

Test Report

PPE against fall from a height EN 355 : 2002 Energy absorbers

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Date received: 16 April 2015

Model: JE312205

Dates of test: 22 April 2015 to 2 May 2015

Signed:



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Summary of assessment* - EN 355:2002

| Clause | Requirement | Assessment (See Key) |
|--------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | NAp |
| 4.2 | Materials and construction | Ltd |
| 4.3 | Static preloading | ① Pass |
| 4.4 | Dynamic performance | ① Pass |
| 4.5 | Static strength | ① Pass |
| 4.6 | Marking and information | |
| 6 | Marking | |
| 7 | Information | |
| 8 | Packaging | Pass |

Summary of assessment* - EN 354:2002

| Clause | Requirement | Assessment (See Key) |
|--------|--|----------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | |
| 4.2 | Materials and construction | ① Ltd |
| 4.3 | Static strength | ① |
| 4.4 | Dynamic strength for lanyards with an incorporated adjustment device | |
| 4.5 | Marking and information | |
| 6 | Marking | |
| 7 | Information supplied by the manufacturer | |
| 8 | Packaging | |

① *INSPEC Interpretation applies*

Summary of assessment* - EN 354:2010

| Clause | Requirement | Assessment (See Key) |
|--------|--|----------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | ① |
| 4.2 | Materials | |
| 4.3 | Terminations | |
| 4.4 | Slippage - adjustable length lanyards | ① |
| 4.5 | Static strength | ① |
| 4.6 | Adjustable length lanyards | Pass |
| | Dynamic strength | |
| | Static strength after dynamic strength | |
| 4.7 | Corrosion resistance | |
| 4.8 | Marking and information | |
| 6 | Marking | |
| 7 | Information supplied by the manufacturer | |
| 8 | Packaging | |

① *INSPEC Interpretation applies*

Key

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| | Shading shows the clauses requested. Any other clauses were not requested. |
| Pass | Requirement satisfied. |
| Ltd | Testing requested was insufficient completely to verify compliance with the clause. Refer to the "Result details" section for more information. |
| Fail | Requirement not satisfied. Refer to the "Result details" section for more information. |
| NAs | Assessment not carried out. |
| NAp | Requirement not applicable. |
| NT | Requested but not tested due to early termination following failure. |

* Assessment relates only to those specimens which were tested and are the subject of this report.

Submission details

| Product | Quantity | Date received | INSPEC specimen no. (job 2C051+) |
|---|----------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Twin legged energy absorbing lanyard, model JE312205 | 05 | 16 April 2015 | 01 to 05 |

Procedures

The specimens detailed within the submissions above were used for the tests covered by this report.

Testing was performed in accordance with EN 355:2002, EN 354:2002 and EN 354:2010 unless otherwise specified below. Reference should be made to these standards when reading this report.

Unless stated otherwise, specimens were tested in the condition as received by INSPEC.

Testing was performed at INSPEC's laboratory in Kunshan, China.

Result details – EN355:2002**4.1 Design and ergonomics**

Specimen 2C05103 was assessed against the general requirements specified in clause 4.1 of EN 363:2002. The detailed results of the assessment are given on page 7 of this report.

4.2 Materials and construction**4.2.1 General**

Specimen 2C05104 was assessed.

The specimen did incorporate a twin legged lanyard that cannot be removed without mutilating the lanyards or without the use of special tools.

The lanyard satisfied the requirements specified in clause 4.2 of EN 354:2002 and clause 4.5 of EN 354:2010. See detail results on page 8 and 9 of this report.

Ltd

Testing of connectors incorporated into the lanyards was not requested.

NAs

4.3 Static preloading

Specimen 2C05102 was assessed.

Static preloading was performed on the energy absorber of the specimen as a component.

The permanent extension of the specimen caused by activation resulting from a preload of 2 kN was 8 mm. This is less than the 50 mm maximum permitted.

Pass

4.4 Dynamic performance

Specimen 2C05103 was assessed.

The length L_t of the specimen (including energy absorber, one leg of the lanyard, scaffold hook and carabiner), measured to the nearest 1 mm between load bearing points, was 1825 mm.

The maximum braking force developed by the specimen during the drop test was 4.9 kN. This was less than the 6 kN maximum permitted. See page 1 of Annex 1 for the force/time curve.

