



RACER ELITE 400 TANDEM CANOPIES

At the Safety & Training Committee meeting of the 10th June 1999 problems concerning the openings of three Racer Elite 400 Tandem Canopies were discussed, in which these three canopies were experiencing unacceptably hard openings. This had resulted in one canopy being damaged and in another incident, injury to the Tandem Instructor. Tests had been carried out on the canopies, but the openings had not improved.

STC decided that the three canopies should be grounded until further tests had been carried out. The Serial numbers of the canopies are: 31711 (DoM – 08/97), 34701 (DoM – 08/97) & 34720 (DoM – 08/97).

STC also requested that if any club or instructor has a Racer Elite 400 Tandem canopy, it should not be jumped until the CCI/Tandem Instructor has contacted one of the following:-

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