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Operator’s Manual

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**CAUTION**

**Hazardous Working Environment**

This equipment is used off the ground in high or dangerous places. Anyone using this equipment is exposed to a hazardous working environment.

Users must be properly trained in the use and rigging of this equipment and be familiar with all applicable local, state, and federal codes; safety rules and regulations pertaining to single and two-point suspension scaffolding; general safety and health provisions; and personal protective and lifesaving equipment.

The Scaffolding shall be properly assembled according to instructions available from your Spider representative. Guardrails, midrails, and toeboards shall be used as required by local, state, and federal regulations. Their use is recommended in all cases. The working surface shall be level at all times.

This equipment should not be used by persons affected by (but not limited to) the following: ill health, not of sound mind or body, under the influence of alcohol or drugs, acrophobia, arachnophobia, epilepsy, fainting spells, suicidal tendency, despondency, or prone to accidents. Safety lines and harnesses shall be used in accordance with federal and state law.

Neither the manufacturer nor its distributors can know of, anticipate, or warn against all dangers that exist or can ever arise. Be alert to recognize all dangers, known and unknown.

Oil, grease, slippery material, or unstable objects such as barrels, boxes, loose bricks, tools, or debris shall not be allowed to accumulate on work surfaces. Do not use the product if the decking surface is damaged or has deteriorated. Coat wood decking periodically with a wood preservative. Do not paint.

Do not place ladders or other devices on the scaffold to gain greater height. Never climb on to stages from a ladder, unless both the stage and the ladder are secured from moving in all directions. Do not use platform to transfer workers. Do not store tools, materials, or equipment on planks or platforms that are being moved.

The equipment can be seriously weakened by many things, including (but not limited to): improper, inadequate, or incomplete assembly; fire; acid or other corrosive substances; contact with electrical circuits; corrosion; electrolysis; weather; careless handling or maintenance; missing parts; improper usage or rigging; improper, inadequate, or incomplete repairs or replacements; damage in any way; exceeding the load limits.

Do not use metal platforms near electrical circuits.

Do not use acids or corrosives on platforms without consulting the platform manufacturer. Consult the acid supplier or manufacturer for effects on aluminum, steel, zinc, or wood components of scaffold and have the prescribed neutralizer in hand.

Thoroughly inspect all parts and fasteners as often as possible. Inspect the equipment often for damage, corrosion, loose or missing parts, improper assembly, and wear.

Do not use damaged or improperly functioning scaffolds. Do not apply impact loads to plank or platform. Never attempt to straighten deformed side rails or deck members. Do not use this equipment if bent, broken, damaged, or weakened in any way.

If an inspection finds a condition you are doubtful of or do not understand, consult your employer or the manufacturer or his authorized repair and maintenance representative. Remove weakened or damaged equipment from service immediately. Do not repair or make modifications to equipment without manufacturer’s written authorization.

Platforms and stages are designed with a rated working load of 250, 500, or 750 pounds. The total combined weight of workers and materials shall not exceed the rated working load. Do not overload. Do not apply impact loads to platform. If the platforms are exposed to excessive heat as in the case of fire, the product shall be immediately removed from service and destroyed due to loss of structural strength.

Improper use, treatment, or maintenance of this equipment can result in injury to or death of the user or others in the area.

**IMPORTANT – READ!**

Selected portions of federal OSHA standards have been reproduced in this manual for the convenience of Spider users. Spider assumes no responsibility for their accuracy, completeness or timeliness; or other conflicting codes enforced in the location of application. Obtain complete standards from the nearest office of the Department of Labor. Users should also review applicable state or local codes or regulations pertaining to general safety or use of this equipment.

**OSHA Requirements from Safety and Health Regulations for Construction. Vol. 37, No. 243, Part II:**

**1926.20 General Safety and Health Provisions**

(a) Contractor requirements.

1. Section 107 of the Act requires that it shall be a condition of each contract which is entered into under legislation subject to Reorganization Plan Number 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267), as defined in 1926.12, and is for construction, alteration, and/or repair, including painting and decorating, that no contractor or subcontractor for any part of the contract work shall require any laborer or mechanic employed in the performance of the contract to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to his health or safety.

(b) Accident-prevention responsibilities

1. It shall be the responsibility of the employer to initiate and maintain such programs as may be necessary to comply with this part.

2. Such programs shall provide for frequent and regular inspections of the job sites, materials, and equipment to be made by competent persons designated by the employers.

3. The use of any machinery, tool, material, or equipment that is not in compliance with any applicable requirement of this part is prohibited. Such machine, tool, material, or equipment shall either be identified as unsafe by tagging or locking the controls to render them inoperable or shall be physically removed from its place of operation.

4. The employer shall permit only those employees qualified by training or experience to operate equipment and machinery.
1926.21 Safety Training and Education
(a) General requirements. The Secretary shall, pursuant to Section 107(f) of the ACT, establish and supervise programs for the education and training of employers and employees in the recognition, avoidance and prevention of unsafe conditions in employment covered by the act.

(b) Employer Responsibility.
1. The employer should avail himself of the safety and health and training programs the Secretary provides.
2. The employer shall instruct each employee in the recognition and avoidance of unsafe conditions and the regulations applicable to his work environment to control or eliminate any hazards or other exposure to illness or injury.
3. Employees required to handle or use poisons, caustics, and other harmful substances shall be instructed regarding the safe handling and use, and be made aware of the potential hazards, personal hygiene, and personal protective measures required.

1926.28 Personal protective equipment
(a) The employer is responsible for requiring the wearing of appropriate personal protective equipment in all operations where there is an exposure to hazardous conditions or where this section indicates the need for such equipment to reduce hazards to employees.

(b) Regulations governing the use, selection, and maintenance of personal protective and lifesaving equipment are described under Subpart E below.

Subpart E
Section 1926.104 Safety belts, lifelines, and lanyards
(a) Lifelines, safety belts, and lanyards shall be used only for employee safeguarding. Any lifeline, safety belt, or lanyard actually subjected to in-service loading, as distinguished from static load testing, shall be immediately removed from service and shall not be used again for employee safeguarding.

(b) Lifelines shall be secured above the point of operation to an anchorage or structural member supporting a minimum dead weight of 5,400 lbs.

(c) Lifelines used on rock-scaling operations, or in areas where lifeline may be subjected to cutting or abrasion, shall be a minimum of 7/8-inch wire core manila rope. For all other lifeline applications, a minimum of 3/4-inch manila or equivalent, with a minimum breaking strength of 5,400 pounds shall be used.

(d) Safety belt lanyard shall be a minimum of ½-inch nylon, or equivalent, with a maximum length to provide for a fall of no greater than 6 feet. The rope shall have a nominal breaking strength of 5,400 lbs.

(e) All safety belt and lanyard hardware shall be dropped forged or pressed steel, cadmium plated in accordance with Type 1, Class B plating specified in Federal Specification QQ-P-416. Surface shall be smooth and free of sharp edges.

(f) All safety belt and lanyard hardware, except rivets, shall be capable of withstanding a tensile loading of 4,000 pounds without cracking, breaking, or permanently deforming.

Volume 39, Number 125, Part II: Subpart D
1910.28 Safety requirements for scaffolding
(a) General requirements for all scaffolds.
4. Scaffolds and their components shall be capable of supporting without failure at least four times the maximum intended load.
6. Any scaffold damaged or weakened from any cause shall be immediately repaired and shall not be used until repairs have been completed.
7. Scaffolds shall not be loaded in excess of the working load for which they are intended.
15. Materials being hoisted onto a scaffold shall have a tag line.
16. Overhead protection shall be provided for workers on a scaffold exposed to overhead hazards.
17. Scaffolds shall be provided with a screen between the toeboard and the guardrail extending along the entire opening, consisting of 18 gauge U.S. standard wire ⅛-in. mesh or the equivalent, where persons are required to walk or pass under the scaffold.
18. Employees shall not work on scaffolds during storms or high winds.
19. Employees shall not work on scaffolds that are covered in ice or snow, unless all ice or snow is removed and planking sanded to prevent slipping.
20. Tools, materials, and debris shall not be allowed to accumulate in quantities to cause hazard.
22. Wire or fiber rope used for scaffold suspension shall be capable of supporting at least 6 times the intended load.
27. Special precautions shall be taken to protect scaffold members, including any wire or fiber ropes, when using a heat-producing process.

G. Two-point suspension scaffolds (swinging scaffolds).
4. The roof irons or hooks shall be of wrought iron, mild steel, or other equivalent material of proper size and design, securely installed and anchored. The tie-backs of ¾-inch manila rope (or the equivalent) shall serve as a secondary means of anchorage, installed at right angles to the face of the building whenever possible and secured to a structurally sound portion of the building.
5. Guardrails not less than 2x4 in. or the equivalent & not less 36 in. or more than 42 in. high, with a midrail, when required, 1x4 in. lumber or equivalent, and toeboards, shall be installed at all open sides on all scaffolds more than 10 ft. above the ground or floor. Toeboards shall be a minimum of 4 in. high. Wire mesh shall be installed in accordance with paragraph (a)(17).
6. Two-point suspension scaffolds shall be suspended by wire rope or fiber ropes. Wire and fiber roped shall conform to paragraph (a)(22) of this section.
8. All wire ropes, fiber ropes, slings, hangers, platforms, and other supporting parts shall be inspected before every installation. Periodic inspections shall be made while the scaffold is in use.
9. On suspension scaffolds designed for a working load of 500 lbs, no more than two workers shall be permitted to work at one time. On suspension scaffolds with a working load of 750 lbs, no more than 3 workers shall be permitted to work at one time. Each worker shall be
protected by a safety lifebelt attached to a lifeline. The
lifebelt shall be securely attached to substantial
members of the structure (not scaffold), or to securely
rigged lines, which will safely suspend the worker in
case of a fall.
10. Where acid solutions are used, fiber ropes are not
permitted unless acid-proof.
11. Two-point suspension scaffolds shall be securely lashed
of the building or structure to prevent them from
swaying. Window cleaners’ anchors shall not be used
for this purpose.

I. Single-point adjustable suspension scaffolds.
8. The hoisting machines, cables, and equipment shall be
regularly serviced and inspected after each installation
and every 30 days thereafter.
9. The units may be combined to form a two-point
suspension scaffold. Such scaffold shall comply with
paragraph (g) of this section.
10. The supporting cable shall be straight for it’s entire
length, and the operator shall not sway the basket and
fix the cable to any intermediate points to change his
original path of travel.
11. Equipment shall be maintained and used in accordance
with the manufacturers’ instructions,
12. Suspension methods shall conform to applicable
provisions of paragraph (g) and (h) of this section.

Code of safe practices
for suspended powered scaffolds
It shall be the responsibility of all employers and users to read
and comply with the following common-sense guidelines,
which are designed to promote safety in the erection and use
of suspended powered scaffolds. These guidelines are not all-
inclusive, nor do they supplant or replace other additional
safety and precautionary measures to cover usual and unusual
conditions. If these guidelines conflict in anyway with state,
local, or federal statute or governmental regulation, said state
statute or regulation shall supersede these guidelines, and it
shall be the responsibility of each employer and user to comply
therewith and also to be knowledgeable and understand all
state, local or federal statutes or governmental regulations
pertaining to suspended powered scaffolding.

