

Issue Date: 25 June 2009

Subject: Service Bulletin for Icon S7, S8 and S9 Student rigs

<u>Background:</u> Aerodyne Research has identified a potential safety issue on certain student Icons. Icon student rigs which have been manufactured with both a BOC hand deploy and ripcord/spring loaded main pilot chute are affected by this service bulletin. We have seen an incident in which the bridle from the throw out was temporarily snagged on the end of the ripcord housing installed on the number 3 closing flap of the main container. The snag was cleared by the jumpmaster, and no one was injured. But we are concerned enough to request that these rigs not be jumped with a throw out until a modification has been completed.

<u>Service Bulletin:</u> Please compare the serial number on your student rig with the attached list. If your unit is affected and you have not been contacted by Aerodyne Research, please promptly communicate with Aerodyne Research to obtain a retrofit kit. Retrofit Kits will include all the necessary parts and instructions for a qualified rigger to perform the repairs. Aerodyne will pay for the installation, which we estimate will take a rigger less than one hour to complete.

We apologize for any inconveniences this may cause; however we feel that we must take the necessary precautions to insure your safety. We appreciate your compliance with this request, and we will work to get you back in the air as quickly as possible.

Compliance Date: Effective immediately, before next jump.

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Icon Student model	S7	S8	S9
Serial Number	IN-S7-12349	IN-S8-12346	IN-S9-12345
	IN-S7-12363	IN-S8-12347	IN-S9-12346
	IN-S7-12364	IN-S8-12348	IN-S9-12347
	IN-S7-12365	IN-S8-12358	IN-S9-12391
	IN-S7-12366	IN-S8-12359	IN-S9-12392
	IN-S7-12367	IN-S8-12360	IN-S9-12393
	IN-S7-12368	IN-S8-12361	IN-S9-12394
	IN-S7-12369	IN-S8-12362	IN-S9-12395
	IN-S7-12370	IN-S8-12363	
		IN-S8-12364	
		IN-S8-12365	
		IN-S8-12366	
		IN-S8-12367	
		IN-S8-12368	
		IN-S8-12369	
		IN-S8-12370	
		IN-S8-12371	
		IN-S8-12372	
		IN-S8-12387	
		IN-S8-12388	
		IN-S8-12389	
		IN-S8-12390	
Older Models:		IN-S8-12391	
250478		IN-S8-12392	
264347		IN-S8-12393	

The following pictures demonstrate the problem.

On deployment, it is possible for the bridle to catch on the housing.





This problem is fixed by extending the fabric over the cable housing.



