

SAR Information Leaflet



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Transport and disposal of emergency beacons (ELT/PLB/EPIRB)

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False alarms are a burden on the alert network on which emergency signals are conveyed. Every false alarm is avoidable if simple rules are obeyed. This means that the system is ready at all times to be able to process genuine alerts smoothly.

Please note the following points:

Transportation

- **Protect** the device from impact
- Do not throw the device around or drop it
- Place the device **down flat** so that it does not fall over
- Set the switch to the **OFF** position and make sure it cannot be accidentally switched on during transportation
- At the end of transportation and after parking the glider trailer, check to see if the indicator on the ELT or the remote switch is on, or if an alarm is sounding. This can be done with a portable radio on **121.5 MHz**
- If beacons are sent by post, make sure that all plugs are **disconnected**. On most ELTs, this disarms the G-switch.

Disposal

- **Do not drop** the device
- Remove the batteries
- **Break off** any **antennas** on the device
- Take the device **separately** to your **recycling centre**. This is a special electronic device which **does not belong in domestic waste**;
- Even better: ideally, return the device to your **maintenance company** or the **vendor** for **disposal**.
- Do not forget to **de-register** your device with the **registration agency**.

Report false alarms immediately to the RCC!

Contact:

Reporting of false alarms:	RCC +41 58 484 10 00
De-registration: ELT	elt@bazl.admin.ch
De-registration: PLB or EBIRB	www.406registration.com