



SETTING UP & USING YOUR SPOT OR INREACH

CREATE A NEW PROFILE FOR COMPETITIONS:

1. The Check-in / OK message should be:

#00 Pete Pilot, Ph 000-000-0000, landed OK

(The #00 pilot number is a placeholder until you find out your real number at registration.)

Send to your phone number and the retrieve coordinators phone number. Expect a text back to your phone to confirm message received, if you are within cell coverage.

2. The Help message should be:

#00 Pete Pilot, Ph 000-000-0000, landed but needs help

Send to your phone number, the safety director phone number and the retrieve coordinators phone number.

3. In the 911 emergency details section, enter the following information:

#00 Pete Pilot, Ph 000-000-0000, is a participant in a paragliding competition in Pemberton, British Columbia. The Safety Director can be contacted at 000-000-0000. The Meet Director can be contacted at 000-000-0000.

At the bottom of the page, make your Primary Emergency Contact the safety director, 000-000-0000.

This will allow meet personnel to obtain your information from SPOT in the event that you have pressed the 911 button.

Add: any other information that emergency services might need - allergies, special medical instructions etc.

SHARED PAGE:

Your shared page should be public.

Send the full URL of your shared page to Dave Wheeler at davidrwheeler@gmail.com

AFTER REGISTRATION:

Edit the competition profile you created earlier.

Update the meet director, safety director and retrieve coordinator phone numbers and providers.

Update your pilot number in the OK, Help and 911 messages.

Assign the profile to your device.

BEFORE LAUNCH:

Turn on your SPOT or Inreach messenger.

Turn on tracking by holding down the tracking (bootprint) button for more than 3 seconds.

Interested people can follow your progress and that of all other competition pilots at the tracking website:

<http://xcfind.paraglide.us>

Note: The tracking will be somewhere from real-time to 25 minutes delayed because each messenger updates every 10 minutes and the website updates every 15 minutes. The person who appears to be winning may not be winning.

AFTER LANDING:

If you are OK: Press the OK button. If you are in cell coverage you should get a text message on your phone. You should expect a reply from the retrieve coordinator

Pack up your wing.

Change your radio to the retrieve frequency.

IF YOU NEED HELP:

Press the Help button.

Call the safety director or the meet director if you are able and tell them the details.

Pack up your wing if you can, or at least gather it up so it doesn't look like you haven't moved to pilots in the air.

Wait for retrieval.

IF YOU ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED:

Leave your wing open as a sign to other pilots that you are injured.

Press the 911 button on your SPOT until it starts to blink. Do not press it a second time as this will cancel the 911 transmission.

Call 911 on your telephone if you are able.

Call the safety director or the meet director if you are able.

Do not move.

Do not get out of your harness.

Wait for assistance.

AFTER RETRIEVAL:

Turn off your locator. The batteries last a long time, but it is best not to waste them.

DELORME INREACH OR NEWER SPOTS:

If you have an Inreach or one of the newer SPOTS you have a 3rd message that you can send in addition to the "OK" and "Help" messages. Set this message text to the following:

Pilot #000, Pete Pilot, needs extraction or has an injury requiring assistance but the situation is not life threatening or an emergency