

Sabot Novice Rigging Guide

What you need

1. Hull
2. Leeboard
3. Leeboard handle
4. Rudder
5. Tiller
6. Tiller extension
7. Mast
8. Mast Can
9. Boom
10. Sail
11. 1 large ratchet block
12. At least 7 small blocks depending on setup
13. 3 jam/cam cleats
14. Main Sheet (7mm 25ft)
15. Downhaul (4mm 8ft)
16. Outhaul (depends on boom)
17. Boom Vang (6mm 10ft)
18. Bowline 20 ft
19. 4 S hooks (small)
20. 1 strong hook (for boom vang to boom connection)
21. Safety: Bailer, Paddle, Sponge

How to set it up

Every Sabot is a little bit different, so each one is set up a little different. Here are a few general things to keep in mind:

- When putting the mainsail on the mast, make sure that the gromet at the bottom goes the same direction as the metal fitting on the bottom of the mast.
- Down Hauls and Outhauls shouldn't need any purchase, they can go straight from the sail to the jam cleat (through 1 block at base of mast).
- Boom Vangs need purchase. 3 to 1 at least, as this needs to be altered most frequently.
- There should not be a cleat for the main sheet

- Mainsheets should be rigged to a stern traveler
- Don't forget safety equipment!

Common issues

- Broken Pinholes: If your rudder is popping out often or just very difficult to get in and out, your pinholes need replacing. These are the metal circles on the stern that hold the rudder on. This is one of the most common things to break especially with beginners.
- Friction: Often kids say they have trouble using a control line because it's rubbing on another line so make sure all the lines are free.
- Leeboard handles: Ideally you have a floating one because kids drop them in all the time. Also, threads on these can strip often.
- Make sure you attach the bowline directly to the mast can underneath the fiberglass holding the can in place. If you tie it above you risk damaging the boat under tow.