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Stop Use & Return Notice

Dyna-Lock[®] Self-Retracting Lanyard - 22m (70ft) and 30m (95ft) Types and Dynevac[®], Dynevac II, and Lynx[®] Rescuers - 30m (95ft) Types Manufactured between January 1, 2001 and October 8, 2004

Immediate Attention Required

October 28, 2004

MSA is currently investigating an issue involving the Dyna-Lock Self-Retracting Lanyard (SRL) and Dynevac, Dynavac II and Lynx Rescuers identified above. Our initial findings revealed that some of the housing sub-assemblies of the SRLs and Rescuers were improperly manufactured by our supplier. Although the units will lock in the event of a fall, the line extension (deceleration distance) exceeds the MSA specification of 40 inches. Although this condition occurs in only a small percentage of the units, and there have not been any field incidents or injuries related to this condition, the units must be opened and examined in order to identify and remediate the issue. This notice is directed to all purchasers of products that potentially could contain this manufacturing condition. **MSA asks that you carefully review this notice and immediately remove from service all affected SRLs and Rescuers.**

This notice includes the following MSA fall protection products:

- MSA 22M (70ft) and 30M (95ft) Dyna-Lock SRLs
Part numbers 506206, 506207, 506208, 506209, 506332, 506333, 10006463, 10006464, 10006465, 10006466, 10036240, 10038662, 10040501, 10040502, 10040503, 10040504, 10042287, 10051447, 10051448, and 10051449
- MSA 30M (95ft) Dynevac Rescuer
Part numbers 506606, 506218, 506444, 10006448, 10006462, and 10040549
- MSA 30M (95ft) Dynevac II Rescuer
Part number 10007783, 10021517, 10053024, and 10056717
- MSA 30M (95ft) Lynx Rescuer
Part numbers 10011745, 10023017, 10038475, 10044389, and 10060977

As indicated above, this notice affects only those MSA SRLs and Rescuers manufactured between January 1, 2001 and October 8, 2004. SRLs and Rescuers manufactured outside the specified time period as well as products manufactured with green torque seal on the torque nut (located on the face of the unit - see diagram below) do not have this condition and may continue to be used.

LOCATION: RIDC Industrial Park • 121 Gamma Drive • Pittsburgh, PA 15238

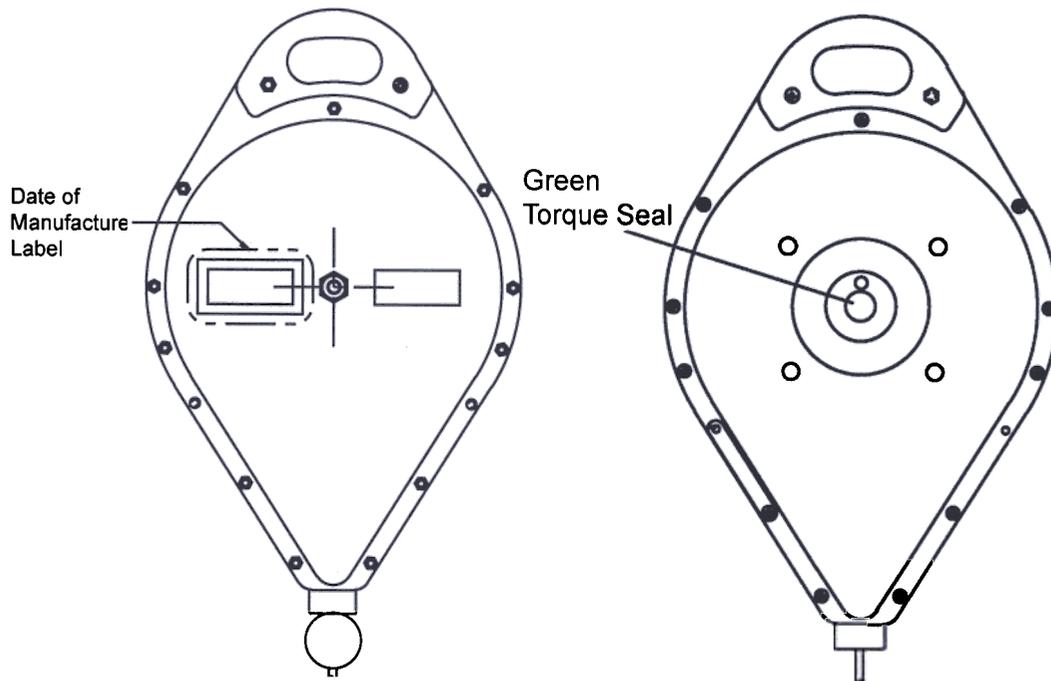
The following outlines the steps you need to take immediately:

Locate SRLs and Rescuers:

Locate all of the above listed SRLs and Rescuers.

2. Remove affected product from service:

Inspect all products to determine the date of manufacture and if green torque seal is present. The date of manufacture is located on the label affixed to back of the housing and the green torque seal is located in the center of the face of the housing. (see diagram below). If the date of manufacture is within the affected range or if the date cannot be determined, the product is subject to this notice and must be removed from service, with the following exception. If green torque seal is present, the unit is not subject to this notice, even on units with a date of manufacture within the affected range.



3. Contact MSA to arrange for service:

Contact MSA Customer Service to make arrangements for the return and service of all affected products. Customer Service will direct you to the best place to have your unit serviced as quickly as possible, either a local service center or the MSA Englewood plant. Customers in Canada should call 1-888-396-1067. Customers in the United States or Mexico should call 303-975-2314.

The returned product will be inspected for this condition and repaired as needed. We will use a green torque seal on the torque nut located in the center of the face of the housing and enter a new date under the "last factory service" field on the label shown above. The original or replacement products will be express shipped to you within four working days of our receipt of your product.

We apologize for the inconvenience this situation may cause you. To help mitigate any inconvenience you may experience, we will perform a basic service (general cleaning and lubrication as well as replacement of any minor components that may be worn due to normal use) on the unit at no charge. We are confident that our corrective measures appropriately address this safety concern. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact MSA Customer Service toll-free at 1-888-396-1067 (Canada) or 303-975-2314 (United States or Mexico). Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles J. Seibel, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Charles J. Seibel, Jr.
Manager of Product Safety

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