



ExoFit NEX™
Full Body Harness
Model Numbers: (See back pages.)

USER INSTRUCTION MANUAL **EXOFIT NEX™ FULL BODY HARNESS**

This manual is intended to meet the Manufacturer's Instructions as required by ANSI Z359 and CSA 259.10 and should be used as part of an employee training program as required by OSHA

WARNING: This product is part of a personal fall arrest, restraint, work positioning, climbing, controlled descent, or rescue system. The user must follow the manufacturer's instructions for each component of the system. These instructions must be provided to the user of this equipment. The user must read and understand these instructions before using this equipment. Manufacturer's instructions must be followed for proper use and maintenance of this equipment. Alterations or misuse of this product or failure to follow instructions may result in serious injury or death.

IMPORTANT: If you have questions on the use, care, or suitability of this equipment for your application, contact Capital Safety.

IMPORTANT: Record the product identification information from the ID label in the inspection and maintenance log in Section 9 of this manual.

DESCRIPTIONS:

The ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness is available in Vest (Figure 1) and Cross-Over (Figure 2) styles configured with a variety of features including the following:

- Tech-Lite™ Aluminum D-Rings - Varied Locations: Front, Back, Hips, Shoulders
- Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckles
- Repel Technology Webbing
- Hybrid Comfort Padding
- Revolver™ Vertical Torso Adjusters
- Tongue Buckle Body Belt
- Suspension Trauma Straps

NOTE: Some features may not be available on all models of the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness.

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Figure 1 - ExoFit NEX™ Vest Style Full Body Harness



A. Shoulder Strap w/Hybrid Padding **B.** Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckle **C.** Chest Strap **D.** Hybrid Chest Pad with i-Safe™ RFID Tag & Labels **E.** Revolver™ Torso Adjustor **F.** Tech-Lite™ Side D-Ring **G.** Leg Strap **H.** Tech-Lite™ Dorsal D-Ring **I.** Trauma Strap

Figure 2 - ExoFit NEX™ Cross-Over Style Full Body Harness



A. Shoulder Strap w/Hybrid Padding **B.** Revolver™ Adjustor **C.** Hybrid Chest Pad with i-Safe™ RFID Tag & Labels **D.** Tech-Lite™ Front D-Ring **E.** Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckle **F.** Trauma Strap **G.** Tech-Lite™ Dorsal D-Ring






1.0 APPLICATION

- 1.1 PURPOSE:** The DBI-SALA ExoFit NEX™™ Full Body Harness (Figure 1 and Figure 2) should be used as a component in personal fall arrest, restraint, work positioning, climbing, controlled descent, or rescue systems (see Table 1).

ExoFit NEX™ Harnesses included in this manual are full body harnesses and meet ANSI Z359.1, OSHA, and CSA Z259.10 requirements. See Figure 3 for application illustrations.

WARNING: Working at height has inherent risks. Some risks are noted here but are not limited to: falling, suspension/prolonged suspension, striking objects, and unconsciousness. In the event of a fall arrest and/or subsequent rescue (emergency) situation, some personal medical conditions may affect your safety. Medical conditions identified as risky for this type of activity include, but are not limited to: heart disease, high blood pressure, vertigo, epilepsy, drug or alcohol dependence, psychiatric illness, impaired limb function and balance issues. We recommend that your employer/physician determine if you are fit to handle normal and emergency use of this equipment.

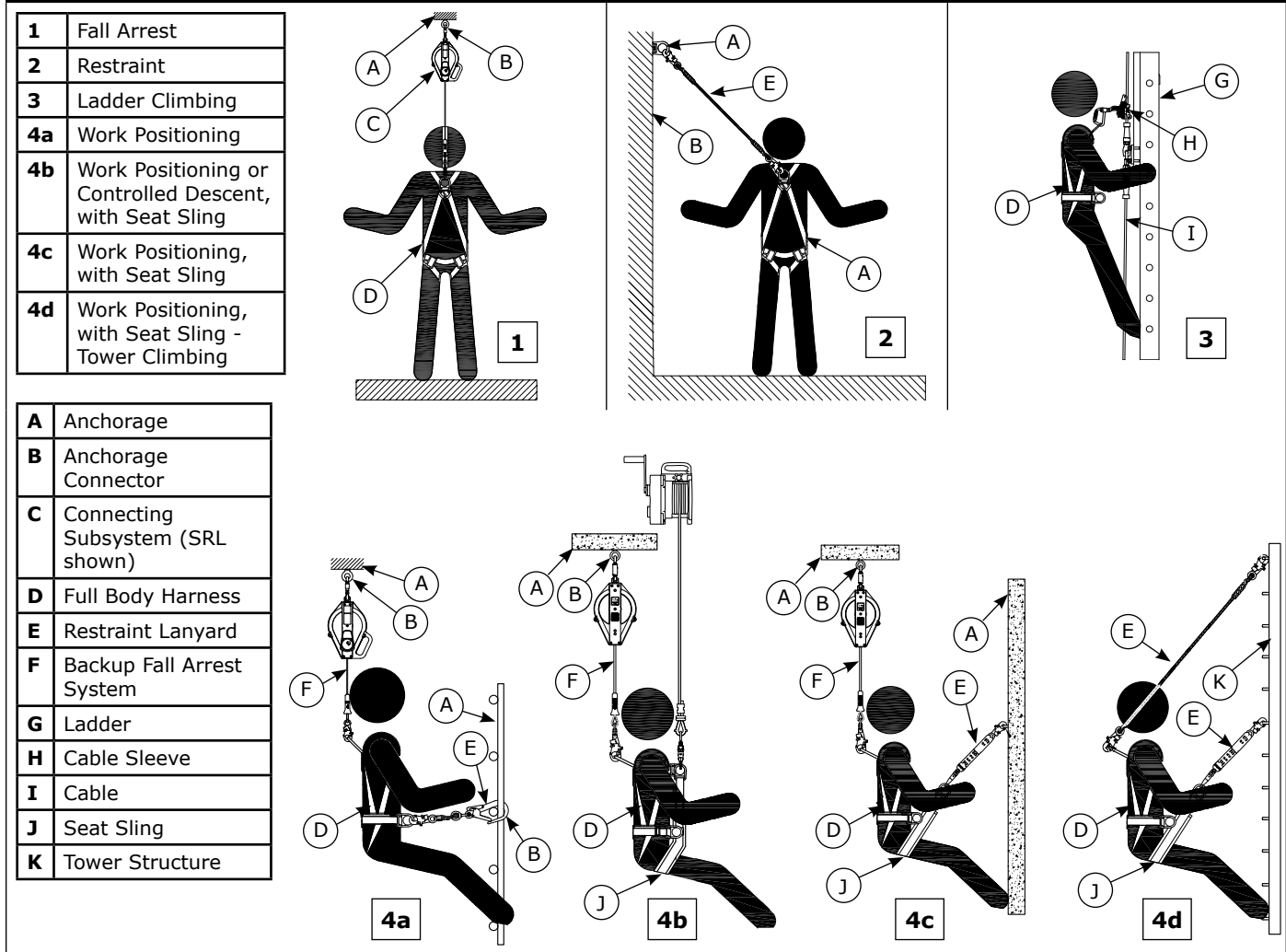
Table 1 - ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness Applications

