

# PINTAIL

## PRO-PACK INSTRUCTION MANUAL

### PRE-PACK INSPECTION

Your PINTAIL should be inspected each time you pack it. This only takes a few moments and will help avoid any problems occurring.

If any worn, damaged or improperly rigged components are found, bring them to the attention of a Rigger, before using the system again.

Inspect your canopy for any burns, tears or unusual marks. Check line-attachment points and inspect your bag and bridle attachment point.

Deployment bag, bridle and pilot chute:

Check assembly and check for loose stitching and wear. Ensure that your bridle is the correct length and inspect your closure pin and its attachment.

Inspect the pilot chute for signs of damaged mesh or fabric.

Having packed the canopy a few times, you will be able to combine the above inspection with your packing procedure, inspecting as you pack.

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1. After inspecting your system, lay it out with the pack tray (container) uppermost, lines taut and canopy nose down, trailing edge uppermost.
2. Clear any twists, tangles, and turns in the lines. Set the steering line brakes as normal. Pull down the flyaway brake loop that is attached either to one or both of the D - Lines, (depending on the canopy size) through the steering line guide ring and insert the toggles through the loop. Stow the excess steering line as normal.
3. Stand between the risers facing the canopy. Using your fingers to separate the steering lines and front and back risers, pick up the left and



right sets of lines as shown. Walk towards the canopy pushing the slider ahead of you, keeping the lines separated between your fingers. If the lines are clear you will be able to push the slider all the way up to the slider stops.

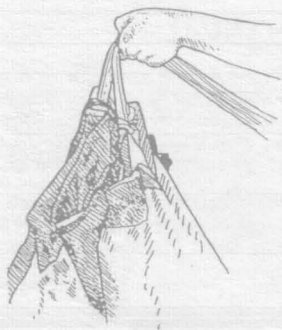
4. Keep the slider up against the stops and pull both hands as far apart as possible. Shake the canopy to allow the fabric and lines to settle.



5. The cell openings are now facing the rig with the tail furthest from the rig. (If the reverse is true, check that the container is facing upward!)
6. Throughout the entire packing operation firm tension must be maintained on the lines. (It may be necessary to anchor the pack to prevent it pulling toward you).



7. Step out from between the lines and hold all the lines in one hand. Make sure the left and right sides of the canopy are hanging at the same height. (All line groups even). The nose must still be facing the rig and the slider should be up against the stops.



10. Hold the rolled nose between your knees.



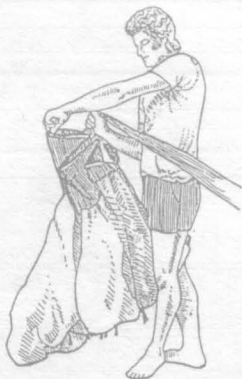
8. Beginning with the end cell nearest your legs, flake the entire nose with one hand as shown. Pull each cell completely out and keep it in your hand, then move onto the next, making sure none are missed out.



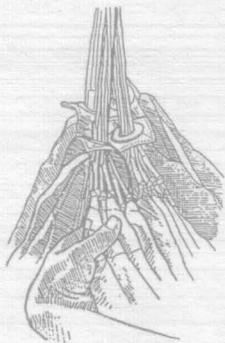
11. Clear the stabilizers, pulling each stabilizer panel out one by one. Make sure none of the lines are wrapped around a stabilizer slider-stop.



9. Once you have flaked the entire nose, roll it 4 to 5 turns quite tightly.



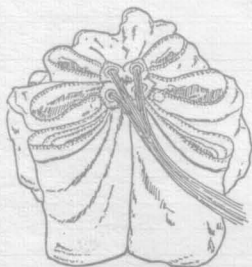
12. Locate the A line-group. This is the line group nearest to the cell openings.



13. The fabric between the A and B line groups on both sides of the canopy must be cleared by putting a hand down between the line groups and pulling the fabric outward into a fold the same as the stabilizers. Repeat with the fabric between the B and C, and C and D line groups. (Note only 4 - D lines).



14. Having cleared the fabric, your canopy should resemble the diagram below.



15. Ensure the steering lines are clear and the tail of the canopy is neat and symmetrically folded on either side of the canopy. Ensure that the stabilizers and slider stops are lying outside the suspension lines. Leaving them under lines could damage the canopy.



16. Reach down and pick up the centre seam of the tail (it is marked by a red tab). Raise the tail up to the slider and grasp it in the same hand that is holding the lines.



17. Hold the centre of the tail tightly and run your other hand along the trailing edge to arms length. Wrap that half of the tail around to the nose of the canopy. Hold it in place with your knees. Change hands and repeat on the other side of the tail.



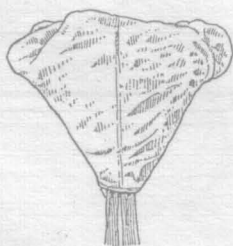
18. Release both nose and tail and allow them to hang. Take the two tail pieces, put them together and roll them tightly in towards the middle of the canopy. Roll until the tail tightens up around the canopy.



19. Place your free hand under the bundle and while maintaining tension on the lines, carefully swing it out and lay it down.



20. The bundled canopy is now triangular in shape.



21. Kneel on the tail where it is wrapped around the slider and dress the canopy to a width slightly wider than the bag. Make sure the slider stays up against the stops and it must be completely inside the rolled tail.



22. Place one hand on the canopy and make a small 'S' fold as shown. Be sure the slider is not moved away from the stops.



23. The rest of the canopy is 'S' folded onto the first fold. The neat bundle should be slightly wider than the bag.



24. Place the canopy into the deployment bag and stow in the harness/container system as per the manufacturer's instructions.