

Vertical & Lateral Lifting Clamp GVC-R

(Lock Handle Type)

Operation Manual

This operation manual explains the basic operation and handling of the clamps. Please read this manual carefully before use and observe the precautions for safe operation.

SUPER TOOL CO., LTD.

SUPER brand lifting clamps are energy-saving lifting equipment which have been developed for the purpose of transporting steel materials.

Proper use

Operate lifting clamps after carefully reading and understanding this instruction manual for enhancing efficiency and safety of operation.

Prime efficiency and economy

Advanced functions, reasonableness and versatile applications of finely and carefully designed **SUPER** lifting clamps ensure prime efficiency and economy.

Special considerations on safety

We conduct a pulling test with a load three times (or twice) of rated capacity and a manufacturing serial number is marked on each product, thus directing a special attention to safety.

Precautions for safety operation

(Pages $1\sim10$ are comon to all lifting clamp models) Be sure to read this instruction manual carefully before use.

Mistaken use of lifting clamp may cause a danger such as dropping of load.

Education of "crane safety regulations," "operation manual for lifting clamp," "your company's operation standards," etc. should be given before actual operation not only to business owners who have purchased clamps but also to their operators to ensure that actual operators have acquired enough knowledge, safety information, and precautions of the clamps.

Safety precautions are divided into two classifications in this manual; "Warning" and "Caution,".



WARNING:

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION:

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in medium damage or slight injury, or could result in property damage.

While only mentioned in \(\Delta\)CAUTION, failure to comply with them still may lead to a serious disaster. As such, do not fail to pay attention both to WARNING and CAUTION which are of great importance.

Meanings of Signs

The signs of $\langle \hat{1} \rangle$ and $\wedge \hat{1}$ indicate that precautions should be taken.

The contents of warning or caution are described at each sign.

The sign of \indicates prohibited actions.

The sign of **()** indicates that an action is enforced or instructed.

Two point lift for \bigwedge righthand figure.

After reading this manual, make sure to keep it at a place of easy access
by any users.

1. Handling in general

Do not operate until the contents of the operation manual, and caution tag/plate are thoroughly read and understood. Do not operate without a legal qualification. Be sure to clear of the area of the operation for lifting or turning a load against possible drop off or fall over. Do not use for other than intended purpose. Make sure to execute an inspection periodically and before each operation.

2. Check before operation

(I) WARNING	
 Do not use clamp unsuitable for the operation method. Do not use clamp of an abnormal condition; deformed, cracked, worn, malfunctioning, etc. If the load is under the following conditions, do not use clamp. (A material of fragile, high-hardness, low-hardness or extremely low-hardness, or a member with the gripping part tapered down more than 8°) 	Prohibited
 Check the type, rated capacity, clamp range, and "periodic inspection completed" label displayed on clamp body. The load to be lifted shall be within an allowable range of rated capacity of clamp. Thickness of load shall be within designated clamping range. 	Instructed
A CAUTION	
● Do not use clamp for the load under the following conditions. (Load to be lifted is more than 150°C, or in an atmosphere or solution of acid or alkaline chemicals less than minus 20°C)	Prohibited
Sling to be used for the clamp shall be an appropriate one for lifting operation.	Instructed

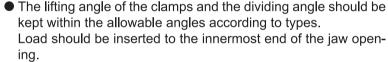
3. Lifting operation

(!) WARNING

- Do not use clamp, lifting at one point.
 (excluding special or custom ordered products)
- Do not use the clamp in the following ways of lifting: lifting of two or more individual objects at one time. (overlapped loads, padded load etc., or side gripping)
- Do not use the clamp for pulling out steel plate sheet from the steel sheet pile or for vertical lifting of the sheet.
- Do not use the clamp when strong wind may threaten to cause any danger.
- Do not use the clamp for a hydraulic shovel.



 Install two or more clamps in a balanced way to keep the balance of load.





When you use the clamp with a lock mechanism, never fail to have the lock engaged.



- If oil, paint, scale, rust, etc. are on the gripping pad, do not use the clamp.
- Do not drop clamp or drag on the ground.



4. Operation of a crane

(!) WARNING

- Never lift a load exceeding the rated capacity.
- Do not operate a crane in such a way as to give an impact to the load or the clamp.
- Do not allow a person to stand on the load or to carry him.
- Do not lift a load which is not free from any other objects.
- Do not release the lock of clamp while lifting load.
- Avoid unintended contact by load to an adjacent member or to the clamp, which has been removed from the load.



