



GENERAL ORDER

Ice Rescue Suits

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Approved By: Darren L. Stevens, Fire Rescue Chief

In an effort to address a need in the service delivery of Fauquier County Fire and Rescue services, the Special Operations committee has purchased the necessary equipment to assist in the mitigation of ice related emergencies.

Mustang Ice Commander Rescue Suit:

- For Cold Water/Ice Rescue Emergencies Only
- Urethane Coated Nylon Exterior (Waterproof)
- Provides 32lbs of Buoyancy and Insulation
- Ice Awl Storage in Sleeves
- Self-Adjusting Chest Harness
- Universal Adult Size
- Weights of 110lbs-330lbs
- Heights of 4'11" to 6'7"



MARSARS Ice Rescue Sling:

- Buoyant Sling, Creates Minimal Constriction on Victims' Chest During Extrication
- Establishes Buoyancy for Passive or Panicked Victims
- Provides 16lbs of Buoyancy
- Provides Head Protection for Victims Pulled On Ice
- Can be Utilized During Shore Based Rescue Operations of Direct Contact Rescues
- **NOT** for Hoisting, High-Angle, or Below Grade Rescue Operations



Cleaning & Maintenance:

Equipment should be cleaned, dried and maintained in accordance with manufacturer specified recommendations after each use and periodically as needed.

Equipment Usage and Storage:

Only trained, certified and qualified personnel who have their department chief's approval shall don and use equipment during an emergency situation.

The Mustang Ice Commander Rescue Suits should **NOT** be utilized to effect a swift water rescue. The suits are designed to be utilized during the mitigation of still water, cold weather, and ice related emergencies

The following apparatus will house two Mustang Ice Commander Rescue Suits and two Ice Rescue Slings

- Rescue 1101 & Tower 1101
- Rescue 1102 & Truck 1102
- Rescue 1103
- SW 1107 (boat)
- SW 1111 (boat)

In the event of repair or replacement due to damage, station personnel should make notification through their appropriate chain of command to the Special Operations Committee Chair Person.

Questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Battalion Chief Kidwell.