

BUCKINGHAM MFG.

WARNING

RELATIVE TO THE USE OF NON MAN RATED GUT STRAPS AND SUSPENDERS

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.

Please consult with your physician prior to using this product. Do not use this product under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Non man rated Gut Straps and Suspenders **ARE NOT** safety products. These products are designed to support only the weight of the body belt, or arborist saddle, and the tools it contains, **NOT** the individual. The individual's weight must be supported by a properly sized Linemen's Body Belt or Arborist Saddle, and the belt buckle must be engaged. Never detach the waist belt buckle of a body belt, or arborist saddle when it is in use.

Wearing the body belt too low and using the combination as a saddle is an **IMPROPER USE** of the products.

Non Man Rated Gut Straps and Suspenders **ARE NOT** to be used as Fall Protection Equipment as the materials and hardware used are not manufactured or tested to meet critical strength requirements.

Improper Use of These Products May Cause Injury or Death

Sizing:

- Suspenders are one size fits all.
- Non Man Rated Gut Strap typical sizing:

Waist Size	Strap/Belt Size
24-28"	X-Small
28-32"	Small
32-36"	Medium
36-40"	Large
40-44"	X-Large

Installation:

- Non Man Rated Gut Straps and Suspenders that have metal snap clips, will require attaching the snap clips to the small accessory rings sewn onto the belts (Fig.1, 2, & 3).
- Suspenders without metal snap clips will require removing the strap end from the buckle, inserting it just behind the positioning D-rings (onto the back pad) for the front attachments. For the back attachments, loop the straps round the back pad on either side of the ID tag. Then loop the straps back up and re-install the strap ends back through the buckles. (Note: It is best to install one strap at a time such that there is a reference of how to re-weave the strap end through the buckle)-See Figure 4.



Fig.1



Fig.2



Fig.3

Adjustment:

- Non Man Rated Gut Straps and Suspenders should be adjusted such that they ASSIST with the weight distribution of the Body Belt or Arborist Saddle and to maintain the correct position of the belt or saddle. This is done by loosening, or tightening, the strap(s) end through the friction/tongue buckle(s).

Fig.4



Cleaning:

Proper maintenance and storage of your equipment will prolong its useful life and contribute toward its performance. The equipment should be cleaned and maintained at regular intervals depending on usage. **Nylon** - Clean with water and mild soap (a dish washing soap that removes grease (i.e. Dawn)) and allow to dry thoroughly without using excessive heat. Do not use any type of corrosive substance or acid, which will gradually eat away the fabric. **Leather** - Using a sponge, wash leather with saddle soap and water, then wipe with a clean damp cloth. Allow the leather to dry completely - avoid high temperature heat sources. After drying, the leather should be oiled with 100% Neatsfoot Oil, wiping off any excess with a dry cloth.

NOTE: Ensure proper fit / size of product before use. This product cannot be returned unless it is in new / unused condition.

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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