





#### **WARNING!**



The practice of jet powered watersports can be dangerous if the necessary precautions are not taken. For this reason, we have prepared this user manual. It will help you to know your new Manta board and to use it correctly.

It contains information related to the assembly, care, use and maintenance of your Manta board. Please read this manual carefully before using the equipment.

It is the responsibility of the user to take the necessary measures for a safe use of the products from Aquila Boards. The company will not be responsible for any damages that may arise from the improper use of the equipment as well as its deterioration due to incorrect maintenance.

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\* This user's manual is subject to be changed due to potential modifications in design.

#### 1. MAIN SECURITY CHECKS

It is important to get familiar with the board's security systems before starting enjoying it. Please make sure you use the board following the instructions provided in this manual.

- Always check the unit before entering the water. Make sure the board, the safety disconnection system, the battery and the wireless controller are in good condition.
- Do not lend your equipment to anyone who has not been instructed in the use of the Manta.
- When entering the water, you must avoid entering through wave break areas and in case of doing so, you must always place yourself between the board and the wave. This way the board will not harm you in case a wave strikes you.
- Never practice this sport if the conditions exceed your **skill level**.
- Always wear the Leash attached while using the unit.
- When getting on the board you must always do it from one side, even in areas of high depth. The water jet has great power and could caus e injuries.
- Never place your hands or feet near the impeller. The suction force from the jet is very powerful and it could drag them to the interior. Even with the battery disconnected you must be aware of the impeller since the leading edges are sharp and may cut.
- You must take into account that the board does not have a braking system. Although you may discontinue to press the throttle, the board will continue moving forward due to its inertia. This route can be relatively long if you want to move from the glide status to the stopping one. It is recommendable to slow down as you approach the target area where you want to stop.
- Do not touch the steel tube right after use since it could be at elevated temperature.



## **02** PACKING LIST

#### 2. PACKING LIST

The following describes a list of the components included with the equipment and a description of them.

#### 2.1. MANTA BOARD

Construction with EPS core and laminated fibreglass and epoxy full sandwich.

Weight (without the battery): 17 kg / 37 lbs

Length: 230 cm / 7´6"

Width: 90 cm / 35.4"Thickness: 15 cm / 5.9"

Volume: 200 l

#### 2.3. 2 Jet Unit

Nominal power: 800 kWNominal voltage: 44,4 VDC

Static push: 500 W





#### 2.4. Battery

Short circuit, overcharge and temperature protection. Waterproof.

• Type: multicell Litio-Ion

• Weight: 14 kg / 30 lbs

Max. electric discharge: 130 A.

Nominal capacity: 40.0 Ah

Nominal voltage: 44.4 V

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#### 2.5. Chargers

Over voltage protection. Thermal protection. Short circuit protection. Reverse polarity protection. Charging indicator.

Input power: 220-230 VAC (\*Also available 110 VAC)

Charging current: 15 A

Output voltage: 50,4 VDC



#### 2.6. Remote Control

Watertight. Thrust display. Battery display. Pressure sensor Drop. Induction charging.

Frequency: 2.4 GHz

Battery: LiPo 300 mAh



#### 2.7 Grease

White grease for battery connectors, blue grease for mechanical maintenance.







2.8. Qi charger for the wireless controller

Qi inductive technology charger that simplifies charging into just setting your controller down on the charging pad. Input: 5 V - 2 A, Output: 5 V - 1 A.



Custom designed and CNC machined out of high strength and corrosion resistant tempered aluminum.

Parts are hard anodized and fixed joint

#### 2.10. Impeller

63.6 mm diameter. Custom designed and CNC machined out of high strength and corrosion resistant tempered aluminum.

Hard anodized, providing extra corrosion resistance and an increased surface hardness.

#### 2.11. Handle

Made of highly durable thermoplastic









rubber, end webbing is doubled and stitched for extra strength and security.