Prohibite

- Stop the lifting operation by crane for a moment when the load is applied to the lifting ring for safety checking. (depth of the load into the clamp opening; status of locking).
- Stop the operation of the crane just before the load reaches the ground, and check the following matters: (Inclination or falling over of the load and security around the landing area of the load)



N CAUTION

- Do not operate the crane in such a way as to drag the load along the ground.
- Do not leave the crane (or winder, etc.) unattended from an operating position while keeping the load lifted with the clamp.
- Raising and lowering operation by crane should be done slowly and carefully.





5. Maintenance, storage and alteration

! WARNING

- Never alter the clamp and its accessories.
- Do not apply welding or heat to the clamp or its accessories.
- Do not use any other parts than our company's genuine parts.
- Clamps which require the repair should be stored at a different place so that they are not used mistakenly.



- Persons with specialized knowledge designated by the business owner are to conduct maintenance and repairing work.
- When any abnormality with the clamp is found, do not use it and immediately repair or dispose.
- Remove, if any, paint or mud sticking to the moving parts of the clamp, cams, and pads.



Instructed

! CAUTION

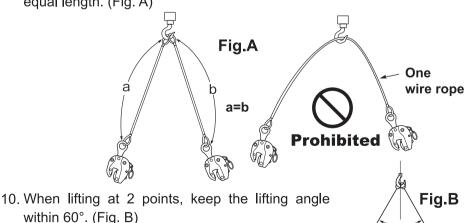
- Conduct maintenance and repairing without any load attached.
- Conduct maintenance and repairing after posting a sign indicating that you're on the maintenance work.
- Never fail to lubricate oil on the rotating parts of the clamp (around the pins), guide grooves, sliding parts, etc.
- Be sure to store clamps indoor.



■ General warning for use (common to all lifting clamp models)

- 1. Be sure to select proper model clamps for use.

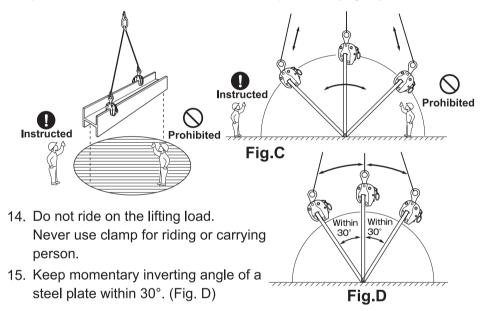
 Pay special attentions to keep the lifting direction (rope angle).
- 2. Confirm the weight of the load. Do not exceed maximum capacity (designated ton) on clamps. (Never overload.)
- 3. Before use, confirm followings:
 - (a) Proper capacity of clamps.
 - (b) No abnormal movements of clamp or loosening of any bolts.
 - (c) No oil or other foreign matters on the surface of the cam and pad.
- 4. Never use for load beyond the clamp range.
- 5. When installing clamps, insert a lifting load completely until it comes in contact with the deepest of the jaw opening of main body.
- 6. Depending on the model or capacity of the clamp, the cam teeth may not bite a load sufficiently when the load is a hard or light weight material (Less than 1/5 of maximum capacity or less than 1/4 of maximum clamp range). Confirm the condition of clamp for safety.
- 7. Confirm that the safety lock is completely engaged in case clamp has a built-in lock.
- Confirm that the load is well balanced. Determine the clamp position or the center of gravity of the rope properly. It is especially important to determine the horizontal center of gravity.
- 9. When lifting at 2 points, be sure to use two wire ropes, and make them equal length. (Fig. A)



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(Follow the standards if lifting angle is specified depending on items.) If the load is long, use a balance.

- 11. Never lift two or more steel plates or steel members at a time.
- 12. The load may move to an unexpected direction when lifted off the ground and as such confirm the center of gravity and the clamping position for safety when raising. Sufficient caution should be taken until the clamp with the load becomes completely balanced.
- 13. When changing directions of the load or any similar operations, all personnel must be clear of the area of operation. (Fig. C)



- 16. Before operation, the surface of load must always be clean and free of scale, coatings or other foreign matters that will reduce clamping force significantly.
- 17. When raising, special attention must be given to prevent the rope from loosening by its unintended contact with any other objects.
- 18. When raising again after the load is put on ground, reconfirm the clamp condition.
- 19. Do not use clamp for heated load or in a corrosion liquid because safety factor and durability will be reduced in such conditions.
- 20. Do not alter clamp by welding, cutting by gas or by any other modification.
- 21. Do not weld electrically a load while being lifted by clamp.
- 22. Conduct daily maintenance and lubrication.

