

# Treestand Safety Guidelines – Read First

**ALWAYS** wear a Fall-Arrest System (FAS)/Full Body Harness meeting TMA Standards even during ascent and descent. Be aware that single strap belts and chest harnesses are no longer the preferred Fall-Arrest devices and should not be used. Failure to use a FAS could result in serious injury or death.

**ALWAYS** read and understand the manufacturer's **WARNINGS & INSTRUCTIONS** before using the treestand each season. Practice with the treestand at ground level prior to using at elevated positions. Maintain the **WARNINGS & INSTRUCTIONS** for later review as needed, for instructions on usage to anyone borrowing your stand, or to pass on when selling the treestand. Use all safety devices provided with your treestand. Never exceed the weight limit specified by the manufacturer. If you have any questions after reviewing the **WARNINGS & INSTRUCTIONS**, please contact the manufacturer.

**ALWAYS** inspect the treestand and the Fall-Arrest System for signs of wear or damage before each use. Contact the manufacturer for replacement parts. Destroy all products that cannot be repaired by the manufacturer and/or exceed recommended expiration date, or if the manufacturer no longer exists. The FAS should be discarded and replaced after a fall has occurred.

**ALWAYS** practice in your Full Body Harness in the presence of a responsible adult, learning what it feels like to hang suspended in it at ground level.

**ALWAYS** attach your Full Body Harness in the manner and method described by the manufacturer. Failure to do so may result in suspension without the ability to recover into your treestand. Be aware of the hazards associated with Full Body Harnesses and the fact that prolonged suspension in a harness may be fatal. Have in place a plan for rescue, including the use of cell phones or signal devices that may be easily reached and used while suspended. If rescue personnel cannot be notified, you must have a plan for recover/escape. If you have to hang suspended for a period of time before help arrives, exercise your legs by pushing against the tree or doing any other form of continuous motion. Failure to recover in a timely manner could result in serious injury or death. If you do not have the ability to recover/escape, hunt from the ground.

**ALWAYS** hunt with a plan and if possible a buddy. Before you leave home, let others know your exact hunting location, when you plan to return and who is with you.

**ALWAYS** carry emergency signal devices such as a cell phone, walkie-talkie, whistle, signal flare, PLD (personal locator device) and flashlight on your person at all times and within reach even while you are suspended in your FAS. Watch for changing weather conditions. In the event of an accident, remain calm and seek help immediately.

**ALWAYS** select the proper tree for use with your treestand. Select a live straight tree that fits within the size limits recommended in your treestand's instructions. Do not climb or place a treestand against a leaning tree. Never leave a treestand installed for more than two weeks since damage could result from changing weather conditions and/or from other factors not obvious with a visual inspection.

**ALWAYS** use a haul line to pull up your gear and unloaded firearm or bow to your treestand once you have reached your desired hunting height. Never climb with anything in your hands or on your back. Prior to descending, lower your equipment on the opposite side of the tree.

**ALWAYS** know your physical limitations. Don't take chances. If you start thinking about how high you are, don't go any higher.

**NEVER** use homemade or permanently elevated stands or make modifications to a purchased treestand without the manufacturer's written permission. Only purchase and use treestands and Fall-Arrest Systems meeting or exceeding TMA standards. For a detailed list of certified products, contact the TMA office or refer to the TMA web site at <http://www.tmastands.com>

**NEVER** hurry!! While climbing with a treestand, make slow, even movements of no more than ten to twelve inches at a time. Make sure you have proper contact with the tree and/or treestand every time you move. On ladder-type treestands, maintain three points of contact with each step.



## Model AGTEC15

**Max. Capacity:** 300 lbs. including one person and gear  
**Min. Tree Diameter:** 12-inches  
**Seat Height:** 22-inches

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Congratulations on your purchase of an Advanced Game Technology Global treestand! The following information is included in your instructions.

- Safety and instructions
- Warnings
- Container contents
- Assembly instructions
- Maintenance and care instructions

# Warning

**Maximum Weight Capacity:**  
300 pounds including person and gear.

### DANGER:

**DO NOT** use this treestand without a Full Body Fall Arrest System (FAS). Failure to wear a Full Body Fall Arrest System (FAS) could result in serious injury or death.