#### 2.12. Tooling Kit

- Contains conventional manual tools.
- Screw set and custom made tools necessary for impeller extraction/insertion.
- All high strength and corrosion resistant.
- Ex. Impeller extractor tooling.

#### 2.13. Footstraps

Pre-formed arch prevents collapsing. 7 mm neoprene padding. Internal adjustment system. Twist control system.



#### 2.14. Leash + security key

7-Feet Coiled leash. Padded neoprene cuff. Stainless steel swivels to stop tangles. Custom made security magnet pull system.



Hard plastic and fiber G5 fins.



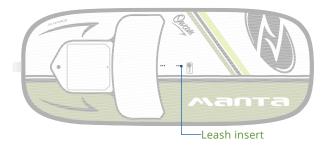
# **13** FIRST ASSEMBLY

#### 3.1. INSERT THE FINS

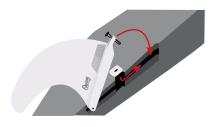
1. Insert the fin inside the finbox as shown in the picture.



#### 3.2. INSTALL THE LEASH

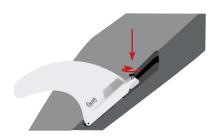


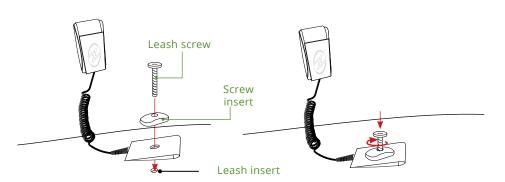
2. Insert the metallic square in the finbox and move it until it alignes the screw.



- 1. Insert the screw through the insert and hold the leash.
- 2. Align the holes with the leash insert located on the left hand lower side of the board on the non-slippery surface.
- 3. Screw the piece to secure it.

3. Fix the screw attaching the fin to the board.

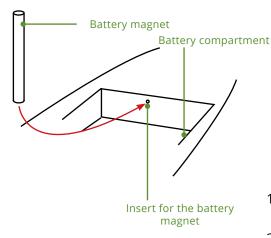




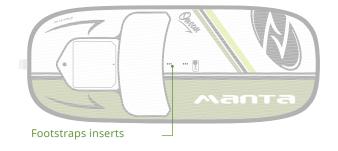


#### 3.3. INSERT THE BATTERY MAGNET

Before using the unit for the first time, the cylindrical magnet must be The board incorporates inserts valid for both goofy and regular riders. inserted in the hole inside the battery compartment.



#### 3.5. Positioning the Footstraps



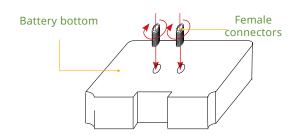
- 1. Depending on the style of riding, place the footstraps over the desired inserts. One on the front of the board and one on the back.
- 2. Place the screw through the screw insert and hold the footstrap.
- Align the holes with the footstrap insert.
- 4. Screw the footstrap to secure it.

# Screw insert © Footstrap insert

Footstrap screw

#### 3.4 INSERT FEMALE CONECTORS

Please, screw the female connectors, found in the wireless controller case, in the holes of the bottom part of the battery using the tool provided on the tooling kit.

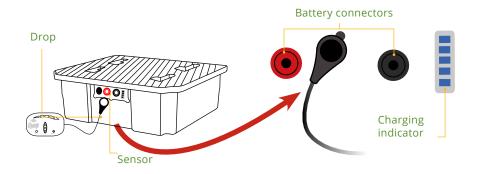


#### 4.1. BATTERY

#### 4.1.1. BATTERY TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

• In order to travel with the board, the battery must be below 20% of charge. This means that the LED bar must be only showing one LED.

Placing the drop near the battery display you will be able to check the battery level.



Visualization	Charge%
	20%
	40%
	60%
	80%
	100%

- Do not transport the battery inside the board unless you intend to use it immediately.
- Between uses you should store the battery between 0°C y 40°C (32°F a 104°F) always less than 3 months, in a ventilated area and with a humidity between 0% 80%. Do not store the battery near metallic objects.

