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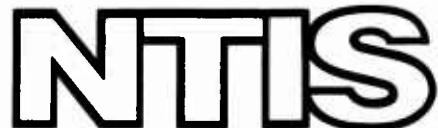
**SELF-RIGHTING ACTION OF COAST GUARD
EXPERIMENTAL SR-1 LIFEJACKET COMPARED
WITH OTHER LIFEJACKETS**

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1. Inclosed for your information and file is a copy of Report No. 1 of Research Project CGRD-3-12-46 dated 15 October, 1946. This report covers tests conducted to compare the self-righting characteristics of a new Coast Guard experimental model jacket with various other jackets now in use.
 2. Moving pictures covering these tests are available in the Testing and Development Division, Room 5210, for observation by interested parties.

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INTRODUCTION

The wearer of a lifejacket who is unconscious upon entering the water, or any time thereafter, or too weak to assist himself, must rely on his lifejacket to bring and hold his face clear of the water to permit breathing for survival. Realizing the importance of this function of a lifejacket, the Coast Guard has under development an Experimental SR-1 lifejacket designed especially to produce self-righting.

Commander M. DeMartino, USCG, submitted the original design of the Experimental SR-1 lifejacket to the Field Testing and Development Unit and supervised the construction of test samples at the Coast Guard YARD.

The Experimental SR-1 lifejacket is intended for use by Coast Guard personnel on surface vessels; for wear at all times, including at work, in war time; to be worn, in peace time, only when the nature of the work requires its use.

This report is concerned mainly with a comparison of the self-righting properties of the Experimental SR-1 lifejacket and several types of present day lifejackets.

SUMMARY

The Coast Guard is developing a new lifejacket for use by Coast Guard personnel on surface vessels.

It is designed especially to bring and hold the wearer's face clear of the water to permit breathing for survival when the wearer is unconscious or too weak to assist himself.

Lifejacket wearers were instructed to take a position face down in the water and assume complete relaxation as if unconscious. For the types of lifejackets tested, THE PERCENTAGE OF TRIALS ON WHICH THE LIFEJACKET SUCCESSFULLY RIGHTED THE WEARER IS SUMMARIZED:

Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 lifejacket
(worn by 13 men for a total of 126 trials) 97.6%

Coast Guard Model 2 Lifejacket
(worn by 8 men for a total of 24 trials) 91.7%

Mellen Institute J-40 Lifejacket
(worn by 13 men for a total of 24 trials) 86.5%

Modified Navy Standard Lifejacket (Fiberglas used in lieu of Kapok)
(worn by 13 men for a total of 114 trials) 40.9%

A 16 MM. silent, colored, motion picture of the trials, entitled "Self-righting Action of the Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 Lifejacket Compared with other Lifejackets" is available at the Office of the Chief, Testing and Development Division, U.S.C.G. Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

PROCEDURE

The first trials of the Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 lifejacket (see description, page 8) were conducted on 5 August, 1946, from a pier at Fort Smallwood, Baltimore Harbor, Maryland, in deep water in a flat calm and no sea. Eight enlisted men, garbed in bathing trunks only, wore the Experimental SR-1 lifejacket and a Modified Navy Standard lifejacket (see description, page 11) in turn. Each jumped feet first into the water with instructions to exhale a normal amount of air, take a position face down in the water, and assume complete relaxation, as if unconscious. Each man made three trials starting with arms along the sides; three more trials starting with arms extended straight beyond the head. Observations were made of the success or failure of the lifejackets to bring and keep the face of the wearer clear of the water to permit breathing.

More trials were conducted on 27 August, 1946, at the same location. On this occasion there was a choppy sea of about one foot height, some whitecaps, and a 15 mile wind. Eight enlisted men, clothed in dungarees and oxford type Navy shoes, wore the Experimental SR-1, the Modified Navy Standard, and the Mellon Institute J-40 lifejacket (see description, page 7) in turn. Trials and observations were as before.

