

## LEKI POLE CLEANING BRUSH SET – INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

If aluminium trekking poles are used during rainy or snowy conditions moisture may get trapped in the shaft which, over time, will cause oxidation and corrosion. LEKI recommends separating the sections to air dry them. If there is difficulty in keeping the pole at the set length, the following maintenance steps should be taken:

- Check the expanders for wear and tear and replace if needed
- Clean each section using the brushes to remove oxidation and trail dirt

### Package contents – Ultralight (Also fits Ladies Series poles):

14mm wire brush for cleaning middle section.

16mm wire brush for cleaning upper section.

Adapter for Classic poles

Adapter for ELS or SLS poles

### Package contents – Standard (Also known as "Super", "Premium" or "Superstrong"):

16mm wire brush for cleaning middle section.

18mm wire brush for cleaning upper section.

Adapter for Classic poles

Adapter for ELS or SLS poles

The brush kit is recommended for the cleaning and maintenance of LEKI trekking poles. This brush kit enables you to clean and recondition the inside of pole sections. As a result, the contact between the opened expander and the inside shaft will be improved and the pole be easier to adjust without sticking.

Brushes should not be used on Carbon pole sections.

### Preparation – Classic poles:



The lower section of the pole can be removed after turning 2 or 3 anticlockwise rotations. Pull the lower shaft completely from the middle section with a continuous sharp motion. Unscrew the orange expander and screw the black adapter on in its place. After this you can screw the smaller of the brushes on the adapter.

## Preparation – SuperLockSystem (SLS) and EasyLockSystem (ELS)



The lower section of the pole can be removed after turning 2 or 3 anticlockwise rotations. Pull the lower shaft completely from the middle section with a continuous sharp motion. Remove the expander by means of the split down one side. Ensure the orange "wingnut" is at the lower end of the thread furthest from the head of the screw. Clip the adapter in to place and tighten the orange wingnut in to the slots on each side of the adapter.



### **Cleaning:**

Insert the brush topped shaft into the middle section. The brush must always be turned in a **clockwise** direction so that the brush does not unscrew from the thread while inside the shaft section.

For cleaning the upper section, repeat the process with the middle part in the same way as described for the lower section now using the larger brush.

After removing the brush, tap out any debris. If corrosion was severe it may be necessary to wash out the inside of the pole sections with warm soapy water, allowing the pole to dry thoroughly afterwards. Any corrosion on the outside of the pole sections can be removed with gentle use of a plastic pan scourer (never use wire wool on the aluminium).

Expander mechanism threads can be gently cleaned with wire wool.

After cleaning put the expanders back in place and put the pole back together.

**Note:** Lubricants should never be used on any part of the pole sections.