OVERVIEW
Buckingham OX BLOCK Slings are intended to be used to create a temporary anchor point when used in conjunction with the Buckingham OX BLOCK (shown at right). The Buckingham OX BLOCK can be supplied with a permanently attached sling, a removable sling or as an independent unit. These instructions show proper rigging techniques when using the removable sling. If using the removable sling to create the attachments shown below, one carabiner is required for the choked configuration and two carabiners are required for the Basket Hitch, Double Basket Hitch and the Basket Hitch Over a Cross Arm.

ATTACHMENT METHODS
The section below outlines some of the basic configurations to attach the OX BLOCK. The supplied slings have a WLL of 2500 lbs. when rigged as shown. (Note: rope & hardware colors may vary).

Choked Configuration:
1. Pass loop end around pole.
2. Pass eye through loop.
3. Connect carabiner to eye and OX BLOCK swivel.
4. Pull on tail to tighten sling around pole.
5. Smooth out adjuster.

Basket Hitch Configuration:
1. Pass loop end around pole.
2. Connect one carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to loop and connect another carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to eye (with gates facing outward). Never Tri-Load a carabiner.
3. Pull on tail to tighten sling around pole.
4. Smooth out adjuster.

Double Basket Hitch Configuration: 7’ model only
1. Pass loop end around pole twice.
2. Connect one carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to loop and connect another carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to eye (with gates facing outward).
3. Pull on tail to tighten sling around pole.
4. Smooth out adjuster.

Basket Hitch Over Cross Arm:
1. Pass loop end over cross arm.
2. Connect one carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to loop and connect another carabiner from OX BLOCK swivel to eye (with gates facing outward).
3. Pull on tail to shorten sling and raise OX BLOCK to desired height.
4. Smooth out adjuster.

The figures above show hitch configurations using the removable sling. Figures below show proper and improper carabiner attachment. Never triple load the carabiner.
WARNINGS

- This equipment is intended for use by properly trained professionals only.
- Manufacturer’s instructions shall be provided to the user of this product. If additional copy is needed, contact Buckingham Mfg. Co.
- Completely read, understand, and follow all instructions, warnings, and guidelines pertaining to this and all associated equipment before use. Failure to do so could result in your serious injury or death.
- Employer - instruct your employees as to proper use, warnings and cautions before use of this equipment.
- FOR RESCUE PURPOSES ONLY: This product is designed to be used by a person with a maximum weight of 350 lbs. when fully equipped.
- Personal protection and rigging equipment, (i.e. fall arrest, work positioning, retrieval, suspension, travel restraint, hoisting etc.) should not be resold or provided to others for re-use after use by original user as assurance can not be granted that a used product meets criteria of applicable standards and is safe for use to a subsequent user.
- All components used with the OX BLOCK (carabiners, pulleys, rope, slings, etc.) shall be authorized Buckingham products. Selection of components / products should be such that they aid the worker in the performance of their job and particular work situation. Therefore, be certain this equipment is suitable for the intended use and work environment. It should only be used for intended uses. If suitability for intended use is questionable, always consult your Supervisor, Safety Director or contact Buckingham Mfg. at (607) 773-2400 or 1-800-937-2825.
- Use only approved carabiners with the OX BLOCK. When rigging the OX BLOCK to a removable sling two approved carabiners must be used to rig the Basket Hitch, Double Basket Hitch and the Basket Hitch Over Cross Arm. (one though the Loop, one through the Eye and both being connected through the Swivel Eye of the OX BLOCK). Never triple load the carabiner. See Attachment Methods on opposite page.
- Destroy any and all equipment subjected to impact loading.
- As outlined by OSHA 1926.502 (e)(2) positioning devices shall be secured to an anchorage capable of supporting at least twice the potential impact load of an employee’s fall or 3,000 lbf. (13.3 kN), whichever is greater versus fall arrest anchor points which must support a minimum of 5,000 lbf. (22.2 kN) per attached worker and be independent of worker support.
- Avoid rubbing of unit components against abrasive surfaces and sharp edges.
- Avoid contact of this equipment with high temperature surfaces, welding or other heat sources.
- Use this product only in combination with compatible equipment.
- Use this equipment only for the specific purpose for which it is designed and intended.
- Wearing gloves while using this product is highly recommended.
- Only Buckingham Mfg. Co. or those people authorized in writing by Buckingham Mfg. Co. may make repairs / modifications to this equipment.
- Product covered under these instructions / warnings should not be resold / redistributed or reused after use by original user.
- Employer - instruct employees as to proper use, warnings and cautions before use of this equipment.

DETAILED INSPECTION

In addition to inspection before, during, and after each use, a detailed inspection by a competent inspector must be done at least every 3 months (or more frequently, depending on amount and type of use). Make a copy of these instructions and use one as the permanent inspection record; keep the other with the equipment. It is best to issue new gear to each user so they know its entire history.

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