



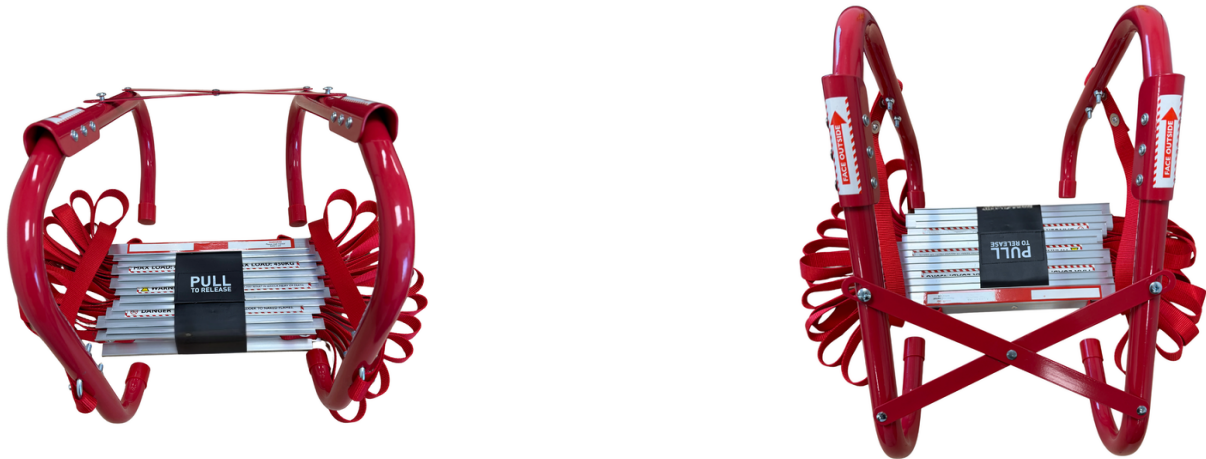
**FireShield**

# Fire Escape Ladder

With Extra Wide Tread

**Model: FPS000/070 - 2 Storey Escape Ladder**

**Model: FPS000/071 - 3 Storey Escape Ladder**



## USER MANUAL

### WARNING

**ALL USERS OF THIS FIRE ESCAPE LADDER MUST READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS EQUIPMENT**

**MISUSE OR FAILURE TO FOLLOW WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.**

**The User Manual must always be available to the user and must not be removed except by the user of this equipment.**



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## GENERAL PRINCIPLES

You must be familiar with the operation of this product prior to use. This FireShield Fire Escape Ladder is intended for use as a means of escape from residential buildings. Other uses could result in serious injury or death.

During practices, **DO NOT PULL THE RELEASE STRAP TO DEPLOY THE LADDER**. Your ladder has been carefully assembled to ensure proper deployment when needed. **If the ladder has been deployed during practice, please REASSEMBLE IT CORRECTLY to ensure proper deployment when needed in an emergency.**

Do not deploy into flames.

**THIS LADDER IS DESIGNED FOR ONE TIME USE ONLY AND SHOULD ONLY BE DEPLOYED IN THE EVENT OF A HOME EMERGENCY. DISCARD AFTER SINGLE USE. REPEAT USE OF THIS LADDER COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.**

In normal use, it is possible that this ladder may scratch, dent or blemish the exterior surface of a home. The ladder is not recommended for use with storm windows or other windows that do not open fully to the recommended minimum space. Care should be taken to ensure that the ladder is not used from any window that is above obstructions, i.e. a conservatory. If possible, deployment of the ladder should be from a window that is not above another window (risk of damage to lower window and/or surround).

**LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: IN NO EVENT WILL SENTURA GROUP LTD BE LIABLE TO THE PURCHASER OR ANY OTHER PERSONS FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR ANY OTHER DAMAGES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOSS OF PROFITS, IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THE USE OF THIS PRODUCT, REGARDLESS OF THE LEGAL THEORY ASSERTED.**

We recommend replacing the ladder every 5 years to ensure optimum strength and performance. In the event that the ladder is deployed in an emergency, you must discard and replace it immediately.

