

August 2, 2010

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE CHANGE

To: **All Users of Survivair® Panther™ and Cougar™ Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Equipped with the Survivair or Sperian COMPASS™ Personal Alert Safety System (PASS)**

The purpose of this Important Safety Notice Change is to advise you of changes to the scope of the Important Safety Notice published March 26, 2010 and revised June 1, 2010, and to advise you of a new course of action for one of the issues covered by that Important Safety Notice.

Previously Sperian Respiratory Protection identified three issues with the Sperian COMPASS PASS device. The courses of action for Issue #2 (a break in the secondary winding of the COMPASS device transformer which could result in a low sound output) and Issue #3 (some COMPASS devices not activating pneumatically when the SCBA cylinder valve is opened) have not changed. As described in the previous Important Safety Notice, if you identify COMPASS PASS devices which are experiencing either of these two issues, **remove the SCBA from service immediately**, and follow the instructions for replacement of the COMPASS as detailed in that Important Safety Notice.



The first issue identified in the Important Safety Notice referred to COMPASS battery terminal connections that can potentially lose contact with the battery, causing the COMPASS to reset (if the air supply is on), or to turn completely off (if the air supply is not on). The course of action specified in the previous Important Safety Notice was to replace all COMPASS devices which were found to have a black six- (6) point battery terminal connection. It was stated in that Important Safety Notice that a white six- (6) point battery terminal connection and a black four- (4) point battery terminal connection were not identified as experiencing the loss of contact with the battery. **PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE: All six- (6) point battery terminal connections, including the white six- (6) point battery terminal connection, are now included within the scope of the Important Safety Notice and have been identified as possibly experiencing the loss of battery contact.** The black four- (4) point battery terminal connection functions properly and continues to remain outside the scope of the Important Safety Notice. Figures 1, 2 and 3 on the following page show the three battery terminal configurations.

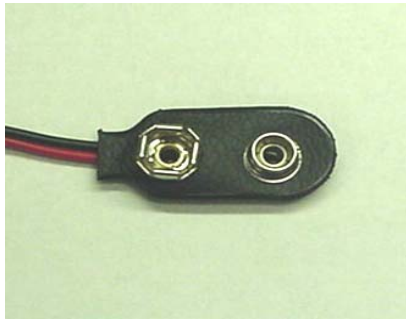


Figure 1
Black Four- (4) Point Battery Terminal Connection
COMPASS units with this connection do NOT have to be replaced or have foam inserts installed.

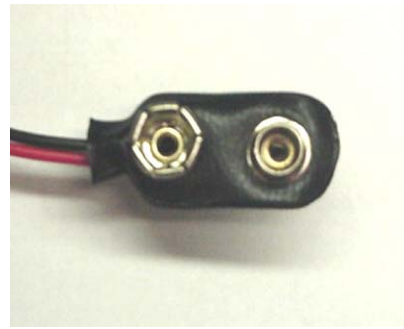


Figure 2
Black Six- (6) Point Battery Terminal Connection
COMPASS units with this connection must have foam inserts installed.

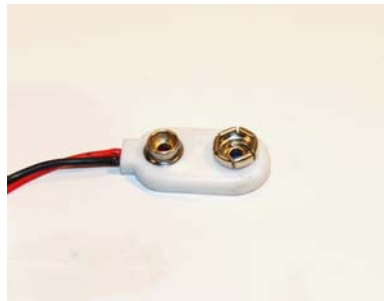


Figure 3
White Six- (6) Point Battery Terminal Connection
COMPASS units with this connection must have foam inserts installed.

New Course of Action: Spierian Respiratory Protection will provide, under warranty, foam inserts that must be installed, per the accompanying instructions, into the battery compartment of the COMPASS unit. This will prevent the battery terminal connection from losing contact with the battery. Installation may be performed by the end user and does **NOT** have to be performed by a Spierian-certified technician. Installation of the foam insert must be made to any COMPASS that is found to have the black six- (6) point or white six- (6) point battery terminal connection, regardless of age. Installation of the foam insert does **NOT** have to be made to a COMPASS with a black four- (4) point battery terminal connection.

SCBAs configured with a COMPASS module having the black six- (6) point battery terminal connection or white six- (6) point battery terminal connection as specified in the Spierian Respiratory Important Safety Notice dated March 26, 2010, the Revised Spierian Respiratory Important Safety Notice dated June 1, 2010, and this Spierian Respiratory Important Safety Notice Change dated August 2, 2010 may continue to be used until such time as foam inserts are available and installed into your COMPASSes. Until you have received and installed new foam inserts into your COMPASSes, you must perform a **DAILY CHECK** of the COMPASS to verify function both pneumatically and manually.

