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SPORT/UTILITY BLADE **ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**

Sport/Utility Blade No. 61300 A, Q & L Box No. 61930 Hydraulics Box No. 56355 Headlamp Kit No. 61540 or 61550

ACAUTION

See your WESTERN® outlet for application recommendations. The Selection List has specific vehicle and snowplow requirements.



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SAFETY DEFINITIONS

AWARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious personal injury.

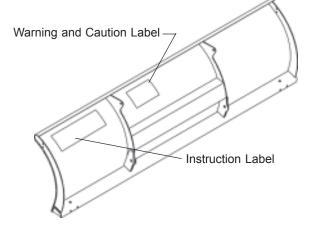
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Indicates a situation that, if not avoided, could result in minor personal injury and/or damage to product or property.

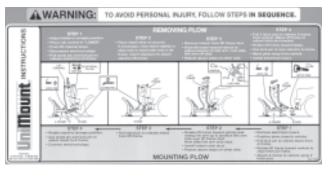
NOTE: Identifies tips, helpful hints and maintenance information the owner/operator should know.

SAFETY LABELS

Become familiar with and inform users about the warning and instruction labels on the back of the blade.



Instruction Label



Warning and Caution Label



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Improper installation and operation could cause personal injury, and/or equipment and property damage. Read and understand labels and the *Owner's Manual* before installing, operating, or making adjustments.

AWARNING

Lower blade when vehicle is parked. Temperature changes could change hydraulic pressure, causing the blade to drop unexpectedly or damaging hydraulic components. Failure to do this can result in serious personal injury.

WARNING

Remove blade assembly before placing vehicle on hoist.

AWARNING

Keep well clear of the blade when it is being raised, lowered or angled. Do not stand between the vehicle and blade or directly in front of blade. If the blade hits you or drops on you, you could be seriously injured.

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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS (CONTINUED)

AWARNING

The driver shall keep bystanders clear of the blade when it is being raised, lowered or angled. Do not stand between the vehicle and the blade or within 8 feet of a moving blade. A moving or falling blade could cause personal injury.

Keep hands and feet clear of the blade and A-frame when mounting or removing the snowplow. Moving or falling assemblies could cause personal injury.

Do not exceed GVWR or GAWR including blade and ballast. The rating label is found on driverside vehicle door cornerpost.

Refer to the current selection list for minimum vehicle recommendations and ballast requirements.

To prevent accidental movement of the blade, always turn the ON/OFF switch to OFF whenever the snowplow is not in use. The control indicator light will turn off.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- Wear only snug-fitting clothing while working on your vehicle or snowplow.
- Do not wear jewelry or a necktie, and secure long hair.
- Wear safety goggles to protect your eyes from battery acid, gasoline, dirt and dust.
- Avoid touching hot surfaces such as the engine, radiator, hoses and exhaust pipes.
- Always have a fire extinguisher rated BC handy, for flammable liquids and electrical fires.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION

A WARNING

Gasoline is highly flammable and gasoline vapor is explosive. Never smoke while working on vehicle. Keep all open flames away from gasoline tank and lines. Wipe up any spilled gasoline immediately.

Be careful when using gasoline. Do not use gasoline to clean parts. Store only in approved containers away from sources of heat or flame.

VENTILATION

A WARNING

Vehicle exhaust contains deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gas. Breathing this gas, even in low concentrations, could cause death. Never operate a vehicle in an enclosed area without venting exhaust to the outside.

BATTERY SAFETY

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Batteries normally produce explosive gases which can cause personal injury. Therefore, do not allow flames, sparks or lit tobacco to come near the battery. When charging or working near a battery, always cover your face and protect your eyes, and also provide ventilation.

Batteries contain sulfuric acid which burns skin, eyes and clothing.

Disconnect the battery before removing or replacing any electrical components.

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Always disconnect the battery before removing or replacing electrical components such as a motor relay or battery cable.

HYDRAULIC SAFETY

AWARNING

Hydraulic oil under pressure could cause skin injection injury. If you are injured by hydraulic oil, get medical attention immediately.

ACAUTION

Do not mix different types of hydraulic fluid. Some fluids are not compatible and may cause performance problems and product damage.

- Always inspect hydraulic components and hoses before using. Replace any damaged or worn parts immediately.
- If you suspect a hose leak, DO NOT use your hand to locate it. Use a piece of cardboard or wood.