■ Maintenance and Inspection

1. Maintenance

Daily maintenance is important for efficient and safe operation even under the severe use condition and for such purposes, please comply with the followings.

- (1) Designate the use standards and control.
- (2) Keep clamps indoor and do not leave them outdoor.
- (3) Check the followings to maintain in a good condition.
 - (a) Operating condition.
 - (b) Any abrasion, damage, or clogging at teeth of cam and pad.
 - (c) Deformation of main body at jaw opening in particular.
- (4) Separate conforming clamps and other hazardous items identified during use or inspection and designate the defective sections. Perform maintenance any soon.
- (5) For the storage, place soft material as wooden chip in-between cam and pad to protect the teeth.
- (6) Perform inspection and maintenance once a week by referring to "Inspection Standards". Lubricate sliding sections periodically. (However, remove oil at teeth of cam and pad.)

2. Periodic Inspection

Perform periodic inspection in accordance with the periodic inspection and maintenance standards. Functions and life of clamps may differ in a great degree as they are used in varieties of fields under different conditions of use. Therefore, preparation and practice of effective handling/inspection standards manual by users themselves are recommended. We ask you to establish complete maintenance and control for assurance of safety in reference to our Manufacturer's Inspection Standards of our clamp. Clamp is designed for easy replacement of parts and therefore, do not fail to replace defective parts. Also, keeping spare parts at all times is recommended. For your preparation of the standards, pay special attention to the followings.

- (1) Operation and maintenance standards
 - (a) Preparation of use criteria (shape of load and operating methods).
 - (b) Thorough understanding and compliance of cautions on handling.
 - (c) Maintenance and storage.
 - (d) Rules of inspection and check at site.

- (2) Standards on periodic inspection
 - (A) Establishing dates of periodic inspection.
 - (B) Establishing inspection and maintenance methods.
 - (a) Inspecting period.
 - (b) Person in charge of the inspection.
 - (c) Inspection site.
 - (d) Tools and devices for inspection.
 - (e) Establishment of permissible limit of use.
 - (f) Explicit designation of maintenance and repair methods.

3. Manufacturer's inspection method

Our company's inspection procedures are as follow.

Check for

- (1) Movements.
- (2) Wear, loss, and/or clogging of/at the teeth of the cam and screw.
- (3) Deformation of main body.
- (4) Deformation of shackle.
- (5) The status of bolts, pins, links and springs.
- (6) Deep scratches in general.
- (7) Other checking items based on the Standards.

LIFTING ANGLE AND SAFE LOAD OF WIRE ROPE

The maximum allowable load (safe load) of wire rope also varies with the lifting angle. Therefore, select a wire rope of proper diameter in consideration of the lifting angle. (The breakage load specified in table below refers to No.4. 6×24A class of JIS G3525.)

Correlation between Lifting Angle and Safe Load of Wire Rope (in two-point lifting)

D Wire rope dia	σ Break- age load	W Safe load (on one rope) W=\sigma/S (safety factor	0°	30°	45°	60°	90°	120°
(mm)	(tons)	S=6) (tons)	1000/	_ `		ency due to lif	, ,	
[("")			100%	96%	92%	86%	70%	50%
				x.allowable lo	,	,	,	
8	3.21	0.54	1.08	1.04	0.99	0.93	0.76	0.54
9	4.06	0.68	1.36	1.31	1.25	1.17	0.95	0.68
10	5.02	0.84	1.68	1.61	1.55	1.44	1.18	0.84
11.2	6.29	1.05	2.1	2.02	1.93	1.81	1.47	1.05
12.5	7.84	1.31	2.62	2.52	2.41	2.25	1.83	1.31
14	9.83	1.64	3.28	3.15	3.02	2.82	2.3	1.64
16	12.8	2.13	4.26	4.09	3.92	3.66	2.98	2.13
18	16.2	2.7	5.4	5.18	4.97	4.64	3.78	2.7
20	20.1	3.35	6.7	6.43	6.16	5.76	4.69	3.35
22.4	25.2	4.2	8.4	8.06	7.73	7.22	5.88	4.2
25	31.3	5.22	10.44	10.02	9.6	8.98	7.31	5.22
28	39.3	6.55	13.1	12.58	12.05	11.27	9.17	6.55
30	45.1	7.52	15.04	14.44	13.84	12.93	10.53	7.52
31.5	49.8	8.3	16.6	15.94	15.27	14.28	11.62	8.3
33.5	56.3	9.38	18.76	18.01	17.26	16.13	13.13	9.38
35.5	63.2	10.53	21.06	20.22	19.38	18.11	14.74	10.53

