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Important Service Advisory Aptura™ LT30 Self-Retracting Lanyard

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As part of MSA's ongoing quality testing, we have determined that Aptura LT30 Self-Retracting Lanyards (SRLs) manufactured before July 1, 2006 may have arrest distances that exceed the 90 inch maximum indicated in our user instructions. Our testing revealed that the Aptura LT30 may allow as much as an additional 42 inches to arrest a fall. If you received this advisory, you may have purchased an affected unit.

MSA is requesting that all Aptura LT30 SRLs manufactured before July 1, 2006 be returned to MSA for the necessary service to correct this condition.

This advisory affects the following Aptura LT30 part numbers and ATO configurations:

- 10056964, 10056967, 10056963, 10056965, 10056968, 10056966, 10056969, 10057157, 10058886, 10053560, 10053559, 10053558, 10050504
- ATO configurations for the Aptura LT30 with a line length of 13 ft. or greater The part number and line length are identified on the label affixed to the back of the housing, underneath the cover label (see diagram on page 3).

Please take the following steps to identify affected units and obtain the required service or replacement SRL:

- 1. Locate the above listed Aptura LT30 SRLs in your possession and determine the date of manufacture. The date of manufacture is located on the label affixed to back of the housing, underneath the label cover (see diagram on page 3). If the date of manufacture is before July 1, 2006 or if the date cannot be determined, the SRL is subject to this advisory. Please note that units with green print on the cover label have already been upgraded and are not subject to this advisory.
- 2. Return your Aptura LT30 SRLs to MSA using the enclosed Shipping/Order Form. The shipping is free of charge. For customers in the U.S., return affected units to the Englewood CO facility. For customers in Canada, return affected units to the Edmonton office using the attached shipping/order form. Each shipment must contain a Shipping/Order Form.

We apologize for the inconvenience this situation may cause you. To help mitigate any inconvenience you may experience, we are offering a number of options for you in order to minimize down time and expedite this process.

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Option A: You can return your unit and we will perform the required service, free of charge, to eliminate the issue that can allow as much as an additional 42 inches to arrest a fall. If any repairs are required in addition to components covered by this advisory, we will advise you of the work that will need to be done. If you choose to have additional service completed while the unit is in our possession, you will be billed at our cost for those services.

Option B: You can return your unit to us and purchase a reconditioned unit for a net price of \$60.00 (USD). If you choose this option, you will not receive the same unit you returned to us. You will receive another unit in like condition that has already been repaired. This option is subject to availability of reconditioned units.

Option C: You can trade-in your used Aptura LT30 unit toward the purchase of any one of the following new SRL's:

Aptura LT30	Net price after trade-in: \$125.00 (USD)
Aptura LT12	Net price after trade-in: \$70.00 (USD)
20' web Dyna-Lock	Net price after trade-in: \$170.00 (USD)
20' cable Dyna-Lock	Net price after trade-in: \$240.00 (USD)
30' cable Dyna-Lock	Net price after trade-in: \$350.00 (USD)
50' cable Dyna-Lock	Net price after trade-in: \$400.00 (USD)

Please indicate your preference on the Shipping/Order Form and return it with your affected Aptura LT30 SRLs.

We are confident that our corrective measures appropriately address this safety concern. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact MSA Customer Service toll-free at 1-800-MSA-2222 and select option #3 for Technical Support. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

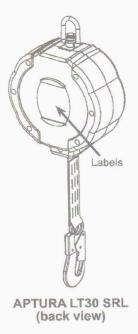
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Date of Manufacture

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APTURA LT30 SRL Data Card (found under Cover Label)