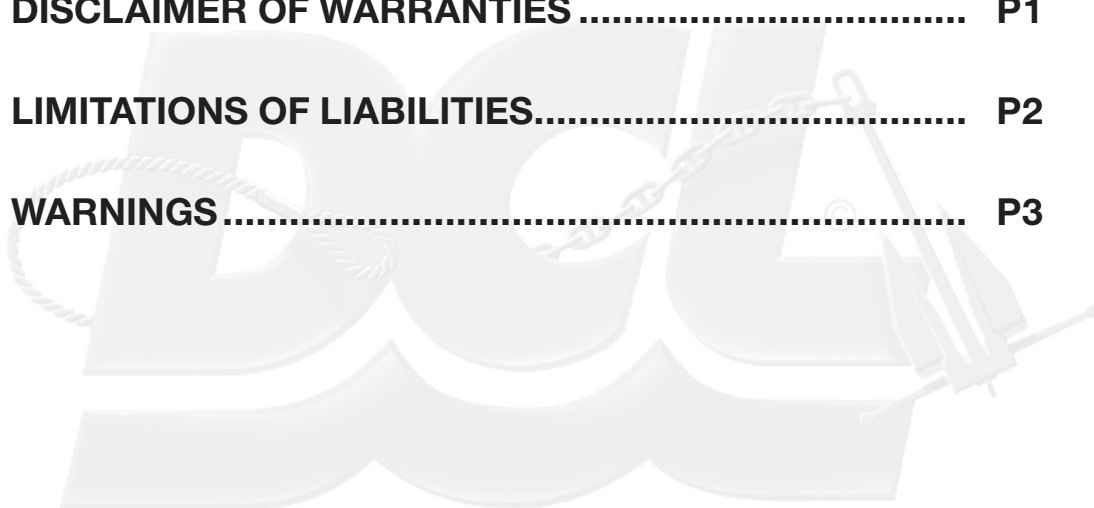


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WARRANTIES, LIABILITIES  
& WARNINGS

## DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Seller warrants that products are free from defects in materials and workmanship. Seller's liability is limited to replacing the product without charges or refunding the purchase price of the product. Seller's liability is limited to any defects in material or workmanship in the product that may exist at the time of the delivery of the product. Seller requires written notice specifying the exact nature of the claim and the return of the product to Seller to establish any claim. No product shall be returned to Seller without the express written consent of Seller. SELLER MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTY OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE WHICH SHALL EXCEED THE ABOVE OBLIGATION ARE HEREBY DISCLAIMED BY SELLER AND EXCLUDED. Seller will not be liable for any consequential damages, loss or expense arising out of or in connection with the use of or inability to use the product, regardless of whether said damages, loss or expense arises out of or in connection with any act or omission by Seller, whether negligent or willful, or from any other reason whatsoever.

## INSPECTION NOTIFICATION

Prior to using the products displayed herein this catalog, carefully check the rated capacities to be assured that the product meets the requirements and demands of its intended application and/or use. These products, and all fittings and attachments, must be inspected for damage or defects each day before using. Such an inspection is to be made by a competent person designated by the employer in accordance to their industry standards and regulations. Should any reason for rejection be found, the product must be immediately removed from service and destroyed to avoid future use. The inspection of these products should always be documented as required by current published OSHA regulations.

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## RATED CAPACITY (RC)

This is the term used through the catalog. There are, however, other terms used in the industry which are interchangeable with the term Rated Capacity. These are: Safe Working Load (SWL), Rated Load Value, Resulting Safe Working Load, and Working Load Limit (WLL).

**Never** exceed the Rated Capacity.

The Rated Capacity is the maximum load which should ever be applied to a product, even when the product is new and when the load is uniformly applied - straight line pull only. Avoid side loading. All catalog ratings are based upon usual environmental conditions, and consideration must be given to unusual conditions such as extreme high or low temperatures, chemical solutions or vapors, prolonged immersion in salt water, etc. Such conditions or high-risk applications may necessitate reducing the Rated Capacity.

**Rated Capacity will not apply if product has been welded or otherwise modified.**

## SHOCK LOAD

The sudden movement of a load from a standing position or the swinging and snapping of a load, etc. Shock loads can also be caused by the sudden tension release of a load.

**WARNING - AVOID SHOCK LOADS AS THEY CAN EXCEED THE RATED CAPACITY WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF OPERATOR.**

## TON

Where "Ton" is used in this catalog, it means a short ton or 2,000 pounds.

