

SOLO PACK Boarding Instructions

1. Ensure snap hook located on the SOLO Pack is attached securely to life preserver. Hold the pack firmly and pull the lanyard to its full extent. As shown in Fig 1. As the raft emerges from the pack, clear any restricting lines and pull out any fold in the material to assist inflation.



Fig 1

2. When it is fully inflated, board the Liferaft from the narrow end by pulling it down underneath the body, while maintaining a horizontal position. Handling loops are provided on the outside of the buoyancy chamber to assist boarding. Fig 2 illustrates the first stage in boarding.

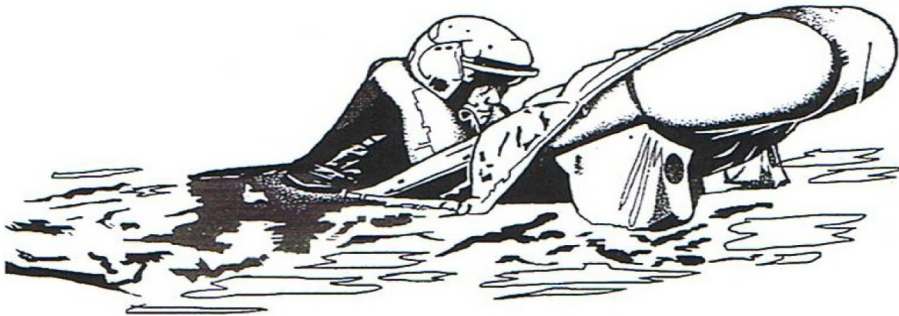


Fig 2

3. On reaching the position illustrated in Fig 3, ensure that the drogue (sea anchor) is correctly deployed.



Fig 3

4. As soon as you are seated, draw the canopy around the shoulders for immediate protection from the wind and locate the survival aids container. On no account disconnect the lanyard from the life preserver until the moment of rescue. It is your only link with the Liferaft should you be overturned by rough sea.



Fig 4



Fig 5

5. Close the bottom 18 inches or so of the canopy by means of the Velcro to reduce the amount of water coming aboard and start bailing out by hand. Dry the floor with the sponge, for comfort and in order to reduce the risk of salt-water sores
6. The Liferaft canopy should be completely closed at this stage. The canopy incorporates a hood and transparent visor to protect your head, which can be a major source of heat loss. This method of utilizing the canopy is illustrated in fig 6.



Fig 6