



**DEPLOYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**  
**WOCE-SVP DRIFTING BUOY**

- 1) Remove the buoys from the shipping box.
- 2) **REMOVE ONLY** the plastic shrink-wrap. **DO NOT REMOVE** paper tape securing the drogue and tether.



- 3) Record the six digit ID number. It can be found on the shipping container, the other side of this sheet or the outside of the buoy
- 4) If desired, the magnet can be removed to activate the buoy for testing. It is attached to the underside of the float with paper tape.
- 5) The float/drogue assembly should then be lowered or heaved into the water away from any obstructions (such as the side of the vessel) and from a position as near to the stern as possible.
- 6) Record the date, time (GMT) and location of deployment as well as the six digit ID, and send this information to the Global Drifter Program.

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*Sample log sheet*

ID xxxxx	Date mm/dd/yy	Time (GMT) hh:mm	Latitude DD mm.mm NS	Longitude DDD mm.mm EW
123274	10/20/13	11:49	59 00 S	63 45 W