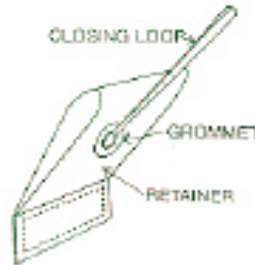


**Item #1 Closing Loop Attachment** Many rig manufacturers are using a method to attach the main closing loop to the pack tray that has caused problems for a number of skydivers. A “0” grommet is installed in a short length of webbing. The webbing retainer is then folded in half and sewn to the pack-tray – usually onto the divider flap separating the main from the reserve container.

If the webbing is sewn with the grommet facing the main bag there is a chance a suspension line may slip under the grommet if it becomes loose – causing a horseshoe-type malfunction.



Manufacturers have suggested several options to remedy this potential hazardous condition:

- i) remove the retainer and attach the closing loop to a closing flap grommet
- ii) remove the retainer, turn it over and reinstall so the grommet faces the divider flap
- iii) cover the grommet on three sides by sewing a piece of fabric around the three sides of the grommet face

Riggers should contact individual manufacturers prior to making any modifications.

**Item #2 Pro-Packing Temp Reserves** Parachute Industries of South Africa (PISA) has issued authorization for riggers to pro-pack their Tempo series of reserves into all types of container systems, provides the pro-packing method is compatible with the harness/container manufacturer’s instructional manual.

A new owner’s manual for the Tempo series will be available soon. Until the new manual is obtainable, pro-packing Tempos is approved by following three basic principles:

1. There must not be twists, tangles or turns in the suspension line.
2. The stabilizer panels must be clear of all suspension lines.
3. The slider must be at the canopy stops when the canopy is inserted into the deployment bag.

Details of this newly approved method may be obtained by contacting PISA or one of their dealers

**Item #3 Rigger’s Web List** A suggestion has been made to have a list of current riggers posted on the CSPA website so that members in each region might have less difficulty accessing equipment maintenance facilities. This would be on a voluntary basis only. Those wishing to be included in such a listing should send a short resume of their available services to the Chair of the T&SC.