DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY TECHNICAL BULLETIN

PARACHUTE EXTRACTION SYSTEMS

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1. General

- a. The Department of the Army has subscribed to Air Standardization Coordinating Committee (ASCC) Air Standard 44/15D, dated 29 Aug 1969.
- *b.* The armed forces of the following nations have ratified this agreement:

Australia New Zealand United Kingdom United States

2. Purpose

To standardize parachute extraction assemblies and aircraft extraction parachute ejector installations so as to facilitate interchangeability of parachute extraction assemblies in aircraft of ASCC nations. It is not the purpose of this standard to provide for interchangeability of component parts of these parachute extraction assemblies.

3. Resume of Details of Agreement

Participants agree to adopt as standard the component parts of the pendulum extraction system for use with tailgate loading tactical support cargo aircraft which use an extraction parachute to initiate an airdrop in the conduct of an airdrop mission. The component parts of the pendulum extraction system will consist of the aircraft installation, which includes the release unit and the pivot point, and the extraction parachute assemblies, which include the canopy, deployment bag (including the pendulum line, stowage rings, and safety ties), extraction lines, and connecting hardware.

4. Implementation

The following publication implements the above agreement within the Department of the Army:

Military Specification MIL-S-25963D, Sling and Extraction Line, Air Delivery.

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For explanation of abbreviations used, see AR 310-50.

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The Metric System and Equivalents

Linear Measure

- 1 centimeter = 10 millimeters = .39 inch
- 1 decimeter = 10 centimeters = 3.94 inches 1 meter = 10 decimeters = 39.37 inches
- 1 dekameter = 10 meters = 32.8 feet
- 1 hectometer = 10 dekameters = 328.08 feet
- 1 kilometer = 10 hectometers = 3,280.8 feet

Weights

- 1 centigram = 10 milligrams = .15 grain
- 1 decigram = 10 centigrams = 1.54 grains

- 1 gram = 10 decigram = .035 ounce 1 dekagram = 10 grams = .35 ounce 1 hectogram = 10 dekagrams = 3.52 ounces
- 1 kilogram = 10 hectograms = 2.2 pounds
- 1 quintal = 100 kilograms = 220.46 pounds
- 1 metric ton = 10 quintals = 1.1 short tons

Liquid Measure

- 1 centiliter = 10 milliliters = .34 fl. ounce
- 1 deciliter = 10 centiliters = 3.38 fl. ounces
- 1 liter = 10 deciliters = 33.81 fl. ounces
- 1 dekaliter = 10 liters = 2.64 gallons 1 hectoliter = 10 dekaliters = 26.42 gallons
- 1 kiloliter = 10 hectoliters = 264.18 gallons

Square Measure

- 1 sq. centimeter = 100 sq. millimeters = .155 sq. inch
- 1 sq. decimeter = 100 sq. centimeters = 15.5 sq. inches
- 1 sq. meter (centare) = 100 sq. decimeters = 10.76 sq. feet
- 1 sq. dekameter (are) = 100 sq. meters = 1,076.4 sq. feet
- 1 sq. hectometer (hectare) = 100 sq. dekameters = 2.47 acres
- 1 sq. kilometer = 100 sq. hectometers = .386 sq. mile

Cubic Measure

- 1 cu. centimeter = 1000 cu. millimeters = .06 cu. inch
- 1 cu. decimeter = 1000 cu. centimeters = 61.02 cu. inches
- 1 cu. meter = 1000 cu. decimeters = 35.31 cu. feet

Approximate Conversion Factors

To change	То	Multiply by	To change	То	Multiply by
inches	centimeters	2.540	ounce-inches	newton-meters	.007062
feet	meters	.305	centimeters	inches	.394
yards	meters	.914	meters	feet	3.280
miles	kilometers	1.609	meters	yards	1.094
square inches	square centimeters	6.451	kilometers	miles	.621
square feet	square meters	.093	square centimeters	square inches	.155
square yards	square meters	.836	square meters	square feet	10.764
square miles	square kilometers	2.590	square meters	square yards	1.196
acres	square hectometers	.405	square kilometers	square miles	.386
cubic feet	cubic meters	.028	square hectometers	acres	2.471
cubic yards	cubic meters	.765	cubic meters	cubic feet	35.315
fluid ounces	milliliters	29.573	cubic meters	cubic yards	1.308
pints	liters	.473	milliliters	fluid ounces	.034
quarts	liters	.946	liters	pints	2.113
gallons	liters	3.785	liters	quarts	1.057
ounces	grams	28.349	liters	gallons	.264
pounds	Kilograms	.454	grams	ounces	.035
short tons	metric tons	.907	Kilograms	pounds	2.205
pound-feet	newton-meters	1.365	metric tons	short tons	1.102
pound-inches	newton-meters	.11375			

Temperature (Exact)

۲F	Fahrenheit	5/9 (after	Celsius	°С
	temperature	subtracting 32)	temperature	

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