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Subject: Compliance with the instructions of SIFE's Owner Manual

Status: mandatory before the next jump

Background:

We've received an e-mail from the Austrian Aero Club with the request to comment on unconfirmed rumours regarding the hesitation of reserve openings, the cleaning of the yellow cables of the cutaway system and the inspection of the 3-ring-system.

The results of our investigations are, that it may be possible that Riggers are not packing the reserve canopy according to SIFE's Owner Manual.

The material of the reserve pilot chute was folded down the sides of the reserve container.



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Procedures to be followed:

1. Make sure that your reserve canopy was packed according to the instructions of SIFE's Owner Manual. Make sure that the material of the reserve pilot chute wasn't folded down the sides of the reserve container (Owner Manual S. 24). Ask your rigger for confirmation. If your rigger cannot confirm that the reserve canopy is packed according to SIFE's Owner Manual, please repack your reserve canopy before the next jump.
2. Clean the yellow cables of the cutaway system and inspect your 3-ring-system according to SIFE's Owner Manual regularly (Owner Manual S.59).

If you have any doubts about the way your reserve canopy was packed, please contact SIFE for any information or a reserve repack.

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