

Appendix 1

FLYING CLOTHING

1. With the exception of the winch operator who will invariably wear an immersion suit, the choice of clothing by other crew members will depend on several factors. For instance, for a flight over the sea in winter an immersion suit, but for a flight over land in summer a Mk. 2 flying suit may be more suitable. In the absence of general or local orders concerning the wearing of flying clothing, common sense will have to be used in deciding the items to be worn and the conditions under which the flight is to be made and the possible emergencies which may be encountered are also factors to be taken into account.

2. The life-jacket is worn over the flying or immersion suit and the waistcoat type pack is worn over the life-jacket. After the straps of the pack are connected to the quick-release fitting, they are tightened; ensure that the pack fits tightly around the waist, that the straps fit snugly but not too tightly over the shoulders and that they pass under the life-jacket stole. The pack lanyard is connected to the quick-release coupling on the right-hand side of the life-jacket. Details of the immersion suit and other items of flying clothing will be found in A.P.1182E, Vol. 1; the waistcoat type pack is dealt with in A.P. 1182C, Vol. 1, Book 2.

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