



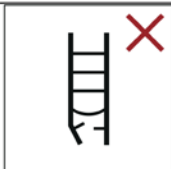



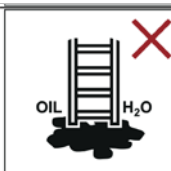
This document describes usage of step stools and ladders.

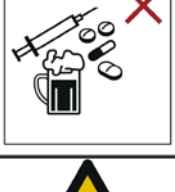
**BEFORE USE**





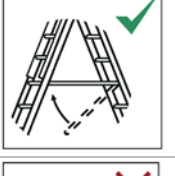


Please, carefully read this instruction manual before using step stools and ladders and pay special attention to all usage operations and warnings to secure your safety and health. Please, save this instruction manual for future reference.

**General information**

- The distributor shall make sure, that instruction manual is provided with the equipment.
- The owner of the step ladder shall make sure, that instruction manual is given to the equipment user.

	Warning, danger of falling off the ladder.
	See instruction manual.
	Inspect the ladder after the delivery and before the first use, check that the ladder is not damaged and operation of its components. Do not use damaged ladder.
	Maximum weight load is 150 kg, do not exceed maximum weight load limit.
	Use the ladder on flat and firm surfaces only.
	Do not overreach.
	Do not use ladder on contaminated surface.

	<p>Only 1 person can use the ladder at a time.</p>
	<p>Always face the ladder, when ascending and descending.</p>
	<p>Keep a secure grip on the ladder when ascending, descending and using the ladder.</p>
	<p>Avoid excessive side loading on the ladder, for example, while drilling solid materials (bricks or concrete).</p>
	<p>Do not carry heavy or massive equipment with you when you use the ladder.</p>
	<p>Always wear suitable footwear when ascending the ladder.</p>
	<p>Ensure that you are fit enough to use a ladder. Certain medical conditions or medications, alcohol or drug abuse could make ladder use unsafe.</p>
	<p>Identify any electrical risks in the work area, such as overhead lines or other exposed electrical equipment and do not use the ladder where electrical risks occur.</p>

	Do not use the ladder as a bridge.
	The ladder is meant for non-professional use.
	Do not step off side of the standing ladder.
	Open the ladder fully before use.
	Use the ladder only with safety devices.
	Standing ladder shall not be used as a leaning ladder, unless, it is meant to be used as such.
	Do not use two upper steps / rungs without platform and handle for hands / knees as a standing surface.

### Repair, maintenance and storage

- Repairs and maintenance of the ladder shall be carried out by a competent person only in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.  
NOTE: competent person means person familiar with the repair and maintenance of such equipment, e.g., was trained by the manufacturer.
- Please, contact the manufacturer or seller if you need to replace spare parts, such as: foot caps, for example.
- Store the ladder in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not store the ladder in premises, where conditions may lead to defects occurrence (high humidity, excessively high temperature, etc.).
- Store the ladder in the upright position (e.g. hanged on hooks or in horizontal position on flat surface apart from other objects).

- Store step stools and ladders in premises, where they are protected from mechanical damages, drying, contamination and bending.
- Store step stools and ladders in such a manner as to avoid tripping and obstacle hazard.
- Store step stools and ladders in such a manner as to exclude possibility of usage for criminal purposes.
- Store the ladder protected from unauthorized use (for example, out of reach of children).

### During regular inspections observe the following:

- Check integrity of rear and front legs (upright parts) and absence of bends, curves, dents, cracks, rust or rotten.
- Check that legs / stiles in fixing points are in good condition.
- Check availability of fixing devices (usually, rivets, screws, pins), make sure they are fully secured and not rusted.
- Check availability of rungs / steps, make sure they are fully secured, not worn or rusted.
- Check hinges of front and rear legs for the absence of damages and rust and make sure they are fully secured.
- Check fixing device, it must be in horizontal position, check its availability and fixation of bars and corner brackets, absence of rust and defects.
- Check availability of hooks on the top parts of the ladder and their fixation, absence of damages and rust, strength of fixation to the steps.
- Check availability of guiding brackets, absences of damages, rust, strength of connection to the leg.
- Check availability of foot caps, their fixation, wear rate, absence of rust and damages.
- Check absence of contamination on the ladder (e.g., mud, paint, oil or grease).
- Check functioning of the locking device (if fitted) and absence of defects, rust.
- Check availability of all parts and fixing devices on platform (if fitted) and absence of defects and rust.

It is FORBIDDEN to use step ladder if one or more of the above points are not fulfilled.

### Using the ladder

- Do not spend long periods on the ladder without regular breaks (tiredness is a risk).
- Fix the ladder properly when transporting it to avoid damages.
- Make sure the ladder is suitable for the task.
- Do not use contaminated ladder, remove contamination, such as paint, oil, snow.
- Do not use the ladder in adverse weather conditions, e.g., strong wind.
- Use caution prior to positioning the ladder considering collision hazard (people and objects, e.g., pedestrians, cars or doors). Secure doors (not fire exits) and windows where possible in the work area.
- Use ladders made of non-conductive material for electrical works.
- It is forbidden to change structure of the ladder.
- It is forbidden to move the ladder while standing on it.
- Use caution while using the ladder outdoors during a strong wind.