INSTRUCTION MANUAL

The Boss™

Model MFP1050

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## Usage Instructions & Warnings

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| CARRYING CAPACITY (USER(S) AND EQUIPMENT) | 300 lbs/136 kg |

⚠️ **WARNING!** This Muddy® product carries strict weight restrictions. DO NOT use this product if you exceed these total weight limitations. Please note that these weight limitations include the user(s) and their equipment. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

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⚠️ **WARNING!** DO NOT remove, modify, and/or omit any portion or otherwise mechanically modify this Muddy® product(s) or its assemblies in any manner. Modification, misuse, and/or part substitution may result in serious injury or death! Never modify your stand in any way by making repairs, or altering, adding or attaching anything to it except if explicitly authorized in writing by Muddy®.

⚠️ **WARNING!** ALWAYS inspect/check ALL expiration dates/tags on all straps (e.g., tree belt, tether/lanyard, etc.) and the full-body fall arrest harness and its components prior to each use. You must replace ALL straps and suspension seats EVERY year. Never use any strap(s) or full-body fall arrest harness that has expired and/or is showing any signs of damage and/or wear. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury and death!

⚠️ **WARNING!** Make certain all chains, cable straps, etc. are tightened per this Instruction Manual prior to use. All treestand bark biter must be in contact with the tree before you step onto the stand. The correct adjustment and tightening of attachment hardware (as outlined in each individual instructions) is critical to the stable installation of the ladderstand(s). Additionally, you MUST be wearing your Fall Arrest System (FAS) which includes a full-body fall arrest harness, tree belt, lanyard/tether, suspension relief device and climbing belt/linemen belt (as applicable) in accordance with the Instructions contained in this Instruction Manual. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

⚠️ **WARNING!** This product(s) is designed for adult use only. No one under the age of 16 shall attempt to use this or any other product(s) without direct adult supervision. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

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WARNING! REPLACE attachment belts every three years and when not in use store in a dry, cool, safe place away from sunlight. Never store a treestand or any of its components outdoors when not in use. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! ALWAYS wear the appropriate foot wear when using a treestand. A good nonslip safety boot is important for your safety. Be especially careful that boot laces do not get hooked on the treestand (or any of its components) or climbing aids (tuck shoelaces into boot before climbing). Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! DO NOT use this product, or attempt to use a treestand, on a dead, leaning, diseased, loose barked tree (bark that flakes or falls off), irregular shaped trees or utility poles. DO NOT use this product on any tree that does not allow for a level standing platform. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! NEVER hunt out of a treestand at heights at which you are not completely comfortable. Depending upon the tree and hunting conditions, choose the minimum hunting height that allows for safe, effective hunting. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! DO NOT use this, or any other product(s) to climb utility poles, telephone poles, structural columns or any other man-made structures. Never use this or any other Muddy® product(s) around power generation (e.g., transformers, generators, substations, etc.) and/or power transmission equipment. Never use a treestand on a dead, leaning, diseased or loose barked tree. NEVER USE A TREE BRANCH, OR ANY PORTION OF A TREE, TO SUPPORT ANY PORTION OF YOUR WEIGHT OR AS A HAND HOLD. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! DO NOT stand on the treestand seat. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! These Muddy® product(s) were designed for installation on trees with a minimum diameter of nine (9) inches (23 cm) and a maximum diameter of (20) inches (51 cm) at treestand installation height (i.e., seat height). DO NOT use your Muddy® product(s) on trees with trunk diameters that do not meet this minimum/maximum diameter requirement. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! A full-body fall arrest harness that meets or exceeds industry standards recognized by TMA with a lineman’s/climbing belt must be worn at all times while installing or removing any hang-on style treestands or climbing aids (i.e., ladders, sticks, steps, etc.). Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! When using a lineman’s belt/climbing belt to ascend the tree, the full-body fall arrest harness tree belt and lanyard must be attached to the tree trunk before stepping down on the treestand. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! ALWAYS maintain three-point contact when climbing up/down a tree when using climbing aids and/or ladderstands. Proper three-point contact means having either two feet with one hand or one foot with two hands on the step portion of the climbing aids at all times when climbing up or down. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! ALWAYS lean forward as you climb and attach your full-body fall arrest harness tree belt to the tree trunk before securing the platform to the tree and stepping onto the platform. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

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OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES
Any number of innovative accessories are available and sold separately to compliment your new Muddy® product(s). Only genuine authorized accessories shall be used with Muddy® product(s).