TORQUE CHART

Read instructions before assembling. Bolts should be finger tight until instructed to tighten according to the torque chart. Use standard methods and practices when attaching snowplow including wearing safety glasses during cutting, drilling and welding.

Recommended Fastener Torque Chart (FtLb.)				
Size	SAE Grade 2	Grade 5	Grade 8	
1/4-20 5/16-18 3/8-16 3/8-24 7/16-14 1/2-13 9/16-12 5/8-11 3/4-10 7/8-9 1-8	6 11 19 24 30 45 66 93 150 202 300	9 18 31 46 50 75 110 150 250 378 583	13 28 46 68 75 115 165 225 370 591 893	
Metric Grade 8.8 (FtLb.)				
Size	Torque	Size	Torque	
M 6 M 8 M 10	7 17 35	M 12 M 14 M 16	60 95 155	
These torque values apply to mount assembly fasteners except those noted in the instruction.				

PLOW ASSEMBLY WITH SPORT UTILITY BLADE

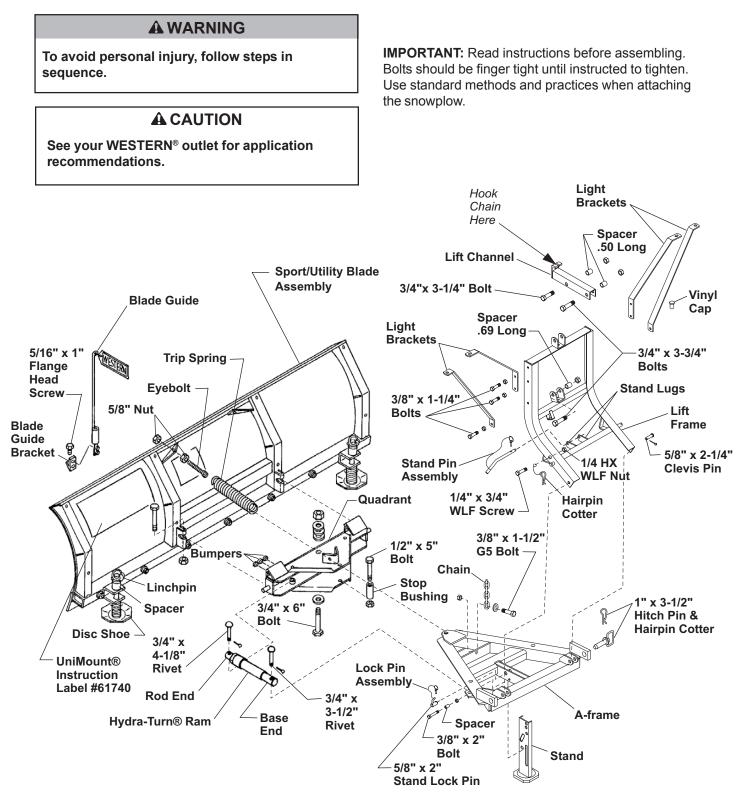


Figure 1

Assembling Quadrant to Blade

- Insert six bumpers into the holes in the quadrant. (Lubricate bumpers with liquid soap. Avoid cuts or tears.)
- Lay the blade face down on cardboard on the floor. Insert the quadrant pins into the blade slots. Secure with two 1/2" x 5" bolts and locknuts. DO NOT overtighten bolts.
- 3. Adjust disc shoes by placing 10 flat washers on bottom of shoe bracket and 3 washers and the spacer on top. Final adjustment is made with plow attached to vehicle.

Servicing the trip springs without special tools and knowledge could result in personal injury. See your authorized WESTERN[®] outlet for service.

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Over tightening springs will not increase blade trip force and can damage the springs.

4. Thread one 5/8" nut halfway down on each eyebolt. Hook each spring to an eyebolt and the quadrant bracket. Place the eyebolts through the holes in blade brackets and adjust trip spring tension by installing a second nut above each bracket. Tighten only until the coils begin to separate. (Instruction sheet should pass between the second and third coils.) Lock in place using the nut below the bracket.

Assembling A-frame To Quadrant

- Insert A-frame nose into the quadrant channel aligning A-frame nose hole with the center 3/4" hole in quadrant channel. Insert a 3/4" x 6" bolt with one flat washer from bottom and secure with three flat washers and locknut on top. DO NOT overtighten—A-frame should pivot freely.
- 2. Align stop bushing with 1/2" holes in quadrant. Secure using a 1/2" x 5" grade 5 bolt and locknut.
- Use a 3/8" x 1-1/2" grade 5 bolt with 3/8" SAE flat washer to attach end link of chain to hole in flat bar on A-frame and secure with a locknut. Attach chain to side of flat bar towards wide end of A-frame. (See Figure 2.)

