

Instructions for the use of: Non PPE Maillon Rapides

The information in this leaflet must be passed to the user of the equipment, who must be suitably trained in the use of this equipment

This document is issued in accordance with the requirements of Section 6 of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, amended March 1988 and the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008 (Machinery Directive). It provides instruction to the user with regards to the care and safe use of MAILLON RAPIDES

This information is of a general nature only covering the main points for the safe use of Maillon Rapide. It may be necessary to supplement this information for specific applications.

In-service Inspection and Maintenance

Regularly inspect Maillon Rapide and, in the event of the following defects, refer the Maillon Rapide to a Competent Person for thorough examination: illegible markings; distorted, worn or damaged parts.

In the case of re-selling and/or hire of equipment, this information must be passed onto the end user

ALWAYS:

- Ensure the operator is properly trained to use Maillon Rapides
- Store and handle all Maillon Rapide components correctly.
- Inspect all Maillon Rapide components before use and before placing into storage.
- Ensure the load placed on the Maillon Rapide does not exceed the WLL.
- Ensure the Maillon is loaded on the correct direction
- Ensure the correct shape Maillon Rapide is used for the application
- Ensure any fittings are properly secured to the Maillon Rapide
- Ensure the Maillon Rapide is properly closed with the appropriate torque, no thread should be left visible

NEVER:

- Overload Maillon Rapide
- Use any component that is damaged or unfit for purpose
- Use a Maillon Rapide on the minor axis or nut
- Force, hammer or wedge Maillon Rapides into position
- Exceed the WLL engraved on the Maillon Rapide or recommended by the manufacturer
- Connect Maillon Rapides onto a lifting chain
- Subject Maillon Rapides to a shock load

Storing and Handling Maillon Rapides

Never return damaged Maillon Rapide to storage. They should be clean and, where necessary, protected from corrosion. In case of contact with water, or cleaning with water and air drying, the threads should be lightly oiled

Do not attempt to alter, modify or repair any of the Maillon Rapides but refer such matters to a Competent Person or the Manufacturer

Using Maillon Rapides Safely

Loads must not exceed the WLL engraved on the item or recommended by the manufacturer.

Check for correct engagement and suitable WLL with other fittings.

Maillon Rapide should not be subject to a shock load – if this occurs, the Maillon Rapide must be withdrawn from service immediately and referred to a Competent Person for thorough examination.

Maillon Rapides should never be connected to a lifting chain

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