# ARE YOU #LifejacketSafe



### DO YOU...

- ✓ Wear a lifejacket and wear it correctly
- ✓ Get your lifejacket serviced annually

- ✓ Wear the right lifejacket for your activity
- ✓ Follow care and maintenance guidelines

#### SURVIVE, BE FOUND AND GET RECOVERED

How a lifejacket can keep you safe:

#### 1. Keep you afloat

✓ Buoyancy provided by a lifejacket will fully support an individual even when unconscious

### 2. Airway protection

- ✓ Buoyancy distribution works to rotate the individual into a face up position when in water (providing it is worn correctly)
- ✓ Increases distance between waterline and airway known as mouth freeboard
- ✓ Spray hood\* reduces the risk of secondary drowning by minimising water inhalation
- ✓ Inflatable chin support to comfortably support your head and keep your airway clear

### 3. Aid visibility and recovery

- ✓ Reflective tape ✓ Highly visible bladder ✓ Automatic lifejacket light\* ✓ Whistle
- ✓ Lifting becket/s ✓ Emergency location beacon attachment points\*







<sup>\*</sup> Additional features to consider when choosing a lifejacket

### **FAQ**

- When should I wear a lifejacket?
  - A lifejacket should be worn when on or near the water.
- How do I know if I am wearing it correctly?
  - Make sure you have selected the correct size and ensure all straps are secured and adjusted into a comfortably tight position.
- What lifejacket do I need?

Whatever your circumstances, be sure to choose your lifejacket carefully. Whether you are selecting for yourself, your family or your crew, you should consider worst-case scenarios and the type of lifejacket everyone should be wearing for their ultimate safety.

#### Inshore / Coastal

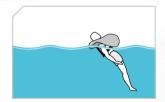
A 100N – 190N lifejacket is ideal for inshore/ coastal watersport use such as day sailing and powerboating.

Offshore / Ocean

For those heading further afield or wearing multiple layers of wet weather clothing, opt for a lifejacket that has a higher level of buoyancy i.e. 190N – 290N.

The additional buoyancy will increase the time it takes to turn and lift the wearer further out of the water to increase mouth freeboard.







Do I need to look out for any additional features?

When choosing your lifejacket make sure you know what is included and how it works. Key features to consider are:

- ✓ Inflation type ✓ Spray hood & light ✓ Crotch strap/s ✓ Harness point ✓ Lifting becket/s
- ✓ Buoyancy levels and distribution ✓ Emergency location beacon attachment points









### DO



Wear your lifejacket



Get your lifejacket serviced at a fully approved service station



Understand how your lifejacket Ask the skipper the last time they works



had their lifejackets serviced

### **DON'T**



Wear a damaged lifejacket



Wear clothes over the top of your lifejacket



Wear a lifejacket that shows red status indicators



Wear an incorrectly fitting lifejacket

## CARE & MAINTENANCE

- How often should I get my lifejacket serviced?
   Crewsaver advises that all lifejackets should be serviced annually at a fully approved service station. Visit the Crewsaver website to view the complete list of Crewsaver approved service stations.
- How do I know how to look after my lifejacket?

  Make sure your lifejacket is serviced annually and is visually inspected before every use. Do
  not stack equipment on top of your lifejacket and ensure it is fully dry before storing. Always
  follow manufacturer's guidelines regarding care and maintenance.

## LOOK AFTER YOUR LIFEJACKET SO IT CAN LOOK AFTER YOU

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