BUCKINGHAM MFG.

Retrieval Line Instructions / Warnings

Warning: Do not use this product if you cannot understand and follow the instructions and warnings that come with it and complete all necessary functions.

Selection of products should be such that they aid the worker in the performance of his job and particular work situation. Therefore, certain equipment is suitable for the intended use and work environment. Buckingham's retrieval line is only one part of a retrieval system and intended only for retrieval purposes by properly trained professionals.

These instructions / warnings are for use by users of this product for retrieval purposes and should be retained and readily available. Only retrieval techniques approved by your employer are authorized for use with this product. All other uses are excluded. Thus, your employer must instruct as to the proper use, techniques, and warnings before use of this product. Read carefully, understand, and heed these instructions / warnings before use. In case of doubt or difficulty in understanding, consult your Safety Director, Supervisor or contact Buckingham. Failure to do so could result in serious injury or death.

If additional copy is needed, contact Buckingham Mfg. Co. at 1-800-937-2825.

Inspection

Prior to each use, carefully inspect product for indications of wear or deterioration. The inspection should include, but not be limited to, inspecting for:

- cuts, kinks, abrasions, burns, excessive swelling, excessive wear, discoloration, cracks, charring, broken fibers, loose stitching, chemical, or physical exposures.
- loose and broken, cut, or burned threads.
- nicks, cracks, distortion, or corrosion of hardware (carabiner, snap hook, etc.)

If any evidence of wear or deterioration is observed, immediately cease use, destroy the product, and replace it with new equipment. Should any unusual conditions not outlined above be observed, or you have reasonable doubt about a particular condition, remove the equipment from service and notify your Supervisor, Safety Director, or contact Buckingham Mfg. for clarification. During use, it is important to regularly monitor the condition of the product and of its connections to the other elements of the system.

Failure to carefully and completely inspect your equipment could result in serious injury or death.

WARNINGS

- This equipment is intended for use by properly trained professionals only. Do not use without proper training.
- Please consult with your physician prior to using this product. Do not use this product under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- This product is designed to be used by a person with a maximum weight of 350 lbs. when fully equipped.
- Fall protection equipment, (i.e. fall arrest, work positioning belts, retrieval, suspension, rescue etc.) should not be resold or provided to others for re-use after use by original user as assurance cannot be granted that a used product meets criteria of applicable standards and is safe for use to a subsequent user.
- Do not alter this product or any safety product in any way.
- Only Buckingham Mfg. Co. or those people authorized in writing by Buckingham Mfg. Co. may make repairs to this equipment.
- Attach only to compatibly sized locking carabiners / snap hooks.
- Retrieval anchor points must support your weight plus any additional job related load.

- Always visually check that: 1) each carabiner / snap hook freely engages D-ring or anchor point, 2) keeper / gate is completely closed with each use. Never rely solely on the feel or sound of a carabiner / snap hook /engaging.
- Make sure each carabiner / snap hook is positioned so that its keeper / gate is never load bearing.
- Ensure there is no pressure on the locking mechanism sufficient to depress it as this will, due to its length, render it incompatible with currently designed rings and make it very susceptible to rollout.
- Never disable locking keeper / gate on carabiner / snap hook, punch holes in or alter a connecting device in any way.
- Avoid contact of this equipment with sharp edges, abrasive surfaces, high temperature surfaces, welding, or other heat sources, electrical hazards, or moving machinery.
- Avoid contact of this equipment with chemicals that may damage the material. If in doubt, contact Buckingham Mfg. Co.
- In exceptional circumstances, wear or damage could occur on the first use which reduces the lifetime of the product to that one single use.
- This product, which is only one part of a retrieval system, is intended for retrieval purposes only, not fall arrest.
- Retrieval lines must be attached only to the single mounted back, sternal or shoulder mounted D-rings / loops of your full body harness.
- In extreme / emergency situations, and if the victims harness has no accessible single mounted back, sternal or shoulder mounted D-ring / loop, the snap hook of the retrieval line may be attached around both harness shoulder straps at the back of harness where the straps cross.
- The use of fall arrest back up equipment is **highly recommended** in addition to this product.
- Thorough employee training in the selection and proper use of retrieval equipment is imperative.
- This equipment is for personal use only, not towing or hoisting.
- Never work without independent fall arrest protection if there is danger of a fall.
- Equipment subjected to impact loading must be immediately removed from service, destroyed, and discarded.
- Employer instruct employee as to proper use and warnings before use of equipment.
- Completely read, understand, and follow all instructions, warnings, and guidelines pertaining to this and all associated equipment before use. Failure to do so could result in your serious injury or death.
- Product covered under these instructions / warnings should not be resold / redistributed or re-used after use by original user.
- Activities involving the use of this equipment are inherently dangerous. You are responsible for your own actions and decisions. Before using this equipment you must:
 - Get specific training in its proper use.
 - ❖ Become acquainted with its capabilities and limitations.
 - Understand and accept the risks involved.
- Verify that this product is compatible with the other components of your system. See the instructions to those products.

