

C BODY BELT DESCRIPTION

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1. GENERAL

1.01 The C Body Belt is a lightweight belt intended primarily for use by workmen who have only occasional need for a belt. The belt, together with the safety strap, provides a means of securing the workman to a pole, strand or other structure, thus promoting his safety while working aloft. The inspection and maintenance of this body belt are given in Section 081-721-300. Precautions to be observed in the use of this belt are given in Section 081-720-010. Information on tool holsters and the handline carrier for use with this belt is given in Section 081-720-111.

1.02 This section has been reissued to cover the circular type Dee ring now standard on this belt and a larger belt size. Other changes are also incorporated in this issue and because of their extent the usual arrows indicating changes have been omitted.

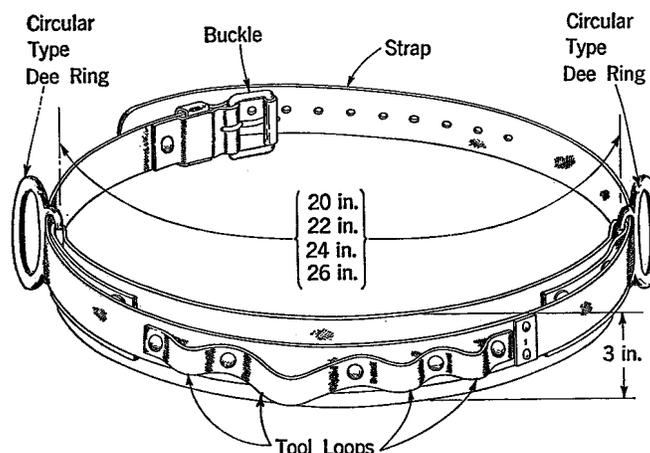
1.03 The circular type Dee ring minimizes the possibility of the safety strap snap hook riding back to the body belt, twisting and bringing pressure to bear on the snap hook keeper. This feature appreciably reduces the possibility of accidental disengagement of the snap hook.

1.04 The C Body Belt equipped with the former standard Dee rings is no longer supplied. However, the use, inspection, and maintenance of these belts still in use in the field are the same as covered in the sections referred to in Paragraph 1.01.

2. C BODY BELT

2.01 The C Body Belt, shown in Fig. 1, is equipped with drop forged circular type Dee rings and buckle, and three or four tool loops depending on belt size. The 3-inch wide body section of the belt is made of three plies of nylon cloth and the buckle strap and tool loops of four plies of nylon cloth, each impregnated with neoprene and bonded together. The tool loop nearest the Dee ring at the buckle end of the belt will hold the wrench. The portion of the strap between the opposite Dee ring and its nearest tool loop will accommodate the tool holster. The belt is furnished in four sizes designated 20, 22, 24, and 26. The size of the belt is the distance between the Dee rings measured in inches as shown in Fig. 1. The belt weighs about 1-3/4 pounds for the sizes 20 through 24 and about 2 pounds for size 26.

2.02 Fig. 1 shows a C Body Belt as a "Right" belt. To be worn as a "Left" belt, the belt



The size 20 belt has 3 tool loops; sizes 22, 24 and 26 have 4 tool loops each.

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Fig. 1

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is turned over so that the belt buckle is to the wearer's right. In such case if an offset double holster is used it should be the "Left" type.

2.03 The degree of comfort and satisfactory service a workman obtains from a body belt depends to a large extent on the locations of the Dee rings with respect to the prominent portions of the hip bones. Most workmen prefer to have the Dee rings located slightly in front of the prominent portions of the hip bones. To obtain a properly fitting belt, measure the

distance across the back to the desired locations of the Dee rings and order a belt of the size that comes nearest to this dimension.

2.04 If the buckle strap is too long, it may be shortened by cutting off the excess length provided the cut passes through one of the buckle holes. This will ensure a minimum distance, between the last usable hole and the end of the strap, long enough to prevent tearing of the belt by the tongue of the buckle.