



**Life Saving Victoria**  
**IRB Crew and IRB Driver**  
**Proficiency Theory Paper – 2011/12**

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**This Proficiency Theory Assessment Paper is to be used by both IRB Crew and IRB Drivers.**

**IRB Crew Candidates must complete questions 1-5**  
**IRB Driver Candidates must complete the entire paper**

Do not mark this paper; write all answers on the reverse side of your Requalification Card.

**This theory paper is open book.**

Please speak to your assessor if you believe that you may have a learning difficulty that affects your ability to answer these questions.

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- Q.1 When do you wear a PFD in an IRB?
- a) Never
  - b) When it is cold
  - c) When out of view of a manned Life Saving Facility or as per Club policy
  - d) When you hear the emergency evacuation alarm
- Q.2 What are the two points on the IRB to which you are allowed to attach the tow ropw?
- a) Front carry handle or bow handle
  - b) Front carry handle or Transom eyelets
  - c) Transom eyelets or Crew persons bow rope handle
  - d) Crew persons bow rope handle or side carry handle
- Q.3 Where is your right leg using the lock in position?
- a) Straight in the foot strap
  - b) Bent under the spray doger
  - c) Next to your left leg
  - d) Where ever it's comfortable
- Q.4 What are the recommended minimum numbers of people required to lift the following:
- a) Unladen IRB; \_\_\_\_\_
  - b) Fully laden IRB; \_\_\_\_\_
  - c) Outboard motor; \_\_\_\_\_
  - d) Fuel tanks; \_\_\_\_\_
- Q.5 Where would you locate the roll over rope on the IRB?
- a) On the bow near the d-ring
  - b) On the starboard pontoon
  - c) With the rescue tube
  - d) On the port pontoon towards the rear reflector tape
- Q.6 Which waves do you use the lock in position on?
- a) Surging
  - b) Breaking
  - c) Plunging
  - d) All of the above

- Q.7 What pressure do you pump up the IRB?
- a) 2 psi
  - b) 20 psi
  - c) 200 psi
  - d) As per the manufactures specifications

**IRB Crew candidates stop here**

- Q.8 LSV Comms must be notified of IRB operations prior to the commencement of all;
- a) Routine patrols
  - b) Search and rescue operations
  - c) Water safety
  - d) All of the above
- Q.9 When searching an area with no inshore drift current and the conditions are calm, what internationally recognised search pattern would be appropriate to use?
- a) Square
  - b) Creeping
  - c) Zig Zag
  - d) Triangulate
- Q.10 How do we treat Hypothermia in an IRB
- a) Given a warm meal
  - b) Held by the crew person in the “cuddle position”
  - c) Give a glass of brandy
  - d) Rub their feet and arms to warm