New Life Jacket Labels

• The traditional “Types” categories are going away.

• New labeling system relies more on icons and less on wording.

• Older jackets and flotation aids labeled by “type” still meet regulatory requirements until no longer serviceable.

• Two Categories:
  Wearable
  Throwable

• Wearable life jackets will be divided into five buoyancy categories: 50, 70, 100, 150, and 275 Newtons (metric to harmonize with Canadian standards)
New Icons

- Choose the level of buoyancy for the type of activity.
- The curved arrow indicates that it is likely to turn an unconscious wearer face up in the water.
## Comparison

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<th>Old Type</th>
<th>New Icon</th>
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<td>Type I</td>
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<td>Type II</td>
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<td>Type IV</td>
<td>Called a throwable</td>
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<td>Type V (special purpose vest that met either I, II, or III standards)</td>
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Life Jacket Label Sample
(Inflatable)

Limitations of Use (No PWC, Skiing, Towing, Paddle)

Will Not Turn You Face Up

Buoyancy Level (70)

Care