WINTERIZING INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1 - PREPPING FUEL SYSTEM
Replace fuel filter (if applicable). Add fuel stabilizer per manufacturer’s instructions and top off fuel tank to prevent condensation from forming. DO NOT RUN ENGINE. This will be done in Step 2.

Step 2 - PREPPING COOLING SYSTEM
Flush engine with Salt-Away.

WARM CLIMATES (above freezing): In areas where the temperature does not drop below freezing, do not allow Salt-Away mixture to dilute completely in mixer. This will prevent any mineral deposits from forming in your craft’s engine by leaving a protective film over its surfaces. NOTE: Do not run fresh water through engine after flushing with Salt-Away.

COLD CLIMATES (below freezing): In areas where the temperature drops below freezing, flush engine with manufacturer’s recommended antifreeze after flushing with Salt-Away. This will prevent any water that may be left in the system from freezing, which can cause severe damage. NOTE: Some types of antifreeze can be damaging to aluminum and gaskets over a prolonged period. Be sure to use an antifreeze that is formulated for use with aluminum engine components such as Yamaha’s Yamacool (part# ACC-YAMAC-L5-W5), which can be purchased through RIVA Racing’s parts department.

NOTE: Do not run fresh water through engine after flushing with antifreeze or Salt-Away!

Step 3 – PREPPING ENGINE INTERNALS
Normally Aspirated Models: Start engine and spray engine fogging oil into each carburetor or throttle body. You may be required to remove part of the flame arrester to gain access.

Supercharged/Turbocharged Models: Remove air intake from compressor inlet. Start engine and spray fogging oil into compressor. Spray no more than 2~3 two second bursts.

Disconnect spark-plug wires or coils. Remove and discard spark plugs. For 2-strokes place spark plug wires over bolt heads on cylinder head to ground them. Next, spray fogging oil into each cylinder (spray for approximately 2 seconds into each cylinder) and then bump the starter 2~3 times. NOTE: Cover open spark plug holes with a rag. Install new spark plugs and reattach spark plug wires or coils. DO NOT RUN ENGINE.

Step 4 – BATTERY STORAGE
Disconnect and remove battery. Place battery on a rubber mat in a well ventilated area. Attach a trickle charger to battery first and then plug into wall. NOTE: Be sure to connect red clip to positive terminal first and black clip to negative terminal second. We recommend Deltran Battery Tender’s, which can be purchased through RIVA Racing’s parts department or online Watercraft Performance Catalog.

Step 5 – PREPPING ENGINE & CRAFT EXTERNALS
Wash craft inside and out. NOTE: Cover the air intake system with a plastic bag to prevent any water from possibly entering engine. Thoroughly dry craft inside and out.

Using a protective spray such (EG - Silicone) coat exterior of engine, electrical connectors, electrical box and all metal components (including the jet pump, latches, cables and steering components). Wipe off any excess.

Step 6 – CRAFT STORAGE
Unlatch hood and/or seat of craft and prop open slightly to prevent any moisture from being trapped inside craft. Loosely install drain plugs. Thoroughly inspect craft and make notes of any problems that may need to be addressed prior to riding next spring. Cover craft.

Remember, the water belongs to everyone. Please ride responsibly and respect the environment!