

Slackfriend - User manual

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Introduction

Thanks for purchasing our product. This document presents the basic uses of the Slackfriend. If you have any further questions, or want to learn about advanced uses of this product, contact us or visit our social media pages.

Care for the product

Keep the Slackfriend, and in particular the soft materials, away from chemicals. Make sure you know the history of your Slackfriend, and store it in a cool, dry place.

The bungee cord can wear out faster than other parts of the slackfriend, contact us if you want it replaced.

If there is any deformation or unusual aspect of the product, do not use it and contact us.

Proper use

The Slackfriend is designed for low tension slackline (up to 3kN), and should never be used at height. It accommodates webbings of width between 24 and 26mm, and of thickness up to 4mm.

The Slackfriend allows tensioning and releasing of one end of a webbing. Make sure your anchor is strong enough. If you're using a sling around a tree, make sure to use tree protection and that the tree is big enough (check out: <u>How to tree by ISA</u>).

Do not use the Slackfriend for highline.

Do not go above recommended tension (3kN).

Set-up

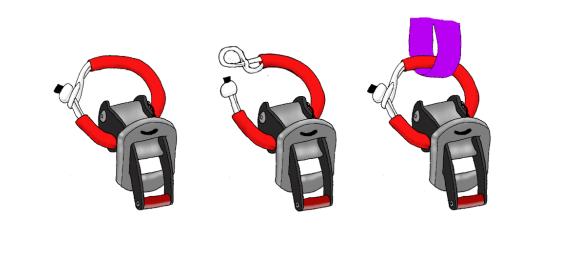
There are two ways to set up the Slackfriend. We present the easier way first. You need access to one end of the webbing for it.

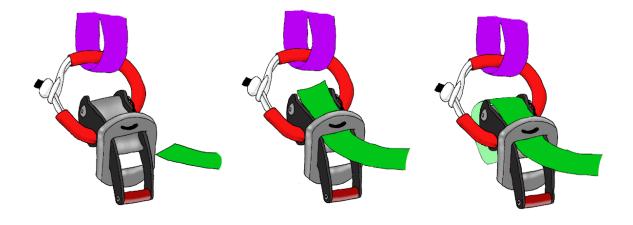
1. Attach the Slackfriend to your anchor

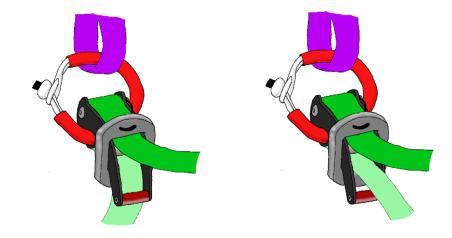
Open the soft-shackle. To do this, open the noose and pull the knot out of it. Place one end of the soft-shackle through the anchor, and put the noose back around the knot, and tighten it.

2. Put the webbing in

With the handle pointing down, put the end of the webbing through the square ring, above and around the Slackfriend and back through the square ring. The webbing can go either through the handle or below it.







You can also set up the Slackfriend if you do not have access to the end of the webbing.

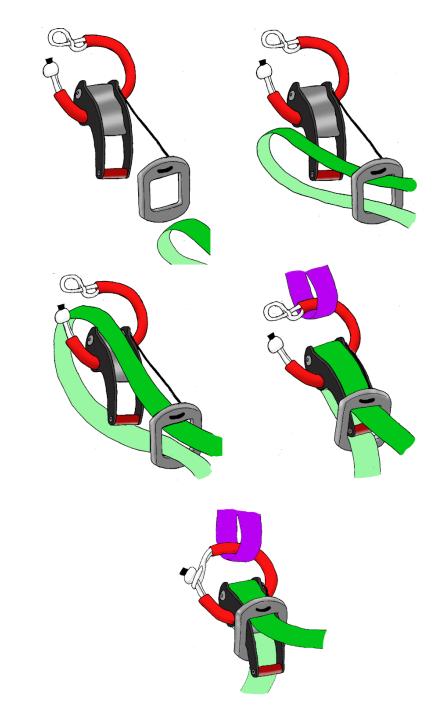
1. Open the soft-shackle and pull the square ring of the handle.

Do this with the handle facing down

2. Feed a loop of webbing through the square ring.

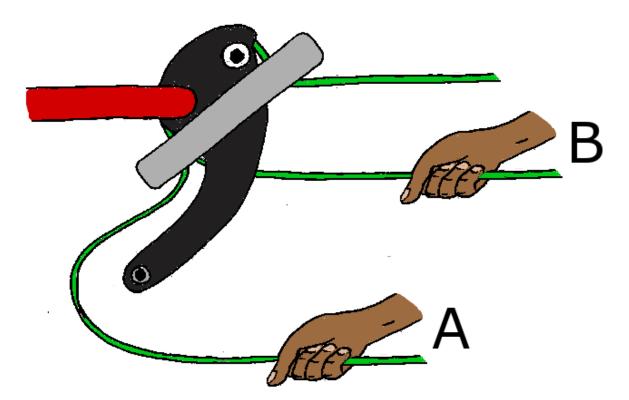
The walking end of the webbing should be on top.

- 3. Slide the loop around the Slackfriend, through the open shackle.
- 4. Slide the ring back around the handle.
- 5. Close the soft-shackle around the anchor.



Tension

Tensioning with the Slackfriend is easy, just pull on the loose end of the webbing. Configuration **A** is what you get when you set-up without the end of the webbing, but position **B** gives better efficiency. You can get from **A** to **B** by feeding a loop of webbing through the handle.



Release

To release, **(A)** hold the loose end of the webbing tight and **(B)** pull on the handle, then release the webbing in a controlled manner. You can get a better grip on the handle by putting a loop of webbing around it and pulling on that.

