



## **Technical and Safety Committee**

International Parachuting Commission

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### **NOTES & INSTRUCTIONS ON 2017 SAFETY SURVEY FORM**

Thank you very much if you responded to the 2016 Safety Survey.

If you did not do so, then please make a special effort and complete the 2017 Survey form.

**If there is no system for collecting this data in your country then it is strongly recommended that such a system be put in place, for your own use and to support any submissions and reports being made to the Civil Authorities and others.**

The report for 2016 has been issued and distributed, along with a Power Point presentation, and other safety material, which may be of use to you. If you did not receive a copy, or if you require a further copy, please contact me and I will send it to you, by e-mail or on a CD, whichever you require.

- **The safety reports are of greater value when the response rate is high, the higher the response the greater the value. Please take part in this collection of data from around the world, to help spread accurate and valuable safety information.**
- **Please send this report to me as soon as possible, preferably by e-mail.**

#### **Notes on 2017 Survey**

**The Safety Survey form is the same as in previous years. If you are unsure about any question please send an e-mail and you will get a prompt reply.**

**ONLY FATALITIES WHICH OCCUR AS A RESULT OF A SPORT SKYDIVING INCIDENT ARE REPORTED. IF THERE IS ANY DOUBT PLEASE MAKE A NOTE AND THE T&S COMMITTEE WILL CONTACT YOU.**

**IF A JUMPER FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY IS KILLED WHILE SKYDIVING IN YOUR COUNTRY, YOU MUST COUNT THAT FATALITY. SUCH A FATALITY IN NOT COUNTED IN THE HOME COUNTRY OF THE JUMPER.**

### **1. Number of Skydivers in your country in 2017**

If your records are exact, or if you have access to accurate information, please mark the box 'Exact'. Otherwise please mark the box 'Estim' (Estimated). If your total is exact but the breakdown between Student, Intermediate and Expert is an estimate please note this.

**PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE TANDEM JUMPERS IN THIS FIGURE, AS TANDEM JUMPERS MAY NOT BE SPORT PARACHUTISTS IN THE NORMAL PROGRESSION SENSE. TANDEM ARE TREATED SEPARATELY UNDER QUESTION 6, IN THE SPECIAL QUESTIONS CATEGORY**

### **2. Number of Fatalities in your country in 2017**

It is assumed that all countries have exact figures for this.

### **3. Number of Jumps made in your country in 2017**

As with question 1, please mark whether your figures are exact or estimated.

**AGAIN, AS IN 1, PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE TANDEM JUMPS IN THESE FIGURES.**

### **4. Leading Causes of Fatalities in your Country in 2017**

It is assumed that you have full information on fatalities. If you are in any doubt as to the category of a fatality, please send on the full details.

**Note** - In the case of a Tandem fatality it sometimes happens that both the Tandem Master/Instructor and the Passenger are killed. Please indicate clearly by marking **2** if both were killed and **1** if only one person died. In the case where one died please state if this was the Tandem Master/Instructor or the Passenger.

### **5. The 'Fast Canopy' category.**

This includes fatalities to jumpers using fast canopies, and fatalities **caused** by a jumper using a 'fast' canopy, for example, striking a person on the ground, or a collision with another jumper in the air. If you are unsure about this just add a note.

### **6. Extra Questions.**

**No. 6 asks how many Tandem Descents were made in your country in 2017.**

This figure should include **ALL Tandem Descents**, those with first jumpers and those used for ongoing training/instruction.

A Tandem Descent is where the Tandem Master **AND** passenger make a jump and this is counted as **ONE** Tandem Descent (In other words it is descents and not people that are counted).

**No. 7** This is a self explanatory question and it is important to know when First Jump Students are fatalities.

**No. 8** If you do not have exact figures please give your best estimate.

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**I look forward to your help with this 2017 IPC Safety Survey**

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