I. General guidelines
1. Post these safety guidelines in a conspicuous place and
be sure that all persons who erect, use, locate, or
dismantle suspended scaffold systems are fully aware
of them.
2. NEVER TAKE CHANCES! If in doubt regarding safety or
use of suspended scaffolds, consult your scaffold supplier.
3. FOLLOW ALL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS’ RECOM-
MENDATIONS, as well as state, local, and federal
codes, ordinances, and regulations, pertaining to
suspended scaffolding.
4. Survey the job site for hazards such as exposed
electrical wires, obstructions that could overload or tip
the suspended scaffold when it is raised or lowered,
unguarded roof edges or openings, inadequate or
missing tieback anchorages, or the need for overhead
protection where exposure to falling objects exists.
These conditions must be corrected before installing or
using suspended powered scaffold systems.
5. INSPECT ALL EQUIPMENT BEFORE EACH USE. Never
use any equipment that is damaged or defective in any
way. Tag damaged or defective equipment and remove it
from the job site.
6. ALWAYS USE FALL-ARREST EQUIPMENT when using
suspended scaffolds. (See Section E.)
7. Erect, use, and dismantle, or alter suspended powered
scaffold equipment in accordance with design and/or
manufacturer’s recommendations.
8. Do not erect, dismantle, or alter suspended scaffold
systems unless under the supervision of a qualified
person.
9. DO NOT ABUSE, MISUSE, OR USE SUSPENDED
SCAFFOLD EQUIPMENT for purposes or in ways for
which it was not intended.
10. USERS MUST BE TRAINED on how to safely operate
equipment and how to handle emergency situations. If
in doubt, consult a qualified person.
11. ERECTED SUSPENDED SCAFFOLDS SHOULD BE
CONTINUOUSLY INSPECTED by the user to ensure that
they are maintained in a safe condition. Report any
unsafe condition to your supervisor.
12. CARE MUST BE TAKEN WHEN OPERATING AND STOR-
ING EQUIPMENT DURING WINDY CONDITIONS.
13. POWERED PLATFORMS MUST NEVER BE OPERATED
NEAR LIVE POWER LINES unless proper precautions
are taken. Consult the power service company for
advise.
14. DO NOT WORK ON SCAFFOLDS if you feel dizzy, un-
steady in any way, or are impaired in any way by drugs
or any other substance.

II. Rigging guidelines
1. WHEN RIGGING ON EXPOSED ROOFS OR FLOORS,
WEAR FALL-PROTECTION EQUIPMENT. WHEN RIGG-
ING FROM OVERHEAD SUPPORTS, SUCH AS BRIDGES
OR BEAMS, WEAR FALL-ARREST EQUIPMENT.
2. Roof hooks, parapet clamps, outrigger beams, or other
supporting devices, including tiebacks and their
anchorages, must be capable of supporting the rated
load of the hoist with a safety factor of 4.
3. Verify that the building or structure will support the
suspended loads with a safety factor of at least 4.
4. Overhead rigging, including counterweights, must be
secured from unintentional movement in any direction.
5. Counterweights used with outrigger beams must be of
non-flowable material and fastened to the beam.
6. Outrigger beams that do not use counterweights must
be installed and secured on the roof structure with
devices specifically designed for that purpose.
7. Tie back all transportable rigging devices with wire rope
and hardware that has strength equal to the hoist rope.
8. Install tiebacks at right angles to the face of the
building and secure without slack to a structurally
sound portion of the building.
9. RIG SO THAT SUSPENSION POINTS ARE DIRECTLY
ABOVE THE HOISTING MACHINES.
10. The platform must be secured to prevent swaying. Do
not tie it to window cleaning anchors.
III. *Wire rope and hardware guidelines*

1. Use only wire rope and attachments as specified by the hoisting machine manufacturer. Do not use wire rope that is kinked, birdcaged, corroded, undersized, or damaged in any way.
2. Be sure that wire rope is long enough to reach the lowest possible landing.
3. Clean, lubricate & handle wire rope in accordance with wire rope or hoist manufacturer's instructions.
4. Coil and uncoil wire rope in accordance with the wire rope or hoist manufacturer's instruction in order to avoid kinks or damage.
5. Use thimbles at all wire rope suspension terminations.
6. Use J-type clamps or swaged fittings to fasten wire rope. DO NOT USE U-CLAMPS.
7. Tighten wire rope clamps in accordance with the clamp manufacturer's instructions.
8. Wire ropes used in traction hoists must have prepared ends in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation.
9. INSPECT WIRE ROPE DURING EACH ASCENT AND DESCENT. Do not expose wire rope to fire, undue heat, corrosive atmosphere, chemicals, to passage of electrical currents, or to damage by tools or handling.

IV. *Power supply guidelines*

1. BE SURE YOUR POWER SUPPLY CONFORMS TO HOIST MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS.
2. GROUND ALL ELECTRICAL POWER SOURCES and POWER CORD CONNECTIONS. Protect with circuit breakers.
3. Use power cords or air hoses of proper size that are long enough for the job.
4. Power cord or air hose connections must be restrained to prevent their separation.
5. Tie off power cords or air hoses at the suspended scaffold to prevent them from falling.
6. Protect power cords or air hoses at sharp edges.
7. Remember, air hoist require clean, lubricated air.

V. *Fall-arrest equipment guidelines*

1. Each person on a suspended powered scaffold must be attached to a fall-arrest system at all times.
2. Each lifeline must be fastened to a separate anchorage.
3. When wrapping lifelines around structural members, the lines must be protected and a suitable anchorage system must be used.
4. Protect lifelines at sharp corners to prevent chafing.
5. Rig fall-arrest systems to prevent a free fall in excess of 6 ft.
6. Lifelines must be suspended freely without contact with structural members or building façade.
7. Use a lifeline size and construction that is compatible with fall arrester and complies with applicable safety codes.
8. BE SURE FALL ARRESTER IS INSTALLED ON THE LIFELINE IN THE PROPER DIRECTION ABOVE YOUR HEAD and in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
9. Use a body-support device that is properly sized and fitted.
10. Be sure the body-support device has a lanyard attached to the D-ring at the center of the back.

VI. *Additional guidelines*

1. USE ALL EQUIPMENT AND ALL DEVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS.
2. Do not overload, modify, or substitute equipment.
3. Before commencing work operations, pre-load wire rope and equipment with the maximum working load, and then retighten rigging clamps to manufacturer's recommendations.
4. Be sure platform and cages have a proper guardrail system.
5. Secure stirrups no less than six inches from the end of the platform.
6. All components must be securely fastened to prevent them from falling off the platform.
7. Use roller bumpers or buffers to prevent damage to the structure or equipment.
8. Use care to prevent damage to equipment by corrosive or other damaging substances.
9. Clean and service equipment regularly.
10. ALWAYS MAINTAIN AT LEAST FOUR (4) WRAPS OF ROPE ON DRUM-TYPE HOISTS.
11. Traction hoists must have wire rope that is long enough to reach from the highest point of support to the lowest possible landing, plus reeving lengths.
12. Do not join platforms unless the installation was designed for that purpose.
13. DO NOT MOVE SUSPENDED SCAFFOLDS HORIZONTALLY WHEN OCCUPIED.
14. When re-rigging for another drop, be sure sufficient wire rope is available before moving the suspended scaffold system horizontally.
15. WHEN WELDING FROM SUSPENDED SCAFFOLDS:
   - Be sure platform is grounded to structure.
   - Insulate wire rope above and below the platform to protect from damage by the welding torch or electrode.
   - Insulate wire rope at suspension point and be sure wire rope does not contact structure along its entire length.
General operating instructions

1. Assemble the scaffold and rigging equipment according to the instructions in this manual or those supplied with the equipment. (Refer to the precautions in the preceding sections.)

2. All rigging devices and installations must be able to support the load. An engineer or someone who is trained and capable of determining whether the structure is large enough and strong enough to bear the load should examine structural members. The structure must be able to bear a wire rope load of 4 times the maximum rated load capacity of the hoist. The gross load of equipment, material, and the workers being lifted by each wire rope must not exceed the rated load capacity of the hoist. The structural members intended to support the load must not have cracked or weakened material.

3. Examine the structure for other safety hazards.
   - Remove obstructions to vertical travel, or clearly identify them to equipment users.
   - De-energize and lock out electrical lines in & near the path traveled by the equipment. No live power lines are allowed within 10 ft. of the scaffolding or scaffolding extension.
   - Locate cranes or other lifts. All equipment users should know the location of all other workers on the structure to avoid coming in contact with them.
   - Identify and remove other hazards, such as the danger of falling material.

4. Assemble the rigging device to the structure so the suspension line hangs plumb and passes through the scaffold equipment wire rope guide. If the wire rope is pulled off at an angle from the guide, it could wear and become weak.

5. Provide separate rigging attachments for worker safety lines in case the suspension line rigging fails.

6. With the scaffolding equipment resting upright on the ground directly under the rigging points, connect it to the proper power supply. Place the fairlead side (front) toward the face of the structure. This provides greater stability and minimizes the amount of thrust-out required by the outrigger.

7. Release the tension holder by pulling the handle up.

8. Operate the DOWN switch while pulling the wire rope off the drum and through the guide.

   CAUTION
   Keep hands and other parts of the body away from wire rope guide assembly when handling moving wire rope. Pinching body parts between moving wire rope and fixed frame could cause injury to the operator.

9. Run out as much wire rope as needed to reach the rigging point. Release the switch while keeping tension on the wire rope until you can tighten the tension holder. Inspect the wire rope drum to make sure the remainder of the wire rope is stored neatly. Jog the UP switch to increase the tension between the tension holder and drum. Wire rope should be taut before entering or exiting the stage.

10. Refer to the rigging and scaffold section of this manual for other instructions. When using a two-point suspended scaffold, make sure the rigging attachments are the same distance apart as the hoist. After the wire rope is attached to the rigging, hold the UP switch to wind the wire rope back on the drum. Make sure the wire rope wins evenly onto the drum. When the staging is suspended, release the tension holder.

11. Rig the independent safety lines from their rigging devices. Each person riding the scaffold must wear a safety harness and be connected by a lanyard to the safety line grab device.

12. All persons using the equipment should be trained in its use and know all local, state, and federal regulations related to the use of scaffolding; general safety and health precautions; and personal protective and life saving equipment.

   WARNING
   Do not enter stage unless it is rigged and there is tension on the wire rope. Enter and exit by climbing between the back midrail and top rail.

   When welding from suspended stages, take these precautions:
   - Use an insulated thimble to attach each wire rope to its rigging. (See wire rope insulator.)
   - Cover the wire rope with insulating material 4 ft. above and below the wire rope guide. (See arc guard kit.)
   - Ground the staging to the structure. The conductor shall be at least the size of the welding machine grounding lead. This is in addition to the primary welding machine grounding lead. Turn off the welding machine before disconnecting the stage grounding lead.
   - Arching will occur upon contact with the staging and its components, including the suspension wire ropes. Care should be taken to prevent contact.
Staging Equipment

Models ST-17/ST-17-1 & ST-18/ST-18-1
These units are similar in appearance. The ST-17 and ST-17-1 (shown) are air powered; the ST-18 and ST-18-1 (not shown) are electric powered. There are two available wire rope drums – the 16-in. drum holds 1000 ft. of wire rope and the 9-in. drum holds 500 ft. of wire rope.

Operating Instructions
The St-17 and ST-18 models have a walk-through gate. When the stage is used with a fly deck or swing stage platform, the gate can be opened for access from the platform to the Spider. Also see general operating instructions.

1. On the side where the platform is attached, remove the two flathead screws from the top handrail.
2. Push the gate forward and pull up on it to unlatch it from the handrail.
3. Pivot the gate down and insert the latch into the slot in the midrail. Be sure to secure the gate with the flat head screws. The rail is now a diagonal brace.
4. When using the Spider as a single line unit, make sure the gates are installed in the closed position.

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Models ST-19A & ST-19E
Model ST-19 (air or electric) has a 9-in. drum that holds 500 feet of wire rope. The unit can be disassembled so it can pass through small openings. It can be used as a single line unit by itself or with fly decks, or it can be assembled as part of a swing stage.

