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RE: Connection of Self Retracting Lanyards to Full Body Harness Dorsal D-Ring or Anchor Point

Dear Valued Customer,

OSHA nor ANSI restrict the attachment of a Self Retracting Lanyard (SRL) to either the dorsal D-ring of a full body safety harness or to the anchor point. Werner Co. SRLs, including the Max Patrol, have been 3rd party tested and qualified in both configurations. As with all fall protection, there are cautions that should be considered with either application.

1. Connection of the SRLs to the dorsal D-ring should be limited to smaller units. Concerns are with regards to the weight of a larger SRL and the effects ergonomically on the user.
2. Compatible components are required for either configuration. Some small SRLs are manufactured with rebar hooks on the lifeline end of the SRL. These hooks are not acceptable nor compliant for connection to the dorsal D-ring due to compatibility issues. Connection should be made with a compatible snap hook or carabiner only.

If you have any further questions or are in need of further clarification, please contact me at 704-305-6955.

Sincerely,

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