



# USER INSTRUCTIONS

## Mini Block

PC. 915302



This equipment is intended for use by people who have received proper training and are competent.



AS 1891.3:2020 Amd 1:2021 (BMP No. 739186)

The Mini Block 915302 is classed as a Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) by the European PPE Directive 89/686/EEC and has been shown to comply with this Directive through the Harmonised European Standard EN 360:2002. Also complies with AS 1891.3:2020 Amd 1:2021.

## CAREFULLY READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS MINI BLOCK

This Mini Block is designed to minimise the risk of/provide protection against the danger of falling from heights. **However, always remember that no item of PPE can provide full protection and care must always be taken while carrying out the risk related activity.**

## SPECIFICATIONS

- Maximum length : 2.5m
- Rated Load: 140kg.
- Minimum Breaking Strength > 15kN.
- Weight : 1.20kg ± 10g.
- The alloy steel triple action karabiner: 22mm gate opening, MBS: 25kN

## POSSIBLE USAGE

This Mini Block can be used as a part of a fall arrest system or as a part of a restraint system. If using as a part of fall arrest system, a suitable anchor point (above the user's head, having strength of at least 15kN) shall be used. Attachments between this Mini Block and the anchor points and other equipment shall be made using oval Karabiners to EN 362 or ANSI having a gate strength of over 6kN. The Mini Block is to be used specifically in vertical condition.

## FITTING & SIZING

Follow the below steps to use the Mini Block.

- STEP 1:** The Mini Block has a loop at one end and a metallic eye at the other end. Connect the metallic eye to the Anchorage Point of the fall arrest system by using a connector. Only an oval Karabiner according to EN 362 or ANSI having a gate strength of over 6kN, shall be used as connectors.
- STEP 2:** As in step 1, connect the loop of the Mini Block to the Full Body Harness of the user at its attachment element.

The correct way of using the Mini Block is only when the anchorage point is situated above the user's head. Care should be taken that the anchorage point, as far as possible, is in the same vertical line in which the attachment element of the user's harness is.

## LIMITATIONS

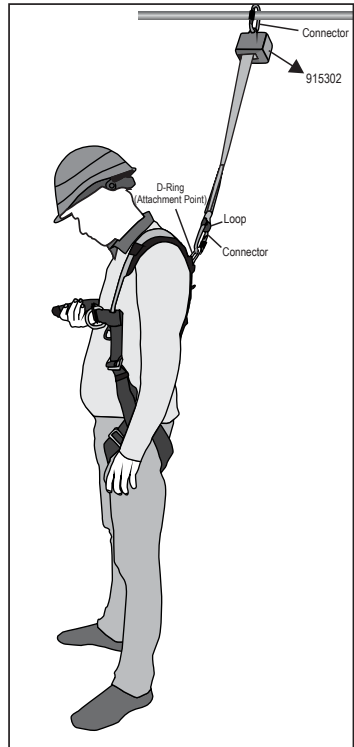
- Mini Block should be seen as the personal property of its user.
- The strength of the anchor device should be greater than 18kN (for Textile) & 15kN (for Metal) and the anchor point should be situated above the user's head.
- It should not be used in highly acidic or basic environments.
- The Mini Block should be used by a trained, competent person or used by someone under the direct supervision of such a person.
- There should be a minimum clearance of 3m beneath the feet of the user.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED BEFORE USE

- Inspect the Mini Block for any damage to the webbing. Particularly the stitching of the webbing at the ends should be intact. There should not be any cuts or abrasion marks on the webbing of the Mini Block.
- Ensure the compliance with recommendations for use is applicable to the combination with other components of the fall arrest system, and specified on the identification card for the fall arrest system or component concerned. Make sure that the connector used (Karabiner) is correctly attached to the loop and that it is locked and conforms to required norm.
- A rescue plan needs to be in place, before the product is to be used.

