

LOOSE FIT INSTALLATION INSTALLING YOUR GILMAN GRIPS USING TUBE SILICONE

Use this installation method if your Gilman Grips do not have a snug fit in your oar shafts. Silicone has the ability to fill small voids for a secure installation on a loose fit. Here's the step-by-step process:

- A. If the fit is sloppy, use one or more wraps of fiberglass reinforced packing tape to create a snug fit. Do your tape wraps in 2 places on the Gilman Grips cylinder, one near the end of the cylinder, and one near the black TPE gasket which rests against the collar. Note that tape is only required if the fit is sloppy.
- B. After indexing your Gilman Grips (see indexing instructions), re-test the fit to make sure it's still secure, and make any necessary adjustments by adding or removing some fiberglass reinforced packing tape.
- C. Once you have a snug fit, remove the Gilman Grips and apply silicone to both the inside of the oar shaft and to the leading edge of the cylinder of the Gilman Grips.
- D. Using a twisting motion, push the Gilman Grips into the oar shaft, stopping before the black TPE gasket which rests against the collar.
- E. Pull the Gilman Grips most of the way out with a twisting motion. Check to make sure there is 100% silicone coverage. Use a paper towel to wipe off any excess silicone that might squeeze out as you push the Gilman Grips tight onto the oar shaft.
- F. Push the Gilman Grips tight onto the oar shaft, lining up the second indexing mark on the collar with the center line between your two indexing marks on the masking tape. Refer to indexing instructions for more detail on proper alignment. It's best to slip the grip all the way in, then rotate the Gilman Grip to the correct indexing mark. Do not bang the grip on the floor or use a hammer.
- G. Let the silicone dry indoors in a heated room for at least 4 days. This is an important step, as the silicone is what holds the Gilman Grips in place.

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Ergonomically designed for the top of the blade to lineup with the 2nd indexing/clocking dot. The second dot is ½" from the Black or Purple perpendicular line of TPE in the collar of the grip..



Indexing line (the top of the oar blade) inline with the 2nd indexing/clocking dot.