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1. TITLE PAGE

1.1 INTRODUCTION: USER MANUAL FOR: FIBREGLASS STEP LADDERS Stock No's: 90409, 90417, 90420. Part No's: FGL3A, FGL5A, FGL7A.

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1.3 UNDERSTANDING THIS MANUALS SAFETY CONTENT: WARNING! - Information that draws attention to the risk of injury or death. CAUTION! - Information that draws attention to the risk of damage to the product or surroundings.

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9. EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

Grid of 24 safety symbols with corresponding text instructions such as 'Warning, fall from the ladder', 'Maximum total load', 'Do not overreach', etc.

3. INTRODUCTION

3.1 SCOPE This ladder is an A-frame step ladder of between 3-7 rungs plus a plastic top cap. It is used to allow safe temporary access to areas outside the normal reach of the user.

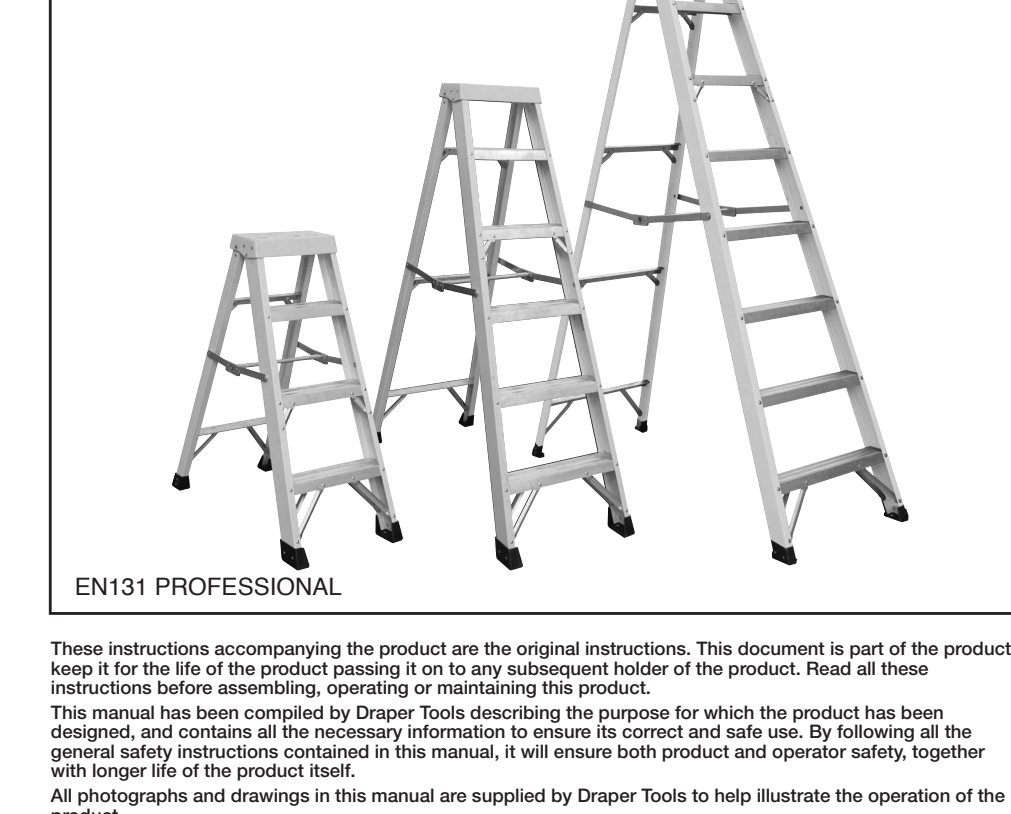
Table with 3 columns: Stock No., Part No., and dimensions (Number of rungs, Closed height, Open height, Spread, Max. standing height, Weight, Max. Load).

3.3 HANDLING & STORAGE Take care when handling the ladder. Store in a dry location, out of the reach of children.



FIBREGLASS STEP LADDERS

90409, 90417, 90420.



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These instructions accompanying the product are the original instructions. This document is part of the product, keep it for the life of the product passing it on to any subsequent holder of the product. Read all these instructions before assembling, operating or maintaining this product.

10. DISPOSAL

10.1 DISPOSAL - At the end of the ladder's working life, or when it can no longer be repaired, ensure that it is disposed of according to national regulations.

- Contact your local authority for details of collection schemes in your area. In all circumstances: • Do not abandon in the environment.

