



P R O U D S

H a u l B a g s

Your new haul bag is made of one of the toughest materials known to man, and with proper use it should last longer than your mind. The following are usage tips that will prolong the life of your purchase. If you follow them closely, you will be rewarded with many seasons of vertical freight handling, and no holes in your haul bag.

instructions on use:

1. Insert the padded waist belt before you pack the bag, and attach the shoulder straps with the maximum possible passes through the 2" wide buckle, then secure the tail of 1" webbing into the 1" buckle on the shoulder strap. The two long straps are the shoulder strap adjusters. On the bottom of your haul bag are two small loops bartacked to the underside of the main haul straps. Insert the shoulder adjuster strap into this loop and then girth hitch it back through itself, and around the main haul strap. This way if the little loop blows, you are still girth hitched around the main haul straps. Thread the adjuster straps into your shoulder strap buckles. Your daisy chain should be girth hitched into the daisy chain attachment point on the side of the bag. It is a "handle" of 1" webbing with a small protector flap above it. Your bag should now be ready.
2. Always use an ensolite pad or its equivalent to line the bag. Another good liner is cardboard.
3. Usually the water bottles are placed into the bag first. Arrange them into a circle in the bottom of the bag, leaving a hole in the center. An additional water bottle or a portaledge is commonly put into this space. If you own a FISH portaledge, it will be clipped in under the haul bag before you blast off.
4. All of your food should be in a stuff sack. Never let cans float around loose in your haul bag. Loose cans that find their way to the bag's inner surface are the #1 cause of holes. Don't let a 75¢ can of sardines do a number on your \$140 haul bag.
5. Set your food sack into the center of the bag and surround it with soft gear.
6. Each day pull out the rations you might desire. Set these babies right on top nestled amongst the soft gear for easy access during the day.
7. Close the storm collar, then secure the main draw cord with a fair bit of tension, tying a knot you think you can get out later. An overhand slip knot is the best.
8. Check the outer surface of the bag for any bumps or edges that could become a heavy wear area. Eradicate them now, for they will certainly become holes later. A poorly packed bag can develop holes within 30 feet. Take the time to do it right.
9. Remove the shoulder straps and waist belt before hauling. Stash these in a safe place in your pack or in the haul bag. If you lose them, the trip down from the top will be bleak.
10. After each use inspect the entire bag for wear spots. If any wear has been directly on any of the stitches, they must be reinforced before using the bag again.
11. For maximum longevity of the bag we recommend covering all exposed stitches with "Plasti-Dip" tool handle coating. You will find it in better hardware stores, or order it directly from us.
12. If you have any questions about this bag, or hauling in general, don't hesitate to call us.
13. If you would like to really learn how to haul, visit our WWW site. There is a how to section that covers all the basics and some advanced techniques. There you will also find other great tips on wall climbing, including how to place copperheads, the three person system and more.

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