STORAGE AND CARE OF YOUR STAND
Your new treestand is factory finished with a state-of-the-art powder coating that guarantees years of trouble-free service. It is recommended that you store your treestand out of direct sunlight and out of any other harsh environmental condition(s) that may adversely affect its performance.

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Check to make sure you have all the required parts and hardware.
If you find damaged or missing parts in a newly purchased product, please return this product to the retailer for replacement.

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SPECS

Minimum/Maximum Tree Diameter
9” (23 cm) min. and 20” (51 cm) max. at installation height (i.e., seating platform height)

Maximum Occupancy
One (1)

Max. Weight Capacity (User and Equipment)
300 lbs/136 kg

TOOLS REQUIRED:
Adjustable Wrench - Qty 2 (Not Included)

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WARNING! Read the WEIGHT RESTRICTION WARNING, USAGE INSTRUCTIONS & WARNINGS and FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS USAGE INSTRUCTIONS & WARNINGS throughout this manual prior to assembly of this product! Failure to follow any of the instructions and/or warnings may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! DO NOT over tighten the hardware. Over tightening can lead to structural damage and may negatively affect the performance of your stand. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

Refer to pages 8-9, Field Installation-Ladderstands, for installation instructions.

FIG. 1
NOTE: Steps 1-5 require you to temporarily finger tighten nuts to ensure proper alignment. All bolts shall be installed from the inside with nylock nuts on the outside.

STEP 1. Attach the rear frame support to the standing platform using (2) 5/16" x 2" hex bolts [B], (8) nylon washers and (2) 5/16" nylock nuts.

STEP 2. Using (1) 5/16" x 3 1/4" hex bolt [E], (3) nylon washers and (1) 5/16" nylock nut connect a plastic coated cable to the rear frame support. Secure the remaining plastic coated cable to the opposite side of the rear frame support using (1) 5/16" x 3 1/4" hex bolt [E], (3) nylon washers and (1) 5/16" nylock nut. Finish attaching the plastic coated cables to the standing platform using (2) 5/16" x 1 3/4" hex bolts [A], (6) nylon washers and (2) 5/16" nylock nuts.

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FIG. 2

STEP 3. Attach the V-bracket to the rear frame support using (1) 5/16” x 2” hex bolt [B], (2) nylon washers and (1) 5/16” nylock nut.

STEP 4. Attach the footrest to the standing platform using (2) 5/16” x 2 1/4” hex bolts [C], (6) nylon washers and (2) 5/16” nylock nuts.

⚠️ WARNING! A footrest has been provided for support and or comfort and is not designed to carry the full weight of the user. Never place more than 15 lbs (7 kg) on these structures. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

FIG. 3

STEP 5. Next, attach the seat frame to the rear frame support using (2) 5/16” x 2 1/2” hex bolts [D], (6) nylon washers and (2) 5/16” nylock nuts.

STEP 6. SECURELY TIGHTEN EVERY NUT AND BOLT AT THIS TIME USING TWO ADJUSTABLE WRENCHES (not included).

⚠️ WARNING! YOU MUST NEVER OVERTIGHTEN HARDWARE. OVERTIGHTENING CAN RESULT IN AN UNSAFE CONDITION AND PRODUCT FAILURE. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH!

STEP 7. Attach the seat cushion to the seat frame using the silent ties to secure. MAKE SURE SEAT IS SECURELY ATTACHED TO THE SEAT FRAME BEFORE EACH USE.

You are now ready to install your treestand.