#### 4.1.2. Connecting/Disconnecting the Battery

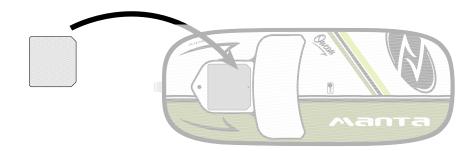
Always charge the battery and remote to the fullest before operating the equipment.

#### Connection and disconnection of the battery:

- 1. Check the watertight seal and the battery housing to make sure they are clean and free of sand. Make sure there aren 't any signs of damage before use. Make sure there isn 't any water inside the battery compartment.
- 2. Turn the vent one full round counter-clock wise. Place the battery on the pad, near the battery compartment where the battery must be placed. Once the battery is placed on the pad, grab it by the upper handle and place in the battery compartment.

The blue LED on the front of the board will light up indicating the connection.





3. Make sure the four pins are not visible and be aware of the positioning while inserting it. Only one way is possible according to its geometry.

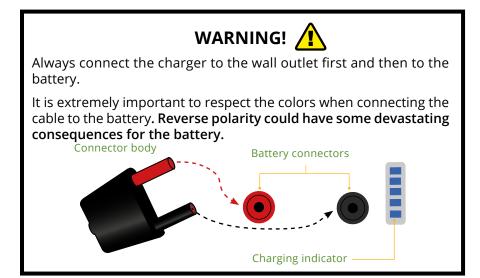


- 4. Once the Battery is inserted in the board, insert the four pins to lock the Battery. If the pins do not enter easily, please, press down on the battery so the watertight seal is sufficiently compressed.
- 5. Close the vent completely, turning it clock wise to assure water tightness.
- 6. In order to ease the extraction of the battery, turn the vent one full round counter-clock wise. Pull from the upper handle perpendicularly to extract the battery.
- 7. Keep the vent always closed in any other moment and do not turn it more than three full turns.

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#### 4.1.3 BATTERY CHARGE





#### A)CONNECTION

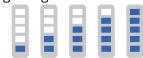
- 1. In order to charge the battery it must be taken out from the board.
- 2. Insert the connector to the battery respecting the colors as shown in the previous drawing (red with red and black with black).
- 3. When connecting the charger to the battery, The LEDs will light up indicating a successful connection. In case of the LEDs not lighting up, please make sure that the charger is properly plugged to the wall outlet and to the battery.



4. Once the battery is connected, the display LED indicator of the charger will light up indicating the charge (img. A) until fully charging it, turning to green (img. B).



5. The LEDs in the battery will progressively light up as the battery is being charged.



When the battery is fully charged the LEDs will turn off and you must proceed to disconnect the battery.



#### **B)** DISCONNECTION

Avoid pulling from the cable, always pull from the connector body.

#### c) IMPORTANT

Always supervise the charge, do not leave the battery unnattended while charging.

The battery does not need to be fully discharged before charging. A Lithium Ion battery doesn't have memory effect. This means that the maximum energy capacity won't be affected if it's charged after not being fully discharged.

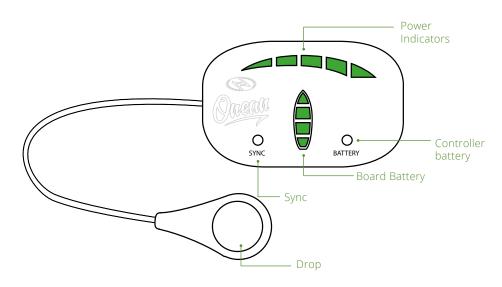
Connector

body

Cable

- Make sure that the battery does not remain to be connected to the charger after the charge has been completed.
- Always remember to close the battery rubber connector covers before use.
- The temperature use for the battery must always remain between 0°C y 60°C (32°F y 140°F).
- Extreme temperatures will affect the battery life, specially during charge. Avoid charging the battery while being exposed to direct sunlight or extreme high or low temperatures. The charge is recommended to be carried out with temperatures (between 10°C y 45°C / between 50°F y 113°F).

