

Thank you for purchasing an AMF ALCORT Sunfish sailboat. We welcome you to the "Fun of Sailing".

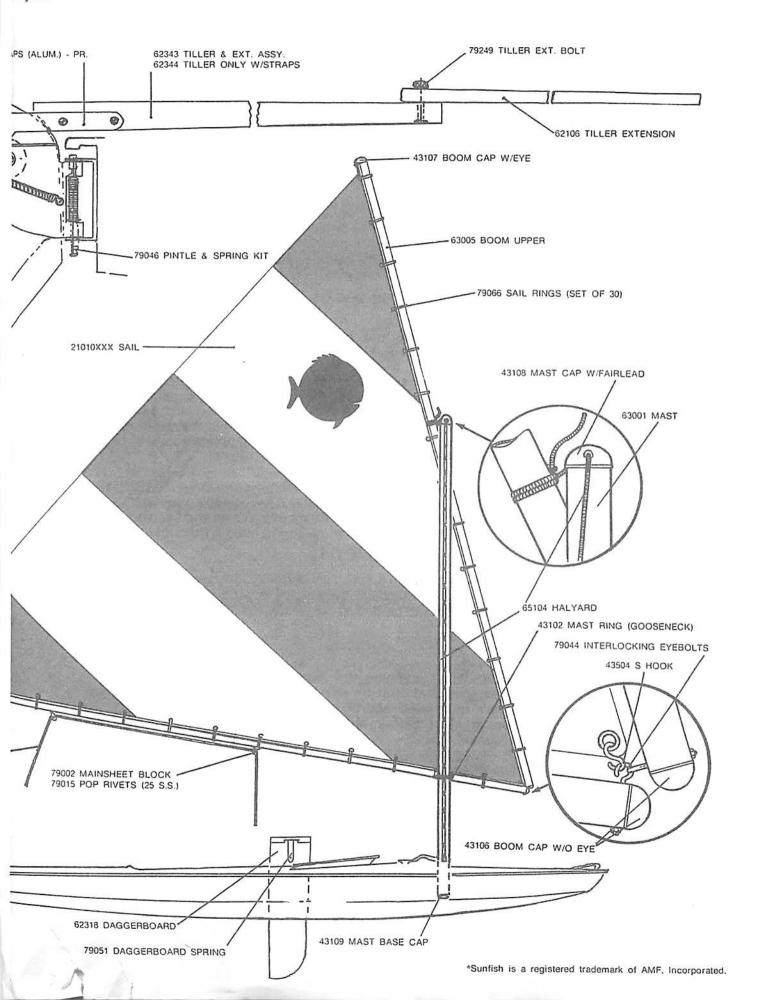
Before attempting to rig and sail your boat, please read these assembly instructions carefully. If you are new to sailing, it is advisable to seek the help of an experienced sailor before trying out your boat. For maximum safety (and maximum enjoyment), we advise that you enroll in a sailing course.

1. BAILER INSTALLATION

The footwell bailer has not been installed to protect it from damage in shipment. In order to install the bailer, you need a 1¾ " wrench, a large adjustable wrench, or a pair of channel lock pliers.

Before installing, place the large rubber "O" ring over the neck of the bailer under the hull so that the neck comes up through the hole in the cockpit. Be sure the underwater bailer opening faces aft (to the rear). Next, place the vinyl plug in the bailer cap so that the plug will face upward when the cap is installed. Now, while holding the bailer so it will not rotate, screw the cap into the bailer and tighten with a wrench or pliers.

(see back cover)



2. SAIL-SET INSTRUCTIONS

(How to attach your Sunfish sail)

- a) Lay the sail out on the ground.
- b) Spread the booms and lay them along the two edges of the sail which have grommets. The upper boom has no blocks. The black Sunfish should face the upper boom.
- c) Attach the S-Hook between boom connection link and tack grommet (corner near class approved patch). Crimp the S-Hook closed.
- d) Tie each outhaul cord tautly from the boom cap to the head and clew grommets.
- e) Clip the Sail-Sets around the booms and through the grommets on all grommets. Sail-Sets may be removed using a screw driver.
- 3. The spring-loaded, patented kick-up type rudder is attached to the stainless steel bracket on the transom, as follows: First, press pin upwards until shoulder at top is exposed. Then, fit pin into slots at top and bottom of transom bracket. Release tension, seating pin securely. To remove, reverse procedure.

When attaching the rudder/tiller assembly to the hull, be sure to slide the tiller under the tiller bridle provided.

To raise rudder, grasp blade and move back and upwards in one motion. To lower, push tiller toward stern, keeping it horizontal to the deck.

- 4. The daggerboard is inserted into the Daggerboard Trunk. A daggerboard retention line is provided with your boat to prevent loss of the board in the event of a capsize. Simply secure one end of the line to the eye installed on the deck at the forward end of the daggerboard slot. Pass the other end of the line through the small hole in the daggerboard, and knot it, making sure that the line is long enough to allow complete removal of the board from the slot while the retention line is attached.
- 5. The long thin line is the Sail Halyard. Tie one end to the upper Boom with a clove hitch and two half-hitches at a point 7½ feet from the Boom Connection Link. The free end is passed through the Mast Cap Fairlead (black cap) and down through the Bullseye Fairlead and secured to the Halyard Cleat. It's a good idea to knot the free end while sailing to keep it from inadvertently passing through the deck fairlead.
- 6. The Mainsheet is tied with a bow line to the loop on the Tiller Bridle (vinyl covered cable). The free end is passed forward along the Boom through the pulleys located on the underside of the Boom. A figure eight or stop knot should be tied at the end of the Mainsheet to prevent it from reeving back through the blocks.

CAUTIONS:

- 1) Always avoid overhead wires when stepping the mast.
- Your Sunfish Sailboat is designed and built for use in protected waters. It should not be used in conditions where high wind and/or heavy seas prevail.
- 3) When trailering or car-topping, make certain hull is well-supported. Distribute load on large well-fitted, padded bunks.
- 4) Where possible, rinse all moving parts in fresh water after use.
- You should always wear a Coast Guard approved flotation device while sailing your boat.
- 6) It is advisable to lubricate the Deck Drain Plug every month to insure free movement. Petroleum jelly, such as Vaseline, will suffice.

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