

Protecting you every step of the way: the history of Dräger SCBA

“During the first decade of the 20th Century, mine rescue teams across Germany, England and Mexico and even mountaineering rescue squads in England became accustomed to the reliability and performance of using their Dräger breathing apparatus. Word spread quickly about the great success of the breathing devices due to their use in the harsh environments of underground mines, at high altitudes and from news of the esteemed awards given Dräger for the apparatus at the St Louis World’s Fair. ‘Many heroic deeds were being performed in our apparatus’, wrote Heinrich Dräger in 1913.”

~ Merritt Long, Firefighting History and Traditions

For us an SCBA set is part of the fire fighter, which supports him during an incident.

Our passion is Technology for Life, which supports the fire fighter during that incident. To simply fulfil standards is not enough; we take those requirements a step further; we continuously strive for better design, improved application, easier maintenance and uncomplicated logistics.

Throughout the past 80 years, our goals have not changed: to reduce breathing resistance, weight and dimensions using modern

materials. Down to the smallest technical details, we’ve introduced features such as: balancing medium pressure, safety whistle close to the wearer and materials with closed surfaces on the carrying system; all to help improve the daily business of an SCBA set. This even includes solutions such as upgrading the mask’s visor so the wearer has a more natural field of vision.

Our aim is for every wearer to be able to concentrate on the incident at hand, trusting that Dräger will deliver robust and reliable self-contained breathing apparatus, which have thus far, stood the test of time.

Our never-ending pursuit for new technologies keeps us asking the same question consistently, why do we do what we do? The answer has always remained the same: to save lives. Throughout its developmental history, we have strived to use new innovation and ideas to continuously improve the Dräger SCBA because we want to protect you every step of the way.

We work tirelessly to offer you SCBAs with improved performance and functionality. “We share the same passion – saving lives and are proud to support you to go in prepared.” ~ Stefan Dräger. ⚠

