

ITOP 7-2-507

AIRDROP OF PERSONNEL WITH RAM AIR PARACHUTES

SCOPE

The ITOP describes the testing procedures required to determine the performance of parachute assemblies used for airdrop of personnel. Systems / items within the scope of this ITOP include main and reserve parachute assemblies.

This ITOP is intended to cover ram-air parachutes and other gliding parachutes designed to produce more lift than drag. This ITOP covers the methods to determine the steady-state performance, maneuvering and handling characteristics.

It does not cover optional ancillary equipment or component level testing.