On 7 October, 1946 a demonstration was conducted in an open fresh water pool in Washington D. C. Eight enlisted men clothed in dungarees and Army field shoes wore each of the following lifejackets in turn: Coast Guard Experimental SR-1, Modified Navy Standard, Mellon Institute J-40, and the Coast Guard Model 2 lifejacket (see description, page 10), which is standard for the Merchant Marine. Each man jumped feet first into the pool, swam to a designated location with instructions to inhale a normal amount of air, take a position face down in the water and assume complete relaxation as if unconscious. Each man made one trial starting with arms along the sides; two more trials starting with arms extended straight beyond the head. Observers recorded, and camera men took movies of, the success or failure of each lifejacket to bring and keep the wearer's face clear of the water to permit breathing.

To determine the "static" buoyancy, each lifejacket was wrapped around a heavy metal frame and suspended in a vertical position in a tank of fresh water so as to submerge the topmost part of the jacket two inches. The weight in water of the frame alone, minus the weight in water of the jacket clad frame, gave the buoyancy. This method has been employed by the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research.

The dry weight of the pad inserts, also the entire lifejackets, was determined.

Present at the demonstration on 7 October, 1946, were the following: Mr. E. B. Amey and Mr. E. A. Utecht of the Bureau of Ships, U. S. Navy; Mr. G. W. Johnston, of the Research and Development Division, Transportation Corps, War Department; Commander M. DeMartine and Lieutenant J. E. Waters of the Search and Rescue Agency, U. S. Coast Guard; Mr. R. C. Hale and Mr. P. Gibson of the Merchant Marine Technical Division, U. S. Coast Guard; and members of the Testing and Development Division, U. S. Coast Guard, who conducted and observed the tests.

DISCUSSION

The Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 lifejacket has an innovation of design in that it has two front flap pads that are intended to be worn in one position for continual shipboard wear and in another position for wear in the water. The tests conducted in this report, with one exception, were with the front flap pads in the front (water-wear) position. In the only trial in which the front flap pads were not secured in the front (water-wear) position, the jacket satisfactorily righted the wearer. Additional tests of the self-righting qualities of the jacket, with front flap pads not secured in the water-wear position, are contemplated.

