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EQUIPMENT STANDARD No APF010901-C

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SUBJECT: EQUIPMENT OWNED BY VISITING FOREIGN JUMPERS

STATUS: MANDATORY

BACKGROUND:

APF Operational Regulations Part 7 requires a parachutist to wear a harness and container system which complies with APF Equipment Standards which has at least two ram-air parachutes, one of which must be a reserve parachute.

APF081014 is the relevant Equipment Standard and requires the parachute equipment to meet one of the relevant performance specifications listed in APF081014.

There will be occasions where a visiting foreign jumper brings their privately-owned parachute into Australia to use while on holiday or when competing in national or international parachuting championships. This Equipment Standard provides an exemption for visiting foreign jumpers and essentially mirrors the USA requirements of FAR Part 105.49.

APF POLICY:

The APF National Rigging Officer has, with the prior approval of CASA, issue the following waiver, to APF Operational Regulations for visiting foreign parachutists:

In accordance with OR 1.2(c), I hereby waive the requirements of Operational Regulation 7.1.1, insofar as it applies to the manufacturing standards of parachute equipment brought into the country by parachutists visiting Australia.

This waiver is limited to visiting foreign parachutists:

- who become a short-term member of the Australian Parachute Federation,
- whose parachute system meets the civil aviation authority requirements of the foreign parachutist's country
- who use the equipment solely for their own personal use, and
- who take the parachute equipment with them when they depart Australia.

Note: Nothing in this Equipment Standard overrides the provisions of Operational Regulation 7.3 which allows certain people to ground parachute equipment considered dangerous.

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