

# IMPORTANT

## General Guidance notes for using Belly Boards

The Surf Classic products are built to a high standard and we expect them to perform exactly as the 1959 originals

This product is **Not a Flotation Aid**

It is a manufactured utilising the original 1959 Steam Press Bending process and made with the very best Lloyds approved marine plywood, priming and marine finishes currently available.

It has a design life in excess of 30 years.

In continuous production for 58 years It is a genuine “**Surf Classic**”™ board as originally produced by Ken and Anne Brierley of West Pentire and later by Sue and John Dennett from their home in Crantock North Cornwall.

### Disclaimer: -

As manufacturers we have no control whatsoever as to how and where this product is liable to be used and the many variables and resulting risks associated with open water activities.

We can accept no liability for injury or loss of life resulting from its use.

The **RNLI** have a useful set of Guidance Notes relating to Body Boarding these can be found on their excellent website, however the information by necessity is generalised, incorporating advice relating to more modern foam construction Body Boards.

It therefore is prudent to exercise caution in your interpretation when using traditional marine plywood Boards which by design are buoyancy neutral therefore definitely **Not a Flotation Aid**.

### General Advice Before venturing into any open water activities: -

- Only participate on Life Guard Patrolled sections of beach
- Only participate between relevant coloured flags or in the designated section advised by the patrol
- Never participate alone without leaving your activity plan with a trusted friend .
- Always discuss your activity with the local Life Guard and beach patrol and take their guidance and advice.
- None of the above constitute a full risk assessment this is the sole responsibility of the user or supervisor at the time of use.
- As a **reference guide** to the behaviour and the affect of tidal activities we have found William Thomson’s Book “The Book of Tides” an invaluable aid to us to gaining an understanding of UK sea conditions and their effect on surfing activities. ISBN 978-1-78648-079-8 [www.tidalcompass.com](http://www.tidalcompass.com)
- **Please retain these notes.**