



# RIG

(EN) Self-braking descender / belay device  
 (FR) Descendeur-assureur autofreinant

CE 0082

EN12841 : 2006 type C  
 EN341 : 1997 Class A

NFPA 1983 - 2012 ED.

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## ⚠ WARNING

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- Understand and accept the risks involved.



FAILURE TO HEED ANY OF THESE  
 WARNINGS MAY RESULT IN SEVERE  
 INJURY OR DEATH.

3 year guarantee  
 Patented

## NFPA CERTIFICATION FOR RIG

D21  
 THIS DESCENT CONTROL DEVICE MEETS THE AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT  
 REQUIREMENTS OF NFPA 1983, STANDARD ON FIRE SERVICE LIFE SAFETY  
 ROPE AND EQUIPMENT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES, 2012 EDITION.



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MBS 14 kN  
 T (TECHNICAL USE)  
 MEETS NFPA 1983 (2012 ED.)  
 Descent control  
 device type 4

This RIG has passed the minimum breaking strength and holding load test using the following rope : [STERLING, 3/8" HTP static, P105] and [Bluewater, 7/16" Spec-Static rope, 540700].

After removing the instructions for use from the equipment, make a copy of it and keep the original as part of a permanent record that includes the usage and inspection history for the equipment. Keep the copy of the instructions for use with the equipment and refer to it before and after each use. Additional information regarding auxiliary equipment can be found in NFPA 1500, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, and NFPA 1983, Standard on Fire Service Life Safety Rope and System Components.



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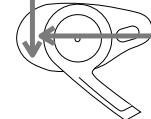
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## TRACEABILITY and MARKINGS

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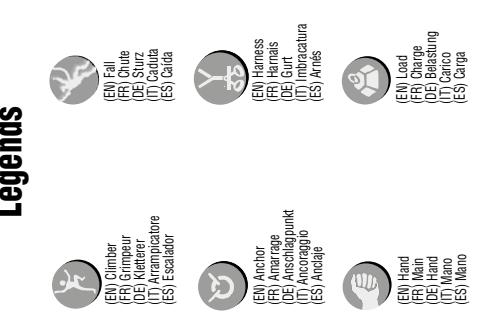
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 EN 12841 : 2006  
 Person fall protection  
 equipment  
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D21	10,5 ≤ Ø ≤ 11,5 mm	

Only the techniques shown in the diagrams that are not crossed out and/or do not display a skull and crossbones symbol are authorized.  
This information is non-exhaustive. Check our Web site [www.petzl.com](http://www.petzl.com) regularly to find the latest versions of these documents and/or supplementary information.  
Contact PETZL if you have any doubt or difficulty understanding these documents.

## 1 Field of application

**Rope access descent.**  
EN 12841 type C rope adjuster.  
**Evacuating one or more persons.**  
EN 341: 1997 type A rescue descender.  
This product must not be loaded beyond its strength rating, nor be used for any purpose other than that for which it is designed.

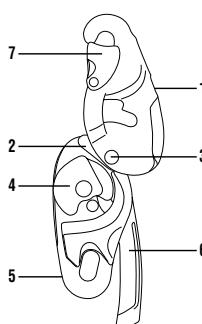


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- Read and understand all instructions for use.  
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**Failure to heed any of these warnings may result in severe injury or death.**

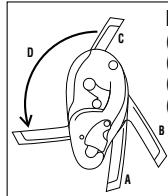
### Responsibility

WARNING, specific training in the activities defined in the field of application is essential before use.  
This product must only be used by competent and responsible persons, or those placed under the direct and visual control of a competent and responsible person.  
Gaining an adequate apprenticeship in appropriate techniques and methods of protection is your own responsibility.  
You personally assume all risks and responsibilities for all damage, injury or death which may occur during or following incorrect use of our products in any manner whatsoever. If you are not able, or not in a position to assume this responsibility or to take this risk, do not use this equipment.

## 2 Nomenclature of parts

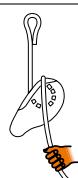


- (1) Moving side plate,
- (2) Friction plate,
- (3) Hinge,
- (4) Cam,
- (4bis) Cam axle,
- (5) Fixed side plate,
- (6) Handle,
- (7) Safety gate.



- Handle positions**  
(A) Transport,  
(B) Work positioning,  
(C) Belaying,  
(D) Descent.

