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Astronics Introduces New Emergency Locator Transmitter

First Locator with GPS Technology Designed for Civil Aviation Life Rafts

EAST AURORA, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Astronics Corporation](https://www.astronicscorp.com) (Nasdaq:ATRO), a leading provider of advanced technologies for the global aerospace, defense, and other mission-critical industries, announced today an upgraded emergency locator transmitter (ELT) for aircraft life rafts, the [SRB-406G S-type ELT](#), which includes GPS locator technology to provide satellite-based position assistance during search and rescue operations.

This press release features multimedia. View the full release here:
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Astronics introduced the first emergency locator transmitter with GPS technology specifically designed for installation in aircraft life rafts. (Photo: Business Wire)

Offered by Astronics DME, a wholly owned subsidiary of Astronics

Corporation, the new SRB-406G is 4.6% smaller and 15% lighter than previous versions of the company's ELTs. Activated either manually or automatically upon life raft deployment, with a self-deploying antenna, this ELT can improve a search and rescue operation's response time by providing the rapid and accurate location of survivors in the life raft.

"ELTs are required equipment on all aircraft, and we continue to integrate new technologies in our quest to make them more efficient and effective in any emergency situation," said Frank Cassandra, General Manager of Astronics DME. "When life raft manufacturers specify this ELT, they can be confident they're providing the most technologically advanced solution available on the market today."

Specific features of the SRB-406G ELT include:

- GPS internal navigation device
- Wireless programming capability allows the digital message to be programmed at the user's facility
- Satisfaction of special conditions for non-rechargeable Lithium batteries when installed in a civil aviation life raft, approved to FAA TSO-C142a
- Dual frequency – 406 MHz and 121.5 MHz
- Manual or automatic activation
- Rugged small size, 4.22"(10.72 cm) x 3.60" (9.14 cm), and light weight, 1.43 lbs. (0.649 kg)

- Self-deploying antenna
- Self-test functions
- Waterproof
- Battery pack expiration 7 years from date of manufacture (DOM)
- Certifications:
 - Cospas-Sarsat C/S T.001
 - FAA TSO-C126b
 - FAA TSO-C142a
 - FCC (SDoC)
 - IC 4628A-SRB406GELT1

The SRB-406G ELT is now available and has been shipping to customers since the fourth quarter of last year.

Astronics will display the new SRB-406G S-type ELT in Stand 3B30 at the upcoming Aircraft Interiors Expo, April 2-4, in Hamburg Germany.

Astronics DME has led the industry with state-of-the-art aviation safety products for over 40 years. Virtually all global aircraft manufacturers and operators deploy Astronics safety solutions, which include emergency flashlights, emergency beacons, and survival and first aid kits. Learn more at Astronics.com.

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Note to editors: Astronics will be conducting media briefings at AIX April 2-4 in the booth on this and other news items. Please schedule your appointment by emailing press@astronics.com.

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