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SUBJECT: EQUIPMENT USED BY VISITING FOREIGN JUMPERS

STATUS: ADVISORY

BACKGROUND:

APF equipment standards require that all parachute equipment meets standards approved by APF Service Bulletin No. APF081014.

While it is reasonable to set standards for Australian parachutists it may be contrary to safety principals to require that jumpers, whose equipment is made to a safe but different standard, be required to use borrowed equipment during their holiday in Australia.

APF POLICY:

The APF Director Riggers has issued the following waiver, with the prior approval of CASA, to APF operational regulation 7.1.1 as it applies to visiting foreign parachutists:

In accordance with the power vested in me by Operational Regulation 13.4, I, Brett Newman, APF Director Rigging, hereby waive the requirements of Operational Regulation 7.1.1, insofar as they apply to the manufacturing standards of parachute equipment brought into Australia by parachutists visiting Australia for a skydiving holiday.

This waiver will be limited to visiting foreign parachutists

- who are short term members of the Australian Parachute Federation,
- whose parachute equipment is approved for use in the parachutist's country of origin,
- who will use the equipment solely for their own use,
- and who intend to take the parachute equipment with them when they depart Australia.

Note: nothing in this Service Bulletin overrides the provisions of Operational Regulation 13.1.1, 13.1.8, 7.1.8 or any other regulation which allows Technical Directors, Safety Officers and Riggers to ground parachute equipment considered dangerous.

AUTHORITY: APF Director Rigging

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