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The high strength pole, has 5 telescopic heavy duty sections with sturdy locking mechanisms between each, to provide a variable length (0.95m-3.5m) rigid pole, with good rotational stability.

On one end of the pole is a retaining cord and connector to prevent the pole being dropped, and on the other end of the pole is the quick release bracket for the attachment hook (CH01AM).

The reach pole bracket has been specifically designed to be used with a uniquely adapted attachment hook with a special safety gate feature, designed to prevent misloading. This hook connection method does not rely upon being able to clip a specific attachment ring on the casualty, which may be difficult if an energy absorber has extended to its full extent, or access to specific points on the harness is otherwise obstructed.

To use, open the gate of the hook attached to the rescue system rope and place into the bracket. The pole can then be extended down to the casualty, locking each section as it is extended, starting with the smallest first. This is easiest to achieve when the pole is near vertical.



To prevent unintentional release of the attachment hook, the rescue rope can be kept under light tension as the pole is extended.

Once the pole is long enough to reach the desired attachment point on the harness. It is simply a matter of ensuring the hook is around that point and pulling the pole to release the gate mechanism. This will ensure the rescue system is securely attached to the casualty, the rescue system can then be used to raise / lower the casualty to safety.



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Inspection and care

The strength of this product may be affected by cuts, nicks, deep scratches, wear, abrasion, deformation, chemical contamination, UV degradation, exposure to flame, extreme temperatures and other factors. Keep this equipment away from such sources of damage.

Use this product with caution near moving machinery, electrical hazards, sharp edges and abrasive surfaces.

This product must be inspected before and after use, to ensure it is in a suitable condition and operates correctly.

If there is any doubt about condition of the product, or it has been subjected to a fall or substantial shock load, withdraw it from use until confirmed to be safe, in writing, by a competent person*.

No repairs of this product should be undertaken, any attempt to do so may invalidate it's compliance and/ or certification.

The safety of users depends upon the continued efficiency and durability of this equipment, which must be subjected to detailed visual and tactile examination by a competent person* at intervals of no greater than 6 months taking into account relevant legislation, equipment type, frequency of use and environmental conditions. Thorough examinations should include confirmation of the legibility of product markings.

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The results of examinations should be recorded. Intermittent inspections of components which may be subject to excessive wear may also be appropriate. The results of these need not be recorded. Contact your distributor for information on suitable inspection procedures.

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Cleaning, maintenance and storage:

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Lifespan:

Textile products or elements: maximum 10 year lifespan from date of manufacture, subject to competent use, maintenance and examination programme.

Metal products: indefinite lifespan, subject to competent use, care and examination programme. The lifespan of all products will be reduced by normal wear and tear, particularly when used in abrasive or corrosive environments. In extreme circumstances, the life of an item may be reduced to a single use.

Guarantee:

This product is guaranteed for three years against faults arising from manufacturing errors or materials defects. This guarantee does not include normal wear and tear, faults arising from uses for which the product was not designed and accidental damage.

This product should remain traceable to the original certificate of conformity and a permanent record should be kept of its use. This user instruction forms part of the permanent product record. All users must receive and read a copy of these instructions and should understand what the instructions mean and be familiar with them, including, but not limited to function, suitability, compatibility of the product and inspection for defects arising from damage. A copy of this user instruction should be kept with the equipment, and referred to before and after each use.

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