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Technical & Safety Information Notice No.	W.N. 53 Subject: DSF Stainless Steel Hardware on Vortex Harness Containers
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Subject Matter and Applicability	Affected Vortex Rigs: All Harness Containers fitted with Stainless Steel DSF hardware.
Details	All Harness Containers with DSF Stainless Steel hardware are Permanently Grounded Parachute Systems, maker of the Vortex harness and container system, has permanently grounded any Vortex container with stainless steel hardware stamped with "DSF" on the back of the large harness ring (the main-riser attachment ring). The harness and container must be shipped back to the manufacturer, and a new replacement harness and container will be built. The updated service bulletin is available on the Parachute Systems website , and under downloads the Vortex Replacement Program claim form can be found. Email questions to vortexrecall@parachutesystems.com .
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