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SERVICE BULLETIN

DATE: May 27, 1992 **SERVICE BULLETIN #:** 1519
SUBJECT: Type 17 main risers with RSL ring configuration.
STATUS: MANDATORY

IDENTIFICATION: No identifying marks on the risers. However the risers are stamped with an R & L respectively on the back of the right and left risers. Also, the riser ends are manufactured using 3 ea 1.5" bartacks. RI is the only company using this construction method.

BACKGROUND: On May 21, 1992, a Product Recall was issued by the Relative Workshop on their TY-17 main risers with the RSL ring installation after a pair of their risers failed in the field.

Because of similarities in construction techniques and materials of Rigging Innovations TY-17 main risers and those of the Relative Workshop, Rigging Innovations feels that it is prudent to take action on our products. However, unlike the Relative Workshop, we wish to conduct further tests of alternative riser materials and construction techniques. Past experience with TY-8 and similar width webbings and mini 3-ring configurations have highlighted other problems inherent in those designs. Consequently, we are issuing the following Service Bulletin.

SERVICE BULLETIN: Pending further test data availability, Rigging Innovations is placing a weight limitation on TY-17 main risers with the RSL option in use, of 175# (80kg) body weight or 200# (90kg) gross weight. Those individuals who exceed this weight must disconnect the RSL release shackle. It is recommended that a licensed rigger remove the lanyard entirely until further data is available. It is not necessary to have the reserve repacked to remove the lanyard. Removal of the lanyard may be accomplished, the reserve resealed, and an appropriate note made on the packing data card by an appropriately rated and licensed rigger.



COMPLIANCE DATE: IMMEDIATELY, BEFORE THE NEXT JUMP.

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COMMENT:

This Service Bulletin does not affect TY-17 main risers that DO NOT have an RSL installation configuration.