

OPERATIONAL AND CARE INSTRUCTION BOOK FOR YOUR XTEND & CLIMB® LADDER



IMPORTANT - All instructions must be read carefully before using the ladder. Save these instructions for future reference.

Step 1

Extending The Ladder

1. Release the strap that secures ladder in its "storage configuration".
2. a) Place ladder on firm level surface.
b) Place your foot on the bottom rung to hold ladder in place.
c) With both hands, pull up on the couplings of the 3rd rung (as seen in the ladder diagram) from the bottom.
d) Make sure that each rung is pulled up to its full extension and locks before attempting to extend the next rung.
e) Extend desired number of rungs to achieve required height.
f) Do not stand or step on any rungs within 3 feet of the top of the ladder.

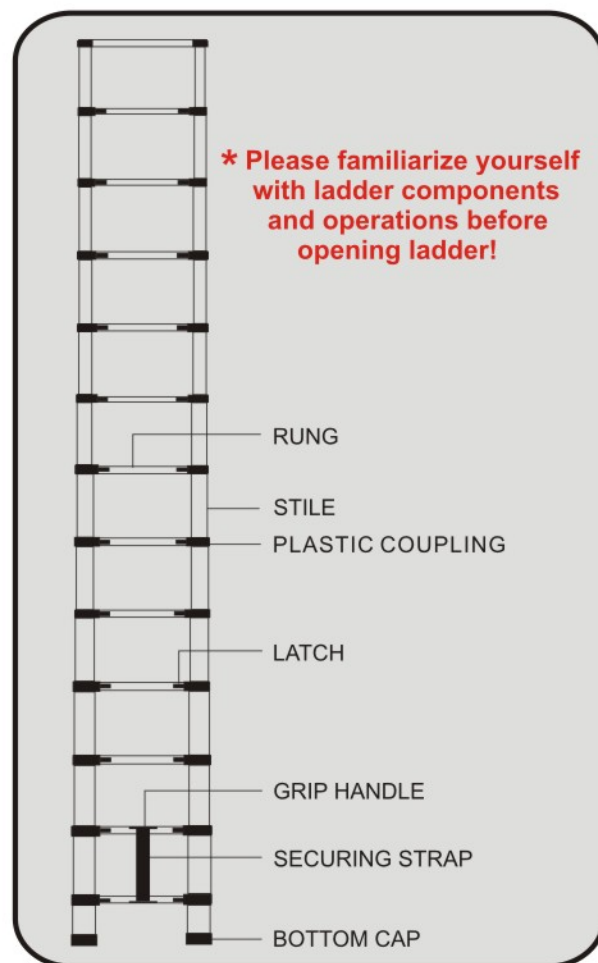
TIP: To extend the ladder to its fullest height, pull up on the top rung first, raising the rung to its full extension, making sure it locks in place. Then continue with each remaining rung. Again making sure that each rung locks in place before extending the next rung.

Step 2

Closing The Ladder

Great care should be used when closing the ladder. **Do not place any part of your body including hands, fingers or thumbs, on, or between rungs or couplings above the closing rung.**

TIP: Please remember that just as the ladder extends and locks in one foot increments, it also closes in one foot increments. Each rung closes by simultaneously pushing the latches on the previous, lower rung inward towards one another.



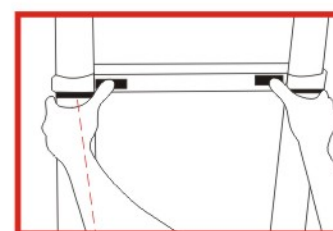
IMPORTANT : Please keep this instruction card with the ladder for future reference.

Starting at the highest extended rung, please close each rung by securely placing your thumbs on the latches below the rung that you are closing. Please make sure that the rest of your hand is below the plastic coupling (see diagram) of the rung.

Step by step:

1. Grasp the ladder by the couplings below the rung that you are activating the latches.
2. Place thumbs on latches that you wish to disengage.
3. Place the rest of your hand below the coupling.
4. If you place the rest of your hand above the coupling - your hand could be pinched between the rungs!
5. Simultaneously push latches inward (towards each other) until the previous rung is lowered.
6. Repeat this operation for each rung.

Safety Feature : If the next lower rung is fully extended, the closing rung will stop before hitting the rung that you are holding. This closing rung will nestle completely when the next lower rung is disengaged.



PLASTIC COUPLING



Step 3

Carrying The Ladder

Replace the "securing strap" making sure that the strap is tight and securely fastened. Wrap your arm around the outside of the ladder and place your hand on the grip handle located underneath the 2nd rung. Do not lift the ladder by the rungs. It may open and cause injury to the user as well as damage the ladder.

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER

- Ø Read all safety instructions on the ladder and on this instruction card before using the ladder.
- Ø When extending the ladder, make sure that the ladder is securely standing on level, solid, slip free surface
- Ø Extend ladder with latches facing user.
- Ø Lean ladder only with the top end of the rungs against a firm structure, never against the stiles. Doing this may cause stile damage.
- Ø Do not attempt to extend the ladder while climbing or standing on the ladder.
- Ø If ladder becomes damaged, it may malfunction and should not be used.
- Ø Do not carry or use the ladder near electrical lines or equipment. The ladder does conduct electricity.
- Ø Store ladder in a dry place to avoid moisture.
- Ø Do not use as a sawhorse.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

For consistent, smooth operation, keep ladder clean of any debris. Remove paint or any other substance that may adhere to the stiles.