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AVANTI FALL PROTECTION SYSTEM

**User's, Installation and Maintenance Manual
Runner 2000/2002 & Eagle^{DS} Runner**



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User's Manual and Installation Instructions

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Manufacturer: **AVANTI Wind Systems A/S**
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Identification of Personal Protective Equipment:

Type: **Equipment for protection against falls from a height.**
Guided type fall arrest system with safety rail on
vertically fixed ladders. With integrated energy absorber.
Optional use of climb-assist system.

Designation: **Avanti Fall Arrest System 2000/2002 (improved editions)**
- **Locking lever according to drawing 47799050**
- **Locking lever according to drawing 47799068**

Manufactured by: **AVANTI Wind Systems A/S with sub-suppliers as stated**
in the appendix to the EC type-examination certificate.

The examined samples are found to fulfil the relevant requirements stated for the following tests:

EN 353-1:2002 **Guided type fall arresters including a rigid anchor line**
prEN 353-1:2008 **Guided type fall arresters including a rigid anchor line**
Avanti Climb-assist **System combined with the use of Avanti Climb-assist and**
release-strap (optional)

AS/NZS 1891.3:1997 **Fall-arrest devices (clause 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.7, and 3.8)**
RFU CNB/P/11.073 **Requirements and test procedure (including fallback falls**
dynamic tests, tested with 40 kg and 136 kg)

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Identification of Personal Protective Equipment:
Type: **Equipment for protection against falls from a height.**
Guided type fall arrest system with safety rail on vertically fixed ladders

Designation: **Avanti Fall Arrest System with Eagle^{DS}**

Manufactured by: **Avanti Wind Systems A/S with sub-suppliers as stated in the appendix to the EC type-examination certificate.**

The examined samples are found to fulfil the relevant requirements stated in the following (harmonised) standards:

EN 353-1:2002	Guided type fall arresters including a rigid anchor line
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CNB/P/RfU 11.073	Requirements and test procedure
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Category: **The examined type of personal protection equipment is class III equipment and a valid quality control agreement with a notified body must be available.**

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Limited Warranty

Avanti Wind Systems A/S warrants that commencing from the date of shipment to the Customer, and continuing for a period of the longer of 365 days thereafter, or the period set forth in the standard Avanti warranty, the Fall Protection System (“Product”) described in this Manual will be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service when installed and operated in accordance with the provisions of this Manual.

This warranty is made only to the original user of the Product. The sole and exclusive remedy and the entire liability of Avanti under this limited warranty, shall be, at the option of Avanti, a replacement of the Product (including incidental and freight charges paid by the Customer) with a similar new or reconditioned Product of equivalent value, or a refund of the purchase price if the Product is returned to Avanti, freight and insurance prepaid. The obligations of Avanti are expressly conditioned upon return of the Product in strict accordance with the return procedures of Avanti.


This warranty does not apply if the Product (i) has been altered without the authorization of Avanti or its authorized representative; (ii) has not been installed, operated, repaired, or maintained in accordance with this Manual or other instructions from Avanti; (iii) has been subjected to abuse, neglect, casualty, or negligence; (iv) has been furnished by Avanti to Customer without charge; or (v) has been sold on an “AS-IS” basis.

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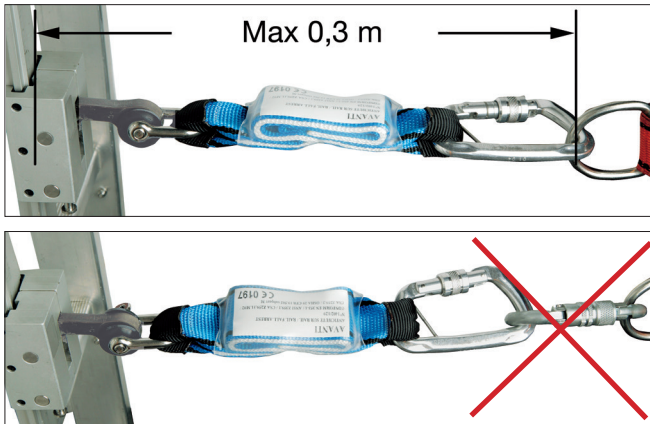
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In any cases of dispute the English original shall be taken as authoritative.

