

## Shrimper Washboard Cover

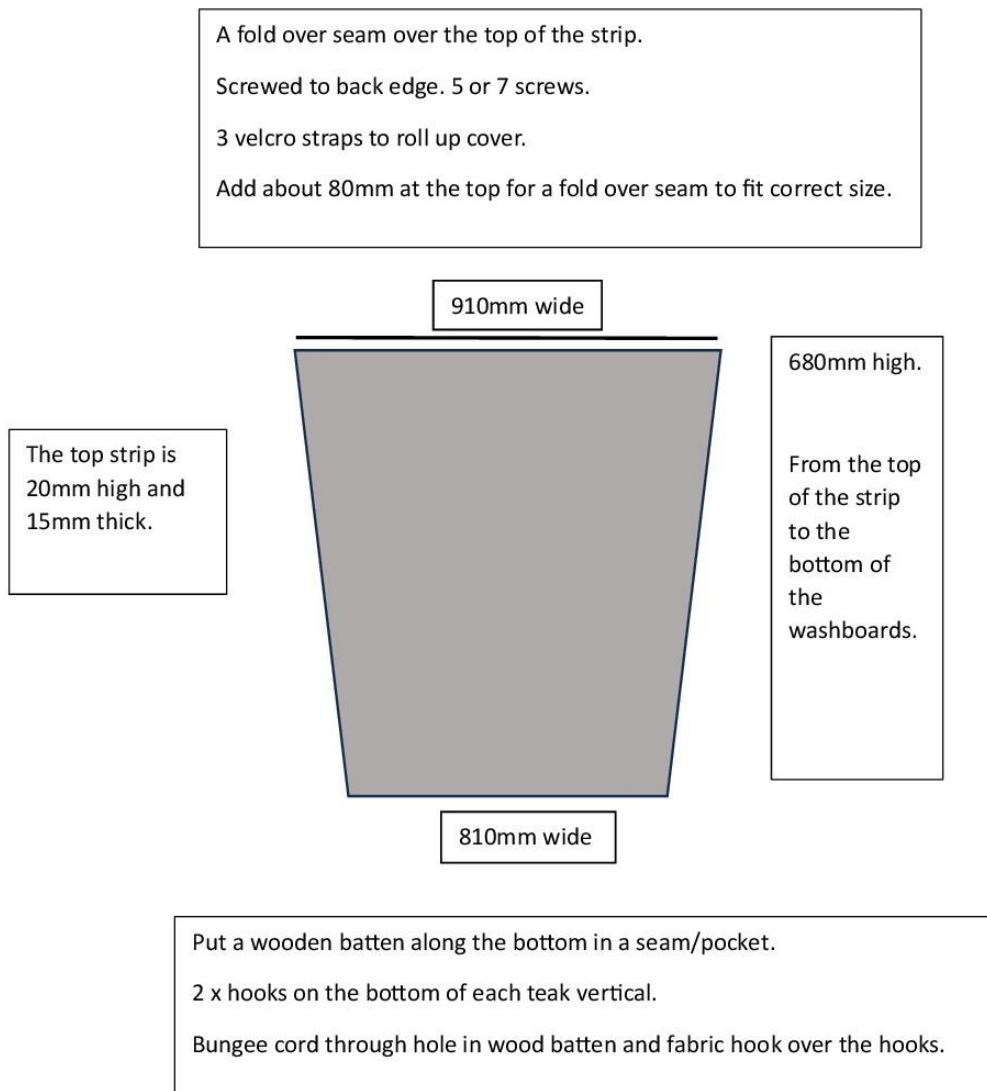
Michael Greenland - Shrimper 19 1113 *Emsali* (2024)

I have the benefit of a marina berth at Poole Yacht Club. However, the stern of *Emsali* faces the prevailing wind and this season I noticed the cushions damp on a couple of occasions. The only place of entry was beneath the hatch and above the washboards. A small gap, but enough for water to blow in.

A cover was needed.

A piece of waterproof fabric was bought on eBay, cut and sewn to size (see drawing). The top was attached to the forward edge of the teak strip along the aft edge of the hatch and the pocket along the bottom allows for a slide-in piece of treated batten 28mm x 9mm x 800 long to give rigidity. This keeps the cover flat at the bottom and gives something to roll around for stowage when sailing. The rolled up unit is held in place by two Velcro straps. The batten is held in place at the bottom by one Velcro strap around the safety line anchor half ring at the base of the washboards.

The cover doubles up as a modesty screen too!





Cover Fitted



Rolled & Stowed on Hatch



End Detail of Rolled Cover



Bottom Batten Attachment to Safety Line Eye



Cover Rolled On Hatch Showing Velcro Straps