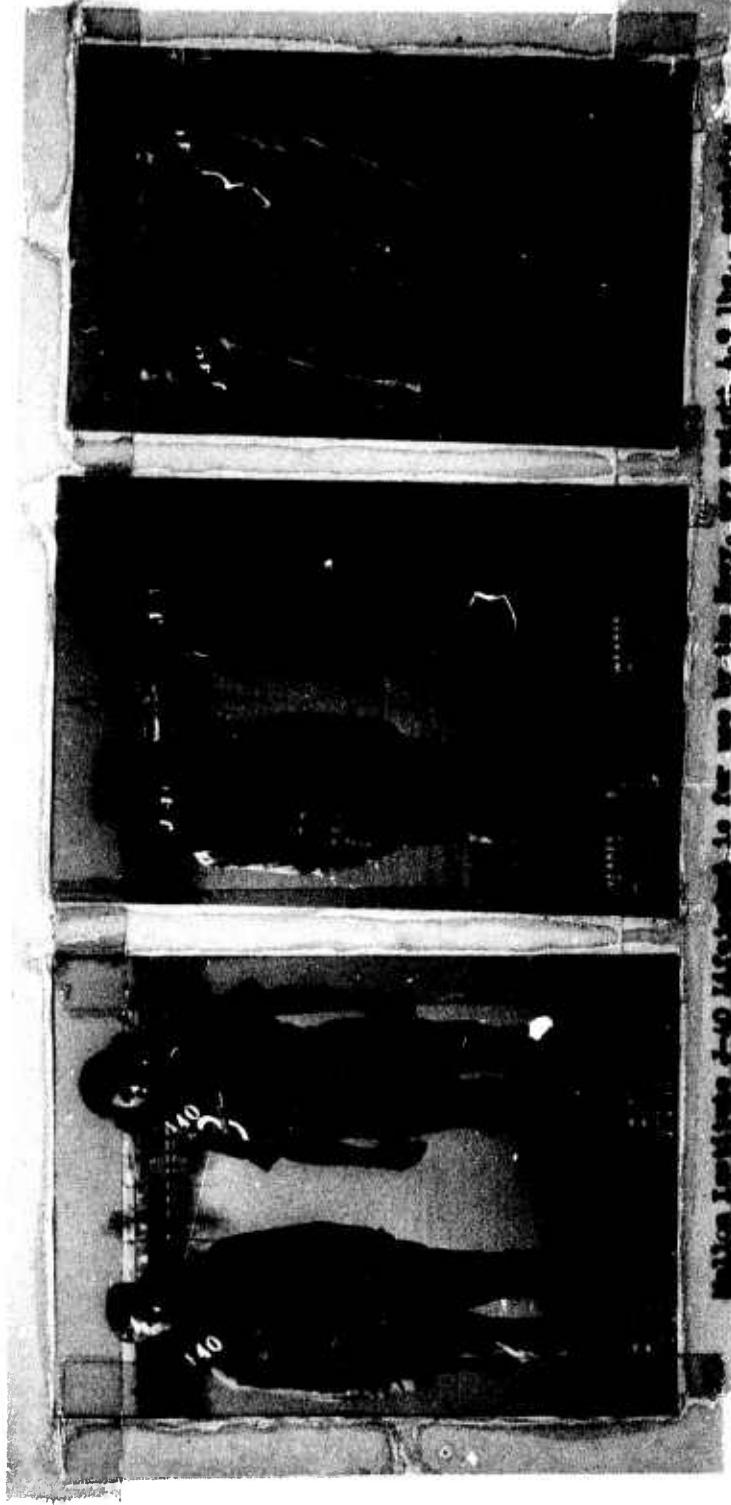
The Navy Standard lifejacket tested was a modification of Navy Specification 25-P-12 INT in that the cotton drill envelope had not been treated with flame-proofing compound, also Fiberglas was substituted for Kapok as the buoyant material.

The dry weight of the lifejackets was determined as: Mellon Institute J-40, 4.9 lb.; Coast Guard Experimental SR-1, 6.0 lb. Modified Navy Standard, 5.2 lb.; Coast Guard Model 2, 3.0 lb. In explanation of the variance, the Coast Guard Model 2 is lightest due primarily to the use of Kapok in lieu of Fiberglas which is employed in the other three, the ratio of weight of Kapok to Fiberglas being 1 to 2.2 for equal buoyancy, according to the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research reports; the Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 lifejacket is heaviest primarily because it is the only one of the four lifejackets which had the envelope material impregnated with flame-proofing compound, the flame-proofing compound causing an increase in weight of cotton drill of about 50%.

The wearers of the lifejackets were instructed to relax as if unconscious but they were noticeably handicapped by the cold. Although it has not been demonstrated that a conscious person can assume the relaxed attitude of an unconscious person in water, the use of conscious persons was resorted to, to avoid detrimental physical aftermath.

On the 5 and 27 August tests, data was taken of elapsed time from start to face clear of the water to permit breathing, also from start to wearer in final position. On the demonstration, 7 October, time was recorded for face to clear the water, except that on the Coast Guard Experimental SR-1 lifejacket, the recorder, due to a misunderstanding, recorded the time from start to wearer in final position.

Due to the shortage of personnel, no attempt was made to secure men of unusual physical characteristics. However, it is believed that the subjects employed are representative of the personnel serving on Coast Guard vessels.



Motion I Survival Suit d-40 Micron is for use up to the Navy's dry weight: 4.9 lbs., contains 3.3 lbs. of Fiberglass for buoyancy, employs muslin pad cover material and drill envelope material, has two leg straps and a collar.

