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Dear James,

The See Blitz strobes have been a great success with my dive team. We have taken them on every dive and have used them as a visual locator to mark cave exit spots in case of a loss of line on the return leg. They have also been used to mark decompression stages or stockpiles and to mark divers for increased visibility in poor conditions. They have performed well and flawlessly the visibility is exceptional and nothing else we have tested comes close.

The neoprene sleeves have been exceptionally helpful and for divers I would suggest are must. They make the strobe float head up and therefore improves range and visibility it also makes carrying them better as they do not hang down and constantly bang against your leg or side. These sleeves have been effective at depths to 40m and will soon be tested deeper. We have found limited use for (in fact have not used) the float ring or carry strap, however I can see an application for these, we just have not chosen to use them in this manner to date.

The coloured wand caps were also tested but underwater we have found that the colour change is almost imperceptible and have not to date tested the colour for range, something I am planning on doing shortly. Will let you know how it goes.

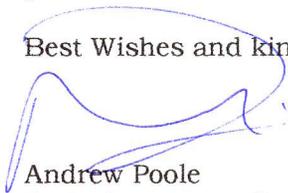
What we have done is used coloured electrical tape on the wand caps with a different colour for each diver when using them for diver location and identification. This gives us reduced flash strength which is required as the high intensity flash with multiple divers in close quarters becomes almost unbearable not to mention irritating. The density of colours makes the flash colour very distinctive and works well to identify each individual.

Should the strobe be required for long range or emergency the tape covered wand cap is removed and if the diver sights a strong white flash this indicates a diver in trouble or requiring attention.

In our dive team the strobe is not just another tool, we have made it compulsory, any diver joining our team MUST dive with a strobe and it MUST be a SEE-BLITZ.

I hope these thoughts and this feedback is of some use to you. Thank you for such a good product. If I can be of any help in the future, please let me know.

Best Wishes and kind regards



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