Operating Instructions
Follow the General operating instructions on page 7.

Disassembly
If the stage has to pass through a restricted opening, it may be necessary to partially dismantle it. Do not disassemble more than necessary – removing the handrails may be adequate.

1. With the unit sitting upright on the ground, remove the four corner post bolts.
2. Remove the four bolts that hold the top rail to the wire rope guide assembly (tripod).
3. Remove the outer toeboard by removing the fastener.
4. Disconnect the air hose and electric couplings from the power unit and overload.
5. Remove the clips that support the power supply line under the floorboard (right side frame base only).
6. Remove the fastener that holds the right frame base to the left.

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**WARNING**
Gates must be closed on sides away from the structure.
7. Remove the six 3/8-in. bolts, flat washers, and lock washers that connect the floorboard to the drum base. Remove the floorboard and frame bases.

8. Remove the bolt that holds the power unit to the drum shaft; slide the power unit away from the drum. Make sure the spacer on the shaft next to the pillow block bearings is in place for reassembly.

9. Remove the wire rope, and then remove the six bolts that hold the tripod guide assembly to the drum base.

*Note:* This may not be necessary in some applications.

**Assembly**

Follow the above steps in reverse order. Be sure to reassemble completely before using the stage. Make sure all parts are in place and all fasteners are properly secured.

**Models ST-26 & ST-26E**

The ST-26 is an air powered, single-line unit that can fold up to pass through narrow openings. The ST-26E is electric powered. The wire rope drum has a capacity of 235 ft.

**Operating instructions**

Follow the General operating instructions on page 7.

**Assembly**

1. To assemble from the folded position, undo the "S" hook from the support chain (1).

2. The handrail assembly pivots up; the deck pivots down (2).

3. Hold the top rail out horizontally while moving the upright corner posts to a vertical position to the deck assembly (3).

4. Index the midrail horizontally. Fit one midrail end over one socket on the wire rope guide assembly, then pull the other side of the midrail out just far enough to clear the socket (4).

5. Install the four hitch pins in the holes in the handrail and midrail at the sockets.

6. Install the two bolts at the deck level into the vertical handrail posts.

7. Repeat steps 1-6 for the other deck.

Follow the above steps in reverse order to fold the assembly.

**To remove the handrails and deck assemblies**

1. Remove the hitch pins and bolts from the handrail. Pull out on the handrail at the guide support until it clears the socket.

2. Remove the screw pin shackles that connect the support chains to the wire rope guide assembly. Remove deck sections.

3. Remove the cotter pins from the hinge pins; slide the pins out of the hinge.

Reassemble in reverse order. Make sure the cotter pin and screw pin shackles are replaced.

*Note:* Upon reassembly it is important that the support chains support the deck evenly. If one or both chains are slack when the deck is folded down, remove the screw pin shackles and twist the chain one or two revolutions then reconnect it. Repeat this until all slack has been removed from the chain.
Models ST-27 & ST-27-1
Model ST-27 is a two-line electric unit with a working area that measures 4x5, 5x7, or 5x11 ft. The wire rope drum capacity is 500 ft. (1000 ft. for the ST-27-1). The ST-27 can be disassembled so it can pass through doorways.

Operating instructions
Follow the General operating instructions on page 7.

Disassembly
1. The handrails are attached to the deck sockets by bolts and a setscrew. Remove the bolts. Loosen the setscrew and the handrail corner clips, then remove the handrail sections.
2. Remove the deck wing sections by removing the 4 hex-head bolts from the splice plates and sliding the wing sections away from the center section.

Accessory equipment
A stabilizing bar is designed to stabilize the platform when it is in its working position in an elevator shaft. The bar is inserted into the top rail or the midrail. The stabilizer can be pushed out against the structural steel and locked with the setscrew clamp located on the handrail. Before moving vertically, be sure to retract the stabilizer to prevent it from getting hung up.

Wall rollers function much the same as the stabilizing bar, except that they are designed to be used against a concrete wall.

A canopy offers overhead protection for workers.

Note: When using the canopy, a third 5/16-in. wire rope safety line must be rigged to some structure other than the suspension line rigging. The workers should then connect their safety belt lanyards to the wire rope guide support tripod.

Canopy assembly
1. Insert bolts into canopy upright clamp.
2. Connect the "T" halves to the horizontal roof supports with the coupler.
3. The clips go around the horizontal stabilizer and are bolted to the roof at the holes provided. Be sure to place the flat washers on top of the roof to support the bolt head.
4. Connect each half of the canopy at either side of the tripod. The pegs on the bottom end of the upright post go into holes provided in the floorboard.
5. After each half is erected, connect them together with the cross bar through the sockets toward the top of the uprights. Tighten the setscrews.
**Wire rope inspection & service**

OSHA 1910.28 – *Safety requirements for scaffolding.* Section (4)(a)(22) Wire or fiber rope used for scaffold suspension shall be capable of supporting at least six times the intended load.

OSHA 1926.45 – *Scaffolding.* (l) (5) Two-point suspension scaffolds shall be suspended by wire, synthetic or fiber ropes capable of supporting at least 6 times the gross rated load (of the scaffold). All other components shall be capable of supporting at least 4 times the rated load.

(r) Single-point adjustable suspension scaffolds, (5) the hoisting machines, cables and equipment shall be regularly serviced and inspected, and (8) suspension methods shall conform to applicable provisions of paragraph (h) and (i) of this section.

Inspecting the suspension wire rope is very important. Wire rope is a consumable item – each time it is used, it loses strength. The rate at which a wire rope weakens depends on where and how often it is used, how badly it is misused, and the condition of the equipment it is used with.

The inspection is to determine, to the best extent possible, whether the wire rope has enough integrity to support a scaffold with the desired safety factor until the next inspection. The wire rope recommended for the Spider equipment in this manual is 6 x 19, fiber core, right regular lay, Seale construction, improved plow steel with a rated breaking strength of 4.26 tons. Never use a wire rope beyond the point where it cannot support 3.75 tons.

**Daily inspection**

Equipment operators should monitor the wire rope condition daily. Even very subtle changes in the wire rope’s appearance could mean it is worn out and should be replaced. The daily inspection should include a visual examination for rust or corrosion, lack of lubrication, broken wires, kinks, crushed spots, or abrasive wear of individual wires.

Examine the wire rope guide assembly daily. If it shows signs of grooving, the rigging is misaligned, which can cause rapid abrasion of the outside wire rope wires. The wire rope should be examined immediately by a person who is known to be trained and knowledgeable, and able to determine whether the wire rope is still safe to use. The guide should be replaced, rigging aligned, or procedures changed to ensure the wire rope passes straight through the guide and is not pulled to one side.

If the daily inspection reveals a condition that could weaken the wire rope, consult authorized personnel immediately.

**WARNING**

*Do not use the equipment if you are not certain of its condition.*

**30-day inspection**

The wire rope should be examined by a person who is known to be trained and knowledgeable, and able to determine whether the wire rope still is safe to use. A written record should be kept with the equipment or other convenient location indicating when a new wire rope is first installed. See the *Wire rope inspection report* at the end of this manual.

A wire rope can be used up for several reasons or a combination of reasons, including abrasion, corrosion, scrubbing, flattening, peening, kinking, exposure to excessive heat, and broken wires. Each of these conditions is described below.

Abrasion is the wearing away of the wire because of contact with other wires, equipment or structures. Abrasion removes metal from the cross-section of each outer wire at exposed surfaces. Abrasion can be along a considerable length of the wire rope or show up in one short distance. The net result could be failure of the wire rope.

The 6x19 Seale-construction wire rope recommended by Spider is chosen for abrasion resistance. The outer wires are larger, which provides a greater metallic area. This construction has 69% of its strength in the outer or exposed wires of the strands.

Corrosion, scrubbing, flattening, peening, or crushing can reduce the cross-section of both the inner and outer wires.

- Corrosion can occur because of inadequate lubrication and a corrosive environment (humidity, rain, salt spray, or caustic fumes or chemicals). The first sign of corrosion is the appearance of rust. Corroded wire rope does not have its original strength, and isn’t able to resist bending fatigue or withstand abrasion. Fine particles of the corroded wire work into the internal structure of the wire and add to the abrasion.
- Scrubbing is similar to abrasion. The wire rope might be in contact with the structure. When in use, the wire rope can move back and forth against the structure and become worn. It is very important to make sure the wire rope is not touching any structure between the staging and the rigging.
- Flattening and peening can be caused by kinking, improper drum spooling, or contact with other structural members.
- The wire can be crushed on the drum by improper spooling and crossed layers. The pressure can change the shape and physical properties of the rope, or its cross-section can be distorted, changing the position of strands and core.
- Sand blasting can quickly damage or sever the wire rope.

**When to replace the wire rope**

Replace any wire rope when it shows any of the following:

- Any combination of detrimental effects that will weaken the wire rope so that it cannot safely support at least 6 times the hoist capacity.
- Abrasion, corrosion, scrubbing, flattening, or peening causes losing more than 1/3 of the diameter of the outside individual wires.
• Evidence of any heat damage from a torch or contact with electrical wires.
• Reduction from original diameter of 0.0156 in.
• More than one valley break (broken wire). This could mean that non-visible wires are fatigued or broken.
• Six randomly distributed broken wires in one rope lay or three broken wires in one strand within one rope lay.

**Servicing the wire rope**
1. Lubricate the wire rope often to prevent rust. Use a penetrating corrosive-resistant lubricant to ensure the core remains lubricated.
2. Keep the wire rope correctly wound on the drum, and do not allow it to become slack. Use the tension holder to keep the wire rope properly wound when changing rigging locations or storing the unit.
3. Do not kink or bend the wire rope over a sharp edge.
4. Keep clear of all power lines, including arc-welding leads. The equipment is independently grounded, so the wire rope will conduct electricity even when rigging is insulated.
5. Rig properly to avoid damage to the wire rope. The wire rope should pass straight through the wire rope guide at all times to avoid excessive wear. The guide should not be pulled into the structure as the stage approaches the rigging. Severe pull-in will cause hard contact of the rope against the guide, weakening and breaking individual wires. These wires will have a bright shiny appearance.
6. Do not use cable clips on the suspension wire rope. They are not as strong as a locked-in splice and can loosen. They will not pass through the wire rope guide and can be pushed up the wire rope by the stage, damaging and weakening the wire rope.

**Wire rope guide**
The wire rope guide stabilizes the suspended stage with a minimal adverse effect on the wire rope. The guide is made of hardened steel, which minimizes friction and wear of both the wire rope and the guide. The guide has no moving parts.

**Removing the old wire rope**
1. With the Spider on the ground, run the power unit in the down direction while pulling the wire rope through the fairlead, until all of the wire rope is off the drum.
2. Once the hook is free and pulled away from the drum flange, rotate the flange slot to the 6 o’clock position. Remove the tension holder cam and half of the tension holder, and then thread the drum hook through the hole in the drum flange. Keep hands and clothing away from the moving drum at all times.
3. Remove the 2 bolts from the top block. Push the ring guides out of the top block, and then thread the hook through the bottom block, the rings, and the top block. **Note:** For reassembly, be sure to thread the top block, then the 3 rings, onto the wire rope. The ring is marked “top” to show which side is up.

**Installing a new wire rope**
Install a new wire rope in the reverse order. When reassembling the tension holder, be sure the tension holder handle is installed so it tightens when the handle is pushed down.

With the drum hook properly reinstalled, with the wire rope onto the drum by running the power unit UP. Be sure the first wrap of wire rope lies against the drum flange and that every wrap after that lies against the previous wrap. It is important that the wire rope be tightly wound on the drum. A simple way to hold extra tension on the rope while winding is to use a wire rope installation tensioning clamp.

