

# Ropetek Wraptor<sup>™</sup> Instruction Manual

Original Instructions: English Language

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Warning! Risk of death by falling. Working at elevation with ropes as the only means of support involves a risk of death.



Warning! Risks of serious injury. You must read and understand ALL of the safety precautions contained in these instructions.

Safe working at elevation with ropes is a complex activity. It requires proficiency in site and rope set up, and the correct selection and use of a fall protection system. The Wraptor is NOT part of a fall protection system; its only function is to assist ascent.

If you do not know how to apply rope-work regulations from OSHA 29 CFR 1910 (or the equivalent workplace code in your jurisdiction), then you are not qualified to use the Wraptor. Training programs are available to educate yourself for working at height with ropes as the only means of support.

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## SPECIFICATIONS

Lifting Capacity	136.08 (300lbs)
Ascent Line	1.27 cm (1/2in) Double braid with a minimum breaking strength of 8,000lbs with a preferred elongation of 7%
Sound Pressure Level	95.1 dBa
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Vibration Level	7.1 m/s <sup>2</sup>
Speed	30.48m/min (100fpm)
Dry Weight	10.4 kg (23 lbs)
Fuel	Unleaded 86 Octane or higher (Do not use mix)
Fuel Tank Capacity	.67 (22.8 fl. oz.)
Engine Displacement	35cc
Serial Number	6 Digit Code

## SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS

- Engine parts need to be replaced using only engine manufacturer approved parts
- The more common sources of failure to ascend are: slippage of hub on the ascent rope due to worn ribs. The hub is NOT a user serviceable part. For hub replacement, contact RopeTek.



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## SAFETY WARNINGS

### Before each use:

- Inspect the entire length of the ascent line. Follow the ascent line manufacturer's directions for acceptable damage, wear, deterioration and age limits.
- Inspect the other parts of the fall protection system before each use. Follow the manufacturer's directions for inspection of rope grab, lanyard, personal harness or belt, and carabiners.
- Check the attachment of the lanyard to the Wraptor. The bolt or U-bolt must be tight and sound. Tighten or replace rope loop fastener before using the Wraptor if found to be unsafe.
- Check the frame of the Wraptor for cracked welds. Do not use the Wraptor if any weld shows signs of cracking.
- Check the hub and fairlead for sharp edges that could damage the ascent rope.
- Check for any loose fasteners prior to daily use.



### Wear Eye, Ear, and Head Protection

- Risk of blindness from running into obstacles or falling debris. Wear safety-rated glasses or goggles (PPE). Look up during ascent.
- Risk of hearing loss from exposure to loud noise. Wear hearing protection (PPE).
- Risk of falling objects. Wear a safety-rated helmet (PPE) that is appropriate for the job site.



### Risk of Fire and Explosion

- Gasoline is easily ignited. Never have an open container of gasoline near a source of ignition, such as smoking or fires.
- The engine can emit sparks if the muffler is worn out. Replace the muffler/spark arrestor as you see any emission of sparks.