#### Terminology :



Brake hand



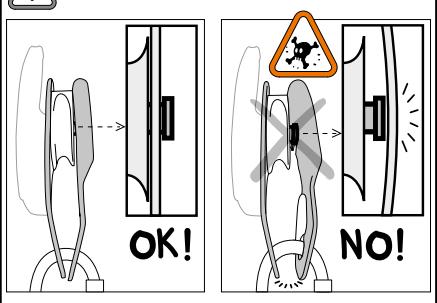
Braking side of the rope

#### Principal materials

Aluminum alloy,  
stainless steel, nylon.

## 3 Inspection, points to verify

### ATTENTION



#### Before each use

Verify that the product has no cracks, deformation, marks, excessive wear, corrosion, etc. Check the condition of the cam. If there is rope slippage, retire the RIG (see chapter 7. Function test). Check the play and deformation of the swinging side plate. If the side plate can pass over the top of the cam axle, retire the RIG (see diagram). Check the locking components (safety gate, locking screw, hinge). Verify the full mobility of the

cam and of the handle, and the operation of the springs (cam, safety gate, automatic return of the handle).

Verify there are no foreign objects (sand, etc.) in the mechanism and no lubricant on the rope path.

Consult the details of the inspection procedure to be carried out for each item of PPE on the Web at [www.petzl.com/ppe](http://www.petzl.com/ppe).

Contact PETZL if there is any doubt about the condition of this product.

#### During each use

It is important to regularly monitor the condition of the product and its connections to the other equipment in the system. Make sure that all pieces of equipment in the system are correctly positioned with respect to each other. Verify that the connector is always loaded on its major axis. Verify that it is locked. To reduce the risk of a free fall, the rope between the descender and the anchor must always be taut.

## 4 Compatibility

For all of your applications, verify the compatibility of this product with the other elements of your system (compatibility = good functional interaction).

#### Rope

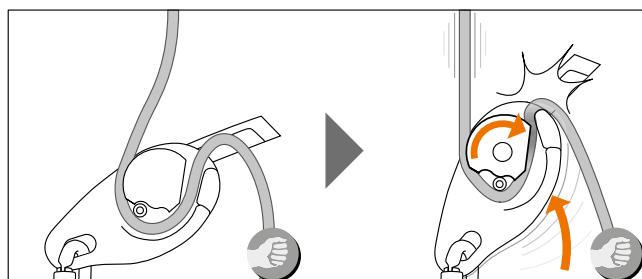
WARNING, certain ropes can be slippery and thus reduce the RIG's braking effectiveness, for example new ropes, certain sheath constructions and/or sheath treatments, wet or frozen ropes, etc. (see the instructions specific to the rope).

#### Connector

You must use a locking connector that meets current standards.

Contact Petzl if you are uncertain about the compatibility of your equipment.

## 5 Working principle



When the rope becomes taut (suspension or fall), the RIG pivots on the carabiner and the cam pinches the rope, applying a braking force to it. By holding the braking side of the rope, the brake hand helps engage the cam. The handle allows the cam to be disengaged, to start descending. The use of gloves is recommended.

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# Setting up of the descender

Attach the RIG with a locking carabiner.

