

# SCOOTBOOT ADJUST

## General Description of Scootboot Adjust

The **Scootboot Adjust** is a hoof boot designed for long distance riding and supporting various hoof types, especially high heels. It has fully adjustable Scootboot Bulb Straps around the heel bulbs. This helps accommodate various hoof types that may not be suitable for Scootboot Classics. This includes high heels, underrun heels and mules who commonly have boxed hooves with steep walls. The Scootboot Adjust is a removable boot that fits onto a horse's hooves, typically for horses that require extra support, protection or comfort during riding, rehabilitation, or when they have soft or sensitive soles. The Scootboot Adjust is often used in place of horseshoes and is particularly favoured in situations where a horse needs hoof protection but the equine owner does not wish to have their horse shod. They are a healthier, natural barefoot alternative to help protect horses' hooves. They allow horses to travel over any type of terrain no matter how harsh, with comfort and support.

Key characteristics of the **Scootboot Adjust** that are relevant for safety and for assessing its use under the **General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR EU)** include:

1. **Material:** Scootboot Adjust is made of a strong material called thermoplastic polyurethane (TPU) making them highly durable and resistant to wear. TPU offers flexibility, durability and traction, which are crucial for maintaining grip and preventing accidents.
2. **Design:** The Scootboot Adjust has a minimalistic structure and unlike other hoof boots, Scootboot Adjust has no cables or velcro straps that may weaken or break over time. The Scootboot Adjust is easily adjustable, with fully adjustable straps around the heel bulbs, allowing them to accommodate various hoof types, such as high heels that are often unsuitable for Scootboot Classic.
3. **Size and Fit:** Scootboot Adjust comes in various sizes, ranging from size 00-7. This allows for a precise fit to different sized horses' hooves. The adjustability of the Scootboot Adjust allows for the back of the boot to be adjusted, allowing it to fit on hooves with abnormally high heels, underrun heels or mules. The correct size and optimum fit is critical to prevent chafing, discomfort, and to ensure that the boots stay secure during use. They have flexible straps, including the Scootboot Mud Straps and the Scootboot Bulb Strap, securing the boot without compromising comfort for the horse. These straps are replaceable, extending the boot's lifespan.
4. **Weight:** The boots are lightweight, only 250 grams, providing comfort for the horse without causing undue strain or restriction during movement.



5. **Traction:** The sole of the Scootboot Adjust emulates the sole of a barefoot horse and is designed to provide traction to prevent slipping on various surfaces, such as wet, rocky, or hard terrains. This improves safety for both the horse and the rider.
  6. **Breathability and Comfort:** The Scootboot Adjust has an open heel design which prevents pressure, rubbing, chafing and irritation. This allows for the natural expansion of the heel, ensuring a comfortable fit. The boots have various drainage vents, along the front, back and sides. This allows water to escape, keeping the hoof dry and clean, preventing the build up of moisture, bacteria and fungus.
  7. **Ease of Use:** The Scootboot Adjust is designed for quick application and removal, making it practical for daily use and reducing time and effort. They are easy to fit without extra tools or complex adjustments. Due to their minimal design and lack of cables, ties or velcro, they are the quickest and easiest hoof boots for use in the market.
  8. **Versatility:** The Scootboot Adjust is suitable for a variety of terrains, including rocks, mud and sand. They are ideal for all riding disciplines. The boot is used in transitioning a horse from shod to barefoot.
  9. **Low Maintenance:** The Scootboot Adjust is easy to clean as it can be rinsed with water to remove dirt or debris. Key components like straps and screws can be easily replaced when needed.
  10. **Customisable:** The Scootboot Adjust is highly adjustable, allowing them to fit various hoof types, especially those with high and underrun heels. Additionally, the Scootboot Bulb Strap Extender can be applied to lift the Scootboot Bulb Strap and create a more comfortable and suitable fit for horses with high heels. The Scootboot Mud Strap used in the Scootboot Adjust is available in two colours, marigold and black. This allows for personalisation. Additional items such as the Scootboot Bulb Strap Gaiters, Pads and Shims can be added for extra security and comfort in challenging conditions.
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Included with each pair of Scootboot Adjusts:

- Six Scootboot Mud Straps in black
- Two Scootboot Bulb Straps
- Two Scootboot Bulb Strap Extenders
- Four Scootboot Mud Strap Sleeves
- Two Scootboot Front Straps
- Four Scootboot Knob Hooks with screws
- Four Scootboot Rear Screws Standard with screws
- Two Scootboot Bulb Strap Gaiters

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## Risk Analysis for Scootboot Adjust (GPSR EU)

The **General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR EU)** requires that all products placed on the EU market are safe when used as intended. Below is a risk analysis for the **Scootboot Adjust**, highlighting potential risks, likelihood, and mitigations based on the product's characteristics.

