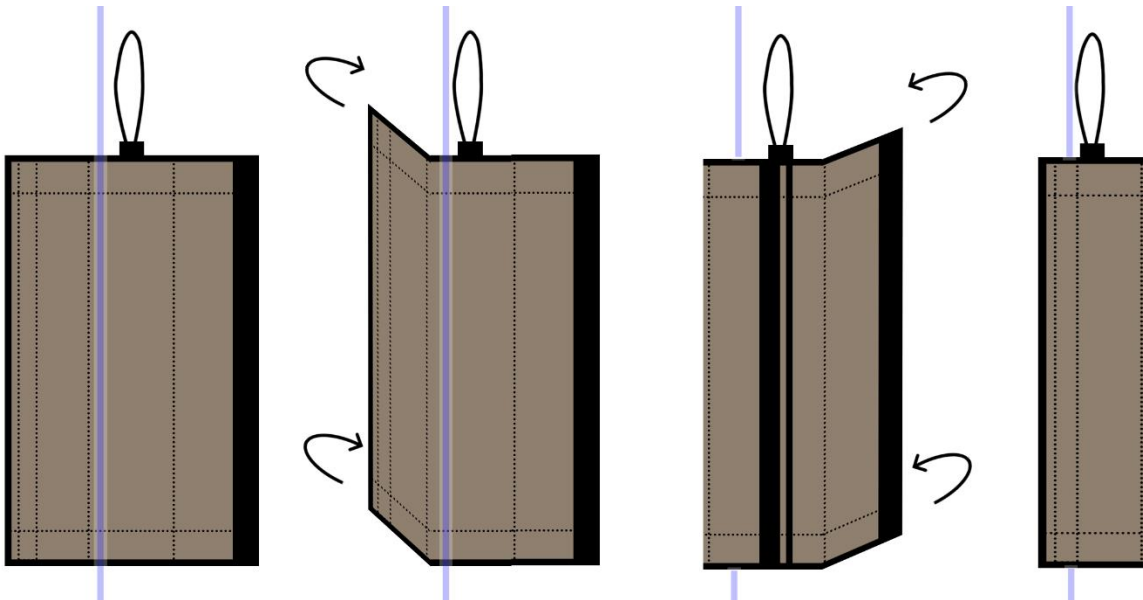


ROPE PROTECTOR

Rope protection is vital for protecting elements of PPE, such as ropes, lanyards, slings and other equipment that can be subject to cutting, tearing and abrasion. The Capstone rope protector range is designed to assist users in fulfilling the requirements of the **National Working at Height Regulations** and the **IRATA International Code of Practice**.

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Use

Rope access, rope rescue, safety ropes systems, mountaineering, abseiling and adventure activities.

1. **Protect ropes from damage**
2. **Protect property from rope damage**
3. **Protect ropes and safety equipment from operational contamination & hazards**

| Product name | Description |
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| Rope protector light | Two layer protection of natural fiber canvas. A light weight rope protector. |
| Rope protector heavy | Two layer protection of natural fiber canvas enveloping a layer of carpet. A heavy weight rope protector, also designed to have 2 individual light weight protectors placed inside it for further protection. |

This information is to be read and kept.

The first priority of rope protection should be to avoid all hazards that may damage the rope. Hazards may include:

- Surfaces which are sharp, abrasive, corrosive, and/or hot
- Tools
- Contamination
- Loose surfaces.

Rope Protectors should only be used where the rope cannot be positioned to avoid the hazard. Check before and during use that the level of protection is suitable, appropriate and robust. If a Rope Protector is not suitable for a particular application, consider another type of protection.

Do not proceed if the required level of protection cannot be achieved.

The user must ensure that adequate protection is given to the rope for the entire length of the rope and for the duration of the task. E.g. if the user needs to change position resulting in the rope or rope protection moving from its original position.

Rope Protectors will only provide limited localised rope protection against certain types of contamination and light abrasion where the rope comes into contact with a large diameter edge.

Rope Protectors are not Personal Protective Equipment, and do not guarantee protection for ropes against physical impact, cutting, abrasion, excessive heat or chemical contamination (list is not exhaustive).

Rope Protectors should not be used for protecting moving ropes where such movement is likely to damage the rope and/or the Rope Protector.

