

Lifesaving Systems 481-CG / 481-CGM Life Preserver

**Performance
Qualification
Standard**

Crewmember: _____ Date: _____

In some weather conditions, the chemical pill may deteriorate in less than 30 days. Commanding Officers/Officers in Charge should consider training their crews to deflate, rearm and stow the bladder after inadvertent inflations. In addition, inadvertent inflations can cause a user to become temporarily disoriented. Training should include donning the vest and inflating to ensure users are aware of how rapidly the bladder expands.

Note: In certain circumstances of the environment (such as waves), the wearing of garments which provide (intentionally or otherwise) additional buoyancy, (such as dry suit) or the use of equipment with additional weight, (such as tool belts) will likely alter the performance of the PFD.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

INITIAL

State the PFDs flotation characteristics. _____

State the restrictions on wearing inflatable PFDs _____

(Do not wear under other equipment (I.e. climbing harness or BCSV) or place anything over the PFD. Equipment worn over the PFD can restrict the outward inflating action and may prevent breathing or cause crushing injuries to the upper torso)

State the caution on wearing with seat belts _____

(Shoulder strap must lay over the shoulder but under the PFD bladder so not to interfere with the outward inflating action in the event of an inadvertent inflation .)

Locate and explain the following items:

Personal Marker Light _____

Survival Knife _____

MK 124 MOD O _____

Strobe Light _____

MK 79 MOD 2 _____

Signal Mirror _____

Whistle _____

PLB* _____

Oral Inflator _____

Manual Inflator _____

CO2 Cylinder _____

Inflator Pill (481-CG Only) _____

Don the vest and adjust waist belt as needed. _____

Explain the methods of inflation (Auto, manual, oral). _____

Demonstrate the procedures for re-arming the inflation assembly for manual use after inflation (481-CG Only). _____

Explain the 3 indications of an armed and charged inflation assembly (481-CG Only). _____

Grasp and draw all equipment from the law enforcement equipment belt while the bladder is fully inflated. _____

* There is no longer an independent PQS for the PLB. The crewmember shall read and be familiar with the PLB owners manual.