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and paraglider reserve parachutes

paragliding by air turquoise

Flight test report: EN 926-2:2013 & LTF 91/09

Manufacturer	**Gradient s.r.o.**	Certification number	PG_1322.2018
Address	Plzenska 221/130 150 00 Praha 5 - Motol Czech Republic	Flight test	17.05.2018
Glider model	**BiGolden4 42**	**Classification**	**B**
Serial number	G50421803004	Representative	None
Trimmer	yes: opened	Place of test	Villeneuve
Folding lines used	no		

Test pilot	Anselm Rauh	Anselm Rauh
Harness	Advance - Bi pro 2	Advance - Bi pro 2
Harness to risers distance (cm)	44	44
Distance between risers (cm)	55	55
Total weight in flight (kg)	225	225

1. Inflation/Take-off	**A**			
Rising behaviour	Smooth, easy and constant rising	A	Smooth, easy and constant rising	A
Special take off technique required	No	A	No	A
2. Landing	**A**			
Special landing technique required	No	A	No	A
3. Speed in straight flight	**B**			
Trim speed more than 30 km/h	Yes	A	Yes	A
Speed range using the controls larger than 10 km/h	Yes	A	Yes	A
Minimum speed	25 km/h to 30 km/h	B	25 km/h to 30 km/h	B
4. Control movement	**A**			
Max. weight in flight up to 80 kg				
Symmetric control pressure / travel	not available	0	not available	0
Max. weight in flight 80 kg to 100 kg				
Symmetric control pressure / travel	not available	0	not available	0
Max. weight in flight greater than 100 kg				
Symmetric control pressure / travel	Increasing / greater than 65 cm	A	Increasing / greater than 65 cm	A
5. Pitch stability exiting accelerated flight	**0**			
Dive forward angle on exit	not available	0	not available	0
Collapse occurs	not available	0	not available	0
6. Pitch stability operating controls during accelerated flight	**0**			
Collapse occurs	not available	0	not available	0
7. Roll stability and damping	**A**			
Oscillations	Reducing	A	Reducing	A
8. Stability in gentle spirals	**A**			
Tendency to return to straight flight	Spontaneous exit	A	Spontaneous exit	A
9. Behaviour exiting a fully developed spiral dive	**A**			
Initial response of glider (first 180°)	Immediate reduction of rate of turn	A	Immediate reduction of rate of turn	A
Tendency to return to straight flight	Spontaneous exit (g force decreasing, rate of turn decreasing)	A	Spontaneous exit (g force decreasing, rate of turn decreasing)	A
Turn angle to recover normal flight	Less than 720°, spontaneous recovery	A	Less than 720°, spontaneous recovery	A
10. Symmetric front collapse	**B**			
Approximately 30 % chord				
Entry	Rocking back less than 45°	A	Rocking back less than 45°	A
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A