**DO NOT** use before reading and understanding the instructions included with this treestand.

**DO NOT** use your treestand while under the influence of medication, alcohol, or drugs or if you experience dizzy spells, heart problems, or have a fear of heights.

**DO NOT** use this treestand during inclement weather.

### WARNING:

Before each use, always inspect this treestand for undue wear, deformity, corrosion or other visible damage.



**ALWAYS:** Test and practice using your fixed position treestand until you are comfortable and fully understand the proper use and installation of the AGTEC15 ladder treestand.

## Model: AGTEC15 Ladder Treestand

CARTON CONTENTS:			Hardware:		
1	Seat Frame	Part # 623	8	2-Inch Locking Pins	Part # 050
1	Plastic seat	Part # 624	12	8mm x 2 3/8 Inch Bolts	Part # 018
2	Seat Support Bar	Part # 604	6	8mm x 1 3/4-Inch Bolts	Part # 005
1	Seat Support Cross Bar w/Bracket	Part # 606	2	8mm x 3 1/4-Inch Bolts	Part # 039
1	Seat Support Cross Bar	Part # 607	18	8mm Locknuts	Part # 003
1	Tree Brace	Part # 682	44	8mm Steel Washers	Part # 004
2	Platform Support Strap	Part # 612	2	8mm Plastic Washers	Part # 037
1	Platform	Part # 611	2	8mm Plastic Spacers	Part # 040
1	Shooting Rail section	Part # 974	2	8mm Plastic shooting rail stop	Part # 041
1	Shooting Rail Crimped section	Part # 975	2	8mm Wingnut	Part # 013
2	Armrest	Part # 613	1	6mm x 1-Inch Bolt	Part # 034
1	Top ladder section	Part # 648	4	6mm x 2-Inch Bolt	Part # 035
3	Ladder Sections	Part # 665	5	6mm Locknut	Part # 027
1	ladder support bar	Part # 656	2	6mm Steel Washer	Part # 028
1	Shooting rail stop	Part # 614	2	16ft. Ladder Stabilizing Straps	Part # 669
1	HD ratchet strap	Part # 626	1	Ladder Support Bar Strap	Part # 1019
1	Full Body Fall Arrest System (FAS)	Part # FAS001			

## Maintenance & Care

To ensure your safety, inspect your treestand before each use. Never use the treestand if damage is detected or suspected.

Regular maintenance by the user includes, but is not limited to the following:

Tightening or replacement of hardware (specified and supplied by the manufacturer).

Replacement of rope, straps, cables, etc. (specified and supplied by the manufacturer).

## Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc., LIMITED WARRANTY

### What This Warranty Covers:

Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. treestand products are covered against defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one (1) year from the original date of purchase.

Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. will replace without charge any original part determined by Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. to be defective under the terms of this warranty.

### What This Warranty Does Not Cover:

Lost parts; accidents; malfunctions caused by alterations, improper installation, use of unauthorized parts or attachments; damages due to abuse/misuse; normal wear; excessive wear caused by owners neglect; or products that are put to commercial/rental use.

