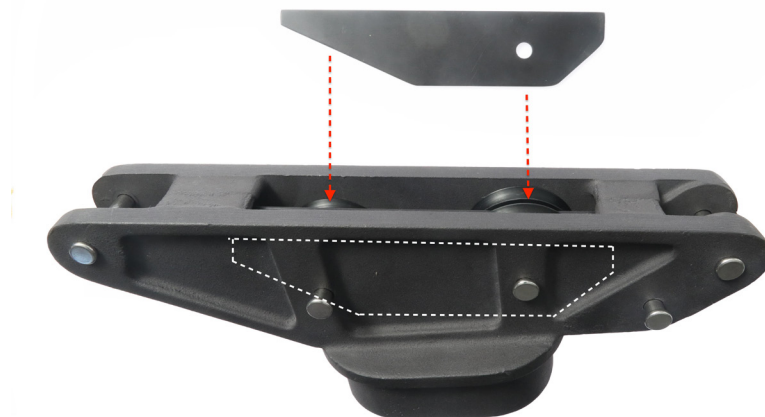


Masthead Divider Plate Information

Early Catalinas came standard with masts set up for external halyards. Many originally had wire to rope halyards that became obsolete as advancements in line technology allowed for stronger and lighter line replacements.

Our replacement mastheads are set up for boats that have internal halyards, like the latest produced Catalinas. If you need a new masthead and want to stay with your external halyards, you will need to order the appropriate four sheaves along with the masthead divider plate to go back to an external halyard setup. Keep in mind that some boats, Catalina 22 for example, have different style sheaves if you are using line or wire halyards.



The divider plates have a hole drilled through them that gets mounted between the two forward sheaves in the masthead. The aft end of the divider plate is angled such that it rests on top of the aft pin between the aft sheaves. The divider plate helps prevent the halyards from jumping from one set of sheaves to the other.

We have seen some variations in casting shape and machining from one mast head to the next. As such you may find that you need to file down the divider plate or notch it some where it rests on the aft clevis pin to ensure that the top of the divider plate clears the underside of the masthead casting cross member.