### GABION LIFTING FRAME
2x1x1m and 2x1x0.5m Gabions

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This equipment has received an in-service inspection and was found to have no obvious defects.

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**Dear Customer**

On receipt of this equipment, please check all equipment has been received, ensure your site staff read and understand the operating, maintenance and safety information, and use the equipment in a safe manner.

- You are responsible for the safe operation of the equipment and the safety of your staff.
- Standard Occupational, Health and Safety guidelines should be followed as per normal site operations. Site safety and safe work practices are your responsibility.
- At the conclusion of the use of the equipment, please clean the equipment, repack it for transportation and return to Geofabrics.
- Please advise if there are any missing parts. All equipment usage must be in accordance with Geofabrics’ Hire Agreement. You will be charged for any damaged or missing components.
GABION LIFTING FRAME – OPERATING AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING!

- Any alterations to this hire equipment may prove dangerous to the operator and will be in breach of the Equipment Hire Agreement.

- Service must only be performed by an authorised Geofabrics service organisation or representative.

- Please contact Geofabrics (0800 60 60 20) for return of this equipment or servicing if it is found to be faulty.

- All hire related documentation, operating and safety instructions are available on our website (www.geofabrics.co.nz).

The Gabion Lifting Frame (Fig 1) is designed to be used as an attachment to suitable earthmoving equipment for the installation of prefilled gabions in suitable construction areas.

Pre-operational considerations

- Before operating the Gabion Lifting Frame, it is important that you read and understand the maintenance and safety precautions outlined below and in the Equipment Hire Agreement document (Use and Maintenance).

- Contact Geofabrics (0800 60 60 20) if you do not understand any of the instructions in this document.

- To operate the Gabion Lifting Frame, operators must be in good physical and mental condition. Do not operate if on medication or under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Seek medical advice if unsure.
• As the installation of gabion products is considered a construction activity, the contractor using the hire equipment must prepare and implement a site safety plan that incorporates the safe work methods for high risk work involving the Gabion Lifting Frame.

Safety Precautions and Working Techniques

• Because the Gabion Lifting Frame is suspended / slung from excavators, cranes and other pieces of mobile plant, site specific safety precautions must be observed to reduce the risk of people being hit / struck by the mobile apparatus.

• Steel capped safety boots must always be worn while operating or working near the Gabion Lifting Frame. Keep all body parts clear of the equipment at all times when the equipment is in use.

• Always use appropriate personal protective equipment such as riggers gloves, high visibility clothing (shirt or tabard), hard hats, safety eye wear with side protectors, etc.

• Establish an exclusion zone of at least three metres around the equipment when it is in use, in consideration of the possibility of the gabion detaching from the equipment or mobile plant.

• Do not use the Gabion Lifting Frame for any application other than its intended purpose.

• Do not abuse the Gabion Lifting Frame in any way which may result in personal injury and/or damage to the equipment.

• Check the condition of the Gabion Lifting Frame (including D shackles and chains) before each use for any damage. If the behaviour of the Gabion Lifting Frame changes, check it immediately and return it to Geofabrics for service if necessary.

• Never modify the equipment in any way.

Site Conditions

• The Gabion Lifting Frame is designed for the application of gabions to suitable construction site areas. The Gabion Lifting Frame should not be operated in conditions which could endanger the operator or other site personnel.
GABION LIFTING FRAME COMPONENTS

To ensure no parts are lost, all components should be stored and transported as a set, in such a way as not to cause damage to the equipment.

Steel Frame (Fig 2)
- Check the frame is not bent or has major dents.
- All corresponding components must stay together as complete sets.

Chains, “D” shackles and pins (Fig 3 and 4)
- All chains are connected with swivels and “D” shackles with pins.
- Check pins are not falling out, chains are not damaged and correct bolts are in shackles.
- Check the lifting hooks work and are not damaged.
- Check the main lifting ring is not damaged.
- Each chain must have a metal service tag indicating the safe working load and test date.
- The service tag should not be more than one year old.