SEAHORSE RESOURCES

What happens if I get water inside the Seahorse

If the hatch isn't secured correctly, it is possible for water to get into the Seahorse body. If this happen's "don't panic". Everything inside the Seahorse is designed to cope with this. The control unit is encased in resin, and the motor is completely sealed from the outside environment.

All you need to do is to wash the inside of the Seahorse out with fresh water and let it dry completely. We recommend using the Saltaway products to ensure all the salt is removed.

The connectors will need to be either re-dipped into melded greased (Petroleum jelly). Some people use CRC which seems to work just as well.

If you have any questions, please call the Seahorse team.

Weights - what do I use

The Seahorse pack of weights includes 3*4oz weights and 2*8oz weights. This selection is designed to give choice as to the weights used.

Generally the more weight you use, the better the Seahorse will resisted the effect of side currents, but it also mean you will get less distance. Therefore you should be aiming to use as little weight as possible.

Seahorse recommends using at least a minimum of a 4oz weight before and after the hooks in calm conditions. Adding more weight at either end and in the middle of the hooks as conditions get worse.

Seahorse also has 16oz weights available if required.

Handling rips and currents

The Seahorse Kontiki comes with a trim tab or rudder at the bow. This will turn and get the Seahorse to favour one direction over the other. As the rudder is at the bow, it needs to be turned into the direction you wish the Seahorse to favour.

The other option is to leave the rudder straight, and launch the Seahorse at an angle into the direction of the current, and the Seahorse will tack across the current.

Rips along the beach can cause problems if not handled correctly. Take the Kontiki unit up current (50 to 100m) and launch it at the angle you require beyond the rip. Follow the Kontiki unit downcurrent in the rip, keeping the unit heading in the desired direction for beyond the rip. Once the Kontiki unit reaches the other side of the rip (hopefully out from the winch) it will then carry on in the desired direction.

If you are unsure of the conditions and currents, do shorter sets, which will give you more control.

If things go very wrong, winch the kontiki unit back in as soon as you can, as the winch will pull the Kontiki unit back against the running motor. Get yourself set-up again and have a second go.