**Inspection & service**
Inspect the guides every day for signs of wear or other damage to the wire rope. Replace the guides immediately when you first see signs of wear or damage. Wear could indicate improper rigging alignment; see the wire rope section for more information.

**Wire rope tensioning clamp**
There are two sizes of clamps available: SA-3619—for 5/16-in. rope and SA-3619-1—for 3/8 in. wire rope.

1. With the wire rope installed, clamp the tensioning blocks on the wire rope just above the wire rope guide.
2. Adjust the clamp so the jaws just close when the wire rope is clamped in the grooves on the blocks.
3. While running the stage in the up direction, guide the wire rope onto the drum using a 33-in. wooden pry bar bearing against the center post of the fairlead.
4. Do not run a splice into the tensioning blocks. When all the wire rope has been installed, apply the regular tension holder and remove the clamp.
**Caution**

- Make sure the wire rope is well lubricated. It should have no kinks and no broken or abraded wires.
- If the clamp is damaged or worn, do not repair it.
- Use the clamp only to apply tension to the wire rope as instructed above—it has no other use.
- With IWRC wire rope, do not clamp too tight—this can cause birdcaging.

**Swaging the drum hook**

The Spider drum hook can be swaged by a press with a straight-channel die that has a ¾-in. diameter channel. A rigging loft in your area can provide assistance.

1. Insert wire rope flush with base of hook.
2. Swage this area with a standard 3/8-in. Esco swaging die or equivalent.
3. Completely insert the hook in the die for maximum strength. Protruding swaging marks on the hook means it is not correctly inserted. These marks will prevent the hook from entering the drum pocket.

**Tension holder**

The tension holder is designed to keep the wire rope tight on the drum when you must slacken the rope from the rigging. It is necessary to keep the wire rope evenly spooled on the drum to ensure level winding.

**Operating instructions**

See the *General operating instructions* on page 7.

**Inspection**

Visually inspect the rubber rollers daily. (There is no need to disassemble the tension holder, but definite signs of wear require a more thorough inspection.)

At the first sign of wear and at least every 30 days, remove the wing nut from the locking cam and remove the pin and cam from the assembly. (For reassembly, note how the two steel straps extend through the roller assembly.) Pull the roller assembly away. Examine the four rollers for deep grooves or flat spots. Spin each roller to make sure the bearings are free and properly lubricated.

If no further service is required, reassemble the roller. Install the cam so the roller tightens on the wire rope when the handle is pushed down.

**Note:** On the ST-26 the handle needs to go up so it won’t interfere with the cross tube on the quadrapod.

**Service**

If the bearings need lubrication, remove the 4 bearing shields (located on each side of the roller assemblies.) Pack the bearings with bearing grease and replace the shields. If replacing either the bearings or the rollers, remove the remaining half of the roller assembly as follows:

1. Remove the front hanger clip by rotating the tension holder body clockwise. At the same time, index the open side away from the front as far as possible while pulling down on the back hanger strap. Pull the hook end of the front hanger strap out of the front hole on the underneath side of the bottom plate.
2. Remove the tension holder counterclockwise from vertical to horizontal and index it so the open side of the tension holder is now facing away or toward the back of the staging. Pull the clip out of the hole.

3. With the bearing shields removed, remove the setscrew from the bearing and hold the roller from turning while loosening the socket head screw located in the bearing. The replacement parts are available from your Spider representative.

Reverse these steps to reassemble the tension holder. When the roller is replaced in the housing, be sure to center the two steel washers on each side of the roller around the centerline of the roller. The bearings are inserted through the housing and seated into the washers. The screw passes through the one bearing, the washers and roller and then screws into the opposite bearing. Be sure to pack the bearings with grease before assembling the bearing shields.

Wire rope drum & automatic emergency brake

The wire rope drum collects the wire rope while the staging is being raised. It is made of aluminum with a steel shaft. The automatic emergency brake is totally enclosed in one end of the drum and is designed to stop the descent of the stage if the transmission fails.

If an overspeed condition causes the brake to activate, it can be reset automatically by running the transmission in the UP direction. You must then have the brake and transmission inspected by a service technician before returning the equipment to operation.

Service

If the drum or automatic brake needs attention, contact your local Spider representative.

Wire rope level wind system

The level wind spools the wire rope evenly on the drum when staging is suspended. It keeps the wire rope perpendicular to the drum by allowing the drum to tilt. A spring controls the amount of drum tilt.

The wire rope must be evenly spooled on the drum to ensure level winding.

Inspection

Every day the operator should inspect the wire rope spooling on the drum to make sure it is stored neatly. If the wire rope is allowed to go slack or become unevenly wound, the level wind system will not function properly.

Every 30 days (sooner if necessary) inspect the drum base for damage. Check the two pivot pins for wear and make sure they are properly secured with the snap rings. Check the tilt control spring assembly to ensure that it resists the tilting of the drum.

If the drum base or tilt control spring assembly need service, contact your local Spider representative.
Transmission
Both the air and electric units have a worm gear transmission.

Inspection
Every 30 days (sooner if there are oil leaks) inspect the oil level in both sections of the transmission through the inspection hole. If the level is below the hole, fill with Mobil SHC 634 cylinder oil. Use no substitutes. At the same time inspect the bronze gear. The width of a new gear tooth is approximately 1/16-in. If the edge of the tooth is getting sharp, replace the gears. Contact your local Spider representative.

1. On electric models, lay the stage down on the fairlead side and remove the drain plug. Look at the outer edge of the gear teeth. The sharper the edge, the thinner the tooth. (For an easy check, put the worn gear next to a new one.)
2. On air models, inspect the bronze gear from the filler hole. Tip the stage to keep oil from draining out.

Every 12 months (sooner, if needed) drain the oil from both sections of the transmission and replace with new Mobil SHC 634 cylinder oil. Use no substitutes. One quart will fill both sections of all hoists except the ST-26, which needs about 2 quarts.

Overload switch
The overload shut-off switch limits the amount of load that can be applied to the wire rope. This keeps a safety factor on the wire rope and rigging and prevents overworking the hoist motor.

Inspection
Every 30 days, or before installation on a new job, the overload shut-off switch should be inspected for proper operation by someone you or the employer knows is trained and knowledgeable:

1. With all the wire rope stored neatly on the drum and the free end rigged to a beam of adequate strength, load the staging with the rated working load as shown on the load rating plate.
2. When connected to a proper voltage or air supply, the staging should lift the load.
3. With the addition of another 100 lbs, the overload shut-off switch should prevent the upward travel of the stage.

Testing the overload switch using the test fixture
The overload test fixture has two strong springs—they apply a load against the wire rope to set the overload switch.

1. With the wire rope wrapped on the drum and about 1½-ft. of wire rope above the guide, thread the wire rope eye through the bottom of the fixture between the cylinders. Place the wire rope eye pin (7/8-in. x 1-in.) in the eye and set the pin in the saddles of the fixture.
2. With the wire rope tight, hold the fixture directly above the guide. Run the staging UP until the bottom of the fixture is pulled down onto the guide. The cylinders will fit over the two bolts on the guide.
3. Turn the staging on again and let the fixture collapse while reading the pounds of pull on the scale. For electric stages, stop the staging at 950 lbs. And jog the load onto the scale. Otherwise, the inertia of the motor armature will affect the load setting. If the staging continues to run past 10 on the scale, shut the control off and adjust the limit switch.
4. To adjust the overload bolt, run the staging down until tension on the wire rope is relieved. After the adjustment has been made, run the staging slowly UP and check the load setting. Continue this until you reach 1,000 lbs.
5. Set the lock, adjustment bolt, and jam nut., Remove the test fixture. Pull the splice clear of the tension holder. Set the tension holder.

When an overload condition occurs, you must remove a few hundred pounds from the stage before the overload switch will re-engage and allow the stage to move up. You might need to return the stage to ground level or suspend it with a transfer chain.

Service
1. If the shut-off actuates at too light a load, adjust the overload bolt (up for the electric unit and down for the air unit). The opposite is true for too heavy a load. To adjust the bolt on an electric stage, hold the actuating system with a wrench. Loosen the jam nut with another wrench. On an air hoist, the jam nut can be loosened with one wrench.
2. Index the adjustment bolt one turn at a time until the proper setting is reached.
3. Reset the jam nut.
4. If the overload assembly needs further assistance, contact your local Spider representative.
**Motor control switch**

Move the motor control handle UP or DOWN to move the stage. Stop the stage by returning the handle to STOP.

The **electric stage** is controlled by a positive-centering rotary drum reversing switch. The handle is set in a slot in the control housing to prevent the operator from changing direction without giving the motor enough time to stop. This can damage the motor and impair motor control.

The **air stage** has a 4-way positive-centering Versa valve with one stop position in the center. The valve is sealed to help prevent contamination.

**Inspection & service**

The operator should test the control switch in both directions before each work shift. Any unusual behavior in operation requires a further inspection by a person you or the employer knows is trained and knowledgeable. Every 30 days, or before being sent out to a new job, the motor control switch should be inspected.

1. With the proper power supply connected to the stage, operate the switch in both directions and make sure the drum turns in the correct direction. Be sure to keep the wire rope from going slack on the drum when doing this.
2. Examine the handle and control assembly to make sure it is secured and not damaged in a way that would prevent its correct use.

If the control assembly needs further service, contact your local Spider representative.

**Electric hoist**

The motor on the electric hoist is a capacitor start/run motor requiring either 115 or 230 volts AC, single phase, depending on the model designation. If the motor fails to run, refer to the troubleshooting section of this booklet. The motor, stage, and all brakes should be inspected daily during the operation of the hoist for any unusual conditions or noise that might prompt further inspection.

**Primary brake**

The primary brake on the electric hoist automatically activates when the control switch is turned OFF. The brake stops motor rotation and prevents drifting when the control switch is OFF.

**Solenoid brake inspection**

Check daily for any unusual conditions that might occur during operation. If the unit is making a buzzing sound or if the stage requires 2-in. or more of travel before stopping, further inspection is necessary. Do not continue to use the stage if an unusual condition exists. Every 30 days, a person you or your employer knows to be trained and knowledgeable should inspect the stage and brake.
Electric power supply

The available power supply (115 or 230 volts single-phase at the control assembly plug) must be maintained when the staging is lifting its maximum intended load. The model designation plate indicates the required voltage. The power supply locking plug on the control assembly will also indicate the required voltage. If running the stage from a motor generator, use a minimum of 2,500 watts per stage. Do not use demand governor. If a transformer is used, use no less than 1.5 KVA. Be certain that the output voltage is correct and properly fused.

Inspection

The operator can tell if the stage is not getting enough power. If the motor pulsates or makes unusual noises while operating, further inspection by a trained and knowledgeable person is needed. Every 30 days or during installation, a trained and knowledgeable person should inspect the stage and power supply.

1. Examine the plugs on the stage and supply cord to make sure that they are correct NEMA standard for the voltage being supplied. The plugs should be the correct voltage and be rated at 20 amps for G.E. and 15 amps for DYNA motors.
2. Examine the plugs and rubber boots for any signs of damage that might prevent correct use.
3. Use as short a supply cord as necessary. Use wire no smaller than 10 gauge.
4. Always connect the supply cord to a good source of voltage and make sure it is protected by a 20-amp fuse or circuit breaker. Make sure that no other machines are drawing from the same supply. This may cause a motor to burn out due to voltage fluctuations.
5. Check voltage and current at the control while the motor is running and lifting its maximum intended load. Voltage should not vary from the rated voltage by more than 10%; a 10% reduction in voltage results in a 20% loss of power. Large voltage fluctuations can cause the motor to burn out. Keep wire rope length at a minimum if a low voltage condition exists that cannot be easily remedied.
**Air hoist**

**Motor**

The air motor is a totally enclosed vane type motor rated at 1 hp, with 120 psi and 60 cfm air. The air hose supply line needs to be at least ¼-in. I.D. in order to get maximum horsepower.

