

Water Rescue Equipment Inspection Checklist

Remember to check your water rescue equipment **monthly!**

PFD

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, missing buckles, faded fabric.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes are available for all assigned personnel.
- ___ Ensure proper color scheme (Yellow = Technician, Orange/Red = Awareness, Ops).
- ___ Ensure all vests have a working whistle.
- ___ Ensure vests have a knife in working order.
- ___ Ensure vests have working quick release buckle, ring, and length adjusting buckle (Technician only).

DRYSUIT & LINER

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, faded and/or damaged fabric, and broken zippers.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes are available for all assigned personnel (Technician).
- ___ Clean/Decontaminate suit and liner as needed (after use and/or training).
- ___ Lubricate all zippers per instructions manual in the maintenance kit.
- ___ Apply protectant to all latex gaskets (per instructions) and buff with a clean cloth.
- ___ Store with all zippers open (keeps compression of the seal).

ICE RESCUE SUIT

- ___ Ensure ice picks are present (minimum one pair per suit).
- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, faded and/or damaged fabric, and broken zippers.
- ___ Clean/decontaminate suit and liner as needed (after use and/or training).
- ___ Lubricate all zippers per instructions manual in the maintenance kit.
- ___ Store with all zippers open (keeps compression of the seal).

HELMET

- ___ Inspect for wear, cracks and missing buckles.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes are available for all assigned personnel.
- ___ Ensure proper color scheme (Yellow = Technician, Red = Awareness/Operations).

COLD WATER HELMET LINER

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, faded and/or damaged fabric, broken zippers.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes available for all assigned personnel (Technician).

WATER SHOES

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, faded and/or damaged fabric, and broken zippers.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes available for all assigned personnel (Technician).

WATER & COLD GLOVES

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, faded and/or damaged fabric, broken zippers, and missing or loose velcro.
- ___ Ensure proper sizes available for all assigned personnel.

THROWBAG

- ___ Inspect for wear, tear, faded and/or damaged fabric/rope.
- ___ Make sure bag is marked with length of rope.

SWIM FINN

- ___ Inspect for wear, tears, and broken buckles (Technician).