WARNING
• SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH MAY RESULT FROM THE IMPROPER USE OF THIS EQUIPMENT.
• THIS EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND MANUFACTURED FOR USE BY EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS ONLY.
• DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS EQUIPMENT WITHOUT PROPER TRAINING.
• USE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH MANUFACTURER’S INSTRUCTIONS.
• DO NOT USE THE EQUIPMENT NEAR SHARP EDGES, ABRASIVE SURFACES, MOVING MACHINERY OR ELECTRICAL HAZARDS.
• EXPOSING THE EQUIPMENT TO CHEMICALS, HIGH HEAT, SEVERE COLD, OR OTHER HARSH ENVIRONMENTS MAY PRODUCE A HARMFUL EFFECT ON THE EQUIPMENT. CONSULT THE MANUFACTURER IN CASES OF DOUBT.
• INSPECT AFTER EACH USE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MANUFACTURER’S INSTRUCTIONS.

USER INFORMATION
User Information shall be provided to the user of the product. NFPA Standard 1983 recommends separating the User Information from the equipment and retaining the information in a permanent record. The standard also recommends making a copy of the User Information to keep with the equipment and that the information should be referred to before and after each use.

Additional information regarding life safety equipment can be found in NFPA 1500, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Programs, and NFPA 1983, Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services.

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 system, follow the manufacturer’s recommendations for inspection provided with each of the Escape Artist System components. If the system is used in actual fire ground emergency escape, or if there is any doubt about the serviceability of the system, remove the system from service and destroy it.

CERTIFICATION
The Escape Artist (300913), ProTech Carabiner (300153), FlashLite Hook Escape Anchor (300981) and 7.5mm ProSeries Escape Line (292015) are individually certified to NFPA 1983. The Escape Artist System is an NFPA 1983 certified Manufactured Fire Escape System when used with the following components:
• CMC Escape Artist (300913)
• CMC FlashLite Hook Escape Anchor (300981)
• CMC 7.5mm ProSeries Escape Line (292015) with CMC factory sewn termination
• CMC Fire Escape Tether Assembly (203500 or 202730)
USING THE ESCAPE SYSTEM

For proper deployment of the Escape Artist System, refer to the included User Information for the Escape Artist, FlashLite Hook, Escape Anchor, ProTech Carabiner and 7.5mm ProSeries Escape Line.

The system can be connected to the user's belt or harness using the included tether, or the tether can be removed and the Escape Artist can be connected directly to the belt or harness using just the ProTech Carabiner.

When re-packing the system into the supplied CMC Escape Bag or Lumbar Pack, stuff the rope into the main pouch to minimize twisting during deployment. Also make sure that the FlashLite Hook and Escape Artist are properly stowed in their respective holders and will deploy freely.

If storing the Escape Artist System directly in the bunker pants pocket or using a different external bag than the supplied CMC Escape Bag or Lumbar Pack, ensure that the rope is properly stuffed and the hardware is packed such that it will deploy freely.

To view a video with more information and detailed instructions on properly packing the Escape Artist System, please visit cmcpro.com

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.

REPAIR

All repair work shall be performed by the manufacturer. All other work or modifications void the warranty and releases CMC from all liability and responsibility as the manufacturer.

SAMPLE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE LOG

The sample log suggests records that should be maintained by the purchaser or user of life safety equipment.

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