

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

For ViaMont climbing gear

Warning: Climbing is a dangerous activity. It is necessary for every climber to properly practice climbing techniques and gear placement techniques before using climbing gear. You accept full responsibility for your actions and safety. We recommend consulting professional climbing instructor for more thorough training.

Irresponsible behavior and disrespect to any of these warnings can lead to severe injuries or death!

Placement

The quality of gear placement depends on proper positioning of the gear in the rock. Wet, effloresced or frosted rock can significantly decrease effectiveness of the gear placement. It is necessary to test the gear once it is positioned in the crack to make sure that (1) rock is solid, and (2) gear does not move. We recommend pulling hard on the wire to test the positioning of the gear. Well placed gear is always snug. Make sure that the swaged wire does not bend over the sharp edge of the rock. Always use a karabiner to clip in the rope. If rope movement will cause a piece to fall out or you need to straighten the line of your protection to decrease rope drag, clip a quick-draw with a long runner into it.

NEVER trust your life to any single piece.
NEVER trust a loose placement.
NEVER place gear in soft or friable rock.
NEVER thread webbing directly through a wire sling of gear.

Lifetime

Lifetime of the gear depends on frequency of use, proper care and storage. If you find any deformation of the gear, discard it and do not continue to use it. Gear can be damaged as a result of a severe fall, wrong placement or improper gear retrieval. Inspect the

product each time before you use it. Particularly, inspect the head, wire and loop. Make sure there are no deformations or any other significant mechanical damage.

Do not use or store climbing gear in the proximity of corrosive materials (e.g. acids, salt water, detergents etc.). These materials can significantly decrease the lifetime of the product. When you retire your gear, prevent its future use!

Storage and Maintenance

Inspect the gear on a regular basis and after each use for signs of damage and wear. If the product is exposed to salt air or water wash with clean water and dry thoroughly. If the product gets wet, dry it out with a clean rug as soon as possible. Keep away from any direct heat source. Do not store in a damp place, proximity of heat, harmful, or corrosive materials. Protect the gear from any sharp edges.

Labeling of ViaMont products

All products are labeled ViaMont. The strength/load is marked in kN. CE 1025 marking indicates that the product conforms to the EN 12 270 standard.

Responsibility

ViaMont is not responsible for the consequences, direct, indirect or accidental, or any other type of damage befalling or resulting from the use of its products.

Guarantee

This product is guaranteed for 2 years against any faults in materials or manufacture. Normal wear and tear, oxidation, modifications or alternations, incorrect storage, poor maintenance, and damage due to accidents, negligence, improper or incorrect usage are excluded from the guarantee.

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