

BATTEN RECEPTACLES 1601, 1602, 1610, 1612, 1622, 1624

Manual for Cutting and Inserting Battens

This is a manual for inserting new battens on sails equipped with Rutgerson's Batten Receptacles in Aluminum. Please read the instructions carefully before you cut the battens. You want them as long as possible to get the maximum support from the receptacles. New sails also tend to stretch a bit. If the battens are cut too short, you might not be able to tighten them enough.

Tools required: A 10/14mm key (depending on model), a marker and a hacksaw for cutting the battens.



1. Press the push-button and slide off the lid towards the leech of the sail.



2. Turn the tensioning bolt clockwise to release the tensioning plate. Don't stop until the plate reaches its most opened position.



3. Push the batten into the batten pocket as far as it can go. Now, with the sailcloth stretched, make a mark where the batten meets the released tensioning plate.



4. Make a straight cut at the mark and reinsert the batten. It should fit snugly between the batten pocket and the released tensioning plate.



5. With the batten in place, slide the lid back on until it is secured by the push-button.



6. Adjust the tension as needed by turning the tensioning bolt anti-clockwise. The window in the lid will help you to keep track of your trimming.