Startup of WHOI S2A/Alto floats

1. Check the float/box for any signs of damage.
2. Check the shock watch sticker.
3. Examine the heat sticker and record the temperature. (Note: There is only one heat sticker per group of floats.)
4. Stand the floats outside under a clear sky with the heavy end down. Secure the floats if the ship is underway.

5. Cut the plastic around the RESET, being careful to not cut the yellow straps.

6. Open up the cardboard access and swipe the magnet over the RESET sticker on the float. If the RESET sticker is not visible it may be necessary to reach in and rotate the float within the box until the sticker is visible.

7. Listen for the float to make noise. You should hear the S2A almost immediately, but it may take the Alto floats 15-30 seconds (Alto floats have 5-digit serial numbers). If you don't hear any noise after ~60 secs, swipe again.
8. Wait to receive confirmation from the lab that the test messages have been received and the float is ready for deployment.
9. Write 'PASSED' on the box near the RESET label and tape over the cuts in the plastic.
10. Stow and secure the floats vertically or no more than 4 high horizontally. The floats should be stored in a dry area that stays above freezing and below 110° F.