MSA Latchways PFL

Frequently asked questions (FAQ)



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Shall the device be secured to the harness dorsal d-ring and the lanyard connected to the anchor point?	This Latchways Mini PFL can be attached in either direction, with the top connector attached to either the full body harness or anchor point.		
Can my PFL be used horizontally?	A horizontal use shall be limited in accordance with a chart to reduce the potential for a swing fall and the possibility of striking an edge.		
Can I use my PFL for restraint applications?	Yes. In certain circumstances (i.e. where the working area has been designed such that the length of the PFL will not extend beyond the edges), PFL's can also be used for fall restraint applications.		
Is there an expiration date for my PFL?	The textile elements of Latchways Mini PFLs have been evaluated to have a service life of up to 10 years, all other elements have no fixed service life. Continued use is dependent upon passing pre-use checks and periodic examinations.		
Can I use PFL with products from another manufacturer?	EN standards emphasize compatibility of components with a fall protection system. All components of equipment are tested individually and must meet the requisite EN standards. It is acceptable to interchange products with another manufacturer. If supplied as part of a complete system, components shall not be substituted. The Latchways TwinLink shall only be used with harness types checked for compatibility by Latchways plc. Details are available at <u>www.latchways.com</u>		





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How much strength does my anchor have to support?	According to EN regulations, anchorages used for the attachment of personal fall arrest systems shall have structure strength of 12 kN.		
What is the load capacity of the PFL?	The device is for single user within the weight range 60 - 141 kg including tools.		
What is the operating temperature range of the PFL?	The operating temperature range is - 40 °C to + 54 °C.		
Does the PFL require annual factory recertification through an authorized center?	MSA Latchways does not require the PFL be sent in for annual factory recertification. Periodic examinations shall be completed by a competent person in accordance with user instructions. The interval is dictated by the usage, local regulations or environmental conditions:		
	Usage	Interval	
	Infrequent to light	Annually (12 months)	
	Moderate to heavy	Semi-annually to annually (6-12 months)	
	Severe to continuous	Quarterly to semi-annually (3-6 months)	
Is the PFL repairable?	No. MSA Latchways PFLs that have arrested a fall or are unable to pass an inspection shall be tagged "unusable" and disposed of.		



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