Application	CSA Class	Description
Personal Fall Arrest	Class A 	The full body harness is used as a component of a personal fall arrest system. Personal fall arrest systems typically include a full body harness and a connecting subsystem (energy absorbing lanyard). Maximum arresting force must not exceed 1,800 lbs (8 kN). For fall arrest applications connect the fall arrest subsystem (example: lanyard, SRL, energy absorber, etc.) to the D-ring or attachment element on your back, between your shoulder blades.
Controlled Descent	Class D 	For controlled descent applications, harnesses equipped with a single sternal level D-ring, one or two frontal mounted D-rings, or a pair of connectors originating below the waist (such as a seat sling) may be used for connection to a descender or evacuation system (reference in Z259.10 in Canada).
Rescue	Class E 	The full body harness is used as a component of a rescue system. Rescue systems are configured depending on the type of rescue. For limited access (confined space) applications, harnesses equipped with D-rings on the shoulders may be used for entry and egress into confined spaces where worker profile is an issue.
Ladder Climbing	Class L 	The full body harness is used as a component of a climbing system to prevent the user from falling when climbing a ladder or other climbing structure. Climbing systems typically include a full body harness, vertical cable or rail attached to the structure, and climbing sleeve. For ladder climbing applications, harnesses equipped with a frontal D-ring in the sternal location may be used for fall arrest on fixed ladder climbing systems. These are defined in CSA Z259.2.1 in Canada and ANSI A14.3 in the United States.
Work Positioning	Class P 	The full body harness is used as a component of a work positioning system to support the user at a work position. Work positioning systems typically include a full body harness, positioning lanyard, and a back-up personal fall arrest system. For work positioning applications, connect the work positioning subsystem (example: lanyard, Y-lanyard, etc.) to the lower (hip level) side or belt mounted work positioning attachment anchorage elements (D-rings). Never use these connection points for fall arrest.
Restraint	None	The full body harness is used as a component of a restraint system to prevent the user from reaching a fall hazard. Restraint systems typically include a full body harness and a lanyard or restraint line.

- 1.2 STANDARDS:** Refer to local, state, and federal (OSHA) requirements governing occupational safety for additional information regarding Personal Fall Arrest Systems. Refer to the following national standards on fall protection:

ANSI	Z359.0	Definitions and Nomenclature Used for Fall Protection and Fall Arrest
ANSI	Z359.1	Safety Requirements for Personal Fall Arrest Systems, Subsystems, and Components
ANSI	Z359.2	Minimum Requirements for a Comprehensive Managed Fall Protection Program
ANSI	Z359.3	Safety Requirements for Positioning and Travel Restraint Systems
ANSI	Z359.4	Safety Requirements for Assisted-Rescue and Self-Rescue Systems, Subsystems, and Components
ANSI	A10.32	Fall Protection Systems for Construction and Demolitions
CSA	Z259.10	Full Body Harnesses
ASTM	F887-2011	Standard Specifications for Personal Climbing Equipment

Figure 3 - Applications



1.3 TRAINING: This equipment is intended to be used by persons trained in its correct application and use. It is the responsibility of the user to assure they are familiar with these instructions and are trained in the correct care and use of this equipment. Users must also be aware of the operating characteristics, application limits, and the consequences of improper use.

2.0 SYSTEM LIMITATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

Consider the following limitations/requirements prior to installing or using this equipment:

- 2.1 CAPACITY:** ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harnesses are designed for use by persons with a combined weight (clothing, tools, etc.) of no more than 420 lbs. (191 kg) per OSHA, 310 lbs. (141 kg) per ANSI Z359.1, or 352 lbs. (160 kg) per CSA Z259.10-06. Make sure all of the components in your system are rated to a capacity appropriate to your application.
- 2.2 FREE FALL:** Personal fall arrest systems used with this equipment must be rigged to limit the free fall to 6 feet (1.8 M) per ANSI Z359.1 (see Section 7.1). Restraint systems must be rigged so that no vertical free fall is possible. Work positioning systems must be rigged so that free fall is limited to 2 feet (.6 m) or less. Personnel riding systems must be rigged so that no vertical free fall is possible. Climbing systems must be rigged so that free fall is limited to 18 in. (.46 cm) or less. Rescue systems must be rigged so that no vertical free fall is possible. See subsystem manufacturer's instructions for more information.
- 2.3 FALL CLEARANCE:** Figure 4 illustrates fall clearance requirements. There must be sufficient clearance below the user to allow the system to arrest a fall before the user strikes the ground or other obstruction. Clearance required is dependent on the following factors:

- Elevation of Anchorage
- Deceleration Distance
- Worker Height
- Connecting Subsystem Length
- Free Fall Distance
- Movement of Harness Attachment Element

Figure 4 - Fall Clearance (Lanyards)

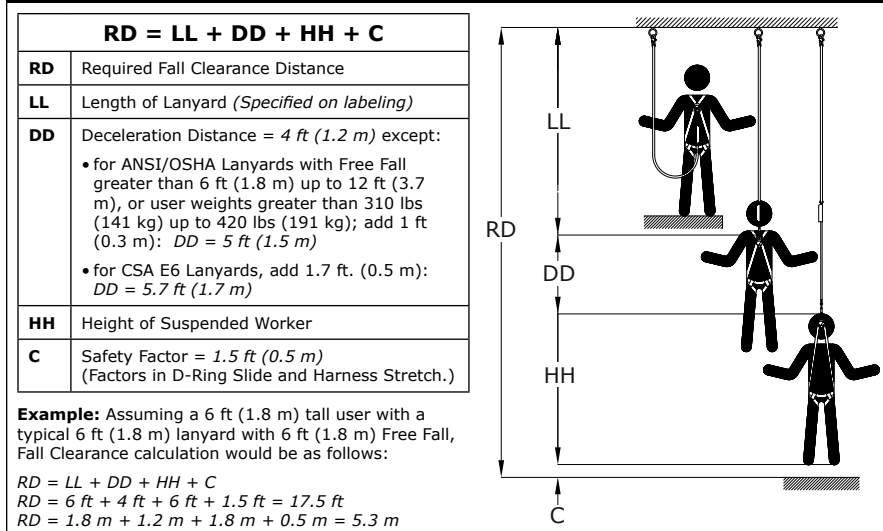
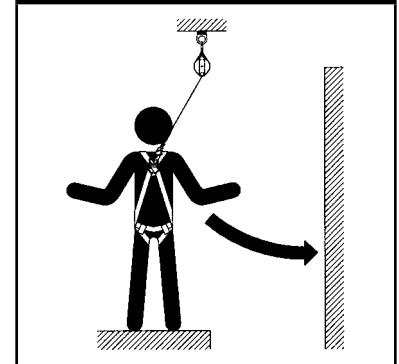


Figure 5 - Swing Falls



- 2.4 SWING FALLS:** Swing falls occur when the anchorage point is not directly above the point where a fall occurs. The force of striking an object in a swing fall may cause serious injury or death. Minimize swing falls by working as close to the anchorage point as possible. Do not permit a swing fall if injury could occur. Swing falls will significantly increase the clearance required when a self-retracting lifeline or other variable length connecting subsystem is used.
- 2.5 EXTENDED SUSPENSION:** A full body harness is not intended for use in extended suspension applications. If the user is going to be suspended for an extended length of time it is recommended that some form of seat support be used. DBI-SALA recommends a seat board, suspension work seat, seat sling, or a boatswain chair. Contact Capital Safety for more information on these items.
- 2.6 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:** Use of this equipment in areas with environmental hazards may require additional precautions to prevent injury to the user or damage to the equipment. Hazards may include, but are not limited to: heat, chemicals, corrosive environments, high voltage power lines, gases, moving machinery and sharp edges.
- 2.7 COMPATIBILITY OF COMPONENTS:** Unless otherwise noted, DBI-SALA equipment is designed for use with DBI-SALA approved components and subsystems only. Substitutions or replacements made with non approved components or subsystems may jeopardize compatibility of equipment and may affect safety and reliability of the complete system.
- 2.8 COMPATIBILITY OF CONNECTORS:** Connectors are considered to be compatible with connecting elements when they have been designed to work together in such a way that their sizes and shapes do not cause their gate mechanisms to inadvertently open regardless of how they become oriented. Connectors (hooks, carabiners, and D-rings) must be capable of supporting at least 5,000 lbs. (22 kN). Connectors must be compatible with the anchorage or other system components. Do not use equipment that is not compatible. Non-compatible connectors may unintentionally disengage (see Figure 6). Connectors must be compatible in size, shape, and strength. Self-locking snap hooks and carabiners are required by ANSI Z359.1 and OSHA.

