

#8 Nelo Viper



Andrew Pearce in the Viper, a stable introduction to K1 paddling

This very wide, stable K1 has tiller steering and K1 seating, but is suitable for a beginner. It's heavy, which contributes to its stability, but can still go fast for the right paddler. It may not feel as stable as it really is – don't be nervous – it would take a dedicated effort to tip it over. It has a long cockpit and a weed deflector on the rudder. Consider this a great introduction to K1 paddling and an opportunity to get used to tiller steering.

Setup and care

1. For setup always place the kayak on two stools. If you need to adjust the position of the seat or footplate, place an additional stool under the seat area to avoid cracking the hull.
2. Wash the boat after every use, even after paddling in fresh water. Dry the boat off inside and out with a chamois cloth before returning it to its rack in the shed.
3. Report any scratches or damage to the LCRK committee at [committee\[a\]lcrk.org.au](mailto:committee[a]lcrk.org.au)
4. See over for setup of seat, footplate and rudder.

K1
Stability: 10
12km time for paddler at level of boat: 72-80
Weight: 17kg
Length: 5.2m



Adjusting the boat for your use



To adjust the seat:

Remove the red screws behind the seat, slide the seat and place into preferred screw holes, then replace red screws. The seat should feel secure. Make sure the red runner bars under the seat are under the black guides on the hull platform at the front of the seat. If it has been fully removed, slide into the guides from the front.



To adjust the footplate:

Remove red screws, slide footplate into preferred position then replace red screws.



To adjust the rudder:

Please speak to a member of the committee if you think the rudder needs adjusting.