. While in use, water flowing over the deck helps regulate surface temperature. However, when dry, the heat absorption effect is amplified if directly exposed to sunlight.

- / Inspect your kayak for dings and cracks before and after each use.  
*Minor abrasions, dents, wearing off and scratches are normal and will not impact your kayak's performance.*
- / Store your kayak in a well-ventilated and shaded area when you do not use it. Your kayak can be damaged if it is exposed to direct sunlight for an extended period of time.

## HOW CAN YOU MAINTAIN YOUR KAYAK?

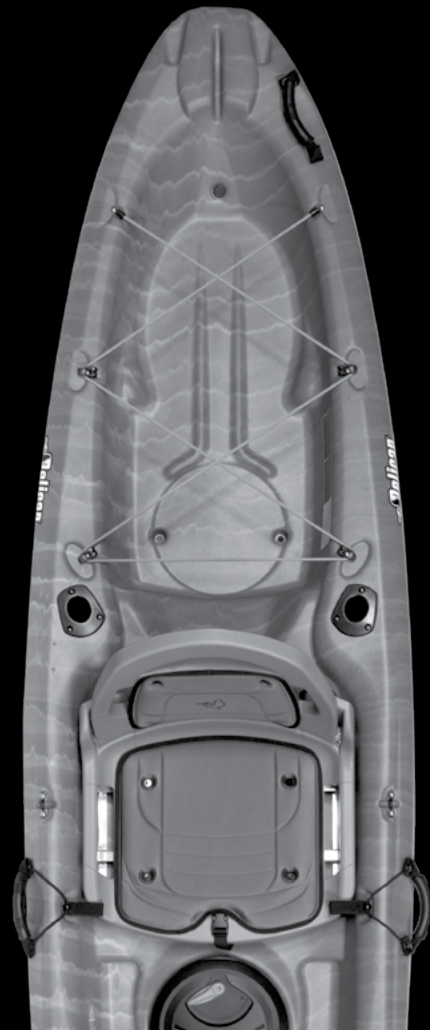
### **⚠ IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

DO NOT USE CHEMICAL PRODUCTS OR ABRASIVES.

- / The best way to clean your kayak is by using a mixture of mild soap and warm water. We also recommend rinsing it with fresh water after each use to remove sand and saltwater deposits. Clean your kayak regularly to keep it looking like new. *Some chemical substances contained in cleaning products and sunscreen lotions are likely to damage the finish of your kayak. Do not remove the foam blocks inside most Pelican kayaks as they are for extra flotation.*
- / Never try to paint your kayak. Paint will not adhere to the hull.

## HOW CAN YOU STORE YOUR KAYAK FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME?

- / Clean your kayak.
- / Remove tight straps or ropes from the hull as this can deform your kayak.
- / Remove the drain plug and leave it out as this will regulate the air pressure inside the kayak. Place the kayak in an upright position (on its stern) to empty water that has accumulated as a result of condensation or seepage.
- / Store your kayak in a well-ventilated and shaded area. Direct sunlight for an extended period of time can damage it. *Do not store your kayak in a bag or tarp for extended periods of time. Prolonged storage of a wet kayak in a wet bag or tarp may cause mold and osmotic blisters. Bags and tarps also collect heat and can potentially overheat your kayak.*
- / Place your kayak on a flat surface. *Avoid placing it on sawhorses for an extended period of time. Avoid placing it close to a heat source (e.g., stove, radiator, etc.) or hanging it by its carrying handles as this could deform the hull over time. Cover it with a cockpit cover if you store it outdoors.*



# LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY

*Pelican International Inc.'s warranty is valid only if the product is used for its intended purposes and for which it was designed.*

Pelican International Inc. makes every effort to manufacture kayaks built with superior materials and according to stringent quality standards. Because of the nature of paddle sports, we cannot guarantee the performance of any kayaks or shape for individual riders and varying levels of skills and abilities. Furthermore, we cannot guarantee against damage or breakage and cannot protect or guarantee against circumstances outside of our control. With adequate maintenance, your pelican kayak will give you years of reliable use.

But as with most products, it is subject to wear and tear. If you eventually need replacement parts, technical assistance, product or service information, please contact our Customer Service Department at 1-888-669-6960. Ensure to have the product's model name and serial number ZEP, as well as the date and place of purchase.

The present warranty is only valid if the original buyer registered the warranty within thirty (30) days following the date of purchase. You can register electronically at [www.pelicansport.com](http://www.pelicansport.com), or by completing and returning the registration card on page 08.

## WARRANTY ON PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

Kayak component parts and accessories are only warranted for a period of one (01) year from the date of purchase against defects in workmanship and / or materials.

## LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY ON HULL AND DECK

Pelican International Inc. provides a limited lifetime warranty against material and manufacturing defects in the hull and deck on kayaks manufactured with the twin-sheet thermoforming technology (TST) for as long as the original owner owns this kayak.

## THIS WARRANTY APPLIES ONLY IF

- / The product is used only for the purpose for which it was designed.
- / Instructions for use and maintenance have been followed.
- / The product is always the property of the original owner.

## THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER:

- / Kayaks used for rental or other commercial use.
- / Kayaks that have been damaged by negligence, misuse or accident, or wear due to owner's failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance.
- / Kayaks modified or repaired by unauthorized persons.
- / Changes to the kayak appearance due to normal wear, sun exposure or any other environmental conditions.
- / Damage to the hull caused by gliding or using on abrasive surfaces.

During the warranty period, Pelican International Inc. is only obliged to repair or replace, at its discretion, this kayak, at either one of its factory, or at an authorized dealer store or service centre, as decided by Pelican International Inc.

Transportation costs back to the place of repair or replacement are at the expense of the consumer. Pelican International Inc. is not responsible for any damages incurred in transport, for storing or transportation fees, or for inconvenience or loss of time or money while repairs are being made or until the product is replaced.

You must provide an authorization number (RMA) when returning a product for replacement or repair. Please contact the Pelican International Inc. Customer Service Department between 9 am and 5 pm (Eastern Time) at 1-800-463-6960 to get the RMA number. Pelican International Inc. will not accept a return without it.

*This warranty is the sole and exclusive warranty by Pelican International Inc. in connection with this kayak. Pelican International Inc. offers no warranty or representation, expressed or implied (including, without limitations, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose), with the exception of those that are specifically included in this warranty.*

*All incidental and/or consequential damages are excluded from this warranty. Guarantees implied are limited to the lifetime of this warranty. Some states may not allow limitations as to the duration of an implied warranty or as to the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages. It is therefore possible that the above limitations or exclusions do not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may also have other legal rights depending on where you live.*



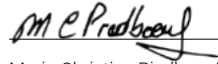
# MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION OF ORIGIN

The manufacturer further certifies that this was the first transfer of said new kayak in ordinary trade and commerce, and that all information given herein is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge.

NAME OF MANUFACTURER

Pelican International Inc.  
1000 Place Paul-Kane  
Laval QC H7C 2T2 Canada

AUTHORIZED BY



Marie-Christine Piedboeuf, President

## KAYAK DESCRIPTION

SERIAL NUMBER (ZEP): .....

MODEL YEAR: .....

MODEL NAME: .....

LENGTH: .....

DEALER NAME: .....

ADDRESS: .....

CITY: .....

STATE/PROVINCE: .....

ZIP/POSTAL CODE: .....

Sold in the State / Province of .....

The undersigned manufacturer hereby certifies that the new kayak described below, the property of said manufacturer, has been transferred on this ..... day of ....., ..... on invoice number ..... to .....



# REGISTER YOUR PRODUCT

## ⚠ IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please register your kayak within thirty (30) days after purchasing it to validate the warranty. You can register it electronically via our website at [www.pelicansport.com/en/customer-service/register-product](http://www.pelicansport.com/en/customer-service/register-product) or you can complete the registration card below and return it to the following address:

### Customer Service, Pelican International Inc.

1000 Place Paul-Kane  
Laval QC H7C 2T2 Canada



PRODUCT REGISTRATION

DATE OF PURCHASE: ..... MODEL: ..... SERIAL NUMBER (ZEP): .....

DEALER / STORE NAME: .....

DEALER / STORE ADDRESS: .....

STATE / PROVINCE: ..... ZIP / POSTAL CODE: ..... COUNTRY: .....

MR.  MRS.  MS.

SURNAME: ..... NAME: .....

ADDRESS: .....

STATE / PROVINCE: ..... ZIP / POSTAL CODE: ..... COUNTRY: .....

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (     ) ..... E-MAIL: .....

# KEY FEATURES

Some models may come equipped with more or less parts.



## QUICK LOCK HATCH

Store and retrieve your gear quickly with the easy-access quick lock hatch. A simple quarter turn of the latches opens and closes the hatch.



## DAY HATCH WITH STORAGE BAG

The day hatch with storage bag provides a perfect storage space to keep your gear close at hand.



## FLUSH MOUNT ROD HOLDER

A fishing essential, you can use the flush mount rod holder with any standard fishing rod.



## ADJUSTABLE FOOTRESTS

This easy-to-adjust footrests system allows you to find your perfect fit.



## SWIVEL ROD HOLDER

This versatile rod holder accommodates spinning and baitcasting. Its latching system secures your rod while vertical and horizontal adjustments allow for optimal rod positioning.