2.9 MAKING CONNECTIONS: Use only self-locking snap hooks and carabiners with this equipment. Only use connectors that are suitable to each application. Ensure all connections are compatible in size, shape and strength. Do not use equipment that is not compatible. Ensure all connectors are fully closed and locked.

DBI-SALA connectors (snap hooks and carabiners) are designed to be used only as specified in each product's user's instructions. See Figure 7 for illustration of the inappropriate connections stated below. DBI-SALA snap hooks and carabiners should not be connected:

- A. To a D-ring to which another connector is attached.
- B. In a manner that would result in a load on the gate.
- C. In a false engagement, where features that protrude from the snap hook or carabiner catch on the anchor and without visual confirmation seems to be fully engaged to the anchor point.
- D. To each other.
- E. Directly to webbing or rope lanyard or tie-back (unless the manufacturer's instructions for both the lanyard and connector specifically allow such a connection).
- F. To any object which is shaped or dimensioned such that the snap hook or carabiner will not close and lock, or that roll-out could occur.
- G. In a manner that does not allow the connector to align with the fall arrest device (i.e., lanyard) while under load.

NOTE: Other than 3,600 lb. (16 kN) gated hooks, large throat opening snap hooks should not be connected to standard size D-rings or similar objects which will result in a load on the gate if the hook or D-ring twists or rotates. Large throat snap hooks are designed for use on fixed structural elements such as rebar or cross members that are not shaped in a way that can capture the gate of the hook.

Other Restrictions:

- Do not make connections where the hook locking mechanism can come into contact with a structural member or other equipment and potentially release the hook.
- Do not connect a snap hook into a loop or thimble of a wire rope or attach in any way to a slack wire rope.
- The snap hook must be free to align with the applied load as intended (regardless of the size or shape of the mating connector).
- A carabiner may be used to connect to a single or pair of soft loops on a body support such as a body belt or full body harness, provided the carabiner can fully close and lock. This type of connection is not allowed for snap hooks.
- A carabiner may be connected to a loop or ring connector that is already occupied by a choker style connector. This type of connection is not allowed for snap hooks.

Figure 6 - Unintentional Disengagement (Rollout)

If the connecting element to which a snap hook (shown) or carabiner attaches is undersized or irregular in shape, a situation could occur where the connecting element applies a force to the gate of the snap hook or carabiner. This force may cause the gate (of either a self-locking or a non-locking snap hook) to open, allowing the snap hook or carabiner to disengage from the connecting point.

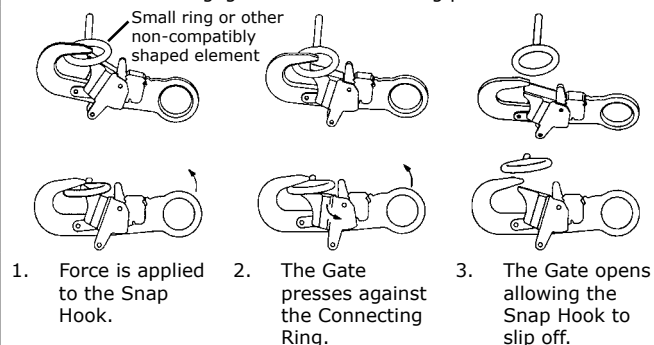
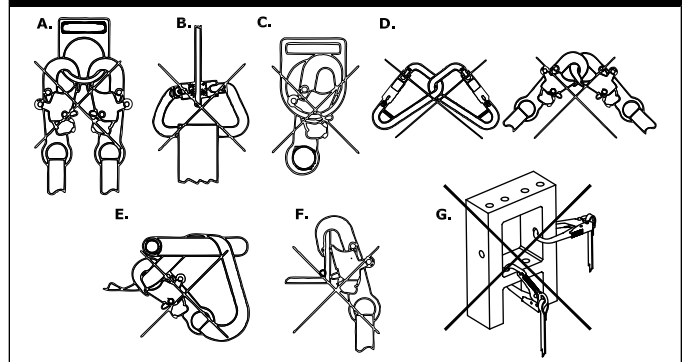
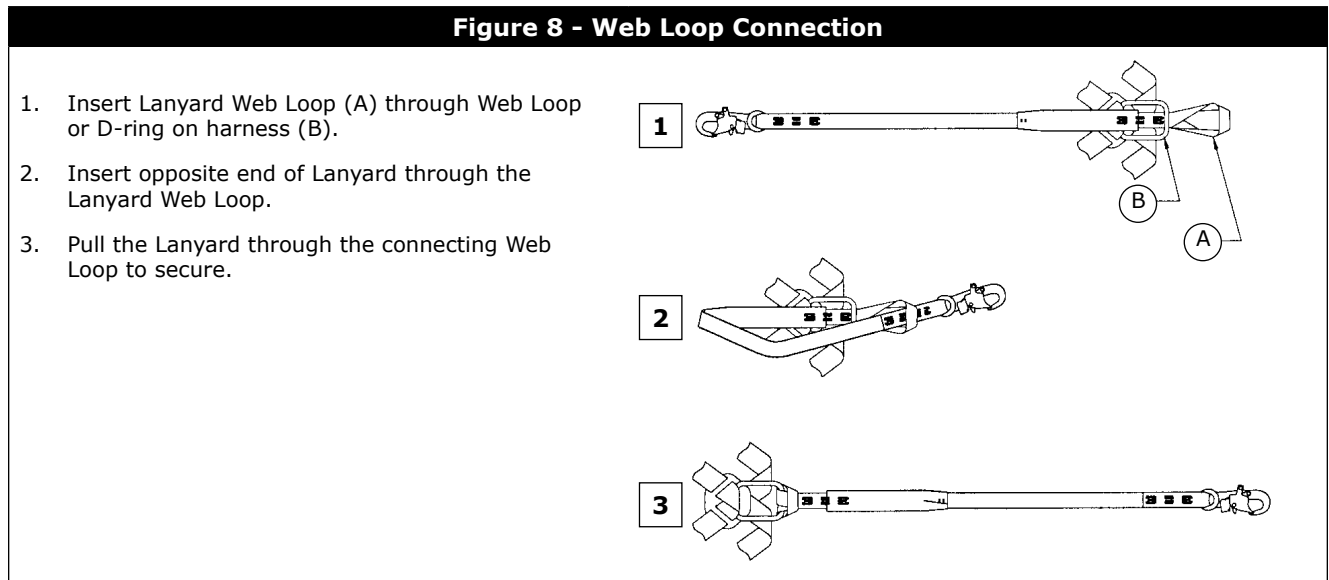


Figure 7 - Inappropriate Connections



2.10 CONNECTING SUBSYSTEMS: Connecting subsystems (self-retracting lifeline, lanyard, rope grab and lifeline, cable sleeve) must be suitable for your application (see Table 1). See subsystem manufacturer's instructions for more information. Some harness models have web loop connection points. Do not use snap hooks to connect to web loops. Use a self-locking carabiner to connect to a web loop. Ensure the carabiner cannot cross-gate load (load against the gate rather than along the backbone of the carabiner). Some lanyards are designed to choke onto a web loop to provide a compatible connection. See Figure 8. Lanyards may be sewn directly to the web loop forming a permanent connection. Do not make multiple connections onto one web loop, unless choking two lanyards onto a properly sized web loop.



