

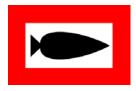
# Submarine Escape, Survivability and Rescue

Refuge Alternative Workshop

14 November 2018



#### **Submarine Rescue Mission**

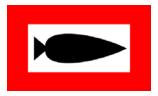


Established at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, mission of submarine rescue forces is rescue survivors of a Distressed Submarine – both domestic and foreign

Capability validated during successful response to USS SQUALUS on 23 May 1939 when Submarine Rescue Chamber saved 33 submariners

Submarining is a dangerous business as illustrated by sinking of RN Kursk (2000) and ARA SAN JUAN (2017), as well as near sinking of USS SAN FRANCISCO (2005), USS GREENVILLE (2001), and USS MONTPELIER (2012)

#### SUBMARINE RESCUE BLACK FISH INSIGNIA

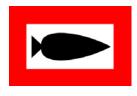


The fish emblem is the international symbol for submarine rescue.

### **DUTY OF CARE**



# Submarine Escape and Rescue (PMS391)

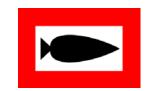








### **Submarine Rescue Process Overview**



### 96 hours

72 Hours for sea trials















Alert / Planning

MOSHIP Transit/Preparation

Aircraft Transit/Onload/Transit/Offload

Installation onto MOSHIP

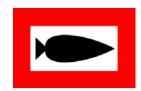
Localization of DISSUB (By Fleet)

Intervention

**Transit and Mate** 

Global 96 Hour Time to First Rescue(TTFR)



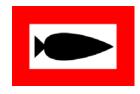


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# ESCAPE, SURVIVABILITY & RESCUE ASSETS & EQUIPMENT



## **Submarine Survivability**



Crash Bag & Misc. Below Deck Escape Equipment
Guard Book (Procedure for survival and escape)
Analox O2 & CO2 Analyzers

#### 7 day Survivability

LiOH Curtains, Extend Air Sheets, and deployment kits
O2 Candles and Furnaces
Draeger Tubes





# Submarine Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (SEPIRB)

Launch from escape trunk or 3" launcher Obtains GPS fix and sends to satellites Emits homing signal for SAR assets

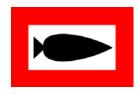
\*Installed onboard every submarine







### **Submarine Intervention**





Side scan sonar

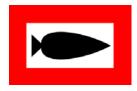
## Remotely Operated Vehicle "SIBITSKY"

STATS: 0-2000 fsw Light Weight Configuration





### **Submarine Rescue**



## Submarine Rescue Chamber (SRC)

STATS:
0-850 fsw
1 ATA
6 rescues + 2 attendants





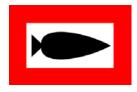


# Submarine Rescue and Diving Recompression Chamber (SRDRS)

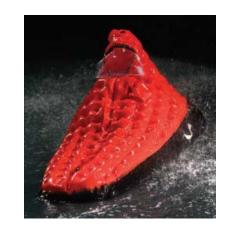
STATS:
~450-2000 fsw
1-6 ATA
16 rescues + 2 attendants



## **Submarine Escape**



## Submarine Escape and Surface Survival Personnel Equipment (SESSPE)

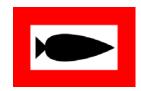










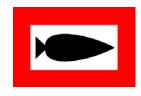


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# RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION INITIATIVES



### **Collaboration Initiatives**

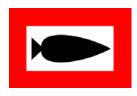


To establish collaboration with government agencies with similar focus areas for the survivable and rescue of personnel trapped in <a href="CONFINED">CONFINED</a>, <a href="EXTREME">EXTREME</a>, and <a href="AUSTERE">AUSTERE</a> environments

To establish MOU/MOA for technical exchange on current and future R&D efforts with the goal to synergize and capitalize on cross-organization efforts



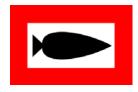
## **PMS391 Technology Objectives**



- Develop/implement shallow water pressurized rescue capability
- Improve ability and length of time for DISSUB personnel to survive while awaiting rescue
- Develop/improve mobilization technologies and processes to ensure mobilization for a DISSUB event in 96 hours or less
- Develop/improve capability to successfully rescue in heightened environmental conditions
- Improve ability to timely and successfully search and identify location of DISSUB
- Develop/improve means to accurately and quickly determine risks associated with rescue of a DISSUB
- Develop/improve and implement biomedical capabilities to maximize successful medical treatment of DISSUB survivors



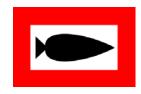
# Collaboration Synergy Recommendations



- Life support (passive and powered)
  - CO2 & other atmospheric contaminant monitoring & removal
  - O2 generation
- Communications
- Physiological stressors
- Rescuer risk determination
- Others?



### **Way Forward**



- Intent to host cross-organizational technical information exchange meeting
  - January/February 2019
  - Government and industry participation