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## ***Design – Production – Maintenance***

**EC machinery directive 2006/42/EC**

**EC directive on PPE 89/686/EEC**

**EASA CS 27./29.865 on external loads**

**Annex II**

- Lifting accessories and slinging devices
- Special equipment for annex II aircrafts
- **PPE against falls from a height**
- **Personnel-carrying device systems PCDS**

## ***Expert assistance***

- Damage expertise
- Training of qualified persons (in accordance with BGG 906)
- R&D in collaboration with official authorities (BGV, BFH)
- Consulting (BG Verkehr, Chemnitz TU and others)



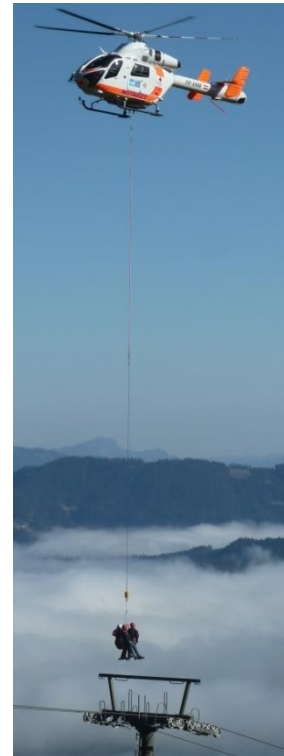
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## ***Human external cargo (HEC), fixed rope systems***

### ***EASA CS-27.865 / CS-29.865 on external loads***

- Human external cargo (HEC)

### ***EASA CM-CS-005 Certification Memorandum***

- Personnel-carrying device systems (PCDS)
  - simple PCDS
  - complex PCDS



EN 1498

## ***Personnel-carrying device systems (PCDS)***

- Simple PCDS
  - certified in accordance with EC dir. 89/686/EEC
  - certified in accordance with a harmonised EN standard
  - listed in EASA CM-CS-005
  - designed to transport maximum 2 persons
  - safety factor 7 [-] for steel, 14 [-] for textiles
  - CE conformity approved by EC type examination
    - (STC > EASA FORM 1)

Note: only minor change approval required

> Part SPO AMC1 SPO.SPEC.HEC



1 – 2 persons

## Simple PCDS ...



EN 354 - EN 358



EN 538 - EN 361  
EN 813 - EN 12277



EN 358



EN 362 – EN 12275



EN 1891 A (kernmantel ropes with low elongation, aka static ropes)

*Examples*

***... and devices which are not listed in EASA CM-CS-005***



EN 341 A



EN 12278



EN 567 – 12841



EN 892 (dynamic alpine ropes)



Full-scale test

## ***Personnel-carrying device systems (PCDS)***

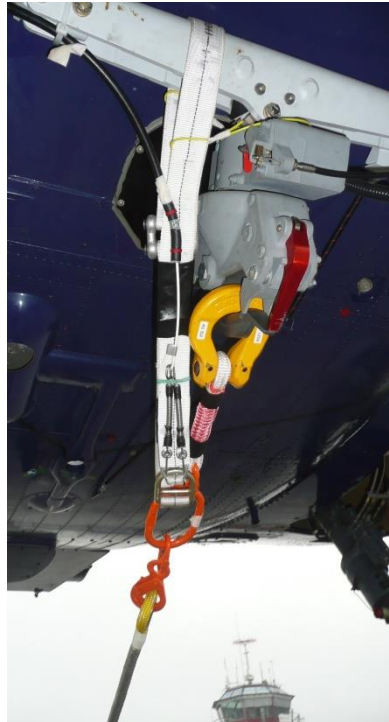
- Complex PCDS
  - EASA CS-27./29.865 major change approval (STC)
  - Part 21 J DO + Part 21 G PO (DO-PO arrangement)
  - no EC type examination required
  - no compliance with EN standards required
  - from 1 person (currently up to 10 persons)
  - calculation based on CS-27./29.865, .303, .619, etc.
    - design load limit HEC 3.5 g (as for LufABw)
  - proof of CS-27./29.305 compliance regarding strength and deformation



## Complex PCDS ...



> 2 persons



Redundancy system AS332L

GSG9 – WLL 800 kg



Horizontal net – WLL 1 person

## ***Comparison: EN 1891 vs. Dyneema (HMPE) ropes used for rescue***

### Properties

#### EN 1891, $\varnothing$ 12.5 mm



UL up to 37 kN  
max. WLL 270 kg/2.64 kN 14 [-]  
Bearing parts: core and cover  
Load-bearing share of cover  $\geq$  30.5%  
Load-bearing share of core  $\geq$  33.3%  
Rope  $\varnothing$  min. 8.5, max 16 mm  
Elongation  $\leq$  5% (100 kg)  
HEC – shock absorber required: no

#### Dyneema SK 78, $\varnothing$ 8 mm + cover



UL min. 52 kN  
min. WLL 380 kg/3.7 kN  
Bearing part: core only  
0.0%  
100.0%  
no limit values  
< 0.3% at WLL  
HEC: yes

