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INTRODUCTION

Your RadioShack Tsunami is a winner! You'll be amazed by the speed of this powerful boat — it's our fastest. You can race it at speeds up to 399 feet per minute on ponds, lakes, rivers, and large pools.

The boat's proportional speed and turn radius give you precise control over its maneuvers.

The Tsunami's bilge pump automatically pumps out any water that has collected in its hull as it cruises.

Your Tsunami is available in four frequencies to let you race against other radio-controlled boats. Check your boat's box to see which frequency it uses.

The Tsunami is a fresh-water boat only. It is not designed to be used in salt water.

When you are not playing with the Tsunami, place it on the supplied stand to protect the propeller from damage.

Note: You need six AA batteries for the transmitter, at least one 7.2-volt battery pack for the boat, and a battery pack charger. All of the required items are available at your local RadioShack store.

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FCC NOTICE

Your boat or transmitter might cause TV or radio interference even when it is operating properly. To determine whether your boat or transmitter is causing the interference, turn off your boat and release the transmitter's control levers. If the interference goes away, Your boat or transmitter is causing it. Try to eliminate the interference by:

- moving your boat and transmitter away from the TV or radio
- contacting your local RadioShack
 store for help

If you cannot eliminate the interference, the FCC requires that you stop using your boat.

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PREPARATION

INSTALLATING BATTERIES

Warning: Dispose of batteries and the battery pack promptly and properly; do not bury or burn them.

Cautions:

- Use only fresh batteries and a fresh battery pack of the required size and recommended type.
- Do not mix old and new batteries, different types of batteries (standard, alkaline, or rechargeable), or rechargeable batteries of different capacities.
- If you will not be using the vehicle for a week or remove the batteries from the transmitter and the battery pack from the vehicle. Batteries can leak chemicals that can damage electronic parts.
- Never leave dead or weak batteries in the boat (or a dead or weak battery pack in the transmitter).

In the Transmitter

The transmitter requires six AA batteries. For the best performance and longest life, we recommend RadioShack alkaline batteries.

Follow these steps to install the transmitter's batteries.

1. Slide the transmitter's **ON/OFF** switch to **OFF**.

2. Press down and slide the battery compartment cover in the direction of the arrows marked on it to remove it.



- Put the batteries in the compartment as indicated by the polarity symbols (+ and –) marked inside.
- 4. Replace the cover and snap it shut.

When the transmitter's range decreases, replace its batteries.

In the Boat

Your Tsunami requires a rechargeable 7.2-volt battery pack. Before you use the battery pack, you must charge it, using a special battery charger (both items available at your local RadioShack store). Follow the charger's instructions to charger the battery pack.

Follow these steps to install the boat's battery pack.

1. Slide the boat's **ON/OFF** switch to **OFF**.



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2. Remove the antenna tube if necessary and lift off the upper hull of the boat.

Caution: Carry the Tsunami by its rear wing, not the upper hull. Otherwise, you might drop the boat if it comes loose from the upper hull while you are carrying it.



- 3. Turn the battery compartment cover's latch clockwise until it stops, then lift open the cover.
- 4. Put the battery pack in the compartment with its connector pointing forward on the same side as the boat's matching connector.



 Loop the battery pack's connector back and attach it to the boat's matching connector. Do not force them! They fit together only one way.

- 6. Close the battery compartment cover, then turn the latch counter-clockwise until it stops.
- 7. Thread the wire antenna through its matching hole on the upper hull, then replace the upper hull so it snaps shut.

If the Tsunami loses power or does not respond to the transmitter, recharge the battery pack according to the battery charger's instructions.

To remove the battery pack, follow Steps 1–3, unplug the connector, then slide the battery pack toward its connector and lift the other side of the battery pack.

Note: If you want to run your vehicle for extended periods, we suggest you purchase an extra battery pack. You can charge one while you use the other.

Cautions:

- Use only the recommended battery pack and charger.
- Do not charge or recharge the battery pack while it is in the boat.
- After you charge or recharge the battery pack, disconnect it from the charger. Overcharging the battery pack could damage it.
- When you disconnect the battery pack from the charger, do not pull on the connector's wires. You might damage the battery pack.

