

Choose the Right Stud: Model #1100 or #3000?

Grip Studs™ offers two wader stud models – the #1100 and the #3000. The difference between the two models is the length of protrusion of the stud from the shoe's sole; however, the depth of penetration into the sole is the same on both models. If properly installed, neither model should penetrate entirely through the wader shoe sole.

Keep in mind, if your boots have pre-drilled holes for studs, you should use the existing pilot holes. Otherwise, studs should be installed in between the tread knobs of your soles. If your tread pattern is too tight to allow positioning in between the knobs, the studs should be placed on top of the knobs.

Choosing the best stud for your wading shoe depends on two factors – the type of tread on your wader boot or sandal, and the type of fishing conditions you regularly encounter.

Model #1100 Stud, 1.9 Protrusion

Choose the #1100 Wader Stud for these conditions:

Medium Tread Knob Height in Moderate Wading Conditions

Choose the #1100 stud for soles with a medium tread knob profile when fishing in moderate wading conditions.

Low Tread Knob Height

Choose the #1100 stud for soles with a low tread knob profile. In moderate fishing conditions, use 10 studs per sole; in aggressive fishing conditions, use 14 studs per sole (See Placement Patterns).

Tight Tread Knob Pattern

Choose the #1100 stud for wading shoes with tight tread patterns requiring placement on top of the knobs. For moderate fishing conditions, use 10 studs per sole; for aggressive fishing conditions, use 14 studs per sole.



Model #3000 Stud, 4.3 Protrusion

Choose the #3000 Wader Stud for these conditions:

Medium Tread Knob Height in Aggressive Wading Conditions

Choose the #3000 stud for soles with a medium tread knob profile when fishing in aggressive wading conditions such as swiftly flowing water and uneven, rocky, or mossy surfaces.

High Tread Knob Height

Choose the #3000 stud if your tread knob height is too high to allow the impact tip to make contact with the wading surface. For high tread knobs in moderate fishing conditions, use 10 studs per sole; for aggressive fishing conditions, use 14 studs per sole.

Important Considerations When Choosing #3000 Studs

The #3000 stud is a great choice for challenging penetrable surfaces such as thick silt, mud, or weeds. It also works well on impenetrable surfaces such as rocks; however, when customizing be careful not to over-stud your wader shoes. We all know wading on rocks with rubber soles is slippery, but replacing all of the sole's rubber contact surface with an all-metal contact surface can be almost as slippery. For use on rocks, studs should increase the traction of the rubber surface, not create a completely new surface of metal spikes only.



For help determining which stud is right for you, don't hesitate to contact us 8:30 - 5:30 PST at 888-582-2700 or 541-476-6065 or email us at info@waderstuds.com