

118-B30 Fish Measuring Board

Cleaning and Sealing Instructions

Warranty and Parts:

We replace all missing or defective parts free of charge. For additional parts, use part numbers above. We accept Mastercard, Visa, American Express, checks, institutional P.O.'s. All products guaranteed free from defect for 90 days. This guarantee does not include accident, misuse, or normal wear and tear.

Introduction:

The Wildco® fish measuring board is designed for making fast and accurate fish measurements in the field or laboratory. They are of acrylic plastic construction with a clear overlay graduated on the underside for protection which may be removed for cleaning. They feature brass bar assemblies and 3 easy-to-read scales in these configurations:

- Scale No. 1: 0 - 30 inches (1/8" per division)
- Scale No. 2: 0 - 30 inches (.1" per division)
- Scale No. 3: 0 - 75 cm (1 mm per division)

Warning:

Do not use chemicals such as acetone, ketone and alcohol for cleaning the fish board. The use of these may cause cracking and/or crazing.

How To Clean:

1. Remove the transparent plastic overlay
2. Clean overlay with a detergent or soap. Do not use abrasives to clean any part of this product. **Do not** use alcohols, acetone, or ketones as they cause crazing of acrylic plastic and remove printing
3. Polish the acrylic surface of the scale sheet if badly scratched. Use a polishing compound approved for use on acrylic plastics. (Acrylic plastic has several trade names, including *plexiglas*, *lucite* and *acrylite*.)

How to Seal:

Some of our customers recommend sealing the fish board to further protect the printing on the reverse surface of the scale sheet. If you choose to do this, use a **clean silicone rubber adhesive**. This material works well for the following reasons:

- Simple, safe and easy to use
- Waterproof
- Removable
- Suitable for field installation
- Flexible

(Ordinary movements of the plastic parts can flex and move separately when handled or when heated unevenly, as may happen when used in the sun or when stored in a cold place.)

Sealing Instructions:

1. Remove the top scale sheet.
2. Run a bead of silicone adhesive along the entire back edge of the base.
3. Replace the top scale sheet, placing the front edge down first and slowly lower the back edge down on the glue. Press down firmly along the entire length of the glue line.
4. Run a small bead of glue along the inside corners
5. Run a small bead of glue from the bottom edge, around each corner, and up to the top edge glue line to seal the scale sheet completely.

To remove the cover once it has been sealed, use a sharp knife or razor blade to cut through the silicone rubber, remove the scale sheet, and peel or scrape off the remaining silicone rubber. A new scale sheet can then be added and sealed in the same manner, or the same sheet can be polished and replaced. Transparent silicone rubber adhesive (like bathtub caulk) is usually found in hardware stores, paint stores or building supply houses.

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