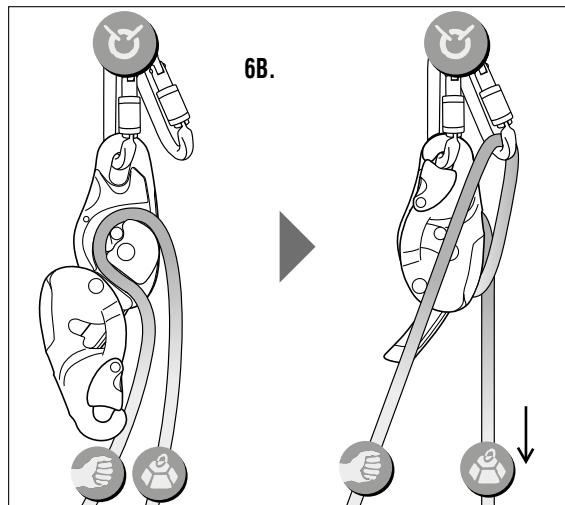
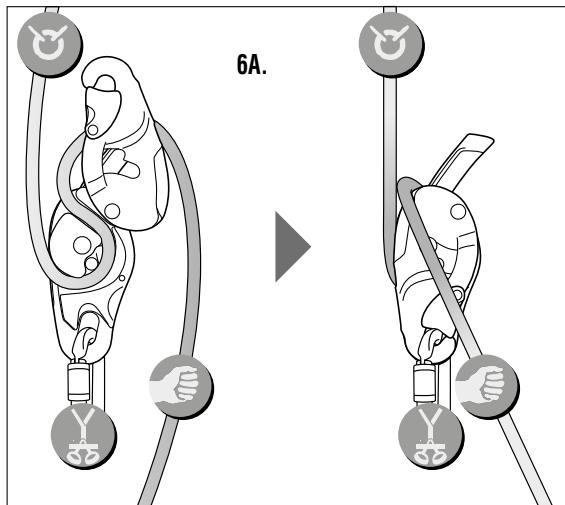
Open the moving side plate. Put the handle in position (C) to open the cam. Insert the rope as indicated by the diagrams engraved on the device. Close the swinging side plate (safety gate) on the locked carabiner.

**WARNING:** the moving side plate must be properly engaged on the cam axle and on the carabiner.

#### 6A. Device on the harness

#### 6B. Device on an anchor

You must add friction by redirecting the braking side of the rope through a carabiner.



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# Function test

Before each use, verify that the rope is correctly installed and that the device is working properly. You must always use a backup safety system when performing this test.

**WARNING DANGER OF DEATH:** do not allow anything to interfere with the operation of the device or its components (cam, handle). Any constraint on the device negates the braking action.

#### 7A. Device on the harness

Pull on the anchored side of the rope; the rope must jam in the device. If not, check that the rope is correctly installed.

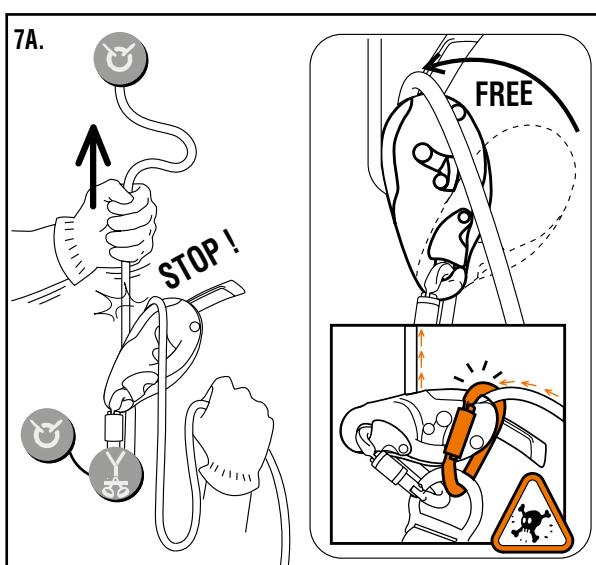
**WARNING:** if your device doesn't work anymore (rope slippage), retire it. Gradually put your weight onto the device, handle in

position (D) descent while holding the braking side of the rope. Gradually pull on the handle with the other hand to allow the rope to slide. When the handle is released, the RIG brakes, then jams the rope.

#### 7B. Device on the anchor

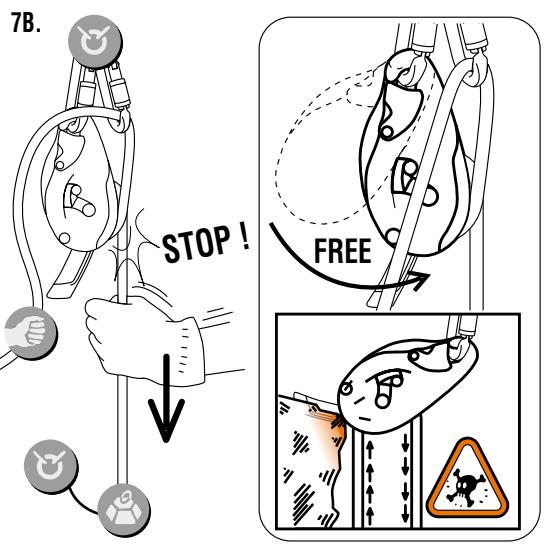
Pull on the load side of the rope: the rope must jam in the device. If not, check that the rope is correctly installed.