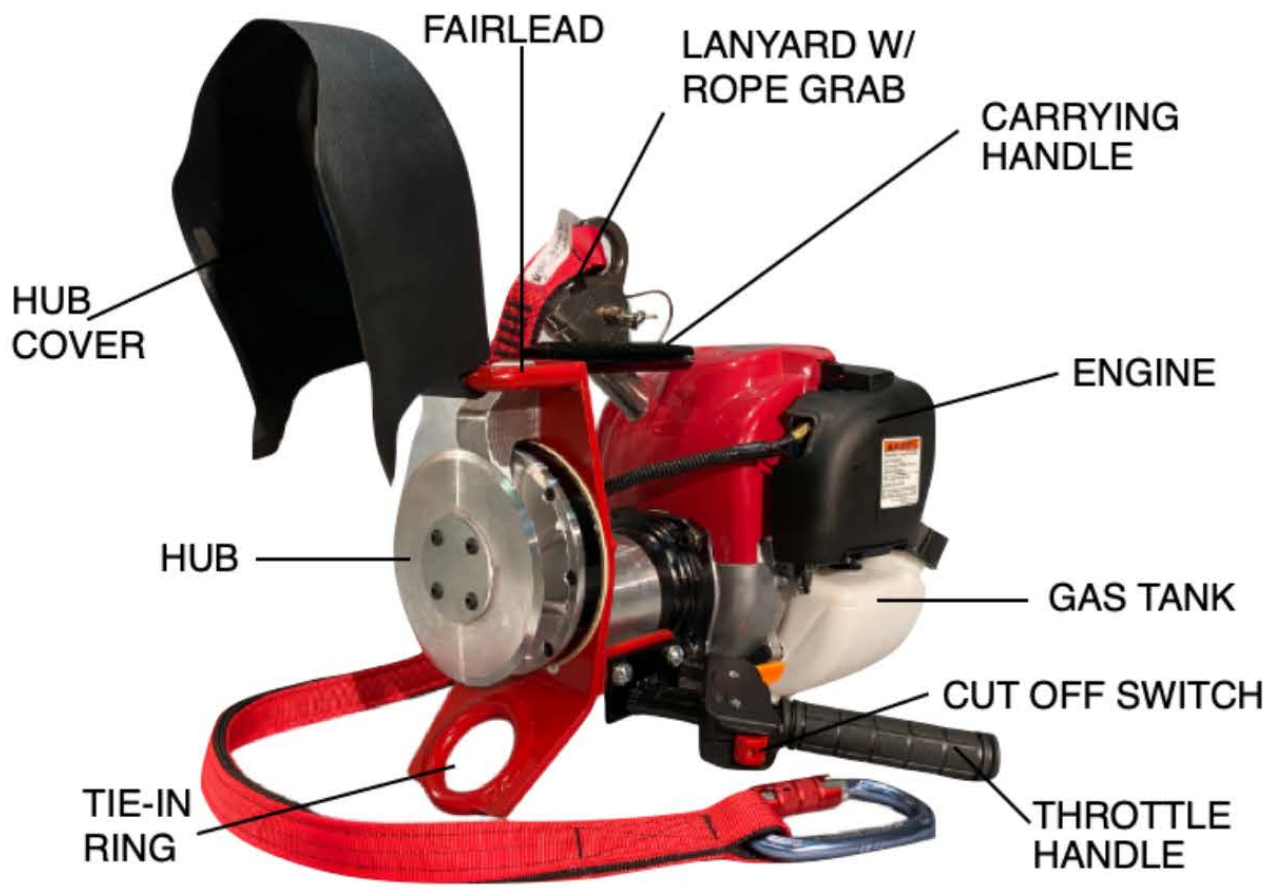


### Vibration

- The Wraptor is a source of vibration. Risk of permanent soft tissue injury and loss of ability to grip. Immediately stop using the Wraptor and other sources of hand vibration if tingling or numbness occur. Do not use the Wraptor hands on - power on for more than 10 minutes at a time or more than 120 minutes per day.



**WARNING:** The Wraptor uses gasoline and emits chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer.



\*The Rope Grab device is NOT part of the Wraptor™. An approved\* Rope Grab must be securely attached to the Wraptor™ and to the user, as a back up means of fall prevention.

\*"Approved" means acceptable to the workplace safety regulators, OSHA in parts of the United States, or bearing the "CE Marking" as PPE for most of Europe.

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**MAKE SURE YOU READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL DIRECTIONS PRIOR TO USE**

## SETTING UP ASCENT LINE

1. To use the Wraptor, the climbing professional must first select an anchor point to set the designated Wraptor ascent line. The anchor point should be considered part of the climbing system. Tie off the designated Wraptor ascent line using appropriate industry standards and best practices.
2. Perform a secondary safety check of the ascent line and anchor point per industry and regulatory criteria and requirements, before setting up the Wraptor.

## SETTING UP THE WRAPTOR

1. Lift cover to expose hub.
2. From the ascent line you have set, take a bite of rope, push through the fairlead and slip bite around hub. Standing end should be at the back, or farthest from the throttle, leaving the tail end to rest over the exit pulley.
3. Set up rope grab device on standing end of rope.
4. Start the Wraptor. First push power switch on. Second push choke lever up. Third, start motor. Once started, run the Wraptor up the ascent line until at chest level.
5. Attach harness to Wraptor Tie-in Ring. Use an adjustable descent device (i.e. Grigri, etc.) as a safety precaution. Attach back up lanyard to your climbing harness using the safety snap.
6. Climber is now ready to ascend to the TIP (Tie-in point). Hold handle with right hand and pull trigger to modulate speed. Do not hold ascent rope with free hand. As you ascend, look up to navigate obstructions and other hazards. Operate at full throttle or else the clutch will slip and wear out.

## DETACHING AND GROUND RETRIEVAL

1. Once desired height is reached, climber should secure him/herself to the tower with a back/dorsal lanyard and main lanyard using industry standard hooks. i.e. pelican hooks/Grillions/rebar hooks/carabiners.
2. Only after securing safety lanyards, is it safe to disconnect the rope grab device from the climbing harness and lower Wraptor.

## EMERGENCY RETREAT

The Wraptor will only ascend. In the event there is need to come down before reaching the TIP (e.g. run out of gas, injured climber) it will be necessary to descend by other means. Follow emergency protocol as set by workplace safety regulators.

**SELF RETREAT:** If Wraptor stops during ascent, attach back/dorsal lanyard and main lanyard to the tower and disconnect from the Wraptor.

**GROUND ASSIST DECENT:** In the unlikely event of the climber becoming incapacitated, follow rescue procedures per industry regulations and training.

### SECONDARY ASCENT LINE:

- The Wraptor instructions detail how to set-up and use the motorized ascender. Please set up and use secondary safety lines per industry regulations.

### RISK OF DEATH BY FALLING

- Use approved ascent line (PPE) 11-15mm (1/2in) double braid with a minimum breaking strength of 3,600kg (8,000lbs) with a preferred elongation of 7%
- Inspect full length of ascent line before use
- Use approved rope grab device (PPE)
- ALWAYS ATTACH ROPE GRAB TO ASCENT LINE
- ALWAYS ATTACH LANYARD TO CLIMBING HARNESS

### RISK OF EYE LOSS OR INJURY

- When on powered climb, you may encounter falling debris that can puncture your eye. Wear safety-rated glasses or goggles (PPE). Look up when ascending

### RISK OF PINCHED OR CRUSHED FINGERS

- Do not hold ascent line while ascending