

This user information presents a general review regarding the application of personal protective equipment and does not substitute the existing operating instructions for specific products!

Personal protective equipment may be used by a competent operator (trained in theory and practice) only.

When operated correctly, our personal protective equipment will offer the highest degree of safety in line with long life expectancy and avoid damage to products and people.

## Limitations of application

### Utilization period

The utilization period is dependent on the respective conditions of use; observe the information given in the operating instruction. Textile fabric straps and fasteners are subject to a certain ageing process even without operational demands which depend especially on ultraviolet radiation as well as climatic and other environmental influences. On account of this imponderability, specific information cannot be given. Based on experience and under normal operating conditions, the maximum service life of harnesses is 6-8 years, while ropes/straps should be replaced every 4-6 years.

### Temperature

Textile fabric must be protected from temperatures above 60° C. Observe any melting on straps. In such cases, a competent person should be consulted prior to next using the equipment.

## Application advices

### Obligations of employees

#### Utilisation of personal protective equipment (personal responsibility).

- Prior to each use, the insured users should visually check the equipment for perfect condition and proper function.
- Do not perform any modifications to the equipment.
- Inspection of personal protective equipment for obvious deficiencies, defective parts (open seams, fissures, etc.).

## Maintenance, cleaning and repair

The contractor has to arrange that defective parts of personal protective equipment are replaced only by spares which correspond to the original parts. After the end of the work, the fall arrest equipment should be cleaned from dirt with warm water up to 30° C and a mild washing agent, dry in the shade. Lubricate moving parts of the metal connections if necessary. Personal fall arrest equipment must not be stored under influences, which can negatively affect the safe condition. These are:

- Store in a dry, ventilated and not too warm place.
- Do not dry in the vicinity of radiators.
- Do not expose the harness to aggressive elements, e.g. acids, alkaline, soldering water or oil.
- The equipment should be protected from direct light effect and UV radiation.

