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Subject: Rigging Update / Stowage Of Square Reserve Bridle On Racer/Elites

There are two acceptable methods for stowing the square reserve bag bridle of the Racer/Elite. Both have been published in The Racer/Elite Owners Manual since the introduction of the Elite in 1988. Both work, but after scrutinizing thousands of pack jobs, we've determined that the original "Racer method" of bridle stowage looks and feels the best.

Originally, on the Elite, riggers were instructed to "S" fold the three inch wide bridle under the top flap of the reserve container. This is still an acceptable practice for some of the early model Elites' which had a rather spacious yoke - or top flap. On the newer Elites which have a more "scooped out" yoke, this is too bulky. The Jump Shack now recommends, for appearance and ease of packing reasons only, stowing the reserve bag bridle under the side flaps of the reserve container for all Racers and Elites. Function is not affected either way. It is purely a matter of aesthetics and wearer comfort. The top of the reserve container should be "soft", and have a tapered look. The bottom of the reserve container should be full and firm.

Recommended square reserve bridle stowage for the Racer and Racer/Elite, is as follows:

1. Lay bridle down over side flap to establish length of fold.
2. Make another fold on top of the previous fold.
3. Continue this process until just less than half of the bridle is folded
4. Tuck folds under side flap.
5. Smooth folds of bridle with packing paddle.
6. Make a 90 degree fold in the bridle at the center of the container and route across container to opposite side.

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Without twisting the bridle, make another 90 degree fold and tuck it under side flap with packing paddle .

8. Repeat folding procedure from previous side and tuck folded bridle under this side flap while making another 90 degree fold back to the center of the container, leaving approximately 3ft. outside of the container.

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