SUMMIT TREESTANDS

Summit BuckspikesTM

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Please read carefully **BEFORE** using your new Summit BuckspikesTM.

Warnings and Precautions

- YOU MUST FULLY READ, UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS!
- ALWAYS INSPECT EACH STEP FOR ANY DAMAGE BEFORE USE!
- ALWAYS USE A LINEMAN'S BELT AND HARNESS WHEN USING AND INSTALLING THIS PRODUCT!
- NEVER CLIMB WITH THIS PRODUCT UNTIL THE LINEMAN'S BELT HAS BEEN SECURELY TIGHTENED AROUND THE TREE!
- DO NOT CLIMB WITH THESE STEPS UNTIL THE SPRING LOADED SAFETY BAR IS RESTING AGAINST THE TREE! THE ANGLED BAR MUST ALWAYS BE ON THE TOP OF THE STEP!
- FOR YOUR SAFETY, DO NOT USE THIS PRODUCT DURING STORMS, WHEN TREES ARE WET OR ICY, OR ON TREES THAT ARE LEANING OR THAT APPEAR DEAD OR DISEASED!
- BE WELL RESTED AND NEVER GET IN A HURRY. HURRYING CAUSES ACCIDENTS!!
- DO NOT MODIFY THIS PRODUCT OR SUBSTITUTE ANY REPLACEMENT PARTS!
- DO NOT LEAVE IN A TREE REMOVE THESE STEPS AFTER THE SEASON!
- WEIGHT LIMIT 300 LBS
- FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH!!

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Use of the Summit Buckspikes™:

Step 1. Straighten the spring loaded safety bar to snap into place at a 90 degree angle. The safety bar should be locked at a 90 degree angle to the screw. See **Figure 1**. **Step 2.** Position the lowest spike at a level where it will be comfortable to step into.

Step 3. Using the safety bar as a handle, screw the step fully into the tree and at a right angle to the tree. The spike **MUST** be screwed in far enough so that you cannot see the threads. See **Figure 2 close up**.

Step 4. BEFORE USING THE STEPS, YOU MUST PULL THE SAFETY BAR BACK SO THAT THE SPRING TENSION KEEPS IT AGAINST THE TREE. The safety bar <u>MUST FACE UP</u> as shown in Figure 2.

Step 5. Position the next step no further than 18" maximum up from the lowest spike and on the opposite side of the tree as shown in Figure 3. Repeat steps 3-4 for each step. The step spacing should never exceed a safe/comfortable/normal step distance.

Step 6. WARNING! AT THIS POINT YOU MUST USE YOUR LINEMAN'S HOOKUP AROUND YOU AND THE TREE FOR SUPPORT AND TO PREVENT YOU FROM FALLING BACKWARDS WHILE CLIMBING AND SECURING THE REMAINING BUCKSPIKESTM.

Step 7. Continue placing the remaining BuckspikesTM. Place each additional spike no further than 18" up from the last one and be sure to stagger them from side to side as you go up as shown in Figure 3. Repeat steps 3-4 for each step.

Step 8. Position the last few BuckspikesTM so that you always <u>STEP DOWN</u> onto the platform of your treestand. <u>NEVER</u> attempt to step up into a fixed position stand! <u>NEVER</u> disconnect your Lineman's rope until your harness is securely connected to a safety rope! **Step 9.** When Climbing, your boot should fit securely

on the screw shaft and under the safety bar as shown in **Figure 4**.

Step 10. Removal is the opposite of installation. <u>AL-WAYS</u> use a Lineman's belt when removing the spikes.

