

### Product Record

This documentation should be issued with, and kept for, each item or system. Please see the product label for the details required below. Consult this guide for advice on inspection, maintenance, lifespan, etc.

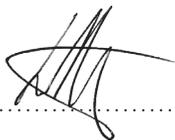
Owner / User's Name:			
Date of Manufacture:		Date of Purchase:	
Date of First Used:		Product Serial No.:	

### Inspection & Maintenance Record

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

### Certificate Of Conformity

The Stretcher Carry Harness is for rescue, not Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). It has been manufactured & tested to the same high specifications as all of our products.



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# User Guide Stretcher Carry Harness



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## Important:

Please read, study and understand these instructions before use. This product should only be used by trained & competent operatives.

## Use

The SAR Stretcher Carry Harness has been designed to make carrying a stretcher over longer distances easier for the rescuer. It is worn by the rescuer and fitted over the stretcher handles so that the weight of the stretcher is transferred onto the rescuer's shoulders. It is a stretcher accessory and as such is not Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

The Stretcher Carry harness is compatible with many different types of stretcher, including the SAR Alpine range.

Put the Stretcher Carry Harness over each shoulder in turn and clip the chest strap. Check for twists. **Fig 1**

With the assistance of others, raise the stretcher and place the lower loops over the handles. Tighten the buckles to stop the straps sliding. **Fig 2**

Adjust the shoulder straps to a comfortable height and use the elastic tidy loops to store any excess webbing. **Fig 3**

Note: The information in this guide is not comprehensive and cannot be substituted for the correct training, which can be provided if required. If in any doubt, contact SAR Products using the supplied information.

## Lifespan

The lifespan of any product will be affected by the conditions in which it is used and stored/ maintained. Textile components should be retired no later than 10 years after the date of manufacture.

Metal components will have an indefinite lifespan, depending on use.

The working life will be reduced through 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. strong alkalis) or failure to store and maintain as recommended. This list is not exhaustive.

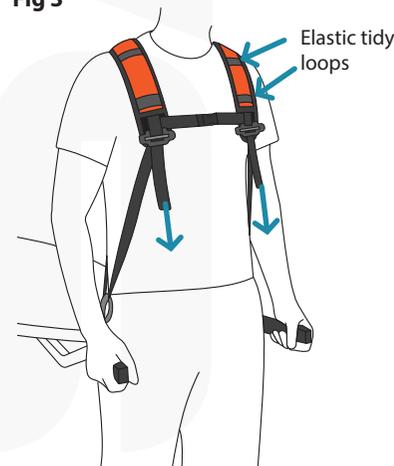
Fig 1



Fig 2



Fig 3



## Inspection

Before and after each use, conduct a visual inspection and function test to ensure the product is in serviceable condition and operates correctly. These inspections can and should be undertaken without unthreading the adjustable buckles.

**Textiles:** Check for cuts, tears & abrasions, damage due to deterioration, contact with heat, alkalis or other corrosives.

**Stitching:** Check for broken, cut, loose or worn threads.

**Metals:** 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, seizure of moving parts, broken or missing components.

Immediately withdraw from service any items showing defects. Any repairs must be carried out by the manufacturer or their authorised agent.

## Cleaning

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). Rinse thoroughly in clean cold water.

## 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.

Metal components may be lubricated with a dry PTFE lubricant or WD40 type spray. Excess lubricant should be wiped off to avoid attracting excess dirt.

## Chemicals

Avoid contact with any chemicals which could affect the performance of the product. If contact occurs, or is suspected, then remove the product from service immediately.

If used in a marine environment, thoroughly rinse in clean cold water and dry after each use.

## Storage

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.

## Warning

Rescue is hazardous. It is the user's 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.

## Markings

Each individual component is marked, where applicable, with:

- The name, trademark or any other means of identification provided by the manufacturer or supplier.
- The date of manufacture, product description and/or reference

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