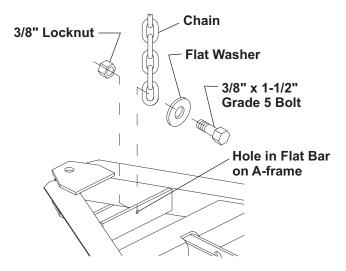


Figure 2 Chain Attachment to Back of Flat Bar

- 4. Insert rod end of each Hydra-Turn[®] ram into quadrant channel. Align rod holes with 3/4" holes in quadrant and insert 3/4" x 4-1/8" grade 5 rivet.
- 5. Attach base end of each ram (pipe plug facing out) to the side of A-frame with a 3/4" x 3-1/2" rivet.

Insert all rivets from the top and secure with cotter pins.

Assembling Stand To A-frame

If stand is already installed, proceed to Step 5 of this section.

- 1. Position the stand next to the center bars of the A-frame with the long slot towards the wide end of A-frame.
- 2. Insert the 9/16" outside diameter spacer into the top end of the long slot in the stand.
- 3. Holding spacer in place with a finger, insert the stand between the A-frame center bars and align spacer with small hole in center bars.
- 4. Secure spacer with a 3/8" x 2" bolt and locknut.
- 5. Hold stand perpendicular to A-frame. Align short slot in stand with large hole in center bars, and insert the lock pin assembly. Secure stand lock pin with a 3/16" linchpin.
- 6. Tip the plow assembly into plowing position.

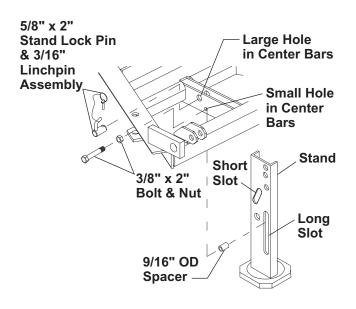


Figure 3 Assembling Stand to A-frame

Assembling Lift Frame To A-frame

- Lay lift frame on floor with curve up and ends of side angles positioned next to wide end of A-frame. Raise end of lift frame and align holes in side angles between inner pairs of lugs on wide end of A-frame.
- Secure lift frame to A-frame lugs with two 5/8" x 2-1/4" clevis pins inserted from the outside towards the center of the A-frame. Secure with cotter pins.

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Never use a finger to check an alignment. If the snowplow moves, your finger could be crushed.

- Rotate lift frame to align holes in stand lugs to bottom hole of three hole pattern in top of stand. Secure with a stand pin assembly using 3/16" linchpin.
- 4. Assemble a hairpin cotter through one eyelet of the 6" lanyard. Attach the other end to the hole in the lift frame located above the stacking stop bracket using the 1/4" flange bolt and nut.

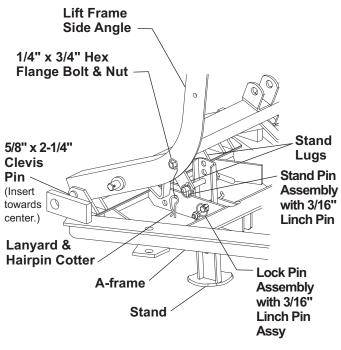


Figure 4 Lift Frame Pinned to A-frame and Stand

Assembling Lift Channel and Hydraulic Unit To Lift Frame

- Place the hole end of the lift channel between the lugs of the upper U-bracket on the lift frame. Insert a 3/4" x 3-3/4" bolt and secure with a .50" long spacer and locknut. **DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN** - lift channel must pivot freely.
- Position the hydraulic unit (found in hydraulics box), with the nameplate towards the blade, and with the base lug between the lugs of the lower U-bracket on the lift frame. Attach with a 3/4" x 3-3/4" bolt, a .69 long spacer, and a locknut. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN - hydraulic unit must pivot freely.
- Align hole in hydraulic unit lift ram with hole near hook on lift channel and attach with a 3/4" x 3-1/4" bolt, a .50 long spacer, and a locknut. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN - lift channel must pivot freely.
- Place second link of chain into hook of lift channel. (Final chain adjustment will be made after plow is mounted on vehicle.)

