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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

HARNES, CLIMBING, FULL-BODY

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description.

1. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

1.1 Design and construction. The full-body harness shall be made from 1-3/4 inch width minimum nylon webbing and shall be adjustable in the chest from at least 34 to 36 inches in circumference. The harness shall be adjustable in the upper thigh area from at least 19 to 25 inches in circumference. The harness shall be adjustable to fit climbers ranging in height from at least 65 to 71 inches tall. The harness shall have two ice/axe hammer holsters and a sling for attaching equipment. The harness shall be furnished in one size and shall be approved by The International Union of Alpine Associations (UIAA). The color shall be black.

1.2 Workmanship. The harness webbing shall have no cuts pulls or tears. There shall be no broken or missing stitches. All webbing ends shall be cut and seared with a hot knife.

2. QUALITY ASSURANCE

2.1 Certification. The contractor shall certify that the product offered meets the Salient Characteristics of this description, conforms to the producer's own drawing, specifications, standards and quality assurance practices, and is the same as the product sold in the commercial marketplace. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to first delivery and thereafter as may be otherwise provided for under the provisions of the contract.

3. PACKAGING

3.1 Packaging. One complete harness shall be packaged to a unit pack. The unit pack shall be snug-fitting and fabricated from clear polyethylene film that is heat sealed on at least three sides and closed on the fourth side.

3.2 Packing. Twelve harnesses, packaged as specified, shall be packed in a close-fitting RSC style corrugated fiberboard shipping container conforming to type CF, class domestic, grade 200 of PPP-B-636. The shipping container shall be completely filled with no voids and of a size that can be palletized in accordance with MIL-STD-147. Each shipping container shall be closed in accordance with the appendix of PPP-B-636.

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DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A. Approved for public release; distribution is unlimited.

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3.3 Palletization. When specified (see 4.2), harnesses, packed as specified, shall be palletized on a 4-way entry pallet in accordance with load type Ia of MIL-STD-147. Each prepared load shall be bonded with primary and secondary in accordance with bonding means K and L, or film bonding means O or P, in accordance with MIL-STD-147.

3.4 Marking. In addition to any special markings required by the contract or purchase order, unit packs, shipping containers and palletized loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-STD-129.

4. NOTES

4.1 Intended use. The full-body harness is intended to be worn while mountain climbing to arrest falls when used in conjunction with mountain climbing ropes.

4.2 Ordering data. Acquisition documents should specify the following:

- a. Title, number, and date of this document.
- b. When palletization is required (see 3.3).

4.3 Sources of information for nongovernment documents.

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MILITARY INTERESTS:

Custodians

- Army - GL
- Navy - NU

Review Activities

DLA - CT

User Activity

Navy - MC

CIVIL AGENCY COORDINATING ACTIVITY:

GSA - FSS

PREPARING ACTIVITY:

Army - GL

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