Note For four-point lifting, multiply the corresponding figure in the table by 2 to find the maximum allowable load (safe load).

Simplified calculation method of wire rope diameter and safe load(one-point lifting)

1)
$$D=\sqrt{W\times C}$$

$$W = \frac{D^2}{C}$$

Where D:wire rope diameter(mm)
W:safe load(tons)
C:constant=120
(safety factor S=6)

★To find the diameter of wire rope for 3 tons:

① D=
$$\sqrt{W \times C}$$

D= $\sqrt{3 \times 120}$ = $\sqrt{360}$ =19 \rightarrow 20mm

★To find the service load (safe load) on 25mm diameter wire rope.

② W=
$$\frac{D^2}{C}$$

W= $\frac{25^2}{120} = \frac{625}{120} = 5.2 \rightarrow 5.2 \text{ton}$



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Operation Manual and Inspection Standards



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Uses

Clamps specifically designed for the vertical and lateral lifting of structured steel (H, I, T and L shaped steels, etc.) and steel plates.

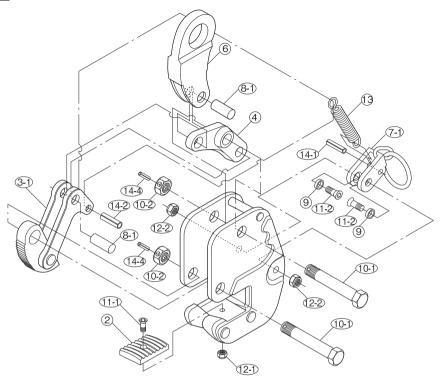
Features

- Clamps suitable for both vertical and lateral lifting.
- 2. Clamps are elaborately designed for stable lifting of the "H", "I" shaped steel and steel plate.
- 3. In proportion to the lifting load, clamping force becomes larger and clamp more firmly.
- 4. Light weight and compact body producing the better usability.
- 5. With the embossed shape of the main body, finger can be easily hooked and clamps can be installed and removed smoothly.
- 6. Clamping force is constantly given by a spring and hardly detached even when the load lands and wire gets loosen.
- 7. The main parts are mold forged products of special alloy steel processed with optimal heat treatment, and thus, strong and durable.

Specifications

Item No.	Rated Capacity (ton)	Clamp Range (mm)	Net Weight (kg)
GVC0.5R	0.5	0~20	2.6
GVC1R	1	0~25	4.5

REPLACEMENT PARTS AND ASSEMBLIES



Part No. Part Name		Item No.	Set Q'ty
SH	IACKLE ASSEMBLY	GVH	
6	Shackle		1
CA	M ASSEMBLY	GVT	
3-1	Cam (with link)		
8-1	Connection pin		1
14-2	Spring pin (for I-shape link)		
CA	M SUPPORT BOLT	GVK	
10-1-10-2	Support bolt /nut		4
14-4	Spring pin (for support bolt)		'
SH	ACKLE SUPPORT BOLT	GVK	
10-1-10-2	Support bolt /nut		-1
14-4	Spring pin (for support bolt)		'
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Part No.	Part Name	Item No.	Set Q'ty
	PAD ASSEMBLY	GVP	
2	Pad	GVCP	1
11-1 · 12-1	Bolt/Nut for pad	GVCV	each 1
LOC	K HANDLE ASSEMBLY	GVG	
7-1	U shaped handle	GVCG	1
11-2 · 12-2	Hex. hole disc bolt/U nut		each 2
9	Collar	GVCF	2
14-1	Spring pin (for U shaped handle)		1
	L-shape link	GVM	
4	L-shape link	GVCM	1
8-1	Connection pin	GVCY	1
13	Spring	GVCS	1

- 1) When ordering, specify the rated capacity (ton)of item No. and R. (Example: Shackle assembly for GVC1R is GVH1R)
- 2) Periodic lubrication is required at pin and working portion. (Remove oil of pad and cam teeth.)

