The Open Sea is of Type I Group A* and meets all the most restrictive criteria of the ISO 9650 standard. ISAF regulations recognize and accept ISO 9650-1 life rafts. The design and the materials used to construct the life raft give it remarkable solidity that is perfectly adapted to open sea sailing.

Made of 100% bonded PVC fabric, based on Zodiac® Thermobonding™ and high-frequency technology, the Open Sea is both resistant and very visible. The aluminium-coated insulated bottom protects passengers from the cold and the humidity. Once they are filled, the water pockets attached under the life raft serve as ballast (240 litres) and provide the Open Sea with optimal stability. The delicate phase of boarding is facilitated by the semi-rigid access ramp as well as the interior ladder. It is compact and light so launching is easy. The life raft and its arch inflate instantly when triggered. Inflation with CO2 is carried out within a temperature range of -15 to 65 °C. The liferaft is also equipped with a rainwater collection system. These elements, a sign of superior quality, ensure the reliability of the Open Sea ISO 9650, even under adverse meteorological conditions (strong winds, high waves).

The Open Sea ISO 9650 is available in four models that can accommodate four to ten people and are stowed in a container or a bag. Zodiac® has a large network of approved stations that can perform the mandatory triennial inspections at very competitive rates. The Open Sea is guaranteed for 12 years**.

*According to the ISO 9650 standard, there are two categories of life rafts: Type 1 for open sea sailing and Type 2 for coastal navigation. Beyond six miles from a shelter, possession of a life raft is mandatory. The choice of the type is left to the captain.

** Life raft guaranteed for 12 years under the conditions defined in the contract which can be obtained from your reseller.

THERMOBONDING™: Guaranteed quality

Born of aeronautics techniques, THERMOBONDING™ draws upon specific production processes that allow an inner and an outer strip to be bonded via hot air to the two edges of a buoyancy tube.

ADVANTAGES OF THERMOBONDING™:
- Perfectly watertight
- Excellent resistance of the assemblies
- Excellent resistance of the PVC fabric
- Optimised manufacturing control
- No glue used: more ecological and reliable

The peripheral strap, a Zodiac® patent, distributes the load when towing the life raft thus offering greater resistance than required by the standard.

The interior ladder makes it possible to hoist oneself on board easily.

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