1 Caution

- a) The AVANTI Fall Protection System (hereafter named as FPS) shall only be operated by users trained in daily inspection, use and work at heights.
 - b) A user is trained on the correct usage of the AVANTI Fall Protection System (FPS) and is familiar with the following standards: EN 353-1, EN 363 and EN 365.
 - c) A competent has successfully participated in the AVANTI Fall Protection course.
 - d) A competent is qualified personnel authorised by AVANTI to perform installation, inspection and maintenance tasks.
 - e) The installation, maintenance and testing of the FPS may only be performed by a competent person.
 - f) Users are obliged to read and understand this User's Manual.
 - g) A copy of the User's Manual shall be handed out to the FPS users and shall be available for reference.
 - h) If more than one person is trusted with one of the above tasks, the employer shall appoint a supervisor in charge of operation.
 - i) If the FPS is re-sold outside the original country of destination, the reseller shall provide instructions for use, for maintenance, for periodic examination and for repair in the language of the country in which the product is to be used.
 - j) The ladder system shall be capable of supporting 15 kN. This shall be verified by calculations made by a qualified engineer or by static load testing.
 - k) The FPS shall not be used by persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs that may jeopardise the safety.
 - l) The FPS shall not be used by persons affected by vertigo, heart or lung disorders, or other known weakening diseases/conditions.
 - m) The FPS users shall be aware of the dangers of suspension trauma should a fall occur.
 - n) The owner shall ensure that a rescue plan is in place and that the users are familiar with it. The rescue plan shall deal with any emergencies that could arise during ascent and descent with the FPS.
 - o) No warranty is provided against damage resulting from reconstruction or modification of equipment or use of non-original parts which are not approved by the manufacturer.
 - p) The runner shall be handed out and treated as a personal protection equipment.
 - q) The weight of the user including clothing and equipment shall be between 40 and 136 kg.
 - r) The maximum number of multiple users is 3.
 - s) In the first two meters above the ground level, the user may not be protected against hitting the ground if a fall occurs.. Other additional safeties shall be provided for this purpose.
 - t) Prior to the first use of the FPS, a competent must inspect and approve the complete FPS.
 - u) If oil, grease or the like has leaked onto the safety rail – wipe it off.
 - v) If oil, grease, chemicals or the like has leaked onto the shock absorber or in any kind been in contact with the webbing, have an AVANTI FPS technician replace the shock absorber.
 - w) The shock absorber has a limited life. Its date of expiration is printed on the shock absorber label.
 - x) The operation temperature of the FPS is -30° / +60° Celsius.
 - y) The FPS shall only be used in connection with a full body harness that is approved according to EN 361.
 - z) The FPS has been tested and approved according to EN 353-1 and RfU 11.073.
 - aa) The type-examination of the FPS has been performed by: FORCE Certification A/S, EC Notified Body 0200, Park Allé 345, DK-2605 Brøndby.
 - ab) The production control of the FPS is performed by the same notified body.
 - ac) These instructions shall be kept together with the permanent installed parts of the FPS (i.e. the rail system).
-  *The owner shall verify the need for FPS inspections with the local authority and comply with the standards specified.*
- ad) When working at heights, the user shall minimise both the risk of potential falls and the potential fall distance.
 - ae) In order to avoid collisions with the ground or obstacles should a fall occur, the user shall verify the free space required beneath his/her actual position taking into account sharp edges, electrical conductivity and pendulum falls.
 - af) The safety of the users depends upon the continued efficiency and durability of the FPS. Thus, regular periodic inspections shall be carried out, minimum every 12 months.
 - ag) All the FPS parts have been especially developed and tested for AVANTI's FPS. Thus, they shall not be used as part of other Fall Protection Systems.

- ah) The combination of FPS parts in anyway other than the intended will jeopardize safety. Thus, the FPS parts shall not be combined in anyway other than the intended.
- ai) The FPS shall never be adapted, extended, or changed in any way.



3 Description of equipment

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3.1 Purpose

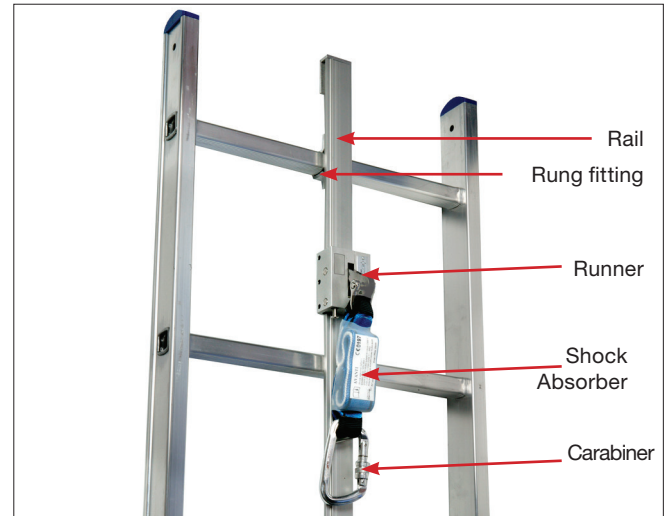
- a) The FPS is intended for use during ascent and descent on stationary ladders installed in towers, pylons, well shafts, or alike.
- b) The FPS is a safety system that arrests a fall of the user during climbing.
- c) The runner travels along a safety rail.
- d) The safety rail is designed for permanent installation at one place.
- e) The safety rail can be installed on ladders of different shapes and brands as long as an approval is issued before by AVANTI.
- f) The FPS is not designed for securing horizontally or for securing equipment.
- g) The FPS may not be used outside its limitations, or for any purpose other than that for which it is intended.

3.2 Function

- a) The user attaches the runner to the designated D-ring of his full body harness by means of the integrated shock absorber and the carabiner.
- b) Before starting to climb, the user clicks the runner on the safety rail and checks its locking.
- c) When climbing, the runner glides along the safety rail. In case that the user experiences a fall, the runner will lock on the safety rail and arrest the person falling.

3.3 Component overview

- a) The FPS comprises the rail system and the runner system.



- b) The safety rail system comprises: the safety rail sections, the rung fittings, the top and bottom rail-stops, the fish-joints, hammerhead screws and self-locking nuts.
- c) The runner comprises: the runner itself, the shock absorber, and the carabiner.
- d) There are two runner models covered in this manual: Runner 2000/2002 and Eagle^{DS} Runner. Both models fit the AVANTI rail.



