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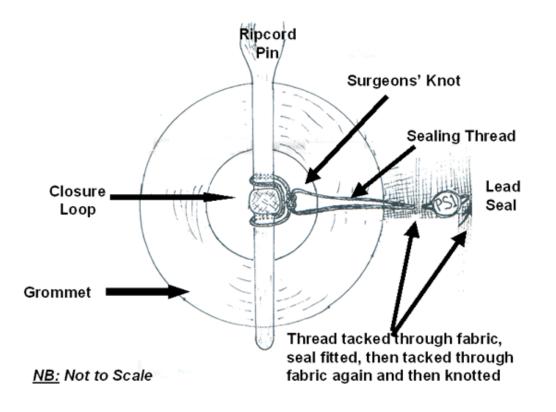
BPA ACCEPTABLE RESERVE SEALING METHOD

The BPA Operations Manual states the following in Section 6 (Equipment) Paragraph 8.9 (Reserve Sealing Thread):

"Only Riggers, Advanced Packers and packers with the appropriately endorsed packing certificate may seal reserves and must use a method acceptable to the BPA Riggers Sub-Committee. The rigger/packer should use a method of identification on their seal that is identifiable to him/her. Seal thread must be a thread manufactured to break at no more than 6lbs. The sealing of reserves is optional."

The following diagram represents the approved method of sealing reserves as acceptable to the BPA Riggers Sub-Committee

The method is so designed to ensure the thread does not have to be broken to operate the ripcord, thereby not increasing the pull force required., and to ensure the lead seal is kept away from the pin and grommet to avoid any adverse interference.



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