



THE TOOL COMPANY

## Standing Ladders

### OPERATOR INSTRUCTION MANUAL

**AXL6.V6, AXL8.V6, AXL10.V6, AXL12.V5, ASL5.V3,  
ASL2.V3, ASL23.V3, FSL5.V2, FSL7.V2, FSL10.V2,  
APSL2, APSL3, APSL4**

## 1. Introduction

Thank you for purchasing a Sealey product. Manufactured to a high standard, this product will, if used according to these instructions, and properly maintained, give you years of trouble free performance.

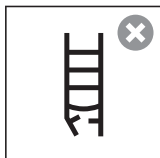
## 2. Safety



**WARNING!** Fall from the ladder.



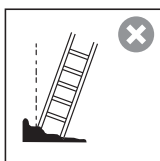
Refer to instruction manual/booklet.



Inspect the ladder after delivery. Before every use visually check the ladder is not damaged and is safe to use. **DO NOT** use a damaged ladder.



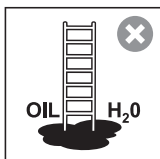
Maximum total load.



**DO NOT** use the ladder on an unlevel or unfirm base.



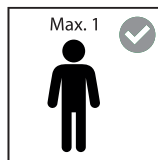
**DO NOT** overreach.



**DO NOT** erect ladder on contaminated ground.



**Important:** Please read these instructions carefully. Note the safe operational requirements, warnings & cautions. Use the product correctly and with care for the purpose for which it is intended. Failure to do so may cause damage and/or personal injury and will invalidate the warranty. Keep these instructions safe for future use.



Maximum number of users.



**DO NOT** ascend or descend unless you are facing the ladder.



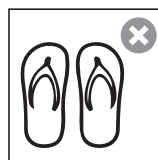
Keep a secure grip on the ladder when ascending and descending. Maintain a handhold whilst working from a ladder or take additional safety precautions if you cannot.



Avoid work that imposes a sideways load on ladders, such as side-on drilling through solid materials.



**DO NOT** carry equipment which is heavy or difficult to handle while using a ladder.



**DO NOT** wear unsuitable footwear when climbing a ladder.

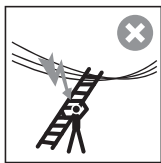


**DO NOT** use the ladder if you are not fit enough. Certain medical conditions or medication, alcohol or drug abuse could make ladder use unsafe.



### **WARNING!** electricity hazard

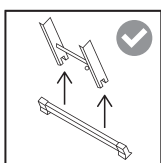
Identify any electrical risks in the work area, such as overhead lines or other exposed electrical equipment and do not use the ladder where electrical risks occur.



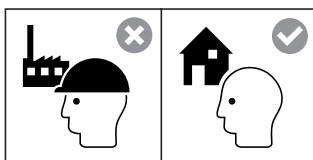
Use non-conductive ladders for unavoidable live electrical work.



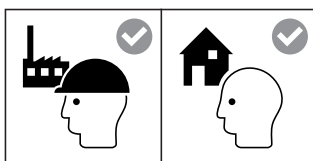
**DO NOT** use the ladder as a bridge.



If a ladder is delivered with stabilizer bars, these bars should be fixed by the user before first use.



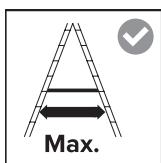
Ladder for domestic use.



Ladder for professional use.



**DO NOT** step off the side of standing ladder onto another surface.



Open the ladder fully before use.



Only use the ladder with restraint devices engaged.



Standing ladders shall not be used as a leaning ladder unless it is designed to do so.



**DO NOT** stand on the top two steps/ rungs of a standing ladder without a platform and a hand/knee rail.



Any horizontal surface which looks like a platform on a standing ladder that is not designed for standing on (e.g. a plastic work tray) shall be clearly indicated on that surface, (only if necessary due to design of ladder).



**DO NOT** spend long periods on a ladder without regular breaks (tiredness is a risk).

- Prevent damage of the ladder when transporting e.g. by fastening and, ensure they are suitably placed to prevent damage.
- Ensure the ladder is suitable for the task.



**DO NOT** use the ladder if contaminated, e.g. with wet paint, mud, oil or snow.



**DO NOT** use the ladder outside in adverse weather conditions, such as strong wind.

- For professional use a risk assessment shall be carried out respecting the legislation in the country of use.
- When positioning the ladder take into account risk of collision with the ladder e.g. from pedestrians, vehicles or doors. Secure doors (not fire exits) and windows where possible in the work area.



**DO NOT** modify the ladder design.



**DO NOT** move a ladder while standing on it.

## **3. Repair & Inspection**

### **3.1 Repair**

- Repairs and maintenance must be carried out by a competent person and be in accordance with the producer's instructions.



**NOTE:** A competent person is someone who has the skills to carry out repairs or maintenance, e.g. trained by the manufacturer.

- For repair and replacement of parts, e.g. feet, please contact Sealey Service Centre.

### **3.2 Inspection**

- For regular inspection, the following items shall be taken into account:
- Check that the stiles/legs (uprights) are not bent, bowed, twisted, dented, cracked, corroded or rotten.
- Check that the stiles/legs around the fixing points for other components are in good condition.

- Check that fixings (usually rivets, screws or bolts) are not missing, loose, or corroded.
- Check that rungs/steps are not missing, loose, excessively worn, corroded or damaged.
- Check that the hinges between front and rear sections are not damaged, loose or corroded.
- Check that the locking stays horizontal, back rails and corner braces are not missing, bent, loose, corroded or damaged.
- Check that the rung hooks are not missing, damaged, loose or corroded and engage properly on the rungs.
- Check that guide brackets are not missing, damaged, loose or corroded and engage properly on the mating stile.
- Check that ladder feet / end caps are not missing, loose, excessively worn, corroded or damaged.
- Check that the entire ladder is free from contaminants (e.g. dirt, mud, paint, oil or grease).
- Check that locking catches (if fitted) are not damaged or corroded and function correctly.
- Check that the platform (if fitted) has no missing parts or fixings and is not damaged or corroded.

**!** **WARNING!** If any of the above checks cannot be fully satisfied, you must **NOT** use the ladder.

- For special ladder types, further items identified by the manufacturer shall be taken into account.

## 4. Storage

- Ladders should be stored inside a dry, secure area, or under cover as a minimum.
- Store ladders away from conditions that could cause rapid deterioration and away from potential damage by impact or chemicals.



**NOTE:** Ladders made of or using thermoplastic, thermosetting plastic and reinforced plastic materials should be stored out of direct sunlight.

- Store ladders away from the outside of houses.
- Store ladders out of the way of exits and walkways.
- Ladders should be stored horizontally, ideally on their side to avoid a tripping hazard.

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### Environment Protection

Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as waste. All tools, accessories and packaging should be sorted, taken to a recycling centre and disposed of in a manner which is compatible with the environment. When the product becomes completely unserviceable and requires disposal, drain any fluids (if applicable) into approved containers and dispose of the product and fluids according to local regulations.



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