All questions regarding this Important Safety Notice Change should be directed to **Spierian Technical Services at (800) 394-0410.**

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Important Note: If you have already responded to the Sperian Respiratory Important Safety Notice dated March 26, 2010 or the Revised Sperian Respiratory Important Safety Notice dated June 1, 2010, you reported black six- (6) point battery terminal connections, you requested replacement COMPASS units, and you have not yet received your replacement COMPASS units, we will automatically be sending you foam inserts instead of replacement COMPASS units. You do not have to submit any additional forms to us to request foam inserts for your COMPASS units with black six- (6) point battery terminal connections. However, please inspect your COMPASS units for white six- (6) point battery terminal connections and complete the Revised Survivair COMPASS Fax Form included with this Important Safety Notice Change. This Revised Survivair COMPASS Fax Form supersedes all previous forms.



REVISED SURVIVAIR COMPASS® FAX FORM

This form is to be used to facilitate the repair or replacement of the Survivair COMPASS Personal Alert Safety System as outlined in the attached SPERIAN Safety Notice Change. This form is to be used for COMPASS units that are found to have any of the issues listed below. This form supersedes all previous forms. Please fill out the following information. Please print clearly.

SECTION 1 CONTACT AND COMPASS INFORMATION

Department Name or User Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Must be a physical address; no P.O. Box

Phone Number: () _____

*If you **HAVE** responded previously to the Important Safety Notice, please fill out the Contact Information above and provide the following information only:*

- Total number of COMPASS units inspected: _____
- No. of COMPASS units found to have white six- (6) point battery terminal connections: _____

Please continue to Section 2A on the next page and complete as appropriate.

*If you have **NOT** responded previously to the Important Safety Notice, please fill out the Contact Information above and provide the following information:*

- Total number of COMPASS units inspected: _____
- Is your COMPASS configured with the ThermAlert* heat alarm? Yes _____ No _____
*A COMPASS with the ThermAlert heat alarm is identified by a clear battery door.
- No. of COMPASS units found to have black six- (6) point battery terminal connections: _____
- No. of COMPASS units found to have white six- (6) point battery terminal connections: _____
- No. of COMPASS units found not to activate pneumatically: _____
- No. of COMPASS units found to have low sound output: _____
- **Total number of COMPASS units that require foam inserts:** _____
(This should equal the sum of the white and black six- (6) point battery terminal connections listed above.)
- **Total number of COMPASS units to be replaced** _____
(This should equal the sum of COMPASS units with low sound output and no pneumatic activation listed above.)

Please continue to Section 2B on the page after next and complete as appropriate.

SECTION 2A
METHOD OF COMPASS REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT

If you **HAVE** responded previously to the Important Safety Notice, please choose a method below and follow the directions.

- In addition to what we previously reported, we have white six- (6) point battery terminal connections and will perform the installation of the foam inserts into COMPASS ourselves. We understand that we do NOT need to have a Certified Technician on site/staff to perform this installation.

Please fill out the contact information in Section 1 and fax Sections 1 and 2 to SPERIAN Respiratory Protection Technical Services at **(800) 201-4407**. Upon receipt of this form, we will ship foam inserts. You are responsible for installing the new foam inserts and performing functional testing.

- In addition to what we previously reported, we have white six- (6) point battery terminal connections and would prefer to have our local Warranty Service Center perform the installation of the foam inserts into COMPASS.

Choose a Warranty Service Center from the attached list. Please fill out the contact information in Section 1 and fax Sections 1 and 2 to the Warranty Service Center. A representative from the Warranty Service Center will contact you to explain the method they will use to perform this repair. Please specify the SPERIAN Warranty Service Center you have chosen to perform this work.

Warranty Service Center Name: _____

Location: _____

SECTION 2B
METHOD OF COMPASS REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT

If you have **NOT** responded previously to the Important Safety Notice, please choose the appropriate method or methods below and follow the directions.

Inspection was completed and the COMPASS units are functioning properly.

Please note the number of COMPASSes inspected here _____. Please fill out the contact information in Section 1 to provide verification that this inspection has been completed. Please fax Sections 1 and 2 to SPERIAN Respiratory Protection Technical Services at **(800) 201-4407**.

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Warranty Service Center Name: _____

Location: _____

We have COMPASSes that do not activate pneumatically or have low sound output, have a Certified Technician on site/staff, and will perform the COMPASS replacement ourselves.

