

WHAT-DO-YOU-DO-IF

In case of an incident, this page aims to answer the many questions that can be asked by divers but more particularly the Dive leaders.

Sometimes the answers are not simple, unique or perfect.

It is necessary to: explain why, what to do and indicate preventive measures.

You can always ask questions to which other visitors may provide answers.

It is a matter of debate, the answers received are not necessarily the right ones or the best ones.

Dialogue is open but be concise

As examples, let's start with a few common cases.

1) Regulator: Free flow

Why? *Poor setting, low temperature, poor maintenance.*

What to do? *Put a finger to plug the tip, close the corresponding valve, ...*

Prevention?: *Maintenance of the regulator, choice of a suitable regulator*

2) Regulator: Small leak at cylinder connection

Why? : *Defective seal, poor maintenance.*

What to do? *Monitor consumption, limit the duration of diving, if the leak increases interrupt diving ...*

Prevention? *Check for leaks before and at the beginning of the dive.*

3) Hard regulator on inspiration

Why? : *Faucets not open properly, insufficient air supply, plugged inlet filter, incorrect settings or misalignment,*

What to do? : *Stop diving,*

Prevention? : *Check before diving,*

4) Regulator provides water

Why? : *Defective exhalation valve, foreign object in dry chamber,*

What to do? *Inhale slowly, stay upside down,*

Prevention? *Before diving, check the seal by inhaling the bottle closed,*

5) Dive computer screen: White or black

Why? *Empty batteries, complete failure*

What should we do? *Whatever we say, we can ensure its decompression with the computer of another diver by taking appropriate safety margins.*

Prevention? *Always check the condition of the battery before one or more dives. Respect the cohesion of the palanquee to avoid different decompressions.*

6) Jacket does not inflate

Why? *Maintenance defect, empty bottle, pierced envelope, blocked inflator button,*

What to do? *Inflate in the mouth, release the ballast, be assisted to rise,*

Prevention? *Check the cylinder pressure in advance, check all functions before diving,*

7) Jacket inflates itself

Why? *Maintenance defect, inflation button does not return,*

What to do? *Force the button back up, disconnect the direct system,*

Prevention?: *Maintain the vest, test all functions before diving*

8) Jacket deflates by itself

Why? *Maintenance defect, leak on a drain, casing or perforated ringed pipe,*

What to do?: *Monitor the air reserve - Stop diving - Drop the ballast*

Prevention?: *Maintain the vest - Test all functions before diving*

9) Lighting failure

Why? *Empty batteries or batteries, light bulb blown, switch fault.*

What to do? *At night interrupt the dive - Follow very closely another diver,*

Prevention?: *Limit diving to the autonomy of the lighting - Test the functions, change the batteries or charge the batteries before diving,*

10) Too heavy

Why? :

What to do? :

Prevention? :

11) Not heavy enough

Why? :

What to do? :

Prevention? :

In which cases should the dive be interrupted?

Why? :

What to do? :

Prevention? :

A few examples:

Lack of air

Significant or increasing air leakage

Breathlessness

Significant drift

Significant discrepancy with instructions received

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