### WARNING

1. The Mini Block is a connecting element in a fall arrest system, ensure it is attached to a suitable anchor point of 15kN.
2. In case of any doubt arising about the safety of the Mini Block, it should be replaced immediately on consultation with a competent person.
3. Withdraw from service any Mini Block that has been used to arrest a fall.
4. Ensure any medical conditions of the user does not affect their safety in normal and emergency use.
5. A rescue plan shall be in place to deal with any emergencies that could arise during the work.
6. It is essential for the safety of the user that if a product is re-sold outside the original country of destination the reseller shall provide instructions for use, for maintenance and for periodic examination in the language of the country in which the product is sold.
7. The equipment shall not be used outside its limitation, or for any purpose other than that for which it is intended.
8. The device should be used with appropriate combinations only. The user should not make any combination which compromises safe function of any other devices used in combination with the entire fall protection system or rescue system.



### SERVICE INTERVALS

- **Visual / Function Inspection** - Every year by a competent person (Annually)(This unit cannot be opened for service inspection or repair).
- **Note:**
  - Inspection frequency's should be increased if the unit is used in a dirty, corrosive or hazardous environment.
  - If any issues are found in the inspection by a competent person, it must be removed from service as this is a maintenance free unit.

## PROTECTION OF THE MINI BLOCK DURING USE

- Ageing due to cold, heat, moisture and direct sunlight.
- Deterioration due to chemicals such as oils, acids, solvents and sea water.
- Inappropriate choice of the Mini Block in relation to the risk concerned.
- Inappropriate combination with other equipment.
- Use by a person lacking sufficient safety awareness.
- Unnecessary physical loading (static or dynamic).
- Improper use by untrained persons.
- Deterioration through mechanical wear, water or soiling.
- Inappropriate storage, maintenance or cleaning.

## PROTECTION AGAINST HAZARDS DURING USE

While using the Mini Block as a connecting element, make sure that it is not positioned in such a way that the user trips over it.

While using the Mini Block, any sharp metallic object near it can cause abrasion and destroy the Mini Block.

## STORAGE AND TRANSPORT

When not in use, store the Mini Block in a well-ventilated area away from extremes of temperature. Never place heavy items on top of it. If possible, avoid excessive folding and preferably store it hanging vertically. If the product is wet, allow it to dry fully before placing it into storage.

## REPAIR

If the product becomes damaged, it will NOT provide the optimum level of protection, and therefore it should be immediately replaced. Never use the damaged product. This product is known as a non repair/non servicable item as they are “disposable” after being subject to a fall or damaged.

## CLEANING

In case of minor soiling, wipe the Mini Block with cotton cloth or a soft brush. Do not use any abrasive material. For intensive cleaning wash the Mini Block, taking care that only the webbing part is washed. The locking assembly should not be subjected to water at a temperature of more than 40°C using a neutral detergent (pH7). Do not use acid or basic detergents.

## LIFESPAN

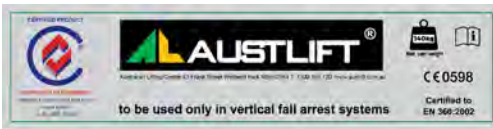
The expected lifespan of the Mini Block is 10 years but inspection before each use is compulsory. Product must be inspected every 6 months by a competent height safety products inspector and, inspection must be recorded and kept on file.

The lifespan greatly depends upon the conditions of usage of the product.

## MATERIAL USED

Apart from the webbing which is made up of polyamide, other mechanical parts are made up of carbon steel.

**The Mini Block is marked with:**



1. Identification of the manufacturer
2. The CE mark showing that the product meets the requirements of the European PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425
3. Product code
4. Unique serial number
5. Month/Year of Manufacture
6. QR code to verify the manufacture date and serial number
7. Max. user weight
8. Webbing length



## HOW TO DISPOSE OF A MINI BLOCK

When the Mini Block becomes damaged or in case of any wear and tear, dispose of the Mini Block immediately.

**Follow these steps for Disposal:**

- Make three plastic crates namely-Textile, Metal & Plastic for placing the respective components of the Mini Block.
- Spread the Mini Block on a table/flat surface.
- Inspect the wear & tear present on the Mini Block.
- If any wear and tear is observed, dispose of the Mini Block using sharp scissors; first cut the Textile and dismantle the Mini Block.
- Put the Textile, Plastic & Metal components in their respective plastic crates.

## DISCLAIMER

Prior to use, the end user must read and understand the manufacturer's instructions supplied with this product at the time of shipment and seek training from their employer's trained personnel on the proper usage of the product. Manufacturer is not liable or responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused or incurred by any person on grounds of improper usage or installation of this product.







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