Money-Saving Repairs & Maintenance Shortcuts



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Recovery Products Built To Last

The Weigh Safe Recovery product line is designed to make towing and other emergency efforts easier.

"A few years back, I needed to pull some trees and fence posts out of my yard, but I didn't have a good tie down for my strap," says Morgan McAllister, Weigh Safe vice president of products. "I ended up tying it to my hitch. After a few pulls, the strap broke at the knot. It broke a few more times, so I knew I was doing it wrong.

"Fast forward, and we had a piece of remnant material after machining our hitches that we didn't have a use for. Thanks to some downtime in production, we ended up designing our rugged hooks and shackles that fit in the remnant piece of aluminum. It recycled the material, kept our team busy, and, best of all, let us sell the best-looking pure machined recovery products."

McAllister has found through personal experience that Weigh Safe's Recovery products work precisely as designed.

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He's eager to share that form remains as much a priority as the function for each piece.

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can help you get out of nearly any situation.

The Recovery Soft Shackle (\$25) is well-suited for off-road towing and vehicle recovery situations.

The Kinetic Recovery ropes, ranging from 5/8 in. to 1-1/4 in. in diameter and lengths of 20 ft. to 30 ft., are made from premium, heavy-duty nylon fibers. This allows them to stretch and absorb energy for a smooth pull-out for stuck vehicles. Each size features reinforced eyelets on both ends, with protected sheaths for added durability. The ropes are rated for breaking strengths up to 54,200 lbs., depending on the style. The ropes retail for \$55 to \$185, depending on length.

Other products in the Recovery line include a Hard Shackle Hitch (\$80), Soft Shackle Hitch Ring for Vehicle Recovery (\$70), Cerakote Weigh Safe Soft Shackle Ring (\$110), and the Cerakote Weigh Safe Recovery Hook (\$110).

"Weigh Safe's Recovery products have been tested, tried and proven with the most rigorous tests and proven as a true force in the market," McAllister says.

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LED Headlamp Shines Bright

Holding a flashlight while trying to make a repair is never easy. Traditional headlamps often have a narrow beam of light.

The NightBuddy™ headlamp offers 230 degrees of LED light that can reach over 300 ft. Instead of a single bulb, the NightBuddy uses an LED strip to create its expanded lighting.

The 350-lumen headlamp is lightweight and has an adjustable strap to keep it secure and comfortable for extended periods. The rechargeable battery can stay lit for up to 8 hrs.

A wave sensor allows you to turn it on and off with a wave of your hand, even while holding a tool or part.

With five lighting modes, it can be used in less bright, bright, red light, side beam and strobe modes. A red-light mode reduces glare and repels bugs while being easier on the eyes in low light.

"From the moment I turned it on, I was impressed. The headlamp is very user-friendly, and adjusting the settings is a breeze. It's light, comfortable and doesn't slide around. A solid purchase," says Mike E. on the company website.

NightBuddy comes with a 30-day noquestions-asked warranty and free U.S. shipping. The list price on the website is \$50, but we found it discounted for \$35. It's also available at Amazon.

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Wood Shop Safety Add-Ons

Save'Em System products are designed for wood shop safety. Bill Niichel, who has a lifetime of cabinetmaking experience, designed attachments for miter and table saws.

"My attachments are an alternative to stop saws," says Niichel. "They give a woodworker a choice that lets them use their existing equipment, even Saw Stop saws, more safely."

Niichel has designed a system of hold-downs, guards and pushers to keep fingers away from blades. These work on practically any 10-in. table saw or miter saw, as well as tabletop routers and shapers. They provide complete control of the piece being cut or shaped without a push stick. They keep fingers outside what Niichel describes as the danger zone—any place closer to the blade or cutters than 6 in.

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Save Em System table saw attachments include the Right Hand Pusher (\$189), Left Hand Hold Down (\$137), Anti-Kick Back Wheel (\$189), 3-Bearing Hold Down (\$239) and Panel Saw Guide (\$197).

The Right Hand Pusher rides the rip fence, is spring-loaded to ride above the table and adjusts for the thickness of the stock.

The Left Hand Hold Down holds the board to the table and against the rip fence. It's spring-loaded, so it doesn't have to move over every time you cut. An entire 3-in. board can be ripped into 1/4-in. wide strips without ever moving the Hold Down.

The Anti-Kick Back Wheel mounts on the front end of the rip fence and holds the board down and against the fence. Once the board reaches the wheel, the left hand is no longer needed to hold it down. The wheel automatically adjusts from 1/8 to 1 1/2-in. boards. Pull a pin, and it'll hold down 1 1/2 to 2 3/4-in. boards. If the stock is larger, the wheel can be moved out of the way.

The 3 Bearing Hold Down works as well on the router table and shaper as it does on the table saw. The adjustable spring pressure eliminates bumps and glitches with no vibration from the cut for smooth edges.

The Panel Saw Guide allows a small shop to make most of the cuts a regular big panel saw would make in a large, professional shop.

"Instead of paying thousands for a large panel saw, you can buy this one for around \$200 and make 90 percent of the cuts you could make with the big one," says Niichel. "Plus, there are a lot of angle and bevel cuts that you can't make on the big one."

Save'Em System attachments for miter saws include the Left Hand Hold Down (\$189) and the Swinging Guard (\$197). The Left Hand Hold Down allows the operator to make cuts with the miter saw that are too dangerous to make on a table saw. Very small cuts can be made very precisely and safely. The unit comes on and off in seconds. No knobs to turn; just set it on and lift it off. It ensures there's always a guard between the saw and the hand.

The Swinging Guard keeps the hand away from the blade. Niichel explains that miter saw blades are extremely dangerous because of the direction in which they turn.

"It can pull your hand right into the blade," he says. "If it catches your little finger, you will most likely lose all your fingers or even part of your hand."

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