

SIGNALS

Common hand and flag signals that are used are: -

SIGNAL FROM SURF BOARDS & SURF SKI

SWIMMER REQUIRED



ANOTHER BOARD REQUIRED



DANGER



ALL CLEAR



SIGNALS FROM BOAT TO BEACH

REQUEST RETURN TO SHORE



Hand above head - wave and downward and upward

BEACH TO LIFEGUARD, RESCUE BOATS, SURF SKIS AND SURF BOARDS

RETURN TO SHORE



ADJUST BUOYS



One flag held 45° above horizontal & other below horizontal. Angle is alternated by moving arms up & down

PROCEED FURTHER OUT TO SEA



GO RIGHT (or LEFT)



Flag held at arms length parallel to ground in direction required.

REMAIN STATIONARY



Flag held at arms length parallel to ground.

BOAT TO INVESTIGATE SUBMERGED OBJECT



One flag held horizontal to ground in required direction & other at 45° below horizontal in opposite direction.

PICK UP BUOYS



Flag raised up and down from 45° below horizontal to 45° above horizontal.

PICK UP SWIMMERS



Two flags any colour. One waved around the head & other pointed in direction required

TO ATTRACT ATTENTION FROM SHORE



Two flags move up and down and crossing above the head

SHORE SIGNAL - MESSAGE RECEIVED AND UNDERSTOOD



One flag held high and out away downward to ground

SHORE SIGNAL - MESSAGE NOT CLEAR, REPEAT



Flag waved side to side above a head

HAND SIGNALS BY LIFEGUARD OR CASUALTY

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED



Wave arm from side to side above head

WHISTLE SIGNALS FOR LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY

ATTRACT ATTENTION OF BATHERS



ATTRACT ATTENTION OF ANOTHER LIFEGUARD



LIFEGUARD TAKING EMERGENCY ACTION

