

NEW BUT UNTESTED

The latest kit to hit the dive shops

Scubapro Hydros Pro BC >>>>

Built using Scubapro's "Fluid-Form 3D Gel System", the Hydros Pro is unlike any other BC on the market, says the manufacturer. Its "BC-4-Life" modular design makes it easy to customise and even easier to repair, it says, while a body-moulding backplate-and-harness system is intended to deliver maximum comfort and stability at depth.

With barely any inherent buoyancy, less weighting is said to be needed, while fast drying and compactness when packed should suit the BC well for travel. Available in black, blue and yellow for men in S, M, L and XL-XXL sizes, and white, pink and black for women (XS-S, M and L), it costs £570.

>>>> scubapro.com



Dive Rite Helmet <<<<

As technical diving becomes more popular, more divers employ helmets to prevent injuries in overhead environments such as caves and wrecks, especially when using scooters. They also provide a convenient place to mount lights or action-cams. Safety helmets for surface activities usually contain foam, which makes them bulky, buoyant and awkward under water, but Dive Rite's helmet contains no foam. It has an inner suspension harness offering fast adjustment for different hood thicknesses and accepts optional light mounts. The price is £75.

>>>> sea-sea.com

Leak Insure Moisture Absorbent Extra Value Pack >>>>

Every underwater photographer dreads a flood, and Leak Insure packs of absorbent granules are meant to soak up water if the worst happens, and give you time to save your camera. They also help to prevent housing fogging, a common problem caused by temperature changes, says the maker, which has two new sachet sizes to fit housings with limited space. The 80 x 20mm Slim and 60 x 20mm Shorty are both sold in 10-sachet packs at £8, saving £2 on buying two packs of five.

>>>> leakinsure.com



BARE Velocity Ultra Wetsuit >>>>

BARE claims that its "Celliant Infrared & Progressive Full Stretch Technology" provides an unsurpassed fit and longer, warmer dives for owners of its mid-priced Velocity Ultra wetsuits. The idea is to recycle infra-red heat that would otherwise be lost from the diver's body by infusing the neoprene with Celliant, a synthetic polymer fabric. Three grades of neoprene are used in different areas to provide stretch, compression-resistance and robustness where those qualities are most needed. This one-piece, back-entry suit costs £291 (5mm) or £308 (7mm).

>>>> baresports.com



Dry Bag Pro <<<<

This isn't a "dry bag" as we know it but a bag that's supposed to help dry things out. Its purpose is to ensure that your wet- or drysuit, swimwear, towel and other damp gear can be hung up to dry without dripping where they shouldn't – perhaps on the drive home from a dive-site. It's made from showerproof material to prevent leakage but has mesh panels to allow air to circulate and help dry your kit. The hanger can support up to 25kg and the bag is lightweight and takes up little space when not in use, according to the manufacturer. The Dry Bag Pro costs £55.

>>>> thedrybag.co.uk

Zybox Scuba Cleaner & Odour Eliminator >>>>

Anywhere that dive and swimsuits are hung up they can soon begin to whiff unpleasantly, unless rinsed out thoroughly with a cleaner. This product is claimed to eliminate the unpleasant odours created by sweat and urine and to remove damaging salt and chlorine, prolonging the life of neoprene and lycra products. Sold in liquid form and meant to be diluted, a small amount of Zybox is intended to go a long way – it costs £7 for a 250ml bottle, which is intended to provide up to eight treatments.

>>>> cpspartnership.co.uk



Seac Italica Mask >>>>

The frame of the new Italica mask is made of polycarbonate with chromed metal inserts and closures and stainless-steel screws. The clear or black skirt uses various thicknesses of silicon and large textured surfaces, which Seac says allows the mask to adapt quickly to any face. Ultra Clear optical glass is fitted and the Italica comes in various colours, and with optional mirrored lens or an Asian Fit version for slimmer faces. A "3D Pivoting Buckle" system is designed for easy adjustment of the liquid silicon buckle. The mask costs £49, or £59 with mirrored lens.

>>>> seacsub.com



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