Technician's name: _____ Certification Date: _____

Please fill out the contact information in Section 1 and fax Sections 1 and 2 to SPERIAN Respiratory Protection Technical Services at **(800) 201-4407**. Upon receipt of this form, we will ship the following items: replacement COMPASS units, a packing slip and an RMA number. After installation of the new COMPASS units and functional testing, sign the packing slip verifying completion. Follow the instructions on the packing slip to return the product. Please write the RMA number on the outside of the shipping carton.

We have COMPASSes that do not activate pneumatically or have low sound output and will contact our local Warranty Service Center to perform the replacement.

Choose a Warranty Service Center from the attached list. Please fill out the contact information in Section 1 and fax Sections 1 and 2 to the Warranty Service Center. A representative from the Warranty Service Center will contact you to explain the method they will use to perform this replacement. Please specify the SPERIAN Warranty Service Center you have chosen to perform this work.

Warranty Service Center Name: _____

Location: _____



Authorized Warranty Service Centers—2010

Country/State	Address	Phone Contact	Website/E-mail
U.S.A.			
ALABAMA			
North American Fire Equipment Co., Inc. (NAFECO)	1515 W. Moulton St.	Decatur, AL 35601	800-628-6233; 256-353-7100 256-355-0852 (Fax) www.nafeco.com
ARIZONA			
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Phoenix)	6005 S. 40th St., Suite 4	Phoenix, AZ 85042	602-453-3911 610-838-7440 (Fax)
CALIFORNIA			
Sperian Respiratory Protection (Factory)	3001 S. Susan St.	Santa Ana, CA 92704	800-821-7236; 800-394-0410 800-201-4407 (Fax) www.sperian.com
SCBA Safety Check	43260 Christy St.	Fremont, CA 94538-3172	888-723-3722; 510-226-1390 510-226-1306 (Fax)
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Los Angeles)	2600 E. 8th St.	Los Angeles, CA 90023	866-557-0254; 323-780-0254 323-780-1484 (Fax)
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Oakland)	1800 Peralta St.	Oakland, CA 94607	800-443-3556; 510-839-5111 541-839-5325 (Fax)
COLORADO			
High Country Fire Equipment, Inc.	26 North Szymie Ct.	Pagosa Springs, CO 81147	970-731-4241 970-731-0248 (Fax) www.highcountryfire.com jbower@centurytel.net
CONNECTICUT			
Fire Protection Extinguishers (Industrial only)	1701 Highland Ave.	Cheshire, CT 06514	203-250-1115 203-250-1116 (Fax) Ned@fireprotectiontesting.com
FLORIDA			
Safety Solutions, Inc.	3457 Highridge Rd	Boynton Beach, FL 33436	754-224-1995 561-742-5739 (Fax) www.safetyolutions.us tcool@bellsouth.net
ILLINOIS			
SCBA's, Inc.	403 Peoria St.	Washington, IL 61571	800-747-7442; 309--444-7442 309444-3180 (Fax)
INDIANA			
Mid-America Fire & Safety LLC	4001 N. Joe Ave.	Evansville, IN 47720	812-774-6635 888-314-6925 (Fax) kreisingmidamerica@yahoo.com
KENTUCKY			
High Tech Rescue, Inc.	250 Rockbridge Rd.	Shelbyville, KY 40065	888-848-6144 502-633-0659 (Fax)
LOUISIANA			
BGS, LLC	2204 S. Commerce	Gonzales, LA 70737	866-247-3473; 225-644-4545 225-644-5253 (Fax)
Premier Fire Equipment	7046 Park Ave.	Houma, LA 70364	985-580-1555 985-580-1556 (Fax) premierfireeq@bellsouth.net
MARYLAND			
Winsteads Fire Equipment	8692 Brooks Drive	Easton, MD 21601	410-770-9727 410-770-9728 (Fax) www.winsteadsfireequipment.com
Safeware, Inc. (Industrial only)	3200 Hubbard Road	Landover, MD 20785	800-331-6707; 301-925-1234 301-925-2060 (Fax) frhoades@safewareinc.com
MICHIGAN			
Argus-Hazco (formerly ASC Mastertek) (Industrial only)	46410 Continental Drive	Chesterfield, MI 48047	800-327-4260 586-840-3221 (Fax)
Douglass Safety Systems	2655 N. Meridian Rd Suite #6	Sanford, MI 48657	989-687-7600 989-687-7601 (Fax) www.dougsafe.com
Southeast Equipment Inc.	6408 Montclair	Troy, MI 48085	248-895-7531 248-835-1192 (Fax) rsinclair@wideopenwest.com
MINNESOTA			
Fire Safety USA	3253 19th Street NW, Suite #4	Rochester, MN 55901	507-529-8444 507-529-8111 (Fax)
MISSISSIPPI			
HC Services (Industrial only)	1455 West Drive	Laurel, MS 39440	877-543-3473; 601-399-4888 sue@hcservicesinc.com
MISSOURI			
Emergency Vehicle Care Center (Leo M. Ellebracht)	1000 Corporate Pkwy., #100	Wentzville, MO 63385	636-332-6985 636-332-8046 (Fax)

