### A WARNING A

For rock climbing, ice climbing and mountaineering only. Climbing and mountaineering are inherently dangerous activities and you must understand and accept the risks prior to participation. Before using this product, read and understand all instructions and warnings that accompany it and be familiar with the products limitations and capabilities. We recommend that every climber seek out qualified instruction before using this product.

(A list of guides and guide services can be obtained through the AMGA, 303-271-0984 or www.amga.com.)

### **Before Use**

- Read the above warning.
- Learn how to correctly put your harness on.
- Learn how to tie into your harness correctly.
- Test the fit by carefully hanging in your harness.

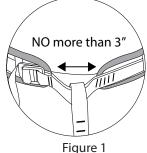
### **A Harness**

Forms the vital link between the climber, their rope, and the rest of the protection chain. Beyond this primary purpose, a harness can provide a place to rack gear and to serve as a belay seat. An understanding of the design, fit, and care of climbing harnesses is crucial to reducing the risks associated with climbing. This harness meets the ASTM Standard Specification for Climbing Harnesses, F1772-99.

## Harness Fit

When sizing a harness, ensure that when the harness is properly adjusted, there is at least 3 inches of tail web

running through all of the buckles. The harness size with the best fit will have no more than a 3 inch gap between the two ends of the waistbelt padding (figure 1).

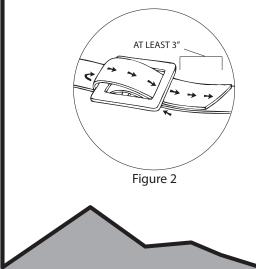


## Putting on the Harness

- 1. Open up the harness and orient it with the tie in point directed forward. Step through the leg loops and pull them up high on your thighs. There should be no twist in the leg loop cross piece, and the Misty Mountain label should be on the left leg loop.
- 2. Thread the waistbelt webbing through the waist buckles and tighten them snugly around your waist, adjusting the left and right buckles so the gear loops are symmetrical on either side of your body. The waistbelt should fit snugly around your waist, above your hipbones. Tighten the leg loop buckles so the leg loops fit snugly but not constricting.

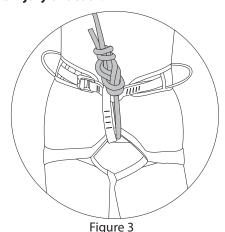
IMPORTANT: This harness is equipped with "double pass" buckles. When buckling, always pass the webbing back through the buckle covering the "DANGER" stamp and leaving at least 3 inches of tail web (Figure 2). Thread the excess webbing tail through the tail keeper sleeve.

- 3. The harness should fit snugly and be impossible to pull down. Prior to use, perform a suspension test in a controlled environment to ensure the harness fits correctly and the buckles function properly. A loose harness will be uncomfortable to hang in and could come off in a fall. Always ensure that the buckles are working properly in icy or damp conditions.
- 4. Use the small plastic buckle located under the haul loop to adjust the leg loop hold up straps to provide the best fit.



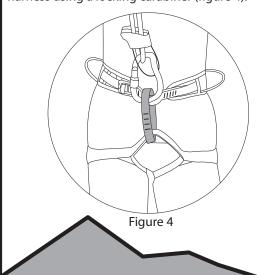
## Tying In

Check to see that the waistbelt and leg loops are properly adjusted and the buckles are threaded correctly. Thread the rope through the two tie in points connected by the belay/rappel loop (figure 3). Never tie into the belay/rappel loop, gear loops, or the rear haul loop. Failure to tie in correctly can result in severe injury or death!



## Belaying / Rappelling

When belaying or rappelling, the device should be attached to the belay/rappel loop on the front of the harness using a locking carabiner (figure 4).



## Life Expectancy

Under normal weekend use, the life expectancy of your harness is approximately two to three years. The life expectancy may be longer or shorter depending on how often you use it and the conditions of its use. Some things that will reduce the lifespan of your harness:

- Falls
- · Abrasion, cuts, wear
- High heat
- Direct sunlight
- Corrosives

## Inspection & Retirement

Before and after each time your harness is used, be sure to inspect it for any damage or unusual wear. It is extremely important that your harness is in good condition every time you use it. A damaged harness must be retired immediately.

Retire your harness immediately if:

- The webbing has any rips or holes.
- The webbing is abraded or any of the threads are torn.
- The webbing is melted, singed, burnt, or stiff.
- Bar tacks are abraded or showing wear.
- One of the buckles is cracked, corroded, has a burr, is bent, or is damaged in any way.
- The webbing has faded from exposure to sunlight.
- The harness has come into contact with battery acid, petroleum products or corrisives of any type.

If a harness has withstood a severe fall but has no visual signs of damage, it may still be ready for retirement. If there are any doubts about a harness's dependability, retire it. Upon retirement, destroy the harness to avoid future use.

### A Sustainable Mission

Misty Mountain Threadworks was founded on the belief that it could make the finest climbing harnesses in the world, and that this could be accomplished in a manner that was respectful of all involved - customers, employees, vendor partners and owners alike. Years of experiencing the forests, cliffs and rivers of the Southern Appalachian Range taught us to care for the world in which we work and live. Misty Mountain manages all of its operations responsibly and sustainably. Our products are made in the United States, in our folksy yet state of the art textile facility in the North Carolina mountains. Manufacturing locally means that we provide employment for skilled workers in a shrinking manufacturing economy. Manufacturing locally also cuts down substantially on total freight costs in both dollars and carbon emissions, as our products are not sent via container from the other side of the planet. We further reduce our carbon footprint by reusing corrugated boxes from local retailers and suppliers for all of our outgoing shipments. Product designs and manufacturing processes are optimized to minimize waste and promote recycling. Streamlining all of our processes to conserve energy use is an ongoing project at Misty Mountain.

Misty Mountain is committed to being a responsible corporation, and we thank you for your support. We hope that you find a world of adventure in your climbing, and that you care for the world in a way that shows your commitment to a sustainable environment for all to share.



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#### Instructions for use



# Climbing Harness



The Cadillac is versatile enough to be used on big walls, but shines brightest on multi pitch and traditional routes. Constructed wide for comfort, the Cadillac incorporates an inner waistbelt layer that makes it more comfortable at belays and working out crux sections. Features include double buckle waistbelt for a wide range of adjustment, double pass waist and leg buckles, six big gear loops, reinforced tie-in points, durable cross linked polyethylene foam, and a full stregth haul loop.