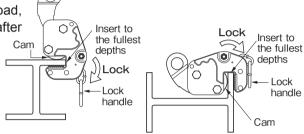
■ How to use

1.OPERATION METHOD

1) Please make sure to lock the handle and insert the load completely until it comes in contact with the deepest part of the jaw opening of main body.

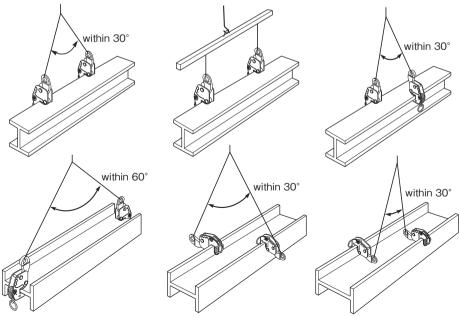
2) When lifted off the ground, stop winding rope temporarily and re-start lifting operation after confirming the center of gravity and the clamping position for safety.

 When detaching the load, release lock handle after losing rope.

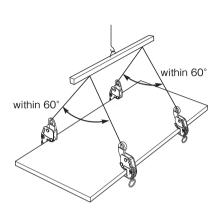


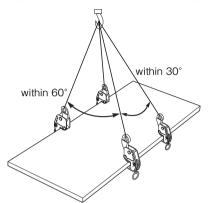
2. OPERATION PATTERNS

- When lifting, please make sure to lock the handle and insert the load completely until it comes in contact with the deepest part of the jaw opening of main body.
- 2) Please make sure to lift at 2 or more points and use a balance whenever possible. Confirm that the length of two wire ropes is equal.

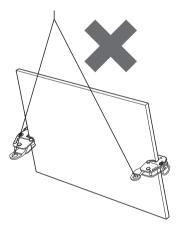


3) When lateral (horizontal) clamping steel plate, make sure to lift at four points.

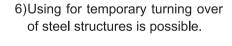


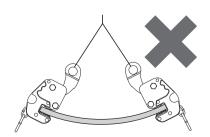


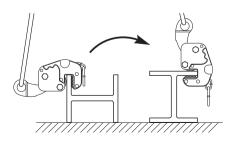
4) Do not clamp steel plate sideway like the picture on the right. The clamping force is not applied to the load, which may result in load falling.



5)Do not clamp curved steel plate. In this case, screw cam clamp (SCC type) is recommended.





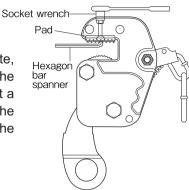


3.DISASSEMBLING AND ASSEMBLING

1)Disassembling

A.Pad

After the cam is in the open lock state, insert a socket wrench that matches the nut into the rear part of the pad, insert a hexagon bar spanner into the bolt on the pad side, loosen the nut, and remove the pad.

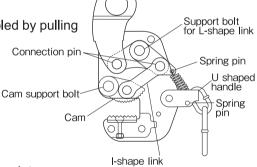


B.Cam and others

- 1. Pull out spring pin for L-shape link support nut and cam support nut, loosen the nuts, and then pull out support bolts.
- 2. Pull out spring pin for I-shape link and spring, and remove shackle, L-shape link and I-shape link from main body.

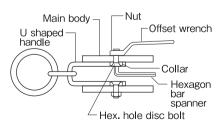
3. Pull out connection pin for L-shape link. I-shape link and cam cannot be disassembled, because they are caulked by caulk pin.

4. Spring can be disassembled by pulling out spring pin.



C.Lock handle

Insert a hexagon bar spanner into the hex. hole disc bolt side, use offset wrench for the nut on the main body side, and then loosen the nuts and remove the bolts. After pulling out the bolts on both sides, U shaped handle can be removed from main body.



2)Assembling

Perform the reverse procedure of disassembling.