MONTANA				
DXP SafetyMaster	1111 S. 27th St. P.O. Box 30277	Billings, MT 59101	800-947-7120; 406-248-8098 406-259-0816 (Fax)	
NEW HAMPSHIRE				
New England Emergency Equipment	375 Jaffrey Rd.	Peterborough, NH 03458	877-639-4911 603-925-3703 (Fax)	www.neemergency.com
NEBRASKA				
Danko Emergency Equipment	109 Ash Street	Snyder, NE 68664	866-568-2200; 402-568-2200 402-568-2212 (Fax)	www.Danko.net
NEW JERSEY				
Approved Fire Protection	114 St. Nicholas Ave.	South Plainfield, NJ 07080-1808	908-755-2222 908-769-1424 (Fax)	www.approvedfire@msn.com
Continental Fire & Safety, Inc.	180 Volusia Ave.	Trenton, NJ 08610-2826	800-313-1846; 609-588-0096 609-584-0405 (Fax)	www.confire1.com or confire@aol.com
NEW MEXICO				
Artesia Fire Equipment	1014 S. First	Artesia, NM 88211	800-748-2076 575-748-1128 (Fax)	www.artesiafire.com
NORTH CAROLINA				
Mobile Test	1972 St. Andrews Church Rd.	Sanford, NC 27332	919-776-8771 919-776-8771 (Fax)	
NEW YORK				
Haight Fire Equipment	199 Little Britain Rd.	Newburgh, NY 12550	845-562-6485 845-562-6482 (Fax)	rflushetto@haightfire.com
OHIO				
Warren Fire Equipment	2044 "B" S. Alex Rd.	West Carrollton, OH 45449	937-866-8918 937-866-7035 (Fax)	
OREGON				
A-L Compressed Gases	2233 N.W. 23rd Avenue	Portland, OR 97210	503-226-0582 503-226-0988 (Fax)	www.alcompressedgases.com
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Seaside)	390 Forest Court	Seaside, OR 97138	800-426-6633; 503-440-5456 503-735-2118 (Fax)	
PENNSYLVANIA				
3 Rivers Fire Equipment	1319 Airbrake Ave.	Turtle Creek, PA 15145	412-824-9540 412-825-4132 (Fax)	sales@3riversfire.com
Compressed Air Systems, Inc.	5519 Old Easton Rd. Doylestown, PA 18901	P.O. Box 567 Buckingham, PA 18912	215-340-1307 215-489-0412 (Fax)	
Susquehanna Fire Equipment Co.	11322 Center Hwy.	North Huntingdon, PA 15642	800-494-0580; 724-861-8872 724-861-8865 (Fax)	www.susquehannafire.com
SOUTH CAROLINA				
Carolina Fire Services	8609 Fair Forest Rd.	Spartanburg, SC 29301	800-710-Fire 864-574-1432 (Fax)	carofire1@aol.com
TEXAS				
Fire Supply, Inc.	P.O. Box 89 500 W. Railroad	Godley, TX 76044	817-389-2377; 800-338-1461 817-389-3413 (Fax)	www.firesupplyinc.com
Kimco Services, Inc.	103 Oyster Creek Dr. #3	Lake Jackson, TX 77566	800-460-7222; 979-297-9246 979-297-9246 (Fax)	www.kimco-services.com
Mixed Gas Technologies dba Gulf Coast Breathing Air	9702-B Wallisville	Houston, TX 77013	866-649-3347; 281-449-6700 281-449-6739 (Fax)	kristi.kelly@mgtgc.com
UTAH				
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Salt Lake City)	1195 S. 300 West	Salt Lake City, UT 84101	801-486-7285 801-487-1278 (Fax)	
VIRGINIA				
C.W. Williams	3613 Saunders Ave.	Richmond, VA 23227	877-355-6111 252-977-9241 (Fax)	www.cwwilliamsfire.com
Safeware, Inc. (Industrial only)	5641 S. Laburnum Ave.	Richmond, VA 23231	800-814-7898 804-236-0579 804-226-8405 (Fax)	www.safewareinc.com
Vest's Sales & Service, Inc.	1157 Stonewall Rd. N.E.	Check, VA 24072	866-225-8144; 540-621-3911 540-651-6717 (Fax)	Rvest@swva.net
WASHINGTON				
Breathing Apparatus Repair Service (BARS)	P.O. Box 3584 233 S. Holden St.	Seattle, WA 98108	800-625-6268; 206-767-1833 206-767-0959 (Fax)	
L.N. Curtis & Sons (Seattle)	629 S. Industrial Way	Seattle, WA 98108	800-426-6633; 206-622-2875 206-622-2723 (Fax)	
WEST VIRGINIA				
American Airworks, Inc.	578 Robert C. Byrd Drive	Sophia, WV 25921	800-523-7222; 304-683-4595 304-683-3257 (Fax)	www.americanairworks.com