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# Function test



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## Rope access EN 12841: 2006 Type C

### Working load limit: 150 kg.

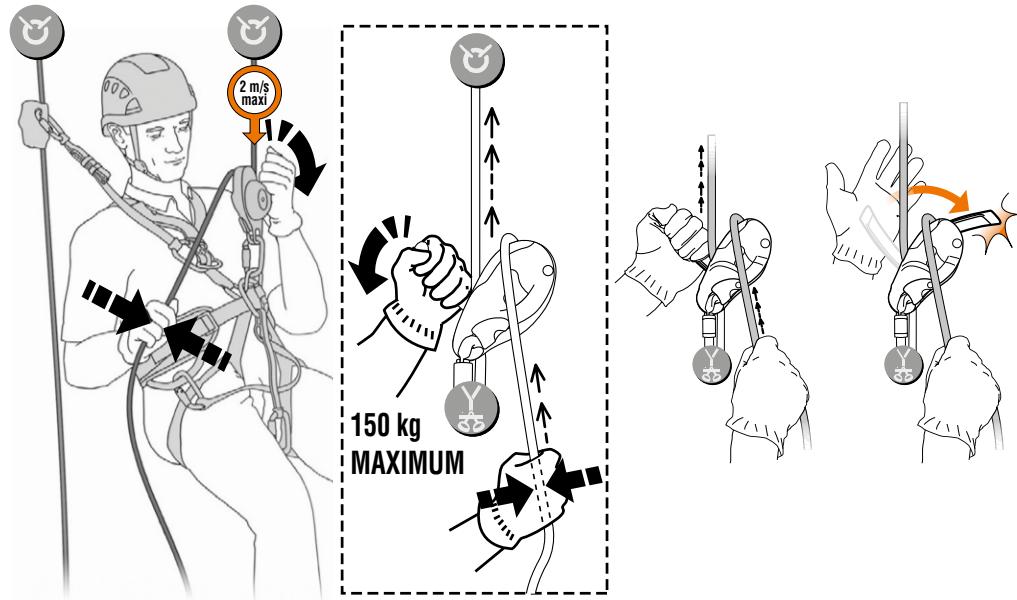
The RIG descender (certified to EN 12841: 2006) is a type C rope adjuster used to descend the work rope. The RIG is a braking device for rope that allows the user to manually control the speed of descent and to stop anywhere on the rope by releasing the handle.

To meet the requirements of the EN 12841: 2006 type C standard, use 10.5-11.5 mm EN 1891 type A semi-static ropes (core + sheath).

Note: Certification testing was performed at 150 kg using Petzl 10.5 to 11.5 mm ropes.

### 8A. Descent One person

Device attached to the harness (handle in position C). You control the descent by varying your grip on the braking side of the rope. To descend, pull gradually on the handle (position D) with one hand, holding the braking side of the rope with the other hand. Release the handle to stop the descent. When the handle is released, it returns automatically to position (C). **Always hold the braking side of the rope.**



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## Rope access EN 12841: 2006 Type C

### 8B. Work positioning - secured stop

After stopping at the desired location, to go into work positioning mode with hands free, lock the device on the rope by moving the handle in the direction opposite to that used for descent (turned to position B) without using excessive force. Once the handle has stopped at position b (positioning), do not force the handle. The handle must not be in position a (transport) with a rope in the device. There is a risk of damaging the device that can negate the braking function.

To unlock the system, firmly grip the braking side of the rope and move the handle into descent position (D) to descend.

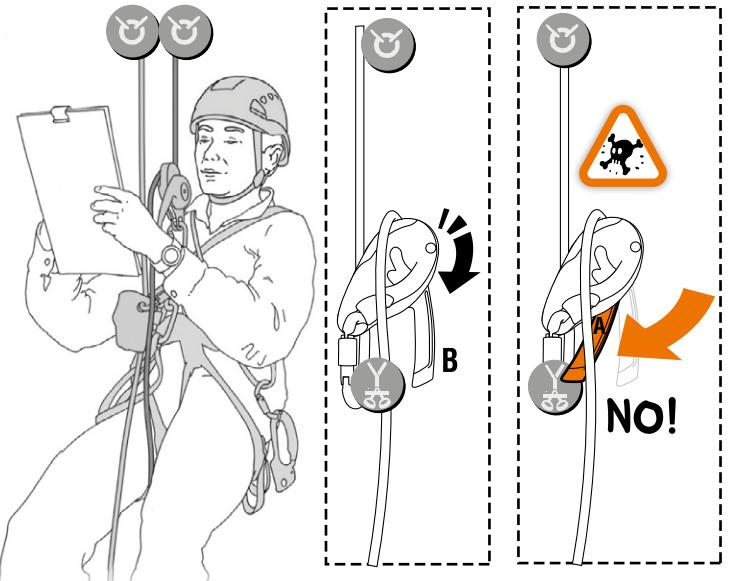
#### Information regarding standard EN 12841

