

# TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

For a 406 Megahertz Distress Beacon for use with the Cospas-Sarsat Satellite System

# **Certificate Number: 256**

Manufacturer:	Ocean Signal Limited, UK
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Beacon Type: EPIRB, Non-Float Free

Beacon Model: EPIRB1

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Test Laboratory: OMEGA Test Centre

Dates of Test: February – June 2014

Details of the beacon features and battery type are provided overleaf.

The Cospas-Sarsat Council hereby certifies that the 406 MHz Distress Beacon Model identified above is compatible with the Cospas-Sarsat System as defined in documents:

C/S T.001 Specification for Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz Distress Beacon, Issue 3 - Rev. 14, October 2013

C/S T.007 Cospas-Sarsat 406 MHz Distress Beacon Type Approval Standard, Issue 4 - Rev.8, October 2013

## TAC 256 issued on 3 November 2014

## NOTE, HOWEVER:

1. This certificate does not authorize the operation or sale of any 406 MHz distress beacon. Such authorization may require type acceptance by national administrations in countries where the beacon will be distributed, and may also be subject to national licensing requirements.

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2. This certificate is intended only as a formal notification to the above identified manufacturer that the Cospas-Sarsat Council has determined, on the basis of test data of a beacon submitted by the manufacturer, that 406 MHz distress beacons of the type identified herein meet the standards for use with the Cospas-Sarsat System.

3. Although the manufacturer has formally stated that all beacons identified with the above model name(s) will meet the Cospas-Sarsat specification referenced above, this certificate is not a warranty and Cospas-Sarsat hereby expressly disclaims any and all liability arising out of or in connection with the issuance, use or misuse of the certificate.

4. This certificate is subject to revocation by the Cospas-Sarsat Council should the beacon type for which it is issued cease to meet the Cospas-Sarsat specification. A new certificate may be issued after satisfactory corrective action has been taken and correct performance demonstrated in accordance with the Cospas-Sarsat Type Approval Standard.

5. Cospas-Sarsat type approval testing requirements only address the electrical performance of the beacon at 406 MHz. Conformance of the beacon to operational and environmental requirements is the responsibility of national administrations.

Beacon Models:	EPIRB1
Operating temperature range:	-20°C to +55°C (Class 2)
Battery Details:	Qlite, Lithium Manganese Dioxide, 2 x 3 CR123 cells
Operating Lifetime:	48 hours
Transmit Frequency:	406.040 MHz

# **Beacon Model Features:**

- Internal GPS receiver model: Quectel L70;
- Capable to update the encoded position data at variable intervals between 30 minutes and 2 hours;
- Integral manually retractable antenna;
- Manual activation and automatic (via water-switch) activation;
- Self-test mode, one burst of 520 ms;
- GNSS self-test, no RF-transmission, number of GNSS self-tests is limited to 12 for the battery replacement period;
- Strobe-light (20-30 flashes per minute);
- Approved for operation while floating in water, or placed on deck of ship, or in safety raft;

### **Approved Beacon Message Protocols:**

Beacon is approved for encoding with the message protocols indicated with "Yes" and black text below:

### **USER PROTOCOLS**

#### USER-LOCATION PROTOCOLS

### LOCATION PROTOCOLS

- No Maritime with MMSI
- No Maritime with Radio Call Sign
- No EPIRB Float Free with Serial Number
- No EPIRB Non Float Free with Serial Number
- No Radio Call Sign
- No Aviation
- No ELT with Serial Number
- No ELT with Aircraft Operator and Serial Number
- No ELT with Aircraft 24-bit Address
- No PLB with Serial Number
- No National (Short Format Message)
- No National (Long Format Message)

- No Maritime with MMSI
- Yes Maritime with Radio Call Sign
- No EPIRB Float Free with Serial Number
- No EPIRB Non Float Free with Serial Number
- Yes Radio Call Sign
- No Aviation
- No ELT with Serial Number
- No ELT with Aircraft Operator and Serial Number
- No ELT with Aircraft 24-bit Address
- No PLB with Serial Number

- Yes Standard Location: EPIRB with MMSI
- Yes Standard Location: EPIRB with Serial Number
- No Standard Location: ELT with 24-bit Address
- No Standard Location: ELT with Aircraft Operator Designator
- No Standard Location: ELT with Serial Number
- No Standard Location: PLB with Serial Number
- Yes National Location: EPIRB
- No National Location: ELT
- No National Location: PLB