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#### Inspection Record

The manufacturer recommends this product should be inspected prior to every use along with periodically independent inspection every 6-months.

Model	Personal Identification Number	Purchased from
Comments		Purchase Date
		Date first used

PERIODIC EXAMINATION RECORD				
Date	Reason for entry	Examination Notes	Name	signature

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## **X2 CLIMBERS**

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#### **General Description**

STEIN X2 Climbers are designed as a specialised piece of equipment used to assist an arborist in ascending / descending trees and wooden poles and to help maintain a good working position.

#### Important

Activities using this type of equipment are inherently dangerous. It is not possible to cover every eventuality relating to the use of this equipment. Purchasers and users should seek professional training from a fully qualified and competent instructor prior to engaging in any activity. If you are not able, or not in a position to assume this responsibility, do not use this product. The manufacturer its distributors and retailers do not accept any liability if users do not follow the instructions correctly. Only the techniques shown in the diagrams are authorised. Any other use deviating from those shown may result in serious injury or death. Prior to each use a complete risk assessment must be carried out to ascertain that the device chosen configures with and is appropriate to the work being undertaken.

As part of any method statement we recommend that all users of this equipment must be given a copy of these instructions. They must read them, understand them and explicitly follow all instructions and cautions attached. Any person using this equipment should be fully trained and competent in its use.

#### **WARNINGS**

- THIS PRODUCT SHOULD ONLY BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A FULLY CONFIGURED CLIMBING SYSTEM AND NOT BE USED FOR FREE CLIMBING
- Before use inspect the climbers to make sure that there are no cracks or bends, and that that the gaffs are properly installed and secure.
- Inspect your pads and straps for any cuts or abrasions which could cause a failure during use, any worn pads and/or straps should be replaced immediately.
- The gaffs are sharp and can cause serious injury, always keep body parts and loose clothing away from the
- Always use appropriate hand protection when handling the climbers.
- Kicking or jamming gaffs will cause unnecessary stress to the climber, and should be avoided.
- Do not take large steps when ascending or descending. Doing so creates unnecessary stress to the climber.
- Maximum weight limit of this product should not exceed 125kgs.
- When not in use, X2 Climbers should be stored safely with the gaff guards attached to avoid accidental injury
- Never try to alter X2 Climbers in any way.
- Never scratch or etch this product, doing so could result in weakening of the alloy.
- Avoid walking on hard surfaces whilst wearing the X2 Climbers. Doing so increases wear on the bottom of the climber which will decrease the life expectancy.
- If this product is bent or damaged due to extended use or misuse, remove from service immediately and retire. DO NOT try to bend climbers back to their original position.
- Bending in anyway will cause a weakening of the alloy which could lead to serious injury or death!
- The climbers should be retired immediately from use when there is no visual signs of the CLIMBER GRIP remaining.
- This product is a personal item and is not recommended to be used by more than one user. It should never be re-sold or re-distributed to any other users.
- Although climbers are not deemed as Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) The manufacturer recommends this product should be inspected prior to every use along with periodically independent inspection every 6-months.

#### **Product Life**

If the product shows tactile or visual signs of wear, chemical contact, abrasion, or crushing it should be retired from use immediately. By misuse it is possible to destroy this product during its first use. These times are for guidance purposes only.

Daily Use: 12 months Weekly Use: max 2-years Occasional Use: max 5-years

The total maximum life of this product (storage before use + lifetime in use) is limited to 10 years. In good storage conditions this product may be kept for as many as 5 years before the first use without affecting its future duration in use. The working life depends on the frequency and type of use.

#### Part Identification





CLIMBER GRIP refers to the two areas of serration located on the base of the climbers

#### Attaching the Climbers

Both the Climbers and the Pads are marked with L & R relating to Left Leg and Right Leg. Ensure the Pads and Climbers are paired correctly and worn on the correct legs. Failure to do so could result in serious injury or death



(1) Position the Velcro Pad approximately 60mm below the knee bone



Fasten the ankle straps ensuring the strap is not twisted and passes around the climber shank and above the top of the gaff



Attach using the securing screws and tighten with a snannei



Pass the Velcro strap around the calf and through the Aluminium "C"



Stand firmly in the climbers ensuring you have positioned them on the correct lea



Pull tightly ensuring the Velcro passes back around the calf and the Velcro is securely fastened



The climber should fit securely against the heel of your boots



Test the climbers are securely fastened and positioned correctly before commencing to climb. Readjust the climbers if required