

# Template guide

Tools you will require;

- Durable, non stretch material that will allow you to trace the area
- High tack double sided tape
- Permanent Marker
- Sharp knife

Sea-Dek can provide all of these materials if required, please contact us to discuss your requirements.

## Instructions

Cut 2 inch pieces of tape and stick down every 60 cm or so around the edges of the area to be templated, leaving the backing paper in place for the moment.

Roughly cut the templating material to size leaving some overlap at this point. Lay it over the area and hold in place with weights if required. If it is a large area the material may need to be joined together. To do this use the double sided tape, leaving an overlap of 8-10 cm.

Working around the area, peel off the backing paper from the tape and stick the template material down, keeping it flat and taut. Once you have worked your way around the area, adjust the template material as required to ensure it is all flat and taut.

Using a permanent marker draw an outline of the shape required (fig. 1) If you are following the edge of the factory finish anti-slip please write this on the template and the panels will be made approx 2-3mm wider than the marked line to ensure coverage of the anti-slip finish.



Figure 1

Ensure you mark where any existing deck fittings are and whether you would like these to be cut out or if the decking will run underneath these areas.

It is important to mark the direction of the planking and particularly how any individual panels will sit together. (fig. 2) This is to allow the planking to be aligned over the whole area and these can be labelled as appropriate. Please also mark each individual template with your name, the boat name, make & model and your telephone number.



It is not necessary to cut or trim the template along the marked line, the excess material around the edges can remain.

The draw a simple sketch of the area marking on the direction of the planking and any other pertinent information as required.

Fold or roll the template as appropriate for sending to Sea-Dek, removing the double sided tape from both the template(s) and boat before finishing.