

Subject	Monitoring of the condition of sling sets on the Frog transfer capsule
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Reflex Marine has recently received reports of problems in the field relating to the integrity of Frog sling sets, possibly caused by accelerated corrosion in certain operating conditions. Although we have not yet received any formal notification of a problem from any operator, it was considered appropriate to offer some guidance to restore the confidence of Frog users.

Reflex Marine wishes to emphasize the importance of following the company's maintenance and inspection guidelines and in our view adherence to these guidelines should be sufficient to ensure the integrity of the lifting rigging.

We draw particular attention to the recommendation to fully inspect all sling sets prior to use of the capsule and for periodic replacement of sling sets. The lifting sling set's high visibility cover is closed by means of a Velcro seam to allow convenient opening for sling inspection. This cover should always be opened to allow a full visual inspection prior to use of the unit. Reflex Marine does not recommend the use of tie-wraps or other securing devices which prevent convenient opening of the cover for sling set inspection.

In view of recent concerns expressed, Reflex Marine now recommends that all operators carry out an additional (one off) inspection and also check their maintenance and inspection records in order to ensure that units have been maintained in accordance with the guidelines issued by Reflex Marine. These may be found in the latest issue of our Client Technical Manual (Rev.15.2), which can be downloaded on-line using the following link : <u>www.reflexmarine.com/ctm</u>. Any sling sets showing signs of significant deterioration should be replaced.

We believe that these measures should be sufficient to restore confidence and allow you to continue with your normal transfer operations.

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