

Safety Notice

Underwater Air Lift Bags

This safety notice is a precursor to a forthcoming guidance document on the recommended guidelines for safe usage of underwater air lift bags. Until then it is important that all contractors and personnel who are engaged in operations that require the use of underwater air lift bags:

- **Perform a JSA and conduct a safety meeting prior to use. It is also recommended that a documented “Lift Plan” be part of the job outline. Items to be covered should include, but not be limited to:**
 - **Weight of item to be lifted, and the importance of using the appropriately rated lift bag (“Select the right tool for the right job.”)**
 - **Management and awareness breathing hoses, down lines, rigging lines, and all lines from the dive site to the surface.**
 - **Bottom suction**
 - **Proper training of personnel who will perform underwater task(s) using lift bags**

- **It is important that Diving Personnel not take for granted the capabilities of any tool or device which could result compromise the safety of any member of the Dive team.**