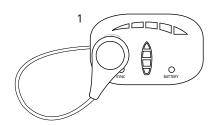
#### 4.2. WIRELESS CONTROLLER



#### 4.2.1. SYNCHRONIZATION. 1ST LED BLINKING

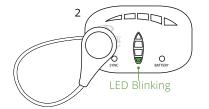
In order to access the configuration menu, you must follow the following indications. Always with the battery initially disconnected:

1. With the controller totally off (no LEDs ) place the drop over the logo.



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2. On this position, press on the drop until the first LED of the board display on the controller beings to blink. At this moment, the LED bar will begin to progressively light up.



- 3. Once the first LED begins to blink, you must press on the drop again to access the submenu. In this submenu,
  - the controller will begin to search for a board for a few seconds and the sync LED will begin to blink.



- 4. As the sync LED is blinking the battery must be inserted to complete the synchronization (see 4.1.2.).
- 5. Once the board is synched, both LEDs will blink at a higher pace indicating that the process has been successfully completed.
- 6. Once the synchronization is finished the controller will turn off and the configuration will be stored.
- 7. If you do not want to change any of these parameters you don't need to do this process again, it will remain in the internal memory of the controller.
- 8. Always use the controller inside the controller wristband.
- 9. Always secure the wristband before use.
- 10. In order to activate the jet, press on the drop with the index finger and thumb.
- 11. The power will vary depending on the clicks made on the drop.

#### 4.2.2. Power of the Jet Unit

In order to activate the Jet Unit, press on the Drop. The Manta has 3 levels: off (0%), 50% power and 100% power.

LEDs	Power [W]	Display
1 click	400w	
2 clicks	750w	
3 clicks	0w STOP	<b>4000</b>

#### 50% POWER

To activate the Jet Unit press one time on the Drop.

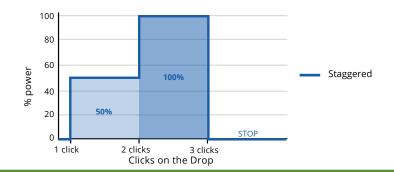
The Jet Unit will be activated at 50% of its total power.

#### **100%** POWER

To proceed with 100% of the power press on the drop once again.

#### **S**TOP

To stop the Jet Unit press on the drop a third time. If you are on 50% (1 click) you must press two times to stop the Jet Unit.





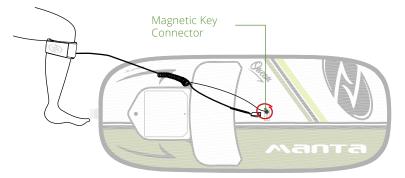


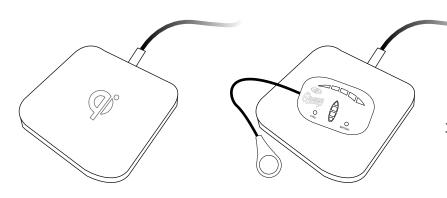
#### 4.2.3. CHARGING THE CONTROLLER

- 1. Connect the Qi charger through a USB.
- 2. Place the controller on the centre of the Qi as shown in the drawing below.
- 3. When charging, the green LED of the Wireless Controller will begin to blink.
- 4. Once the controller is fully charged, the LED will turn off.
- 5. To check the status of the battery of the controller please pick it up and press on the drop to see the battery LED.

#### **4.3. LEASH**

- 1. Attach the leash right below the knee of the front leg, as shown on the drawing below.
- 2. Once the rider is ready to use the board, place the security magnet key on the board.





The magnetic key is a security mechanism, the jet will not activate if this key is not properly placed.

