



Sewn Product

Care & Use Instructions



MADE IN U.S.A. WITH
U.S. AND GLOBALLY
SOURCED MATERIAL



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IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE READ AND SAVE

Sewn Product Use Guidelines:

- Inspect stitching, cord or webbing before each use
- Be sure this product meets your requirements for safe working load or system safety requirements
- If this sling is used as a positioning lanyard, never climb above your anchor point.
- MBS testing conducted in a manner of use configuration; other configurations such as girth hitching will reduce strength.

Precautions:

- Avoid contact with corrosives and prolonged exposure to sunlight. If you suspect chemical contamination retire product immediately
- Check often for wear, abrasion or cuts
- Protect you slings from sharp edges and other hazards
- Wet or frozen sewn products can lose a substantial amount of strength and become more sensitive to abrasion. Increase your safety factor when slings are used in wet or icy environments.
- Knots made for purpose of use will reduce the strength of your slings
- Store your slings in a cool dry place.
- Careful consideration should be given before and during use of this product as to how any rescue could be safely and efficiently carried out.

Care and Maintenance:

- Slings must be protected from chemical contamination. If sewn products have become contaminated or you suspect contamination retire immediately!
- UV exposure can prematurely degrade your sewn products. Store your sewn products out of direct exposure to the sun. The same consideration should be given when transporting your sewn products.
- When your sewn products become dirty from use it is best to clean them. Hand wash in cold water using a cleaning agent suitable for delicate fabrics. Disinfect only using materials that have no effect on the synthetic materials in the sling. Hang dry in a shaded place with no exposure to UV.
- This product should be inspected periodically and meticulously. Along with inspection before use inspect every few months if used regularly. Once a year if used infrequently
- Any repair or modification is strictly forbidden and could result in severe injury or death!
- This product should be considered personal use equipment. This product could be subjected to damage that could not be seen if used outside of your care. Do not loan your sewn products to anyone!

Retirement:

A sewn product **MUST** be retired if

- It has held a major fall
- It appears to be damaged
- It has been subjected to chemical contamination
- There is any doubt about its security

Life Expectancy:

The shelf life of any Sterling Rope sewn product in unused condition, stored properly in an environment not exposed to sunlight or hazardous materials will be a maximum of 10 years, with a maximum use life of 5 years. Actual working life of this sewn product should not exceed 5 years, if used, stored and cared for properly. The combined storage and usage lifetime must never exceed 10 years.

⚠ WARNING ⚠

- Activities using these products are inherently dangerous and carry a significant risk of injury or death that cannot be eliminated.
- It is the user's responsibility to obtain specific training and to use the product safely. Anyone using this equipment must thoroughly understand the instructions given and refer to them before each use. These instructions DO NOT tell you everything you need to know.
- Do not use unless you understand and assume all risks and responsibilities for all damage/injury/death that may result from use of this equipment or the activities undertaken with it.
- Any device is subject to failure. Carefully check before and after each use.
- All systems must be backed up or redundant. Never trust a life to a single tool.
- You must have a rescue plan and the means to implement it. Inert suspension in a harness can quickly result in death!
- Do not use around electrical hazards, moving machinery, near sharp edges or abrasive surfaces.
- We are not responsible for any direct, indirect or accidental consequences or damage resulting from the misuse of our products.

Please permanently retain this and all user information after it is removed from the product. A copy of this and all user information should be retained with the product at all times. User should refer to and be aware of all relevant safety information before use.

No Hassle Guarantee Policy:

Our promise to our customers is complete satisfaction under normal wear and tear and proper use. Sterling recommends that customers keep detailed information on product use and routinely inspect your sewn product after each use. Sterling reserves the right to inspect your sewn product prior to replacing it, issuing a credit, or refunding your money. Sterling is committed to supporting you to enhance your overall experience with each Sterling product. This dedication to excellence in service is what sets us apart in the climbing and rescue community.