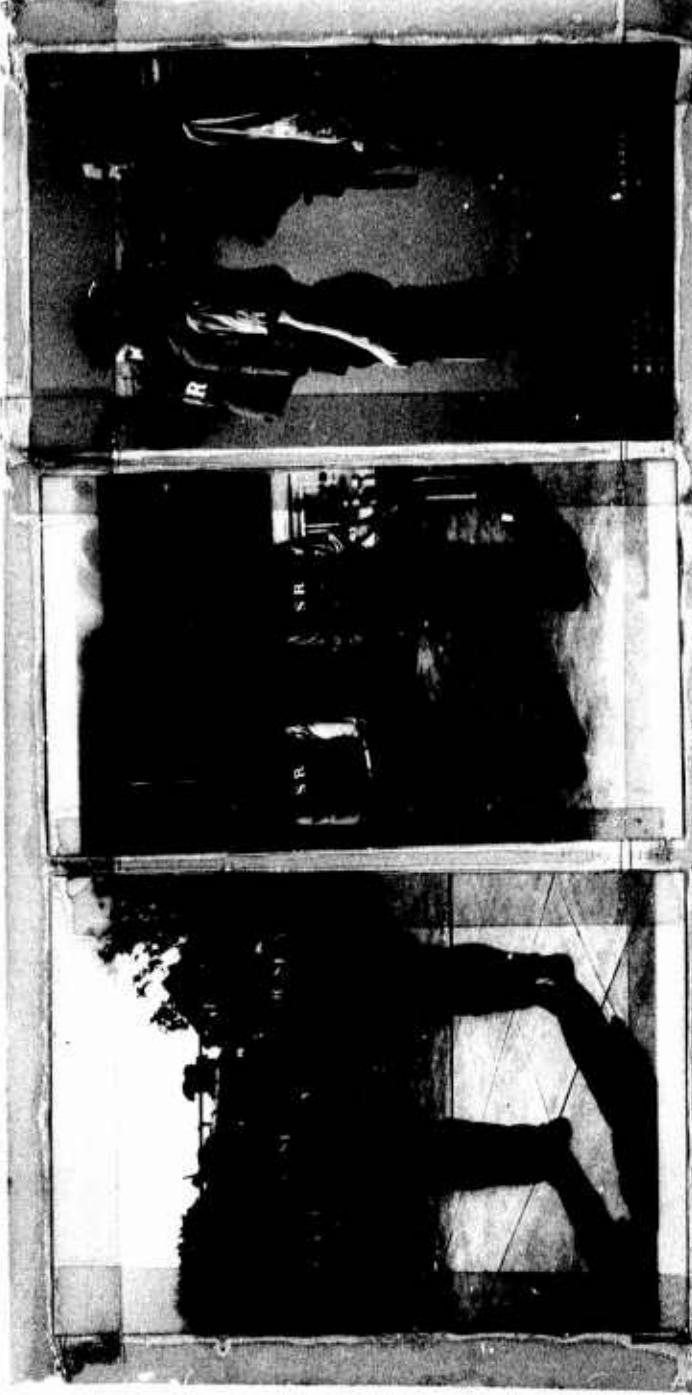


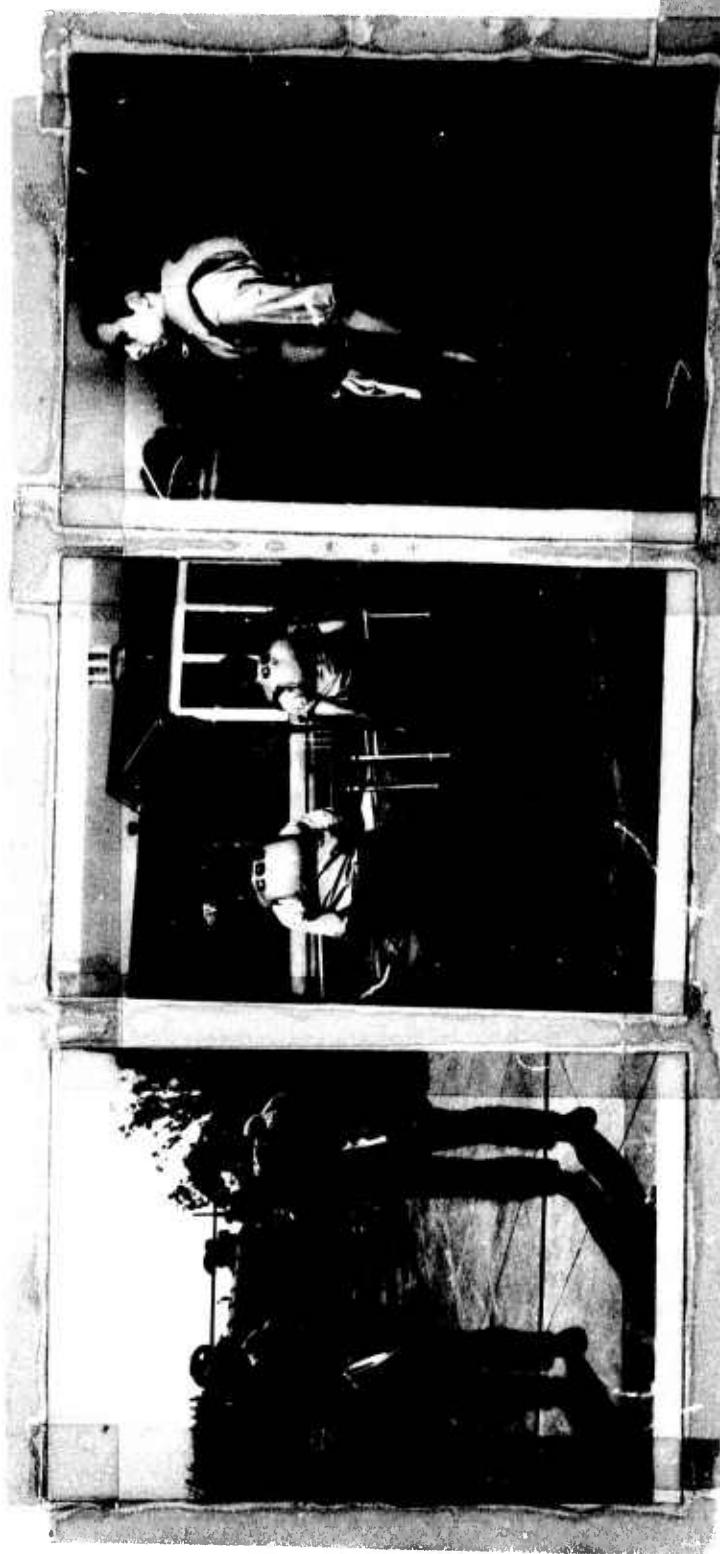
FIGURE 2 Life jacket in position for wear in water

Coast Guard Experimental S-1 Lifejacket is for use by Coast Guard personnel on surface berne vessels, total dry weight 6.0 lbs., envelope contains 3.4 lbs. Fiberglas for buoyancy, pad cover material is muslin and envelope material is flame-proofed cotton drill, and has one leg strap and has a collar. The side of the collar against the wearer's face is Nylon. The two front pads are held in the open position by two snaps on each pad; tied together in front by tie tabs. For continual wear aboard ship the front pads are intended to be snapped back in open position; side fast in front by tie tabs just prior to entering the water.

Front part in position for wear aboard ship



Additional views of Coast Guard Experimental SG-1 Lifejacket. See description on previous page. No rear view photograph is shown because it is identical with view on previous page for lifejacket in front (water-war) position.



Coast Guard Model 2 Lifejacket (Coast Guard Spec. 160.002) is for use by the Merchant Marine, total dry weight 3.0 lb., envelope contains 2.0 lb. of Kapok for buoyancy, pad cover material is muslin and envelope material is drill, has no leg strap and no collar.



