

# Fire and Rescue NSW Operations Bulletin 2012/04 Avoiding visor damage while disinfecting SCBA facemasks



## Issue

The FPS 7000 facemask issued with the latest generation of Dräger SCBA and which is being retrofitted to existing Dräger SCBA is equipped with an anti-scratch and anti-fog visor.

A small number of facemasks in service have been found with damaged anti-fog coating on the inside of the visor. This situation is currently being monitored.

The manufacturer advises that the anti-fog coating applied to the inside of the visor can be damaged if the inside of the visor is rubbed while wet.

## Instruction

Operators are instructed that the inside surface of SCBA visors should not be wiped with a cloth during the cleaning/disinfection/drying process.

This instruction applies to all BA facemasks, including extension facemasks.

## New procedure in SIMS

The [SIMS worksheet for SCBA](#) has been updated to reflect the new procedure for disinfecting facemasks. *SIMS worksheet: SCBA* (version 02) is rescinded. Station Commanders must remove *SIMS worksheet: SCBA* (version 02) from their SIMS board and replace it with [SIMS worksheet: SCBA \(version 04\)](#) printed out from the SIMS site on Station Portal.

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