**Inspection & service**

Daily, the operator should refer any unusual behavior (such as loss of power) to a trained or knowledgeable person for further inspection. See Troubleshooting.

Every 30 days, or before installation at a new job site, the motor should be inspected by a trained and knowledgeable person.

1. The cover fasteners must be secure, but do not over tighten.
2. Inspect the housing for any signs of damage.
3. Make sure the air hoses are properly secured and not damaged.

If the air motor needs further repair, contact your local Spider representative.

**Oiler & filter**

The filter helps to remove dirt and water from the incoming air supply. The oiler supplies a metered amount of lubricant for the motor.

**CAUTION**

*These units are intended for use in industrial compressed air systems only, they must not be used where pressure or temperature may exceed maximum rated operation conditions.*

**Inspection & service**

Disconnect air supply before proceeding.

Drain the filter at least once a day and more frequently if necessary. To drain, loosen the thumbscrew located on the bottom of the filter. After the water has drained, reset the thumbscrew. Inspect the oiler daily. Remove filler cap on top of the oiler assembly. Fill with Mobil Almo Oil No. 525.

Every 30 days (sooner if needed) remove and clean the filter screen. When operating under extreme conditions such as sandblasting, clean the filter daily.

**Norgren 12-02 and 10-02 filter and oiler.** Release the clip at the top of the filter bowl and remove. Loosen the baffle at the bottom of the filter. Remove the screen and clean it in thinner or solvent. Blow the filter dry and replace. Do not over tighten the baffle.

Set oil drip rate at 3-4 drops/minute. To adjust the flow rate, connect to air supply and run motor at full throttle in UP direction. Remove wire and plastic cap from the top of the oiler. The adjusting screw is located under the cap. With a screwdriver, turn the screw counterclockwise to increase the drip rate, clockwise to decrease. Purge the air hose of any contamination before using.

**Norgren series F-12 and L-12 filter and oiler**

Remove the filter bowl (unscrew the F-12 bowl, or twist and remove the F-74 bowl). Remove the baffle at the bottom of the filter assembly, and then pull out the filter element and o-ring. Clean the parts with warm water and soap. Blow air through the filter element in direction opposite that of normal airflow to dislodge surface contaminants. Dry all parts and blow out internal passages in body using clean dry compressed air. Replace any damaged parts.

At reassembly, apply a coat of Dow Corning 44M grease (or equivalent) to the o-rings. Replace the o-ring, louver and filter element as they were removed and torque the baffle finger tight. Apply an even amount of anti-seize compound (Armitage Laboratories Led-Plate No. 250 or equivalent) to the threads of the filter bowl before installing. The oiler adjustment screw is located under the cap on the top of the assembly. Turn counterclockwise to increase the drip rate and clockwise to decrease. Adjust while running motor at full throttle in UP direction. Set oil drip rate at 3-4 drops per minute.

**Frame**

The frame is constructed of high strength aluminum alloys with heliarc-welded joints.

**CAUTION**

*The frame is constructed from tempered metal. Do not use heat to clean off excess paint. If welding repairs are needed, they must be made by welders certified to AWS standards, and in compliance with AWS structural welding code D1.2-97 (or current revision). Contact your local Spider representative.*

**Inspection & service**

Daily, the operator should check for and report any damage. The safety information in the beginning of this manual and posted on the Spider equipment lists some of the ways the equipment can be damaged.

Every 30 days, or before installing on a new job, inspect the frame thoroughly for damage. Wire brush or scrub the excess paint away from suspected joints and inspect for cracks. For a unit equipped with floor mats, the mats can be removed and cleaned off or replaced.
Troubleshooting the air hoist

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Storing & transporting

Always store and transport your Spider equipment in the upright position. This will help prevent water accumulation in the electrical system and avoid the possibility of oil leakage in the transmission.

Always store your equipment in a sheltered dry area. If the equipment is left out in the weather, be sure to inspect the wire rope and other components for rust and corrosion. After long periods of storage under any conditions, the equipment should be thoroughly inspected before use.

Every 30 days connect the staging to a proper power supply and run at least a couple of revolutions to lubricate the gears.
Accessory equipment

Safety equipment
Read the pages at the beginning of the manual. An independent safety line must be used by each person working on the scaffold. Each person must wear an approved safety harness equipped with a lanyard connected to a rope grab device. Full body harness is recommended because of its ability to withstand greater shock without injury.

Independent safety line
If the scaffold has a fixed roof or if using multi-level scaffolds, an independent safety line must be attached to the scaffold hoist units. Each person should wear a safety harness with a lanyard connected to a trolley line. Secure trolley line to the chain guard at each work basket.

1. Rig a 5/16-in. wire rope the length of the complete travel of the scaffold at the same place as the suspension line. Do not rig to the same rigging as the suspension line.
2. Attach the Secondary Safety Line Bracket Assembly (008478-1) to the transfer chain area (the steel guard bracket below the top wire rope guide assembly) of the Spider hoist unit per the instructions provided with the assembly.

Harness
- Inspect the harness material. Hold the belt in an inverted "U" with the body side toward the body and hands 6-in. apart. Inspect the entire length, looking for frayed edges, broken fibers, pulled stitches, cuts, or chemical damage. Broken strands appear as tufts on the webbing surface. Broken, cut or burned stitches are easily seen.
- Inspect buckles and D-rings. Make sure both are firmly attached to the belt. Rivets should be tight and rigid and bases and burrs should be flat against the material. Bent rivets will fail under stress. Inspect condition of D-ring rivets and metal wear pads. Discolored, split, or cracked rivets indicate chemical corrosion. Buckle tongues should be undamaged, overlap the buckle frame, and move freely back and forth. The roller should turn freely on the frame. Look for sharp edges. On friction buckles, make sure outer and center bars are straight. Pay particular attention to corners and attachment points of the center bar. On sliding bar buckles, inspect the frame and sliding bar for cracks, distortion, or sharp edges. The bar should slide freely. Pay special attention to the corners and ends of the sliding bar.
- Check belt ends to make sure grommets are still in place. Belts with grommet-less holes should be checked for torn or elongated holes.

Inspection
Carefully inspect each harness each time it is used. At least once every 3 months, a trained inspector should examine harness. Maintain harness according to manufacturer’s instructions.

Lifeline
Examine the surface of manila rope for cuts and worn or broken fibers. Discard any rope that has become smaller in diameter or has a broken look. Inspect inner fibers of the rope for breaks, discoloration, and deterioration; discard if it shows any of these signs.
Examine the wire rope for broken strands, rust, and kinks that may weaken it. Ropes must be kept clean, dry, and rust-free. They should be lubricated frequently, especially before use in acid atmospheres or before exposure to salt water. After such use, it should be carefully cleaned and coated with oil.
Polypropylene rope can be weakened by heat, continued exposure to direct sunlight, and broken cuts or strands. Examine the cover yarn frequently for signs of damage or deterioration.

Inspection
Carefully inspect lines each time they are used. Inspect and maintain according to manufacturer’s instructions.

Rope grabs
Clean rope grabs before each use. Do not allow them to become dirty or sticky during use. Inspect before each use to make sure there are no worn, bent, or weakened parts. Replace and discard worn parts immediately. Inspect and maintain rope grabs according to manufacturer’s instructions.
**Arc guards**  
**SA-1083 and SA-1083-1000**

The arc guards protect the suspension wire rope by greatly reducing the chances of accidental contact with a welding rod. However, because the Spider is grounded, insulating the wire rope will not necessarily prevent damage if struck with the welding rod.

- SA-1083—9-in. drum, 500 ft. of wire rope
- SA-1083-1000—16-in. drum, 1000 ft. of wire rope

**Assembly**

1. Loosen the 4 bolts on the drum protector (700947-1 (9-in.) or 700953-1 (16-in.)). Slide it down over the toeboard. Tighten the bolts to clamp it to toeboard.

2. Unwrap the velcro straps from the clear vinyl tube. Spread the tube open and place it over the wire rope between the floor and the tension holder. Wrap the velcro strap around the tube and hold it closed. Hang the two hooks on the tripod, diagonal end up.

3. Thread the collapsible tubing (4485) onto the wire rope. You might need to attach a piece of wire to the rope eye to help pull it through. The tubing rests on the top of the wire rope guide when the staging is rigged.

**Note:** Use a wire rope insulator (described in this manual). If the unit is equipped with a breather vent kit, you need to notch the drum protector.

**Inspection**

1. At the beginning of every work shift look for damage to the component parts. Do not use the equipment if it needs repair.

2. The clear tubing and doors on the drum protector are for wire rope inspection. Keep them clean with detergent or paint solvent. Do not use lacquer thinners.

3. The collapsible tubing allows the staging to be moved close to the rigging. The tubing should not collapse more than half its original length or it could be damaged.

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**Fly decks (SA-1050 and SA-1051)**

These fly decks can be installed on a single line ST-17 or ST-18 Spider, or used with a swing stage platform. They have a rated working load of 250 lbs.

**Assembly to single line ST-17 or ST-18**

1. With the two halves disconnected at the turnbuckles, loosen the rod nut through the bottom rail until the shoulder of the nut is about 1 1/2 in. away from the end of the rail.

2. Loosen the turnbuckles until fully extended.

3. Place one deck on each side of the upright Spider. Push each rod nut into the rail so that the hook on the rod extends out.

4. Tilt the fly deck up and push the rod through the opening in the toeboard. Index the hook of the rod until it fits into the hole in the floorboard plate.

5. The cables go over the top rail of the Spider. Pull the turnbuckle and the thimble eye together on the tripod side and connect with the bolt.

6. Tighten the turnbuckle as far as it will go. Connect the other side and turnbuckle until about 1-in. of the bolts are taken up.

7. Examine the rods to make sure they are properly locked into the floorboards. Tighten the rods until secure; do not over-tighten. Over-tightening can damage the Spider or fly decks.

8. Tighten turnbuckle until the frame of the fly deck comes to the top rail of the Spider.
Assembly to spider swing stage

Assemble the swing stage platform to an ST-17 or ST-18 according to the swing stage platform instructions in this section.

1. When attaching only one fly deck to a swing stage, install the wire rope with the rubber hose under the platform attachment fingers and up through the hole in the toeboard of the Spider.

2. With one fly deck section at each end of the platform and one turnbuckle per section, loosen the turnbuckle until it is extended to its maximum length.

3. Follow the instructions for the single line application previously given, except to attach the fly deck cable to the cable leading under the platform fingers. Attach the thimbles together first using the screw pin shackle, then attach the turnbuckle to the other thimble eye with the bolt. Tighten the turnbuckle, then the rod nut. Do not over-tighten the rod nuts.

Demountable fly decks

(SA-1052 & SA-1053)

The demountable fly deck is used with a single line ST-19. It has a rated working load of 250 lbs.

Assembly

1. Fit the two halves of the floorboard sections together on the ground with one set on each side of the Spider. The turnbuckle on the cable should be on the opposite side from the tripod.

2. Fit the diagonal braces into the diagonal sockets in the floorboard sections.

3. Install the top handrail with the diagonal sockets on the diagonal braces and the turnbuckle on the tripod side.

4. Install the corner post with the long thru-bolt and nut.

5. Tilt each section up and rest the angle support on the floorboard under the toeboard so the angle notches are located with the corner posts of the Spider. Fasten the turnbuckle and cable eye of the floorboard sections together, and tighten the turnbuckle.

6. Connect the turnbuckle and the cable eye of handrail sections together so the cable is over the top of the Spider handrail and the turnbuckle is on the inside of the tripod.

