



LIFEJACKET SERVICING - WHAT'S INVOLVED?

Manufacturers, safety bodies, training institutes and the RNLI are among those who **universally recommend the importance of regular lifejacket servicing**. Here we explain some of the procedures and standards involved in completing approved servicing.



Training

Our staff are trained and certified by each individual manufacturer according to that company's individual standards. Training is on site at the manufacturer's premises and the resulting certification is normally valid for 2-3 years.



Premises

Our premises are approved and regularly inspected by both the DTTAS and by each manufacturer. The majority of our service stations hold SOLAS approval, which is the requirement to certify any lifejacket holding SOLAS approval. Being an approved service station guarantees that your lifejacket is checked in a controlled environment.



Equipment

The equipment used is regularly calibrated and serviced. Items of interest in this section include compressors with water filters, ensuring clean air enters bladders, manometer, deflators, torque spanners, tools and calibrated weighing scales.



SAMS

All lifejackets being processed through our service procedures are controlled and managed by SAMS, **our in-house asset management system**. Here, all details and procedures associated with your lifejacket and its status are recorded through this cloud based program. Customers have access to their own online control panel and notifications are sent by text and e-mail of impending service due or expiry dates.

The service process

Involves a procedure of events including:

- Timed and pressure monitored, inflation in a temperature controlled environment
- Check and weighing of **cylinder**
- Check of **operating head**
- Check of **deflation valve**
- **Pressure relief valve** check (SOLAS only)
- Inspection of **seals and welds** around operating head
- Inspection of all **belts, buckles, whistle, crotch strap and harnesses**
- General clean
- Re-pack
- Check and inspection of **spray hoods, lights and beacons**, if fitted.



Quality Control

All procedures in the company operate under ISO 9001:2008 Reg. No 198-1 Issue 2.