Runner 2000/2002



Eagle^{DS} Runner

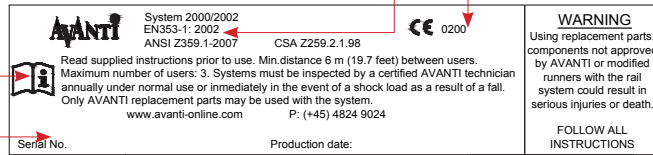
3.4 Marking

Upward direction when mounted onto rail
 Read instructions before use
 Runner production no.
 EEC-notified body no.
 AVANTI product name (Runner System 2000/2002 or Eagle^{DS})
 Standard no.



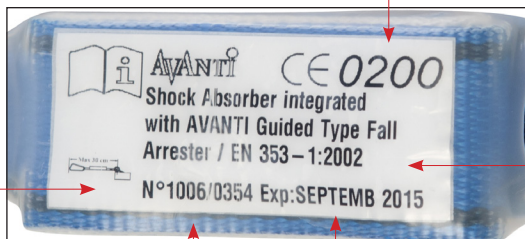
Runner rating plate

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 Standard no.
 Production batch no.
 Read instructions before use



Safety rail rating plate

Max distance between safety rail and harness 0,3 m
 Shock absorber expiration date
 Batch no.
 Standard EN no. for shock absorber
 EEC-notified body no.



Shock absorber label

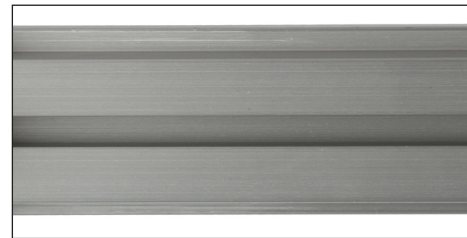
4 Installation

4.1 Installation requirements



A competent shall be in charge of the FPS installation. The competent shall take full responsibility for the installation and shall guarantee that it is done in accordance to these instructions.

- The FPS shall only be installed with original system parts.
- All FPS elements shall be checked on site, even if the ladders are supplied with the rails already fitted.
- The vibrations and torsional stress are absorbed by the ladder joints, not by the safety rail.
- Ensure that the ladder intended for mounting the FPS complies with the requirements of EN 131 and EN ISO 14122. The internal rung width shall be minimum 340mm (all AVANTI ladders meet this requirement).
- The ladders with rung geometries different to AVANTI's may call for special rung fittings. Prior to installation, these ladders shall be calculated, tested and approved by AVANTI.
- Before installing the rail system, ensure that all parts are present. Refer to the parts list supplied with the FPS.
- The ladders shall be installed vertically with a maximum inclination of $\pm 5^\circ$.
- The parts of the safety rail system to be installed are shown below.



Safety rail section (backside)



Rung fitting



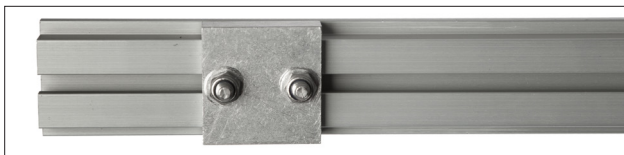
Hammerhead bolt with self-locking nut



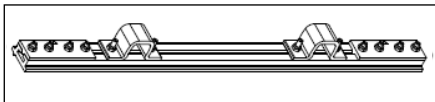
A rung fitting mounted on the rail



Fish joint connector



Sample of rail-stop to be used at top and bottom of the rail installation



Flange connection kit

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4.2 Installation of the rail system on the ladder

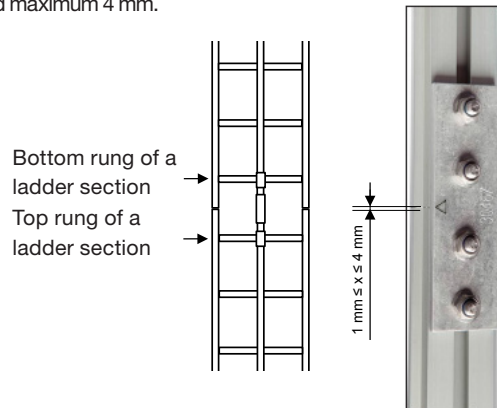
- a) Place the safety rail on the centre and front side (the climber's side) of the ladder.
- b) Place the safety rail so that the guide seat is situated on the left side.



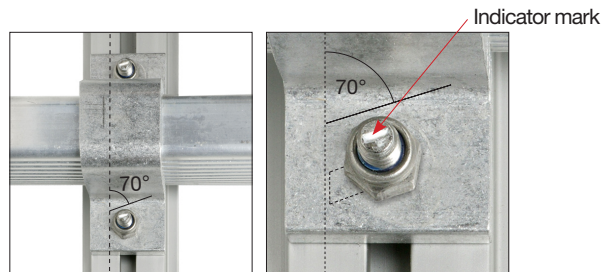
The guide seat is situated on the left side

- c) Fix the safety rail to the ladder by means of the rung fittings.
- d) Mount the rung fittings using hammerhead screws and self-locking nuts, and following the instructions below.