7. Tighten the top turnbuckle until the handrails of the fly deck section join with the handrails of the Spider. Finish tightening the bottom turnbuckle until the angle support is seated against the floorboard rail. Do not over-tighten.
**Swing stage platforms**

**Cable truss platform (A & A2 sections)**

This platform will attach to any pair of single line Spider units and can be erected to any length from 4-36 ft.

- From 4-28 ft. the platform has a rated working load of 750 lbs.
- From 28-36 ft. the platform has a rated working load of 500 lbs.

Do not overload the platform. Do not extend beyond 36 ft.

**Assembly**

1. Place the platform sections on their sides.
2. Join the coupler plates with section bolts on both sides. Leave nuts finger tight.
3. Peel retaining spring back with your index finger, holding the cable coupler in your other hand. Place end of cable ferrule into end of spring retainer. With cable ferrule pushed all the way into coupler, let retaining spring snap back into place and pull ferrule into place at end of coupler.
4. If using an adjustable end B section, adjust the section to the desired length and secure by installing a steel pin in the appropriate hole. Turn the platform to its upright working position.
5. If not using an adjustable section, install the appropriate finger bracket on free cable at last section in span. Place ferrule in the finger with coupler attachment, install the coupler over pin in the other finger bracket.
6. Remove cable from slot in the aluminum angle, attach cables, and place finger bracket on coupler plate. Install bolt and nut.

**Cable truss platform for ST-17 or ST-18**

This platform can be assembled directly to an ST-17 or ST-18.

7. Place platform fingers through openings in toeboard of Spider.
8. Install bolt through finger and hole in floorboard and secure nut. Do not overtighten nut. Bolts are 3/8 x 3.
9. Install toeboards and handrail uprights. Bolt handrails to uprights, install nuts, then secure socket setscrews. Adjust rail clamp snug to Spider rail. Tighten section bolts and nuts.

**Note:** It is preferable to rig the fairlead side toward the surface that is to be worked on except when working under an overhang.

**Cable truss platform for ST-19**

First assemble the platform adapter bracket SA-1065 to the ST-19.

1. Note that there is a left and a right hand bracket. On the left hand stage, the three attachment holes are located farther from the cross bar than the right. The right hand of the swing stage is determined when facing the control panels.
2. Each bracket has three 3/8-16 by 1½-in. hex bolts. Remove the appropriate bolts in the floorboard and install the bracket with the new bolts with flat washers and lock washers, then repeat for the other Spider.

3. Assemble the platform to the Spider in the same way as the ST-17 or ST-18 except the finger bolts go through the holes in the bracket.

### Cable truss platform for ST-26

Attach platform adapter bracket SA-1085. The bracket can be installed with the deck folded up or removed.

1. Remove the three bolts on one end of the bracket and remove the three spacers.
2. Slide the bracket around the wire rope guide frame legs on the left or right side of the control valve. The heavy aluminum bar goes on the outside.
3. Replace spacers and bolts.
4. Bolt the bracket to the floor plate with the two bolts through the holes in the plate and into the cross bar.
5. Repeat for the other unit.
6. Assemble the platform in the same way as the ST-17 and ST-18 except the finger bolts go through the holes in the bracket.
7. Clamp the handrail bracket onto the wire rope guide frame with handrail clamps.

### Ladder-type aluminum planks

**Used with ST-17 or ST-18**

Use bracket SA-1082. It is designed for a plank 12-28 in. wide with a rail depth of 3¾-6 in.

### Assembly

1. Place the two Spiders on the ground under their rigging points with the aluminum plank between them.
2. Remove clamping screws and clamping bar. Place the triangular plate on the outside of the plank rail with the two studs on the top and bottom side rails, and the hole in the plate at the end of the plank.
3. Place the clamping bar over the two studs on the inside of the plank; insert the clamping screws. Pull the stud away from the rail so the clamp screw handle will clear the deck. Screw the clamp in part way, but don't clamp the rail.

**Warning**

Do not use equipment if bent, broken, damaged or weakened in any way, or if in doubt of its condition. Consult your employer, manufacturer, or authorized repair and maintenance representative. Remove weakened equipment from service immediately.

Thoroughly inspect all parts and fasteners as often as possible. Inspect for damage, corrosion, loose or missing parts, proper assembly, and wear.
4. Rest the top stud on the top rail. Pick up the plate until the bottom stud is against the bottom rail. Position the edge of the hole in the plate about 1 inch from the end of the ladder. Tighten the bottom clamp, and then the top clamp. Position top clamp handle on the deck to keep it out of the way. Repeat steps 1-4 for the other three attachments.

5. Cut a piece of 3/8-in. marine plywood (or equivalent) to cover the open area between the floorboard and the staging. It should overlap the side rails and the deck. Secure with bolts, washers and locknuts.

6. The Spider attachment bracket fits on the Spider frame by first removing the two 3/8-in. bolts from the fingers. Place the hooks over the skirting rail and the fingers into the skirting holes at the floorboard level. Place the bolts back into the fingers from the top and secure with the nut. Do not over-tighten.

7. Remove the U-bolts and the bar from the bracket. Remove the bolt and nut from one end of the bar; slide it through the holes in the plates attached to the plank. Replace the bolt and nut in the end of the bar.

8. The two grooves in the bar should line up with the U-bolts. Pick the plank up and set the bar down on the Spider brackets. Place the U-bolts over the bar at the grooves and through the holes in the bracket. Secure with lock washers and nuts.

9. Repeat for the other end. Erect the handrail uprights and handrails according to the plank manufacturer’s instructions. The tubular handrail can be secured to the Spider’s with handrail clamps. See the handrail clamp section of this booklet for assembly instructions.

**Transporting and storage**

If you need to separate the Spiders from the plank, remove the bolts from the fingers and lift up on the end of the plank, removing the attachment bracket from the Spider. Leave the bracket assembly assembled to the plank. Reverse the procedure to reassemble.

**Used with ST-19**

Use attachment bracket SA-3135. This bracket is designed for a plank 12-24 inches wide with a rail depth of 3¾-6 inches.

**Assembly**

1. Follow steps 1-5 in the ST-17 ladder instructions.

2. The bracket attaches to the Spider with three 3/8x2-in. bolts provided with each half.

3. Remove the appropriate bolts from the floorboard of each Spider and install the bracket with new bolts, flat washers, and lock washers.

4. Remove the U-bolts and the round bar. Slide the bar through the holes in the plank bracket.

5. Pick up the end of the plank and rest the bar on the Spider bracket. The U-bolt locating marks on the bar should line up with the holes in the bracket. Place the U-bolts over the bar and secure with the nuts and lock washers.

6. With both ends of the plank assembled, install the handrail and toeboards according to the plank manufacturer’s recommendations. The tubular handrail can be secured to the Spider’s with handrail clamps. Refer to the handrail clamp instructions in this manual.

**Used with ST-26**

Use bracket assembly SA-3056, which is designed to accommodate a plank 12-24 inches wide with a rail depth of 3¾-6 inches.

**Assembly**

1. Follow steps 1-5 in the ST-17 ladder instructions.

2. The two square bars that form the Spider bracket attach to the floorboard with the four 3/8-in. bolts and lock nuts. The pipe bar extends away from the control panel side of the stage. The wing deck can be folded up or removed.

3. The two brackets join together similar to steps 5-6 in the model ST-19 instructions.
**Rail clamps (SA-1045)**

The handrail clamp is used to join two pieces of 1¼-in. tubing at right angles or parallel.

**Installation**

Loosen the handle so it will fit over the pieces of tubing being joined. Hold the pieces together while hooking the clamp over one tube; screw the handle in until the saddle is seated over the other tube. Continue turning the handle until the clamp is secure.

**Inspection**

Inspect the clamp daily. Never use a bent or damaged clamp. Check the threads on the tee handle to make sure they are not fouled or damaged—this will prevent the clamp from being properly installed.

**Rollers**

**Philly wall roller (SA-1035)**

This roller is designed to attach to any side of an ST-17 or ST-18.

**Assembly**

Loosen the tee handle enough to allow the roller bracket to fit over the skirting rail of the Spider. Tighten the handle securely while making sure the swivel pad on the handle is properly seated against the skirting and rail.

**Adjustable face roller (SA-1036)**

This roller can be use on a model ST-17 or ST-18 and can be attached to the top rail, midrail or corner upright post. It is designed for use against relatively fragile structures. Wide rollers distribute weight evenly to prevent structural damage. The set includes 2 roller brackets, 4 rail clamps, and rollers.

**Assembly**

Slide the tee section of the roller assembly under or over the handrail. Secure the roller assembly to either the handrail or corner post with 4 handrail clamps. Handrail clamp instructions are available in this booklet.

**Adjustable wall bumper roller (SA-1037)**

These adjustable wall rollers let the operator adjust the distance between the rollers and the stage, as well as the distance between rollers. The roller assembly can be attached to any Spider by using handrail clamps.

**Assembly**

1. Attach the bumper brackets to the top rail, midrail, or corner posts with clamps. See the handrail clamp section of this booklet for instructions. Place the brackets 2-3 ft. apart with the rectangular frame vertical.
2. Slide a 2x4 (long enough to support the rollers at the intended span) through each bracket. The 2x4 should be of #1 grade lumber with no knots or cracks.
3. Slide the rollers over the end of the 2x4; clamp with the tee handle clamp.

**Boat style roller (5020-01)**

This roller is designed to be used with a modular platform.
Ground dolly (SA-1072, SA-3065)
The ground dolly allows the Spider to be rolled across hard smooth surfaces such as concrete or asphalt. To roll across a tar roof or dirt, use plywood or boards.

- SA-1072 is designed for the ST-17, ST-18, ST-180, or ST-27.
- SA-3065 is designed for the ST-19, but can also be used on the ST-17, ST-18, ST-180, or ST-27.

Assembly
1. If the Spider is not suspended, lay it down on its front or tripod side.
2. Loosen the J-bolt nuts, then attach the dolly to the base rocker of the Spider. For the best stability, put the forward set of wheels ahead of the centerline of the wire rope drum by about 3 inches.

Inspection
At the start of every work shift, inspect all rollers to make sure they are not damaged or broken and that all fasteners are installed and secured. Do not use the equipment if it needs repair. Spare parts and repair service are available from your local Spider representative.

CAUTION
A loaded dolly can tip over if wheeled onto rough ground or if pushed by the upper frame. Do not ride on the stage when it is on the ground. Make sure the dolly is securely attached to the Spider before raising it off the ground.
**Rigging equipment**

The rigging device and the adjoining structure should be capable of supporting the maximum rated load of the Spider (1,000-1,500 pounds with a safety factor of 4:1). Rig the device so the wire rope attachment is far enough from the structure to allow it to pass straight through the wire rope guide. A separate rigging method must be provided for the worker’s safety line.

**Inspection**

1. Inspect all rigging at the beginning of each shift. Look for missing or improperly secured fasteners and bent, broken or otherwise damaged parts. Do not use equipment if it needs repair. Order spare parts from your Spider service center.
2. Repairs should only be made by someone known to be trained and knowledgeable. The manufacturer’s minimum design specifications must be followed.

**Cable clamps**

Cable clamps are designed for attaching safety tieback lines, but their use is not recommended on the suspension wire rope. Always use the correct sized clamp and thimble for the wire rope sized being clamped. Use only fist-grip type clamps. Do not use U-bolt type clamps. Follow manufacturer’s instructions.

**Assembly**

1. Use at least three 5/16-in. clamps when forming an eye in a 5/16-in. wire rope.
2. Form a loop in the wire rope at least 12 in. long and install the first clamp about 9 in. down. Alternately tighten nuts until the clamp is secure.
3. Place the thimble in the eye and attach the second clamp as close as possible to the thimble.
4. Attach the third clamp between the other two. Torque all nuts to 30 ft-lbs.
5. When the wire rope is carrying a load, the nuts on the clips should be retorqued to 30 ft-lbs.