2.11 ANCHORAGE & ANCHORAGE STRENGTH: Anchorage and anchorage strength requirements are dependent on the full body harness application (see Figure 3). In accordance with ANSI Z359.1, anchorages selected for Fall Arrest Systems must meet the anchorage strength requirements defined in Table 2.

Table 2 - Anchorage Strength Requirements		
Fall Arrest ¹	Non-Certified Anchorages:	5,000 lbs (22.2 kN)
	Certified Anchorages ² :	2 times the Maximum Arresting Force for Certified Anchorages
Restraint ¹	Non-Certified Anchorages	1,000 (4,5 kN)
	Certified Anchorages ² :	2 times the foreseeable force for certified anchorages.
Work Positioning ¹	Non-Certified Anchorages	3,000 lbs (13.3 kN)
	Certified Anchorages ² :	2 times the foreseeable force for certified anchorages.
Rescue ¹	Non-Certified Anchorages	3,000 lbs (13.3 kN)
	Certified Anchorages ² :	5 times the foreseeable force for certified anchorages.
Climbing	The structure to which a climbing system is attached must sustain the loads required by that particular system. See the instructions for the climbing system for requirements.	
1 Multiple Systems: When more than one of the defined system is attached to an anchorage, the strength defined for Non-Certified or Certified anchorages shall be multiplied by the number of systems attached to the anchorage.		
2 Certified Anchorage: An anchorage for fall arrest, positioning, restraint, or rescue systems that a qualified person certifies to be capable of supporting the potential fall forces that could be encountered during a fall or that meet the criteria for a certified anchorage prescribed in this standard.		

3.0 DONNING AND USE

WARNING: Do not alter or intentionally misuse this equipment. Consult Capital Safety when using this equipment in combination with components or subsystems other than those described in this manual. Some subsystem and component combinations may interfere with the operation of this equipment. Use caution when using this equipment around moving machinery, electrical and chemical hazards, and sharp edges.

3.1 BEFORE EACH USE: Before each use of this equipment inspect the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness according to Section 5 of this manual.

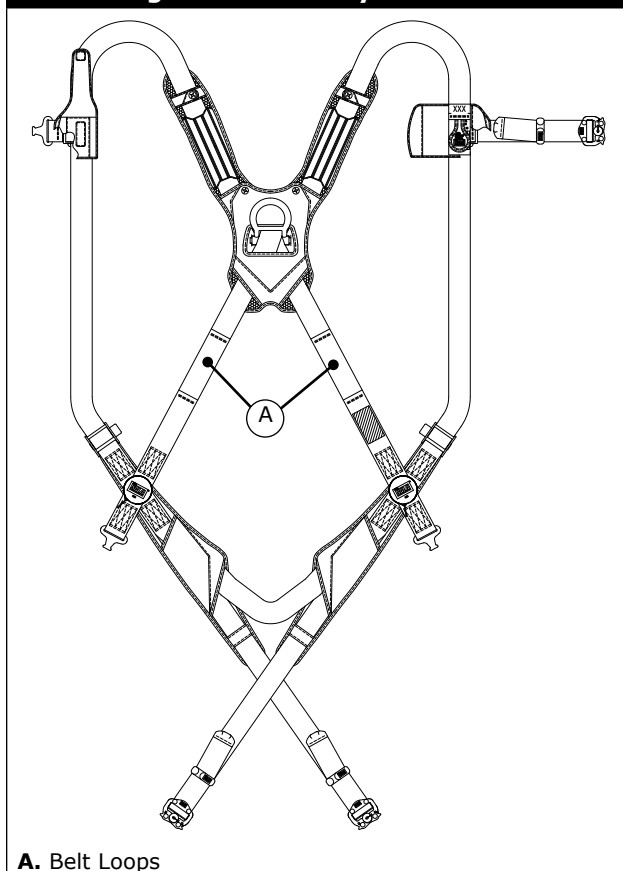
3.2 PLANNING: Plan your system before use. Consider all factors that will affect your safety during use of this equipment. Consider the following aspects when planning your system:

- **ANCHORAGE:** Select an anchorage that meets the anchorage requirements specified in Section 2.
- **SHARP EDGES:** Avoid working where system components may be in contact with, come in contact with, or abrade against, unprotected sharp edges.
- **AFTER A FALL:** Any equipment which has been subjected to the forces of arresting a fall, or exhibits damage consistent with the effect of fall arrest forces as described in Section 5, must be removed from service immediately and destroyed by the user, the rescuer¹, or an authorized person².
- **RESCUE:** The employer must have a rescue plan when using this equipment. The employer must have the ability to perform a rescue quickly and safely.

3.3 DONNING AND FITTING THE HARNESS: The ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness is available in Vest (Figure 1) and Cross-Over (Figure 10) styles. Donning procedures will vary with the harness style.

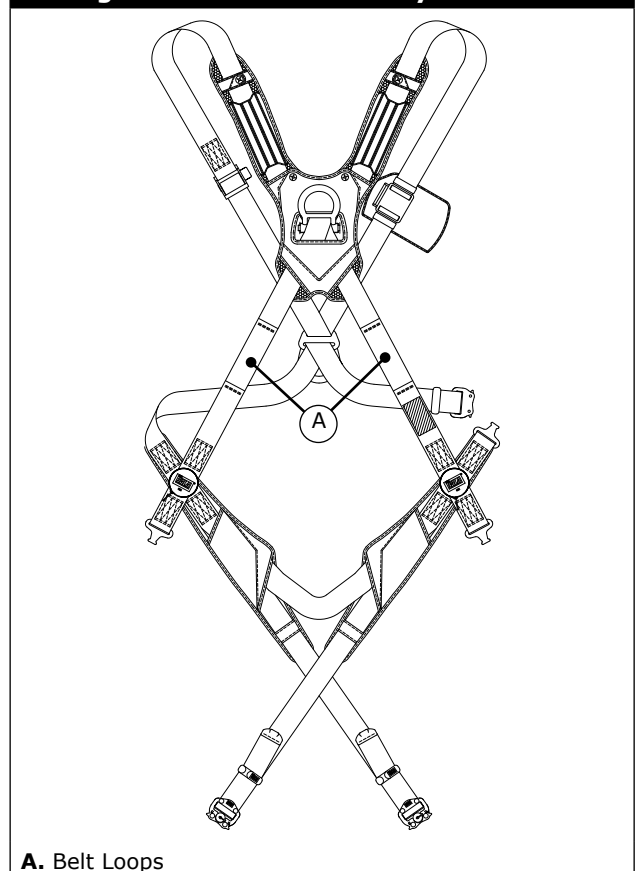
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Figure 9 - Vest Style Harness



A. Belt Loops

Figure 10 - Cross-Over Style Harness



A. Belt Loops

1 Rescuer: Person or persons other than the rescue subject acting to perform an assisted rescue by operation of a rescue system.

2 Authorized Person: A person assigned by the employer to perform duties at a location where the person will be exposed to a fall hazard (otherwise referred to as "user" for the purpose of these instructions).

