

# REELSING.COM

## RECOVERY SYSTEM FOR PERSON OVERBOARD



Easy to use  
rescue system  
for retrieving  
a person who  
falls overboard

SOS Marine's **REELSING** is a flotation device to assist and be part of a system for recovering persons overboard. The **REELSING** features a flexible flotation collar with SOLAS reflective tape, grab handle, whistle, over 160ft (50 metres) of floating retrieval line and a PVC UV-proof storage bag.

- The **REELSING** is constructed from pliable closed cell foam, padded comfort section encased in a durable, high-visibility cover with 21lbs (10 Kilos) of flotation
- A grab handle sewn around the foam-filled comforter to assist retrieval and deployment
- SOLAS grade reflective tape has been extensively used on the outside of the foam-padded comforter for easy identification and detection at night
- The stainless non-slip steel D-ring provides easy entry and secure closure during rescue
- The **REELSING** has lifejacket grade safety webbing
- Easy-to-use operating instructions
- Made to be attached to your pulpit rail
- The retrieval line tail has to be secured to the boat before use
- A whistle to attract attention is included
- The **REELSING** has 160ft (50 metres) of reflective ski floating rope to assist recovery after sunset
- This rope doesn't absorb water
- Stowed PVC bag made from 1100d tex PVC with UV, FR and anti-fungal treated super gloss fabric.

Immediately throw Dan Buoy ([www.danbuoy.com](http://www.danbuoy.com)) or similar flotation device towards person in water, and turn vessel head to wind. Remove REELSING from bag and drop sling into water behind boat, allowing it to trail astern, drawing tether line from bag.

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# REELSLING OVERBOARD RESCUE EQUIPMENT



## FOR THE REEL RESCUE

It is important to see where the rope is especially in the dark – you don't want it wrapped around your propeller.

**S.O.S Reelsling's** reflective rope tackles the dark side of night rescue by using the innovation of over 160 ft of reflective floating rope for visual assistance after sunset.



Reflective rope that doesn't absorb water

1. PVC UV proof storage bag
2. SOLAS grade reflective tape around comforter
3. Buoyant Bolster provides 21 lbs (10 Kilos) flotation
4. Grab handle
5. D-ring provides easy entry and secure closure during rescue
6. REELSLING has lifejacket grade safety webbing

## PRIOR PREPARATION

Attach stowage bag to inside of stern rail within easy reach of the crew and securely fasten the tail of the tether line (at base of bag) to strong anchorage point on the boat. Always stow the floating line flaked in line compartment of stowage bag. Prepare hoisting tackle and suitably located sheet blocks and cleats that may assist in lifting the patient from the water.

## PERSON OVERBOARD INSTRUCTIONS

**A.** Immediately throw Dan Buoy ([www.danbuoy.com](http://www.danbuoy.com)) or other flotation device toward person in the water and bring boat head to wind.

**B.** Remove **REELSLING** from the stowage bag and drop the sling into the water behind the boat, allowing it to trail astern, drawing the tether line from the bag.

**C.** Sail the boat in a wide circle around the person in the water with the sling and tether line trailing astern. Due to the circling procedure, the sling and /or the line should come in contact with the patient.

Once contact is made, turn boat head to wind and drop all sails. The person in the water should place the sling over their head and under their arms. As the boat drifts backwards, start to pull in the tether line to bring the person towards the boat for recovery.

**Note:** Use of the device does not guarantee the safety or rescue of the patient. Its effectiveness is considerably reduced in rough or breaking seas and surf.

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