**Channel beam hook (SA-1579)**

This device has a maximum rated working load of 1,000 lbs. and is designed to be used on a structural channel section with depths from 6-15 in. Use only on a level beam that has the web set vertically.

**Assembly**

1. The hook attaches to the lower flange of the beam. Hold the hook horizontal with the opening toward the flange.
2. Rotate the hook vertically as you insert it over the flange.
3. Attach the suspension wire rope eye with a 5/8-in. shackle.

**Corner adapter (008812-1)**

The corner adapter joins modular platforms so workers can go around the corner of a building, or around circular structures. Angles from 0-120° are possible. A traction hoist mount is located on the corner. There are many possible platform configurations for this accessory; one of the more common is shown below. For information on additional configurations, contact the nearest Spider service center.

**Assembly**

1. Remove the 3 deck pins.
2. Connect platform units to the left and right gates as needed.
3. Rotate units to desired angle. Let deck plates overlap platform as needed.
4. Align deck plates with outer gates and install 2 end deck pins.
5. Center middle gate to the nearest deck hole and install center pin.
6. Raise handrail chains to correct height and adjust to keep them taut.

**WARNING**
Do not try to change the angle of the corner adapter while suspended.

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**End adapter stirrup (4971)**

This adapter is used at the ends of a modular platform to attach either a Spider basket or a traction hoist. The illustrations show the stirrup adapter, and the adapter joining a Spider with a platform.

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**End gate (008811-1)**

The end gate is typically used with the adjustable stirrup. It attaches to the end of a platform to close off the open end.

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**Assembly**

1. Lift the end of the modular platform. Position the lower pins of the platform into the pockets of the end adapter.
2. Insert the upper locking pins and secure them with the retaining clips.
3. **For a Spider basket:** remove the two 3/8-16 UNC x 3¾ bolts from the finger assemblies of the end adapter. Lift the end of the platform and position the fingers through the openings in the toeboard of the basket. Install the bolts through the fingers and holes in the floorboards; secure with locknuts. Do not over-tighten.
4. **For a traction hoist:** insert the stirrup frame of the traction hoist into the hoist mounts. Secure with ½-13 UNC bolts and locknuts. The bolts should be fully shanked through the hoist mount.

Repeat for the other end of the platform.

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**Assembly**

1. Position the gate so the bottom will fit between the upright tubes at the end of the platform. Move the gate so the upright tube at the end of the platform is between the gate tabs. Rotate the gate to engage both upright tubes, then swing it upright.
2. Insert locking pins and hair clips, then adjust handrail to correct height.

Reverse procedure to remove end gate.
Hinge (700229-1)
The hinge is designed for straight platforms connected to three or more hoists. Placing a hinge next to the center hoist allows the platform sections to pivot independently, eliminating the potential over-stress of the platforms or hoists.

Assembly
1. Loosen the four ½-13 UNC locknuts that secure the pin clamps. Do not remove the locknuts.
2. Line up the pin clamps with the bottom pins of the platform section. Tighten the locknuts until the pins are secure.
3. Join the other platform section to the hinge. Lift the end of the platform and maneuver it so the bottom pins fall into the pockets of the hinge connector. Insert the upper locking pins and secure with retaining clips.
4. Raise the handrail posts to the correct height; usually 36 inches. Place the free end of the hinge handrail over the platform handrail. Insert locking pins and secure with retaining clips.

I-beam clamps (SA-1039 and SA-1040)
These I-beam clamps have a maximum rated working load of 1,500 lbs. and are intended to be used on the bottom flange of a horizontal I-beam or structural T. The flange should not be narrower than 1 ½ in., and not wider than 4-in. (for SA-1039) or 8-in. (for SA-1040). The beam must be able to sustain the maximum rated working load with a safety factor of 4:1. SA-1040 is illustrated below.

Assembly
1. Loosen the clamp on the adjustable roller bracket enough for the threads in the bracket to clear the threads in the bar. Place the 5/8-in. shackle for the suspension wire rope on the bar, or loop the wire rope eye splice directly over the bar.
2. Extend the bracket far enough to allow the rollers to clear the width of the flange.
3. Set the fixed roller bracket against the flange edge, then bring the adjustable bracket against the opposite flange edge. Tighten the clamp on the adjustable roller bracket. There should be a 1/8-1/4 in. of clearance between the roller bracket and the flange.
4. Move the assembly back and forth on the beam to make sure it is correctly installed.
5. Connect the suspension wire rope eye to the shackle, if used. Use only bolt-type safety shackles.
**Thick flange adapter**

Used on flanges that are 1 3/8 in. to 2 3/4 in. thick.

1. Loosen the setscrew in the nut that holds the rollers on. Remove the nut and the socket head bolt from the bracket.
2. The flat head socket bolts go through the adapter plate and the roller bracket in place of the original rollers. Secure the hex nuts and reset the locking setscrews.
3. Assemble to the beam as described in *I-beam roller*.

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**Modular platform**

The modular platform is designed for high load capacity, long spans, and great flexibility. It is made up of three, five and ten foot platform sections that are joined with connectors. A 40-ft. platform has a maximum rated load of 1,000 lbs. A 50-ft. platform has a maximum rated load of 750 lbs. Use an end adapter stirrup to add Spider baskets or traction hoists.

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**Assembly**

1. Place platform sections end to end in a line.
2. Install connectors on the sections: lift end of section and hook bottom of connector around pin at bottom corner of section. Lower the section and install upper locking pins through the upper connectors and the top corner of the section.
3. Connect the platform sections: start at the section that has connectors installed. Position the pin at the bottom corner of the section to be joined onto the pockets of the connectors. Lift just behind the connector and install the remaining upper locking pins (2 total). Repeat until all sections are joined.

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**Outriggers**

**Portable outrigger**

The portable outrigger is intended to support a vertically hung suspended wire rope of a stage from a flat roof or floor of a building. When properly counterweighted, it has a rated working load of 1,000-1,500 lbs. Make sure the structure can support the rated load of the outrigger and counterweights.

**Assembling the 16-ft. split outrigger**

*(SA-10841, 700751-1)*

1. Connect the two halves of the outrigger beam together with the splice tube and two hitch pin assemblies, or with all the ½-16 UNC x 1½ bolts required with the splice plates. The counterweight bracket goes up on one end and the 5/8-in. bolt type anchor shackle hangs down on the other end.
2. If using a stanchion, place it as close as possible to the parapet wall. The beam goes through the lowest position possible. Avoid cable guide pull-in, and do not exceed beam load/reach rating (see label 4300 on your equipment).
3. Tighten the clamps on the stanchion and the sway brace.
4. Determine the correct number of counterweights from the counterweight chart label on the equipment. Place the first two counterweights down to support the end of the beam. Install the rest of the counterweights in the up position. Replace the shackle in the hole in the end of the bracket to make sure the counterweights do not accidentally slip off.
5. Install the suspension wire rope on the bolt-type anchor shackle. Be sure the shackle is installed in the hole at the end of the beam, and the bolt and nut are secured and tightened.
6. Tiebacks with strength equivalent to the hoisting ropes shall be installed without slack at any right angles to the building and be firmly secured to a structurally sound portion of the structure. This structure shall have the capability of supporting the maximum suspended load with a safety factor of not less than 4:1. If the tieback cannot be installed at right angles to the structure face, two tiebacks, without slack, shall be attached to each rope-supporting device to prevent movement in any direction.
**Assembling the 12 ft. outrigger (SA-1088)**

1. Clamp the wood block in place on the beam so there is enough thrust-out to allow the wire rope to pass straight through the cable guide. Place the block about 2-in. back from the edge of the structure. If used on a parapet wall, be sure the beam is supported by the block and not by the inside edge of the wall. Do not exceed beam load/reach rating (see label 4297 on your equipment).

2. Assemble the number of 50-lb. counterweights needed for the thrust-out (see label 4297). With the beam in place, thread the first two counterweights onto the bracket so they support the end of the beam. Thread the rest of the weights onto the bracket so they are off the deck, and then replace the shackle so the weights cannot slip off.

3. Install the suspension wire rope on the bolt-type anchor shackle. Make sure the shackle is installed in the hole at the end of the beam, and the bolt and nut are secured and tightened.

4. Install tiebacks (with strength equivalent to the hoisting ropes) without slack from the suspension rope eye at right angles to a structurally sound part of the building. This structure must be capable of supporting the maximum suspended load with a safety factor of at least 4:1. If the tiebacks cannot be installed at right angles, two tiebacks, without slack, shall be attached to each rope-supporting device to prevent movement in any direction.

**Rolling outrigger (SA-3728)**

This is an aluminum tube outrigger with an outreach of 14-50 inches, in 2-in. increments. Maximum load capacity is 1,000 lbs. This outrigger will clear a 52-in. parapet, and adjust to lengths of 16, 19, or 22 ft.

**Assembly**

Refer to instructions and illustrations on label 4360 on the outrigger.

1. Place the long stanchion leg at the curved end of the stanchion wheel support. Secure the U-bolt, nuts, and washers. Do not tighten yet.

2. Place the stanchion top/outrigger support on the long stanchion leg. Slide the short stanchion leg into the other stanchion top socket with the boss end toward the wheel mounting plate. Bolt the leg to the plate with the ½-in. x 1 ½-in. bolt and washer through the hole provided. Tighten all fasteners.

3. Assemble the 3-piece outrigger beam with the two 5/8-in. x 6½ long hex head bolts through the hole ‘A’. The shackle hangs down on one end and the counterweight plate is underneath the beam on the other end. Secure the counterweight bar to the beam with the 3/8-in. U-bolt and the 5/8-in. eyebolt. Tighten the fasteners.

**Note:** The beam can be assembled into three lengths. The longer the beam, the fewer counterweights are required.

4. With the stanchion upright, insert the rigging end of the outrigger beam to the desired thrust-out.

5. Insert the counterweight end into the other stanchion. Make sure both stanchion jacks are on the same side of the beam. Tighten the stanchion clamps onto the beam.

6. The diagonal brace goes on the left side of the outrigger when you are standing between the wheels and looking toward the counterweight end. Attach the lower end of the brace to the wheel support tube with the 3/8-in. U-bolt.

7. Refer to the counterweight chart label to determine the required number of counterweights. Place an equal number of counterweights on each side of the counterweight bar. If there are an odd number of weights, put the extra one on the stanchion jack side. Secure the counterweights with the 3/8-in. x 2-in. hex head bolts, nuts, and washers through the ends of the counterweight bar. The counterweights must resist overturning with a safety factor of at least 4:1.

8. Roll the outrigger into place. If wheels can damage the roof, lay down plywood sheets to roll the outrigger on. Screw the jack down until the main wheel just leaves the surface.

9. Connect the suspension line with the 5/8-in. screw pin shackle. Mouse the screw pin after securing.

10. Connect a tieback line of equivalent strength to the suspension line eye and thread it through the eyebolt located at the counterweight bracket. The tieback shall be installed without slack at right angles to the building and secured to a structurally sound member. If the tieback cannot be installed at right angles, two lines shall be attached without slack to prevent movement in any direction.
Rolling outrigger (4720-01, -02, -34)
This is a telescoping aluminum I-beam outrigger that can be used either as a simple beam outrigger, or with an adjustable support stand (SA-10841). Outreach range is 24-60 in. (in 6-in. increments). As a simple beam outrigger, the outrigger has an outreach of 24-40 in. Working load range varies depending on the reach; contact Spider.

