Gyro Retrofit Steadies USN Ship

Deception Pass, an 85-ft. U.S. Navy Torpedo Weapons Retriever/Security craft (TWR-8) is a workhorse, launching and retrieving torpedoes and towing targets, among other complex operations. To improve the crew's



safety and comfort, the Navy chose Seakeeper's M21000 Gyro Stabilization System which, as an unexpected added benefit, reduced the ship's fuel consumption. While smaller Seakeeper gyros have been used on new Navy vessels, this is the first

retrofit project and first use of the M21000 model .

With a home port at Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Keyport, Washington, Deception Pass often travels to a joint test range in Canada. Sea States 3 and 4 during transit are common. "The ship's center of height is so tall, we've had roll mitigation problems," said Richard Bottalico, marine engineer for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Keyport."

"The initial benefits were roll mitigation and crew comfort," said Mike Allen, master of the TWR-8 Range Management & Operations Division. But he noted that when the gyro is engaged and the ship is on autopilot, the Seakeeper system reduces port-to-starboard roll and also helps keep Deception Pass on course, reducing fuel consumption.

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