



ÖSTERREICHISCHER AERO-CLUB

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Sicherheitsmitteilung 020702

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Bezug: Safety Bulletin der Fa. Parachutes de France

Betroffenes Muster: Ninja Hauptkappen – alle Größen -
(85 sqft – 94 sqft – 102 sqft – 110 sqft)

Status: **Verpflichtend**

Betrifft: teilweise kollabierende Hauptschirme in turbulenter Luft

Problem: In turbulenter Luft kollabierten mehrere Ninja-Kappen.
Nur durch die sehr hohe Erfahrung der Piloten konnten Unfälle
vermieden werden.

Maßnahmen/: Der Hersteller hat mit sofortiger Wirkung alle Ninja gegroundet.

Anweisungen: ALLE Ninja-Besitzer sollen sich mit dem Hersteller oder ihrem
Händler in Verbindung setzen.

Durchzuführen bis: **Sofort**

Bemerkungen: Die Schirme bleiben gegroundet bis der Hersteller (PdF) eine
weitere Technische Mitteilung herausgibt, in der Maßnahmen
bekannt gegeben werden, mit denen die Lufttüchtigkeit der
Schirme wieder hergestellt
werden kann.

Beilage : Bulletin Parachutes de France



Jean-Jacques Poux
Chairman and General Manager
Parachutes de France

TO ALL
PRESIDENTS,
DROP ZONE TECHNICAL DIRECTORS,
DEALERS,
OFFICIAL INSTITUTIONS

Jouy le Moutier, July 12th 2002

Object : NINJA Flight Interdiction

Dear sirs,

The NINJA canopy commercialized by Parachutes de France is an extrem canopy reserved to highly experienced skydivers.

Various deflation occurrences have been reported to us. We impute them to the local air turbulences and incidents were avoided thanks to the good skills of the users.

We have no possibilities for controlling the customer skills and our company cannot take the risk generated by this canopy being used by neophyte or low experienced skydivers. Therefore, as precautionary measures, we have decided to ground all NINJA canopies.

We demand to NINJA owners to come into contact with our company as soon as possible.

We demand you to forward this letter and the included safety bulletin to all concerned persons.

We will keep you informed of our investigations and resulting actions.

We thank you in advance for your understanding and your cooperation.

Best regards.

Jean-Jacques Poux
Chairman and General manager

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JJ Poux', written over the typed name.

CONCERNED EQUIPEMENTS:

**NINJA MAIN CANOPIES
ALL SIZES
85 Ft² - 94 Ft² - 102 Ft² - 110 Ft²**

RECORDED INCIDENT:

Partial closing of canopy in turbulent atmospheric conditions

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

Analysis in progress

**SAFETY MEASURE
MANDATORY**

All concerned equipments must be grounded
until issue and application of a Parachutes de France Technical Bulletin
which will provide technical instructions for airworthiness
of concerned equipments

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**COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUE
NINJA "1" / NINJA 2**

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EQUIPEMENTS CONCERNES:

Voilures principales NINJA "1" toutes tailles

85 sq.ft - 94 sq.ft - 102 sq.ft - 110 sq.ft

Parachutes de France lance la commercialisation de la nouvelle gamme de voilures principales " NINJA 2 " (85 sq.ft - 94 sq.ft - 102 sq.ft)

La définition technique de cette voilure est différente des voilures "NINJA"

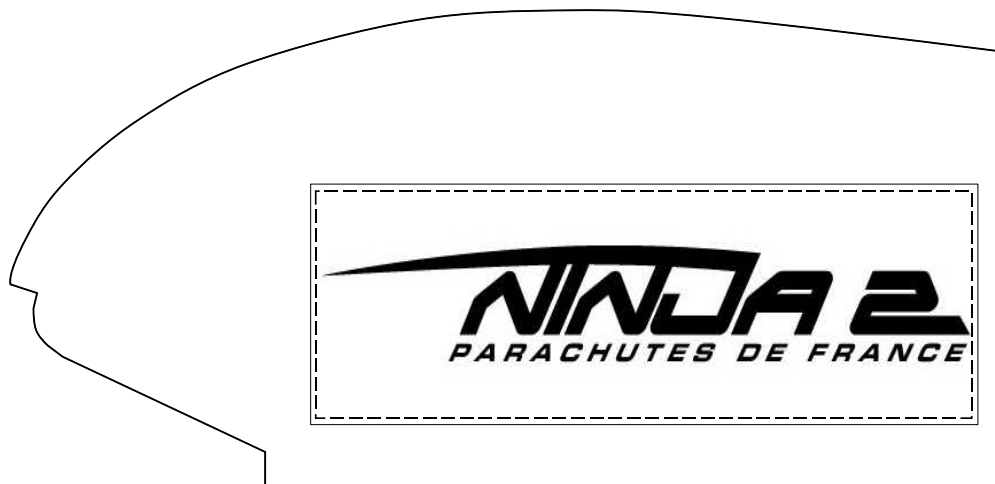
RAPPEL:

L'interdiction de vol des voilures " NINJA " première génération établie dans le Bulletin de Sécurité Pdf N° 02/2002 reste valable.

Identification:

Parachutes de France autorise d'emploi uniquement les voilures Ninja 2 identifiées par:

- Le panneau marque tamponné " NINJA 2 " à l'extrados central.
- La présence du marquage suivant sur les saumons de voilure:



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CONCERNED EQUIPMENTS:

Main canopies NINJA "1" all sizes

85 sq.ft - 94 sq.ft - 102 sq.ft - 110 sq.ft

**Parachutes de France is marketing the new generation of main canopies
" NINJA 2 " (85 sq.ft - 94 sq.ft - 102 sq.ft)**

**Technical design of those canopies is different from first canopy generation
"NINJA"**

WARNING:

**Following Safety Bulletin Pdf N°02/2002 , " NINJA " first generation
canopies are still grounded**

Identification:

**Parachutes de France only certify airworthiness of Ninja 2 canopies
generation identified by:**

- Warning pannel stamped " NINJA 2 " at central extradados trailing edge.**
- the following label at external rib:**

