



## PVC WATERBLOB™ OPERATOR'S MANUAL

**Important information enclosed in this manual please read these materials prior to assembling and using this product. Keep for future reference. For questions on assembly, parts or warranty, please contact Springfield Special Products.**

**DO NOT RETURN this product without prior consent!**

**Contact us: 417-864-8461 (8am-4:30pm, CST Monday-Friday)**

Congratulations on your new WaterBlob purchase! Springfield Special Products prides itself in making the most innovative inflatable product on the planet – the WaterBlob™. Your high performance product is designed to provide an exciting and unique experience for everyone.

**NOTICE:** this product is not a towable.

# !WARNING!

**To lessen your risk of serious injury or death, follow these rules:**

- Not a lifesaving device.
- Never leave children unattended.
- Use only under competent supervision
- Read the owner's manual before using this item
- This product may only be used by 2 persons at a time. Use by more than 2 people at the same time increases the chance of injury.
- Not for use by children under 10 (ten) years of age.
- Do not use this product if it is damaged or leaking air.
- Do not use this product under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
- Do not use this product when it is under-inflated. The risks involved with this could include entrapment which may result in death or serious injury.
- Use this product in water only. Use only in 8 feet of water or more and a safe distance away from personal watercraft, docks, pilings, bridges, and other hazardous objects.
- Remove debris or obstructions under the trampoline. Do not use in unsafe waters.
- Do not use this product in swimming pools.
- Do not tow this product with anyone on it! This product can be pulled in the water ONLY to reach a desired location without exceeding 5 mph.
- Do not use this product on, or drag across land or any abrasive surface.
- This product must be properly anchored.
- This product is not designed for aerial tricks or gymnastics.
- Do not attempt or allow somersaults. Landing on your head or neck can cause serious injury, paralysis, or death; even when landing in the middle of the item.
- Risk increases the higher you jump on this product.

- This product is not to be used without a USCG approved life vest.
- Users of this product must exercise caution and common sense at all times.

## **USE AT YOUR OWN RISK!**

### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY:**

By assembling and inflating this product, you agree that you have read and understand the entire Springfield Special Products WaterBlob™ manual, including all instructions and warnings contained in that material prior to using this product. You additionally agree that you will ensure any additional or subsequent users of this product will read and understand the entire owner's manual. Misuse or improper use of this product could result in risks, dangers and hazards which may result in serious injury or death. The risks and dangers that may be encountered through the improper use of this product can be avoided by reading and following the warning guidelines listed within the owner's manual and by proper use of this product. Your assembly and use of this product shall be evidence of your agreement, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to properly follow the instructions and abide by the warnings set forth within the product manual. Your assembly and use of this product shall also constitute a release, to the extent permitted by law, by you and by any third party permitted by you to use, in any manner, this product, to Springfield Special Products from any and all liability for any loss, damage, injury and/or expense that you or any user of this product may suffer as a result of the use of this product. This release shall extend to any loss, damage, injury or expense due to any cause whatsoever, including negligence or breach of contract on the part of Springfield Special Products and/or any party participating in the design and/or manufacture of this product. The terms of this release shall be effective and binding upon you, your heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives. Your assembly and use of this product shall constitute your agreement to assume and accept any or all known or unknown risks of injury to you and/or to third parties through the use of this product. Springfield Special Products and related parties have not made and hereby expressly deny any oral or written representation and/or warranty, including warranty for a particular purpose, other than what is set forth herein and in the Springfield Special Products operators manual.

## The "How To's" of a Family WaterBlob™

Prepare to inflate the Family WaterBlob™ by laying it flat on a smooth surface.



Inflate Family WaterBlob™ with a leaf blower. It only takes about 5 minutes. Inflate WaterBlob™ until it is about 1/2 - 3/4 full of air.



To get the WaterBlob™ into the pond or lake, make sure the area is clear of any sticks or sharp objects that could puncture the WaterBlob™ and slowly guide it into the water.



The Family WaterBlob™ is equipped with a total of 8 heavy-duty D-ring pads for safety and stability.



Anchor the WaterBlob™ using shock cord and a 30-50lb. anchor on each D-ring pad to ensure the best stability. ENJOY!



Warning labels are located at the front of the WaterBlob™ for all participants to view. There is also a decal to confirm you purchased a WaterBlob™ from the ORIGINAL Blob manufacturer.



