

# PERSONNEL RECOVERY DEVICE

Personal Locator Beacon



## Introduction

Safran Federal System's Personnel Recovery Device is the world's first personal locator beacon built specifically for the US Army that utilizes the Second Generation Cospas-Sarsat signaling technology for the most demanding search and rescue environments. It's a robust, ruggedized, dual mode, user-friendly beacon that has introduced many new innovations in this version of the modern beacon.

With the final design weighing a mere 7 ounces, Safran's Personnel Recovery Device is the smallest, most capable PRD designed to meet Army specific requirements. In particular, the device has been designed to operate continuously over a 36-48 hour period with two user replaceable, general purpose CR123A cells. A state-of-the-art power system design enables the overall device to have an extremely low SWaP profile.

Several other design innovations, such as a wrap-around flexible antenna and single button operation, allow the Beacon to be operated by a single hand even when wearing CBRN gloves. Currently, the Beacon uses a commercial GNSS chipset which can be replaced by SASSM or M-Code capable receivers dependent on customer needs.

## Key Attributes

- Portable, Rugged, and Secure
- Simultaneously supports the critical CONOPS as a device of last resort for electronic distress alerting
- Designed to Meet MIL-STD Environmental Conditions
- Provides a simple User Interface
- Field/User replaceable CR-123 batteries
- Dual Mode Capability; Adaptable to Customer Requirements
- Second-Generation 406 MHz Distress Signaling Capability
- Extremely Low-SWaP Form Factor

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## Technical Specifications

Power Output	406MHz 5W +/- 2 dB (35 to 39 dBm) 360-425 MHz 5W nominal +2dB/-7dB Battery Life >24 hours Operational
RF Specification	406 MHz IAW Cospas-Sarsat documents T.018 and T.021 360-425 MHz Customer specified
GPS Specification	Type 50 channel L1/CA code Coordinate System Geodetic Lat/Long WGS-84
Antenna	Patented low-profile wraparound design, deployable with a single hand
Waveform	LPI/LPD Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum
Dimensions	2" x 1.5" x 4.5"
Weight	<12 oz with batteries
Case Material	PA666 Grilon TS V0 polyamide 66
Activation	Push button (single-handed operation)
Programming	USB interface
Operating Temperature	-20°C to +55.5°C
Storage Temperature	-20°C to +65.5°C
Transportation	Non-Hazardous (without batteries)

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