

# SKATE MOULDING INSTRUCTIONS

## Q: How do I Heat Mould my Bont Boots ?

A. Your boots have been constructed using special heat mouldable thermoplastics built into the boots. If necessary, the shaded area mainly in the ankle section can be heated and moulded, using a hair dryer or heat paint stripping type gun on the inside or outside of the boots to make the fit more comfortable. Hold the dryer about 2" from the spot you wish to mould. Heat both inside and out on the spot till quite hot to touch ( do not scorch the leather, keep the drier moving in a circular motion ). When the boots have been heated sufficiently, place the boots immediately onto your feet, kick feet well into the back of the boots, place tongue in the correct place and lace firmly.

**CAUTION:** Bolts used to attach frames or blades should be checked for safety reasons on a regular basis. Make certain the bolts are tight, but do not strip them by excessive over tightening.

## Q: How do I Heat Mould my boots in the oven ?

A: Pre heat oven to 85C or 185F. Remove bolts and blades from the boots. Do not use a microwave oven. Place boots in the oven for 20-30 minutes. Higher temperatures will damage the boots.

**CAUTION:** Do not place your feet in hot boots, let them cool a little first. Test boot temperature with your hand before placing your foot inside. Mount the blades to the boots and put skate guards on the blades, then place the boots onto feet and tighten the laces and stand up with the boots on. Wait till the boots cool.

If there is a certain area giving you problems, push that area out using the handle of a screwdriver until the boot cools. The boots can be heat moulded as many times as you like.

You should never wear boots with bolts only in the base, as this can damage the boots. Leave on until cool. The heating process takes a few minutes to do properly, so do not rush it. Be patient and do a good job.

## Q: How should I take care of my Bont Boots ?

A. If your boots get wet, you must let them dry out. Dry your boots after each use, as the enzymes in sweat will break down the leather. Carefully wipe the blades with a dry, soft cloth. Between skating sessions, do not store your blades with wet skate guards on, use a towel or sock to guard the blades when not in use and in your bag. Do not over tighten bolts, as this may cause the T-nut to be stripped. Replacement T-nuts are available through a Bont supplier.

**CAUTION:** Speed skating can be dangerous. Always wear protective gear while skating. Check boots for signs of stress or fatigue. Do not use boots in a state of disrepair. Check that blades/frames are secure before each use.

**HAPPY SKATING !!!**

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