- a. For each rail section, mount a rung fitting on the first (lowest) rung of the ladder.
- b. For each rail section, mount a rung fitting on the last (highest) rung of the ladder. This is also necessary even if the second or third last rung of the ladder are mounted with a rung fitting.
- c. For each rail section, mount a rung fitting at least every third rung, never leaving more than 2 consecutive rungs without a rung fitting.
- e) Use a fish-joint to join 2 consecutive safety rail sections.
- f) Use 4 screws to mount each fish-joint.
- g) Leave a gap between 2 consecutive safety rail sections of at least 1 mm and maximum 4 mm.



- h) Place the hammerhead screws with the indicator marks in an angle of 70°.
- i) Tighten all the self-locking nuts to 8 N•m and ensure that they sit with the 70° angle.



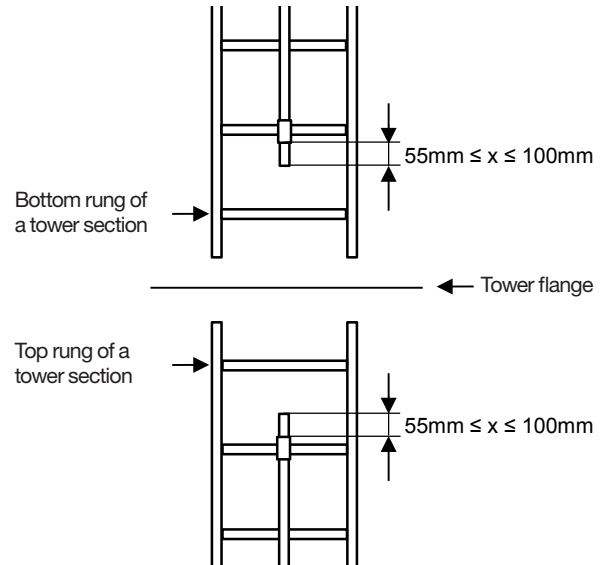
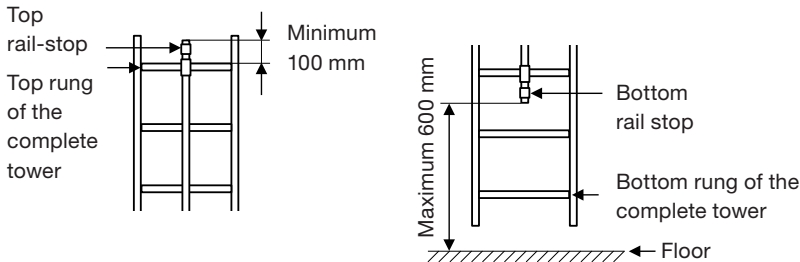
Angle of the indicator marks and of the self-locking nuts

- j) Use the supplied self-locking nuts at all times.
- k) Ensure that each screw extends from the nut by at least half of the thread diameter.



A rail-stop shall be installed at the top and bottom of the rail, and at any provisional point where the runner can unintentionally run off the rail.

- l) Mount the top and bottom rail-stops on the safety rail, at the highest and lowest travel points respectively.
- m) The distance between the top end of the safety rail and the top rung of the complete tower shall be equal or greater than 100 mm. The distance between the bottom end of the safety rail and the floor level shall be equal or less than 600 mm.

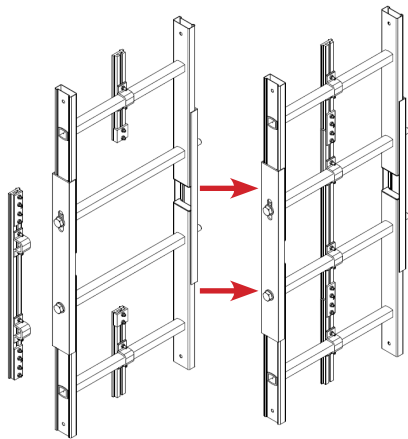


Length limits of the top and bottom ends of the safety rail

- m) During the erection phase of the wind turbine tower sections (i.e. when the tower sections are being connected vertically), a top rail-stop shall be mounted on the safety rail at the highest point of each tower section. This way, the technicians will be able to use the FPS during this phase.
- n) If the safety rail and the ladder are installed in a wind turbine tower section before the tower is erected, their final position shall be adjusted during the tower erection.
- c) The bottom end of the safety rail of each tower section shall end minimum 55 mm and maximum 100 mm below the rung fitting.
- d) The safety rails of two consecutive tower sections shall be connected by means of a flange connection kit.
- e) The distance between the safety rails of two consecutive tower sections shall be equal or less than the length of the flange connection kit.

4.2.1 Safety rail at the tower flange connections

- a) A rung fitting shall be mounted on the penultimate top and penultimate bottom ladder-rung of each tower section (i.e. at tower flange connection).
- b) The top end of the safety rail of each tower section shall end minimum 55 mm and maximum 100 mm above the second top rung fitting.



Flange connection kit



The detailed installation procedure of the flange connection kit is available upon request to AVANTI.

5 Inspection before the first use

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Before the first use, a competent shall inspect the FPS.

The inspection before the first use shall be carried out following the inspection procedure. During the inspection, the “Appendix A: Annual Inspection Checklist” and the “Appendix D: Inspection log sheet” shall be filled in for future reference.

