

# BUCKINGHAM MFG.

## MODEL # 6911 BuckGuard - RETRACTABLE MAGNETIC GAFF GUARD ATTACHMENT INSTRUCTIONS

**Warning:** Do not use this product if you cannot understand and follow the instructions and warnings that come with it and complete all necessary functions.

Model # 6911 includes a retracting device that is encased in a protective leather cover and attached to the 6909M2 Gaff Guards. Gaff Guards are used to protect gaffs from damage and from damaging other equipment while stored and transported in tool bags. This gaff protector / guard is manufactured with an internal magnet molded into a durable polymer casing. These coatings / casings reduce friction between the gaff and the guard keeping gaffs as sharp as new. These coatings also prevent corrosion between the gaff and the guard. The retracting device enables the user to secure the gaff guards to the climbers for quick attachment and to prevent them from becoming lost. The retractors protective leather covers are manufactured with a 3/4" web attachment strap on one side and a 1" loop fastener securement strap on the other.



**NOTE:** Gaff Guards for Pole Climbers are mandated by OSHA regulation Part 1910.268(G)(2)(i). Use the appropriate Gaff Guard for the corresponding gaff / climber type. Model 6909M2 Gaff Guard fits all manufacturers Pole & Tree Gaff Climbers.

### Attaching to Climber Pad:

- Open up the cushion wrap pad and disconnect the nylon retaining strap from the climber pad and pull it out through the climber sleeve loop, and insert loop (Fig. 1).
- Align the retracting device so that the 3/4" web attachment strap facing down.
- Insert the climber pad nylon retaining strap through the retracting device 3/4" web attachment strap (Fig. 2), climber sleeve loop and insert loop (Fig. 3).
- Secure the hook fastener of the retaining strap to the loop fastener of the climber pad (Fig. 3).
- The 1" loop fastener securement strap should be facing outward and will adhere to the hook fastener of the climber pad when the pad is wrapped (Fig. 4).
- The gaff guards (model 6909M2) are manufactured with an internal magnet. Pull down on the gaff guard and align it over the gaff tip and push it on (Fig 4).
- When properly attached the BuckGuard should appear as shown in Fig. 4.

**NOTE:** Attaching the retracting device to the retaining strap creates a small void adjacent to the climber sleeve loop. This void was designed to be used to store the gaff guard when not in use as shown in Fig. 5.

To remove: pull straight down on the gaff guard and then let it slowly retract back into the retractor. Store units in a clean and dry location free of exposure to chemicals, corrosive elements, etc.

To prolong the service life of this unit, use caution when removing gaff guards. Kicking off the gaff guard or other aggressive action can reduce its useful service.



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