

Class B (SOLAS) Emergency Pack

A Class B (SOLAS) emergency pack for life rafts consists of

- (a) one buoyant rescue quoit attached to not less than 30 m of buoyant line;
- (b) one non-folding safety knife with a buoyant handle and hand guard, attached and stowed in a pocket on the exterior of the canopy adjacent to the painter;
- (c) for each life raft that has a complement of more than 12 persons, one safety knife, in addition to that required by paragraph (b), that is not required to be non-folding;
- (d) two buoyant bailers for a life raft that has a complement of more than 12 persons and one buoyant bailer in any other case;
- (e) two sponges;
- (f) two sea anchors,
 - (i) one spare and the other permanently attached to the life raft in such a way that, when the life raft inflates and is waterborne, the sea anchor causes the life raft to lie oriented to the wind in a stable manner, and
 - (ii) each with a shock-resistant hawser and a tripping line, both the hawser and the line being strong enough for all sea conditions;
- (g) two buoyant paddles;
- (h) one whistle or equivalent sound signalling device;
- (i) the following distress signals:
 - (i) six pyrotechnic distress signals, of which two are rocket parachute flares, three are hand flares and one is a buoyant smoke signal, or
 - (ii) until the first servicing of the life raft after April 27, 1996, six red hand flares;
- (j) one watertight electric flashlight suitable for Morse signalling and, in a watertight container, one spare set of batteries and one spare bulb for the flashlight;
- (k) for each member of the complement, six doses of anti-seasickness medicine and one seasickness bag;
- (l) one heliograph for signalling to ships and aircraft, with instructions for its use;
- (m) one first aid kit that meets the requirements of section 4;
- (n) a copy of life saving signals set out on a waterproof card or in a watertight container;
- (o) instructions on
 - (i) how to survive until rescued, and
 - (ii) the steps to be taken by members of the complement immediately after boarding the life raft;

(p) thermal protective aids for two persons or 10 per cent of the complement, whichever is greater;

(q) for each life raft with inflatable compartments, one repair kit for repairing punctures and one topping-up bellows or pump; and

(r) one radar reflector.