6 Daily inspection

- Before using the runner, perform a daily inspection following the “Appendix B: Daily Inspection Checklist for Runner 2000/2002” or the “Appendix C: Daily Inspection Checklist for Eagle^{DS} Runner”. If any of the checks does not pass, the runner system cannot be used.
- During the ascent, look for visible damages or loose parts such as loose screws on ladder, rail or joints.
- Equipment with defects or equipment that leaves doubt concerning safe use must be checked by a competent person.



Do not use the FPS if it looks defective or if parts are missing.

If the FPS has blocked a fall or has been put out of service because of doubts, it may only be put back to service after an inspection by a competent is performed. The competent shall confirm in writing that the FPS is found in safe condition to be used again.

7 Instructions for use

7.1 Instructions for use of Runner 2000/2002

7.1.1 Attaching the Runner 2000/2002 to the safety rail



Before using the runner, make sure that you are wearing an approved full body harness. Before attaching the runner to the rail, ensure that you are in a safe area (ground level) or attached to an alternative fall protection.

Before attaching the runner to the rail, ensure that it is attached to the D-ring of the full body harness in order to avoid dropping it.

The carabiner shall only be connected to the D-ring of the full body harness located on the front side of the user and located at the chest height.

The D-ring shall comply with the demands for climbing in vertical fall arrest safety systems on ladders (see the user’s manual of the full body harness).

When attaching the carabiner, ensure that the shock absorber is not twisted between the runner and the carabiner. A twisted shock absorber may cause the FPS to fail.

- Place the runner on the safety rail ensuring that the arrow on the plate of the runner points upwards. Otherwise, the runner will not arrest a fall.



- b) Open the runner by pressing the left bottom pin and pulling apart both body sides of the runner simultaneously.
- c) While lifting the lever, tilt the runner so the runner is parallel and close to the safety rail.



- d) Push together the two body parts of the runner until the left bottom pin pops out. You will hear a click sound.



- e) Make sure the runner is locked correctly by pulling the lever downwards and confirming that the runner locks on the rail.
- f) Climb the ladder keeping a distance of minimum 10 cm between torso and ladder. This distance guarantees an optimal operation, enhanced safety and better climbing ergonomics.
- g) During ascent or descent, keep a minimum distance of 6 meters between each user.



Each rail section shall only be used by one user at a time, since having more users using the same rail section simultaneously would jeopardise its structural resistance.

Engaging the release mechanism of the runner during ascent or descent can jeopardise the function of the braking mechanism. The FPS is only approved as a fall arrest safety when ascending or descending the ladder. Thus, the fall arrest system shall never be used for work positioning. If work positioning at the ladder is required, use separate dedicated and approved work positioning equipment.

7.1.2 Releasing the Runner 2000/2002 from the safety rail

- a) Before stepping in or stepping off the ladder, attach alternative fall protection.



Before releasing the runner from the rail, ensure that you are in a safe area (ground level) or attached to an alternative fall protection.

Before releasing the runner from the rail, ensure that the runner is without load and that there is no risk of falling.

Before releasing the runner from the rail, ensure that it is attached to the D-ring of the body harness in order to avoid dropping it.

- b) Release the runner from the rail by pressing the left bottom pin and pulling the runner body parts apart simultaneously.
- c) Remove the runner from the rail. It is not intended to be parked on the rail. The runner is personal and shall be in reach in case of an emergency.



If any damages or faults are found during operation, or any other circumstance which may jeopardise safety: immediately stop the work in progress, and contact the site responsible, e.g. the turbine owner or the site foreman.

7.2 Instructions for use of Eagle^{DS} Runner



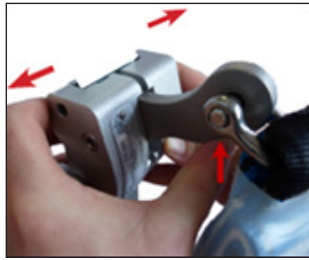
The cautions listed previously for Runner 2000/2002 are equally applicable to Eagle^{DS} Runner. Follow them closely.

7.2.1 Attaching the Eagle^{DS} Runner to the safety rail

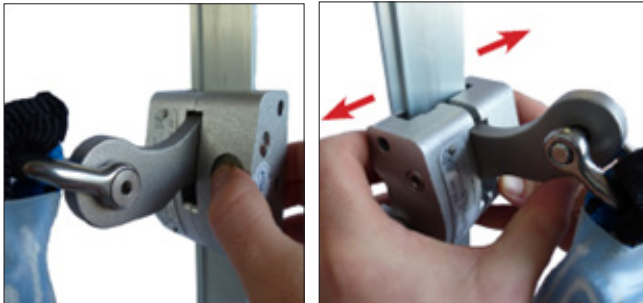
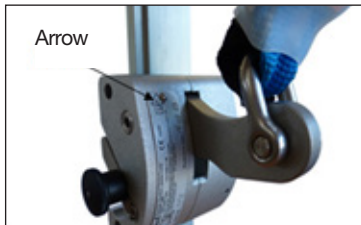
- a) Pull out the plunger and rotate the locking lever downwards (see images below).



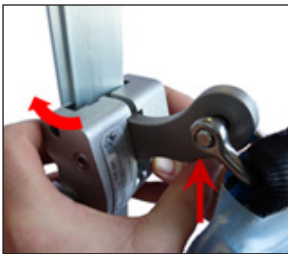
b) Open the runner by pressing the right button and pulling apart both body sides of the runner simultaneously.



