VERTICAL ATTACHMENT

Illustrated at right are various scenarios specific to vertical installations.
- Drawings are as close to scale as possible.
- "Fold-over" mounting not recommended for vertical application due to reduced tear strength in direction of boat movement.
- Double Dock & Post Bumpers are ideal for piling applications due to their ability to flex around the curved surface of a piling.

CORNER INSTALLATION:
- The tab folding around the corner of the post should face the outside of the slip to better protect the boat from the fastening hardware when it is applying the greatest amount of pressure on the bumper and post. (See DB3 on 4x4 post at right).

SHRINKAGE AND STRETCHING

Lengths of Dock & Post Bumper longer than 9' are commonly packaged in a coiled fashion. Due to the coiling, the textile may experience some degree of shrinkage. If the exact length of the product is critical to your application, it can be stretched before or during installation. Depending on the size, the product can experience shrinkage (and can be re-stretched) approximately 1" per 9' length (6" per 50' roll).

| Recommended Attachments | Through both tabs every 3 to 4 inches; (a) 1" to 1.5" Stainless steel #8 or #10 oval or flat head Phillips screws with Stainless finishing washers, (b) 1" to 1.5" Stainless steel pneumatic staples, or (c) 1.5" to 2" large-headed Stainless or aluminum nails. (Because Galvanized "roofing" nails will rust and "bleed" onto the dock bumper, they are not recommended.) |

PRODUCT CARE

Your Dock & Post Bumpers are constructed of a resilient closed-cell inner cushion, and a durable 100% polyester textile encasement that will not deteriorate in the sun. So that your boat will receive the highest level of care and protection for years in the future, please follow these suggestions:

- KEEP YOUR DOCK BUMPERS LOOKING CLEAN. With a nozzled hose or any other pressurized water, spray down the surface of your dock bumper. The water pressure will remove any dust or dirt that may have collected on the surface, and prohibit it from transferring to your boat. Most boaters find it very convenient to do this procedure when washing down their boat.

- ANNUAL CLEANING. Once a year or so, use a liquid cleanser and a soft brush or plastic bristle broom to scrub the surface of your dock bumper. This cleaning will keep your dock bumper looking new for many years to come.

- ENCASEMENT DAMAGE. Tend to any jagged edges on your boat that might catch on or tear your dock bumper. A hot blade or soldering iron can be used to "melt" any open edges on your dock bumper to ensure they will not fray.

- CUTTING TO LENGTH. These products are available in your local marine outlet in numerous configurations. In addition, custom lengths are available on a special order basis to fit your exact needs. However, should you desire, you can personally cut all applicable products to your desired length. Simply use a sharp knife to cut cleanly through the polyester textile and foam. Use your knife to trim the foam similar to the end that you have cut off. Pull and cut back the two bundles of thread that run the circumference of the tubular textile. Because of the manner in which our polyester textile is woven, it will not unravel even if cut. However, in order to conceal the foam inner cushion and to keep the textile looking tidy, a hot blade or soldering iron can be used to "melt" any open edges. The open end can then be closed by screwing it down to the dock.

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