



Immersion suits can help you survive

Immersion suits are your best protection against exposure and cold in the water. Crew members have died because they didn't know how to put on a suit, or know where it was stored. You must carry an immersion suit for each crew member. Emergency procedure drills – including putting on an immersion suit – must be done at the start of the fishing season. If there is a change of crew, each new member must go through an emergency drill.

Prevention alert:

- Store suits in an area where they are easily accessible in an emergency.
- Take your suit out of storage regularly and try it on. Become comfortable with the suit and know how it works – don't wait for an emergency.
- Keep your suit in good condition.
- Regularly inspect your suit – for example, check the whistle, the light, the toggle, reflective tape, etc.
- Check the zipper's condition and lubricate it with a non-petroleum product such as beeswax.
- Do not dry your suit in direct sunlight; this can damage the fabric.
- Store your immersion suit according to the manufacturer's instructions.

