



5-Gallon Backpack Suppression Water Bag

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The Missoula Technology and Development Center (MTDC) has developed a backpack pump bag to replace the existing bladder bag. The improved suppression bags are made of a heavy-duty nylon duck outer bag and an inexpensive inner liner that is easily replaced. The suppression water bag comes with backpack straps, or it can be attached to a standard firefighter field pack harness (NFES #1372). The bag is colored-coded yellow and clearly marked "NOT FOR DRINKING."

The improved bag is comfortable to carry and solves the common problem of carrying straps tearing away from their attachment points on the previous bladder. The bag is 17 x 7 x 3 inches (43.2 x 17.8 x 7.6 centimeters) and weighs 3.4 pounds (1.5 kilograms) and the pump weighs about 3 pounds (1.4 kilograms).

The new bag is less expensive than the neoprene bag, and is designed to last several years. The outer bag can be repaired at any industrial sewing shop. Small holes and tears in the inner liner can be patched in the field with heavy-duty tape or a water bed patch kit.

Each suppression water bag comes with an extra liner (that is in the external pocket, and a standard female quick-connect fitting for attaching the single-action trombone pump (NFES #1051). The female quick-connect fitting attaches to a threaded plug. Combining these two fittings eliminates the need for a separate filler hole at the top of the bag.



Backpack suppression waterbag.



The suppression water bag and the liner can be ordered through the GSA catalog and the NFES cache system. National stock numbers and costs for the components are:

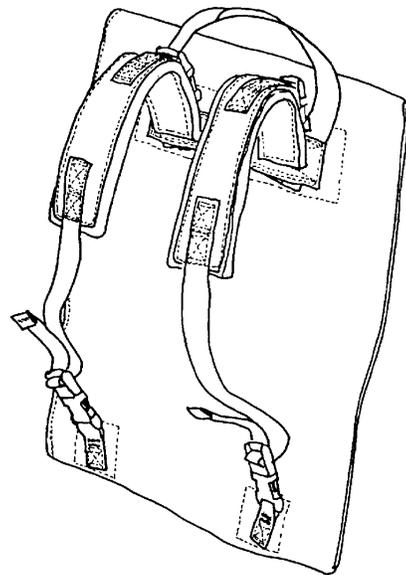
Description	NSN	Price
5-Gallon Backpack Pump Bag (NFES #1197)	8465-01-321-1678	\$31.07
Backpack Pump Bag Liner (NFES #0597)	8465-01-321-1679	\$5.45

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The 5-gallon bag is comfortable and durable.



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