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FIELD INSTALLATION - FIXED POSITION TREESTANDS

Prior to using this stand you must also read and follow all Safety Warnings within this manual this manual.

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**Read the full-body fall arrest harness section (pages 10-13) carefully and follow all of the instructions! Your full-body fall arrest harness and its component (i.e., lanyard/tether, tree belt, climbing belt [lineman’s belt as applicable], suspension relief device) is designed for a maximum capacity (user and equipment) of 300 pounds (136 KG) (Model A430.Cb). Additionally, your full-body fall arrest harness, and it components, must be replaced after three (3) years of service! Please contact us for full-body fall arrest harness replacement procedure SHALL you experience a fall or SHALL it exceed the three (3) year service period.

**WARNING!** Never install, set-up, or climb to your treestand with a weapon. Use a pull-up rope to carefully raise your unloaded weapon after full-body fall arrest harness is secure and you are set in the stand!

**WARNING!** When installing your climbing aids (i.e., climbing sticks, ladders, stacking steps, sectional ladders, etc.) they must extend 24” above the seating platform of your treestand. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death.

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FIELD INSTALL INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED)

STEP 1. Select a straight, healthy tree, one devoid of dead branches or loose bark. DO NOT attempt to install this product on a tree that is not healthy.

WARNING! DO NOT attempt to install this product on a tree that is not straight, healthy and devoid of dead branches, limbs, vines or anything that might interfere with installation. DO NOT attempt to install this treestand on a tree that is leaning, diseased, crooked, has loose bark, or does not meet the minimum installation diameter of 9 inches (23 cm) and a maximum diameter of 20 inches (51 cm) at treestand installation height (i.e., seat height). Failure to follow these instructions may result in injury or death!

STEP 2. Fold treestand standing platform to the upright position and hold to desired mounting position against the tree (Fig. 1).

STEP 3. Adjust strap assembly by pulling slide buckle. Attach one looped end of the silent slide buckle strap around the strap receiver (Fig. 1).

STEP 4. Wrap the strap assembly around the tree and attach the other end around the other strap receiver (Fig. 2). Pull strap tight. (The standing platform must be in the upright position while doing the above steps.) NOTE: The strap MUST NOT be twisted when installed.

STEP 5. Gently lower standing platform to standing position; the treestand will then snug up to the tree to prevent any shifting (Fig. 3). NOTE: If stand does not ratchet tightly to tree following lowering the standing platform, you MUST repeat these steps until a firm, safe installation is achieved.

WARNING! Make sure that you are wearing a full-body fall arrest harness! Ensure that the tree belt is tightened around the tree and the full-body fall arrest harness is attached properly!

STEP 6. Before stepping onto the stand, be sure it is secured properly and is tight against the tree with all four contact points touching the tree. If the treestand is not firmly secured to the tree, with all contact points in contact with the tree, DO NOT attempt to step onto the treestand. Remove the stand and reattach it using Steps 1 through 4 until it is firmly secured to the tree as per these instructions.

WARNING! Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! NEVER ATTEMPT to step onto a standing platform until all treestand contact points are secured tightly and firmly to the tree. NEVER ATTEMPT to step onto a standing platform unless your full-body fall arrest harness is properly attached. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

STEP 7. Carefully step onto the standing platform to be sure you have a solid feel against the tree. The seat folds down for sitting or up for standing (Fig. 4).

STEP 8. Carefully pull up your unloaded weapon.

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FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS USAGE INSTRUCTIONS & WARNINGS

