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Webbing Service Life, Care and Repair

Yates Gear Inc. Webbing Products (including Harnesses) Service Life
A five-year service life span is the maximum recommendation for all continuous use webbing
products. All Yates webbed products have a ten-year shelf life from the date of manufacture. If the
product has documented periodic/quarterly inspection reports, Yates Gear Inc. can recommend an
extended service life span to ten years from date of manufacture as long as the product is
maintained in GOOD condition. (Refer to "Yates Inspection Card" for inspection criteria)
Yates Gear Inc. recommends that a harness that is used between the five and ten year life span
must be maintained in GOOD condition, and inspected regularly by a Qualified Inspector. Any
harness that has been in service over five years and is in POOR inspection condition should be
removed immediately from service. (Refer to "Yates Inspection Card" for inspection criteria)
This life span issue has become a larger issue lately as many companies that in the past have
recommended a five-year life span on webbing products, have increased it indefinitely or to ten
years. Yates Gear Inc. does not support the concept of an indefinite lifespan for webbing products.

Laundering and Exposure to Saltwater

If webbing products are exposed to saltwater, soak in appropriately sized, clean container filled with fresh water for 5 minutes and repeat this two or three times. This is similar to washing scuba diving equipment. Use of a detergent is not usually necessary after exposure to saltwater unless the harness is dirty or contaminated in some way. For dirty of soiled products we recommend a detergent product from McNett® called ReviveX® Climbing Rope Cleaner Concentrate. Regular household detergents leave residues that can damage the water repellent finish on webbing products. ReviveX removes dirt, fine rock crystals, aluminum oxide and other harmful residue and rinses off completely. ReviveX is free of bleach, phosphates, fabric softeners, optical brighteners and perfumes. After thorough rinsing, air-dry the webbing product in a 60 to 80 degree area out of direct sunlight.

Avoid exposure of any Yates Harness or webbing producte to ACIDS or Acid Environments. Acids can severely degrade the Nylon Webbing on Harnesses, Slings, and straps.

Criteria for shipping harnesses or webbing product to Yates Gear for repair or inspection.

Yates Gear offers factory inspection and/or repair of any Yates Harnesses including Yates Spec Pak. Yates Gear products(s) must accompany an RMA# before being returned to Yates Gear. The RMA# can be obtained by contacting our Customer Service department. Yates Gear will not accept any product(s) that is or is contaminated with dirt or any foreign substance. The product(s) must be cleaned (laundered) and dryed before shipping to Yates Gear. If the product(s) are shipped to Yates Gear contaminated "un-cleaned" condition the product will be returned, at your expense, with no action taken.

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