# **JON BUOY**<sup>®</sup> RECOVERY MODULE Mk 6 VALISE

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**Owner's Manual** 



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# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**



1.0.1 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise is a full man overboard solution, enabling deployment of a device that can locate, support and recover a MOB. The Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise is accepted as a direct replacement for one traditional Danbuoy, Horseshoe, Drogue, Light and Whistle specified within the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations where two would normally be required.

1.0.2 To launch the Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise, the unit is pulled off the bulkhead and thrown into the water which activates the module. Providing a quick and intuitive release and deployment.

1.0.3 When operated, the Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise deploys directly from the valise, inflating automatically, immediately providing a high visibility safe haven for the MOB.

1.0.4 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise supports the casualty comfortably out of the water, reducing the risk of hypothermia whilst awaiting recovery.

1.0.5 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise is recovered horizontally, this is particularly important with the possible hypothermic casualty and reduces the chance of further complications or cardiac arrest during recovery.

#### **1.1 FEATURES**

- 1. Single action deployment
- 2. Compact and lightweight
- 3. Aesthetic valise
- 4. Valise available in white or orange
- 5. Automatic inflation
- 6. Tailored buoyancy design
- 7. SOLAS automatic light
- 8. Intuitive boarding assistance
- 9. Integrated water stability system
- 10. Lifting harness
- 11. Safe Working Load of 200kg
- 12. Retro-reflective binding
- 13. 5m throwing quoit & line
- 14. AIS attachment point
- 15. 3 year service intervals
- 16. Bulkhead mounted

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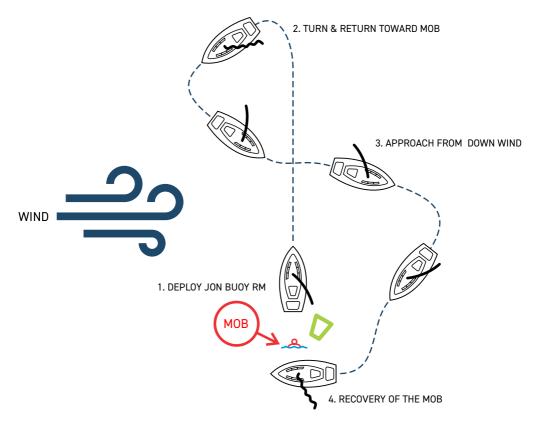


#### **1.2 PREPARATION FOR A MOB SITUATION**

1.2.1 In the event that the Jon Buoy Recovery Module is required, it is critical to understand how it works and to devise a plan for an emergency situation.

1.2.2 The following pages of this manual detail how the Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise works. More importantly, it is essential that there is a plan to get back to the MOB safely.

1.2.3 Below is a simple diagram of a MOB situation, from deployment to coming alongside the casualty;





**WARNING:** ENSURE ALL CREW MEMBERS ARE TRAINED IN THE USE OF THE RECOVERY MODULE AND IN THE MOB PROCEDURE

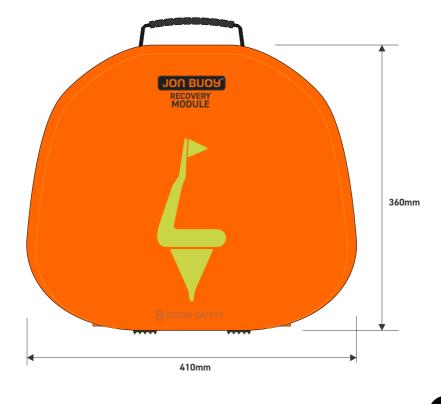




#### 2.1 POSITIONING THE RECOVERY MODULE

2.1.1 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise can be mounted to bulkheads using the backplate and fixings (not supplied).

2.1.2 Try to mount the recovery module in a location not exposed to frequent impact of waves or the direct flow of water passing the vessel. But in a position that can be quickly and easily accessed in an emergency.





# **2.0 INSTALLATION**



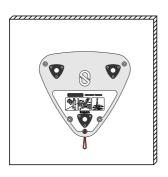
#### 2.2 INSTALLING THE RECOVERY MODULE



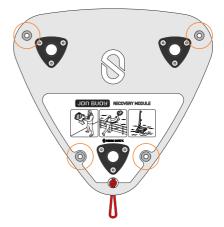
**NOTE:** FIXINGS FOR BULKHEAD MOUNTING ARE NOT SUPPLIED. THESE WILL VARY ON THE SURFACE THE MOUNTING PLATE IS FIXED TO. OCEAN SAFETY WILL NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY INCORRECT FIXING.



