

Urgent boat safety notice

Carbon monoxide alarms recall

The Boat Safety Scheme (BSS) is alerting anyone with a battery powered carbon monoxide alarm supplied by Lloytron (model B822) or PowerPlus (model BWK034C/Ref 6167) that some units are being recalled.

Recent tests have shown that some batches may not detect (and hence may not sound an alarm) in the presence of certain concentrations of carbon monoxide.

The advice is to remove the unit and return it to the place where you bought it for a refund or further advice.

The alarms are approximately 11cm in diameter. The Lloytron item is in blue packaging and the PowerPlus item is sold with blue and yellow packaging.

The Boat Safety Scheme believes carbon monoxide alarms made to the international standard EN 50291 and installed according to the manufacturer's guidelines can give boaters reassurance, but they should be used alongside a policy of maintaining and using gas, coal, wood and oil-burning appliances according to instructions.

There is further information on carbon monoxide in the BSS leaflet, 'Avoiding the Silent Threat', available from the BSS Office (01923 201278) and on the BSS website:

www.boatsafetyscheme.com/site/Downloads_174.asp

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