The ladder is intended to supplement (not replace) the more important fire protection principles of fire drills, emergency exit plans, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers, etc.

Do not store in direct sunlight or at high temperatures (50°C or above). Maximum load 450kg and a maximum of 3 people may use the ladder at the same time. This ladder is not a toy and should not be used by young children unless supervised by an adult.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Model FPS000/070** – The length of the FPS000/070 ladder is 4.30m and is suitable for use in most 2 storey properties. When extended from the window, the bottom step of the ladder must be close enough to the ground to allow for a safe escape. Do not use this ladder from heights greater than 4.65m as injury could result.

**Model FPS000/071** – The length of this ladder is 7.30m and is suitable for 3 storey properties, and 2 storey properties with a dormer window. When extended from the window, the bottom step of the ladder must be close enough to the ground to allow for a safe escape. Do not use this ladder from heights greater than 7.65m as injury could result.

**These measurements are for your guidance only, and you must ensure that they suit your application.**

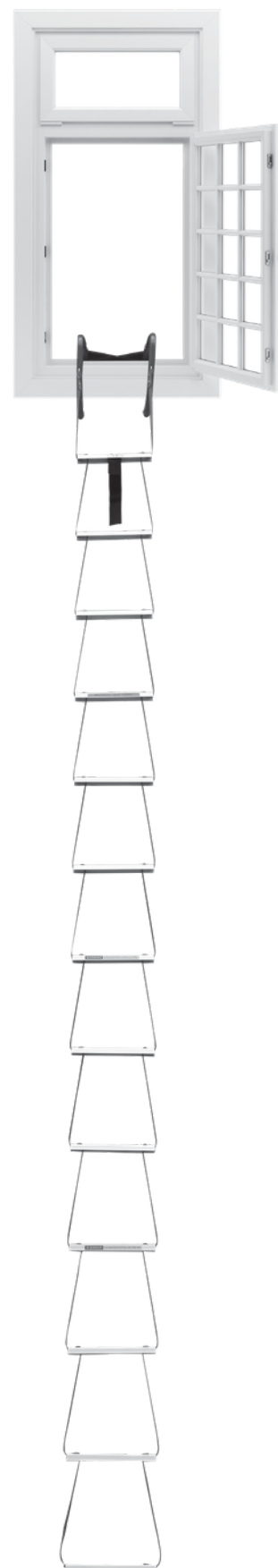
The window to which the ladder is attached must be able to support the load of persons using the ladder for escape. The escape window must not be obstructed or covered with grilles or bars. The window must open fully for escape. Check for and avoid outside obstacles such as electricity or telephone wires and fences etc.

The minimum width of the escape window is 300mm. The maximum thickness of the escape window opening is 340mm.



## STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THIS LADDER

1. Close the doors to the room before opening the escape window – this will avoid intensifying the fire.
2. Fix the “X” centre support to bolts on ladder hooks.
3. Place the ladder hooks over the sill with the ladder hanging on the outside of the building.
4. Pull the release strap to deploy the ladder.
5. Carefully exit the window, feet first, onto the ladder. Hold the ladder hooks for support and extra stability.
6. When descending the ladder, keep your body close to the ladder to maximise stability.
7. Only carry children on the ladder when it is absolutely necessary.
8. In family escape situations, a parent should exit first to stabilise ladder during the descent of children or elderly adults
9. Be careful not to break glass in adjacent windows when descending the ladder.



### Storage of this ladder

Store the ladder near the exit window. A wardrobe or under the bed makes an ideal storage position, provided the ladder can be easily accessed. Do not store in direct sunlight or in temperatures above 50°C.

### Planning for emergency escape

Prepare an escape plan and practice it. The plan should include a minimum of two means of escape from each room (door and window) and the nomination of a meeting place outside of your residence.