3. In case of fall, the magnetic key will detach, stopping the jet. Once the rider is back on the board ready to continue its use, the magnetic key should be properly placed again.

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#### 4.4. SECURITY MECHANISMS

The board has various security mechanisms that stop it automatically in case of:

- Engine overheat.
- · Battery overheat.
- Loss of communication between the controller and board.
- Tightening of the jet when starting or blockage of the turbine due to an external object.
- Magnetic key disconnection. In case of fall, it will automatically disconnect.
- In case of fall, or if the controller is submerged, the jet will stop as a security measure.

If any of the previous cases happens during use, the jet will automatically stop. This security block will remain until the above causes are solved.

In order to reactivate the board, the security magnet must be disconnected and reconnected.

#### **5.1** Terms of Use

- The Manta board is suitable for fresh and salt water use. Ideal conditions are with no wind and flat water.
- **Be aware of local regulations before using** and the areas where this kind of equipment is eligible for use.
- Taking into account that the jet sucks water through the intake it is important to look for waters free of floating elements at which to practice this sport. Mentioned floating elements could cause damage to the rotating elements inside the waterjet.
- The Manta Board has not been designed to be used at wave breaking areas. Please look for an area of calm waters at which to entry the water.
- Taking into account the high speeds and manoeuvrability of the board, it important to use the Manta at large open spaces free of obstacles.
- Be aware of the tides. With the sea level changes, new obstacles may arise depending on the tide.
- Avoid using this product in the vicinity of other people, vessels or objects that may compromise the user's or board's security.
- Avoid crowded beaches and always respect the navigation channels.
- In case of entering the water through the beach, make use of the marked areas that allow the entry and exit of watercrafts.
- It is advisable not to overturn/flip the board in the water.
- Do not grab or lift the board by the discharge connectors.
- Do not remove the goretex vent in the back of the board.





#### **5.2.** Before getting into the water

- Make sure the leash and the magnetic security key (kill switch) are in good condition.
- Make sure the remote works properly before heading to the water.
- Make sure to assemble your equipment over grass or sand in order not to damage it. Any damage caused by manipulating your equipment over a hard and abrasive surface will not be covered by the warranty.

#### 5.3. FIRST USE

#### **5.3.1. S**TART UP

During first uses it is recommendable to use it on your knees.

- 1. Get on top of the board with the leash attached and the magnetic key connected. You should place your knees on each side of the front footstrap.
- 2. After being positioned, press on the drop to activate the jet.
- 3. Once you gain speed you can progressively stand on it.

Make sure not to accidentally press on the drop while getting on or off the board.

#### **5.3.2. TURN**

Before turning, make sure there is enough space to do so and not interfere with the trajectory of any other vehicle.

Shift the weight towards the side where you intend to turn to ease the movement. The more speed, the easier it is to turn. The board turns like a conventional board.

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#### **5.4. G**ETTING OUT OF THE WATER

- **Do not activate the jet outside of the water.** The propulsion system is not meant to be used outside of the water, this could significantly damage the jet.
- After a long use going full thrust, it's recommendable to wait at least one minute for the jet not to overheat.
- It is not recommendable to step on the battery surface. Although it's designed to hold weight, when stepping on it, the watertight seal compresses facilitating water to get in.

#### 5.5. GENERAL SECURITY MEASURES

- This board could reach high speeds. It is recommendable to use a life vest and a helmet while operating this product.
- Do not go further off shore than you can return swimming and always have someone watching from shore. Do not operate this product alone.
- Be aware of climate changes or any other sudden change in the located area (tides, shallow waters,..). Do not use this product while electric storms.
- Do not use this product near swimmers or scuba divers.
- Make sure that the water is deep enough to operate this board, be aware of coral reefs.
- Do not operate in areas of high current or waves. The Manta is not meant to be used to surf waves. In case of being tilted by a wave, the rider could suffer severe damages.
- **Do not use behind another board.** In case of doing it, make sure you have enough space to turn in case the rider ahead falls.





