## AUSTRALIAN .SPORT ROTORCRAFT.ASSOCIATION



## **SAFETY ALERT**

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## Subject: Magni gyro M16 Park Brake mechanism

Background: During take-off, it was highly likely that the rear wheel park brake had not been released completely. The pilot lost directional control on the grass RWY and the gyrocopter subsequently rolled over. The pilot received minor injuries and the gyrocopter sustained substantial damage.



After releasing the park brake, complete a visual check to confirm that the park brake has been completely released prior to take-off. The lock when disengaged will normally pivot downward approximately 90 degrees, but in the accident case it caught on the cable nut keeping the brakes locked.

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