



A leash is not an optional extra it's your personal lifeline

- It is not a question of “should I wear a leash or not”
 - The question is “what leash setup do I need today”
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All Rivers, Streams, Lakes and coastal cruising: -

A Coiled Leash on a Quick Release Waist Belt is Recommended For: -

- We recommend using a 9-10 ft x 8-9mm dual core line with rotating stand-off attachments at both ends with a 40 mm wide triple Velcro secure attachment for the board and a 50 mm wide padded attachment. Anything less than this could fail when you need it most
 - Rivers, streams, whitewater and tidal rivers - Anywhere where you may need to quickly release yourself from the leash and or board due to snagging hazards and or extreme flow situations.
 - SUP board are much heavier than traditional surfboards and therefore require much stronger leashes than traditional surfboard leashes
 - A Coiled Leash on a Quick Release Waist Belt (QRWB) will sit on the board without dragging in the water
 - A Coiled Leash on a QRWB is unlikely to snag on surface or underwater hazards
 - With the **Blue Chip** QRWB you will be able to separate yourself from the board in one swift action without letting the board adrift
 - The **Blue Chip** QRWB gives you the option to disentangle the leash from the obstruction and then re-mount your board.
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Wave paddling:-

Straight leashes are preferred by Surf style SUP paddlers in the sea and waves

- A straight leash will not recoil the board back at the rider in the water
 - There are no underwater obstructions in the surf for the leash to get snagged on
 - For coastal cruising a coiled leash is preferred as it sits on the board without any drag
 - **DO NOT use a straight leash on ANY rivers, streams or lakes as snagging is possible**
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The question is: which leash set up?

- **Quick Release Waist belt / coiled leash**

- **A Quick Release Waist Belt in combination with a Coiled Leash is the recommended option for all paddling apart from surfing and racing.**
- Tethering your coiled leash to a quick release waist belt is a must when paddling on fast flowing rivers, streams and tidal rivers, anywhere where you may need to release yourself from the leash and or board such as: trees, underwater rocks, roots, branches, mooring buoys, moored boats, jetties, piers, docks etc.
- When using the correct Quick Release Waist Belt and coiled leash combination, in the unlikely situation your leash snags on an obstacle (*with a coiled leash, this is very unlike to happen*).
- You will be able to separate yourself from the board in one swift action without letting the board adrift
- This gives you the option to disentangle the leash from the obstruction and then re-mount your board.
- In exceptional circumstances you also have the option to let the board go and swim to safety or another paddler

- **Ankle Leash**

- Tethering your leash to your ankle is preferred by surfing fraternity and will suit most surfing situations or where there are **NO** hazards for the leash to snag on.

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