## WARNINGS

### COMMON PRACTICES

For general service, ASME standards suggest that Rated Capacity should not exceed 20% of ten sile strength. For severe conditions, where impact or shock loads exist, and on applications involving extreme hazard, the Rated Capacity should not exceed 10% of tensile strength.

### COMPATIBILITY

Most fittings in this catalog will be used in conjunction with other components in a load bearing system. These components should be of a compatible type, grade, size and Rated Capacity.

### INSPECTIONS

DCL recommends that all products shown in this catalog be visually inspected on a regular basis to detect or discover deep gouges, deformation, distortions, cracks, elongation, spread in the throat opening of hooks, cuts, abrasions, burns, chemical attack, worn or broken stitches, or any other work induced damage.

### WARNINGS TO ALWAYS CONSIDER!

- **Never exceed RATED CAPACITY**
- **Always match components properly**
- **Always avoid SHOCK LOADING**
- **Inspect all lifting parts regularly for damage or deterioration before lifts**
- **Always avoid twisting or side loading**
- **Never use components for something they were not designed for**
- **Never position yourself or anyone else under a raised load**

### WARRANTY - LIMITATIONS

#### WARRANTY

DCL warrants to the buyer that the products sold in this catalog shall be free of defects in material and workmanship at the time of shipment.

DCL's sole obligation under this warranty is limited to repair or replacement at our option, of the product, or any parts thereof F.O.B. New Orleans, Louisiana plant, and which we determine to have been defective at time of original factory shipment.

We disclaim any liability for incidental or consequential damages which may be incurred by the buyer or user of products sold by DCL. DCL neither assumes nor authorizes any person to assume for it any obligation in connection with the sale of the products in excess of the above mentioned warranty statement.

DCL does not accept any liability for damages which may result from alteration, misuse, or abuse of products sold by DCL, or from their use in excess of the Rated Capacity.

Please read these and all warnings carefully. We want you to select the appropriate products and understand the importance of and your obligations in storing, maintaining, inspecting, using, and replacing them. Please ask us if you have questions or want additional information.

**WARNING!** Lifting devices (ropes, slings, rigging, etc.) must be properly specified for the nature of the intended work. Some of the factors to be considered are the intended maximum loads to be lifted, the potential for shock loading in addition to the load weight itself, and possible unfavorable operating conditions, such as extreme temperatures, exposure to chemical solutions or vapors, prolonged immersion in salt water, etc. Various components in an overall lifting system need to be correctly matched with each other. Only the specifier and the user are in the position to understand completely the full range of requirements in the actual circumstances. Qualified engineering analysis of the likely requirements over time along with appropriate safety margins is strongly recommended. **WARNING!**

**WARNING!** The technical data as shown by this catalog, and in particular the Rated Capacity, applies **only** to new (unused) product and assumed uniform loading and straight line vertical pull in usual environmental conditions. Normal engineering practice is to utilize an original Rated Capacity several times the expected maximum actual load. Data from this catalog should be supplemented by the professional judgment of qualified engineering personnel. Never, ever exceed the Rated Capacity of any lifting device. **WARNING!**

**WARNING!** Lifting devices, in particular both steel wire rope and synthetics, are subject to normal wear over time and to accelerated wear due to improper storage, inadequate maintenance, overloading, use with other improperly specified or maintained components in a lifting system (for example sheaves) and of course from outright abuse. Any of these (and other) causes can significantly alter the product's characteristics, in particular the breaking strength. We strongly recommend regular inspection of all products in this catalog during their working life. At a minimum, you should employ careful periodic visual inspection, and where applicable, scientific testing by non-destructive methods to detect work induced damage such as damaged strands in ropes, spread in the throat opening of hooks, cuts or abrasions on synthetic slings, etc. **WARNING!**

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**DCL warrants to the buyer that products in this catalog will meet the stated rated capacity as shipped, in their new and unused condition. DCL makes no other warranty as to fitness for use, quality, and performance. We accept the responsibility to repair or replace (at our option) any product or parts thereof (F.O.B. our DCL facility) which we determine to have been defective at the time of original shipment. We do not accept responsibility (or legal liability) for products that have been or seem to have been altered, misused, abused, or operated in excess of rated capacity. We do not accept responsibility (or legal liability) for consequential or incidental damages or secondary charges including (but not limited to) personal injury, labor costs, loss of profits from use of products from our catalog or from our products being incorporated in or becoming a component of any other product. Finally, all warranties, expressed or implied, are premised on new and unused product in conjunction with properly designed and maintained equipment.**