## **Inflation Maintenance:**

It is not enough to simply fill it up and go! It is important to monitor the amount of air in this product as heat will cause the WaterBlob™ to expand, possibly causing damage to the seams. If you leave a full product sitting in the sun for any length of time, it will expand. As this product will be exposed to the sun for an extended period of time, it may be necessary to let some air out to relieve pressure. At the same time, if it is stored out of the sun in a cool place, you may need to add air. Do not inflate while the product is wet or in the water. To prevent electric shock or other injury, only inflate this product on a land surface. Check and adjust inflation levels each time you use your WaterBlob™. You'll have more fun, be safe, and your WaterBlob will last longer.

The best air pumps to use are:

- Leaf Blower
- Vacuum with two-way switch

## **How to care for your WaterBlob™**

Very little care is required for the WaterBlob. You may clean your product using soap and water or mild detergent.

1. WaterBlobs™ are assembled at our factory ready for water fun!
2. Unroll the WaterBlob™ on a smooth surface free of rocks, gravel or other debris that might tear a hole or puncture the liner.
3. DO NOT DRAG the WaterBlob™ on the ground.
4. Place the WaterBlob™ as close to the water as possible before inflating, keeping the opening up out of the water.
5. Attach a shop vacuum or a leaf blower to the nozzle, and then start inflating. (Inflation time with an average shop vacuum will be about 15 minutes).
6. DO NOT FILL THE WATER BLOB™ COMPLETELY! Only fill it about 3/4 full and start testing to see what works best for you.
7. Allow for the air to expand in the WaterBlob™ on warmer days. The warmer the weather, the tighter it will become.
8. 3/8" shock cord is the best to tie down the WaterBlob™. Shock cord allows the WaterBlob™ to move in the water without putting excess pressure on the D-Ring pads.
9. Make sure the shock cord is tied securely to the D-Rings along the sides and to the weights on the other end (preferably sand bags).
10. The WaterBlob™ should be placed at least 10' to 15' away from the sides of the pool or shallow water.
12. It is very important that the WaterBlob™ is very well supervised at all times, with spotters on both sides.
14. NEVER use the WaterBlob™ if it is worn or torn.
15. Check all the seams on the outer liner and the bladder periodically to make sure they are still secure.
16. Deflate the WaterBlob™ in the same method as inflating, by turning the shop vacuum on reverse.
17. NEVER pull the WaterBlob™ out of a lake or swimming pool by attaching to the D-Ring pads on the side and pulling it out with a motorized vehicle.
18. Float or roll the WaterBlob™ to the water edge, remove the nozzle fitting and attach the shop vac. It will take three or four people to start at one end (the enclosed end) to lift and roll the WaterBlob™ up allowing the water to drain out of the open end.
19. Make sure the WaterBlob™ is completely dry before storing.
21. Large plastic trash cans or wooden crates work the best for storage. This keeps insects and rodents from chewing holes in your WaterBlob™. Please stored in a cool, dry area out of direct sunlight.

22. If you have cut or punctured the WaterBlob™, feel free to call us for advice. You may be able to repair it or it may have to be sent back to us for repair for safety reasons.
23. Remember it is very important to have the WaterBlob™ well supervised. Check periodically for damage or to keep to proper amount of air in it. If you have any questions at all, please call us at 417-864-8461. We are more than happy to help.

## **PRODUCT USE INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use this product during daylight hours in a well-lighted area.
- Make sure you have lateral clearance when using this product. There should be at least 12 feet of open, unobstructed water on all sides of the product. There should be at least 8 feet of open space above the jumper's head at the height of his/her jump.
- Do not use under bridges, trees, roofed docks, or any other location that limits jumping space or could produce falling objects.
- This product is only to be used with proper adult supervision and with individuals that understand the proper use of this product.
- This product is NOT for use by children under 10 years of age. Children 10 years and older should only use this product under competent supervision.
- Make sure the product is clear from any obstructions before and after each use.
- This product may only be used by 2 persons at a time. Exceeding the recommended usage may result in serious injury.
- This product is recommended to be used in an appropriate depth of 8 feet of water or more.
- Remove debris or obstructions under the trampoline. Do not use in unsafe waters.
- Use a safe distance away from boats, personal watercraft, docks, pilings, bridges and other hazardous objects.
- As the owner of this product it is your responsibility to inform users of the proper rules for usage and advise them of the possible risk of serious injury if they do not heed proper use of the product.
- Do not use this product in gusty or severe winds.
- Do not attempt somersaults or aerial tricks of any kind. Landing on head or neck can cause serious injury, paralysis or death even landing in the middle of the trampoline.
- Use this product with careful adult supervision and with individuals who understand and are knowledgeable about the product.
- Inspect WaterBlob before each use. Do not use if damaged or leaking air.
- Never attempt to swim under the WaterBlob™ at any time!
- Take necessary rest breaks and avoid using this product when you are tired.
- For additional information on proper usage, contact Springfield Special Products at 417-864-8461.

