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Reading the Label

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DID YOU KNOW?

- Currently approved devices will continue to be acceptable on board as long as they are in good condition.
- New devices available in stores will begin to have new labels, with clear information and icons indicating performance of the device in the water.
- Devices with new labels are approved for use in Canada and the United States. Devices with old labels continue to be approved in one country or the other, not both. Read the label.

DOES YOUR LABEL LOOK LIKE THIS? (NEW) ([READ-IT-NEW-LABEL.HTML](#))

Performance System

New CAN / USA

(phased-in over time)

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ADULT UNIVERSAL
 User Weight: > 41kg (>90 lbs)
 Chest Size: 76-132 cm (30-52 in.)





- Approved only when worn
- Drowning hazard if not worn.
- Must be fastened and properly adjusted to float the wearer.

Choose and wear the device which fits you and your activity; visit www.XXXXX.com
 Read and keep the owner's manual and tags for info on wear and care.

Company Name	Lab Certification Mark
Company Address	
Company website if available	
Indication of Country of Origin	
USCG Approved 160.064XXXXXX	Certifying Lab Identification and Address
ANSIUL 1123- TYPE III	
Model:	Address
Lot No.	

Use:
 Fasten all closures and adjust for a snug fit.
Inspection:
 Inspect your life vest before each outing. Do not use if your life vest shows signs of weathering, damage, or rot.
Care and Storage:
 Dry thoroughly after each outing.
 Store in a dry good place out of direct sunlight.




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OR LIKE THIS? (OLD) (READ-IT-OLD-LABEL.HTML)

The Type System
 Current (old) US
 (still acceptable)

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PERSONAL FLotation DEVICE
CAUTION
 This device may not assist you in a panic or in an emergency. It is not a substitute for proper swimming ability and should not be used as a flotation device for your needs. Change, use and wear instructions are on the inside of the vest.

WARNING: Support or non-support nature is stated in the pocket with reference to the performance of the device.
ADVERTISSEMENT: Réserve des renseignements sur les capacités et les performances de ce dispositif de flottaison. Consultez les instructions et les étiquettes de la veste.

Canada

RECREATIONAL INFLATABLE - TYPE III PERSONAL FLotation DEVICE ADULT - [SIZE]
 USER WEIGHT: More than 90 lbs. (40 kg)
 CHEST SIZE: []

USCG Approved for use only as recreational boats by persons of least 16 years of age. An owner's manual must be provided with this PFD. Not approved for use as a commercial device, for extended use, for extended use as a personal watercraft, for water skiing, or for water-skiing, water skiing, or other water sports.

WARNING - DROWNING HAZARD:

- READ OWNER'S MANUAL BEFORE USE
- FOLLOW MANUFACTURER'S USE, CARE, AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS
- DO NOT REPAIR OR ALTER THIS DEVICE
- DO NOT USE THIS DEVICE IF YOU DO NOT KNOW HOW TO USE IT

WARNING - TO REDUCE THE RISK OF DEATH BY DROWNING:

- BEFORE DONNING, CHECK THAT THE DEVICE IS PROPERLY ARMED AND PADDED
- BEFORE DONNING, CHECK THAT THE CHAMBER RELEASE AND THAT A FULLY CHARGED CHILDREN OF THE TYPE (PFD) IS IN PLACE
- CHECK THE BODY TYPING AND SIZE DEVICE AND WEAR IT FASTEN ALL CLOSURES AND ADJUST FOR SNUG FIT
- DO NOT USE FOR THE PURPOSES OF CHAMBERS
- DO NOT REPAIR OR ALTER THIS DEVICE

WARNING - INJURY HAZARD - DO NOT WEAR THIS DEVICE UNDER CLOTHING.
CAUTION - MANUALLY INFLATABLE PFDs MAY INFLATE INADEQUATELY WHEN EXPOSED TO HIGH HUMIDITY OR OTHER MOIST CONDITIONS.
 CAUTION: THESE PFDs REQUIRE REARMING AFTER EACH INFLATION. ALWAYS READ INSTRUCTIONS TO REARM YOUR PFD BEFORE USE.

MODEL [C] STYLE [S]
 U.S. COAST GUARD APPROVAL NUMBER 160-XXXXXXX

[Size Type] [Type [S]] [Recreational] [Inflatable] [PFD] [Adult] [Size []]
 [Manufacturer] [Lot No. []]

[Trade Name] [Size []]
 [Model] [Address]

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