**ATTENTION,** the RIG descender must be used with a type A backup device on a second (safety) rope (for example, the Petzl ASAP fall arrester).

The RIG descender is not suitable for use in an EN 363 fall arrest system.

Attach your descender directly to the harness using an EN 362 locking carabiner. Any equipment used with your descender must be in compliance with current standards. Do not allow the safety line to be loaded when the working line is under tension.

A shock-load can damage the belay line.



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## Rescue evacuation EN 341 class A (1997)

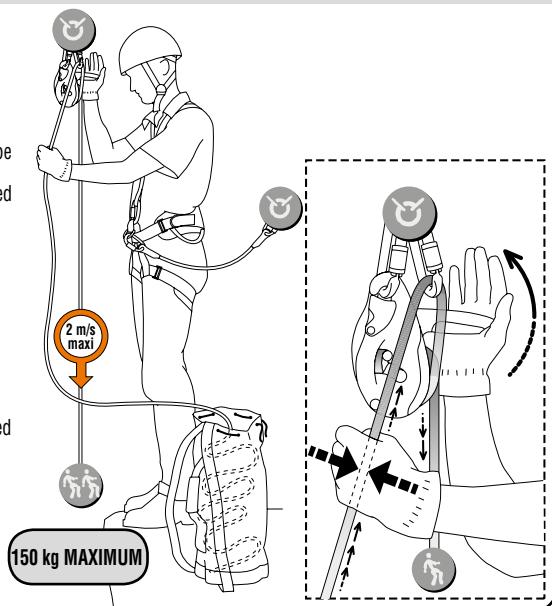
Maximum descent height: 200 m  
Normal working load: 30-150 kg

### Lowering from an anchor-point

Device on the anchor: the braking side of the rope must be redirected through a carabiner. Hold the braking side of the rope and move the handle up (position D) to allow the rope to slide. Braking is regulated by varying the grip on the braking side of the rope. Release the handle to stop the descent. Lock the device on the rope by moving the handle to position B. Do not force the handle to position A, as this can damage the device.

#### Information regarding standard EN 341

- Always tie a knot at the end of the rope.
- Equipment left in place must be protected from the weather.
- Do not lose control during the descent: descend at a reasonable speed.
- Warning, the device can overheat and damage the rope during descent.



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## Supplementary information regarding standards (EN 365)

### Rescue plan

You must have a rescue plan and the means to rapidly implement it in case of difficulties encountered while using this equipment.

### Anchors

The anchor point for the system should preferably be located above the user's position and should meet the requirements of the EN 793 standard (minimum strength of 10 kN).

### Various

- When using multiple pieces of equipment together, a dangerous situation can result if the safety function of one piece of equipment is compromised by the operation of another piece of equipment.
- **WARNING DANGER**, take care that your products do not rub against abrasive or sharp surfaces.
- Users must be medically fit for activities at height.
- The instructions for use for each item of equipment used in conjunction with this product must be respected.
- The instructions for use must be provided to users of this equipment in the language of the country in which the product is to be used.

## Lifetime / When to retire your equipment

For Petzl plastic and textile products, the maximum lifetime is 10 years from the date of manufacture. It is indefinite for metallic products.

**ATTENTION:** an exceptional event can lead you to retire a product after only one use, depending on the type and intensity of usage and the environment of usage (harsh environments, sea, sharp edges, extreme temperatures, chemical products, etc.).

A product must be retired when:

- It is over 10 years old and made of plastic or textiles.
- It has been subjected to a major fall (or load).
- It fails to pass inspection. You have any doubt as to its reliability.
- You do not know its full usage history.
- When it becomes obsolete due to changes in legislation, standards, technique or incompatibility with other equipment, etc.

