



# SAFETY NOTICE

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## AVIACOM ARGUS AAD

Following several incidents where Argus AAD cutters failed to cut through the reserve parachute closure loops, a number of parachute container manufacturers have stated that Argus AADs are not to be fitted to their containers.

Because of concern regarding the effectiveness of these AADs and following a recommendation from the Riggers Committee, the BPA Safety and Training Committee (STC) at their meeting of the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2011 has decided that Argus AADs are suspended and must not be fitted in containers of parachutists jumping at BPA Affiliated Clubs or on displays by BPA registered display teams.

This is with immediate effect and is until further notice.

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