*Examples*



## ***Comparison: EN 1891 ropes vs. Dyneema ropes***

Consequences of cover damage (cut caused by a sharp edge)

EN 1891: cover bears > 30%

Dyneema: non-bearing cover

Loss of cover

= min. 30% loss of UL

Loss of cover

= no consequences

Core reaction to cutting

Video 1: EN 1891 A, 11 mm

[Test EN1891 11.MOV](#)

Video 2: EN 1891 A, 12.5 mm

[Test EN1891 12.MOV](#)

Video 3: Dyneema, 6 x 5 mm

[Test DY-6-5 MA.MOV](#)



## Commentary on the videos

Empirical test during which it was attempted to sever ropes by means of a carpet cutter. The test was held on 3rd of July, 2017. Load 50 kg, rope length approximately 1.20 m. Standard rope cutter, manually operated. No force measurements taken.

### Video 1: EN 1891 A, 11 mm

Rope compliant with EN 1891 A, 11 mm, made by Gleistein. Both cover and core are bearing elements and stressed in tension. A carpet cutter was placed onto the rope to remove the cover. Duration: 3 seconds. Total rope failure.

### Video 2: EN 1891 A, 12.5 mm

Rope compliant with EN 1891 A, 12.5 mm, made by Mammut AG. Both cover and core are bearing elements and stressed in tension. A carpet cutter was carefully placed on the cover to remove it with a circular cut. A neat separation of the cover from the core was not possible. Duration: 39 seconds. Total rope failure.

### Video 3: Dyneema, 6 x 5 mm

6 x 5 mm DynaOne HS rope with PES cover. Rope cover not load-bearing and not in tension. The cover could be separated from the core. Duration: 28 seconds.

Subsequently, a 5 mm DynaOne HS strand was severed by violent cutting movements while applying pressure. Duration: 16 seconds. Accidentally, 2 further strands were partly cut. Nevertheless, no rope failure occurred since the remaining strands could bear the load.

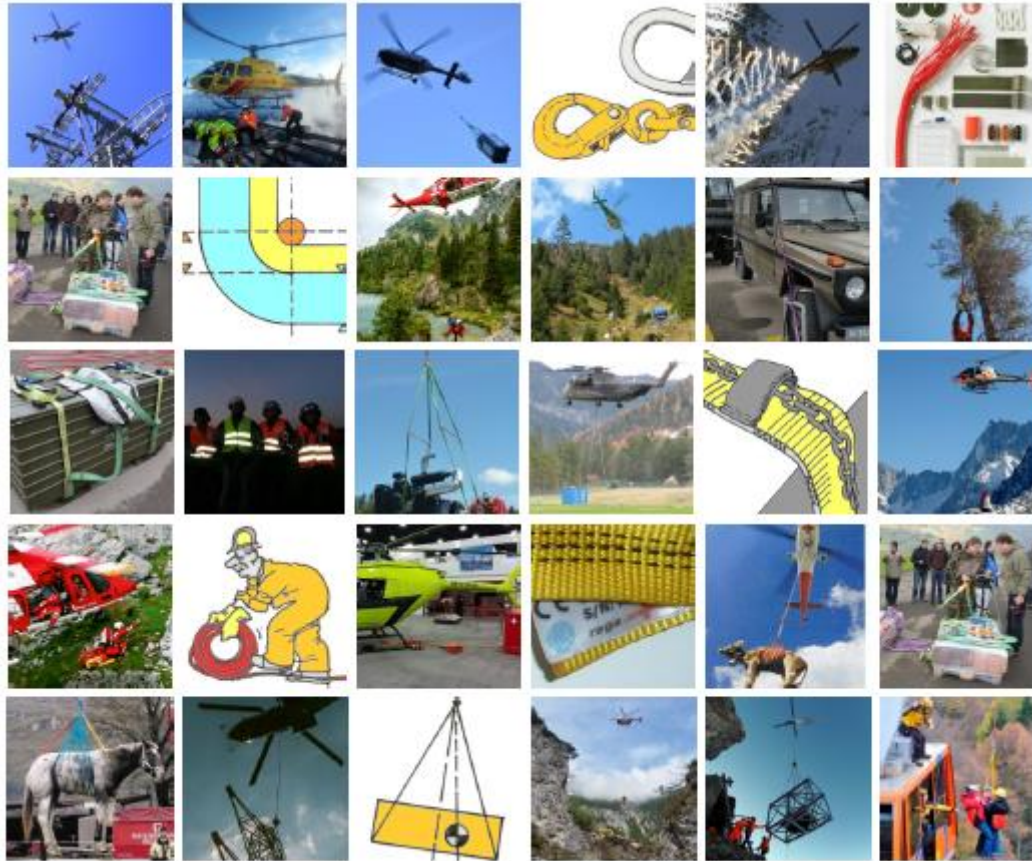


## *Synopsis*

A system's safety is not simply the sum of the strength of its single elements (statics), complete certification (CVE), compliance with standards (references by the authorities) and appropriate costs (commerce).

A most important aspect is the SUITABILITY of the material used with regard to its intended application.

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