

How to Soften a Mecate

You can soak a mecate, in a big coil, in the kitchen sink or a 5 gallon bucket with some shampoo or dish soap but not conditioner, for about 20 minutes. Then take it out and rinse the soap out, swing it around to get the excess water out and then lay it out in a big coil or straight in the sun. I have thrown them up on a roof or in a tree or anywhere a dog or rodent won't get to it and chew it. It will take all day to dry in the sun or maybe 3 days if it is inside. If you have humidity it will take longer, you can tell it is dry cause it is a lot softer and flexible.