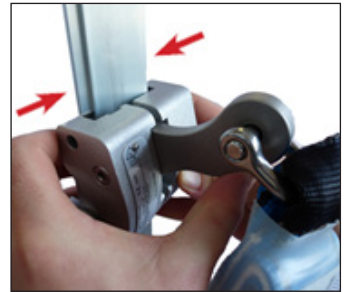
c) Place the runner on the safety rail ensuring that the arrow on the plate of the runner points upwards.



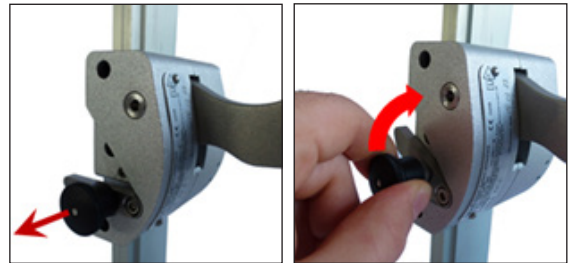
d) While lifting the lever, tilt the runner so the runner is parallel and close to the safety rail.



e) Push together the two body parts of the runner until the push button pops out and you hear a click.



f) Pull out the plunger and rotate the locking lever upwards (see images below).



g) Make sure that the runner is locked correctly by pulling the lever downwards and confirming that the runner locks on the rail.

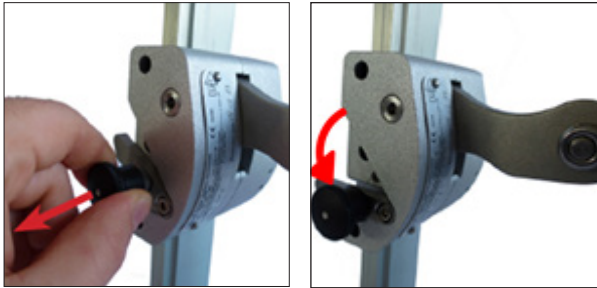


h) Climb the ladder keeping a distance of minimum 10 cm between torso and ladder. This distance guarantees an optimal operation, enhanced safety and better climbing ergonomics.

i) During ascent or descent, keep a minimum distance of 6 meters between each user.

7.2.2 Releasing the Eagle^{DS} Runner from the safety rail

- a) Pull out the plunger and rotate the lever downwards to the horizontal position (see images below).



- b) Press and hold the push button.



- c) Open the runner by pressing the push button and by pulling apart both body sides of the runner simultaneously (see image below).



- d) Remove the runner from the safety rail.

8 Maintenance

8.1 Cautions

- Keep all the parts free of oil, grease, paint, aggressive chemicals and alike.
- Clean the shock absorber using a weak sulpho-solution and a soft brush. Subsequently, flush it with plenty of pure water.
- Never place liquids or sharp objects in the vicinity of the FPS as these might damage it.
- If the FPS gets wet, dry the runner and the safety rail with a dry cloth. Let the shock absorber air-dry naturally. Do not use any kind of heating.

8.2 Storage

- Store the runner system out of direct sunlight and protected from heat and dust.

8.3 Annual inspection

- At least every 12 months, a competent person shall inspect the FPS (both runner and rail). Otherwise, the warranty will be void and AVANTI will renounce all liability and claims that may appear.



The annual inspection may only be conducted by a competent.



The annual inspection shall be carried out following the inspection procedure. During the inspection, the "Appendix A: Annual Inspection Checklist" and the "Appendix D: Inspection log sheet" shall be filled in for future reference.

- During this inspection, special attention shall be paid to the safety rail and the runner

8.4 Inspection procedure

8.4.1 Ladder rungs

- Ensure that no dents, holes, or cracks have any influence on the rung stability.
- The dents shall not exceed 10 mm in diameter or be more than 1 mm deep.
- If dents are found on the rung edges or corners, the step stability can no longer be guaranteed. In such case, replace the ladder section.

8.4.2 Ladder stiles

- a) Ensure that no dents, holes, or cracks have any influence on the stiles' stability.
- b) The dents shall not exceed 20mm in diameter or be more than 1 mm deep.
- c) If dents are found on the stile edges or corners, the stile stability can no longer be guaranteed. In such case, replace the ladder section.

8.4.3 Flange connection kits

- a) The distance between the rungs at tower flange connection shall be minimum 255 mm and maximum 300 mm.

8.4.4 Ladder ends

- a) On the top and bottom ends of the complete ladder system, a protection guard (such as the AVANTI rubber feet or end cap) shall be put in place on the stiles.

8.4.5 Safety rail

- a) Ensure that the safety rail sections are mounted according to the installation instructions of this manual.
- b) Ensure that no sharp rail ends are present.
- c) Check the legibility of the product marking. If marking is not present, a competent shall replace them.
- d) During the erection of the wind turbine towers, top and bottom rail-stops shall be mounted on each individual tower section.
- e) Ensure that top and bottom rail-stops are mounted.

8.4.6 Fish-joints

- a) Ensure that the fish-joints are mounted with 4 hammerhead screws.
- b) Ensure that the gap between consecutive safety rails is minimum 1mm and maximum 4 mm.
- c) Ensure that the indicator mark of each hammer-head screw and the self-locking nuts are at an angle of 70°.
- d) Make sure that all hammerhead screws and self-locking nuts of the rail system are present and torqued to 8 N·m.