## Destroy retired equipment to prevent further use.

### Product inspection

In addition to the inspection before each use, an in-depth inspection must be carried out by a competent inspector. The frequency of the in-depth inspection must be governed by applicable legislation, and the type and the intensity of use. Petzl recommends an inspection at least once every 12 months.

To help maintain product traceability, do not remove any markings or labels. Inspection results should be recorded on a form with the following details: type of equipment, model, manufacturer contact information, serial or individual number; dates of: manufacture, purchase, first use, next periodic inspection; notes: problems, comments; name and signature of the inspector. See an example at [www.petzl.fr/ppe](http://www.petzl.fr/ppe) or on the Petzl PPE CD-ROM.

## Storage, transport

Store the product in a dry place away from exposure to UV, chemicals, extreme temperatures, etc. Clean and dry the product if necessary.

### Modifications, repairs

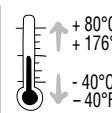
Modifications and repairs outside of Petzl facilities are prohibited (except replacement parts).

### 3-year guarantee

Against all material or manufacturing defect. Exclusions: normal wear and tear, oxidation, modifications or alterations, incorrect storage, poor maintenance, negligence, uses for which this product is not designed.

### Responsibility

PETZL is not responsible for the consequences, direct, indirect or accidental, or any other type of damage befalling or resulting from the use of its products.



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(FI) Lämpötila  
(NO) Temperatur

(RU) Температура  
(CZ) Teplota  
(PL) Temperatura  
(SI) Temperatura  
(HU) Hőmérséklet  
(BG) Температура  
(JP) 気温  
(CN) 温度  
(TH) ภูมิคุณ



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(FR) Rangement et transport  
(DE) Lagerung und Transport  
(IT) Sistemazione e trasporto  
(ES) Almacenamiento y transporte  
(PT) Armazenamento e transporte  
(NL) Opbergen en vervoeren  
(FI) Säilytys ja kuljetus  
(NO) Lagring og transport

(RU) Хранение и транспортировка  
(CZ) Skladování a doprava  
(PL) Pakowanie i transport  
(SI) Shranjevanje in transport  
(HU) Tárolás, szállítás  
(BG) Транспорт и съхранение  
(JP) 持ち運びと保管方法  
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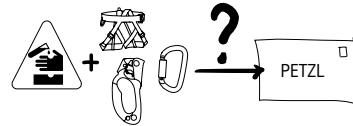


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(IT) Pulizia Disinfezione  
(ES) Limpieza Desinfección  
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(NL) Reiniging Ontsmetting  
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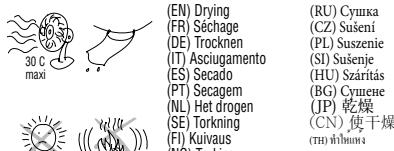


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(SE) Underhåll  
(FI) Huolehtiminen  
(NO) Vedlikehold

(RU) Техническое обслуживание  
(CZ) Údržba  
(PL) Konserwacja  
(SI) Vzdrževanje  
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(FR) Séchage  
(DE) Trocknen  
(IT) Asciugamento  
(ES) Secado  
(PT) Secagem  
(NL) Het drogen  
(SE) Torkning  
(FI) Kuijauks  
(NO) Tørring

(RU) Сушка  
(CZ) Sušení  
(PL) Suszenie  
(SI) Sušenje  
(HU) Száritás  
(BG) Сушка  
(JP) 乾燥  
(CN) 使干燥  
(TH) แห้งด้วยความร้อน



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(FR) Produits dangereux  
(DE) Gefährliche Produkte  
(IT) Prodotti pericolosi  
(ES) Productos peligrosos  
(PT) Produtos perigosos  
(NL) Gevaarlijke producten  
(SE) Farliga produkter  
(FI) Vaaralliset tuotteet  
(NO) Farlige produkter  
(RU) Опасная продукция

(CZ) Nebezpečné výrobky  
(PL) Produkty niebezpieczne  
(SI) Nevarne kemikalije  
(HU) Veszélyes termékek  
(BG) Опасни продукти  
(JP) 有害物質  
(KR) 危害产品  
(CN) 危险产品  
(TH) ภัยอันตราย





































