



Rescue Unit / Stage Safety Unit (SSU) Equipment Checking

Guidance for MSA Stewards / Club Stewards

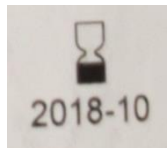
It is an MSA requirement that Rescue Units and SSUs at events are checked by the MSA Steward (or their nominated Deputy) to ensure that the vehicle is not only equipped correctly but that the equipment carried is 'in date'. The following guidance notes have been developed to assist you in this task by illustrating the equipment and where to identify its certification or expiry date.

Should any Rescue Unit / SSU not meet the equipment standards detailed in the MSA's Yearbook (Section F, Emergency and Medical Services) please discuss this directly with the unit's Crew Chief and ensure an observation is made in the Stewards report for onward reporting to the MSA.

Following an inspection please ensure that you sign the vehicles unit check sheet, commenting as appropriate.

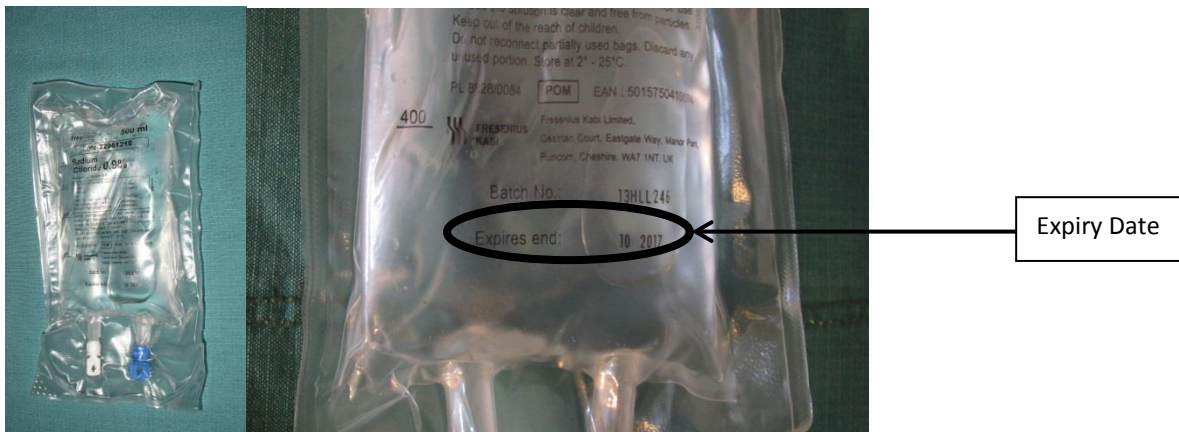
Medical Equipment

Generally the expiry date is indicated by the use of the following symbol and the date next to it:



Examples (not an exhaustive list):

Hartman's Solution (or equivalent):



Intravenous Cannulae



Medical Equipment

Intravenous Giving Sets



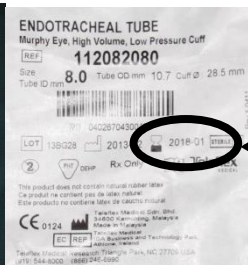
Expiry Date

Chest Drain Kits



Expiry Date

Endotracheal Tubes



Expiry Date

I-Gel



Expiry Date

AED and Pads



Pads Expiry Date



Pads Expiry Date

With AEDs it is also recommended that you check their battery status – the Unit's Crew Chief will be able to assist you in this task.

Medical Gasses (Portable CD Cylinders shown)

Oxygen



Gasses Expiry Date

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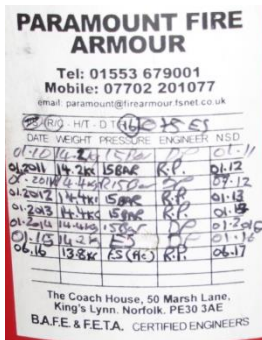


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Rescue Equipment (Mechanical)

Whilst there is no expiry date on mechanical equipment it should be checked for its general condition. Where hydraulic cutting gear is carried it should be inspected for its general condition. If the vehicle carries a hydraulic servicing certificate (not mandatory for it to be carried) it should be checked to ensure the equipment is 'in date' for annual servicing.

Fire Extinguishers should be checked to ensure they have been subject to an annual check:



Vehicles General Condition

The MSA's yearbook states that all units and equipment are to be of appropriate specification and kept serviceable, clean, tidy and in a hygienic condition. Should you feel that this is not the case then you are advised to discuss this directly with the unit's Crew Chief and, if necessary, ensure an observation is made in the Stewards report for onward reporting to the MSA.