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Crewsaver takes man overboard protection to the next level with the NEW ErgoFit+ lifejacket - Discover how the best just got better at the Paris Boat Show.



Crewsaver continues to prove its commitment to your safety and survival with the launch of its new ErgoFit+ lifejacket. The ErgoFit+ lifejacket will arrive in April 2019 and is the result of over 60 years of pioneering lifejacket development. Featuring industry-first developments, this lifejacket offers the next level in man overboard protection – equipping you with the very best to ensure your safety is taken care of.

It has long been known that the addition of a spray hood inside a lifejacket can significantly enhance the wearer's safety. It increases visibility, helps retain heat and protects the airway to reduce the risk of water inhalation.

Enter the ErgoFit+ and its halo hood system. This revolutionary hood system is inspired by product developments for the aviation market as well as the renowned search and rescue (SAR) organisation, [Les Sauveteurs en Mer](http://www.les-sauveteurs-en-mer.org).

The halo hood system has been tailored to the shape of the inflated bladder to significantly reduce the amount of water that can reach your airway. This improved bladder and spray hood compatibility is combined with a new double-halo hood construction. The result is a fully self-supporting hood, which once deployed, forms a spacious chamber above the wearer's face. The hood also includes an internal barrier protecting you further against any water ingress, whilst doubling up as an anti-glare panel to shield your eyes from the flashing lifejacket light.

"We work closely with organisations across a variety of sectors to constantly drive forward the safety technology used in our products. When we develop a new feature, we are quick to look at where else this feature can be utilised to advance our other product ranges. The journey of the halo hood system from its aviation origin, to adapting for SNSM's bespoke lifejacket and now our new ErgoFit+ is a perfect example of this." – Crewsaver's head of design, Nigel Parkes

The renowned ErgoFit bladder is, as always, a step above the rest. With its sculpted shape, the bladder distributes buoyancy uniquely around the wearer to maximise in-water support and airway protection. Even when wearing heavy clothing, the ErgoFit is designed to rotate the wearer quickly whilst increasing



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the distance between the waterline and airway (mouth freeboard). The sculpted shaping around the shoulders provides improved in-water mobility and with it the ability for the wearer to self-help recovery back to safety.

In addition, the ErgoFit+ incorporates a new buckle system. With its slimline design, the quick lock buckle makes the lifejacket easy to don and accommodates the use of a single loop harness attachment point for ease of tethering.

A technological collaboration between Crewsaver innovations and that of its new partner, Exposure, is evident in the ErgoFit+. The Exposure OLAS Tag, a portable crew tracking and overboard location alert system that can be easily integrated into this lifejacket.

Join Crewsaver at the Paris Boat Show 2018

Visitors to the [Paris Boat Show](#) are encouraged to join Crewsaver's French distributor, [Navicom](#) (hall 2.1 stand A12) to view the new ErgoFit+. The Navicom team will be available throughout the show to discuss the Crewsaver range and help end-users as well as organisations with their safety requirements.

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Notes to Editors

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