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Inspection Notice on the ISC KH260 Twister Karabiner (or SH826 snap hook)

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Reason for Notice - UPDATE TO Feb. 8 NOTICE

ISC has concluded that the number of ISC KH260 Twister Karabiners effected is extremely limited within a certain production batch and potentially effects a smaller number of karabiners than originally anticipated. However, out of an abundance of caution, we are expanding the inspection protocol to all karabiners in the 16CC batch.

ISC originally received notice of a small number of instances (2 total) where the retaining pin on the nut for the swivel assembly has become dislodged resulting in the nut backing off the stem and the swivel assembly separating from the karabiner. Since the original notice in February there have been no other reported instances of the retaining pin becoming dislodged and no reported injuries associated with this issue.

As a reminder, all karabiners require routine inspection regardless of use, application or manufacturer.

Inspection Procedure

Step 1: Determine the batch number of the KH260 Twister Karabiner.



If the Karabiner has a batch number other than 16CC, no further action is required at this time.



If the Karabiner has the batch number of 16CC, please move to next step.

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Step 2: Inspect the nut inside the swivel eye of the KH260 Karabiner. You should notice a hole in the nut where the retaining pin is inserted at the factory. You will typically see red indicator paint which is placed in the hole during the manufacturing process. This paint may wear off over time with use.

Please take the following steps to verify the swivel is secure during normal daily/pre-use inspections:

- 1) Verify presence of the red paint. If the red paint is missing, verify that you can see a roll pin in the hole (C shaped material)
- 2) Customer should permanently mark the top of the stem and nut as shown below. At each inspection verify that the mark is aligned between the stem and nut and does not rotate.



Photos below show what the roll pin looks like before it is fitted into the hole. Please note that the pin would be fitted under tension, so the gap would appear smaller.



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If the roll pin is not visible and/or the nut rotates, remove the karabiner from service immediately.



Corrective action

Please send all affected units back to ISC quoting RMA#763 on all paperwork and boxes. If the KH260 karabiner (or SH826 snaphook) is installed on another manufacturer's device, please contact that manufacturer. We apologize for any inconvenience caused because of this issue.

We take this opportunity to remind all customers and users of the necessity and their obligation under International Standards and Regulations to carry out regular (daily or pre-use) visual inspections on any item of Life Safety or Personal Fall-Protection Equipment.

ISC confirms that technical modifications have been implemented in the manufacturing process to eliminate the possibility of this phenomenon occurring in the future.