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Bell Ropes Care and Maintenance

Upon Receipt

Your bell ropes will arrive shortly after manufacture. We recommend that bell ropes should not be stored for long periods, but for short term storage, may be hung and coiled in a ventilated area away from extremes of temperature. We advise however that they are hung at the earliest opportunity and allowed to settle naturally for a short period before being used for ringing.

Before Fitting

Check the rope paths for dirt or rough surfaces. Floors, guides and bosses should be clean, pulleys should be free running and garter holes smooth.

Maintenance

We recommend a close inspection of the ropes at least every six months.

Tucking of the bottom ends should be undertaken with care and adjustments should be made as infrequently as possible.

The ringing chamber floor should be kept clean. It is advised that ringing mats should be of pure wool as synthetic materials are abrasive to bell ropes.

We discourage the use of garter hole sleeves with natural fibre ropes, as these often harbour moisture and can rot the ropes.