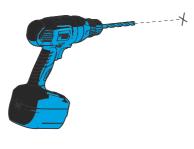
2.2.1 Position the mounting plate onto the desired area ensuring the mounting plate can sit flat against the bulkhead and is level. 2.2.2 Mark x4 drill holes.

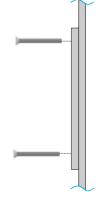


2.2.3 Remove the mounting plate from the bulkhead. Drill x4 holes in the marked locations.



2.2.4 Place the mounting plate onto the drilled holes. Secure with the appropriate fixings for the bulkhead that are through panel (not provided).





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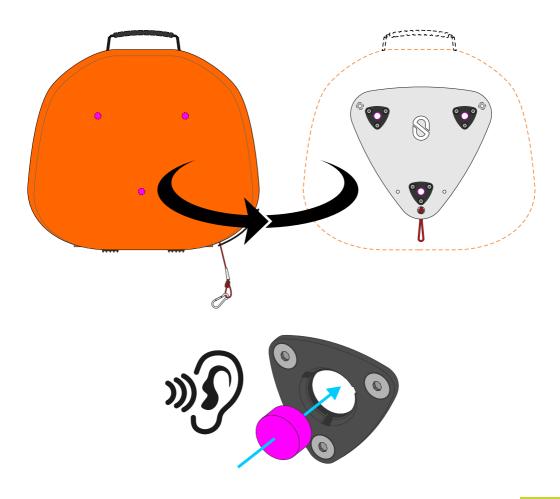


#### **2.3 FITTING THE VALISE**

2.3.1 Once the mounting plate has been secured to the bulkhead, ensure the looped red cord at the bottom is easily accessible.

2.3.2 Align the 3 purple fixings on the rear of the valise with the 3 corresponding clips which are screwed to the mounting plate.

2.3.3 Firmly push the valise into the mounting plate until you feel all 3 fixings connect. There will be an audible click from each fixing.

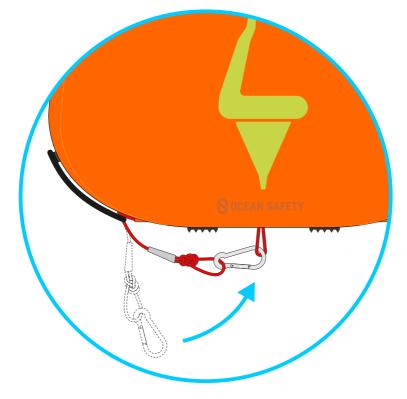


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#### **2.4 ARMING THE MODULE**

2.3.4 With the valise affixed to the bulkhead, connect the arming line (from the valise) to the cord loop of the mounting plate. A simple carabina clip is used to make this connection.





WARNING: THE RECOVERY MODULE IS NOW ARMED. PULLING THE VALISE FROM THE MOUNTING PLATE WITHOUT FIRST UN-CLIPPING THE ARMING LINE WILL RESULT IN IRREVERSIBLY ARMING THE PRODUCT READY FOR DEPLOYMENT.



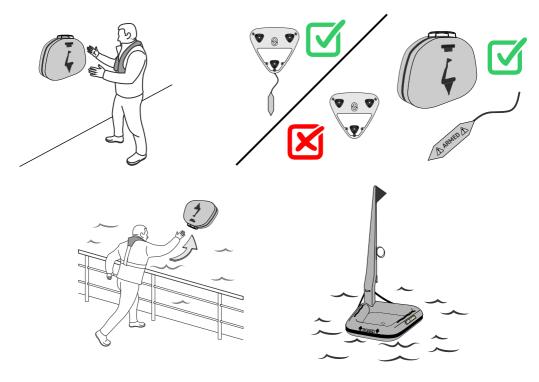
#### **3.1 LAUNCHING THE MODULE**

3.1.1 In a MOB situation, locate the nearest Recovery Module, pull the recovery module free from the mounting bracket.

3.1.2 Ensure the green 'ARMED' strip is pulled free from the valise. If this fails, manually arm the recovery module by pulling the grab handle until the green 'ARMED' strip is fully detached.

