

Canvas, Lines, Fenders & Lifejackets Cleaning

Sunbrella recommends hosing the canvas once a month. For light cleaning, use soap & water with a brush.

Sail-covers- These can be washed in an industrial washing machine (do it yourself laundromat). Use some **Simple Green Cleaner** with your regular soap. It will probably need a couple of washes. Hang to dry then waterproof with provided spray.

For heavy cleaning on the remaining canvas (once every year or so) use **30 Seconds Biodegradable Cleaner**. It can be purchased by the jug at Home Depot. Remove the canvas onto the dock and use a long handled soft brush in the shed. Gloves should be used.



Read the instructions on the label. It goes on dry to sit then scrub. Then you hose it off & scrub again. Canvas can be put back on wet. The windows can be wiped with a vinyl window cleaner. This can be completed when the water is turned on the dock mid-Feb-March-November.

If the canvas is missing snaps or needs repair, Lily at Port Moody Boat Tops is at the end of the yard in Reed Point Marina. Thunderbird in West Vanc. also has a shop. Canvas does shrink over time. For larger projects, covers & cushions, we have a member in Victoria that sews them. Catherine Church.

If there is mildew on the lifejackets, they can also be scrubbed with 30 Seconds.

Lines, Fenders & Cushions

Take a photo of where each line goes before you remove them. Coloured zap straps can be used to label lines in the wash. Wash the old lines in a mesh bag provided on the gentle cycle. This may need a couple of washes. 1/2 cup Simple Green detergent can also be used along with your soap or use a big bucket and very hot water to soak overnight with Simple Green. To rinse, use some fabric softener. Lines can then be hung to dry. If any of the lines are frayed at the end, ask Vitali about borrowing the hot knife to melt them or learn to do some whipping. See You-Tube. If there is any abrasion on the lines they can be switched around. **Do not use bleach to clean lines!**

The lines on the fenders usually come off and can be cleaned in a bucket with Simple Green. Fenders can be sprayed with 30 Seconds, leave sit and then use a scrubber or scrub sponge.

Cushions- we borrow or rent an upholstery cleaner since our cushions are in such good shape. The cushions need to dry afterwards so please clean in summer. If there is vinyl on the back of the cushion, use 30 Seconds to wipe and deter mold & mildew. When we had really old cushions before we would take them off and wash the covers. Our curtains can be washed in your washing machine. Repair if necessary. **Questions? Sue Chapman susandchapman@gmail.com or text 604-218-1492. March 2021**