A. EXOFIT NEX™ VEST STYLE FULL BODY HARNESS: The ExoFit NEX™ Vest Style Harness incorporates loops for a removable waist belt (see Figure 9). The belt can be installed through the two loops in the harness located in the lower back shoulder straps. The belt will pass through the harness just below the padded area. The hip pad, if used, is secured to the belt by passing the belt through the hip pad loops. Don the Vest Style Full Body Harness per the following steps and corresponding images in Figure 11:







- Step 1.** Locate back D-ring held in position by the D-ring pad; lift up harness and hold by this D-ring. Ensure the straps are not twisted.
- Step 2.** Grasp the shoulder straps and slip the harness onto one arm. The D-ring will be located on your back side. Ensure that the straps are not tangled and hang freely. Slip your free arm into the harness and position the shoulder straps on top of your shoulder. Ensure that the straps are not tangled and hang freely. The chest strap, with quick connect buckle, will be positioned on the front side when worn properly.
- Step 3.** Reach between your legs and grasp the gray leg strap on your left side. Bring the strap up between your legs and connect it by inserting the tab of the buckle into receptor of quick connect buckle on the left side as shown in Figure 11. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly. Connect the right leg strap using the same procedure. To adjust the leg straps, unlock  the webbing lock on the quick connect buckle and pull on the strap. A plastic end keeper on the end of the strap will stop it from pulling completely out of the buckle. When the strap is properly adjusted, lock  the webbing lock. To release the buckle, press the silver-colored tabs on the buckle towards each other with one hand, while pulling on the tab portion of the buckle with the other hand.
- NOTE:** Locking  and unlocking  the webbing lock prevents or allows the strap to slide between the sliding bar and slot on the female end of the quick connect buckle. It does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends and will not affect the buckle connection in the event of a fall.
- Step 4.** Attach the chest strap by inserting the tab of the buckle into the receptor of the quick connect buckle. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly. The chest strap should be 6 in. (15 cm) down from the top of your shoulders. Pass excess strap through the loop keepers. To adjust the chest strap, unlock  the webbing lock on the quick connect buckle and pull on the strap. A plastic end keeper on the end of the strap will stop it from pulling completely out of the buckle. When the strap is properly adjusted, lock  the webbing lock. To release the buckle, press the silver-colored tabs on the buckle toward each other with one hand, while pulling on the tab portion of the buckle with the other hand.
- Step 5.** Adjust shoulder straps to a snug fit with the Vertical Torso Adjusters (see Figure 11): Left and right sides of shoulder straps should be adjusted to the same length and the chest strap should be centered on your lower chest, 6 in. (15 cm) down from shoulder. The front D-ring on the vest style harness is moved up or down by adjusting the shoulder straps and leg straps. Center the back D-ring between your shoulder blades. Note: On applicable models, the back (dorsal) D-ring can be repositioned up or down as needed for a correct fit. Adjust leg straps to a snug fit. At least 3 in. (8 cm) of webbing must extend past the buckle on the leg straps. Adjust the waist belt (if present).

Figure 11 - Donning the ExoFit NEX™ Vest Style Full Body Harness



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3

Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckles



Connection: Connect buckle ends by inserting the tab into the receptor until a click is heard.



Strap Adjustment: Rotate Webbing Lock to unlocked position **B**. Pull strap to adjust. Rotate Webbing Lock to locked position **A**.

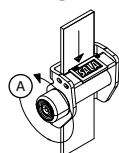
NOTE: The Webbing Lock does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends.



Step 4

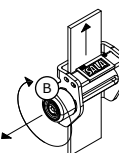
Revolver™ Vertical Torso Adjusters

Right



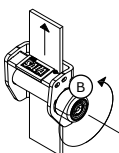
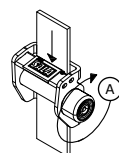
To Tighten: Turn Ratchet Knob in direction **A**.

To Loosen: Pull Ratchet Knob out and turn in direction **B**.





NOTE: After adjustment, tug upwards on the shoulder straps to ensure that each adjuster is locked in place.



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Step 5

B. EXOFIT NEX™ CROSS-OVER STYLE FULL BODY HARNESS: The ExoFit NEX™ Cross-Over Style Harness incorporates loops for a removable waist belt. The belt can be installed through the two loops in the harness located in the lower back shoulder straps (see Figure 10). The belt will pass through the harness just below the padded area. The hip pad, if used, is secured to the belt by passing the belt through the hip pad loops. Don the Cross-Over Style Full Body Harness per the following steps and corresponding images in Figure 12:

- Step 1.** Locate the back D-ring held in position by the D-ring pad; lift up the harness and hold by this D-ring. Ensure the straps are not twisted.
- Step 2.** Grasp the shoulder straps between the back and front D-ring and slip the harness over your head from the left side. Position the shoulder straps on top of your shoulders. Ensure that the straps are not tangled and hang freely. The D-ring will be positioned on your back when worn properly.
- Step 3.** Grasp the tab of the buckle located at your right hip and insert it into the receptor of the quick connect buckle (see Figure 12). You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 4.** Reach between your legs and grasp the gray leg strap on your left side. Bring the strap up between your legs and insert the tab of the buckle into the receptor of the buckle on the left side as shown in Figure 12. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly. Connect the right leg strap using the same procedure. To adjust the leg straps, unlock  the webbing lock on the quick connect buckle and pull on the strap. A plastic end keeper on the end of the strap will stop it from pulling completely out of the buckle. When the strap is properly adjusted, lock  the webbing lock. To release the buckle, press the silver-colored tabs on the buckle towards each other with one hand, while pulling on the tab portion of the buckle with the other hand.

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- Step 5.** Adjust shoulder straps to a snug fit with the Vertical Torso Adjusters (see Figure 12): Left and right sides of the shoulder straps should be adjusted to the same length and the front D-ring should be centered on your lower chest. The back D-ring should be centered between your shoulder blades. Note: On ExoFit XP models, the back (dorsal) D-ring can be repositioned up or down as needed for a correct fit. Adjust the leg straps to a snug fit. At least 3 in. (8 cm) of webbing must extend past the buckle on the leg straps. Adjust the waist belt (if present).

3.4 USE OF FALL ARREST D-RING OR ATTACHMENT ELEMENT: For fall arrest applications connect to the D-ring or attachment element on your back, between your shoulder blades. Side D-rings, if present, are for positioning or restraint applications only. Front D-ring, if present, is for ladder climbing, positioning, or other applications with a limited free fall not exceeding 2 feet (0.6 m) with a 900 MAF requirement. For rescue, back, shoulder, or front D-rings may be used. D-rings on seat sling are for work positioning or personnel riding.

3.5 MAKING CONNECTIONS: When using a hook to connect to an anchorage or when coupling components of the system together, ensure roll-out cannot occur. Roll-out occurs when interference between the hook and mating connector causes the hook gate to unintentionally open and release. Self-locking snap hooks and carabiners should be used to reduce the possibility of roll-out. Do not use hooks or connectors that will not completely close over the attachment object. See subsystem manufacturer's instructions for more information on making connections.

3.6 CONNECTING SYSTEM COMPONENTS: After properly fitting the full body harness, the user may then connect to other system components. Follow the guidelines in Section 3.4 when selecting the correct attachment element.

Figure 12 - Donning the ExoFit NEX™ Cross-Over Style Full Body Harness



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Step 2

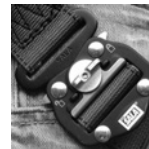




Step 3

Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckles



Connection: Connect buckle ends by inserting the tab into the receptor until a click is heard.



Strap Adjustment: Rotate Webbing Lock to unlocked position . Pull strap to adjust. Rotate Webbing Lock to locked position .

NOTE: The Webbing Lock does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends.



Step 4

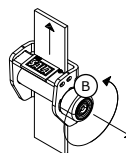
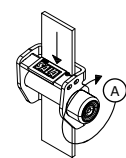
Revolver™ Vertical Torso Adjusters

To Tighten: Turn Ratchet Knob in direction **A**.

To Loosen: Pull Ratchet Knob out and turn in direction **B**.

NOTE: After adjustment, tug upwards on the shoulder straps to ensure that each adjuster is locked in place.