3.1.3 Deploy the recovery module towards the MOB, it will automatically inflate on contact with the water.

3.1.4 Once the recovery module has deployed the MOB can board.

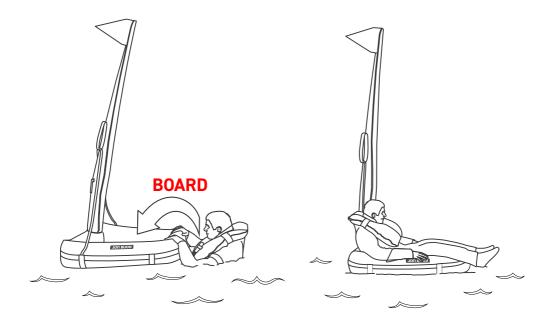




WARNING: THE JON BUOY RECOVERY MODULE VALISE MUST ONLY BE OPENED IN A MOB SITUATION



#### **3.2 BOARDING THE MODULE**



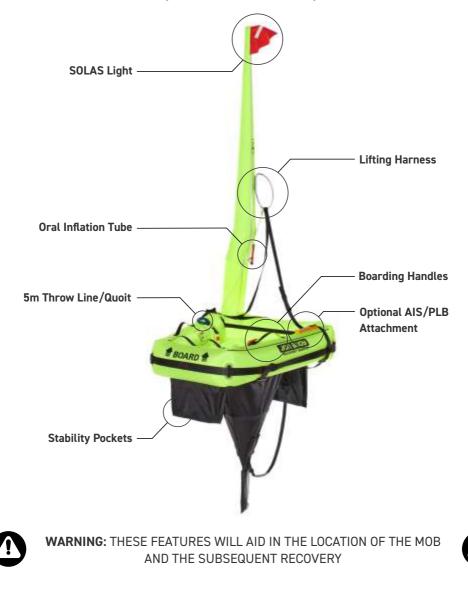
3.2.1 Ocean Safety recommend that the recovery module is approached and boarded from the front. However it is also possible to board at the side of the module.

3.2.2 A number of webbing grab handles are strategically located on the inside and outside of the module to assist with the boarding process.

3.3.3 Await rescue.

#### **3.3 ONBOARD THE MODULE**

3.3.1 Once boarded, the recovery module provides a highly visible safe haven for a MOB. The module has a number of key benefits to aid in recovery.

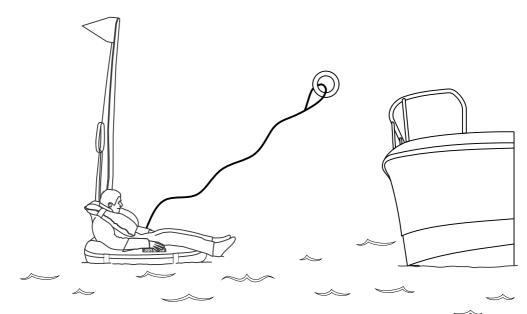


# **4.0 RECOVERY**



#### **4.1 PREPARATION**

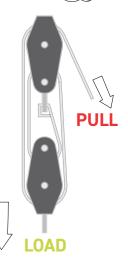
4.1.1 A weighted throwing line is provided to aid recovery. The line is 5m long and provides a link between the recovery module and vessel. The line enables control between the vessel and the module prior to recovery.



4.1.2 Ocean Safety highly recommend the use of a handy billy in the recovery of a MOB from the water.

4.1.3 The device is constructed from a number of black shackles and ropes to gain mechanical advantage when lifting. The use of a handy billy ensures a safer, smoother and more effective lift.

4.1.4 There are a number of best practice methods for a handy billy and it is vitally important for all crew members to be trained in the MOB procedure and equipment.



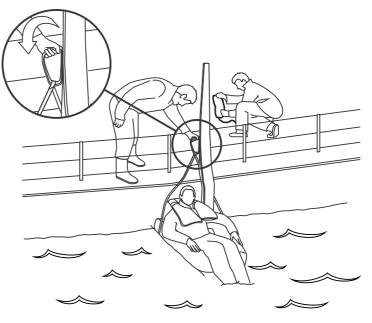


#### **4.2 RECOVERING THE MODULE**

4.2.1 To recover the occupied recovery module from the water, attach a halyard or line to the webbing lifting loop.

4.2.2 Before lifting/recovering, ensure the module occupant has their arms inside the module. This is important, as during the lifting procedure, the harness will deploy around the outer edge of the module and will envelope the occupant preventing injury from the vessel hull or rigging.

4.2.3 Before attaching the lifting loop to a halyard or line, detach it from the recovery module mast by pulling apart the velcro.



