# Victor Shane's Drag Device DataBase

In recognition of the implicit relationship between drag devices and offshore safety, a number of drag device manufacturers are participating in the Drag Device DataBase program. The purpose of the program is to accumulate, catalog, and publish accurate information about real-life uses of drag devices and to provide a scientific basis for comparison of the variables involved.

**If you have used a sea anchor, drogue or other type of drag device in heavy weather, please participate in this ongoing program by completing the standardized DDDB form below.** By your accurate feedback you will be contributing greatly to the cause of offshore safety. Alternatively you can also complete the form online by going to [**http://DragDeviceDB.com/db/submit-your-own-case-report**](http://DragDeviceDB.com/db/submit-your-own-case-report)

## Your Details:

Name:

Email:

Phone Number (including country code)

Experience (sea miles)

Do you have a blog post about this experience? Enter URL for the actual page:

## Your Boat's Details

Vessels' Name

Hailing Port

Type/Model/Class

Design/er

LOA LWL Beam Draft Displ

## Sailing Vessels

**Hull Type :**  Monohull  Trimaran  Catamaran  Other \_\_\_\_

**Rig:**  Sloop  Cutter  Ketch  Schooner  Other

**Keel:**  None  Centerboard  Fin (shallow & wide) Fin (twin bilge keels) Fin (standard)  Fin (deep & narrow)  'Brewer Bite'  Full  Full, with cutaway forefoot

**Rudder:**  Transom hung  Spade  Skeg  Keel Mounted

**Self Steering Type**

**Additional Comments**

## Power Vessels

Type :  Pleasure  F/V  RIB  Research Other

**Additional Comments**

## Rowing Boats

Please describe your boat

## Drag Device Used

 Sea Anchor (off bow)  Drogue (off stern)  None

Diameter : Trip-Line Used?  Full  Partial  None

Make/Model

## Rode Particulars

 Nylon Polyester  Polypropylene Nylon/Polyester combo  Dyneema/Spectra

**Construction** :  3-strand  Single Braid  Double Braid

**Rode Length** **Bridle Arms Length (if used)**

Swivel Type & Size

## Incident Details

**Exact Date of Incident**

**Incident Occurred During:**

 Commercial Fishing  Oceanographic Use  Other Commercial

 Weekend Outing  Racing  Coastal Passage  Ocean Passage  Circumnavigation

**Location**: Lat: Long:   
**Traveling from**: **To**:   
Approximate Depth of Water :

Duration of Time Using Drag Device:

How many nautical miles did the vessel drift during the time it was tethered to the sea anchor ?

## Weather Details

**Adversity Encountered** (no exaggerations, please!)   
 Low System  Gale  Strong Gale  Storm  Tropical Depression  Tropical Storm  Hurricane/Tropical Cyclone

Barometer :

Currents (direction of flow and speed)

**Wind Conditions:** please describe the wind direction, strength (sustained and gusts), and any other notable features:

**Sea States**:  Trochoidal (rounded tops, stable)   
  Cychloidal (steep, breaking/unstable)

**Wave Size** - please describe the waves - significant height, period, wave length, etc. (no exaggerations, please!)

Any Genuine Rogue Waves (how many) ?

At what angle did these maverick waves intrude into the dominant seaway?  10°  20°  30°  45°  >45° \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments** - Please use the other side of this page (or additional sheets) to tell us as much as you can about your experience, including observations of what went right, what went wrong, chafe, breakages, lessons learned, suggestions etc. The more you can tell us, the more useful it will be for others.

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**Signed** **Date**

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