Dive forward angle on exit Change of course	Dive forward 0° to 30° Keeping course	A	Dive forward 0° to 30° Keeping course	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
Folding lines used	No		No	
At least 50% chord				
Entry	Rocking back less than 45°	A	Rocking back less than 45°	A
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A
Dive forward angle on exit / Change of course	Dive forward 30° to 60° / Keeping course	B	Dive forward 0° to 30° / Keeping course	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
Folding lines used	No		No	
With accelerator				
Entry	not available	0	not available	0
Recovery	not available	0	not available	0
Dive forward angle on exit / Change of course	not available	0	not available	0
Cascade occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Folding lines used	Not available		Not available	
11. Exiting deep stall (parachutal stall)	**A**			
Deep stall achieved	Yes	A	Yes	A
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A
Dive forward angle on exit	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A
Change of course	Changing course less than 45°	A	Changing course less than 45°	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
12. High angle of attack recovery	**A**			
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
13. Recovery from a developed full stall	**B**			
Dive forward angle on exit	Dive forward 30° to 60°	B	Dive forward 30° to 60°	B
Collapse	No collapse	A	No collapse	A
Cascade occurs (other than collapses)	No	A	No	A
Rocking back	Less than 45°	A	Less than 45°	A
Line tension	Most lines tight	A	Most lines tight	A
14. Asymmetric collapse	**B**			
Small asymmetric collapse				
Change of course until re-inflation / Maximum dive forward or roll angle	90° to 180° / Dive or roll angle 15° to 45°	B	Less than 90° / Dive or roll angle 0° to 15°	A
Re-inflation behaviour	Spontaneous re-inflation	A	Spontaneous re-inflation	A
Total change of course	Less than 360°	A	Less than 360°	A
Collapse on the opposite side occurs	No (or only a small number of collapsed cells with a spontaneous reinflation)	A	No (or only a small number of collapsed cells with a spontaneous reinflation)	A
Twist occurs	No	A	No	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
Folding lines used	No		No	
Large asymmetric collapse				
Change of course until re-inflation / Maximum dive forward or roll angle	90° to 180° / Dive or roll angle 15° to 45°	B	90° to 180° / Dive or roll angle 15° to 45°	B
Re-inflation behaviour	Spontaneous re-inflation	A	Spontaneous re-inflation	A
Total change of course	Less than 360°	A	Less than 360°	A
Collapse on the opposite side occurs	No (or only a small number of collapsed cells with a spontaneous reinflation)	A	No (or only a small number of collapsed cells with a spontaneous reinflation)	A
Twist occurs	No	A	No	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
Folding lines used	No		No	
Small asymmetric collapse with fully activated accelerator				
Change of course until re-inflation / Maximum dive forward or roll angle	not available	0	not available	0
Re-inflation behaviour	not available	0	not available	0
Total change of course	not available	0	not available	0

Collapse on the opposite side occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Twist occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Cascade occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Folding lines used	Not available		Not available	
Large asymmetric collapse with fully activated accelerator				
Change of course until re-inflation / Maximum dive forward or roll angle	not available	0	not available	0
Re-inflation behaviour	not available	0	not available	0
Total change of course	not available	0	not available	0
Collapse on the opposite side occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Twist occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Cascade occurs	not available	0	not available	0
Folding lines used	Not available		Not available	
15. Directional control with a maintained asymmetric collapse	**A**			
Able to keep course	not available	0	Yes	A
180° turn away from the collapsed side possible in 10 s	not available	0	Yes	A
Amount of control range between turn and stall or spin	not available	0	More than 50 % of the symmetric control travel	A
16. Trim speed spin tendency	**A**			
Spin occurs	No	A	No	A
17. Low speed spin tendency	**A**			
Spin occurs	No	A	No	A
18. Recovery from a developed spin	**B**			
Spin rotation angle after release	Stops spinning in less than 90°	A	Stops spinning in less than 90°	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
19. B-line stall	**A**			
Change of course before release	Changing course less than 45°	A	Changing course less than 45°	A
Behaviour before release	Remains stable with straight span	A	Remains stable with straight span	A
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A
Dive forward angle on exit	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A
Cascade occurs	No	A	No	A
20. Big ears	**A**			
Entry procedure	Dedicated controls	A	Dedicated controls	A
Behaviour during big ears	Stable flight	A	Stable flight	A
Recovery	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A	Spontaneous in less than 3 s	A
Dive forward angle on exit	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A	Dive forward 0° to 30°	A
21. Big ears in accelerated flight	**0**			
Entry procedure	not available	0	not available	0
Behaviour during big ears	not available	0	not available	0
Recovery	not available	0	not available	0
Dive forward angle on exit	not available	0	not available	0
Behaviour immediately after releasing the accelerator while maintaining big ears	not available	0	not available	0
22. Alternative means of directional control	**A**			
180° turn achievable in 20 s	Yes	A	Yes	A
Stall or spin occurs	No	A	No	A
23. Any other flight procedure and/or configuration described in the user's manual	**0**			
Procedure works as described	not available	0	not available	0
Procedure suitable for novice pilots	not available	0	not available	0
Cascade occurs	not available	0	not available	0

24. Comments of test pilot