

GOOD PRACTICE AND GUIDELINES - PLEASE READ



# AUTO BELAYS



**IF YOU HAVE NOT USED AN AUTOBELAY DEVICE  
BEFORE YOU MUST SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF STAFF FIRST**

**IF THE TAPE FAILS TO RETRACT AS YOU ARE CLIMBING YOU MUST STOP  
IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT CONTINUE TO CLIMB. DO NOT PULL OUT  
SLACK. CALL FOR ASSISTANCE.**

## General

- You must check the device is functioning correctly before leaving the floor. When the tape is pulled down, resistance should be felt. When the tape is released, it should retract back into the device.
- You must attach the karabiners to your harness belay loop.
- Ensure the karabiner gates are locked closed.
- Ensure tape is not twisted BEFORE ascending.
- Do not lead on this line whilst tape is in place – this may cause damage to tape and your rope!
- NEVER out-climb the device. Do not make dynamic moves or large swings which may cause the tape to become slack. Do not climb above the device.
- After descending, DO NOT LET GO OF THE KARABINERS but clip them back into the safety triangle.
- Climb only directly under the Auto Belay device – do not climb adjacent lines.
- Junior or novice climbers must be supervised when using this device.
- Min. weight 10kg (22lbs) - Max. weight 150kg (330lbs).
- Device will lower immediately – ensure your landing zone is clear!
- Danger of helmet hang-up – please consider your rescue plan if supervising climber with helmet on the auto belay.
- Don't try to hold onto bolt hangers. They have sharp edges and may seriously injure your fingers.