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Hydro-Lek manipulators are first choice for Triton customers

Hydro-Lek arms are the manipulators of choice for customers of luxury submersibles manufactured by Triton Submarines. To date, Hydro-Lek's 6-function manipulator system has been chosen for two Triton 1000/2 submersibles and five Triton 3300/3 submersibles. In addition, two of the Triton 3300/3 submersibles have been fitted with a heavy duty four function 'grabber arm' from Hydro-Lek.

A single manipulator – and sometimes an additional one - is recommended by Triton as an optional extra on their range of submarines; it allows the owner to collect samples, deliver and secure payloads to the ocean bottom, hold onto an outcrop to remain stationary, as a pan and tilt for cameras or to sever lines or other entanglement obstructions (using Hydro-Lek's cutting mechanism built into the manipulator jaw).

Customers are offered a range of manipulators from various manufacturers including the Hydro-Lek HLK-CRA6 arm. Each arm is supplied as a complete system incorporating a valve pack, control unit and ancillary components. When choosing a manipulator for recreational purposes, simplicity of use and cost are critical factors and to date Hydro-Lek arms have been the most popular. As part of

Triton's compliance with US safety rules, all submersibles must have manipulators that are capable of being fully jettisoned.

"Although there are a number of companies that manufacture manipulators, none of them offer a low cost system as capable and proven as those from Hydro-Lek. The manipulators are used worldwide and feedback from our customers has been good." said Patrick Lahey, President of Triton. "We have always enjoyed our working relationship with Hydro-Lek and look forward to continuing this successful collaboration."

Established in 2008, Triton Submarines manufactures personal manned submarines exclusively for luxury yacht based deployment Triton Submarines. Triton is now recognized as a global leader in deep diving submersible engineering, design, manufacture and operations. Triton is a subsidiary of US Submarines Inc., a company engaged in the design and manufacture of manned submersibles since 1993.

Hydro-Lek arms are currently used worldwide by many suppliers of luxury personal submarines.

Hydro-Lek is a leading supplier of remote handling systems for the subsea, nuclear and defence industries. The company was acquired by Saab Seaeye in 2013 and produces a range of hydraulic intervention tooling from simple hydraulic components to fully integrated telemetry-controlled remote manipulator systems for integration onto ROV's and remote access platforms worldwide.

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The Hydro-Lek HLK-CRA6 manipulator installed on a Triton 1000/2 Submarine.