## **How to WaterBlob™**

1. The WaterBlob™ program area is open only when the waterfront director is present and has announced that the activity is open.
2. All jumpers must wear a life vest and have it securely fastened.
3. Only two persons are allowed on the WaterBlob™ at one time. One bouncer on the end and one jumper.
4. There should be no more than 30 to 50 lbs. weight difference between the bouncer and the jumper when using the WaterBlob™.
5. One staff member must be stationed on the tower and supervise all jumping.
6. Jumpers must demonstrate to the supervising staff, a bottom (butt) drop off the deck before using the WaterBlob™.

7. Bouncer must be on the lake end of the WaterBlob™ sitting down leaning forward slightly with their feet toward the end of the WaterBlob™. All jumpers must have their mouth closed before bouncing.
8. The supervisor will say, "Bouncer ready?" The bouncer will respond when ready by lifting their arm straight up in the air. The supervisor will then say, "Jumping" and allow the jumper to jump bottom first onto the WaterBlob™.
9. Jumpers must hit bottom first on the second color from the end of the WaterBlob™.
10. New jumpers must wait for past bouncers to climb out of the water before positioning themselves to jump.

**WARNING! GENERAL USE AND SAFETY:**

- When using Springfield Special Products WaterBlob™, you are engaging in an exciting recreational activity that can result in injury if this product is not used properly. Act responsibly and only use your product with the awareness of and willingness to accept the risks involved.
- Read all instructions and warnings provided to you in this owner's manual and those printed on the product. Do not discard this manual.
- This product may only be used by 2 persons at a time. Do not exceed this recommendation or it may result in injury.
- Maintain a clear area around the WaterBlob™ at all times!
- Secure the WaterBlob™ against unauthorized and unsupervised use.
- Anchor WaterBlob™ before and after each use to reduce drifting and unwanted motion.
- Do not attempt somersaults. Landing on the neck or head can cause serious injury, paralysis or death.
- Do not partake in or attempt aerial acrobatics that involve twists, diving, flips, or somersaults.
- This product is not a towable. Do not tow this product with anyone on it! This product can be pulled in the water ONLY to reach a desired location without exceeding 5 mph.
- Do not use this product if it is damaged or leaking air.
- Only use this product in water. Use only in 8 feet of water or more and a safe distance away from boats and personal watercraft, docks, pilings, bridges and other hazardous objects.
- Remove debris or obstructions under the WaterBlob. Do not use in unsafe waters.
- Do not use this product in swimming pools.
- This product is not a lifesaving device.
- Do not use this product on, or drag across, land or any abrasive surface. Carry the product to the water. This may take several people to lift and carry the product. Do not attempt to lift this product by yourself.
- This product must be inflated on land. Do not inflate this product in or near water or if the product is wet.
- THIS PRODUCT IS NOT TO BE USED WITHOUT A PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICE!
- Users of the product must exercise caution and common sense at all times. Use at your own risk.
- As in any recreational activity, reckless use, misuse, inexperience and/or neglect of the proper equipment used may result in serious injury or death.
- This product is NOT for use by children under 10 years of age. Children 10 years and older should only use this product under the careful supervision of an adult.
- Springfield Special Products WaterBlobs™ are NOT for rental use.
- Do not consume alcohol or other drugs while using this product. Even small quantities of alcohol and other drugs can impair judgment, balance, and coordination which can greatly affect one's performance.
- Be conscious of the weather conditions as weather changes can occur very quickly.
- Check with your state or local government to learn their specific legal requirements concerning watersports.

- Please have the appropriate emergency phone numbers ready along with medical supplies and an emergency kit in case of an injury.

#### **WARRANTY POLICY:**

Springfield Special Products warrants, to the original purchaser only, that their WaterBlobs™, when used for normal non-commercial purposes, are free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase. This warranty does NOT cover: products for rental, for hire and other uses not considered for normal recreational purposes; nor punctures, cuts, abrasions in normal use. For prompt warranty issues, contact Springfield Special Products directly at 417-864-8461.

This warranty is only valid in the USA. If you have any questions about any Springfield Special Products recreational equipment or replacement parts, contact us at:

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