

## Equipment

A tandem system consists of two main components: a harness for the tandem instructor and a harness for the passenger.

The instructor's harness holds two parachutes. The main parachute is packed into the bottom part of the harness.

If the main parachute cannot be landed safely, there is a reserve parachute packed into the upper part of the harness.

At the base of the harness, there's a small drogue chute. Your tandem instructor will deploy this shortly after exit.

The drogue chute slows your freefall speed to about **200 km/h** (125 mph).

This ensures a softer parachute opening and helps the videographer keep up with you, since two people falling together would otherwise fall almost twice as fast.

Your harness is equipped with **four carabiners**. These will be used to attach you securely to your tandem instructor — this happens just before exit.

In addition to the harness, you'll need to wear goggles to protect your eyes from the wind during freefall.

Depending on the weather and your personal preference, you may also be offered a jumpsuit, a hat, and/or gloves.

Your tandem instructor will make sure you're properly dressed.

Before gearing up, please make sure to:

- Use the bathroom
- Remove any jewelry
- Empty your pockets
- Braid or secure very long hair

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## Landing Area

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The large open grass field is the designated landing area.

Only skydivers are allowed in this zone. Spectators must stay outside the area.

Your tandem instructor can help point out the best place for your friends and family to stand so they can watch your landing.

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## Aircraft Seating

Inside the aircraft, there are two possible seating positions: either up front next to the pilot or just behind the pilot's seat.

You will sit in front of your tandem instructor, facing the rear of the aircraft.

Stay close to your tandem instructor while heading to the aircraft and follow any instructions you're given.

A few minutes before the door opens, you will be securely connected to your instructor.

When it's time to jump, follow your instructor's directions and stay calm as you move slowly towards the door.

Hold onto your harness, tilt your head back, and get ready to assume the **freefall position**:

- Hands on the harness
  - Head tilted back
  - Arch your body like a banana
  - Legs together, feet extended back as far as you can
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### **During Freefall**

Assume the freefall position immediately after exiting the aircraft, and maintain it until a fully deployed parachute is above you.

Your instructor may place a hand on your forehead to remind you to keep the correct position.

A few seconds after exit, your instructor will tap you on the shoulder.

This is your signal to release your grip from the harness and extend your arms out.

Look for the camera flyer, smile, wave, and enjoy the view.

Maintain the freefall position throughout the entire freefall.

When it's time to deploy the parachute, your instructor will tap you on the shoulder again.

If you're having trouble breathing during freefall, simply breathe through your nose.

Once the parachute is open, you'll be able to talk to each other again — it's not possible to talk during freefall.

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### **Emergency Exit and Reserve Deployment**

If there is an emergency situation inside the aircraft, the pilot may call for an emergency exit.

In this case, your instructor will make sure you are secured with at least one carabiner and you will exit the aircraft as quickly as possible.

All you need to remember is to **assume the freefall position**.

The same applies if your instructor determines that the main parachute cannot be landed safely and a **reserve parachute** is required.

If possible, your instructor will signal you again to get into the freefall position before deploying the reserve.

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## Under Canopy

Once the parachute is open, you'll be hanging only from the upper carabiners.

Your instructor may briefly detach the lower carabiners to loosen the harness slightly, which helps improve landing comfort.

You may be asked to step onto your instructor's feet for better positioning.

If conditions allow and your instructor agrees, you may get the chance to steer the parachute.

- Pulling the **right** toggle turns you **right**
- Pulling the **left** toggle turns you **left**
- Pulling **both** slows you down

You can't do anything wrong, so just enjoy it — or simply take in the ride and the amazing view.

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## Landing Procedure

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Landings are generally done in a seated position.

A few seconds before landing, your instructor will give you the command to **lift your legs**:

- Keep your legs together
- Bring your knees up in front of you
- Hold the backs of your knees
- Straighten your legs forward

You will then slide into a seated landing on the grass.

In certain conditions, landing assistants may be present to help.

Their job is to ensure the parachute doesn't catch air again after you've landed.

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## Insurance Information

You're now almost ready for your tandem skydive!

Please be aware that **you are responsible for your own accident insurance**.

If you get injured, it is your **personal accident insurance** that must cover any costs.

There is **no insurance coverage** provided by us — only **third-party liability insurance** is in place.

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### **Tandem Waiver**

You'll soon be asked to fill out and sign a **tandem waiver form** using **MitID**.

You can access the form by scanning the QR code provided.

If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to ask us.

We're looking forward to giving you the experience of a lifetime!