



TYPE I – Off-Shore Life Jacket / minimum buoyancy requirement 22.0 lbs., best for open, rough or remote water, where rescue may be slow coming.

Advantages: Floats you the best. Turns most unconscious wearers face-up in water. Highly visible colors.

Disadvantages: Bulky.

Sizes: Two sizes to fit most children and adults.



TYPE II – Near-Shore Buoyant Vest / minimum buoyancy requirement 15.5 lbs., good for calm, inland water, or where there is good chance of fast rescue.

Advantages: Turns some unconscious wearers face-up in water. Less bulky, more comfortable than Off-Shore Life Jacket.

Disadvantages: Not for long hours in rough water. Will not turn some unconscious wearers face-up in water.

Sizes: Infant through adult.



TYPE III – Flotation Aid / minimum buoyancy requirement 15.5 lbs., Good for calm, inland water, or where there is good chance of fast rescue.

Advantages: Generally the most comfortable type for continuous wear. Designed for general boating or the activity that is marked on the device. Available in many styles, including vests and flotation coats.

Disadvantages: Wearer may have to tilt head back to avoid going face-down. In rough water, a wearer's face may often be covered by waves. Not for extended survival in rough water.

Sizes: Many individual sizes from small-child through adult.



TYPE IV – Throwable Device / minimum buoyancy requirement – Ring buoys 16.5 lbs., Boat cushions 18.0 lbs. Good for calm, inland water with heavy boat traffic, where help is always nearby.

Advantages: Can be thrown to someone, good back-up to wearable PFD's. Some can be used as seat cushion.

Disadvantages: Not for unconscious persons. Not for non-swimmers or children. Not for many hours in rough water.

Kinds: Cushions, rings, and horseshoe buoys.



TYPE V – Special Use Devices / minimum buoyancy requirement 15.5 to 22.0 lbs. Only for special uses or conditions. See label for limits of use. Varieties include board-sailing vests, deck suits, work vests, hybrid PFD's and others.

Advantages: Made for specific activities, such as white-water rafting.

– ADULT RAINWEAR SIZE CHART –

Item Size	Chest Size	Waist Size	Inseam
Small	34" - 36"	27" - 30"	29"
Medium	38" - 40"	30" - 34"	30"
Large	42" - 44"	34" - 36"	31"
X-Large	46" - 48"	38" - 42"	32"
2X-Large	50" - 52"	42" - 46"	33"
3X-Large	54" - 56"	48" - 52"	33"

– YOUTH RAINWEAR SIZE CHART –

Item Size	Chest Size	Waist Size
Small (6/8)	26" - 27"	22" - 23"
Medium (10/12)	29" - 30"	24" - 25"
Large (14/16)	31" - 33"	26" - 27"

– PET VEST SIZE CHART –

Item Size	Weight	Neck	Chest	Waist
XX-Small	less than 8 lbs.	less than 10"	less than 18"	less than 14"
X-Small	8 - 15 lbs.	10" - 13"	18" - 24"	14" - 20"
Small	15 - 30 lbs.	12" - 16"	22" - 28"	18" - 24"
Medium	30 - 60 lbs.	15" - 19"	26" - 32"	22" - 28"
Large	60 - 80 lbs.	18" - 22"	30" - 38"	26" - 32"
X-Large	80 lbs. and over	18" - 24"	30" - 42"	26" - 36"

– FLOTATION SIZE CHART –

Item Size	Chest Size	Weight
Type I Vest		
Child	---	Less than 90 lbs.
Adult	---	90 lbs. and over

Type II Vest		
Child Small	---	30-50 lbs.
Child Medium	---	50-90 lbs.
Adult Universal	---	90 lbs. and over

Type II Infant and Type III Children's Vest		
Infant - Type II	---	Less than 30 lbs.
Infant/Child - Type II	---	Less than 50 lbs.
Child - Type III	20" - 25"	30-50 lbs.
Youth - Type III	24" - 29"	50-90 lbs.

Type III Adult Vest (Includes Mens and Ladies Sized Nylon and Neoprene, Mesh, and Sized Fishing Vests)		
X-Small	28" - 32"	90 lbs. and over
Small	32" - 36"	90 lbs. and over
Medium	36" - 40"	90 lbs. and over
Large	40" - 44"	90 lbs. and over
X-Large	44" - 48"	90 lbs. and over
2X-Large	48" - 52"	90 lbs. and over
3X-Large	52" - 56"	90 lbs. and over
4X-Large	56" - 62"	90 lbs. and over
5X-Large	62" - 68"	90 lbs. and over

Type III Teen & Adult 2, 3, and 4 Belt Dual Sized Vest		
Teen	28" - 32"	90 lbs. and over
X-Small	28" - 32"	90 lbs. and over
Small/Medium	32" - 40"	90 lbs. and over
Large/X-Large	40" - 52"	90 lbs. and over
2X-Large/4X-Large	50" - 60"	90 lbs. and over
4X-Large/7X-Large	60" - 70"	90 lbs. and over

Type III General Purpose Vest (Includes Universal Sport Vest Series)		
Infant/Child (Type II)	---	Less than 50 lbs.
Child	20" - 25"	30-50 lbs.
Youth	25" - 29"	50-90 lbs.
Adult Universal	30" - 52"	90 lbs. and over
Adult L/3XL	40" - 60"	90 lbs. and over
Adult 3XL/7XL	50" - 70"	90 lbs. and over

Adult Dual Sized Paddle Sports Vests		
Small/Medium	32" - 40"	90 lbs. and over
Large/X-Large	40" - 48"	90 lbs. and over
2X-Large/3X-Large	48" - 56"	90 lbs. and over

– WETSUIT SIZE CHART –

Youth Size	Weight	Chest	Waist
Small (6/8)	65 - 80 lbs.	24" - 29"	23" - 26"
Medium (10/12)	80 - 110 lbs.	30" - 32"	27" - 29"
Large (14/16)	110 - 135 lbs.	31" - 33"	28" - 30"

Adult Size	Weight	Chest	Waist
Small	120 - 150 lbs.	34" - 36"	30" - 32"
Medium	150 - 170 lbs.	36" - 38"	32" - 34"
Large	170 - 190 lbs.	38" - 40"	34" - 36"
X-Large	190 - 210 lbs.	40" - 43"	36" - 39"