#### 6.1. BOARD MAINTENANCE

- It is recommended to rinse the jet with fresh water after every use. When using in extreme saline environments, it's recommendable to flash the entire intake area with fresh water. This way the user will get rid of all the excessive salt in the shaft and impeller.
- **Do not leave the battery connected.** To disconnect is, it's necessary to take it out of the board. The battery powers the board from the moment it's inserted. Although the power consumption is very low, it is not recommendable to leave it inside for long periods.
- Clean the stainless steel tube frequently. With every use, a small layer
  of salt could build up over the surface. Given that the tube's surface is in
  charge of heat dissipation, it's extremely important to have it clean for a
  proper dissipation.
- It is not recommendable to place it upside down and never exposed to direct sunlight over long periods of time.
- Periodically apply blue grease on the impeller and stator/nozzle.
- Periodically apply grease on the impeller, stator/nozzle and male and female connectors.
- · Between uses, always keep the discharge connectors clean.
- Do not impact the turbine or rest the board over it.

#### 6.2. BATTERY MAINTENANCE

- It is crucial to handle the battery correctly while having it outside of the board. In case of dropping it and due to its large weight, the watertight seal could break. Do not use the battery if it has been dropped and contact the support team immediately.
- In case of break, dint or any other form of apparent damage, do not use the battery.
- It is recommendable to store the battery in a dry place and not exposed to direct sunlight.
- Do not submerge the battery.
- **Do not throw the batteries away.** The batteries must be properly destroyed at recycling facilities.
- Keep the male and female connectors in good condition always.
   Maintenance procedure: unscrew the female connectors from the battery and the male connectors from the board. After that, clean them with isopropyl alcohol and apply white grease (for electronic contacts). Screw the female connectors to the battery and male connectors to the board. The lack of maintenance or lack of tightness on the connectors could do irreversible damage to the board.

## 06 MAINTENANCE OF THE EQUIPMENT

#### 6.3. WIRELESS CONTROLLER MAINTENANCE

- Do not leave the wireless controller exposed to direct sunlight. It has a lithium battery inside and it is advisable not to overheat.
- After use, rinse the wireless controller with fresh water and let it dry.
  It is important to take the controller out of the cover in order to avoid
  deterioration during storage caused by humidity.
- Use only a cloth and fresh water to clean it.
- Do not drop, open, crush or burn.
- Do not pull from the drop cable.

#### **6.4 CHARGER MAINTENANCE**

Keep always the female and male charge connectors lubricated. Apply white grease inside the battery's female charge conector. Then, insert the charger's male conector into the battery's female conector to distribute the grease through the charger's pins.



Unless in charging, protect always the battery's connectors with the plastic cover. The plastic covers avoid entering water inside the connector. In case you forget protecting the the battery's conector water could damage the battery irreversibly.

As you can see on the image below, not following this rules can lead to the corrosion on the pins, and the irreversible damage of the battery.





#### 7. REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF COMPONENTS

Clean the board with fresh water after every use. Introduce grease into the stator bearing through the greasing screw periodically. Keep the battery power connectors dry and clean.

#### 7.1. IMPELLER

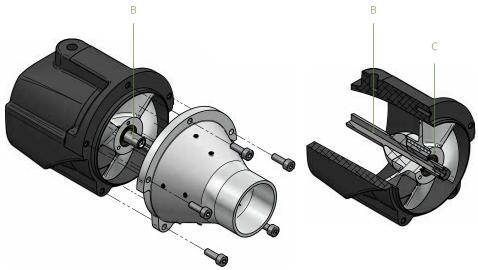
Always manipulate the impeller with extreme caution as its sharp edges could cause injuries.

