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INFORMATION NOTICE

Read carefully before use

Impact pad for paragliding harness:
art. VATB_0101_protect

CE MARKING EXPLANATION



The **CE** Marking on your protector means that it has been submitted to the EU-Type Approval Certification process in accordance with the requirements of the **Regulation (EU) 2016/425** and has been granted a **2nd CAT**. PPE = Personal Protective Equipment against medium risks.

Tested according to the technical requirements of the European Standard **EN 1651:2018 + A1:2020** (see the section "Performances"), the conformity of the impact pad to the EU Regulation has been assessed by **RICOTEST** Notified Body nr. **0498** (Via Tione 9, 37010 Pastrengo - Verona - Italy).

For the Declaration of Conformity check our Website: <https://harnesses-nearbirds.com/>



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One size

Harness protector (impact pad) VATB_0101_protect

Impact pad type:

Foam

Impact pad report number:

MISC_263.2023 revision 01

Serial number:

Production date (year / month):

Product Lifespan: 10 years

Tested in accordance with the following standards : **EN1651:2018+A1:2020**

This model corresponds with the tested sample

The impact damping characteristics of impact pads degrade through use and ageing.

Periodically check the impact pad's function and condition in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.



Warning : Read the operating manual before using this equipment!

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The "CE" means that the product satisfies the essential health and safety requirements of the Regulation (EU) 2016/425, Annex II.

Name/logo and full address of the Manufacturer

Article name

Size indication

Test reference number

Production date and product lifespan

Test reference Standard

Serial number

Care symbols

MATERIALS and MANUFACTURING

All materials used (both natural or synthetic), as well as the applied processing techniques, have been chosen to meet the requirements expressed by the PPE European Regulation in terms of safety, ergonomics, comfort, solidity and innocuousness.

USE for which the protector is intended

The protective device described in this Information note is strictly limited to paragliding. The impact pad is intended to reduce the compression damage to the spine of the pilot in case of wrong landing.

This device is designed to be used exclusively in the paragliding harnesses manufactured by NEAR BIRDS.

WARNINGS and USE LIMITATIONS

- **No protector can guarantee a total protection from all possible injury!**
- Do not use the protective device for other uses, improper handling may seriously reduce the protection provided;
- This device provides limited protection only for the specific area it covers;
- Avoid any alteration, modification or repair of the impact pad, as this may dramatically reduce its protective function: do not tamper with the device in any of its parts;
- This protective device works appropriately only if mounted on the paragliding harness it is designed for.



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CHECK PRIOR USE:	<p>Regularly inspect the impact pad. Before using this protector, make sure that it is in good conditions and provides the adequate protection: the protective function remains as long as it keeps its original characteristics.</p> <p>Depending upon the specific nature of the impact pad, foam protectors should be inspected visually for any possible damage, such as cracks, deformation or reduced thickness.</p> <p>As the protective device be detachable, make sure it is inserted and positioned correctly in the paragliding harness before taking off.</p>						
PERFORMANCES	<p>Laboratory tests confirm that the protector meets the technical requirements of the European Standard EN 1651:2018 + A1:2020.</p> <p>Method: vertical impact pad testing performed with a test dummy (min. weight: 50 Kg) lifted up to a minimum height of 165 cm (measured from the impact surface to the lowest point of the dummy).</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>50 g</th><th>at 38 g</th><th>at 20 g</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Max. peak value</td><td>Max. duration: ≤ 7 ms</td><td>Max. duration: ≤ 25 ms</td></tr></tbody></table>	50 g	at 38 g	at 20 g	Max. peak value	Max. duration: ≤ 7 ms	Max. duration: ≤ 25 ms
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CARE, MAINTENANCE, STORAGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Remove dirt with a damp cloth only- Neither machine wash nor wash under running water- Do not use solvents or other chemicals to clean the device- Do not paint- Do not leave exposed to direct sunlight for lengthy periods of time- Do not leave exposed to very high or low temperatures- When not in use, the device must be stored in a dry and well ventilated place- After use leave it dry in a ventilated place, at room temperature; do not use dryer or other heating tools. <p>If the protector is damaged, exposed to a hard landing or should you have any doubt about its condition it should be replaced immediately.</p> <p>Complaints or replacement requests for which improper use has been established will not be accepted.</p>						
Duration and Disposal instructions	<p>If used and cared for according to these instructions, the impact pad should remain serviceable for 10 years.</p> <p>However, the frequency and the actual conditions of use may affect its lifespan. Therefore, it is recommended to visually inspect the item before and after each use.</p> <p>At the end of the protector useful life be sure not discard it in natural environment: please follow your local / national environmental regulations and discard it in appropriate dumping area. Further information regarding these regulations can be obtained from your local authorities.</p>						