

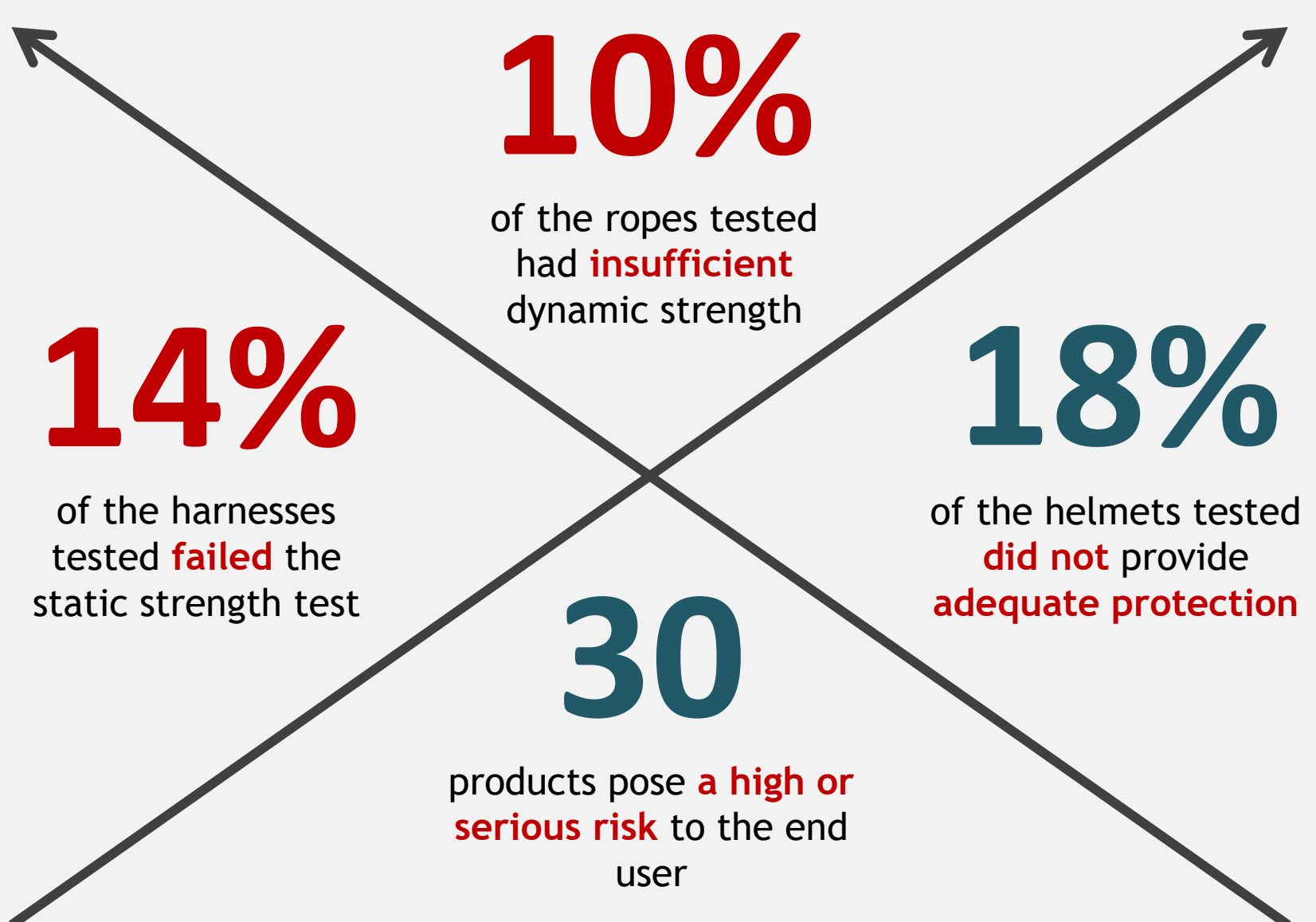
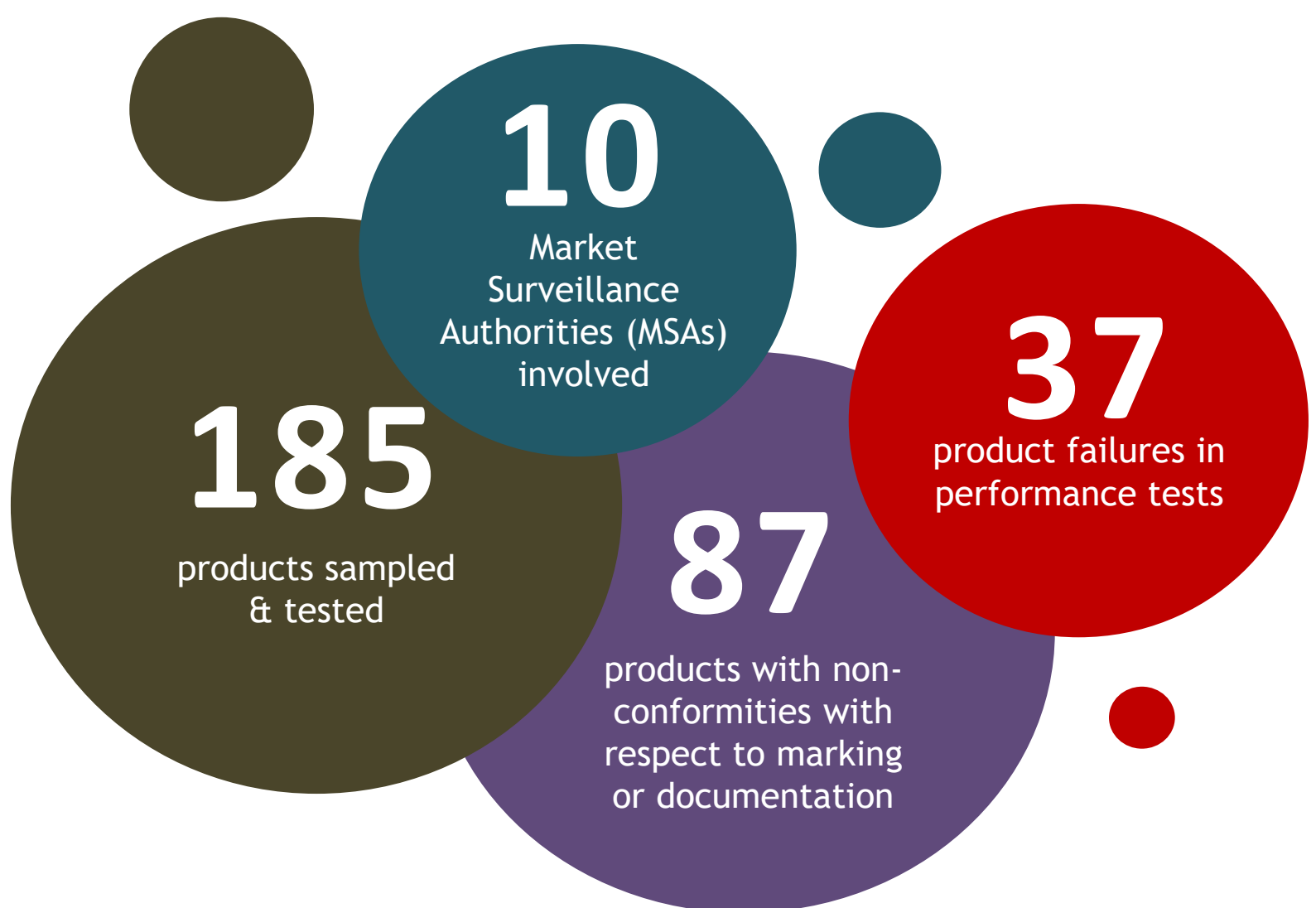
Joint Action 2016

