## Recall Via Ferrata Set Date February 25th 2013

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- All Via Ferrata sets using the rope-friction technology, which are affected by the recent recall, are listed based on the manufacturer's data.
- All sets with elastic lanyards that are affected by the recall from August/September 2012 are also listed. Sets which had already been exchanged by a manufacturer because of a recall are not concerned again.
- Do not use any affected set! The worst case is a rupture of the set.
- All details can be found on the manufacturers' homepages.
- The maximal recommended lifespan of Via Ferrata sets as specified by the manufacturers is also included in the list. By the end of this time sets have to be disposed of with frequent use or visible damage earlier. A Via Ferrata set must be disposed of after one fall.
- Only continue to use your Via Ferrata set if it is not affected by any recall and if it is within the lifespan specification of the manufacturer.

| Manufacturer<br>Link                    |   |   | Maximal Lifespan<br>for Via Ferrata sets as   |
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| <u></u>                                 | Type: Elastic Lanyards<br>(August/September 2012) | Type: Sets using rope-friction technology (February 2013)   | specified by manufacturer and past recalls  |
| Anlo Mountain anlomountain.com          | -   | -   | Approx. 5 years   |
| AustriAlpin<br>austrialpin.at           | ■ Colt I<br>■ Hydra I                             | No recall but AustriAlpin's sets with a rope break as shown below must not be used any further because of obsolescence (produced before 2007).  AustriAlpin is willing to cooperate with users, further information can be found on their homepage. | ■ DB4 consider recall from August 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2007  |
| Black Diamond blackdiamondequipment.com | -   | -   | Shelf use: 10 years Lifespan: 2-5 years depending on how frequently it is used and on the conditions of its use |

| CAMP<br>camp.it              | -  | -  | Sets manufactured before<br>07/2007: max. 5 years<br>07/2007 – 02/2013: max. 10<br>years<br>Starting from 03/2013: max.<br>5 years |
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| CT<br>climbingtechnology.com | <ul><li>Top-Shell Spring Set</li><li>Classic-K Spring Set</li></ul>  | Under investigation – CT momentarily recommends not to use the following via ferrata sets:  2K372AA REVOLVING K-SET 2K372AC REVOLVING K-SET 2K53300 CLASSIC K-SET 2K5330D CLASSIC K-SET All sets produced in 2007 and earlier (see date on the label) exceed their lifetime and have to be disposed.   | Never used: 5 years<br>Occasional use: max. 3 years  |
| Edelrid edelrid.de           | <ul> <li>Cable Lite</li> <li>Cable Lite 2.0</li> <li>Cable Comfort</li> <li>Cable Comfort 2.0</li> <li>Cable Kit 4.0</li> <li>Brenta Comfort</li> <li>Cable Kit Xtra-Light<br/>Schuster</li> </ul> | The following via ferrata sets manufactured in the years from 2006 on and later (see homepage of Edelrid for identification) are affected by the recall:  Brenta (without carabiner) Brenta de Luxe (with carabiner, batch number '06' and later) Tofana Civetta Brenta Comfort  All sets produced in 2005 and earlier (recognizable at the batch number of the carabiner, see homepage) exceed their lifetime and have to be disposed! EDELRID offers a bonus if those sets are disposed and a new one is purchased (see homepage). | Never used: 10 years Occasionally used (ca. 1-2 times a month): 5 years  |

| Edelweiss<br>edelweiss-ropes.com | <ul> <li>Upsilon EVO</li> <li>Upsilon EVO junior</li> <li>Upsilon EVO Swivel         Performance</li> <li>Upsilon EVO Performance</li> <li>Upsilon EVO Swivel</li> </ul> | -  | Max. 10 years  |
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| Kong<br>kong.it                  | -  | -  | Max. 500 days of use   |
| LACD<br>lost-arrow.de            | -  | -  | Max. 10 years  |
| Mammut<br>mammut.ch              | <ul> <li>Tec Step Classic</li> <li>Tec Step Bionic Turn</li> <li>Tec Step Bionic</li> <li>Tec Step Brenta Classic</li> </ul>   | All Mammut Via Ferrata Sets according to figure:  (Via Ferrata V, Via Ferrata Y, Via Ferrata Performance Key Lock) | Never used: max. 10 years<br>Rarley used (1-2 times a year):<br>max. 7 years   |
| Ocún<br><u>ocun.cz</u>           | <ul> <li>Via Ferrata Y – form         'Harmonica'</li> <li>Via Ferrata Rip'n'stop         'Harmonica'</li> </ul>   | -  | Sets manufactured before 09/2012: max. 5 years Sets from 09/2012 onward: Never used: max. 12 years Occasionally used (once a year): up to 10 years |
| Petzl<br>petzl.com               | -  | -  | Max. 10 years  Consider inspection call of May 13 <sup>th</sup> 2011   |
| Rock Empire rockempire.cz        | No measures taken  | No measures taken  |  |

| Salewa<br>salewa.com            |  | All Salewa via ferrata sets employing rope-friction technology  Examples:  All Salewa via ferrata sets employing rope-friction technology  Examples: | Proper storage: up to 10 years Rarely used (1-2 times a year): up to 7 years   |
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| Simond<br>simond.com            | -  | -  | Sets with tear webbing energy absorbers: never used: 10 years Occasionally used: max. 7 years Sets with rope-friction break: max. 3 years  |
| Singing rock<br>singingrock.com | <ul><li>Easy Go Xp</li><li>Easy Go Xp Complete</li><li>Easy Go Xp Lock</li></ul> | Under investigation, no final conclusion for the following sets:  Via ferrata set Via ferrata set Complete via ferrata set Lock                      | Sets with tear webbing energy absorbers: max. 10 years Sets with rope-friction break: max. 5 years since the date of first use and 10 years after date of production, whatever comes first |

| Skylotec<br>skylotec.de            | -  | -  | Never used: 10 years<br>Occasionally used: 6-8 years                               |
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|                                    |  |  | <ul> <li>Consider inspection call<br/>of September 15<sup>th</sup> 2011</li> </ul> |
| Stubai<br>stubai-bergsport.com     | <ul> <li>Connect Compact Mod.</li> <li>1211, SN 498</li> <li>Connect Flex Mod. 1211,<br/>SN 499</li> </ul> | Under investigation – Stubai recommends not to use any via ferrata set which employs the rope-friction technology. | Rarely used (ca. once a year):<br>max. 10 years<br>Average use: ca. 5 years        |
| Wild Country<br>wildcountry.co.uk/ | ■ Via Ferrata Set  | -  | Max. 5 years from first use on, or 10 years from first storage on                  |

<sup>-</sup> No set affected by this recall.