## **VINYL**-AID APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

## REPAIRING GENERAL TEARS AND HOLES

For best results apply to a clean, dry surface. Clean the surface to be repaired with an alcohol prep pad, or a 50/50 mixture of rubbing (isopropyl) alcohol and water. <u>Before proceeding make</u> <u>sure surface is dry, and you have the correct patch type for the kind of material you are</u> <u>repairing.</u>

Surface temperature of the materials to be repaired should be 50° F or warmer. Do not put repaired material into a washer or dryer.

- **STEP 1**. <u>**CUT:**</u> Cut patch to size with scissors allowing for the patch size to extend 1 inch beyond all edges of the tear. If using more than one patch, allow for patch sizes to overlap at least 1 inch. Trim square corners into rounded corners.
- **STEP 2.** <u>**PEEL:**</u> Carefully peel back ½ inch of paper liner. Tearing the paper liner while stretching the edge of the patch will help to separate the liner from the patch especially when the patch has been cut into smaller sizes.
- **STEP 3**. <u>STICK</u>: Position and anchor exposed ½ inch edge allowing the patch to extend 1 inch beyond all edges of the tear. Slowly peel back the liner while carefully applying the patch over the tear take care to avoid air bubbles. Rub all edges to seal. Rub entire patch aggressively. Follow Steps 1-3 on the back side of the repair if you have access to the back side. Repair is complete.

## REPAIRING TEARS EXTENDING THROUGH AN OUTSIDE EDGE

Follow steps 1 thru 3 with the following adjustments:

Cut the patch size to extend a full 1 inch beyond the edge of the torn material. Peel and Stick, positioning the patch <u>leaving a 1 inch tab extended beyond the outside edge</u> of the torn material.

- **STEP 4**. **Turn the material over**, so that the adhesive side of the tab is facing up.
- **STEP 5. Position reinforcement filament** tightly against the outside edge of the material by sticking it to the patch tab. The filament should be perpendicular to the open end of the tear to create a tough solid edge.
- **STEP 6.** Fold over the patch's 1 inch tab and rub to adhere to the backside of the material sealing in the reinforcement filament.
- **STEP 7**. **Apply another patch** to the backside of the patched tear (so that both sides of material are patched) Rub entire patch aggressively.
- STEP 8. Trim excess line. Repair is complete. (80lb Test Fishing line is our suggested reinforcement filament line)



Tear on Edge



Fold 1 inch Tab Over Filament



Apply Leaving 1 inch Tab Beyond Edge



Apply to Back Side



Apply Reinforcement Filament



Cut Filament to Width of Patch