## Statement of Liability

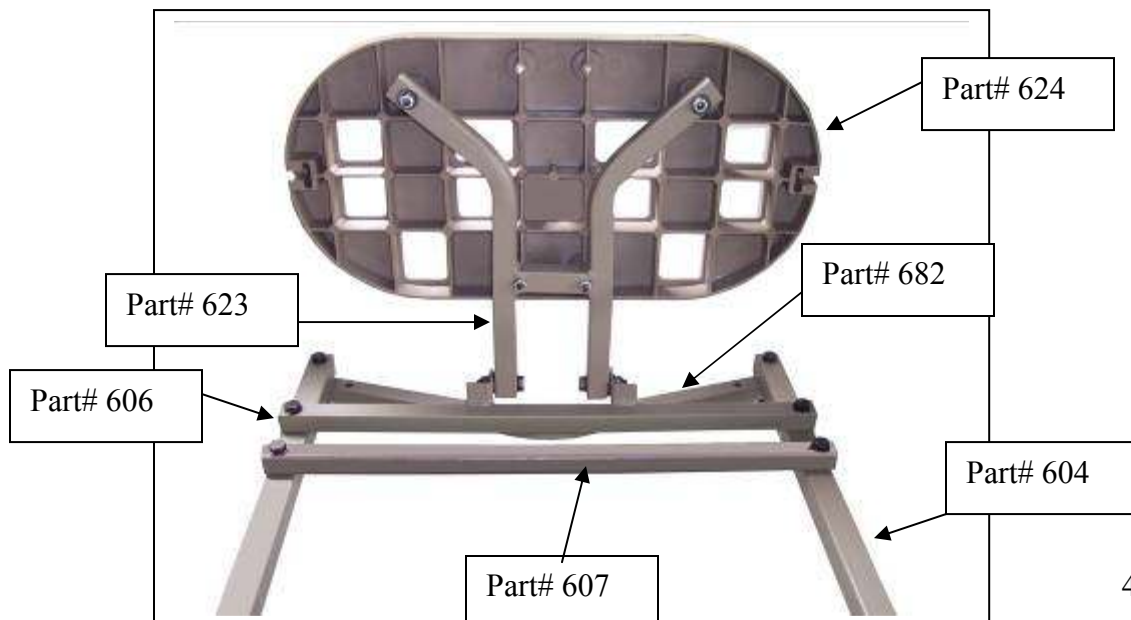
It is expressly understood that Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc's., liability for its products, whether due to breach of warranty, negligence, strict liability, or otherwise, is limited to the repair or replacement of any defective parts within the one (1) year time limit mentioned above. Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. is not liable for any injury or expense, whether direct or consequential, including but not limited to loss of use, income, profit or damage to material arising in connection with the sale, installation, use of, inability to use, or the repair or replacement of Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc., products. Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc., reserves the right to make alterations or modifications in its products at any time, which in its opinion may improve the performance and efficiency of the product. It shall not be obligated to make such alterations or modifications to products already in service.

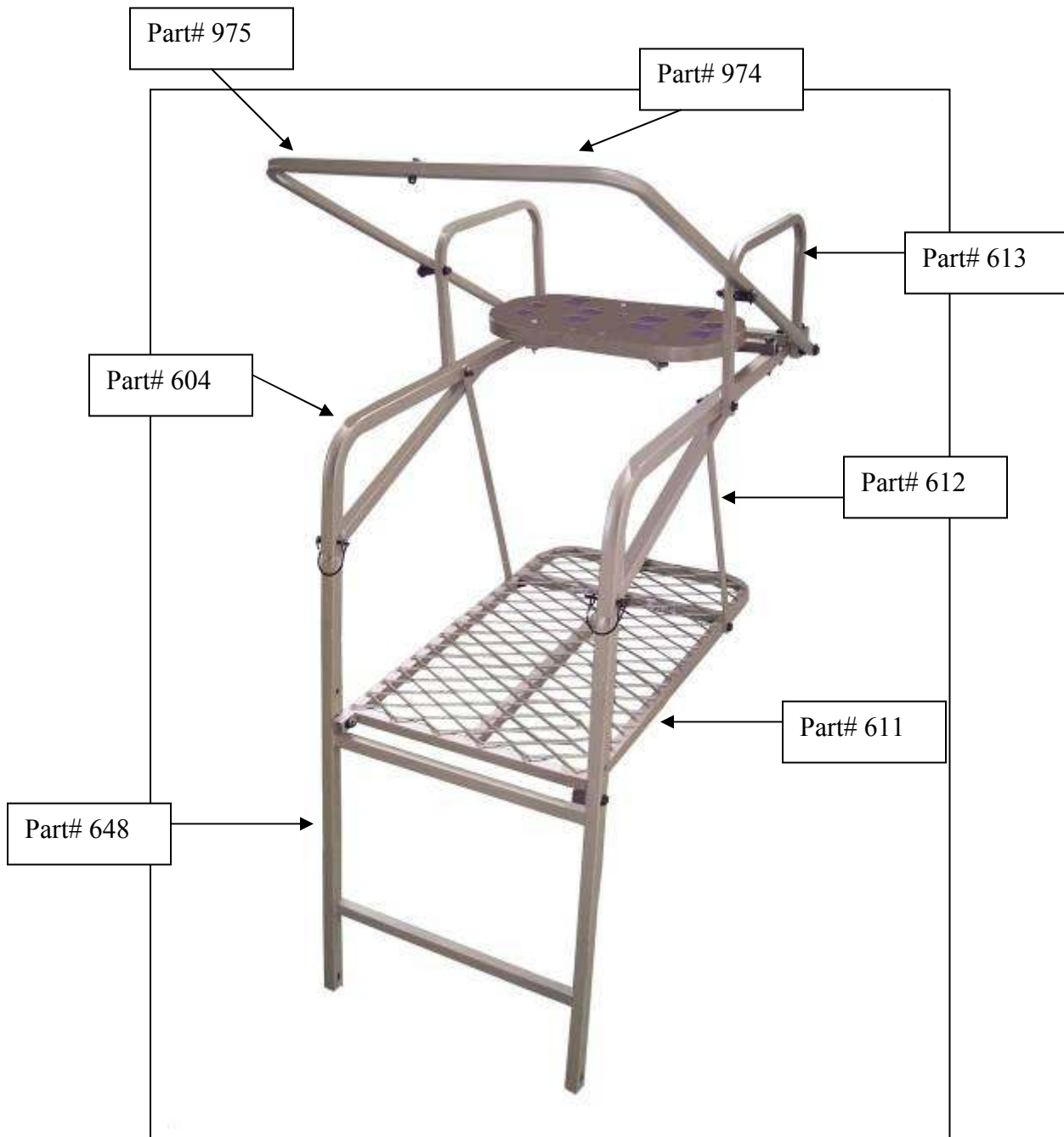
Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. treestands are delivered by Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc., with the understanding that Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. assumes no responsibility for its resale or safe use.

**Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. You should check the State Laws to see if they apply.**

## ASSEMBLY AGTEC15

1. To assure that all parts will fit together when assembling the top section of the ladder treestand, hand tighten all locknuts and bolts.
2. Assembling the top section, start with inserting the top ladder section (part# 648) into the seat support bars (part# 604) and securing with (2) pins. (pic. 2)
3. Bolt the two seat support cross bars (part# 606) and (part# 607) to the seat support bars using (4) 8mm x 2 3/8 bolts, (8) 8mm steel washers and (4) 8mm locknuts. (pic. 1)
4. Bolt the seat frame (part# 623) to the seat support cross bar using (2) 8mm plastic washers, (2) 8mm x 1 3/4 inch bolts, (4) 8mm steel washers and (2) 8mm locknuts. (note) make sure the (2) 8mm plastic washers are between the seat frame and the seat support cross bar tabs. (pic. 1)
5. Bolt the plastic seat (part# 624) to the seat frame using (4) 6mm x 2 inch bolts, (4) steel washers and (4) 6mm locknuts. (pic. 1)
6. Bolt the platform (part# 611) to the top ladder section using (2) 8mm plastic washers, (2) 8mm x 2 3/8 inch bolts, (4) 8mm steel washers and (2) 8mm locknuts. (Note) make sure the (2) 8mm plastic washers are between the platform and the platform brackets. (pic. 2)
7. Bolt the platform support straps (part# 612) to the inside of the seat support bars and the outside of the platform on each side using (4) 8mm x 1 3/4 inch bolts, (4) 8mm plastic washers, (8) 8mm steel washers and (4) 8mm locknuts. (note) make sure the plastic washers are between the platform and the platform support straps and seat support bars. (pic. 2)
8. Bolt the two shooting rail (part# 975) and (part# 974) sections together using (1) 6mm x 1 inch bolt, (2) 6mm steel washers and (1) 6mm locknut.
9. Bolt the shooting rail stops to each armrest using (2) 8mm x 2 3/8 bolt, (4) 8mm steel washers and (2) 8mm locknuts. Making sure that the stop is positioned to the outside of the armrest after they are bolted to the seat support bars.
10. Bolt the assembled shooting rail and armrests (part# 613) to the outside of the seat support bars (part# 604) on each side using (2) 8mm x 3 1/4 inch bolts, (2) 8mm x 2 3/8 inch bolts, (2) 8mm shooting rail plastic spacers, (8) 8mm steel washers and (4) 8mm locknuts. Make sure to place the shooting rail plastic spacers between the shooting rail and armrest.
11. Attach the padded shooting rail pad (part# 977); padded armrest pad (part# 978) and padded seat cushion (part# 625) using the Velcro strips.





