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P&P Rope Rat



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Applicable to	All colleagues

We've received two defect reports for the P&P rope rat work positioning belt.

The defects reported were for the red double lock karabiner failing to operate correctly by not locking after closing. Both rope rats have been withdrawn and returned to the supplier/manufacturer for investigation.



The three approved P&P rope rats are listed below:

- L-STL-90176-2M-CR
- L-STL-90179UU-1.5M-CR
- L-STL-90179UU-1.75M-CR

As with all PPE, please inspect your rope rat before and after use. While you're using it please also check that the red double lock karabiner locks after closing.

If you identify an issue, stop work and remove the rope rat from use. Please refer to Code of Practice 430 part one overhead line technique 108 for inspection of PPE for more information.

If you identify any defects when inspecting a rope rat, stop using it and send it to David Talbot, Circuits Policy Manager, with a defect report so it can be investigated by the manufacturer. Please include the serial number and manufactured date in the defect report.



