ADC Mk3 Mod 0 Sonobuoy Countermeasure (1992-2004, 6-inch)

Decoy (Expendable)

Type: Decoy (Expendable)

Weight: 57.0 kg Length: 2.69 m Span: 0.159 m Length: 2.69 m

Diameter: 0.159

Generation: Early 1990s



Targets: Submarine

Sensors / EW:

Weapons / Loadouts:

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OVERVIEW: The ADC Mk 3 Mod 0 Torpedo Decoy is a battery-powered expendable sonar countermeasure for use by submarines to counter torpedo and sonar threats.

DETAILS: The ADC (Acoustic Device Countermeasure) MK3 is a 6.25-inch (16 cm) diameter torpedo and sonar countermeasures externally stored and launched from all USN submarines. The ADC hovers vertically at a pre-selected depth, using a pressure-controlled motor driving a small, shrouded propeller in the tail of the decoy. Once deployed, it emits an acoustic signal to decoy sonar and torpedoes.

NOTES: IOC 1992.

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