Left



Step 5

3.7 SUSPENSION TRAUMA STRAP: The ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness is equipped with a Suspension Trauma Strap (Figure 13) to help prolong allowable suspension time in the event of a fall from height. It should only be used in situations where a fall has occurred or for training. To use the Suspension Trauma Strap:

- Step 1.** Unzip the Trauma Strap Pouch on each hip of the harness and deploy the Suspension Straps (Figure 13A).
- Step 2.** Raise the ends of the straps to access the hook and loops. Insert the hook into the loop that provides the desired strap length.
- Step 3.** Lower the Suspension Strap and step onto the strap to alleviate pressure of the harness leg straps on the legs (Figure 13B). Adjust the hook/loop combination for optimal comfort.

WARNING: Maintain an upright position following suspension. Do not lay down. Seek medical attention following a suspension.

Figure 13 - Suspension Trauma Straps



3.8 EXOFIT NEX GLOBAL WIND ENERGY HARNESS MODEL REPLACEABLE LUMBAR PROTECTOR: The Lumbar Protector (A) can be replaced in the field when worn or damaged. (See Figure 14)

Place the ExoFit harness on a flat surface. Pull the hip belt (B) completely out of the harness to free the worn/damaged Lumbar Protector (A) and tool loops (D, if installed).

To install the replacement Lumbar Protector:

- Step 1.** Reinsert the hip belt through the left D-Ring (C), the end of the first tool loop (D, if installed), belt loops (E) and (F), and the end of the tool loop (D).
- Step 2.** Insert the hip belt through the replacement Lumbar Protector (G), the second tool loop (H, if installed), the next two belt loops (I) and (K), the end of the tool loop (H) and the right D-Ring.

Completed installation of replacement Lumbar Protector.

Figure 14 - Replaceable Lumbar Protector



4.0 TRAINING

It is the responsibility of the purchaser and the user of this equipment to assure that they understand these instructions and are trained in the correct care and use of this equipment. They must also be aware of the operating characteristics, application limits, and the consequences of improper use of this equipment.

IMPORTANT: Training must be conducted without exposing the user to a fall hazard. Training should be repeated on a periodic basis.

5.0 INSPECTION

5.1 i-Safe™ RFID TAG: The i-Safe™ RFID tag on the ExoFit NEX™ Harness (see “Figure 15 i-Safe™ RFID Tag”) can be used in conjunction with the i-Safe handheld reading device and the web based portal to simplify inspection and inventory control and provide records for your fall protection equipment.



5.2 FREQUENCY: Before each use inspect the full body harness according to Section 5.3. The harness must be inspected by a competent person³, other than the user, at least annually. Record the results of each formal inspection in the inspection and maintenance log in section Section 9, or use the i-Safe™ inspection web portal to maintain your inspection records.

IMPORTANT: If the full body harness has been subjected to fall arrest or impact forces it must be immediately removed from service and destroyed.

IMPORTANT: Extreme working conditions (harsh environments, prolonged use, etc.) may require increasing the frequency of inspections.

5.3 INSPECTION: Inspect the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness as follows:

- Step 1. Inspect harness hardware (buckles, D-rings, pads, loop keepers, vertical torso adjusters):** These items must not be damaged, broken, distorted, and must be free of sharp edges, burrs, cracks, worn parts, or corrosion. PVC coated hardware must be free of cuts, rips, tears, holes, etc. in the coating to ensure non-conductivity. Ensure that release tabs on buckles work freely and that a click is heard when the buckle engages. Inspect vertical torso adjusters for proper operation. Ratchet knobs should turn with ease in a clockwise direction and should only turn counterclockwise when the knob is pulled out.
- Step 2. Inspect webbing:** Material must be free of frayed, cut, or broken fibers. Check for tears, abrasions, mold, burns, or discoloration. Inspect stitching; check for pulled or cut stitches. Broken stitches may be an indication that the harness has been impact loaded and must be removed from service. When performing the annual formal inspection, unsnap and open the back pad to facilitate inspection of the webbing.
- Step 3. Inspect the labels:** All labels should be present and fully legible (see Section 8).
- Step 4. Inspect system components and subsystems:** Inspect each system component or subsystem according to manufacturer's instructions.

3 Competent Person: One who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

Step 5. Record inspection data: Record the inspection date and results in the *Inspection and Maintenance Log* (see Section 9).

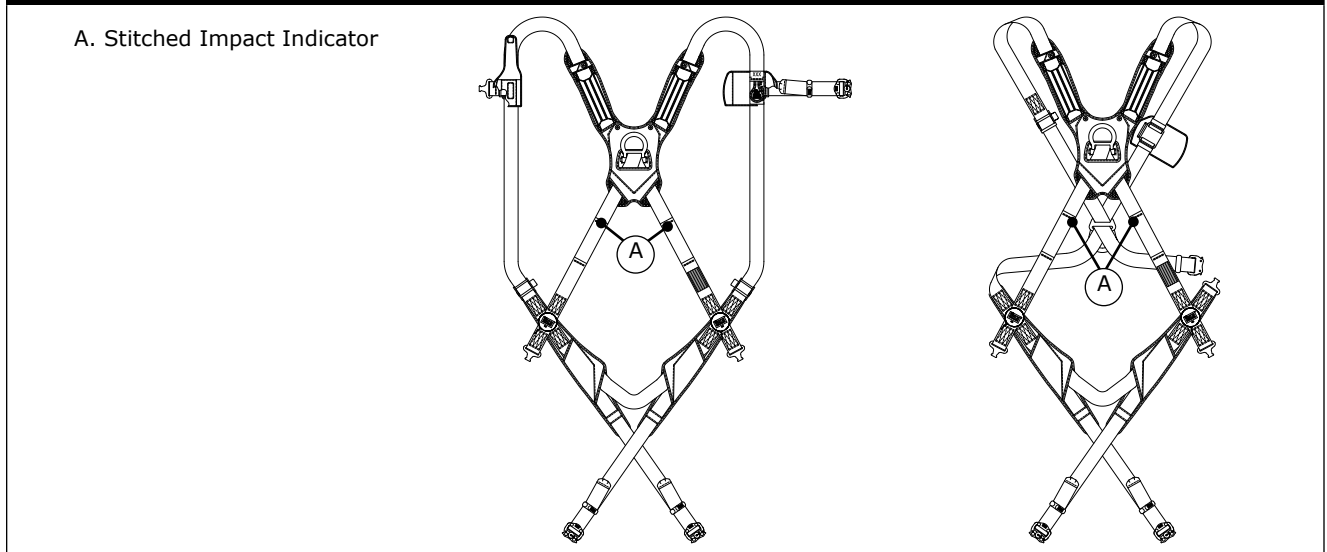
Step 6. Inspect the Stitched Impact Indicator: The stitched impact indicator is a section of webbing that is lapped back on itself and secured with a specific stitch pattern holding the lap (see Figure 16). The stitch pattern is designed to release when the harness arrests a fall or has been subjected to an equivalent force. If the impact indicator has been activated the harness must be removed from service and destroyed.

Step 7. Inspect Suspension Trauma Straps: Check the trauma strap pouches for damage and secure connection to the harness. Unzip the trauma strap pouch on each hip of the harness and inspect suspension trauma straps. Webbing and pouch material must be free of frayed, cut, or broken fibers. Check for tears, abrasions, mold, burns, discoloration, or knots. Verify that one pouch is marked 'Hook' and the other marked 'loop'.

IMPORTANT: If inspection reveals a defective condition, remove the unit from service immediately and destroy it.

NOTE: Only DBI-SALA or parties authorized in writing may make repairs to this equipment.

Figure 16- Stitched Impact Indicator



6.0 MAINTENANCE, SERVICING, AND STORAGE

6.1 WASHING INSTRUCTIONS: Washing procedures for the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness are as follows:

Step 1. Spot clean the ExoFit NEX™ full body harness with water and a mild soap solution.

