Congratulations on your purchase of a Viper™ binocular—a great value for any outdoor experience.

**Optical Quality.**

The bright images you’ll see with a Viper binocular are the result of fully multi-coated optics, working to increase light transmission throughout the optical system. Phase correction, a coating on the prism surfaces, further improves the color fidelity, quality, and contrast for sharp imaging that is especially noticeable under low light conditions.

**Caution:**

*Binoculars are not intended for looking at the sun, or any other intense light source. Such viewing could damage the retina and cornea of your eyes—even to the point of causing blindness.*
Rugged Design
The Vipers are rugged roof prism binoculars. The waterproof, dust proof, and internally fogproof design features an internal focusing mechanism, o-rings at all open points, and argon gas purging.

Preparing the Viper for Use

The Case
The Viper carry case provides protection for the binocular when not in use. For an easy carry in the field, clip the woven nylon neckstrap onto the case.

The Lens Covers
The Viper binocular comes with two tethered objective lens covers and a one-piece rainguard that covers the eyepieces. For convenience, the rainguard can be attached to the neckstrap where it is within easy reach. Simply slip the neckstrap through the attachment point on the rainguard before connecting the neckstrap to the binocular.
The Neckstrap
Attach the padded neckstrap to the binocular in three simple steps. Begin with the right barrel of the binocular and repeat the process for the left barrel.

1. Push a few inches of the strap through the neckstrap attachment point on the binocular.

2. Loop the strap over the attachment point, then thread the strap through the strap buckle.

Secure the end of the strap by slipping it through the strap loop.

Customizing the Viper

Adjusting the Eyecups.
The eyecups on a Viper binocular twist up and down so any viewer can take advantage of the long eye relief and enjoy comfortable, full-field viewing.

With eyeglasses or sunglasses, retract the eyecups.

Without eyeglasses or sunglasses, extend the eyecups.

The twist-up eyecups are built on a solid frame, tapered to fit the contour of the eye, and covered with rubber.

Adjusting the Interpupillary Distance.
The interpupillary distance (IPD) is the distance between the centers of the left and right eye pupils. Match the IPD of your eyes to that of the binocular by rotating the binocular barrels inward or outward until you see a single image that is free of shading.
**Focusing the Binocular.**

Choose an object that is about 20 yards away from you and follow this two-step process to properly adjust the focus. Be sure to stay in the same spot until you have adjusted both the center focus and diopter.

1. **Adjust the center focus** – Start by closing your right eye or covering the right objective lens with your hand. Focus your left eye on the object and adjust the center focus wheel until the image is in focus. Leave the center focus in this position as you adjust the diopter.

2. **Adjust the diopter** – Start by closing your left eye or covering the left objective lens with your hand. Look through your right eye and adjust the diopter (ring found on the right eyepiece) until the object is in focus. Make note of this diopter setting in case you need to set it again.

*From this point on, you will only need to use the center focus dial.*

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**Caring for the Lenses**

Maintain the optical brilliance of the Viper by keeping the lens surfaces free of dirt, oils, and dust.

**Protect Lenses While Out in the Field.**

Make use of the rainguard and tethered objective lens covers to protect the lenses when not viewing. Store the Viper in its custom-molded carry case.

**Keep Lenses Clean.**

Along with normal use comes the need to clean the binocular lenses. Follow these guidelines for cleaning:

1. **Remove any dust or grit from lenses before wiping.** Use a can of pressurized air or soft camel hair brush (acrylic optical brushes also work well).

2. **Clear lenses of smudges, fingerprints, or eyelash oil.** Fog the lenses with your own breath and wipe with the non-abrasive lens cloth included with the Viper binocular.

**Other cleaning options:**

*Cleaning fluid and optical paper can also be used. However, you should never use facial tissue, heavy cotton, or flannel clothing on lenses—these materials can scratch the lens surfaces.*

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The VIP Warranty

We build optics based on our commitment to your absolute satisfaction. That’s why Vortex products are unconditionally guaranteed.

Vortex pledges this Very Important Promise to you—a Very Important Person. That’s why we call it the VIP warranty. In the event that a Viper requires service, no matter the cause, Vortex Optics will repair or replace the binocular at no charge to you.

Call Vortex Optics at 800-426-0048 for prompt, professional, and friendly service.

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