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- Running your boat continuously for long periods generates high heat levels. Heat causes wear and tear on the motor. To keep heat levels down, when your boat's battery pack dies, let the boat cool at least 10 minutes before installing a new or newly charged battery pack.
- If the boat moves slowly and you have installed fresh batteries, check the propeller mechanism for any debris.
- Do not use the battery charger in wet or hot areas.

Note: Occasionally, let the battery pack fully discharge before recharging it. Otherwise, the battery pack loses its ability to fully charge.

Important: This boat can use nickel cadmium rechargeable batteries. At the end of a nickel cadmium battery's useful life, it must be recycled or



disposed of properly. Contact your local, county, or state hazardous waste management authorities for information on recycling or disposal programs in your area or call 1-800-843-7422. Some options that might be available are: municipal curbside collection, drop-off boxes at retailers such as your local RadioShack store, recycling collection centers, and mail-back programs.

ATTACHING THE TRANSMITTER'S ANTENNA

Thread the antenna into the transmitter's antenna connector. Make sure the connection is tight.



INSTALLING THE ANTENNA TUBE

The antenna tube holds up the boat's antenna wire for the best reception and range.

Route the antenna wire's loose end through the tube. Then insert the tube securely into the boat's antenna tube holder.



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OPERATION

Warnings:

- This boat can reach higher speeds than most radio-controlled boats. Be careful when you use the boat to avoid high-impact collisions with people and objects.
- Do not use your boat in strong currents, in salt water, or in any body of water with large waves.
- Never touch the propeller while it is spinning, and never put your fingers near the propeller when the boat's **ON/OFF** switch is turned to **ON**.
- Never play outside during thunderstorms.
- Never play with your boat in strong winds.
- When the boat goes outside the transmitter's control range, it stops. Hold the transmitter as high as possible with the antenna vertical to try to re-establish contact. If you cannot, you must move closer to the boat to control it again, but be careful not to wade into deep water or strong currents!
- 1. Extend the transmitter's antenna to its full length.
- Slide ON/OFF on the transmitter to ON, then slide the boat's ON/OFF switch to ON.



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3. Use the transmitter's control levers to drive and steer the Tsunami.



Left Control Lever — Speed Control

- Push forward to move forward.
- Pull back to move backward.
- Release to stop.

Note: The farther you push or pull the speed control, the faster the boat goes.



Right Control Lever — Rudder Control

- Push left to turn left.
- Push right to turn right.
- Release to go straight.

Caution: When the batteries begin to lose power, the boat slows down. To be sure it can make it to shore (so you don't lose your Tsunami!), guide the boat in as soon as you notice it slowing down.

Note: The right control lever will only turn the Tsunami when you are using the left control lever to move the boat forward or backward.

4. When you finish playing, slide the boat's **ON/OFF** switch to **OFF**, then slide the transmitter's **ON/OFF** switch to **OFF**.

Caution: Always turn on the transmitter first, then the boat, and turn off the boat first, then the transmitter. Otherwise, your boat might pick up other radio waves and start moving while the transmitter is off. Should this happen, immediately turn on the transmitter on to bring the Tsunami under your control.

5. Remove all batteries from the boat and transmitter. Then turn over the boat, remove the rubber stoppers from the drain holes, empty any water from the hull, and dry the boat thoroughly before you store it. Leave the boat's upper cover and battery compartment cover open while it is in storage to allow moisture to evaporate.



Cautions:

- Do not leave your boat in the water when you finish playing. Water might seep into the hull and damage electronic parts.
- Keep the Tsunami away from grass growing in the water and other debris that could cause propeller damage. These items can jam the Tsunami's propeller and stop the boat, so you might not be able to retrieve it.

ADJUSTING THE TRIM LEVERS

The neutral trim lever (next to the left control lever) lets you fine-tune the speed control so the boat completely stops when you release the speed control to its center position.



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The steering trim lever (next to the right control lever) lets you fine-tune the steering so the boat sails in a straight line when you set the steering control to its center position.



Follow these steps to adjust the trim levers.

- 1. Place the boat on the display stand.
- 2. Slide the **ON/OFF** switches on the transmitter and boat to **ON**.
- 3. If the propeller moves, adjust the neutral trim lever until it stops.

Caution: Never use the neutral trim lever to make the boat continually move. It is for adjustment only.

