## **EU Declaration of Conformity No. SAR/H001**



This declaration of conformity is issued by Specialist Access & Rescue Products Ltd. Of Sarena House, Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4LQ

We herby declare that:

Equipment: Merlin Full Body Harnesses Models: Merlin Full Body Range

is in conformity with PPE EU Regulations 2016/425, as well as the applicable requirements of the following standards (where applicable)

Ref No.

EN361:2002 EN358:1999 EN813:2008

Notified body: SGS FIMKO OY, Takomotie 8, FI-00380 Helsinki, Finland.

Notified Body No: **C€** 0598

Performed the EU type examination and issued the EC type examination certificate number:

GB10/81041 & GB11/83718

The PPE is subject to the conformity assessment procedure. Conformity to type Based on Quality Assurance of the Production Process Module D. Under the surveillance of the above Notified Body.

Signed by:

Name: Lee Allport

Position: Operations Director

Done At: SAR Products - Sarena House, Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4LQ

On: 17/10/18

#### **Product Record**

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Owner / User's Name:		
Date of Manufacture:	Date of Purchase:	
Date of First Used:	Product Serial No.:	

## Inspection & Maintenance Record

Date & Time	Type of Inspection & Comments	Name & Signature of Inspector	Next Inspection Due

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We certify that the Merlin Full Body Harness conforms to EN361:2002, EN813:2008 & EN358:1999.

Other components used with this product must conform to the relevant EN standards.

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## **User Guide**Merlin Full Body Harness



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## Merlin Full Body Harnesses Conforms to EN 361:2002, EN813:2008 & EN358:1999.

**Important:** Please read, study and understand these instructions before use. The materials used in this product are high spec polyesters

This harness has been designed for your protection and therefore is (PPE) personal protective equipment. It is a Full body harness for industrial climbing, and rescue (in normal climatic conditions). It is suitable for many other applications but please check with the manufacturer first. Use only as instructed and with compatible items of equipment. These should conform to the relevant European standards or those your country follows. Check that the safe function of any one component within a system will not interfere with the safe function of another. Twists in the webbing and buckles fastened incorrectly can cause problems, weakness, serious injury or death. Neatness is strength. Users should be trained, competent or under the supervision of such a person.

Note: The information in this guide meets the requirements of the PPE EU Regulations 2016/425. It is not comprehensive and cannot be substituted for the correct training, which can be provided if required. If in any doubt please don't hesitate to contact us.

The safety provided by this harness depends on its strength and skill of the user. The strength will be reduced through age, wear and tear, abrasion, cuts, high impact loads, tight/sharp edges, knots, some chemicals (e.g. alkalis, etc.), UV or failure to store and maintain as recommended. This list is not exhaustive. The SAR harnesses have a higher strength rating than that required for a normal sports climbing harness and this will help against the above, however, there are exceptions, which include chemical attack, very high temperatures and incorrect use. Do not alter the product in any way. Any harness subjected to a minor fall should be examined and discarded if there is any sign of defect or any doubts about its safety.

#### Lifespan

This is difficult to estimate but we advise as follows: Do not use more than ten years after the date of manufacture. Assuming you use it as designed and have the correct storage, the working life can vary between a single use in extreme circumstances (e.g. highly chemical environment, serious fall) to the maximum, depending on how the product is used. The working life will be reduced through age, general wear and tear, abrasion, cuts, damage to component parts, inappropriate ancillary equipment, high impact load, prolonged exposure to UV light including sunlight, elevated temperature (50°C max.), exposure to some chemicals (e.g. alkalis, etc.) or failure to store and maintain as recommended. This list is not exhaustive.

After cleaning, store unpacked in a cool, dry, dark place away from excessive heat sources or other possible causes of damage. Do not store wet. If a long shelf life is required it is advisable to store in a moisture proof package (e.g. polythene bag).

#### Maintenance

Always keep the product clean and dry. Any excess moisture should be removed with a clean cloth and then allowed to dry naturally in a warm room away from direct heat.

Climbing is hazardous. It is the user's or instructors responsibility to ensure understanding of the correct and safe use of this equipment, to use it only for the purposes for which it is designed and to practise all proper safety procedures.

Rinse in clean cold water. If still soiled wash in clean warm water (max. 40°C) with pure soap or a mild detergent (within pH range of 5.5 to 8.5). You can use a washing machine but first place the product in a suitable bag to protect against mechanical damage. Rinse properly in clean cold

#### Chemicals

Avoid contact with any chemicals which could affect the performance of the product. If contact occurs or is suspected then discard the product immediately. If used in a marine environment thoroughly rinse in clean cold water and dry after each use.

#### Inspection

Before each use visually inspect to ensure the product is in a serviceable condition and operates correctly. An examination should be carried out at least every 6 months by a competent person authorised by the manufacturer. These inspections should be recorded paying particular attention to areas of potentially high wear such as attachment points, buckles, connectors and sewn joints. Inspect as follows:

Textiles:

Check for cuts, tears, and abrasions, damage due to deterioration, contact with heat, alkalis or other

Sewing: Check for broken, cut or worn threads.

Check for cracks, distortion, corrosion, wear by abrasion, burrs, worn or loose rivets or screws, discolouration caused by extreme heat (greater than 100°C) broken springs, frays or cuts, seizure of moving parts, broken or missing

Immediately withdraw from service any items showing defects. The user's life depends on it. All repair work should be carried out by the manufacturer or with their authorisation.

#### Meanings of Markings

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All Dee Connections = 25kN Belay loop on all Merlin 4&6's = 30kN

#### Notified body

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#### Important

On any harness there is a possibility of suspension trauma, if the user is in a state of immobility due to consciousness or injury. The front waist connection on this harness will put the user in a sit position when conscious and the front Sternal whilst unconscious and will help to reduce this state. The back dorsal on this and any other harness will increase the possibility of suspension trauma and should only be used for restraint.

#### Fitting

1. Step into the harness or wrap around waist



2. Raise harness up to your wais



3. Tighten waist strap using both sides to centralise the sternum strap





5. Connect karabiner directly into the webbing which secures the bottom Dee link



6. Tighten leg loops



7. Adjust the harness to achieve a comfortable tension making sure that the back strap and sternum straps are central.



8. Fold back and tidy all tail end webbing into the relevant elastic 'tidy'



9. For Ouick Clip buckle clip buckles on the leas fasten as shown





10. For 2 bar 3 bar buckles fasten as shown and thread back the webbing through the elastic webbing





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#### Fitting

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2. Raise harness up to your waist



3. Tighten waist strap using both sides to centralise the sternum strap



5. Connect the Croll to the harness using the maillon.



6. Tighten leg loops



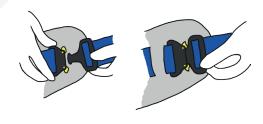
**7.** Adjust the harness to achieve a comfortable tension making sure that the back strap and sternum straps are central.



**8.** Fold back and tidy all tail end webbing into the relevant elastic 'tidy'



9. For Quick Clip buckle clip buckles on the legs fasten as shown



 ${\bf 10.}$  For 2 bar 3 bar buckles fasten as shown and thread back the webbing through the elastic webbing

