

Lifejacket Recalls (also see www.rnli.org/seasafety/safety_issues)

Mailspeed Charter Lifejackets & Seago 150N & 175N Lifejackets (Including Junior Lifejackets)

Date: June 2008

Some Mailspeed Charter Lifejackets & some Seago 150N & 175N Lifejackets <u>may</u> have a defect which could result in serious injury.

The Lifejackets are marked with a manufacture date in Roman numerals, for instance the last quarter of 2005 is shown as IV/05.



If you own a Mailspeed Charter Lifejacket or a Seago 150N or Seago 175N Lifejacket then please check the manufacture date. The lifejackets were sold throughout the United Kingdom.

If you have an affected lifejacket then **PLEASE STOP USING IT IMMEDIATELY.** Please remove the gas cylinder manually and return the lifejacket only to:

Seago Yachting Ltd, Mullany Business Park, Golden Cross, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 3RP

with your full contact details for testing. Any faulty lifejackets will be replaced. Jackets which are tested and found not to be faulty will be returned.

Addendum – August 2008

Lifejackets dated II/07 (ie second quarter) have subsequently also been added to the recall list.

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Crewsaver United Moulders Mk3 Standard Automatic Head

Date: September 2007

Our (Crewsaver) Lifejacket servicing department has brought to our attention a problem with the **United Moulders Mk3 Standard Automatic Head**. This component was fitted to Crewsaver Crewfit and Survivor inflatable Lifejackets



manufactured 12 years ago and older.

Manufacturers tests indicate this component to be at the end of its safe and usable life and should now be replaced.

To determine if the Lifejacket is affected please view the images on the left. If your Lifejacket is fitted with the **Mk3 Standard Automatic Head (shown left)**, then please contact Crewsaver.

Providing your Lifejacket has been serviced annually and correctly maintained as per the user manual guidelines, replacement of the firing head will keep your Lifejacket in safe working order.

It is essential that the head replacement is undertaken by Crewsaver and on no account should you attempt to replace this yourself.

We strongly recommend owners of Crewsaver Crewfit or Survivor Lifejacket with a **Mk3 Standard Automatic Head** fitted to contact Crewsaver direct on Tel. 02392 528621 or by email <u>sales@crewsaver.co.uk</u> to discuss the replacement process.

NB: UM Mk 3 Automatic heads were also fitted to Barbour, Cosalt, Douglas Gill, Fox, Leeda, Musto or Marlin products.

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United Moulders Manual Inflators Date: July 2007



United Moulders have become aware that after extended use, the UML manual inflator may not function adequately. The products potentially affected were manufactured between 1999 and 2000; the inflators are easily identified, being printed with serial numbers in the following range:

00000001 to 00018691

The serial number is printed on the face of the inflator.

It is recommended that you immediately check your lifejacket.

If you have one of the UML manual inflators then check the serial number printed on the front (pictured above). If it is in range of the serial numbers listed above, telephone the following number, (as soon as possible), and arrange to have it replaced, free of charge.

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Safety Alert - Withdrawal of Remploy Lifejacket Date: 2006

Remploy (the manufacturer) has brought to our attention that some of the **ENGLAND PROFESSIONAL LIFEJACKET** manufactured between the **6 October 1997 and 24 July 2006**, all of which have a green outer cover, may have been incorrectly assembled, possibly leading to an inflation failure in the event of manual operation.

No matter of concern has been raised regarding their automatic inflation. These lifejackets are being recalled as a precaution for inspection and, where appropriate, repair or replacement.



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Halkey Roberts Automatic head Bobbins Date: August 1997

Most of these should now be out of circulation but we include it in case you still come across any and for background information. The recall refers mainly to bobbins made in 1996 but also effects older bobbins.

Any bobbin made before 1997 should be replaced with one dated January 1997 (01/97) onwards. The colour of the suspect, 1996 bobbins is salmon/dusky rose pink and they are clearly date marked. If the bobbins are suspected of being faulty, then the life-jackets should be withdrawn from service until the bobbins have been changed by someone who has been trained in the straightforward, user, pre-wear checks.

Users of these life-jackets may well wish to continue using them relying on manual inflation. Inspectors should advise that automatically inflated life-jackets are suitable for those likely to fall into the water unexpectedly and that manually inflated life-jackets should only be used if it is certain that the wearer will have enough time to produce full buoyancy before entering the water. Halkey Roberts recommends that bobbins have a maximum shelf life (in good storage conditions) of 3 years and that they should be replaced as part of the routine, eg annual inspection and test.

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