- If the rudder angles left or right, adjust the steering trim lever so it points straight forward.
- 5. When you finish the adjustments, slide the **ON/OFF** switches on the transmitter and the boat to **OFF**.

Notes:

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- You might have to further fine-tune the steering trim lever after using the boat for a while.
- If someone uses a CB nearby, it might interfere with control of the

boat. If this happens, move the boat and transmitter away from the CB.

 You cannot operate the boat near devices with transmitters that use the same frequency. Check the Tsunami's box to see which frequency your boat uses.

RACING TWO OR MORE BOATS TOGETHER

The Tsunami and other radio-controlled boats use specific frequencies to operate. Boats with different control frequencies can race together without interference. Boats with the same frequency cannot.

The following chart shows the control frequencies for your Tsunami. If you buy more than one boat and you plan to race them, check the stickers on the boxes to be sure they are different band numbers/colors for different frequencies.

Band	Frequency (MHz)	Sticker Color	
1	26.995	Brown	
2	27.045	Red	
3	27.095	Orange	
5	27.195	Green	

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CARE

Your is an example of superior design and craftsmanship. Follow these suggestions to care for your boat so you can enjoy it for years.

- Never play in salt water; doing so might rust the Tsunami's parts.
- Do not expose the boat to temperature extremes.
- Wipe the boat clean with a dry towel after playing. Do not use chemicals as they can damage the body.
- Do not leave the boat or transmitter outside overnight. Dampness can damage their electronic circuits.

Modifying or tampering with the boat or transmitter's internal components can cause a malfunction, invalidate the warranty, and void your FCC authorization to operate the boat. If the boat is not performing as it should, take the transmitter to your local RadioShack store for assistance.

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USER-REPLACEABLE PARTS

You can order replacement parts for your boat at your local RadioShack store. Simply identify the part(s) you need from these exploded views, then find the part number in the list on Page 11.





Ref. No.	Description	RSU #	NP Part #
1	Upper Hull Set, including: Upper Hull Cockpit Steering Wheel Air Scoop Head Right Hand Left Hand Body Tapping Screw $(3 \times 8 (+) B Sus)$ (Qty 3) Tapping Screw $(3 \times 8 (+) B \#7.5 Zu)$ (Qty 1) Tapping Screw $(3 \times 10 (+) B Sus)$ (Qty 1)	12184669	Z-92036
2	Battery Cover	12184677	DB-91055
3	Stand (Qty 2)	12184685	Z-92037
4	Screw Set, including: Hexagon Key Washer ($8d \times 4.1d \times 0.5t$) Retaining Ring Screw	12184693	HD-90105
5	Antenna Tube Set (Qty 5)	10681781	HC-4899
6	Transmitter Antenna	10537710	A-0039
7	Transmitter (Band 1)	12184701	ZA-90218
	Transmitter (Band 2)	12184719	ZA-90219
	Transmitter (Band 3)	12184727	ZA-90220
	Transmitter (Band 5)	12184735	ZA-90221
8	Transmitter Battery Lid	11973534	DB-90216
9	Owner's Manual (not shown)	12184743	MU-6004240
10	Service Manual (not shown)	12184750	MS-6004240

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In the event of a product defect during the warranty period, take the product and the RadioShack sales receipt as proof of purchase date to any RadioShack store. RadioShack will, at its option, unless otherwise provided by law: (a) correct the defect by product repair without charge for parts and labor; (b) replace the product with one of the same or similar design; or (c) refund the purchase price. All replaced parts and products, and products on which a refund is made, become the property of RadioShack. New or reconditioned parts and products may be used in the performance of warranty period. You will be charged for repair or replacement of the product made after the expiration of the warranty period.

This warranty does not cover: (a) damage or failure caused by or attributable to acts of God, abuse, accident, misuse, improper or abnormal usage, crash, collision, impact, violent contact, failure to follow instructions, improper installation or maintenance, alteration, lightning or other incidence of excess voltage or current; (b) any repairs other than those provided by a RadioShack Authorized Service Facility; (c) consumables such as fuses or batteries; (d) cosmetic damage; (e) transportation, shipping or insurance costs; or (f) costs of product removal, installation, set-up service adjustment or reinstallation.

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