SERVICE BULLETIN

DATE: August 20, 2002
REFERENCE: SERVICE BULLETIN # PFISB: 1-02
SUBJECT: MAIN CLOSING LOOP RETAINER
STATUS: MANDATORY for all Swift & Swift II Harness/Containers

IDENTIFICATION:
All Swift & Swift II Harness/Containers (P/N 827600 series H/C, P/N 827700 series H/C)

BACKGROUND:
A Suspension line can half-hitch itself around the main closing loop retainer and could result in a horseshoe malfunction.

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At Next Reserve Repack – The mandatory field modification for the Closing Loop Retainer affecting all Swift & Swift II Harness/Containers must be done by a qualified FAA Master Rigger. See attached instructions.

MINIMUM TOOLS REQUIRED:
Main closing loop retainer retro fit kit from Para-Flite Inc. (P/N 827745-0X-BLK), medium duty single needle sewing machine, medium duty zig-zag sewing machine, hot knife, stitch picker, size “E” nylon thread, and scissors

COMPLIANCE:
At the next reserve repack cycle.

AUTHORITY:
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1. Unpick zig – zag stitching on main closing flap one inch from both sides of the main closing loop retainer.

2. Hot cut existing main closing loop retainer just beyond the single needle stitching.

3. Insert the new main closing loop retainer aligning the edge with the binding tape. (Note; raw edge of type 12 faces down and towards the main/reserve divider wall).

4. Using a medium duty single needle sewing machine sew three rows of stitching one inch past both sides of main closing loop retainer.
5. Using a medium duty zig–zag sewing machine re-sew main closing flap overlapping the original stitching by 1” on each side.

6. Trim threads and annotate modification on the pack data card with “SERVICE BULLETIN COMPLIANCE”