

HR – Horizontal Body Sling Rescue Pole MOB Drills CLASS

- 1. The United States Coast Guard requires Man Overboard drills to be performed as if it is an emergency, and your company safety program will specify frequency. We always recommend using a rescue dummy for drills, you should not have a crew member get in the water.
- 2. Someone immediately advises the wheelhouse that there is a rescue dummy in the water.
- 3. The wheelhouse sounds the general alarm, and 3 prolonged blasts on the ships whistle. Manually push MOB on the chart plotter. Use the loud hailer to let the crew know there is a man overboard.
- 4. Stop the boat.
 - a. If applicable let traffic know your intentions on Ch. 13.
 - **b.** The deckhand goes on deck with PPE, a handheld VHF to a prearranged Ch., and directs the Captain to the rescue dummy, and gets the boat close.
 - c. While the boat is headed back to the rescue dummy, and you are keeping an eye on the rescue dummy is the time to ready the pole and lifting source.
- **5**. While the boat is maneuvering back to the rescue dummy, put the C-Hero Rescue Davit on the desired bitt, and deploy. Or deploy your own davit.
- **6.** Get the Rescue Pole ready, by checking the following:
 - a. The Rescue Strap is loaded correctly
 - b. All connections are tight, including the connection of the two pole sections
 - c. The V-cleat is lined up with the Slide Buckle and holder
- 7. Deploy a life ring and use it to get the rescue dummy alongside if the boat can't get closer. Tie off the line at the bitts not being used.
- **8**. Connect the lift line snap hook to the Rescue Pole triangle, then put the line into the V-cleat.
- **9**. Deploy the Rescue Pole and put it over the rescue dummy and under the arms, as close to the armpits as possible.
- **ID**. When in place, hold the lift line firmly, and push the pole towards the rescue dummy. Always stay inside the bulwarks for safety.
- 1. Remove the pole from the rescue dummy, then pull the slack out at the C-Hero Rescue Davit winch. Make sure the line brake is closed, then winch up the rescue dummy. Or winch up your own davit.
- 12. **C-Hero® Rescue Davits**: On the 7 Series use the side handle to swing the rescue dummy to the side of the boat and bring it back aboard. On the 5 and 9 Series continue to crank the winch until the winch plate tops, bringing the boom arm almost vertical, allowing you to grasp and bring the rescue dummy back aboard. On the 3 Series capture the rescue dummy and pull towards the bullworks while slowly releasing line through the brake.
- **13**. Discuss company protocol for shock, injuries, or hypothermia of a recovered person as if this were a real emergency with a PIW.