



Thank you for purchasing your TRUBLUE Auto Belay. This product is a life safety device, so it is very important that you educate yourself, your staff and your customers on proper inspection and operation.

### HERE'S A QUICK LIST OF STEPS TO GET YOU STARTED:

- ❑ **Unpack your auto belay and KEEP THE BOX.** The packaging is specially designed to protect your auto belay when sending it in for annual recertification. Sending the device back in unauthorized packaging can cause damage, which we will have to charge you to repair.
- ❑ **Register your unit at [www.autobelay.com/registration](http://www.autobelay.com/registration).** It only takes a minute and is critically important. We need the contact information of the wall operator to send you reminders about your mandatory annual recertification.
- ❑ **Read your Operator Manual.** The manual contains everything you need to know about installation, operation, inspection and recertification. You may download additional copies of the manual at [www.autobelay.com/resources](http://www.autobelay.com/resources).

### ONCE YOUR AUTO BELAY IS INSTALLED, HERE'S A QUICK LIST OF STEPS TO KEEP YOUR AUTO BELAY OPERATING SAFELY:

- ❑ **Perform weekly inspections.** Weekly inspections keep your customers safe and minimize your risk. See page 24 of the Operator Manual for specifics. Ensure that your staff is properly trained in these checks as well.
- ❑ **Clearly identify auto belay zones on your wall.** The auto belay should only be used on routes in its zone that will not expose the user to a large swing. Clearly mark the “swing zone” for your climbers at the base of the wall.
- ❑ **Remind climbers to clip into the auto belay.** In addition to customer training, signs should be used at the base of the wall to remind climbers to clip in to their harness before every climb.
- ❑ **Replace your webbing when it shows signs of wear.** Webbing lines wear over time, especially where the webbing may come into contact with the wall, a handhold or other obstacles. Fraying and spreading of fibers indicates that your webbing must be replaced immediately. If you do not replace your webbing, you are putting your customers at risk.
- ❑ **Perform six-month inspections.** Follow the inspection procedure on pages 26-28 of your Operator Manual.
- ❑ **Send your auto belay in annual for its mandatory recertification.** To comply with international safety standards for fall arrest devices, annual recertification of the auto belay is required. Visit [www.autobelay.com/resources](http://www.autobelay.com/resources) for details on sending in your units.

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# Three Tips for Getting the Most from your TRUBLUE Auto Belays



## 1. PROMOTE YOUR TRUBLUES TO YOUR CLIMBERS

- Use the enclosed poster to announce the arrival of your auto belays. Need more posters? Email us at [info@autobelay.com](mailto:info@autobelay.com)
- Announce the auto belays through social media
- Show the auto belays off on your prospective member tour – they are a key selling point over your competition!

## 2. THINK ABOUT YOUR CLIMBERS WHEN PLACING YOUR AUTO BELAYS

- Make TRUBLUES available to new climbers. Auto belays allow new climbers to focus on the movement and having fun, reducing the intimidation factor
- Set up auto belays in programming and birthday party areas of minimize staffing needs
- Place TRUBLUES on harder routes to satisfy your serious lunchtime solo climbers trying to get in their workout
- Make sure you have enough auto belays to cover the most popular routes
- Develop circuit training programs and other programming to encourage use of the auto belays. See [www.autobelay.com/climbing-gyms](http://www.autobelay.com/climbing-gyms) for a great example!

## 3. EDUCATE YOUR CLIMBERS ON PROPER AUTO BELAY USE

- While TRUBLUE auto belays are simple to operate, climbers should be trained to ensure safety and proper use
- Climbers should know how to:
  1. Check the auto belay operation by pulling out a short section of webbing and allowing it to retract
  2. Clip in! Check that the TRUBLUE carabiner is connected to the designated loop on the climbing harness
  3. Check that the TRUBLUE carabiner gate is properly closed and locked
  4. Never climb or descend from alongside or above the auto belay
  5. Descend feet first, ensuring that the descent path and landing area are free of people and obstructions.
  6. Stop climbing and ask for assistance if the auto belay line fails to retract during climbing

**For more information, visit our website at [www.autobelay.com](http://www.autobelay.com) or call us at 877-565-6885.**