Pass

The arrest distance H measured during the drop test was 4578 mm.

Pass

The requirement is that H shall be less than the value $(2L_t + 1,750)$ mm, where L_t is 1825 mm, the length reported above. Thus, this value is 5400 mm. The requirement was therefore satisfied.

4.5 Static strength

Specimen 2C05103 was assessed against Recommendation for Use sheet # 63, rev 01 issued by the Co-ordination of Notified Bodies and dated 17/10/2012 – in particular, Test 2.

When thus tested, the specimen withstood the 9 kN force applied for 3 minutes without separating, tearing or rupturing.

Pass

8 Packaging

Specimen 2C05101 was assessed.

The specimen was wrapped in a clear plastic bag.

Pass

EN 363:2002, Clause 4.1, Design and ergonomics

A fall arrest system shall be so designed and manufactured:

- that, in the foreseeable conditions of use for which it is intended, the user can perform the risk-related activity normally while enjoying appropriate protection of the highest possible level; NAs
- as to preclude risks and other nuisance factors under foreseeable conditions of use; NAs
- as to facilitate correct positioning on the user and to remain in place for the foreseeable period of use, bearing in mind ambient factors, movements to be made and postures to be adopted. For this purpose, it shall be possible to optimize the adoption of a full body harness to user morphology by all appropriate means, such as adequate adjustment elements or the provision of an adequate size range; NAP
- that it is as light as possible without prejudicing design strength and efficiency; NAs
- as to become not incorrectly adjusted without the user's knowledge under the foreseeable conditions of use; NAP
- that, under the foreseeable conditions of use, the vertical drop of the user is minimized to prevent collision with obstacles and the braking force does not, however, attain the threshold value at which physical injury or the tearing or rupture of any component or element which might cause the user to fall can be expected to occur; NAs
- that, after arresting, the user is maintained in a correct position in which he may await help if necessary. NAP

Only the characteristics given in indents 3, 5 and 7 lend themselves to objective assessment. Compliance or otherwise with the relevant European standard, against which the specimen has been tested, support the assessments made against those characteristics.

The characteristics given in the other indents, whilst being desirable attributes, cannot be objectively assessed by a testing laboratory, because they involve parameters about which the technician may have only an opinion, not factual knowledge.

Result details – EN 354:2002**4.2 Materials and construction****4.2.1 General**

Specimen 2C05104 was assessed.

The specimen was a fixed length, twin legged webbing lanyards with an integral energy absorber. The lanyards were of equal lengths.

Each free ends of the lanyard incorporated an integral scaffold hook. The free end of the energy absorber incorporated a carabiner. Thus the free ends of the lanyard were suitably terminated.

Pass

Splices were not used for the lanyard terminations.

NAp

The length of the specimen, measured to the nearest 1 mm between load bearing points, was 1828 mm. This is less than the permitted maximum of 2 m.

Pass

There were no metallic elements incorporated into the lanyard.

NAp

4.2.2 Fibre ropes and webbing

The materials of the specimens were not assessed. Manufacturer to certify.

NAs

As the specimen 2C05104 passed clause 4.5 of EN 354:2010 (see results on page 9 of this report), the materials used in the specimen may be deemed to be suitable for their intended use.

Pass

4.2.3 Wire ropes

NAp

4.2.4 Chains

NAp

4.2.5 Connectors

Testing of connectors incorporated into the lanyards was not requested.

NAs

Result details – EN 354:2010**4.5 Static strength – twin legged lanyard with integral energy absorber**

Specimen 2C05104 was assessed against Recommendation for Use sheet # 63; rev. 01 issued by the Co-ordination of Notified Bodies and dated 17/10/2012 – in particular Test 1 and Note 3.

When tested in accordance with 5.7, the specimen withstood the 22 kN force applied for 3 minutes without separating, tearing or rupturing.

Pass

Estimates of the uncertainty of measurement – EN 355:2002

| Clause | Test | Uncertainty |
|--------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | - |
| 4.2 | Materials and construction | See relevant reports |
| | | Length $\pm 5.8\text{mm}$ |
| 4.3 | Static preloading | $\pm 0.4\%$ |
| 4.4 | Dynamic performance | Maximum breaking force |
| | | Maximum arrest distance |
| | | $\pm 4.0\%$ |
| | | $\pm 20\text{mm}$ |
| 4.5 | Static strength | * |
| 4.6 | Marking and information | - |
| 6 | Marking | - |
| 7 | Information | - |
| 8 | Packaging | - |

* The acceptance criterion for this test is a straightforward "Pass/Fail", rather than a numerical value. Consequently, as there is no value to be reported, uncertainty has not been reported either.

