

The Cabin Top

Lifting and lowering the cabin top is best done with two people.

Lowering:

The intermediate supports for the roof of 3- and 4-berth boats should be knocked out first.

For 2-berth boats (Hustlers), where the front and back of the cabin top are both lifted, the **back** must be lowered first.

To lower the rear of all cabin tops, one person should take the weight of the cabin top while the other knocks out the rear supports. Then lower the top while the second person ensures that all the cabin side canvas is pulled inside and the supports are not fouling on anything. **WATCH THAT YOU DON'T TRAP YOUR FINGERS.**

To lower the front of the cabin top on 2-berth boats (Hustlers), it is easier if one person stands by the mast and takes the weight while the other person, inside the cabin, deals with the fixing pins. Then the top can be lowered.

Check that all the side canvas is tucked in neatly.

Raising:

For 2-berth boats (Hustlers), where the front and back of the cabin top are both lifted, the **front** must be raised first. It is easier if one person stands by the mast and lifts while the other person, inside the cabin, deals with the fixing pins.

To raise the rear of all cabin tops, one person should lift the rear of the cabin top while the second person, inside the cabin, puts the struts in place. Don't forget the intermediate supports on 3- and 4-berth boats.