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WARNING! You must wear a Fall Arrest System (FAS) comprising of a full-body fall arrest harness, lanyard/tether, tree belt, suspension relief device and climbing belt/lineman’s belt (as applicable) at all times after leaving the ground. You must stay connected at all times after leaving the ground while using fixed position treestands. Single safety belts and chest harnesses are no longer preferred and shall never be used. If you are not wearing a full-body fall arrest harness (that is connected to the tree) that is protecting you from a fall, do not leave the ground. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! You must practice putting the full-body fall arrest harness on, adjusting and using your full-body fall arrest harness and its components (i.e., lanyard/tether, tree belt, suspension relief device, climbing belt/lineman’s belt [as applicable]) at ground-level in the presence of a responsible adult to experience the feeling of hanging suspended before using in a hunting environment. This experience will ensure you remain calm and collected shall you experience a fall while hunting. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! The length of the full-body fall arrest harness lanyard/tether must be kept to a minimum at all times during use. It shall be adjusted so that it is above the head with no slack (snug) in the sitting position and you shall have the minimum amount of slack possible when climbing. Never let the tether strap get under your chin or around your neck. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! Shall you experience a fall there is time to make a correct decision on what action needs to take place. It is important to remember: DO NOT PANIC! Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! If you have a limiting physical and/or health condition that precludes and/or renders you incapable of self-recovery and/or a suitable escape plan is not available, DO NOT hunt from heights above ground-level. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

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WARNING! Prior to each hunt, make sure that you have a signaling device (e.g., mobile phone, radio, whistle, signal flare, Personal Locator Device [PLD], etc.) in your possession and on your person in an operable condition. This device must be within easy access shall you experience the need to contact emergency assistance. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! Practice the use of your Muddy® full-body fall arrest harness and Suspension Relief Device (SRD) at ground-level in the presence of a responsible adult to experience the feeling of hanging suspended before using in a hunting environment. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! NEVER allow the full-body fall arrest harness lanyard/tether to get under your chin or around your neck. This poses a choking hazard that can lead to serious injury or death. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! If your communication efforts are unsuccessful, you must have a personal plan for self-recovery/escape shall you experience a fall. Prolonged suspension in a full-body fall arrest harness can be fatal. It is important to exercise the legs by pushing against the tree or doing other forms of continuous leg exercises to avoid blood pooling while being suspended. Varying degrees of physical fitness may require different plans for self-recovery/escape the effects of prolonged suspension. Have a personal plan and practice it in the presence of a responsible adult before leaving the ground. No one escape/rescue plan will work for every hunter, on every tree, in every circumstance. Only you can determine the best self-recovery/escape plan for your hunting situation before leaving the ground. There is time to make a correct decision on what action to take if a fall occurs while wearing a full-body fall arrest harness. It is important to remember, DO NOT PANIC. Remain calm and Implement your practiced rescue, relief and recovery plan. Hunt from the ground when a self-recovery /escape ability is absent. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

WARNING! Do not expose this full-body fall arrest harness to ozone in any quantity in an enclosed environment. Exposure to even the slightest amounts of ozone in an enclosed environment will severely degrade the integrity of the harness and will cause it to structurally fail while in use. Failure to follow these instructions will result in serious injury or death!
FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS INSTRUCTIONS

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WARNING! READ THESE MUDDY® FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS! YOUR NEW FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS IS DESIGNED FOR A MAXIMUM CAPACITY (USER AND EQUIPMENT) OF 300 POUNDS (136 kg). ADDITIONALLY, YOUR NEW FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS MUST BE REPLACED AFTER THREE (3) YEARS OF SERVICE! REPLACE YOUR FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS IMMEDIATELY SHALL YOU EXPERIENCE A FALL WHILE WEARING IT.

WARNING! Use the Muddy® full-body fall arrest harness provided with this product or a harness that meets or exceeds industry standards recognized by TMA. NOTE: You must store your full-body fall arrest harness out of direct sunlight and out of any other harsh environmental condition(s) that may adversely affect its performance. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

STEP 1. Identify the main parts of the full-body fall arrest harness. Hold the full-body fall arrest harness by the tether loop ensuring the harness is upright and leg straps are hanging down. Straighten any parts that have become twisted.

STEP 2. Insert arms through each shoulder strap.

STEP 3. Feed the left leg strap between legs and thread through the bottom left waist loop. Repeat with the right leg strap, feeding between legs and through right waist loop.

STEP 4. Secure the two leg straps by threading the three bar buckle (Fig. 4). Tighten the leg straps snugly. DO NOT over tighten as this will cut off the circulation to your legs. The Muddy® full-body fall arrest harness shall look like the one depicted in Figure 6 when donned correctly.