4.2.4 Once the occupant is ready, winch the module and occupant back on the board the vessel.

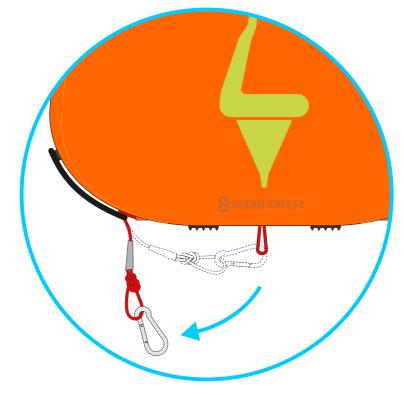


#### 5.1 REMOVAL & STROAGE

5.1.1 The Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise can be removed at any time for storage or at time of service.

5.1.2 Unclip the arming line from the mounting plate. Take care not to pull on the arming line to avoid accidental arming of the product.

5.1.3 Grasp the sides of the valise and pull sharply off the bulkhead.



5.1.4 Ensure the Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise is re-fitted to its mounting plate before departure. Refer to sections 2.3 and 2.4 for details.

# **5.0 CARE & MAINTENANCE**

5.1.5 Ocean Safety recommend that if a vessel is not in use, the Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise is removed and kept in a dry storage facility. This will prolong the life of the module.

5.1.6 Alternatively, cover the recovery module with a waterproof cover.

5.1.7 It is the owners responsibility to remove any protective cover should the vessel be in use. Failure to do so may result in the failure of the product to deploy properly.



**WARNING:** ALWAYS CHECK THE ARMING LINE TO CONNECTED TO THE MOUNTING PLATE PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.



#### **5.2 ADDITIONAL SAFETY ITEMS**

5.2.1 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module can be fitted with a personal AIS (Automatic Identification System) device that can automatically activate during inflation of the Jon Buoy Recovery module.

5.2.2 The AIS enables vessels, fitted with an AIS plotter, to quickly and efficiently locate the module.

5.2.3 Fitting of an AIS system can only be carried out by an Ocean Safety approved Service Station.



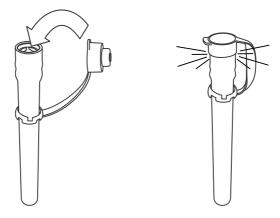
WARNING: NEVER ATTEMPT TO OPEN THE JON BUOY RECOVERY MODULE





#### **5.3 AFTER USE**

5.3.1 To deflate the Jon Buoy Recovery Module Mk 6 Valise, locate the oral tube valve on the module mast. Depress the oral tube valve by using the cap on the tube and squeeze all the air out of the module.



5.3.2 Rinse the recovery module with fresh water and leave to drip dry in a cool and well ventilated area.

5.3.3 Once dry and deflated, pack the module and send to the nearest Ocean Safety Approved Service Station.

5.3.4 To find the nearest Ocean Safety Approved Service Station, visit the website or contact Ocean Safety:



Tel: +44 (0) 2380 720800 Email: info@oceansafety.com Web: www.oceansafety.com



**WARNING:** NEVER ATTEMPT TO RE-PACK THE MODULE FOR RE-USE. ONLY TRAINED PERSONNEL AT AN OCEAN SAFETY APPROVED SERVICE STATION CAN RE-PACK AND RE-ARM A JON BUOY RECOVERY MODULE TO THE NECESSARY STANDARD REQUIRED.



# 6.0 SERVICING



6.0.1 The Jon Buoy Recovery Module must be serviced every two years at an Ocean Safety Approved Service Station.

6.0.2 The recommended first service date is defined by the black sticker on the rear of the container. The outer number denotes month and year indicated in the circle.

6.0.3 A service every two years is essential to ensure the life of the product is prolonged and to maintain the module's warranty.

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### **6.0 SERVICING**



#### **6.1 WARRANTY**

6.1.1 Ocean Safety extended warranty is only valid if the product has been registered by the owner. If the owner has not registered the product with Ocean Safety, the warranty is only valid for 1 year from date of purchase.

6.1.2 Ocean Safety warranty does not cover damage resulting from accidents, neglect or normal wear and tear and is only valid if a full service history, carried out by an approved Ocean Safety service centre, is available.

6.1.3 Visit the Ocean Safety website for full warranty details and for extended warranty durations.

### **7.0 SERVICE RECORD**

Signature & Stamp				
Comments				
Repairs and/or Replacements				
Modifications				
Service Station Address				
Date of Service				



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