



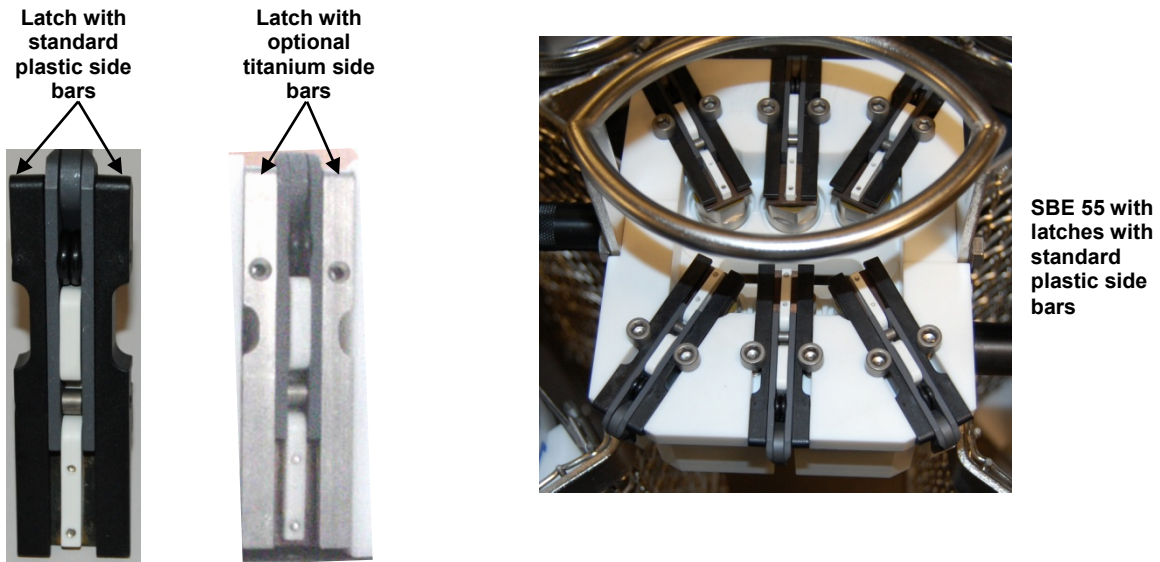
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SBE 55 and SBE 32 Change Notice – July 2011

A redesign of the latches on the SBE 55 ECO Water Sampler and SBE 32 Carousel Water Sampler (32, 32C, and 32SC) is being implemented. Previously, the latch side bars were titanium. While the titanium side bars are still available as an option (consult Sea-Bird for additional cost per latch), a standard Water Sampler will now be equipped with latches with plastic side bars. Careful design, analysis, and testing of the latches with plastic side bars validate their strength, durability, and suitability for these applications.

- SBE 55 ECO Water Sampler - The change was implemented in May 2011.
- SBE 32 Carousel Water Sampler (32, 32C, 32SC) – The change will be implemented in August 2011.



There are two applications for which the plastic side bars are not compatible (order optional latches with titanium side bars):

- Applications where customers plan to use aircraft wire in place of the recommended nylon monofilament lanyards – Aircraft wire will damage the plastic side bars.
- (SBE 32, 32C, 32SC only) High tension applications, with block and tackle rigging as shown in the illustration below – The plastic side bars do not have openings to allow for the high tension rigging.