8.4.7 Circular inspection sticker

- a) Ensure that the sticker is present and that the due date has not expired.



8.5 Ordering spare parts

- a) If any part of the FPS is found to be broken, unsafe or missing, put the FPS out of service immediately.
- b) Subsequently, contact an AVANTI representative to replace/repair the missing parts.
- c) Finally, a competent person shall carry out an inspection following the inspection procedure.

Appendix A: Annual inspection checklist

Type of AVANTI Runner:	Runner 2000/2002 or Eagle ^{DS}	User's name:		
Standards:	EN353-1 / RfU11.073 / AS/NZS1891.3	Phone:		
Tower (WEA-No.):		Name of inspector:		
Date of inspection:		Date of next inspection:		
1	Ladder system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
1.1	Rungs	Are dents less than 10 mm in diameter or 1 mm deep?		
		Are the rung ends fixed tight to the stiles?		
		Are the rungs free of cracks?		
1.2	Stiles	Are dents less than 20 mm in diameter or 1 mm deep?		
		Are the stile ends free of dents?		
		Are the stiles free of cracks?		
1.3	Flange connection kits	Is the distance between the rungs of consecutive ladder sections at tower flange between 255 and 300 mm?		
1.4	Ladder ends	Are the AVANTI rubber feet or end caps mounted?		
1.5	General	Is the ladder system free of dirt (oil, corrosion, paint, etc.)?		
2	Safety rail system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
2.1	Safety rail sections	Are the safety rail sections mounted on the front side?		
		Is the guide seat of each safety rail section placed on the left side?		
		Are the ends of each safety rail section free of sharp edges?		
2.2	Rung fitting	Is there a rung fitting on the first (lowest) rung of each ladder section?		
		Is there a rung fitting on the last (highest) rung of each ladder section?		
		Is there a rung fitting on at least every third rung of each ladder section?		
		Is each rung fitting free of damages?		
2.3	Fish-joints	Is each fish-joint mounted with 4 hammerhead screws?		
		Are all the indicator marks of the hammerhead screws and the self-locking nuts at an angle of 70°?		
2.4	General	Is the safety rail system free of dirt (oil, corrosion, paint, etc.)?		
		Is the safety rail system free of damages?		
3	Others	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
3.1	Resting platforms	Are the resting platforms in place and fixed at every 15 m?		
3.2	Screws	Are all the screws in place and torqued properly?		
3.3	Labels and markings	Are all the labels and markings legible?		
4	Runner system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
4.1	-	Is the runner approved for use?		
5	Final assessment	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
5.1	-	Is the FPS approved for use?		
This inspection shall be carried out before the first use and at least every 12 months by AVANTI or by a competent. This checklist and the Inspection log sheet shall be filled in and filed for future reference.			Inspector's Signature:	

Appendix A: Annual inspection checklist

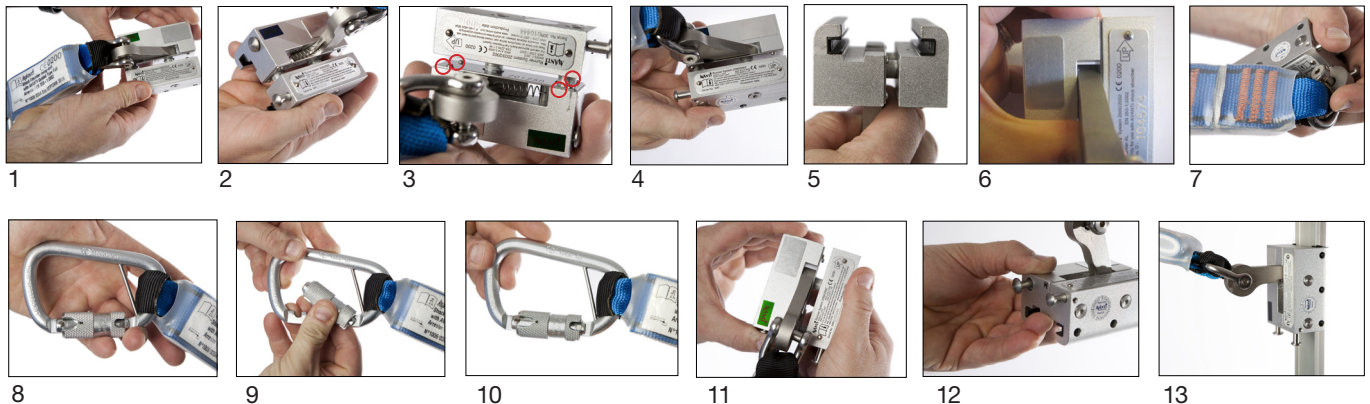
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Standards:	EN353-1 / RfU11.073 / AS/NZS1891.3	Phone:		
Tower (WEA-No.):		Name of inspector:		
Date of inspection:		Date of next inspection:		
1	Ladder system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
1.1	Rungs	Are dents less than 10 mm in diameter or 1 mm deep?		
		Are the rung ends fixed tight to the stiles?		
		Are the rungs free of cracks?		
1.2	Stiles	Are dents less than 20 mm in diameter or 1 mm deep?		
		Are the stile ends free of dents?		
		Are the stiles free of cracks?		
1.3	Flange connection kits	Is the distance between the rungs of consecutive ladder sections at tower flange between 255 and 300 mm?		
1.4	Ladder ends	Are the AVANTI rubber feet or end caps mounted?		
1.5	General	Is the ladder system free of dirt (oil, corrosion, paint, etc.)?		
2	Safety rail system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
2.1	Safety rail sections	Are the safety rail sections mounted on the front side?		
		Is the guide seat of each safety rail section placed on the left side?		
		Are the ends of each safety rail section free of sharp edges?		
2.2	Rung fitting	Is there a rung fitting on the first (lowest) rung of each ladder section?		
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		Is the safety rail system free of damages?		
3	Others	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
3.1	Resting platforms	Are the resting platforms in place and fixed at every 15 m?		
3.2	Screws	Are all the screws in place and torqued properly?		
3.3	Labels and markings	Are all the labels and markings legible?		
4	Runner system	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
4.1	-	Is the runner approved for use?		
5	Final assessment	OK	NOK	COMMENTS
5.1	-	Is the FPS approved for use?		
This inspection shall be carried out before the first use and at least every 12 months by AVANTI or by a competent. This checklist and the Inspection log sheet shall be filled in and filed for future reference.			Inspector's Signature:	