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Climbing Equipment activity

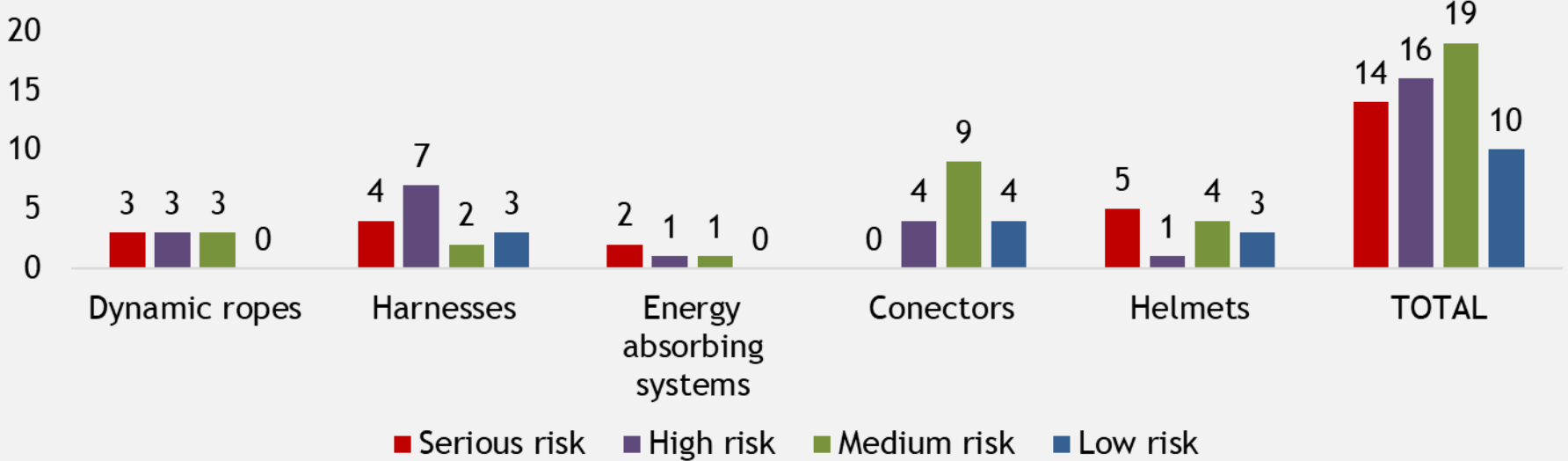
The PPE activity focused on **five** commonly used categories of equipment: **dynamic ropes**, **sit-harnesses**, **connectors (carabiners)**, **mountaineering helmets** and **energy absorbing systems for via ferrata climbing** (climbing on a route with a fixed climbing installation including a safety line).



PPE are products that the user can wear or hold, to be protected against risks either at work, at home or whilst engaging in leisure activities



Number of Non-compliant products and their risk level



Following the outcome of the risk assessment, the MSAs withdrew **30 unsafe products from the market** and instigated **20 recalls**.



■ Withdrawals
■ Recalls



CONSUMER ADVICE

- ❖ Select climbing equipment appropriate to your climbing activity.
- ❖ Only accept equipment bearing the CE marking and accompanied by an information leaflet supplied by the manufacturer.
- ❖ Use the equipment in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- ❖ Always check your equipment before setting out - discard and replace any worn or damaged equipment - your life may depend on it!

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