Modified Navy Standard Lifejacket (Navy Spec. 23-P-12 (IMF) except that Fiberglas is used in place of Kapok and envelope is net flame-proofed) is for use by the Navy, total dry weight 5.2 lb., envelope contains 3.7 lb. of Fiberglas for buoyancy, padding material is muslin and envelope material is drill, has two leg straps and a collar.

TEST OF COAST GUARD EXPERIMENTAL SR 1 LIFE-JACKET IN OPEN FRESH WATER POOL. NO WIND
 7 OCTOBER, 1946, MEN WORE DUNGAREES AND ARMY ISSUE SHOES.

Code designation of wearer	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"	"G"
Wearer's name	Define	Hadden	Herring	Kosmecki	Mevick	Smith	Walker
Height	5' 6"	5' 2"	6' 1"	5' 10"	5' 8"	5' 8"	5' 9"
Weight	150#	130#	185#	190#	160#	140#	125#
							150#
ARMS AT SIDE AT START (TRIAL #1)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secs. to right to final position	4	3	3.5	3.5	3	4	4
Direction turned by lifejacket	Schae	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #2)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secs. to right to final position	7.5	4	12.5	5	1	4	7
Direction turned by lifejacket	Belwed	Schae	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #3)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secs. to right to final position	10	4	11.2	6	8.4	6	4.4
Direction turned by lifejacket	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed	Belwed
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ears and face clear of water on successes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

* The time is from start to wearer righted to final position, whereas on the other tests on this date, the times recorded are from start to face clear of the water.

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TEST OF MODIFIED NAVY STANDARD LIFEJACKET IN OPEN FRESH WATER POOL.
7 OCTOBER, 1945. MEN WORE DUNGAREES AND ARMY ISSUE SHOES.

Code designation of wearer	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"	"G"
Wearer's name	Devine	Hadden	Herring	Kosmowski	Mervick	Smitz	Walker
Height	5'7"	5'6"	6'2"	6'1"	5'10"	5'8"	5'8"
Weight	150#	130#	185#	190#	160#	140#	150#
ARMS AT SIDE AT START (TRIAL #1)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Secs. for face to come clear							
Direction turned by lifejacket							
Secs. face down on failures to right	25	18	18	18	24	12	12
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #2)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Secs. for face to come clear							
Direction turned by lifejacket							
Secs. face down on failures to right	32	13	18	11	32	37	18
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #3)							
Face brought and kept clear of water	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Secs. for face to come clear							
Direction turned by lifejacket							
Secs. face down on failures to right	35	13	16	13	18	12	17
Ears and face clear of the water on successes				Yes	-	Yes	Yes

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TEST OF MELLON INSTITUTE J 40 LIFEJACKET IN OPEN FRESH WATER POOLS NO .IND.
7 OCTOBER 1946 MEN WORE DUNGAREES AND ARMY ISSUE SHOES.

Code designation of wearer	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"	"G"
Wearer's name	Devine	Hadden	Horing	K sm skt	N vick	N g	Walker
Height	5'7 1/2"	5'6 1/2"	5'7"	5'10"	5'10"	5'9 1/2"	5'9 1/2"
Weight	185#	185#	185#	140#	140#	125#	150#

ARMS AT SIDE AT START (TRAIL #1)

Pace brought and kept clear
Searched face to toe
Divergent arms
Searched pace down on command

ARMS EXTENDED FULLWAY A. At start, arms at side
Searched and kept clear
Divergent arms
Searched and kept clear

ARMS EXTENDED FULLWAY A. At start, arms at side
Searched and kept clear
Divergent arms
Searched and kept clear

ARMS EXTENDED FULLWAY A. At start, arms at side
Searched and kept clear
Divergent arms
Searched and kept clear

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TEST OF COAST GUARD MODEL 2 LIFEJACKET IN OPEN FRESH WATER POOL. NO IND.

