



The Dolphin Dissuasive Device DDD®03

& Dolphin interactive Dissuasor

DiD[®]01



effectively reduce the interactions between marine mammals and long lines, trawls, purse seine, gill nets and aquaculture cages, for the benefit of the wildlife and the industry

DEPREDATION & BY-CATCH MITIGATION WITH DDD°03 & DiD°01

The DDD and the DiD have been designed to limit the interactions between marine mammals and the fishing nets. The goal is to protect both the animals safety and the fisheries' profitability. STM has developed these products in collaboration with prestigious research centers. Since the first tests the DDD achieved great success becoming the first solution that showed persistently positive results.

The DDD employment is very simple: it is just to be hanged to the nets. The DDD activates as it touches the water and then starts emitting special random ultrasound sequences. These have been studied to interfere with the cetaceans acoustical perception system in order to disturb the identification of the preys in the nets/lines. The random variation of the signals parameters avoids the mammals habituation. All DDD versions emit the same ultrasound sequences, they differ only by the duration of the intervals.

The last evolution of the DDD is the interactive model DiD. This device produces the same modulated signals as the DDD but only when it detects the presence of cetaceans in the area by perceiving their echolocation signals. This strategy improves the interference adding a surprise effect while it increases the batteries life and the charge duration. The placement of several DiD at a regular distance allows a chain reaction that protects the whole net/line.

There is scientific evidence demonstrating the DDD and the DiD reduce mammals by-catch and the damages to the nets, while increasing the target catch.

USE

The DDD and the DiD are to be placed at least 10 m below the water surface, up to 200 m. depth but not too close to the sea bed.

The signals reach 150 ÷ 200 m. all around (depending on the ambient conditions) and about 80 m. under the device. The model, the number of units to place and the position respect to the nets depend on the type of net, the kind of fishing operation and the mammal species. The STM team will be pleased to offer advise for each particular situation.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The devices are ruled by a 16 bits microprocessor which manages the automatic switch-on when sunk in water, the low battery alarm, identifies the echolocation signals (DiD) and randomizes the output signals. Emission frequency: from 5 to 500 kHz. Weight: 905 gr. Height: 210 mm. Diameter 61 mm. Tested pressure: 30 bar. The device has a pack of internal rechargeable 1.6 Ah NiMH batteries (sealed).

MODELS	DDD 03L	DDD 03N	DDD 03H	DDD 03U	DiD 01
	low frequency	normal freq.	high frequency	ultra frequent	interactive
color	yellow	yellow	orange	orange	green
batteries (hs)	300	120	40	12	> 300
use	aquaculture ports and exclusion areas	long gill nets aquaculture	short gill nets trawler purse seine	squid lines deep long lines	aquaculture gill nets long lines

ACCESSORIES







Battery Charger The charging process takes 20 hours. Powered 230V or 110V



Float It has been calculated to balance the devices weight on the nets/lines in order to mantain the fishing operation dynamics

DDD



MultiBatteryCharger MBC4 It charges up to 4 devices simultaneously. The display shows the battery charge level when a device is placed



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