Values expressed as a percentage (%) are relative.

It should be noted that the above values have not been taken into account when making assessment to the pass/fail criteria.

Estimates of the uncertainty of measurement – EN 354:2002

| Clause | Test | Uncertainty |
|--------|--|----------------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | - |
| 4.2.1 | Materials and construction – length of splice | Length $\pm 0.65\text{mm}$ |
| 4.2.2 | Materials and construction – length of lanyard | Length $\pm 2.9\text{mm}$ |
| 4.2.4 | Materials and construction | Corrosion * |
| 4.3 | Static strength | $\pm 0.4\%$ |
| 4.4 | Dynamic strength - lanyards with an incorporated adjustment device | . |
| 4.5 | Marking and information | - |
| 6 | Marking | - |
| 7 | Information | - |
| 8 | Packaging | - |

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Estimates of the uncertainty of measurement – EN 354:2010

| Clause | Test | Uncertainty |
|--------|--|---------------------|
| 4.1 | Design & ergonomics | - |
| 4.1.6 | Materials and construction – length of lanyard | Length ± 2.9 mm |
| 4.2 | Materials | - |
| 4.3 | Terminations | - |
| 4.3.4 | Terminations – length of knot tail | Length ± 1.8 mm |
| 4.4 | Slippage | $\pm 1.1\%$ |
| 4.5 | Static strength | * |
| 4.6 | Dynamic strength | * |
| 4.7 | Corrosion | * |
| 4.8 | Marking and information | - |
| 6 | Marking | - |
| 7 | Information | - |
| 8 | Packaging | - |

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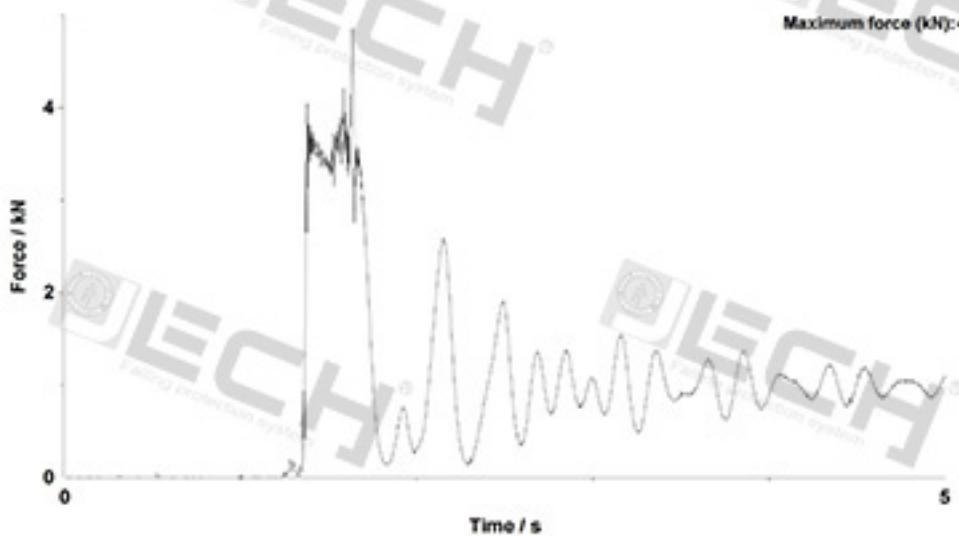
ANNEX

This Annex comprises two sections.

1. Plots of arrest force versus time. (1 page)
2. Photograph of the product tested. (1 page)

INSPEC Technical Services

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| Technician: | Tan |
| Standard: | EN355 Energy absorbing lanyard |
| Sample / File name: | 2C05103 |
| Drop item: | EN drop weight, 100kg |
| Orientation/Attachment Point: | Centre eyebolt |
| Time and Date of Test: | 11:08 23/04/15 |



Results do not achieve full ACLASS status until a formal test report has been issued.

Jinhua Jech Tools Co., Ltd –
Twin legged energy absorbing lanyard,
model JE312205



INSPEC Testing Services' sample 2C05101

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