The outrigger can be used in three ways:
- Rolling outrigger with casters
- Rolling outrigger with pneumatic tires
- Simple beam outrigger

Assembly
Refer to illustrations on label on rolling outrigger.

1. Insert extension legs into A-frames and secure with ½ x 4-in. bolts, lock washers and nuts.
   **Note:** There are 5 possible heights when using casters, 2 when using pneumatic tires.

2. Casters. Lift one end of A-frame and insert caster into bottom of extension leg. Secure with a ½ x 4½-in. bolt, lock washer and nut. Repeat for other legs. Pneumatic tires. Secure stirrup onto one of the extension legs using a ½ x 4½-in. bolt, lock washer and nut. Roll pneumatic tire assembly under A-frame and secure to bottom of other extension leg using a ½ x 4½-in. bolt, lock washer and nut. Repeat for other A-frame. **Note:** both jacks must be on the same side of the beam.

3. Assemble the 3-piece outrigger beam using four ½ x 7½-in. bolts, lock washers and nuts at one end and a pin at other end of center beam. **Note:** beam can be assembled to 5 possible spans. Longer beam requires fewer counterweights.

4. With one A-frame assembly upright, insert forward I-beam (rigging end) through A-frame to the desired reach and secure with a pin. **Note:** the short diagonal braces face inward at each end.

5. With other A-frame assembly upright, insert outrigger beam and secure with a pin.

6. Attach counterweight bars to rear A-frame only, using ¾ x 4½-in. bolts, lock washers and nuts.

7. **If using unit on a simple beam outrigger, assembly beam following step 3, then attach one counterweight bar across beam and additional counterweight support off beam end using ½ x 2½-in. bolts, lock washers and nuts. Support using blocking or Spider stand (SA-10842).**

8. Refer to label 4803 on your equipment for the required amount of counterweights. Counterweights must be loaded on bars as equally as possible. Counterweights must resist overturning by a load with a safety factor of at least 4:1.

9. Protect roof as necessary. Roll outrigger into place. Set brakes and swivel locks on casters or screw jack down on pneumatic tire assembly. **Note:** make sure beam is level in both directions and secure against movement.

10. Connect the suspension line to the 5/8-in. safety shackle and secure with cotter pin. The suspension line must be vertical.

11. Connect tieback line of equivalent strength to the suspension line eye and thread it through the top of each A-frame. If used as a simple beam, thread the line back through the shackle on the counterweight bar. The tieback line shall be installed without slack at right angles to the building and secured to a structurally sound building member. If the tieback cannot be installed at a right angle to the structure face, two lines shall be attached without slack to prevent movement in any direction.

Truss outrigger (4474 & 5019-01)
The truss outrigger has a maximum rated working load of 1,000 lbs (4474) or 1,500 lbs (5019-01) and is designed to be used when rigging on large horizontal I-beam trusses. It is especially useful when the suspension wire rope needs to be held a short distance away from the truss. The truss should be strong enough to sustain the applied load and to resist the torsional load that will be imposed upon it.

Assembly
1. Loosen the flange clamp and slide it away from the hook end far enough to allow the outrigger to rest on the top flange of the truss beam.

2. Push the hook onto the beam flange and slide the flange clamp up to the opposite flange edge. Pin the clamp in place and secure the pin with the clip. Securely tighten the T-handle setscrews at the hook end. The outrigger should be able to be lifted from the beam and replaced without further adjustment.

3. Adjust the wire rope suspension bracket to the desired portion. Pin the hanger bracket in place and secure the pin with a clip.

4. Attach the suspension line to the hanger bracket with a 5/8-in. bolt-type anchor shackle.
Rigging hook (SA-1001 & SA-1073)

Rigging hooks are designed for structural steel applications, particularly for I- and H-beams, and have a maximum rated working load of 1,500 lbs. The two models are for different sized beams. Use SA-1001 (identified by the slight dog leg shape of the eye) on beams with flanges wider than 6 in. Use SA-1073 on beams with flanges wider than 4 in.

Assembly
1. Thread the eye of the wire rope up through both hooks.
2. Pull the wire rope eye over the top of the second hook and seat it into place in the back of the hook.
3. To attach the hook to a beam set the fixed hook over one edge of the lower flange while placing the sliding hook over the opposite edge. Pull down hard on the wire rope to set the hook in place.

Roof hooks
Cornice hook (700558-12 and 700558-21)

Cornice hooks support the vertically hung suspension wire rope of a staging from a cornice or parapet. Cornice hook 700558-12 will fit a structure up to 12 in.; 700558-21 will fit up to 21 inches.

Both models have a maximum rated working load of 1,250 lbs. when used in the cornice or point-loaded condition. The parapet or cornice must be able to sustain the maximum rated working load with a safety factor of 4:1.

Assembly
1. Place the hook over the cornice or parapet wall with a block of wood between the point of the hook and the wall.
2. Attach the suspension wire rope to the hook with a shackle, and hold it away from the wall far enough to allow it to pass straight through the staging wire rope guide. You might need to use a standoff attachment. The standoff can be supplied with your Spider hook.
3. Tiebacks with strength equivalent to the hoisting ropes shall be installed without slack at right angles to the building and firmly secured to a structurally sound portion of the structure.

Parapet clamp (9-92 & 8-0044)

Parapet clamps are designed to support a suspension wire rope from a structural building parapet. Clamp 9-92 has a maximum rated load of 1,000 lbs; 8-0044 has a maximum rated load of 1,500 lbs. The building parapet must be capable of supporting the maximum rated load with a safety factor of 4. The reach on 9-92 is a maximum of 20 in., while the reach on 8-0044 is 24 in. maximum.

Assembly
1. Verify the structural integrity of the parapet and the tieback attachment before rigging.
2. Adjust the position of the front clamp and hanger bracket to achieve the required reach.
3. Turn the clamping screw so the plate is against the rear bracket. Adjust the rear bracket to match the thickness of the parapet.
4. Position the clamp over the parapet. Tighten the clamping screw to a maximum of 10 ft-lbs.
5. Attach the tieback line, making sure it is taut:
   - On Model 9-92, attach to the tieback bolt.
   - On Model 8-0044, attach to the eye splice of the safety cable as it extends from the back of the assembly.
6. Attach the suspension wire rope to the hanger bracket. Use only bolt-type anchor shackles. Tighten and secure all fasteners and shackles before using.
Parapet hooks support the vertically hung suspension wire rope of a staging from a parapet. The parapet must be able to sustain the maximum rated load with a safety factor of 4.

### Parapet hooks

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**WARNING**

Do not point load the parapet hook. Refer to label 700807 when rigging parapet hooks 700770-1, 700772-1 & 700773-1.

### Assembly

1. Place the hook over the parapet wall, with a block of wood between the point of the hook and the wall.
2. Attach the suspension wire rope to the hook with a shackle, and hold it away from the wall far enough to allow it to pass straight through the staging wire rope guide. You may need to use a standoff attachment. The standoff can be supplied with your Spider hook.
3. Tiebacks with strength equivalent to the hoisting ropes shall be installed without slack at right angles to the building and firmly secured to a structurally sound portion of the structure.
   - If the tieback cannot be installed at right angles to the structure face, two tiebacks, attached at opposing angles without slack, shall be attached to each rope-supporting device to prevent movement in any direction.

### Shackle

The shackle is for attaching the suspension wire rope eye to the rigging device when the rigging device does not provide for ready attachment. Use only bolt-type safety shackles; a 5/8-in. shackle is the minimum size that should be used and will fit most rigging devices.

### Installation

The wire rope can hang on either the shackle or the pin depending on the rigging device. Make sure the bolt is placed through the shackle, the nut is installed, and it is secured with the cotter pin.

### Stirrup (008810-1)

The adjustable stirrup allows for more flexibility in rigging the platform. The stirrup can be placed anywhere along the length of a platform, except at connection. This allows the stirrup to match existing rigging points. End gates are usually required to block off the open ends of the platform (see *End Gate*).

Cantilevering the ends of the platform is also possible, within limits. Contact your local Spider representative for more information. Do not exceed the 1,500 lb. maximum lifting capacity of the stirrup.

### Stirrup load limits

Refer to the cantilever platform chart label, 700117-1. This label provides allowable platform configurations, and the cantilever lengths, load ratings, and weights for each configuration. Contact Spider for more information.
**Tank top rollers**

*Pin style (700525-1)*

The tank top roller supports the suspension wire rope of a vertically hung staging from the roof of a storage tank. The maximum rated working load is 1,500 lbs.

**Assembly**

1. Verify with the structural engineer that the tank can safely support the rim and tieback loads listed below without permanent damage.

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* A – these loads include a safety factor of 4 based on the rated load.
* AB – combine tieback loads if more than one tank top roller is used.

[Example – if two are used at 1250 lbs. ea (rated load), 2 x 5000 lbs (tieback load) = 10,000 lbs.]

2. Position tank top roller as shown on label 700527-1. Maximum overhand distance must not exceed 19.5 in., measured from the suspension point to the edge of the tank with no slack in the tieback line.

3. Attach the tieback line from the tank roller to the center tank support. Use only industry approved IWRC wire rope with a breaking strength greater than 9,000 lbs. Use only industry approved thimbles and fist grips. **DO NOT SUBSTITUTE.**

4. Torque all fist grips to manufacturer’s specifications: 30 ft-lbs for 5/16 wire rope; 45 ft-lbs. for 3/8 wire rope.

5. Proof-load the complete structure at 125% of the rated load. Maximum reach should not exceed 12 in. from edge of tank.

6. Inspect tank, roller, and rigging for any signs of damage. Retorque all fist grips and recheck the 19.5 in. dimension under the no-load condition. This should be done at the start of each work shift. Do not use the equipment if anything is damaged.

**Transfer chain (SA-1002)**

The transfer chain is intended to support the weight of any Spider staging that is equipped with a chain guard on the fairlead. Its primary use is horizontal movement through structural steel, but can also be used for changing the suspension wire rope rigging location when you can’t bring the staging down to ground level. It has a maximum rated working load of 1,500 lbs.

**Assembly**

1. Pass the grab hook end of the chain through both legs of the tripod at the chain guard location. Be sure the chain goes through both loops on the chain guard. The loops are supports for the chain when not in use. Do not hang from loops.

2. Attach the grab hook onto any link of the chain below the rigging hook so that it forms a loop around the two legs of the tripod. Rig the double shackle safety so that each shackle is on one leg of the chain loop above the tripod chain guard. The length of the chain loop is determined by the rigging application.

**WARNING**

The double shackle is meant only as a safety backup. It should not be used as a primary transfer rigging.

3. Place the rigging hook (slip hook) over one edge of the beam flange and the free hook (sling hook) over the other edge.

4. Lower the staging until its weight is on the chain and the suspension wire rope has enough slack to allow the rigging equipment to be moved. Be sure to hold the wire rope to keep it from going slack on the drum. Use the tension-holding device if necessary.

5. The only time you will have to remove the suspension wire rope rigging from the beam is to get around an obstruction.
**Wire rope insulator (4897 or 4904)**

When welding from a suspended stage, it is important to insulate the wire rope from the overhead rigging. When used together with the arc guard kit, the chances of inadvertently cutting the wire rope with the welding arc are virtually eliminated. Observe the cautions regarding welding from suspended staging (see complete list of precautions at the beginning of this manual).

**Assembly**

1. Attach one eye of the insulator assembly to the overhead rigging point. It may be necessary to use a bolt-type anchor shackle.
2. Attach the other eye of the insulator assembly to the suspension wire rope. Use a bolt-type anchor shackle.
3. Secure and tighten the bolt, nut, and cotter pins of the shackles. Inspect the ceramic insulator block—do not use if damaged.
# Wire rope inspection report

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## Criteria for removal of rope from service

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