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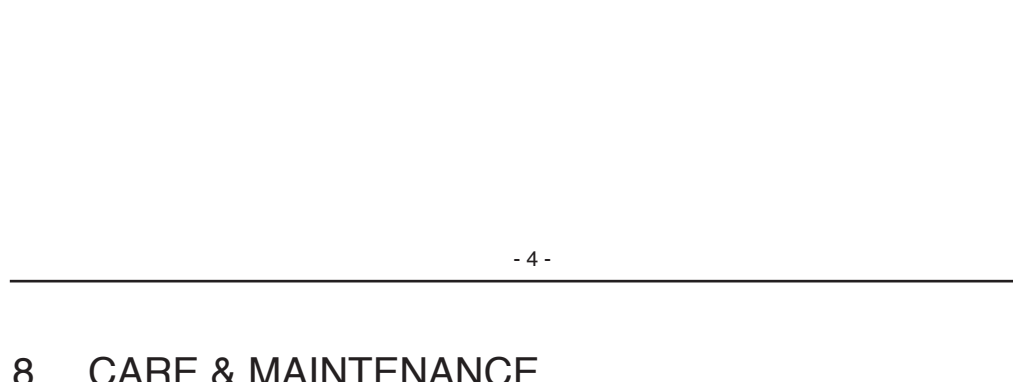
8. CARE & MAINTENANCE

8.2 STORAGE The important considerations when storing a ladder (not in use) should include the following: - Is the ladder stored away from areas where its condition could deteriorate more rapidly (e.g. dampness, excessive heat, in direct sunlight or exposed to the elements)?

4. HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

4.1 WARNING Failure to adhere to the warnings and instructions contained in this manual and on the product could result in serious injury or death.

5. TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION



8. CARE & MAINTENANCE

8.1 INSPECTION For regular inspection, the following items shall be taken into account: - check that the stiles/legs (uprights) are not bent, bowed, twisted, dented, cracked, corroded or rotten;

- check that the stiles/legs around the fixing points for other components are in good condition;
- check that fixings (usually rivets, screws or bolts) are not missing, loose, or corroded;
- check that rungs/steps are not missing, loose, excessively worn, corroded or damaged;
- check that the hinges between front and rear sections are not damaged, loose or corroded;
- check that the locking stays horizontal, back rails and corner braces are not missing, bent, loose, corroded or damaged;
- check that the rung hooks are not missing, damaged, loose or corroded and engage properly on the; rungs;
- check that guide brackets are not missing, damaged, loose or corroded and engage properly on the mating stile;
- check that ladder feet / end caps are not missing, loose, excessively worn, corroded or damaged;
- check that the entire ladder is free from contaminants (e.g. dirt, mud, paint, oil or grease);
- check that locking catches (if fitted) are not damaged or corroded and function correctly;
- check that the platform (if fitted) has no missing parts or fixings and is not damaged or corroded.
If any of the above checks cannot be fully satisfied, you should NOT use the ladder.

4. HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

4.1 WARNING Failure to adhere to the warnings and instructions contained in this manual and on the product could result in serious injury or death.

- Is the ladder stored where it cannot be damaged by vehicles, heavy objects, or contaminants?
- Is the ladder stored where it cannot cause a trip hazard or an obstruction?
- Is the ladder stored securely where it cannot be easily used for criminal purposes?
- If the ladder is permanently positioned (e.g. on scaffolding), is it secured against unauthorized climbing (e.g. by children)?

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

7.4 USING THE LADDER - FIGS. 1 - 2 a) Do not exceed the maximum total load for the type of ladder;

- b) Do not overreach; user should keep their belt buckle (navel) inside the stiles and both feet on the same step/rung throughout the task;
c) Do not stand on a leaning ladder at a higher level without additional security, such as tying off or use of a suitable stability device;
d) Do not use leaning ladders for access to another level;
e) Do not stand on the top three steps/rungs of a leaning ladder;
f) Do not stand on the top two steps/rungs of a standing ladder without a platform and hand/knee rail;
g) Do not stand on the top four steps/rungs of a standing ladder with an extending ladder at the top;
Ladders should only be used for light work or short duration;
i) Use non-conductive ladders for unavoidable live electrical work;
j) Do not use the ladder outside in adverse weather conditions, such as strong wind;
k) Take precautions against children playing on the ladder;
l) Secure doors (not fire exits) and windows where possible in the work area;
m) Face the ladder when ascending and descending;
n) Keep a secure grip on the ladder when ascending and descending;
o) Do not use the ladder as a bridge;
p) Wear suitable footwear when climbing a ladder;
q) Avoid excessive side loadings e.g. drilling brick and concrete;
r) Do not spend long periods on a ladder without regular breaks (tiredness is a risk);
s) Leaning ladders used for access to a higher level should be extended at least 1m above the landing point;
t) Equipment carried while using a ladder should be light and easy to handle;
u) Avoid work that imposes a sideways load on standing ladders, such as side-on drilling through solid materials (e.g. brick and concrete);
v) Maintain a handhold whilst working from a ladder or take additional safety precautions if you cannot;
w) Prevent damage of the ladder when transporting e.g. by fastening and, ensure they are suitably placed to prevent damage.
x) Ensure the ladder is suitable for the task.
y) Do not use the ladder if contaminated, e.g. with wet paint, mud, oil or snow.
z) Do not use the ladder outside in adverse weather conditions, such as strong wind .