IMPORTANT: Use a bleach-free detergent when washing the harness and pads. Fabric softener or dryer sheets **SHOULD NOT** be used when laundering and drying the harness and pads.

Step 2. Water temperature for wash and rinse must not exceed 160° F (70° C).

Step 3. The harness and pads may be air dried or tumble dried on low heat not exceeding 200° F (90° C).

NOTE: More information on cleaning is available from Capital Safety. If you have questions concerning the condition of your harness, or have any doubt about putting it into service, contact Capital Safety.

6.2 ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING: Additional maintenance and servicing procedures must be completed by a factory authorized service center. Authorization must be in writing. Do not attempt to disassemble the unit.

6.3 STORAGE: Store the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness in a cool, dry, clean environment out of direct sunlight. Avoid areas where chemical vapors may exist. Thoroughly inspect the full body harness after extended storage.

7.0 SPECIFICATIONS

7.1 PERFORMANCE:

- **Maximum Free Fall Distance:** No greater than 6 ft (1.8 m), per federal law and ANSI Z359.1.

NOTE: Harness is acceptable for use with free fall distances exceeding 6 feet (1.8 m) if used with appropriate connecting system.

- **Maximum Arresting Force:** 1,800 lbs. (13 kN)
- **Maximum Capacity:**
 - 420 lbs. (191 kg) per OSHA
 - 310 lbs. (141 kg) per ANSI Z359.1
 - 352 lbs. (160 kg) per CSA Z259.10-06
- **Approximate Weight:**
 - Harness only:* 3 lbs. (1.4 kg)
 - Harness with Side D-rings:* Add 1/2 lb. (.23 kg)
 - Harness with Front D-ring:* Add 1/4 lb. (.11 kg)
 - Harness with Back Pad or Belt:* Add 1 lb. (.45 kg)

7.2 MATERIALS:

- **Webbing Materials:** 6,000 lbs (27 kN) Polyester; 7,000 lbs (31 kN) Tensile Strength Nylon; 7,000 lbs Tensile Strength Nomex⁴ covered Kevlar⁴
- **Pad and Label Cover Materials:**
 - Blend of Nylon and Polyester.
 - All outer fabric is Nomex and Kevlar blend fabric. (Arc Flash models only)
 - Fire Resistant Hook and Loop Fasteners. (Arc Flash models only)
- **Optional Accessories:**
 - Hip Pad with side D-rings
 - Nomex[®] covered Kevlar[®] webbing
 - Non-sparking/ Non-conductive PVC coated hardware
 - Arc-rated hip, leg, and back pads
 - Polyurethane coated, arc-rated dorsal web loop

- 7.3 STANDARDS:** When installed and used per the requirements and recommendations in the manual, the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Harness meets local, state, and federal requirements defined in Section 1.2.

⁴ ®: Nomex[®] and Kevlar[®] are registered trademarks of DuPont.

9.0 INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE LOG

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Use this Supplemental Instruction with the ExoFit NEX User Instruction Manual 5903027. This supplement includes information for the following sections: 1.0 Application, 2.0 System Limitations and Requirements, 3.0 Donning and Use, 7.0 Specifications, and 8.0 Labels.

Permanently retain this Supplemental Instruction and the ExoFit NEX User Instruction Manual 5903027. Keep a copy of both Instructions with the ExoFit NEX harness.

ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Suspension Harness

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Figure 1 - ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Suspension Harness

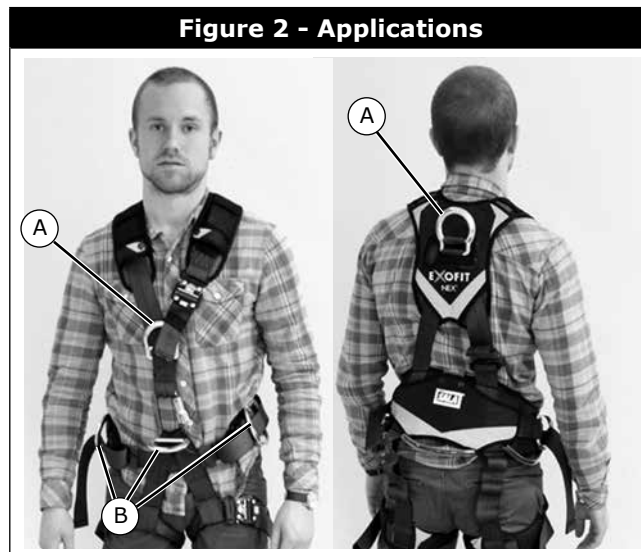


A. Shoulder Strap w/Hybrid Padding B. Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckle C. Tech-Lite™ Side, Front and Pelvic D-Rings
D. Leg [Suspension] Strap E. Tech-Lite™ Dorsal D-Ring

1.0 APPLICATION

1.1.1 PURPOSE: Suspension harness used for Fall Arrest (D-Ring connections A, Figure 2) and Work Positioning (D-Ring connections B, Figure 2).

1.2.1 STANDARDS: Refer to life safety harness information found in NFPA 1500, *Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program*, and NFPA 1983, *Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services*.



2.0 SYSTEM LIMITATIONS & REQUIRMENTS

2.7.1 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS: Do not expose the harness to flame or high temperature. Such exposure could cause the harness to melt or burn and fail during use. Harnesses that meet the optional flame resistance requirements specified in NFPA 1983 are designed for use in environments where exposure to flame or high temperature could occur.

3.0 DONNING AND USE

3.9 DONNING AND FITTING THE SUSPENSION HARNESS: The ExoFit NEX™ Suspension Harness includes leg straps for work positioning. Don the Full Body Suspension Harness using the following steps and the corresponding images in Figure 3.

- Step 1.** Locate the front of the harness. The front has two D-rings. Lift up the harness and hold by the shoulder straps. Ensure all straps are not twisted.
- Step 2.** With the front of the harness facing forward, step through the right side of the harness with your right leg. Then, step through the left side of the harness with your left leg. Grasp the right shoulder strap and place it on the top of your right shoulder. Ensure that the straps are not tangled and hang freely.
- Step 3.** Grasp the left shoulder strap and place it over your left shoulder. The two D-rings will be positioned on the front of your body if the harness has been donned properly.
- Step 4.** Grasp the tab of the buckle located at the bottom of the strap that you placed over your left shoulder. Insert the tab into the receptor of the quick connect buckle on the left side of the harness. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.

NOTE: Locking ⚙ and unlocking ⚙ the webbing lock prevents or allows the strap to slide between the sliding bar and slot on the female end of the quick connect buckle. It does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends and will not affect the buckle connection in the event of a fall.

- Step 5.** Grasp the waist-level strap ends on right and left sides of the harness. Pull both ends forward until all slack is removed from the waist strap and the strap is comfortably tight around your waist. Insert strap ends into the waist strap keeper loops on the right and left sides of the harness.
- Step 6.** Reach between your legs and grasp the leg strap on your right side. Bring the strap up and insert the tab of the buckle into the receptor of the buckle on the right side. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 7.** Connect the right leg strap using the same procedure as in Step 6. To adjust the leg straps, unlock ⚙ the webbing lock on the quick connect buckle and pull on the strap. A plastic end keeper on the end of the strap will stop it from pulling completely out of the buckle. When the strap is properly adjusted, lock ⚙ the webbing lock. To release the buckle, press the silver-colored tabs on the buckle towards each other with one hand, while pulling on the tab portion of the buckle with the other hand.
- Step 8.** Adjust shoulder straps to a snug fit using the strap adjustment procedure described between Steps 4 and Step 5 on the following page. Left and right sides of the shoulder straps should be adjusted to the same length and the upper front D-ring should be centered on your lower chest. The back D-ring should be centered between your shoulder blades. Adjust the leg straps to a snug fit. At least 3 in. (8 cm) of webbing must extend past the buckle on the leg straps. Adjust the waist belt again as necessary for a secure, comfortable fit.

