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Tandem Cross-Training Certification Form

Applicant Qualifications

Before beginning this training, an applicant must:

1. Currently possess or at one time been issued a USPA Instructional Rating or international equivalent
2. Have logged at least 500 ram-air jumps and 3 years of experience in sport parachuting
3. Hold a current and approved medical certificate
4. Hold current USPA D license (expert) or international equivalent
5. Be at least 18 years of age
6. Applicant must: possess a current tandem rating from another manufacturer, national federation tandem rating (other than USPA), or military tandem rating; 25 logged jumps using the system transferring from; complete a Sigma Tandem ground school; and complete a minimum of three Sigma Tandem jumps.

This box must be filled in by computer

☐ \$15 for card

Full Legal Name _____ Age _____
First Last

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Date of First Jump _____ Number of Jumps _____

Instructional Rating(s) *(please attach copy)* _____ ☐ Current ☐ Expired

USPA D-License/Equivalent *(please attach copy)* _____ Membership # _____

Home Drop Zone _____

Sigma Tandem Jumps _____ Sigma Tandem Jumps in the Last Year _____

Passenger Briefing

All passengers - student or experienced - must be at least 18 years old and have completed an uninsured United Parachute Technologies, LLC Assumption of Risk Agreement after viewing the Tandem Vector / Sigma Waiver Video.

Experienced passengers who accompany tandem instructor applicants must be briefed by the tandem instructor before jumping. This briefing must include:

1. Emergency exit procedures
2. The tandem instructor applicant must signal the passenger that they have deployed the drogue by giving a “thumbs up” sign with the right hand. If failing to do so, the passenger must deploy the drogue by 7000ft / 2100m.
3. If the drogue has not been released by 5000ft / 1600m, the passenger should release it and thus deploy the main canopy
4. If the main canopy is not deployed by 3500ft / 1000m, the passenger should make every effort to deploy the reserve

This briefing shall include practicing of the above procedures on the ground while completely geared up. The use of “Passenger Emergency Handles” are recommended during training jumps.

Jumps 1 - 3 are proficiency jumps

Applicant acts as tandem instructor with an experienced jumper on front. Jump 3 must have an examiner or tandem instructor on front. This passenger must have been briefed in the operation of the Sigma Tandem or Tandem Vector by the examiner.

Training Jump 1 Procedure

1. Stable exit from above 7500ft / 2300m
2. Deploy drogue within 5-8 seconds after exit and perform a full system handles check
3. While maintaining a heading, perform three practice drogue release pulls and one practice reserve ripcord pull
4. Pull drogue release handle by 5500ft / 1700m
5. Perform a safe landing within **50** meters of the target

Training Jump 2 Procedure

1. Stable exit from above 7500ft / 2300m
2. Stable drogue deployment within 5-8 seconds after exit and perform a full system handles check
3. Perform at least two alternating 360-degree turns and demonstrate heading control
4. While maintaining a heading, perform three practice drogue release pulls and one practice reserve ripcord pull
5. Pull drogue release handle by 5500ft / 1700m
6. Perform a safe landing within **50** meters of the target

Training Jump 3 Procedure (On training jump 3, the passenger must be a current tandem examiner or instructor)

1. Unstable exit from above 10500ft / 3200m. Must regain control within 10 seconds then perform a full system handles check
2. Stable free fall to 7500ft / 2300m. Perform at least two alternating 360-degree turns and demonstrate heading control
3. Stable drogue deployment at 7500ft / 2300m and perform a full system handles check
4. Pull drogue release handle by 5500ft / 1700m
5. Perform a safe landing within **35** meters of the target

Some of the above jumps may be repeated until the applicant meets the performance goals as determined by the examiner. Log only the cross-training jumps in the spaces below. Two extra spaces are available if needed. (If the applicant is unable to achieve satisfactory performance within five jumps, the examiner must fill out refusal/dismissal criteria form and submit to UPT. The candidate may not continue with training and may not participate in another course without making an additional 25 tandem skydives.)

Applicant Training Record

Jump	Date	Location	A/C	Altitude	Distance	Pass Wt.
Examiner Comments & Signature:						
Name of Passenger:						
Examiner Comments & Signature:						
Name of Passenger:						
Examiner Comments & Signature:						
Name of Passenger:						
Examiner Comments & Signature:						
Name of Passenger:						
Examiner Comments & Signature:						
Name of Passenger:						

Name of Examiner (Please Print): _____

“I verify that cross-training jumps have been completed.”

X _____
Examiner Signature *Date (MM/DD/YYYY)*

Sigma Tandem Instructor Operator Criteria

I agree to conform to all the Sigma Tandem Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and Emergency Procedures (EPs).

Int. _____

I agree to perform handles checks in the manner prescribed by the Sigma Manual on every tandem jump that I make using the Sigma Tandem system.

Int. _____

I agree to forfeit my UPT and USPA tandem instructor rating through either suspension or revocation of rating if I am found to have violated the SOPs and EPs of the Sigma tandem system.

Int. _____

I have read the Sigma Manual and am fully knowledgeable of the system SOPs and EPs.

Int. _____

I agree to follow all currency requirements in accordance with the UPT Sigma Manual.

Int. _____

I will fill out the Annual Sigma Handcam Safety Checklist Document and submit to UPT prior to using handcam on Sigma Tandem jumps. (Can be emailed by instructor directly to sheryl@uptvector.com)

Int. _____

I have provided a minimum of 25 logged tandem jumps as pilot in command on the tandem system that I am making a transition from. The logged tandems must accompany this paperwork for the issuance of my rating.

Int. _____

I understand that my digital rating will be on Merit.

Int. _____

Processing can take up to TWO WEEKS. Please plan accordingly.

X _____
Applicant's Signature Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

After **cross-training** from a manufacturer, military, or any National Federation Tandem Rating and you have successfully completed the Sigma Tandem Cross-Training Certification Form:

- ☐ Tandem Cross-Training Certification Form, signed
- ☐ Waiver (Uninsured United Parachute Technologies, LLC Tandem Parachute Jumper Agreement), signed
- ☐ Sigma Tandem Examination completed to 100% and signed with statement completed by candidate
- ☐ USPA Membership or International Equivalent with proof of D-license and Instructional Ratings
- ☐ Current and approved medical certificate
- ☐ Annual Sigma Tandem Hand Cam Safety Checklist filled out (if intending to use)
- ☐ Copy of 25 logged jumps as pilot in command, using the tandem system transitioning from
- ☐ Certificate of completion or proof of training from manufacturer or federation transitioning from
- ☐ \$50 fee for digital certification or an additional \$15 (total \$65) to receive a digital Certification and physical card
- ☐ Paperwork scanned to **PDF** (not JPEG)