Appendix B: Daily inspection checklist of Runner 2000/2002

ISSUE DESCRIPTION	PASS	FAIL
1 Is the runner's body free of corrosion, deformation and other damages? (See Fig. 1)		
COMMENTS		
2 Is the brake lever free of corrosion, deformation and other damages? (See Fig. 2)		
COMMENTS		
3 Is the middle plate tightly attached by the 4 fixed rivets? (See Fig. 3)		
COMMENTS		
4 Is the middle plate free of deformation? (See Fig. 3)		
COMMENTS		
5 Is the aluminium serial plate tightly attached by the 2 fixed rivets? (See Fig. 4)		
COMMENTS		
6 Are the synthetic guides tightly seated and without bruises and marks? (See Fig. 5)		
COMMENTS		
7 Is the blank aluminium plate present and sitting tight? (See Fig. 6)		
COMMENTS		
8 Does the shock absorber show a normal shape? Are the absorber and the cover free of cuts, burns, seams and visible signs of wear? (See Fig. 7)		
COMMENTS		

ISSUE DESCRIPTION	PASS	FAIL
9 Is the carabiner free of marks, deformities, wear and traces of corrosion? (See Fig. 8)		
COMMENTS		
10 Is the return spring and articulation of the carabiner opening, closing and locking properly? (See Fig. 9)		
COMMENTS		
11 Does the black strap of the shock absorber cover the carabiner end completely? (See Fig. 10)		
COMMENTS		
12 Does the runner close and open easily without friction or resistance? (See Fig. 11)		
COMMENTS		
13 Does the brake lever move up and down smoothly? (See Fig. 12)		
COMMENTS		
14 Is the spring securely attached? Is it retracting the lever automatically? (See Fig. 12)		
COMMENTS		
15 Is the shackle securely attached and free from marks, deformities, wear and traces of corrosion? (See Fig. 13)		
COMMENTS		
16 Does the runner slide smoothly along the rail? (See Fig. 13)		
COMMENTS		
17 Is the circular inspection sticker present? Has the due date for annual inspection not expired? (See Fig. 12)		
COMMENTS		

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Appendix C: Daily inspection checklist of Eagle^{DS} Runner

ISSUE DESCRIPTION	PASS	FAIL
1 Are the runner's bodies free of corrosion, deformation and cracks? (See Fig. 1)		
COMMENTS		
2 Is the brake lever free of corrosion, deformation and other damages? (See Fig. 2)		
COMMENTS		
3 Does the locking lever lock and unlock correctly? (See Fig. 3)		
COMMENTS		
4 Does the push button move up and down correctly? (See Fig. 4)		
COMMENTS		
5 Is the aluminium serial plate tightly attached by 2 fixed rivets? (See Fig. 5)		
COMMENTS		
6 Are the 6 rollers tightly placed and free of bruises and marks? (See Fig. 6)		
COMMENTS		
7 Is the circular inspection sticker present? Has the due date for annual inspection not expired? (See Fig. 4)		
COMMENTS		
8 Does the shock absorber show a normal shape? Are the absorber and the cover free of cuts, burns, seams and visible signs of wear? (See Fig. 7)		
COMMENTS		

ISSUE DESCRIPTION	PASS	FAIL
9 Is the carabiner free of marks, deformities, wear and traces of corrosion? (See Fig. 8)		
COMMENTS		
10 Is the return spring and articulation of the carabiner opening, closing and locking properly? (See Fig. 9)		
COMMENTS		
11 Does the black strap of the shock absorber cover the carabiner end completely? (See Fig. 10)		
COMMENTS		
12 Does the runner close and open easily without friction or resistance? (See Fig. 11)		
COMMENTS		
13 Is the shackle tightly attached and free of marks, deformities, wear and traces of corrosion? (See Fig. 12)		
COMMENTS		
14 Does the runner slide smoothly along the rail? (See Fig. 13)		
COMMENTS		
15 Do the torsion springs work properly (i.e. the lever can be moved up and down smoothly)? (See Fig. 12) Are they securely attached? (See Fig. 14)		
COMMENTS		

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