

SA799446

Victorian RNLi Fishermans Aneroid Barometer by Dollond of London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA799446****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 16 cm (6.3")

Width = 16 cm (6.3")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

For sale, a late Victorian Fisherman's Aneroid Barometer by Dollond of London issued by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLi) – No. 7135. Both Dollond and Negretti & Zambra were the only suppliers deemed of sufficient quality and standards to produce this design and these barometers were initially supplied by the RNLi and used on fishing vessels towards the end of the century. All examples by either supplier are manufactured with a zinc metal casing and an enamelled five inch dial enclosed behind a brass bezel with thick plate, bevelled edge glass insert. As early as 1864, Negretti & Zambra were advertising "The Fisherman's Aneroid Barometer", their catalogue states, "No trouble or expense has been spared to obtain a trustworthy instrument at a moderate cost. It is mounted in a stout metal case, with a plate glass covering, the dial is of enamelled metal and five inches diameter. The range of scale is 26 to 31 inches, subdivided into tenths, corresponding with the scale of the mercurial barometer. It will be noted at the top of the dial is placed the word CHANGEABLE, to the right and left of this word is printed a condensed form of Admiral Fitzroy's rules for...

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