	7 OCTOBER, 1946	MEN ONE DUNKABLE AND ARMY ISSUE SHOES.	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"	"G"	"H"
Code designation of wearer			Derrine	Hadden	Horing	Kosmoski	Nevick	Smith	Walker	Moore
Wearer's name			5'6"	5'2"	6'1"	5'10"	5'10"	5'8"	5'8"	5'9"
Height			150#	130#	185#	190#	160#	140#	125#	150#
Weight										
ARMS AT SIDES AT START (TRIAL #1)										
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Secs. for face to come clear	4	3	3	3	3.5	3.5	3	3.5	3	-
Direction turned by lifejacket	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	-
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not recorded
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #2)										
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Secs. for face to come clear	2	4	6	4	4	3	3	3.5	3	-
Direction turned by lifejacket	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	-
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not recorded
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START (TRIAL #3)										
Face brought and kept clear of water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secs. for face to come clear	4	3	5	4	4	3.5	3	3.5	3	-
Direction turned by lifejacket	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	Bckwd	-
Secs. face down on failures to right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ears and face clear of water on successes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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TEST OF COAST GUARD EXPERIMENTAL SE 1 LIFEJACKET IN THESAFEALF EA. CHIPPY EA. ONE FOOT HEIGHT. 5 MPH WIND
2 AUGUST

MEAN WERE DINGAREES AND SHOES.

Wear Heigh Weight	Mean Sec. Min. Max.	Mean Sec. Min. Max.	Mean Sec. Min. Max.	Mean Sec. Min. Max.	Mean Sec. Min. Max.
ARMS AT SIDES AT START					
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	6	6	6	6	6
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	2	2	2	2	2
Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Avg. sec. face down on failures	0	0	0	0	0
Failure turned on successes	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START					
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	6	6	6	6	6
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	2	2	2	2	2
Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Avg. sec. face down on failures	0	0	0	0	0
Failure turned on successes	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7

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500' OF MOORING LINE STANDARD LIFE JACKETS IN CHESAPEAKE BAY CHIPPY SEA, ONE NOT REACHED BY MCH WHT

Wearers Height Weight Weighed Wearers Height Weight Weighed	Men Women # #	Wearers Men Women # #	Men Women # #	Wearers Men Women # #	Men Women # #	Wearers Men Women # #	Men Women # #
ARMS AT SIDE AT STARBOARD							
Number of trailers on which page was brought and kept clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for pace to be brought clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for righting to final position.	17	Avg. sec. pace down on starboard side.	17
Direction turned on starboard side.	Right	Side	Left	Side	Left	Side	Right
Number of trailers on which page was brought and kept clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for pace to be brought clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for righting to final position.	17	Avg. sec. pace down on starboard side.	17
Direction turned on starboard side.	Right	Side	Left	Side	Left	Side	Right
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT STARBOARD							
Number of trailers on which page was brought and kept clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for pace to be brought clear of water.	17	Avg. sec. for righting to final position.	17	Avg. sec. pace down on starboard side.	17
Direction turned on starboard side.	Right	Side	Left	Side	Left	Side	Right

TEST OF HELION INSTITUTE 340 LIPIKACHET IN CHESAPEAKE BAY CHARLOTTE CITY, MD., 25 MPH., IND.
27 AUGUST, 1946
NEW YORK DUNLOP AND SCHAFF

Wearer	Height	Weight	Sikorski	McCarthy	Horing	Smith	Walker	Anderson	Sanders
Wett	5' 9"	170#	5' 8"	6' 2"	5' 8"	5' 6"	5' 8"	5' 6"	5' 8"
	5' 8"	165#	5' 11"	6' 1 1/2"	5' 8"	5' 8"	5' 8"	5' 6"	5' 8"
	5' 6"	160#	5' 10"	6' 3 1/2"	5' 8"	5' 8"	5' 8"	5' 6"	5' 8"
			170#	175#	175#	170#	170#	170#	170#
AUG. 28									
ANS AT SIDE AT START									
Number of trials	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	1	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	11	6	4	3	3	5	3	7	7
Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3.5	10	9	11	4	3	5	10	10
Avg. sec. face down on failures to right	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Direction turned on successes to right	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd
ANS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START									
Number of trials	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	12	8	4	8	3	5	4	9	9
Avg. sec. for righting to final position	15	11	7	13	8	9	6	12	12
Avg. sec. face down on failures to right	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Direction turned on successes to right	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd	Backwd

