



ADVANCE SAFETY NOTICE

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CLICKLOCK AND T-LOCK BUCKLES

As a result of Charly Finsterwalder buckle faults a safety notice is issued for the IMPRESS, IMPRESS 2/2+, SUCCESS, SUCCESS 2+ and PRO 2+ harnesses.

The DHV (German Hangglider Association) has published a safety bulletin about the Charly Finsterwalder CLICKLOCK and T-Lock chest strap buckles.

<http://www.dhv.de/web/newsdetails/article/unbedingt-sofort-checken-sicherheitsmitteilung-finsterwalder-gurtzeug-schliessen-click-lock-und-t-lock/>

The following ADVANCE products are fitted with these types of chest strap buckles, therefore we are also issuing a safety notice for the following products:

- ADVANCE PRO 2+, Hsi68 T-LOCK (DHV GS-03-0273-03)
- ADVANCE IMPRESS, Hsi17 CLICKLOCK
- ADVANCE IMPRESS 2, Hsi17 CLICKLOCK
- ADVANCE IMPRESS 2+, Hsi17 CLICKLOCK (EAPR-GZ-7072/08)
- ADVANCE SUCCESS, Hsi68 T-LOCK
- ADVANCE SUCCESS 2+, Hsi17 CLICKLOCK (EAPR-GZ-7034/08)

According to the safety bulletin Charly Finsterwalder have restricted the lifetime of these buckles to 4 years, when they are part a chest strap. Relevant harnesses, older than 4 years, may not be flown until further notice. All other Charly Finsterwalder CLICKLOCK buckles have a general lifetime limit of 10 years.

Because the last delivery of all the above-mentioned ADVANCE models was more than 4 years ago all these harnesses are affected by the safety notice and therefore must not be flown until further notice.

ADVANCE are working on clarification with the supplier. As soon as more details are known we will immediately publish the information here.