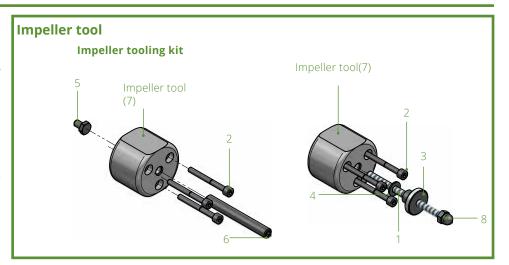
Do never activate the board while replacing the impeller as it could cause damage to the JetPack.

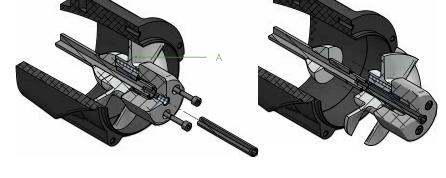
#### 7.1.1. UNMOUNTING THE IMPELLER

Next you may find a detailed explanation on how to unmount and mount the impeller. On our website you may find additional tutorial videos serving the same purpose.

- 1. Unscrew the 5 screws on the Jet 2. Unmount the Circlip (Seeger Ring) Unit's outer surface using the hex key SW3 and extract the Stator/Nozzle assembly.
  - the let Unit's shaft (B).
    - (C) and screw the hex screw (5) to
- 3. Hold the impeller tool (7) next 4. to the impeller (A) and screw the 3 socket cap screws (2) until the end using the hex key SW2,5. Manually screw the set screw (6) to the tool (7).
  - While holding the tool, screw the set screw (6) using the hex key SW3. You will see the impeller (A) moving out of the let unit while screwing the set screw (6).

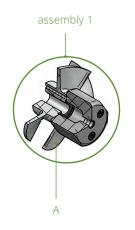


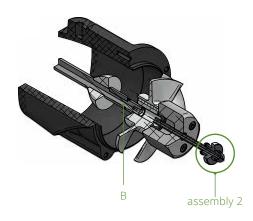


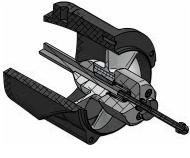


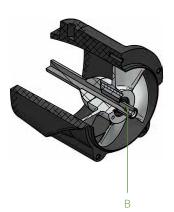
#### 7.1.2. MOUNTING THE IMPELLER

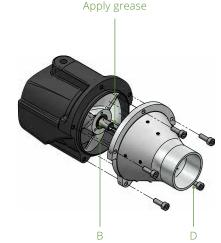
- 1. Hold the tool (7) next 2. Manually introduce the 4. Pass the assembly 2 6. to the impeller (A)and screw the 3 socket head screws (2) using the hex key SW2,5. The tool and impeller will be fixed 3. Screw knurled nut (3) to to one another as you may see in the picture below. "assembly 1".
  - assembly 1 to the Jet Unit through the shaft (B) as far as possible without applying excessive force
  - the threaded rod (1) with 5. the hexagon domed cap (8) and introduce the flat washer (4) creating the "assembly 2".
- through the tool's (7) hole and screw the threaded rod (1) to the letUnit's shaft (B) holding it from the hex cap (8).
  - Hold the tool (7) while turning the knurled nut (3) 8 clockwise. The assembly 1 & 2 while slightly mount on the the Jetpack's Shaft (B).
- end of its trajectory, unscrew the assembly 2 from the shaft (B) holding it from the hexagonal cap (8).
- 7. Unscrew the tool from the impeller.
  - Mount a new Circlip (Seeger ring).
- Once the Impeller reaches the 9. In order to mount the Stator/Nozzle assembly back to the Jet Unit, it is recommended to apply grease on the Jet Unit's shaft. Push the assembly Stator/Nozzle onto the shaft and screw the 5 socket head screws using the hex key SW3.











#### 7.2. CONNECTORS



We strongly recommend to apply periodically white grease on the inside and outside of the connectors.

In case that the battery power connectors seem excessively corroded, these will have to be replaced. Therefore, make use of the tube hex key on the image next to this text in order to unscrew the old connectors and screw the new ones.





Corroded connectors

