Emergency Release Device

Made in USA of US and foreign components

APPLICATION
The Emergency Release Device is designed primarily for helicopter external load operations. This device allows for a load (or cargo) to be jettisoned during an aircraft emergency. Depending who has the authority to jettison, the device may be employed at the helicopter anchorage (operator end) or at the load. This device has a 6,000 lb ultimate load rating based on a 600 lb safe working load capacity and a 6:1 safety factor.

It is the user's responsibility to determine an adequate level of compatibility between the Emergency Release Device and the aircraft anchorage point, as well as the attached load. Helicopter external load operations are inherently dangerous. For additional information regarding helicopter external load operations consult the Federal Aviation Administration, Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 133.45.

USER INFORMATION
User Information shall be provided to the user of the product. CMC recommends separating the User Information from the equipment and retaining the information in a permanent record. CMC also recommends making a copy of the information to keep with the equipment and that the information should be referred to before and after each use.

INSPECTION
Inspect the equipment according to your department's policy for inspecting life safety equipment. Inspect the equipment prior to entry into service, after each use, and at least once every 12 months. The equipment should be thoroughly inspected by an inspector that meets your department's training standard for inspection of life safety equipment. Keep a record of the date, person performing the inspection and results, as well as the date of first use, name of users and any other pertinent information necessary to keep accurate track of the equipment's usage history in the equipment log or on a tag that attaches to the equipment. Each user should be trained in equipment inspection and should inspect the equipment before each use.

When inspecting the equipment, check the webbing and rope for cuts, worn or frayed areas, broken fibers, soft or hard spots, discoloration, or melted fibers. Check the stitching for pulled threads, abrasion, or breaks. Check the hardware for damage, sharp edges, and improper operation. If any of the above is noted, or if the equipment has been subjected to shock loads, fall loads, or abuse other than normal use, remove the equipment from service and destroy it. If there is any doubt about the serviceability of the equipment, remove the equipment from service and destroy it.

The service life of equipment depends greatly on the type of use and the environment of use. Because these factors vary greatly, a precise service life of the equipment cannot be provided.

CARRYING, MAINTENANCE & STORAGE
During use, carrying and storage keep the equipment away from acids, alkalis, exhaust emissions, rust and strong chemicals. Do not expose the equipment to flame or high temperatures. Carry the equipment where it will be protected as the equipment could melt or burn and fail if exposed to flame or high temperatures.

If the equipment becomes soiled, it can be washed in cold water with a mild detergent that is safe for use with nylon and polyester. Dry out of direct sunlight. Do not dry in an automatic dryer. Store in a cool, dry location. Do not store where the equipment may be exposed to moist air, particularly where dissimilar metals are stored together.

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