WARNING! It is very important to complete this Step of the assembly. An improperly secured buckle may cause full-body fall arrest harness failure resulting in serious injury or death! If there is not enough strap available to complete this Step, DO NOT USE THIS FULL-BODY FALL ARREST HARNESS! You may need to purchase and use a larger specialty sized full-body fall arrest harness that meets or exceeds industry standards recognized by TMA.

FIG 1

FIG 2

FIG 3

FIG 4

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This instruction manual complies with the ASTM standard F2123 - Standard Practice for Treestand Instructions and F2337 - Standard Test Method for Treestand Fall Arrest System.
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WARNING! It may be necessary to purchase an aftermarket full-body fall arrest harness which meets or exceeds industry standards recognized by TMA shall the Muddy® full-body fall arrest harness provided with this Muddy® product not be sufficiently large enough. Never exceed the weight capacity of this product(s). Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

STEP 5. If necessary to use a climbing belt for the field installation of your treestand (as per the specific instructions for your specific treestand model), feed the climbing belt through one of the waist loops and wrap the free end around the tree. Then feed opposite end through the opposite waist loop and use three bar buckle method described in Fig 4 to secure.

STEP 6. Once you have reached your desired height, insert the tree belt through the loop of the tether.

STEP 7. Then, carefully wrap the tree belt around the tree at a height that allows just enough slack for you to sit comfortably in your stand. Keeping the tether as short as possible limits the distance you will travel, in the unlikely event you shall experience a fall.

STEP 8. To secure the tree belt, insert the free end up through the slot in the buckle closest to opposite end of the tree belt, then cross over the sliding mechanism and back down through opposite slot.

STEP 9. Pull on tree belt to secure and test to make sure sliding mechanism engages, creating secure tree belt placement.

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STEPS TO FOLLOW IF A FALL WERE TO OCCUR:

Although no one plans to fall from their treestand, falls can and do occur without warning. It is important to become familiar with the guidelines below and practice your recovery plan at ground-level. Failure to read, understand, and follow these STEPS may result in serious injury or death!

⚠️ WARNING! There is time to make a correct decision on what action to take if a fall occurs while wearing a full-body fall arrest harness. It is important NOT TO PANIC! Remain calm and implement your practiced rescue, relief and recovery plan. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

⚠️ WARNING! A suspension relief device must be on your person and readily accessible while using a full-body fall arrest harness. These devices will allow you to relieve the load on the lower extremities if suspended in a full-body fall arrest harness and help maintain circulation in the legs and mitigate (minimize) suspension trauma (blood pooling) or allow descent to the ground. Follow all instructions below regarding the provided SRD (Suspension Relief Device). Failure to follow full-body fall arrest harness instructions could result in not being able to return to the stand and being suspended in a full-body fall arrest harness after a fall. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death!

**STEP 1.** After a fall, take a moment to catch your breath and stay calm. DO NOT PANIC.

**STEP 2.** Pull on the **SRD strap** located on the front side of your **full-body fall arrest harness**.

**FIG 1**

**STEP 3.** Adjust the **SRD strap** so that you are able to step into the loop and then stand up, relieving the pressure on your lower extremities. The loop size can be adjusted by moving the buckle up or down.

**FIG 2**

**FIG 3**

**STEP 4.** If you are able to reach your ladder or climbing system, use it to get back into your secured treestand and then carefully climb down to ground-level. If you are not able to reach your stand, remain calm and continue to stand in the **SRD loop** until help arrives.

**FIG 4**

**STEP 5.** Use your **personal locating device** or **cell phone** to call for help.

**NOTE:** Several optional products/systems are available that offer self-recovery or self-extraction from a fall when suspended in a full-body fall arrest harness. Some systems automatically descend the user while others allow user control. One of these products/systems can be considered for use as an additional safety precaution against prolonged suspension and suspension trauma. Be sure to follow the manufacturers’ directions on the safe use of these products/systems.

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