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## New Snow Tools for 2012

*MSR's first forays into snow safety tools are apparent in the original Mountain Safety Research newsletters of 1969 and the early 1970's: tubular pickets, the legendary Thunderbird ice axe, and even an ice screw with the now ubiquitous "coffee grinder" handle. Winter tools are in MSR's DNA, and engineering safer, more reliable climbing gear is the very reason MSR was founded. In 2012, MSR comes full circle, with a renewed focus on opportunities to combine contemporary MSR technology and engineering with our rich heritage of making mountains a safer place to play and work.*

### Snow Fluke



**NEW** MSR brings back the classic Snow Fluke, now updated with patent-worthy improvements including a strong, ultralight 7000-series aluminum frame combined with rugged, nylon-supported urethane decking for maximum holding power at a minimal weight.

#### Key Features:

- Strong, ultralight 7000-series aluminum frame carries easily.
- Rugged, nylon-supported urethane decking crates maximum holding power with minimal weight.

Size	Weight
Small	200 g
Large	253 g

Release Date: July 2012  
Made in USA

### Snow Picket



**IMPROVED!** Long the standard of snow protection on expeditions around the globe, MSR revisited the venerable snow picket to boost durability and aid in ease of placement. The result is a more reliable and faster way to get protection when it counts.

#### Key Features:

- Tapered end more easily penetrates hard pack and frozen snow.
- Strike plate on drive end maximizes long-term reusability.
- Strong and light, 6000-series aluminum for optimum strength-to-weight performance.
- Reinforced spine puts strength where it's needed most.

Size	Weight
90 cm / 2 ft.	578 g
60 cm / 3 ft.	387 g

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