

The blade does NOT have to be detached from the boot.

Acceptable gap in middle between ends of guard should be less than $\frac{3}{4}$ ". The ideal gap should be approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ "

Slip the piece of the guard with the longer tail over the heel end of the blade. Place the other piece of the guard over the toe pick end of the blade. If there is an overlap, cutting is required.

By measuring the blade from the very back of the heel to the very tip of the toe, mark the center point with a Sharpie pen.

Accuracy is critical.

Once the blade is marked, measure each half of the guard separately. Slip the taller end onto the blade at the heel and marking the guard at the half way point marked on the blade. Mark at the first "V" notch.

Repeat with the smaller end over the toe pick end and measure at the middle of the blade. Mark at the first "V" notch closest to the center mark on the guard.

Assemble with the springs on each side. Use holes for the screws that result in the springs being slightly stretched, even when the guard is not on the blade.

Once the springs are attached and the guard is put on the blade there should be a $\frac{1}{8}$ " to $\frac{3}{8}$ " gap in the middle.

If there is no gap, the guard will be loose when on the blade. Disassemble and cut one notch off one side of the guard.

Guard Dog printed instructions can be found at www.guarddog.ca