PPE Inspection

Inspection procedure

- In addition to routine checks for each use, PPE should regularly undergo a detailed inspection by a competent person. Petzl recommends an inspection every 12 months and after any exceptional event in the life of the product.
- PPE inspection should be conducted with the manufacturer's Instructions for Use.
Download the instructions at PETZL.COM.

EXO / EXO AP

1. Known product history

Any PPE showing unexpected degradation should be quarantined, pending a detailed inspection.

The user should:
- Provide precise information on the usage conditions.
- Report any exceptional event regarding his PPE.
(Examples: fall or fall arrest, use or storage at extreme temperatures, modification outside manufacturer’s facilities...).

2. Preliminary observations

Verify the presence and legibility of the serial number and the CE mark.
Attention, the serial number code on our products is evolving. Two types of code will coexist. See below for details on each serial number code.

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Verify that the product lifetime has not been exceeded.
Compare with a new product to verify there are no modifications or missing parts.

- To carry out the inspection of your EXO, remove it completely from the bag.

3. Checking the condition of the bag

- Look for wear and damage on the bag due to use (cuts, signs of chemicals or burns, discoloration, loose tears...).
4. Checking the condition of the anchor connector and the harness attachment connector.

- For connector inspection, see the inspection form for your connector model at Petzl.com.

5. Inspecting the rope

- Look for wear and damage on the sheath due to use (cuts, fuzziness, signs of chemicals or burns...).

- Carry out a tactile inspection of the core along the entire length of the rope (hard spots, swelling, soft or crushed areas...).

- Check the condition of the rope at the free end and at the anchor connector end. Check the safety stitching on the sewn terminations. Be particularly careful to check for cut or loose threads.

- If necessary, remove the rope and replace it with a Petzl spare rope for EXO. Follow the installation instructions in the Instructions for Use provided with the replacement rope.

Replacement rope for EXO / EXO AP
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6. Inspecting the frame

- Check the general condition of the frame and side plates (marks, deformation, cracks, fouling, corrosion...).

- Check the condition of the attachment hole (marks, deformation, cracks, corrosion...).

- Check the condition of the cam groove (marks, deformation, fouling...). Make sure there are no foreign objects in the mechanism (mud, sand...).

- Check the condition of the handle (marks, deformation, cracks...). Check that the handle return spring is working properly.

- Check the condition of the rivets (marks, deformation, cracks, corrosion...).
• Verify the presence of the plastic tie use indicator (EXO EN 341 only).

7. Function check

• Do a function check with the device on the harness. Pull on the anchor side of the rope, the rope must lock in the device. Take care to avoid breaking the plastic tie use indicator.

8. Packing the EXO in the bag

• Follow the EXO Instructions for Use, available at Petzl.com.