

## Chapter 2

### DROGUES AND APRON

(Mk. 2 and 3 series ejection seats)

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#### Examining the drogues and apron

1. (1) Break the thread attaching the flap securing pin to No. 4 flap and withdraw the pin.
- (2) Fold back the four flaps and withdraw the drogues and shroud lines.
- (3) Examine the drogues, shroud lines and nylon rope for damage or deterioration.

#### Stowing the drogues

2. (1) Open the four flaps and the protective sleeve.
- (2) Insert the sleeve-protected shroud lines from the shackle into the rearmost outer corner of the right-hand compartment of the drogue container and fold the shroud lines as shown in the upper diagram of fig. 1.
- (3) Extend the remaining shroud lines and check that they are not entangled; fold the 5 ft. drogue into three double folds and pack into the left-hand compartment.
- (4) Cover the shroud lines and the 5 ft. drogue with the protective sleeve. The 5 ft. drogue withdrawal line must emerge from the protective sleeve in the right-hand compartment.
- (5) Fold the 5 ft. drogue withdrawal line and the 18 in. drogue shroud lines on top of the protective sleeve in the right-hand compartment and stow the 18 in. drogue as shown in the lower diagram of fig. 1.
- (6) Close the flaps in the following order:— port (1), starboard

(2) rear (3) and front (4). The wire loop must pass through each eyelet in turn and the 18 in. drogue withdrawal line must emerge from the rearmost corner nearest the drogue gun.

- (7) Insert the flap securing pin attached to the 18 in. drogue withdrawal line through the wire loop and tie to the fabric loop on the front flap with a single loop of No. 8 linen thread (Stores Ref. 15A/108).

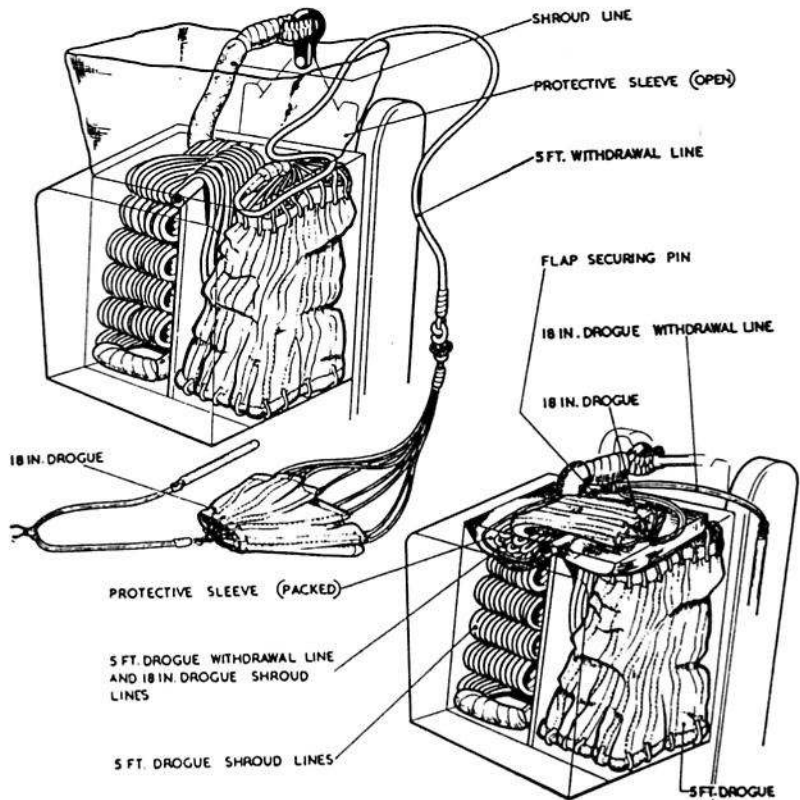


Fig. 1. Stowing the drogues

(A.L.2, Apl., 56)



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