FIG. 1 CORRECT - USER MAINTAINING THREE POINTS OF CONTACT (MEANS OF SECURING OMITTED FOR CLARITY)



FIG. 2 INCORRECT - OVERREACHING AND NOT MAINTAINING THREE POINTS OF CONTACT (MEANS OF SECURING OMITTED FOR CLARITY)

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

a1) For professional use a risk assessment shall be carried out respecting the legislation in the country of use.

b1) When positioning the ladder take into account risk of collision with the ladder e.g. from pedestrians, vehicles or doors. Secure doors (not fire exits) and windows where possible in the work area.

c1) Use non-conductive ladders for unavoidable live electrical work. d1) Do not modify the ladder design. e1) Do not move a ladder while standing on it.

7.5 OPERATION

Open ladder and lock by pressing down on lock bars. Do not climb unless locked. Ensure ladder is on safe, stable and level ground during use.

6. UNPACKING AND CHECKING

6.1 PACKAGING Carefully remove the product from the packaging and examine it for any sign of damage that may have happened during shipping. If any part is damaged or missing, please contact the Draper Help Line (the telephone number appears on the Title page) and do not attempt to use the product.

- Warning! • Some of the packaging materials used may be harmful to children. Do not leave any of these materials in the reach of children. • If any of the packaging is to be thrown away, make sure they are disposed of correctly, according to local regulations.

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

7.1 REASONS FOR ACCIDENTS The following list of hazards and examples of their causes, which is not exhaustive, are common reasons for accidents encountered when using ladders and are the basis on which the information in this standard has been developed.

- a) Loss of stability: 1) Incorrect positioning of the ladder (such as incorrect angle for leaning ladder or not fully opening a standing ladder); 2) Slide outwards at the bottom (such as bottom of the ladders sliding away from the wall); 3) Side slip, falling sideways and top flip (such as overreaching or fragile top contact surface); 4) Stepping off an unsecured ladder at height; 5) Stairing off a slippery surface or slippery surfaces (contaminated solid surfaces); 6) Adverse weather conditions (such as windy conditions); 7) Collision with the ladder (such as vehicle or door); 8) Incorrect choice of ladder (such as too short, unsuitable task). b) From handling: 1) Transferring the ladder to the work position; 2) Erecting and dismantling the ladder; 3) Carrying items up the ladder. c) Slip, trip and fall of user: 1) Inappropriate footwear; 2) Contaminated rungs or steps; 3) Unsafe user practices (such as climbing 2 rungs at a time, sliding down stiles). d) Structural failure of the ladder: 1) Condition of the ladder (such as damaged stiles, wear UV degradation of plastic parts); 2) Overloading the ladder. e) Electrical hazards: 1) Unavoidable live working (e.g.: fault finding); 2) Positioning ladders too close to live electrical equipment (such as overhead power lines); 3) Ladders damaging electrical equipment (such as covers or protective insulation); 4) Incorrect selection of type of ladder for electrical work.

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

7.2 BEFORE USE a) Ensure that you are fit enough to use a ladder. Certain medical conditions or medication, alcohol or drug abuse could make ladder use unsafe;

b) When transporting ladders on roof bars or in a truck, ensure they are suitably placed to prevent damage;

c) Inspect the ladder after delivery and before first use to confirm condition and operation of all parts; the ladder is to be used;

d) Visually check the ladder is not damaged and is safe to use at the start of each working day when the ladder is to be used;

e) Periodic inspection is required; f) The ladder is suitable for the task; g) Do not use a damaged ladder;

h) Remove any contamination from the ladder, such as wet paint, mud, oil or snow; i) Before using the ladder take work a risk assessment should be carried out respecting the legislation in the country of use;

7.3 POSITIONING AND ERECTING THE LADDER

a) Ladder shall be erected at the correct position, such as the correct angle for a leaning ladder (angle of inclination approximately 1:4) with the rungs or treads level and complete opening of a standing ladder;

b) Locking devices shall be fully secured before use; c) Ladder shall be on an even, level and unmovable base;

d) Leaning ladder should lean against a flat non-fragile surface and should be secured before use, e.g. tied or use of a suitable stability device;

e) Ladder shall never be repositioned from above; f) When positioning the ladder take into account risk of collision with the ladder e.g. from pedestrians, vehicles or doors. Secure doors (not fire exits) and windows where possible in the work area;

g) Identify any electrical risks in the work area, such as overhead lines or other exposed electrical equipment;

h) Ladder shall be stood on its feet, not the rungs or steps;

i) Ladders shall not be positioned on slippery surfaces (such as ice, shiny surfaces or significantly contaminated solid surfaces) unless additional effective measures are taken to prevent the ladder slipping or ensuring contaminated surfaces are sufficiently clean.