



DUO-SAFETY LADDER CORPORATION

Ladder Usage

Even the best engineered piece of equipment must be properly used and maintained for best results. The following recommendations will help you obtain maximum service and safety from your Fire Ladders.

1. The strength of any ladder, regardless of the manufacturer, will be considerably reduced in the horizontal position. With this in mind, we recommend that no ladder be used in this position unless specifically designed for this purpose.
2. Extreme caution must be taken when any ladder is used near high voltage lines, transformers or any electrical source. When these conditions are present, follow established safety procedures as issued by your own department.
3. If a ladder has been subjected to extreme heat or unusual abuse, it should be tested prior to further use to assure no damage has affected the structural members.
4. When carried on a truck, ladders should be fastened down. Contact points on mounting brackets should be padded to minimize abrasion.
5. Never bed or place a ladder near engine exhaust heat.
6. Inspect hardware fittings, accessories, ropes, cables and pulleys after each use to be sure the ladder meets NFPA standards.
7. All ladders should be tested in accordance with the latest NFPA regulations.
8. Ladders shall not be used for any operation nor in any way which is not specifically recommended by both NFPA and IFSTA standards and/or training manuals.