### 1. Physical Discomfort to the Horse

- **Risk:** If the boot is improperly sized or fitted, it may cause rubbing or discomfort to the horse.
- **Likelihood:** Low if the product is correctly sized and fitted.
- **Mitigation:** The product is available in multiple sizes and different widths. Detailed fitting guides are provided to the customer with the product, and sizing and fitting information is available on the Scootboot website. Scootboot has a sizing team which offers a free sizing service to retail customers to ensure accuracy. This also includes a free fit check after purchase. Although adjustable and able to fit hard-to-fit hooves, the Scootboot Adjusts are not guaranteed to stay secure on some hoof shapes and the sizing service determines at the outset if the horse's hoof shape is suitable for the product. All Scootboot Stockists are offered training modules and mentoring at the outset to ensure all users are provided with the correct size.

Customers are advised to slowly break their horse into new Scootboot Adjusts. As horses have different levels of sensitivity, Scootboot Adjusts may rub if they are not broken in slowly. Customers are advised to do a short ride the first time they use Scootboot Adjusts to ensure there is no chafing or rubbing. If there are no issues, customers are advised to gradually increase their riding distance which will condition the horse's skin. Each pair of Scootboot Adjusts come with a complimentary pair of Scootboot Bulb Strap Gaiters for use to condition the horse's skin. The Scootboot



customer service team is readily available to help customers who have any issues with rubbing or discomfort.

Due to their minimal design and no cables, ties or velcro, Scootboot Adjusts are the safest hoof boot for use in the market.

## 2. Slipping or Loss of Traction

- **Risk:** While the boot is designed to provide good traction, an improperly fitted boot or excessive wear can compromise traction.
- **Likelihood:** Low if the product is correctly sized, fitted and maintained.
- **Mitigation:** Customers are advised to conduct period inspections of their Scootboot Adjust and to replace worn-out boots. Ice Studs are available for purchase to install on the sole of the Scootboot Adjust which provides extra traction in snowy and icy conditions. Scootboot Anti Slip Shims are available for use with the Scootboot Adjust to ensure a snug fit if the fit is not optimal. The Scootboot customer service team is readily available for advice if customers have any issues with slipping or loss of traction.

## 3. Sensitivity to Materials

- **Risk:** Some horses may have sensitivities or reactions to the TPU.
- **Likelihood:** Low due to the non-toxic nature of the material.
- **Mitigation:** Customers are advised to check their horses frequently if the product is left on for extended periods, for example where the product is used for rehabilitation purposes.

## 4. Environmental Impact

- **Risk:** The materials used may have an environmental impact if disposed of improperly.
- **Likelihood:** Low.
- **Mitigation:** TPU is recyclable and customers are advised to check their local recycling depot to see if a service is provided for the disposal of urethane products.

## 5. Breakdown of TPU

- **Risk:** TPU is sensitive to chemicals and extreme hot or cold temperatures.
- **Likelihood:** Low if stored correctly.
- **Mitigation:** Customers are advised to store their Scootboot Adjust in the tote bag they are sold in and hang them indoors at a moderate temperature when not in use. Customers are also advised not to store the product in an air-tight container as this can lead to hydrolysis where moisture can penetrate the TPU and break it down. This can also occur if the product is unused for long periods of time.



## 6. Choking Hazard

- **Risk:** Components of the product are small and may present a choking hazard to young children.
  - **Likelihood:** Nil if stored safely.
  - **Mitigation:** Customers are advised to store them out of the reach of children when not in use.
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## Conclusion

In summary, the **Scootboot Adjust** is designed with the horse's safety and comfort in mind, but like any product, it presents potential risks if not used correctly. To align with the **GPSR EU** and ensure it meets the safety standards for the European market, clear instructions for correct use are provided with the product, emphasizing the importance of correct sizing and fitting of the product.

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## Identification

Product	SKU
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-0
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-00
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-1
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-2
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-3
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-4
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-5
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-6
Scootboot Adjust (one pair)	send-7
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-0
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-00
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-1



Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-2
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-3
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-4
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-5
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-6
Scootboot Adjust (one boot)	sendo-7

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