

## Snap Hooks

It is the responsibility of the owner of this product, that these instructions for the inspection and correct use of double action snap hooks are understood by all users of the product. It is also the owner's responsibility to ensure training is provided to users on the use, care and inspection of snap hooks. Users should be made responsible for consistent inspection and care of these hooks.

Inspection should be carried out before each use of the product.

### Users should check for:

- Deliberate modification of hook or latch
- Distortion of hook or latch
- Cracks
- Wear at swivels and/or latch pivot point
- Free movement of the latch over its full travel
- Rough edges
- Broken, weak or missing latch springs
- Corrosion or rust
- Dirt and other obstructions
- If any of the above faults occur, the hook and attached product should be removed from service immediately, and returned to the manufacturer for inspection.
- If a fall has been sustained while using this product, it must be removed from service and destroyed.
- Never attempt to repair a snap hook, or make any alterations to the hook or its components.

### Warnings

- Do not allow the locking latch to be nearest to your body. The latch could be pushed against waist or leg, and accidentally opened. If the locking latch is pushed open, there could be a roll out between the safety latch and dee ring.
- Do not simply rely on the feel or sound of a snap hook closure. Always visually check that the latches are fully engaged.
- Do not use a snap hook on equipment that will create a side loading on the latches. If the latches are distorted or damaged, the snap hook must be removed from service and returned to the manufacturer for inspection.
- Do not allow the latches of the snap hook to be pushed from either side by the dee ring, rope, branches, twigs, or any other obstruction in a narrow space. This could allow roll out to occur.
- Do not connect two snap hooks together.
- Do not use snap hooks as lifting or towing hooks.
- Do not backhook or choke lanyards, unless the lanyard hook is specially designed to suit such an application.

### Caution

- The latch of the snap hook should ease into the nose of the hook, without binding, distortion or obstruction.
- The latch springs should exert enough force to close latched firmly.