Figure 3 - Donning Suspension Harness



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3





Step 4

Duo-Lok™ Quick Connect Buckles



Connection: Connect buckle ends by inserting the tab into the receptor until a click is heard.



Strap Adjustment: Rotate Webbing Lock to unlocked position . Pull strap to adjust. Rotate Webbing Lock to locked position .

NOTE: The Webbing Lock does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends.



Step 5



Step 6



Step 7



Step 8

3.10 DONNING AND FITTING THE FIRE AND RESCUE HARNESS. The Fire and Rescue Harness can be used for work positioning or for rescue worker applications. The Class II harness assembly must be donned appropriately for the specific application. After the Class II harness has been donned for work positioning or for rescue, the Class III portion of the harness can be donned. See Section 3.11 for work positioning, Section 3.12 for rescue and 3.13 for the shoulder straps.




WARNING: The Fire and Rescue Harness meets the requirements of NFPA 1983, Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services, 2012 Editions, and the Optional Flame Resistance Requirements of NFPA 1983, Class II. When used in conjunction with DBI/SALA part numbers 1114000, 1114000H, 1114001, 1114001H 1114002, or 1114002H, the Fire and Rescue Harness meets the requirements of Class III but IS NOT FLAME RESISTANT. See Harness labels 5909121 and 5909122.



3.11 FIRE AND RESCUE CLASS II HARNESS DONNING FOR WORK POSITIONING: The ExoFit NEX™ Fire and Rescue Harness includes leg straps that permit the harness to be used for work positioning. To configure the harness for work positioning, follow Figure 4, Steps 1 through 5, to fit the leg straps to the user. Follow the steps in Figure 6 to convert the harness to Class III.

Figure 4 - Fire And Rescue Harness Belt Donning For Work Positioning



Figure 4

- Step 1.** Suspend the harness by holding each end. D-Rings and the carabiner should be facing forward. Ensure all straps are not twisted.
- Step 2.** Grasp the quick connect buckle at the end of the web belt and bring it around your waist so that the buckle is just behind your left hip. Lock  the tab located at the opposite end of the web belt into the quick connect buckle. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 3.** Grasp the quick connect buckle located at the bottom of the strap that is hanging nearest your left leg. Bring that quick connect buckle around the back of your left leg. Lock  the tab located at the end of the short web strap on your left hip into the quick connect buckle. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 4.** Grasp the quick connect buckle located at the bottom of the strap that is hanging nearest your right leg. Bring that quick connect buckle around the back of your right leg. Lock  the tab located at the end of the short web strap on your right hip into the quick connect buckle. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.

NOTE: Locking  and unlocking  the webbing lock prevents or allows the strap to slide between the sliding bar and slot on the female end of the quick connect buckle. It does not control engagement or disengagement of the buckle ends and will not affect the buckle connection in the event of a fall.

- Step 5.** Grasp the waist-level strap ends on right and left sides of the harness. Pull both ends forward until all slack is removed from the waist strap and the strap is comfortably tight around your waist. Insert strap ends into the waist strap keeper loops on the right and left sides of the harness.

3.12 FIRE AND RESCUE CLASS II HARNESS DONNING FOR RESCUE: The ExoFit NEX™ Fire and Rescue Harness includes leg straps that permit the harness to be used for rescue work. To configure the harness for rescue, follow Figure 5, Steps 1 through 5, to fit the leg straps to the user. Follow the steps in Figure 6 to convert the harness to Class III.

Figure 5 - Fire And Rescue Harness Belt Donning For Rescue



Figure 5

- Step 1.** Suspend the harness by holding each end. D-Rings and the carabiner should be facing forward. Ensure all straps are not twisted.
- Step 2.** Grasp the quick connect buckle at the end of the web belt and bring it around your waist so that the buckle is just behind your left hip. Lock the tab located at the opposite end of the web belt into the quick connect buckle. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 3.** Reach between your legs and grasp the leg strap on your left side. Bring the strap up around the back of your left leg. Insert the tab on the strap hanging from the left side of the belt into the quick connect buckle of the strap. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- Step 4.** Reach between your legs and grasp the leg strap on your right side. Bring the strap up around the back of your right leg. Insert the tab on the strap hanging from the right side of the belt into the quick connect buckle of the strap. You will hear a click when the tab engages properly.
- To adjust the leg straps, unlock the webbing lock on the quick connect buckle and pull on the strap. A plastic end keeper on the end of the strap will stop it from pulling completely out of the buckle. When the strap is properly adjusted, lock the webbing lock. To release the buckle, press the silver-colored tabs on the buckle towards each other with one hand, while pulling on the tab portion of the buckle with the other hand.
- Step 5.** Grasp the waist-level strap ends on right and left sides of the harness. Pull both ends forward until all slack is removed from the waist strap and the strap is comfortably tight around your waist. Insert strap ends into the waist strap keeper loops on the right and left sides of the harness.

WARNING: The Fire and Rescue Harness meets the requirements of NFPA 1983, Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services, 2012 Editions, and the Optional Flame Resistance Requirements of NFPA 1983, Class II. When used in conjunction with DBI/SALA part numbers 1114000, 1114000H, 1114001, 1114001H, 1114002, or 1114002H, the Fire and Rescue Harness meets the requirements of Class III but IS NOT FLAME RESISTANT. See Harness labels 5909121 and 5909122.

3.13 SHOULDER STRAPS: Complete donning of the ExoFit NEX™ Fire Rescue Class III harness by following Figure 6, Steps 1 through 6.

Figure 6 - Fire And Rescue Harness Shoulder Strap Donning



Figure 6

- Step 1.** Suspend the shoulder harness. The D-Ring and Yoke should be facing forward. Ensure all straps are not twisted. Place the opening in the Yoke over your head and rest the straps on your shoulders.
- Step 2.** Open the carabiner at the bottom of the Yoke. Insert the carabiner through the strap that holds the D-Ring on the harness belt. Close the carabiner. The gate of the carabiner must not be inside the D-Ring loop.
- Step 3.** Bring the strap on the right side of your back around to your right hip. Open the carabiner and insert it through the red loop on the top of the belt. The carabiner gate must not be inside the belt loops.
- Step 4.** Bring the strap on the left side of your back around to your left hip. Open the carabiner and insert it through the blue loop on the top of the belt. The carabiner gate must not be inside the belt loop. Orient the carabiners as shown in the figures. The carabiner gate must not be inside the belt loop.
- Step 5.** Confirm that the front strap is secured by the carabiner and that the straps lie flat on your chest. Left and right sides of the shoulder straps should be adjusted to the same length and the upper front D-ring should be centered on your lower chest, facing outward and free to swivel up and down.

Step 6. Confirm that the back straps are secured by the carabiners (**A** - blue strap end secured by carabiner to blue loop; **B** - red strap end end secured by carabiner to red loop) and that the straps lie flat across your back. The D-Ring at the center of the harness padding between your shoulders must be facing outward and free to swivel up and down. Adjust shoulder straps to a snug fit.

Before use, adjust the harness leg straps to a snug fit. At least 3 in. (8 cm) of webbing must extend past the buckle on the leg straps. Adjust the waist belt again as necessary for a secure, comfortable fit.

7.0 SPECIFICATIONS

7.3.1 STANDARDS: When installed and used per the requirements and recommendations in the manual, the ExoFit NEX™ Full Body Suspension Harness meets the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association 1983 Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services, 2012 Edition.