Claims

1. An underwater transport container (10), wherein the underwater transport container (10) comprises a front section (20), a central section (30) and a rear section (40), wherein the underwater transport container (10) has a cylindrical base shape for storage in a weapon barrel (160), wherein the central section (30) comprises at least one storage area (90), wherein the front section (20) comprises at least one first buoyancy compensation element (50), wherein the rear section (40) comprises at least one second buoyancy compensation element (60), wherein the first buoyancy compensation element (50) and the second buoyancy compensation element (60) are arranged inside the underwater transport container (10), wherein the front section (20) comprises at least one first surface buoyancy element (70), wherein the rear section (40) comprises at least one second surface buoyancy element (80), wherein the first buoyancy compensation element (50) and the second buoyancy compensation element (60) are suitable for adapting the buoyancy to the ambient conditions, wherein the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) can be switched between a compacted state in the inner part of the underwater transport container (10) and a buoyancy-generating state.

2. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in claim 1, **characterized in that** the first surface buoyancy element (70) is formed from a first first surface buoyancy part element (72) and a second first surface buoyancy part element (74) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) is formed from a first second surface buoyancy part element (82) and a second second surface buoyancy part element (84).

3. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in claim 2, **characterized in that** the first first surface buoyancy part element (72) and the second first surface buoyancy part element (74) each have the same buoyancy in the buoyancy-generating state, wherein the first second surface buoyancy part element (82) and the second second surface buoyancy part element (84) each have the same buoyancy in the buoyancy-generating state, wherein the first first surface buoyancy part element (72) and the first second surface buoyancy part element (82) are arranged on the starboard side, wherein the second first surface buoyancy part element (74) and the second second surface buoyancy part element (84) are arranged on the port side.

4. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) in the buoyancy-generating state are arranged essentially transversely to the longitudinal direction of the underwater transport container (10).

5. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the maximum buoyancy of the first buoyancy compensation element (50) and the second buoyancy compensation element (60) together amounts to between 2% and 30%, preferably between 5% and 15% of the buoyancy of the entire underwater transport container (10) with the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) in the compacted state.

6. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the maximum buoyancy of the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) together amounts to between 90% and 200 %, preferably between 100% and 125% of the downforce of the entire underwater transport container with the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) in the buoyancy-generating state.

7. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** with the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) in the compacted state and with the minimum buoyancy of the first buoyancy compensation element (50) and the second buoyancy compensation element (60), the underwater transport container (10) has a buoyancy between 1% and 15 %, preferably between 2% and 8% less than the mass of the underwater transport container (10).

8. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the central section (30) comprises at least one gas storage device (110) below the storage area (90).

9. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** in the buoyancy-generating state, the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80) have a larger volume than the storage area (90).

10. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** an outer skin of the underwater transport container (10) consists of one or more materials selected from the group including aluminum, fiber-reinforced plastic, in particular carbon fiber-reinforced plastic and glass fiber-reinforced plastic.

11. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the underwater transport container (10) comprises at least one first gas distribution system, wherein the first gas distribution system is designed for the distribution of gas between at least one gas storage device (110) and the first buoyancy compensation element (50), the second buoyancy compensation element (60), the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80), wherein the gas distribution system can be operated manually from the back of the rear section (40).

12. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the underwater transport container (10) comprises a first gas distribution system, wherein the first gas distribution system is designed for the distribution of gas between at least one first gas storage device (110) and the first buoyancy compensation element (50) and the second buoyancy compensation element (60), wherein the first gas distribution system can be manually operated from the back of the rear section (40), wherein the underwater transport container (10) comprises a second gas distribution system, wherein the second gas distribution system is designed for the distribution of gas between a second gas storage device (110) and the first surface buoyancy element (70) and the second surface buoyancy element (80), wherein the second gas distribution system can be manually operated from the back of the rear section (40).

13. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the underwater transport container (10) comprises at least one first closure element (140) for the closure of the storage area (90) of the central section (30), wherein the first closure element (140) can be completely reversibly connected to the underwater transport container (10).

14. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the underwater transport container (10) comprises a weapon coupling (100) at the back of the rear section (40) for deployment from a weapon barrel (160).

15. The underwater transport container (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** the underwater transport container (10) comprises a coupling at the front of the front section (20) for coupling to an underwater vehicle.