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 done with the manufacturer’s instructions available for reference. Download the instructions at PETZL.COM

### RIGGING EQUIPMENT

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, etc.).

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.

- **Code A:**
  - Year of manufacture 00  000  AA  0000
  - Day of manufacture  Name of Inspector
  - Name of Inspector  Incrementation

- **Code B:**
  - Year of manufacture 00 A 0000000 000
  - Month of manufacture
  - Batch number  Incrementation

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

3. Checking the general condition

- Check the general condition of the product (marks, deformation, cracks, corrosion...).
- On the SWIVEL, verify the condition of the rivet (marks, deformation, cracks, corrosion, absence of play...).
4. Checking the attachment holes

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

5. Function check

- For the SWIVEL, verify that the two parts turn freely relative to each other.