# THE DATATAG EQUINE SECURITY MARKING SYSTEM FOR SADDLES AND TACK - FITTING INSTRUCTIONS A QUICK FIT INSTALLATION GUIDE



Thank you for purchasing Datatag for your Saddle and Equine tack. Datatag is Europe's Award Winning theft deterrent & identification system. When installed correctly Datatag will greatly reduce the risk of the theft of your Saddle and Tack.

Please take just a few minutes to read this guide to installation:

#### IMPORTANT SYSTEM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Your new Datatag Security Marking System will only protect your tack when it has been registered with Datatag. Please register your system as soon as possible after installation.

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION**

- 1. Please visit www.datatag.co.uk/equine/
- 2. Select which type of system you want to register (Tack Room or Saddle)
- 3. Follow the on screen instructions. You will be asked for your owner details and the details of the make(s), model(s) and colour(s) of your saddle and the relevant transponder code(s) of the 'Button' transponder installed in each individual saddle.
- 3. Once you have completed the information click the Submit Registration button.
- 4. If you have entered a valid e-mail address, you should receive confirmation within three days of registering your system that your tack is protected. The email will also contain an electronic copy of your registration certificate that you should print off and keep in a safe place.

NOTE: If you do not have access to the internet, please call us on 0845 0700 440 to register your property. You will need to quote the Datatag Membership number and the Datatag transponder codes.

For advice please call: (UK) 08 450 700 440 we're always here to help!

#### THE DATATAG 'SADDLE' SYSTEM CONTAINS:



1 Circular shaped electronic 'Button' transponder (similar in size to a shirt button or pill)



1 High quality silver and green identification stud

Transponder installation rod



A5 self adhesive Datatag Warning Sign

#### THE DATATAG 'TACK ROOM' SYSTEM CONTAINS:



3 Circular shaped electronic 'Button' transponder (similar in size to a shirt button or pill)



3 High quality silver and green identification stud

installation rod

Datadots® containing approximately 1000 Datadots including an invisible Datatag Forensic DNA with 1 phial or small tube of etching compound and a brush applicator





A4 hard gate/fence Datatag Warning Sign



A5 self adhesive Datatag Warning Sign

Datatag allows for the saddle and valuable items of tack and equestrian equipment to be tagged and marked using a combination of unique technologies; circular shaped electronic Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) transponders, Datadot® technology which now include an invisible Datatag Forensic DNA solution plus high quality metal identification stud(s). Datatag's award winning system is one of the most successful deterrents against theft.

#### FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

Important Note: The Tack Room System can mark up to three saddles using the three Datatag 'Button' Transponders contained in the system. Each transponder is supplied in a plastic bag with a bar code and number on it.

Please make a note of the saddle make, model and colour including the corresponding transponder barcode number inserted into the saddle. This important information will be required when you register your system on line.

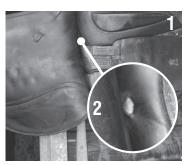
#### **Installing the Datatag Transponder:**



- 1) Turn your saddle over so that the Pommel and the Cantel rest on a hard surface.
- 2) Pull down the flap and girth straps. This should expose a small hole in the panel (used for re-stuffing the saddle).

NOTE: Some saddles have the opening towards the back of the saddle

- 3) Insert the 'Button' transponder into the forked end of the installation tool provided.
- 4) Insert the transponder and tool into the stuffing hole, ideally towards the rear of the saddle. The tool should be inserted at least approximately 15cm (6 inches).
- 5) 'Wiggle' the insertion tool to release the transponder and withdraw the insertion tool.









### Installing the Datatag Visible Identification Stud (silver and green metal stud)



- 1) Select a suitable part of one of the leather saddle flaps ideally towards a front or rear edge. Choose a part of the flap that will not rub against the rider's leg or another strap/harness.
- 2) Punch or drill a 3mm hole through the flap ideally using a purpose made punch (not supplied)
- 3) Insert the stud pin into the hole fully.
- 4) Press the brass cap on the stud pin which should now be exposed through the leather.
- 5) Fold the flap down so that the brass cap is resting on a hard surface a hard piece of plastic or wood.
- 6) Using a soft headed mallet, firmly tap the head of the stud (silver and green head) to drive the stud pin home into the brass cap.
- 7) Check that the pin has seated properly in the cap and that the stud is now firmly pressed into the leather of the saddle. If it is not, tap it again a little more firmly.

The stud is now installed.

## Installing the Datadots® and Forensic DNA (Tack Room System Only)

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#### Datadots ® & the new Datatag Forensic DNA Invisible solution

Each tube contains approximately 1000 Datadots®; each dot within the tube carries the same unique ID information! The adhesive carrying the Datadots now also contains a unique Forensic chemical DNA. This gives your tack its own unique DNA!

- Datadots are used to protect as many pieces of tack and kit as possible; it only takes one Datadot or DNA trace to provide conclusive identification.
- Datadots are visibly read using special magnifiers, already issued to the Police and other official organisations.

**IMPORTANT!** The Datadots are suspended in clear glue which dries to an almost clear finish. Try to avoid marking items in places where they are subject to wear or friction and the Datadots and DNA may be rubbed off.

Ensure all surfaces are always clean and dry prior to application.

#### Instructions

- I) Shake the tube well before use
- II) Using the brush supplied within the tube, paint the dots and the Forensic DNA onto the piece of equipment to be marked making sure that the dots and Forensic DNA adhesive is applied sparingly.

Examples of typical items that can be marked with Datadots® and Forensic DNA include: hard metal or plastic parts of bridles, harnesses, stirrups, head collars, riding boots, hats etc.

BUT NOT directly onto leather or materials that will be greased, washed or treated with abrasive chemicals/compounds.



