

SAFETY ALERT

INFLATABLE LIFEJACKETS

Over recent months it has been brought to our attention that there have been several instances where gas inflated lifejackets have **failed to inflate** in an emergency.

It is suspected that the overriding reason for such a failure is **loose gas bottles**.

SERVICE lifejackets on an annual basis at a manufacturer recognised service station

INSPECT the lifejacket before donning every time

INFLATE lifejacket regularly using oral inflation device to check for air leaks

FOLLOW manufacturers' care, stowage & donning instructions at all times

CHECK LIST

- ✓ Straps, buckles and outer cover in good condition
- ✓ Safety harness, its stitching and buckles in good condition
- ✓ Inflatable lung for abrasion damage
- ✓ Gas inflation cylinder for signs of corrosion
- ✓ Gas inflation cylinder for tightness of connection to inflation mechanism
- ✓ Automatic inflation system, if fitted