Sling Protection

CUT AND WEAR PROTECTION

Selection of Sling Protection Products

Sling protection products need to be used in applications where sling damage may occur. Cutting of synthetic slings during use is the number one cause of sling accidents. A variety of factors influence sling protection performance. Since no material is fully cut proof, a qualified person must select materials and methods that adequately protect slings from edges or surfaces. *Lift-All* can assist customers with their product selections.



WARNING

Exposure of sling to edges with a radius that is too small can cause sling failure and loss of the load. Always protect synthetic slings from being cut or damaged by corners, edges, and protrusions using protection sufficient for each application.

Cut Protection versus Wear Protection

Lift-All sling protection products are divided into two categories, Cut Protection and Wear Protection. **Cut Protection Products** are designed to improve workplace safety. When placed between slings and edges, cut protection products act as a buffer to prevent sling cutting and to reduce bearing pressure levels at contact areas. **Wear protection products** serve to extend sling life by reducing abrasive wear and prevent marring of the load surfaces.

The following table provides comparative sling protection performance for standard Lift-All products.

Product	Thickness	Color	Relative Cut Protection Performance Rating
CUT PROTECTION			
Edge Defender ™ 3-Ply Polyester Flat Quick Sleeve Code: ED	0.45	Yellow	
Edge Defender Flex Plus Flat Quick Sleeve w/Dyneema® Code: FQSD	0.35	White/Yellow	
Edge Defender Flex Plus Tubular Quick Sleeve w/Dyneema Code: TQSD	0.24	White/Yellow	
Sling Shield ™ Code: SS	1" Radius	Silver/Red	
COMMON WEAR PROTECTION MATERIALS - LOOSE PADDING			
Polyester Webbing 1600 Webmaster® Pads	0.14	Yellow	
<i>Dyneema</i> Sleeving (Light Duty Single Wall)	0.054	White	
Pukka (Synthetic Felt) Pads	0.33	White	
Leather (Heavy) Pads	0.13	Tan	
PVC Pads	0.17	Black	
SEWN-ON TYPE PADS			
Polyester Webbing 1600 Webmaster Pads	0.14	Yellow	
Dyneema Sleeving (Light Duty Single Wall)	Not Recommended as a Sewn Sleeve		
Pukka (Synthetic Felt) Pads	0.33	White	
Leather (Heavy) Pads	0.13	Tan	
PVC Pads	0.17	Black	

Performance Rating: The bar graphs shown above reflect the comparative performance of *Lift-All* Cut Protection products against commonly used loose and sewn-on types of Wear Protection products.

Test Lift Qualification: To validate the suitability of sling protection products for each application, always complete one or more test lifts in a non-consequence manner. Technical Bulletin MS-10 available for additional information.