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Marlin PFD Recall

Due to a label error, Marlin Australia PTY, Ltd. has recalled lot 14442C1 of PFDs approved by the US Coast Guard under approval numbers 160.055/215/0 and 160.055/216/0.

Adult Model 320RT (160.055/215/0) incorrectly lists a minimum buoyant force of 32 pounds; the correct minimum buoyant force is 22 pounds. Child Model 321RT (160.055/216/0) incorrectly lists a minimum buoyant force of 16 pounds; the correct minimum buoyant force is 11 pounds. Figure 1 shows the incorrect Adult Model 320RT label.

Both models have been manufactured in accordance with US Coast Guard regulations and standards and continue to perform as approved. Although the recalled PFDs are incorrectly marked, they still meet the minimum buoyancy requirement for a Type I PFD approved under 46 CFR 160.055. Mislabelled PFDs may continue to be used as long as they are in serviceable condition.

Starting June 19, 2019, all Model 320RT and Model 321RT PFDs have been manufactured with the correct labels. The first lot number of Model 320RT with corrected labels is 19001; the first lot number of Model 321RT with corrected labels is 19002.

Marlin has issued a recall notice on their website at www.marlin.com.au. The manufacturer recall notice is attached to this Safety Alert. Contact Marlin with questions or concerns by calling +61 2 9557 3999 or emailing sales@marlin.com.

Recalled devices in the U.S. should be returned to Land'n Sea Distributing in Pompano Beach, FL. Contact Land'n Sea Distributing by calling 1-954-792-9971 (x1071) or by emailing Phillipe.indekue@landnsea.com.

This safety alert was developed by the Coast Guard Office of Design and Engineering Standards and the Office of Investigations and Casualty Analysis. Any questions or comments regarding this recall should be sent to sent to: HQS-PF-fldr-CG-INV@uscg.mil

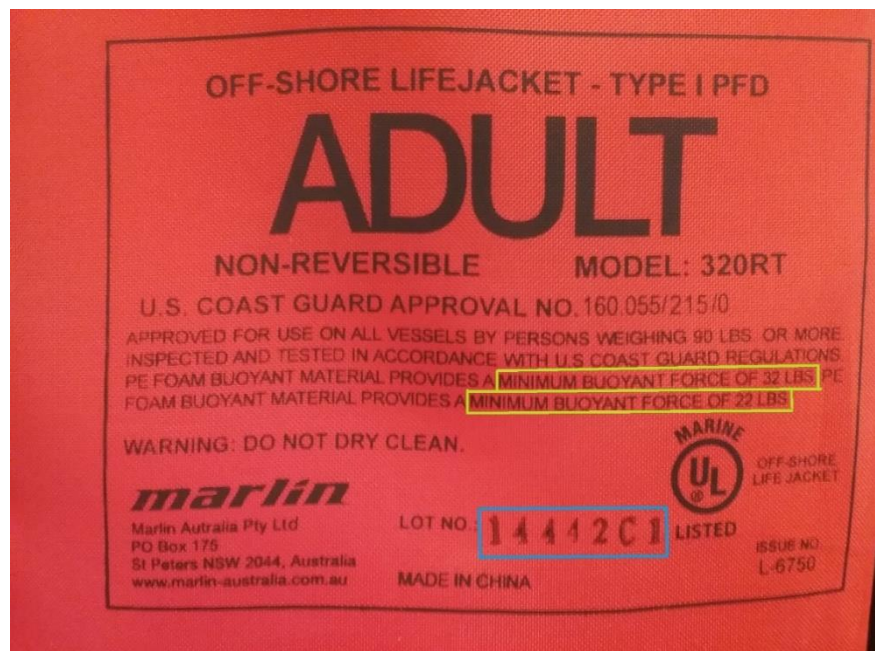


Figure 1: Incorrect label of Adult Model 320RT (160.055/215/0)