12. Attach the tree brace (part# 682) to the bottom side of the seat/platform support, using (2) 8mm x 2 3/8 inch bolts, (4) 8mm steel washers and (2) 8mm locknuts

## Set-up instructions

**WARNING: Raising the ladder stand requires at least two people.**

1. Attach the two 16' ladder-stabilizing straps on each side of the tree brace. Wrap the loop end of the strap around the tree brace and thread the strap through the loop. Pull the strap tight.
2. Insert the crimped end of the ladder sections together. Insert the ladder sections into the top ladder section, secure all sections using (6) locking pins.
3. With the ladder stand assembled, position the bottom ladder section 3 to 4 feet away from the base of the tree. Stand the ladder stand up against the tree so that the tree brace on the back of the seat section rests securely against the tree.
4. Level the platform by moving the bottom ladder in or out from the base of the tree. Step on the bottom ladder rung to set the ladder in the ground.
5. Attach the ladder support to the fifth ladder rung, Insert one 8mm x 1-3/4 inch bolt through the hole in the ladder support and secure with a wing nut to the ladder rung.
6. Secure the strap to the adjustable ladder support by threading the adjustable ladder support through the loop on one end. Wrapping the strap around the tree and tie it to the adjustable ladder support. Make sure the strap is tight and the ladder support is secure to the tree.

**WARNING: Make sure that the ladder support is up against the tree and the strap is tight. Failure to attach the ladder support properly could cause the ladder to fall.**

7. Take one of the 22' ladder stabilizing straps that is attached to the tree brace. Walk the strap around the tree crossing the back of the tree and tie it to the ladder rung that the ladder support is attached. Repeat with the other 16' ladder stabilizing strap, crossing the strap behind the tree. The two 22' ladder-stabilizing straps will help hold the top section of the ladder stand secure to the tree as you ascend the ladder to secure the ratchet strap around the tree.

**WARNING: Make sure that the ladder stabilizing straps cross behind the tree and the strap is tied tight to the ladder rung. Failure to attach the ladder stabilizing straps properly could cause the ladder to fall.**

8. Attach the ratchet strap to each side of the tree brace. Ratchet the strap tight, for proper threading refer to the ratchet strap instructions.

**WARNING: You must pull the strap through the ratchet tight before you use an open and close ratchet method to tighten the strap securely.**

9. To remove the ladder stand reverse the set-up process. The ladder stabilizing straps may need to be retightened to secure the ladder stand to the tree before losing the ratchet strap. **NEVER** remove the ladder stabilizing straps before removing the ratchet strap.

**It is recommended that you lubricate all hardware annually or as needed. It is recommended that you replace all hardware, chains, and cables on your tree stand with manufacture replacement parts every three years.**

**You must replace all straps annually. Use only manufacture replacement straps.**

**Never modify you tree stands. Modifications will void the warranties and relieve the Retailer and Manufacture from all liabilities.**

## Ratchet Strap Threading Instructions

1. Close the ratchet so the strap slot is accessible to thread the strap through. Insert the strap through the slot; the strap must be pulled tight before the ratchet can be secured. (picture 1 and 2)
2. Using the open and close method to secure the treestand to the tree.



**WARNING:** You must pull the strap through the ratchet tight before you use an open and close ratchet method to tighten the strap securely.

**WARNING:**

You must check all straps for proper threading. Refer to the instruction for each individual strap.

**WARNING:**

Before each use, always inspect this treestand for undue wear, deformity, corrosion or other visible damage. It is recommended that you replace all hardware (locknuts, wingnuts, bolts and support cables) every three years and (support straps) annually. It is recommended that you lubricate all hardware as needed or at least annually.

**WARNING:**

You must replace all straps every year; use only Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. replacement straps. The use of any other straps will be viewed as a modification to the stand. Modifications will void the warranties and relieve Advanced Game Technology Global, Inc. from all liabilities.



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