Cleaning / Storage Instructions:

A dirty product should be washed with water and mild soap (a dish washing soap that removes grease such as Dawn) and rinsed in clean water, then allowed to dry thoroughly without using excessive heat. Do not store near solvents or corrosive chemicals or at extreme temperatures. Inspect your equipment carefully before use. This product should be stored in a clean and dry environment out of direct sunlight and away from extreme climate conditions.



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STATEMENT of OBSOLESCENCE:

Precise "useful life expectancy" or "shelf life" for this product is not specified, as the degree of use, conditions of use, and the degree of care and storage determines useful life. All users maintain responsibility to select proper equipment for the job, be properly trained in its use, and ensure all personnel support equipment passes inspection before each use. Upon evidence of defects, damage or deterioration, all equipment shall be removed from service immediately and tagged or marked as unusable or destroyed. Additionally, all equipment shall be inspected on a regular basis not to exceed one year by a Competent Person, as defined by OSHA/ANSI, to verify that the equipment is safe for use. In the event of any question or concern regarding the condition of such equipment, users shall remove the equipment from service for further inspection. All users must comply with OSHA/ANSI/ASTM standards prior to and in using such equipment. For more information regarding safe and appropriate use of equipment, please contact Buckingham Manufacturing at 1-800-937-2825.

INTERNATIONAL USERS:

Notwithstanding the above, please know that certain international jurisdictions require manufacturers of equipment to provide customers with a maximum useful lifespan (sometimes referred to as a "Statement of Obsolescence"). To the extent required, Buckingham personal protective equipment manufactured from synthetic fiber materials including but not limited to items such as webbing and/or rope are subject to a maximum useful lifespan of ten (10) years from the date of manufacture. As stated above proper usage, storage, maintenance, and care impacts the useful lifespan of equipment. Extreme circumstances may require that product must be retired after only one use. This statement is made in conformance and compliance with BS EN 365:2004. International users must ensure that product inspections are completed by Competent Persons as defined by international standards including but not limited to British Standard ("BS"). If equipment fails any inspections, it must be immediately withdrawn from service and destroyed. For more information regarding safe and appropriate use of equipment, please contact Buckingham Manufacturing at 1-800-937-2825.

OUR GUARANTEE:

We guarantee the equipment we manufacture to be free from defects in material and workmanship. We will repair any equipment deemed to be defective which is returned to us by the original purchaser. However, this guarantee is void if any product is changed or altered in any way, or if the product is used in a manner other than for which it is intended. This express guarantee supersedes all other expressed or implied guarantees, obligations or liabilities. There are no implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose and as such, all implied warranties are specifically disclaimed.

LIMITATION ON LIABILITY:

In no event will Buckingham or buyer be liable to the other for lost revenues, lost profits or any other indirect, consequential, special or punitive losses or damages, however caused, whether in action for breach of contract, strict liability, tort, or otherwise, even if advised of the possibility of such losses or damages. In no event will Buckingham's liability exceed the total amount paid by the buyer to Buckingham for the product or equipment giving rise to such claim(s).

Please see other terms and conditions relating to this product at https://buckinghammfg.com/terms-conditions/

REGISTRATION:

Before use of the product, ensure to register and confirm the product at www.buckinghammfg.com/register.

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