



## **Businesswoman Launches Weatherproof Marine First Aid Kits**

A Cornish businesswoman has launched a campaign to help protect people involved within the marine industry in the county.

Christine Chaplin, who runs Cornish First Aid Supplies from her base in Devoran, has created a new range of first aid kits specifically targeted at the sailing, commercial fishing and diving industries.

The kits, which come in a buoyant, water, weather and dust proof box, have been put together to try and help deal with the combined sailing, fishing and diving accidents and fatalities suffered which totaled over 300 in 2005.

"We've had quite a few enquiries from sailors, commercial fishing companies or people involved with diving who want a kit for their boats," said Christine.

"It's important that they are prepared for any incidents, especially when they are out at sea.

"If treatment can be given immediately it can make all the difference."

Christine, who has also been active in promoting first aid safety within offices and factories across Cornwall, decided to put the kit in a weatherproof box after a conversation with a friend.

"We were talking about how I could improve what I offer our customers," said Christine.

"So we began to think about what it is like on a boat in winter on choppy seas with the rain beating down and the idea of the weatherproof box seemed perfect.

"It means that if an accident happens you can be sure that the kit will be perfect within the box."

The first aid kits which start at £20 for a basic pack includes waterproof strapping, bandages, dressing pads, steristrips, gloves, a foil blanket and eye wash, as well as many other essential products.