BACKSAFE RISK ASSESSMENT - STEP THRU TRACKER & STEP THRU TRACKER PRO LADDERS

1. Design Purpose and Safe Operation.

This product has been designed to provide mobile passageway where access to an elevated work area is required, typically for access onto truck trays or mezzanine areas. The platform is designed to provide passageway only and is **NOT TO BE USED AS A WORK PLATFORM.**

- ENSURE THAT THE PLATFORM HEIGHT IS NO HIGHER THAN THE LEVEL TO BE ACCESSED.
- The correct platform height is up to one step lower than the level to be accessed.
- Ensure that the rear of the platform makes contact with the level to be accessed

In the mobile state, the platform surface is inclined from the horizontal and therefore **THE PLATFORM MUST NOT BE USED TO MOVE LOADS**. A safety device has been fitted to the ladder which removes the wheels from ground contact to prevent it from moving towards the operator should it be lifted over centre. When moving the ladder, do not lift the Control Handle above waist height as this will actuate the safety device and prevent forward movement of the ladder. **DO NOT REMOVE THIS SAFETY MECHANISM**.

2. General Instructions for all Stockmaster Mobile Platforms

- · WEAR SLIP RESISTANT FOOTWARE
- · KEEP PLATFORM AND STEPS DRY AND CLEAN
- ENSURE THE UNIT IS UNDAMAGED AND HAS NO MISSING PARTS BEFORE USE
- · DO NOT CLIMB ABOVE THE PLATFORM
- · KEEP BOTH FEET WITHIN THE PLATFORM AREA
- DO NOT OVER REACH KEEP YOUR CENTRE OF GRAVITY WITHIN THE PLATFORM AREA
- DO NOT LEAVE LOOSE TOOLS ON THE PLATFORM AREA
- ALWAYS FACE THE LADDER DO NOT ASCEND OR DESCEND WITH YOUR BACK TO THE STEPS
 DO NOT USE THE LADDER TO MOVE PERSONS
- DO NOT USE WHERE ELECTRICAL HAZARD EXISTS
 DO NOT PLACE LADDER WITHIN ONE METRE OF STAIRWELLS, LOADING DOCKS OR SIMILAR SITUATIONS WITHOUT POSITIVELY ANCHORING THE LADDER TO THE BUILDING OR OTHER SUITABLE FIXTURE.
- CHECK FOR OVERHEAD HAZARDS BEFORE USE
- ENSURE THE HEIGHT OF THE PRODUCT IS SUITABLE FOR THE TASK
- ENSURE THE SUPPORTING SURFACE IS FIRM AND ACCEPTABLY LEVEL BEFORE USE

DO NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM RATED LOAD

(The maximum load includes the weight of the user and all other items including tools, equipment or goods being handled) The load rating is given on a label fixed to the side of the Platform.

3. Labelling

Fixed to each side of the Platform is a label. One of these gives the maximum load rating of the ladder access and platform. The other label provides instructions for safe use including a statement about electrical hazards. DO NOT REMOVE THESE LABELS.

4. Assembly

General Assembly

Instructions for assembly are provided in graphic form. These must be followed to ensure correct assembly and safe working of the product. They also provide the simplest method for assembly. If you are unsure of any of the instructions, please consult your dealer. Note: Any defect arising as a result of incorrect assembly will not be covered under your product warranty. A listing of dealers is available separately or may be obtained from the StockMaster website at www.stockmaster.co

5. Checking and Testing

On completion of the assembly and BEFORE INITIAL USE, do the following:

- a) Check that there are no loose fastenings. (bolts and nuts)
- b) Place the Step-Thru on a flat surface and check that all four supporting points are in ground contact.
- c) Check that when in the stationery mode, the control handle returns to the rest position.

6. Maintenance

When correctly assembled, little maintenance is required. It is however advisable to periodically check that all fastenings in the structure remain tight, and the assembly keys should be retained for this purpose.

7. Model Number and date/s of Manufacture.

- This information is to be found on labels fixed in the following locations:
- a) The inside of the side rail of the ladder frame adjacent to the control handle
- b) Underneath the platform (indicates manufacturing date only)

DO NOT REMOVE THESE LABELS. They are required for product identification and part replacement.