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TEST OF CONST. FOR TURNING BACK TO CLEAR SIDE AT START

	Wearer	Height	Weight	Wearer	Height	Weight	Wearer	Height	Weight	Wearer	Height	Weight	Wearer	Height	Weight
Number of trials	2	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	2	2	2	Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3
Direction turned on successes	Backwd	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front
AVG. AT SIDES AT START				AVS EXTENDED FOR BACKWD AT START			AVS EXTENDED FOR BACKWD AT START			AVS EXTENDED FOR BACKWD AT START			AVS EXTENDED FOR BACKWD AT START		
Number of trials	2	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2	Number of trials	2	2
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water	2	2	2	Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3	Avg. sec. for righting to final position	3	3
Direction turned on successes	Backwd	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front
AVG. SEC. FOR SIDE DOWN ON FAILURES	19	15	15	AVG. SEC. FOR SIDE DOWN ON FAILURES	17	15	AVG. SEC. FOR SIDE DOWN ON FAILURES	17	15	AVG. SEC. FOR SIDE DOWN ON FAILURES	17	15	AVG. SEC. FOR SIDE DOWN ON FAILURES	17	15
Direction turned on successes	Backwd	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front	Direction turned on successes	Front	Front

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TEST OF MODIFIED NAVY STANDARD LIFEJACKET IN CHESAPEAKE BAY. NO SEA. NO WIND.
5 AUGUST, 1946. MEN ONE BATHING TRUNKS AND NO SHOES.

	Wearer -	Mott	Sikorski	Horing	Moore	Merrick	Walker	Anderson	Sanders
Height -	5' 9"	5' 8"	6' 2"	5' 9"	5' 10"	5' 8"	5' 6"	5' 8"	5' 8"
Weight -	160#	145#	185#	150#	160#	125#	140#	170#	170#
WEIGHTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ARMS AT SIDE AT START	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number of trials -	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	3
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water -	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water -	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4
Avg. sec. for righting to final position -	8	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	8
Avg. sec. face down on failures to right -	15	17	13	No data	17	No data	15	No data	15
Direction turned on successes -	Sdwse	-	-	-	-	-	Sdwse	-	Sdwse
ARMS EXTENDED FORWARD AT START	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number of trials -	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0	0
Number of trials on which face was brought and kept clear of water -	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg. sec. for face to be brought clear of water -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Avg. sec. for righting to final position -	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	-	-
Avg. sec. face down on failures to right -	14	18	12	No data	17	No data	15	No data	15
Direction turned on successes -	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sdwse	-	Sdwse

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BUOYANCY OF LIFE JACKETS EMPLOYED IN TEST
 (Determined by Static Tank Method)

	<u>Modified Navy Standard</u>			<u>Mellon Institute J-40</u>			<u>Coast Guard Model No. 2</u>			<u>C.G. Experimental SR-1</u>		
	#1	#2	Avg	#1	#2	Avg	#1	#2	Avg	#1	#2	Avg
5 Minute Buoyancy (pounds)	39.2	40.4	39.8	29.1	27.3	28.2	29.2	28.9	29.1	33.3	33.0	33.2
6 Hour Buoyancy (pounds)	37.4	38.0	37.7	28.8	27.0	27.9	23.7	24.7	24.2	31.7	31.4	31.6
24 Hour Buoyancy (pounds)	37.2	37.8	37.5	28.1	26.4	27.3	19.5	20.6	20.1	30.9	30.5	30.7

* Two jackets of each type were employed.

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