

# Parachute Attaching Straps (PASS)

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The Parachute Attaching Strap System, or PASS straps, are a set of adjustable webbing straps for attaching packs or harnesses with built-in attachment points to parachutes using the dual-point release system. They allow fast rigging and inspection, secure and predictable flying, and a controlled release for lowering

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## WARNING

This is only a guide and suggestion. Parachuting is inherently a dangerous activity; user assumes all risks.

#### **RIGGING THE PASS STRAPS TO THE COMBAT PACK**

The parachutist—

Prepares combat pack for military parachute operations according to unit SOPs, doctrine.

Attaches HPT Lowering Line to pack:

- Uses carabiner or girth hitch to secure loop end of HPT lowering line to sewn loop on bottom of pack
- Secures HPT lowering line to pack with rubber bands to small webbing loops on bottom of pack.

Attaches PASS Straps to pack:

- Passes each 1-3/4" webbing strap through the Attaching Loop behind each side of the lumbar pad of the backpack and back up and through the Friction Adapter.
- Weaves the webbing end through the Friction Adapter.
- S-roll ends and secure with elastic bands.



#### CONNECTING THE PACK TO THE PARACHUTE HARNESS

The parachutist—

Stands facing the rigged combat pack and steps through the pack shoulder straps.

Opens the snap shackles by pulling on the leashes.

Grasps the harness by the attaching straps and secures the snap shackles to the large equipment attachment rings on the main lift webs.

Attaches the ejector snap on the HPT lowering line to the right-side lowering line attachment V-ring on the parachute harness.

Pulls down on the free-running ends of the 1 3/4" attaching straps while lifting the pack to desired height. Makes sure pack is level.

Folds the excess webbing and secures excess with elastic.

Parachutist arches chest wide to make sure leashes are adjusted wide enough that shackles don't prematurely release.



## WARNING

### The parachutist makes sure leashes are adjusted wide enough that shackles won't release unintentionally

