

MILITARY TECHNICAL BULLETIN

SUBJECT: Surface Supplied Harness (SSH) shoulder D-Ring removal

- **Affected Product:** SSH's mfg before April 2012. PN 769161(size1) and 769169 (size2)
- **Problem:** Potential for the upper D-ring to catch on the locking pin of the helmet

SITUATION

It has come to Aqua Lung's attention that the **UPPER left & right D-rings located at the shoulders** of the SSH can become fouled on the helmet locking pins. See picture below.

Note: This Tec Bulletin DOES NOT pertain to any of the other D-rings located on the SSH.



Note: This situation has not resulted if the accidental release of any helmet locking pins

ANALYSIS

Based upon user feedback and manufacturer concurrence, Aqua Lung America is providing guidance below to avoid any potential for accidental or inadvertent activation of the locking pins should they become fouled in the shoulder D-rings.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:

Note: this action involves the 2 D-rings located at the UPPER shoulders ONLY.

Using proper eye protection and a set of bolt cutters cut the UPPER shoulder D-rings off and discard. Fold the shoulder harness material under and make a cut at both 90 degree bends and slide the remaining straight section out from under the webbing. Use caution while cutting to avoid cutting into the webbing or fabric.



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