Canada 

ALBERTA				
Astec Safety	2602 50 Ave	Lloydminster, AB T9V 2S3	780-875-0331	gklippenstein@astecsafety.com
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	7948 Edgar Industrial Way	Red Deer, Alberta T4P 3R2	403-343-6671 403-347-9970 (Fax)	
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	1366 Brier Park Drive NW	Medicine Hat, Alberta T1C 1Z7	403-526-6461 403-527-8423 (Fax)	
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	10203 - 123 St	Grande Prairie, Albert T8V 8B7	780-532-0843 780-532-0819 (Fax)	
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	4810 - 92 Avenue	Edmonton, Alberta T6B 2X4	780-468-3366 780-490-2893 (Fax)	
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	Bay #10, 5251 - 48 Avenue SE	Calgary, Alberta T2B 3S2	403-287-1690 780-287-3526 (Fax)	cvtechnicalservices.com
HSE Integrated Ltd. (Industrial only)	1000, 630-6th avenue SW	Calgary, Alberta T2P 0S8	780-463-9078	
Levitt-Safety, Limited (Industrial only)	9241 48th Street	Edmonton, Alberta T6E 2R9	800-661-3973; 780-461-8088 780-461-8371 (Fax)	
NEWFOUNDLAND				
K&D Pratt, Ltd.	73 Blackmarsh Road P.O. Box 8160	St. Johns, Newfoundland A1B3N3	709-722-5690 709-722-6975 (Fax)	
NOVA SCOTIA				
K&D Pratt, Ltd.	210 John Savage Avenue	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia B3B 0C9	902-468-1955 800-567-1955 (in NS only) 902-468-6756 (Fax)	kdinfo@kdpratt.com
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	100 Ilsley Avenue, Suite D	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia B3B 1L3	902-481-8869 902-481-8839 (Fax)	
ONTARIO				
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	27 SeaPark Drive, Unit #1	St Catharines, Ontario L2M 6S5	905-688-1866 905-688-5020 (Fax)	
Levitt-Safety Limited (Industrial only)	2872 Bristol Circle	Oakville, Ontario L6H 5T5	800-668-6153; 905-829-3299 905-829-2919 (Fax)	
Superior Safety Inc.	782 MacDonell Street	Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 4A6	807-344-3473; 705-674-6055; 613-727-5330 807-344-1716 (Fax)	
QUÉBEC				
CMP Mayer	2250 Andre C. Hanel	Drummondville, Québec J2C 8B1	819-474-2111 819-474-7494 (Fax)	
Levitt-Sécurité Ltée. (Industrial only)	659 Avenue Meloche	Dorval, Québec H9P 2T1	800-361-5775; 514-636-9011 514-636-0923 (Fax)	
SASKATCHEWAN				
Century Vallen (Industrial only)	563 McDonald Street	Regina, Saskatchewan S4N 4X1	306-721-2223 306-721-2344 (Fax)	

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PHILIPPINES				
Safety Center of the Philippines	P.O. Box 1762 MCPO Makati	Metro Manila 1257 Philippines	632-821-2851 632-821-2814 (Fax)	
THAILAND				
Methavee Trading Co.	63/26 Charansanitwong Rd.	Banghunsri 10700 Thailand	662 412 4182; 662 412 2758; 866 7276 7 662 412 1104 (Fax)	
KPS intermarketing Co. Ltd.	1213/419 soi 94 Ladphra RD.	Wangthonglang, Bangkok Thailand	662-935-6655	