

# SALT-AWAY®



## REEL MAINTENANCE GUIDE



**1 Tighten** - Depending on whether you're fishing a stardrag reel, a lever drag or a spinning reel, tighten the drag firmly. By compressing the drag washers, you are removing the chance of water lodging itself in between the drag plates. If water happens to get in to these areas, it leaves deposits on the washers and plates once it starts evaporating – not a good recipe for good performance.



**2 Salt-Away Wash** - Once the drag is tight, it's time to start cleaning. Spray the entire surface of the reel with **Salt-Away** or wash in a bucket of **Salt-Away** solution for a few seconds (one part **Salt-Away**, twenty parts water). Scrub the reel with a soft brush to remove grime. It's a good idea to spray and clean the rod at the same time.



**3 DO NOT Rinse Salt-Away** off the rods and reels it protect all surfaces, metal and plastic, so just drain, shake and allow to dry.

**4 Back off** - the next day, it is very important to back off the drag. Leaving the drag up solid for an extended period will result in reduced performance – more often than not a high spot is created that will result in a surging feeling when fighting a fish. If this occurs it is time for a new drag.



**5 Lube** - It's time to add some lubrication – a very simple task. A simple rule to follow is that grease is for the gears; lubrication is for everything else. Because we are covering routine maintenance only here, we will only cover lubrication. Handles, lube ports, clicker buttons, as well as any tension knobs – when in doubt, lubricate it. Quality lubricants will not damage your reel (with spinning reels, keep all lubricants away from the exposed drag on top of the spool).

**Salt-Away** breaks down & removes salt build-up with repeated use, and can safely be used on all metals, fibreglass, paint, rubber, plastic, chrome, glass, concrete, brick or any surface exposed to salt.

Bombardier Recreational Products (USA) recommend **Salt-Away** for salt removal on all Evinrude and Johnson motors. **Salt-Away** is made in the USA. For more information contact:

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