Press release



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RUD places Top 4 in European safety in design award.

RUD is a world leader in the development of future-oriented solutions with chain systems and components based on round steel link chain. At the recent 2011 ESTA Awards, RUD was placed in the top four in the "Safety" category for their patented ICE-CURT Tensioner.

Amsterdam/Aalen. The ICE-CURT tensioner is the newest component in RUD's ICE range of high strength chain products specially designed for optimal load security. It features a unique design using a magnetic fastening barrier coupling to more securely fasten heavy loads through shock and vehicle vibrations experienced during long transits.

The ICE-CURT Tensioner is made from Grade 12 heat treated steel components providing up to 60% higher Lashing Capacity (LC) than the traditional Grade 8 components, without an increase in size or weight. The ICE-CURT Tensioner is designed with an open form thread body that can be easily cleaned and maintained. The tempered threaded spindle is 100% magnetic crack tested and has a choice of two attachments - either a clevis connection or a chain protecting shortening latch. This easy to use shortening latch is designed with a pocket support that eliminates the breaking force reductions usually experienced with conventional shortening hooks. The ICE-CURT tensioner also allows for theft-protection, providing holes that can be used with a lock.

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The ICE-CURT Tensioner received the 2011 ESTA Safety Award as the Top 4 most innovative solution for optimal load security. It features a magnetic fastening barrier coupling that eliminates the loss of tension usually experienced from shock and vibration of heavy loads during transit.

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