

# FASET Bulletin SN10 (Revision 3)

## Gather & Under-Rolling

BS 8411 refers to the need to avoid reliance upon a single mesh cord because this *may* result in the mesh tearing under load.

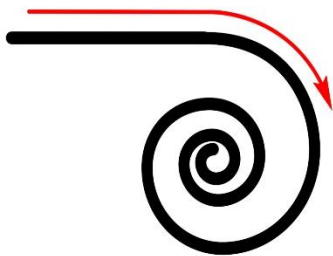
Safety Nets should always be oversized by at least 10% and then *dressed* to fit the void being filled.

There are two recognised methods of dressing a Safety Net; Under-rolling & Gathering.

- Under-rolling the perimeter of the safety net (mesh and border rope) significantly reduces stress on individual meshes by distributing the applied load evenly. This minimises the likelihood of *mesh tear* when loaded.
- In some situations, the technique of Under-rolling may introduce additional risk to the Rigger (e.g. extended time that the Rigger is working at height from a ladder). Should the Risk Assessment identify significant risk to the Rigger, then Gathering may be appropriate.

In practical terms, this means that nets rigged from a MEWP should be Under-rolled, whilst nets rigged from ladders may be gathered.

### 1. Under-Rolling (preferred)



### 2. Gathering (only after risk assessment)



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