CAUTION:

- ◆ Use within the rated capacity.
- Use within the clamp range.
- Do not use for any objects other than steel materials.
- ◆ Do not use for hard (30 HRC or higher) load.
- ◆ Lifting is not allowed for a load tapering down in upward direction.
- ◆ Do not apply shock to the load or lifting clamp.
- Do not lift more than one plate.
- Before using the product, be sure to check for clogging and wear of the teeth of the cam, screw and any other parts.
- ◆ Do not alter. Heating, modifying, etc. will significantly reduce the quality (strength).

OTHER:

Inquiries for Repair Parts and Repair.
If repair parts or repairs are required, stop using this clamp and contact your distributor.

DAILY INSPECTION:

Conduct daily checks and maintenance to prevent the loss of safety and efficiency.

- 1. Check that there are no cracks at the body, cam, or wire rope holes.
- 2. Check if the movement and lubrication condition of each part are good.
- 3. Check for wear, loss, or clogging of the teeth of the cam and screw.
- 4. Refer to other inspection standards.

■INSPECTION STANDARDS

Item	Inspection method	Limit of use	Remedy
	Visually check or use color dyes to find cracks.	•When found visually.	
	●Measure the jaw opening.	•When the difference between "A" and "B" for a depth of 100mm, exceeds 5mm (5%).	
Main body	Measure to find wear or deformation of hole of support bolts.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below. April	Discard
	Visually check or measure to find deformation or play.	●When the difference of "A" and "B" exceeds 2mm.	
	Visually check and measure the degree of wear.	●When the length of wear exceeds 0.5mm. —— ——length of wear	
Cam	Visually check or use color dyes to find cracks at the bottom cam teeth.	●When found visually.	
& Pad	Visually check for broken teeth.	When any broken tooth is found. broken tooth	Replace
	Measure wear or deformation of holes of support bolts.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below.	
		Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 D(mm) 12.5 16.5	

Item	Inspection method	Limit of use	Remedy
Support Bolt & Nut	 Measure wear of the bolt shaft. Visually check or use color dyes to find cracks. Visually check or measure deformation. 	When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole is less than the respective size in the table below. Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 Diameter(mm) 11.5 15.5 When found visually. When the deformation exceeds 0.5mm.	Replace
	Visually check or use color dyes to find cracks.	•When found visually.	
Shackle	Measure wear or deformation of shackle hole and pin hole. Visually check or measure the degree of deformation.	Nhen the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below. D1	Replace
L-shape link	Visually check or use color dyes to find cracks. Measure wear or deformation of holes of pins.	When found visually. When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below. O Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 D1 (mm) 12.5 14.5 D2(mm) 12.5 16.5	Replace

Item	Inspection method	Limit of use	Remedy
	Visually check or use measure to find deformation.	•When unusual noise comes out or the movement is not smooth.	
I-shape link	•Measure wear or deformation of holes of pins.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below. April	Replace
Connection	●Measure wear of shaft.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of the shaft is less than the size in the table below. Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 Diameter (mm) 11.5 13.5	Replace
pin	◆Visually check or measure to find deformation.	•When the deformation exceeds 0.5mm.	
	Visually check whether a constant initial load always works when lock handle is locked.	When there is no normal repulsive force due to deformation, etc., and when the lock handle is locked with the clamping dimension 0, there is a clearance of 1mm or more at the gripping part due to the self-weight of the shackle and cam.	
Spring	Visually check to find cracks or deformation on both hook side.	•When the inner diameter of the hook is remarkably turned wear or there is a risk that it may come off from the spring pin due to deformation, etc.	Replace
	Visually check or measure to find deformation or extension.	•When the deformation exceeds 1mm, or the diameter of length of the spring exceeds the size in the table below.	
		Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 L(mm) 51.0 55.5	

Item	Inspection method	Limit of use	Remedy
Lock handle	Measure wear or deformation of holes of bolts.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of any hole exceeds the respective size in the table below. Patent	Replace
	Measure deformation of each parts.	•When the movement of U shaped handle is not smooth.	
Hex. hole disc bolt, Collar & Nut	Measure wear of the bolt shaft. Visually check to find deformation.	When the diameter of any part of circumference of shaft is less than the respective size in the table below. Rated capacity (ton) 0.5 1 Diameter (mm) 7.5 7.5 When the movement of U shaped handle is not smooth.	Replace
	Visually check the installation state of nuts.	When found any damage, loose or coming off.	