



# RIGGING ADVISORY CIRCULAR

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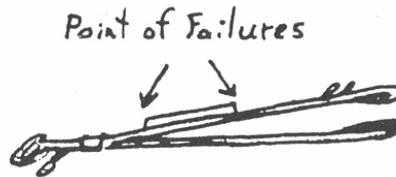
SUBJECT: STRONG TANDEM MAIN RISER DAMAGE

STATUS: MANDATORY

IDENTIFICATION: Strong Enterprises main risers on Dual Hawk Tandem systems:  
- Master main canopy, part no. 410064 (prior to serial number 495, manufactured August 25, 1991);  
- T-500/T-520 main canopies, part no. 410076/410075 (prior to serial number 112, manufactured August 25, 1991).

BACKGROUND: Strong Enterprises issued Product Service Bulletin #14 on 14 November 1991. The following information under the headings "Background" and "Manufacturer's Advisory" is reprinted from that bulletin.

Over the last four months Strong Enterprises has received notification of several main risers failing. The manufacturing dates on these risers span several years. All failures have occurred at the toggle pocket location on the rear riser. See sketch:



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Because neither age nor number of jumps is a reliable gauge, it is not possible to determine ahead of time when a failure might occur.

MANUFACTURER'S ADVISORY: Notify Strong Enterprises of the model and serial number.

Upon receipt of this information, we will send you a new pair of main risers so you can exchange them with the pair presently on your canopy. The old pair needs to be returned to Strong Enterprises.

APF POLICY: As manufacturer's advisory. The work is to be performed by an APF Packer "A" or the foreign equivalent (Eg. FAA Senior or Master Parachute Rigger).

COMPLIANCE DATE: 2 January 1992

DISTRIBUTION: All APF members who are Strong Dual Hawk Tandem owners;

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