Note:

Any movement on a loaded rope, including prusiking, will cause movement of the loaded rope.

The user is responsible for ensuring that the edge or surface in contact with the Rope Protector and/ has adequate strength to support the load applied by the rope.

Check that this product is compatible with the other components of your equipment. Do not allow the Rope Protector or its connection to the rope to interfere with the correct function of any other part of the system.

Ensure that the Rope Protector is the correct length and completely covers the section of rope or edge requiring protection. Use multiple Rope Protectors if necessary. Use separate Rope Protectors for each rope.

WARNING:

Make sure that you have read and understood these instructions before using this equipment. These user instructions are to be read and kept along with any other user information provided. Activities at height are hazardous and may lead to injury or death. It is the user's responsibility, at all times, to ensure that they understand the correct use of any equipment supplied by or through Capstone Gear equipment, use it only for the purposes for which it is designed, and practice proper safety procedures including having a rescue plan in case of emergency.

This product must not be used outside its limitations, or for any purpose other than those described in the user instructions. Misuses forbidden in these instructions are examples only; many other misuses may exist which could lead to injury or death.

Please note, the information in these user instructions is not exhaustive, and is not a substitute for comprehensive instruction and training by a competent person. Capstone Gear is not responsible for any consequences, whether direct, indirect or accidental, resulting from the use of its products. If you are unsure about the correct use of this product, please contact us.

Who can use this equipment?

This equipment should only be used by trained, competent and responsible persons, or the user should be under the direct supervision of a trained, competent and responsible person. Activities at height should not be undertaken by persons affected by alcohol or drug dependence, diabetes, epilepsy, fits, blackouts, fear of heights, vertigo / dizziness / difficulty with balance, heart disease / chest pain, high or low blood pressure, impaired limb function, obesity, psychiatric illness, musculoskeletal issues, e.g. a bad back. General instructions for use Equipment must be checked before each use, to ensure it is serviceable and operates correctly. Checks should also be carried out during use. In addition, a thorough inspection by a competent inspector should be carried out in strict accordance with

these user instructions, and a record kept of these inspections.

Materials

The rope protector is cotton canvas with nylon thread. The hook and loop fastener is polyamide. The attaching loop is nylon shock cord.

Obsolescence

The life of a Capstone Gear canvas product depends on the intensity and frequency of use. The environment in which it is used is also a consideration.

Thorough inspections should be made every 3 months, whereas checks before, during and after use is also recommended.

The maximum lifetime of Capstone Gear Rope Protector canvas products is one year.

Lifetime, and when to withdraw your equipment from use

Withdraw your equipment from use/service (and quarantine) if any one of the following applies:

- It shows sign of wear and tear/damage that may affect performance
- Markings on the product are no longer legible
- You suspect it may have been exposed to chemical contamination or extreme temperatures
- It fails a periodic examination/inspection
- It has been used to arrest a fall or has been excessively loaded
- If you have any reason to doubt that is safe to use



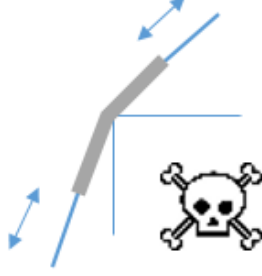
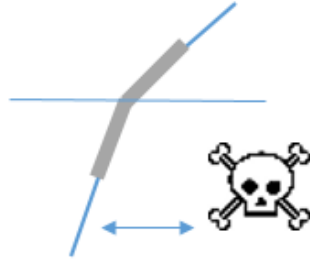
It is the responsibility of the competent inspector to decide whether the equipment should be placed back into use (from quarantine). Equipment permanently withdrawn from service must be destroyed.

Chemicals

It is recommended all canvas products avoid contact with all chemicals. Discard this product immediately if contamination is even suspected to have occurred.

For more products and information please visit www.capstonegear.com.au.

Rope protector recommended use and limitations

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|  | <p>The first priority of protection should be avoid all hazards where ever possible</p> |
|  | <p>May only be used on a large diameter edge using caution</p> |
|  | <p>Must not be used for protection against the sawing action due to longitudinal movement of the rope (bouncing/elongation)</p> |
|  | <p>Must not be used for protection against the sawing action due to lateral movement of the rope (swinging)</p> |