

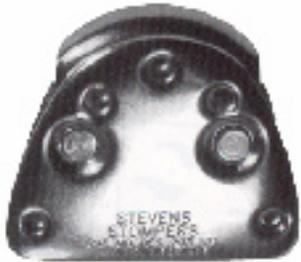
# STEVENS STOMPERS®

Stevens Stompers® clogging taps offer you a number of possibilities for installation on shoes and boots.

•Glue or nail a set of **Buck Taps®** or regular, non-buck taps, onto an old pair of shoes for an economical way to start clogging - - especially for kids!

•When you are ready to begin

performing, you may want to purchase special shoes or boots made just for clogging. You may choose to install Buck Taps® or regular, non-buck taps, depending upon the type of steps you use in your clogging routines.



Stevens Stompers® Buck toe tap



Stevens Stompers® non-buck toe tap

This flyer contains instructions for installing taps with glue, nails

or screws. Most people choose to install using nails, but certain types of situations may require glue or screws.

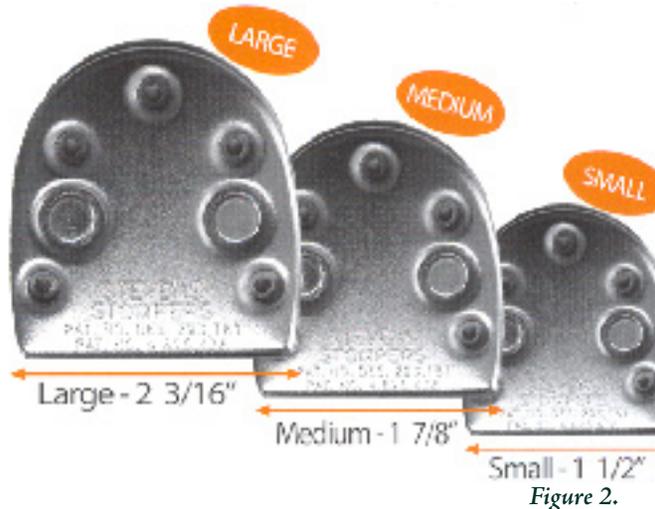
# TAP PLACEMENT

It is important that you place the tap correctly to get the best fit and sound. If you are gluing on taps, mark the outline of the taps on the sole of the shoe with a pen or pencil.

## Toe Tap

The Buck tap toe flange should rest lightly back against the toe-tip of the shoe. Most dancers prefer to have the front edge of the non-buck toe tap slightly back from the front tip of the shoe. (See Figure 1)

## Heel Tap (See Figures 1 & 2)



Select the optimum size heel tap for the shoe. Heel taps are shown in Figure 2. The heel tap should cover most of the shoe heel but not extend out beyond the edge. Most dancers wish to have the heel tap set in about 1/4 inch from the back edge of the shoe heel for safety.

# GLUING ON TAPS

**Glue-On Taps** do not have nail holes, and are an especially good choice for protecting floor surfaces. To glue taps on, place round stickers (included in the package) over the back of the rivets. Clean shoe sole of any debris. Roughen the sole of the shoe inside the tap outlines drawn on shoe and apply glue to those areas. For information concerning glue types, consult our website or call Customer Service. Follow directions for your glue product.

*Tip: Whatever glue you use, be sure to allow the full curing time. Glue will not hold properly if disturbed before the full setting time has elapsed. The taps should be cured at room temperature.*

Nail-on and glue-on taps are not guaranteed to stick to every sole composition



Figure 1

## NAILING ON TAPS

To nail your taps on, you need an iron last (otherwise known as a shoe anvil). If you would like further information about purchasing a shoe last, please request our SHOE LAST FLYER.

**Shoes and boots made especially for clogging.** Pull back the sole of the shoe if you can. Place the shoe on the anvil. Position taps as described in TAP PLACEMENT section of this flyer. Nail on taps angling the nail inward toward the center of the shoe (and away from side edges). Make sure the nail hits the iron last and is bent over flat. You will need a nail set to get inside the outer nail hole and drive the nail all the way in tight. Put your hand carefully into the toe of the shoe and feel if any nails are sticking up. If so, hit the nail again on the last until the nail is bent over flat inside the shoe.



This dragon last is one of the types of shoe lasts we carry.

*If you do not wish to purchase an iron last, you can put the taps on with tiny, machined screws. Request a Screw Kit and use a narrow, thin blade screwdriver.*

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