Assembling Hydraulic Fittings and Hoses

- (Hoses and fittings are in the hydraulics box.) Remove top two 1/4" pipe plugs from front face of valve on hydraulic unit. Install two 45° swivel fittings into pipe plug holes. Tighten fittings so the hose connections will be straight down in line with valve body. (See Figure 5.)
- Install a 1/4" street elbow into the threaded port in base end of each Hydra-Turn® ram. Tighten fittings so they are oriented 45° from vertical towards the blade. (See Figure 5.)
- 3. Install a hose into the street elbow on each Hydra-Turn ram. Tighten each hose.
- 4. Route both hoses in front of lift frame and from passenger side to driver side through hose loop on middle cross angle of lift frame.
- 5. Attach hoses to 45° swivel fitting on hydraulic unit as follows:
 - Passenger side hose to rear 45° swivel fitting.
 - Driver side hose to front 45° swivel fitting.

Remove twists from both hoses and tighten swivel connections.

DO NOT use pipe tape/sealant when connecting hoses to swivel fittings.

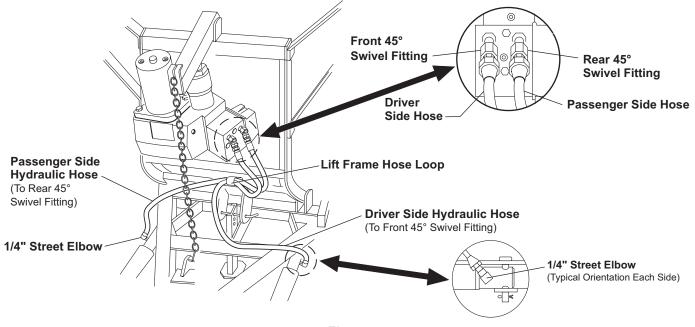


Figure 5 Hydraulic Fitting Orientation and Hose Routing

Assembling Light Brackets and Headlamps

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Do not position or align lights so that the beam is blocked by the raised blade

NOTE: Lights may be positioned lower than the hole locations allow. Using the existing holes as a guide for the top light bracket, position the lights where preferred. Using the existing light bracket holes as a guide, drill 3/8" diameter holes through the lift frame and attach brackets with provided 3/8" x 1-1/4" bolt and locknuts.

Two options for headlamp mounting height are available through 5 holes in the lift frame side angles. The difference in height between the two positions is 3-3/16". Sport/Utility blades normally use the lower mounting holes.

- Align two holes of two top light brackets with the second and third holes in lift frame side angles. Loosely attach with two 3/8" x 1-1/4" bolts and locknuts on each side.
- Loosely attach the small hole end of the two bottom light brackets to the lowest hole in each lift frame side angle with a 3/8" x 1-1/4" bolt and locknut on each side.

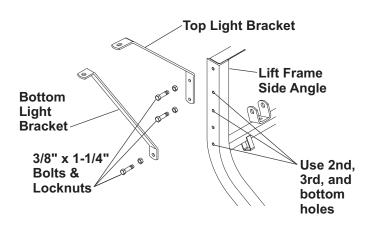


Figure 6 Light Bracket Installation

- Assemble headlamps (found in headlamp kit) to the light brackets, placing the headlamp swivel above the bracket. Loosely attach with lock washers and nuts below the brackets.
 Aim headlamps when plow is attached to vehicle.
- 4. Tighten bolts holding light brackets to lift frame.
- 5. Install vinyl caps on headlamp mounting studs.

Assembling Hydraulic Unit Wiring

- 1. Route wiring harness from headlamps along top light brackets and across back of lift frame to driver side of lift frame. Use any excess harness to make a drip loop under each headlamp. Secure harness to each light bracket with two short cable ties, and to top angle of lift frame with a long cable tie.
- 2. Remove cover from valve manifold on hydraulic unit. Route branch of harness with loose wires to manifold. Apply dielectric grease (P.N. 56099, furnished in hydraulics box) into the opening of each wire terminal before connecting to coil terminals as shown on label inside of cover.

NOTE: Dielectric grease has been applied to coil terminals. DO NOT wipe off terminals.

- 3. With harness strain relief inside cover at slot and black/orange wire outside of cover, replace cover and secure with screws.
- 4. While allowing slack in harness to hydraulic unit, secure harness to inside of lift frame side rail with two long cable ties.

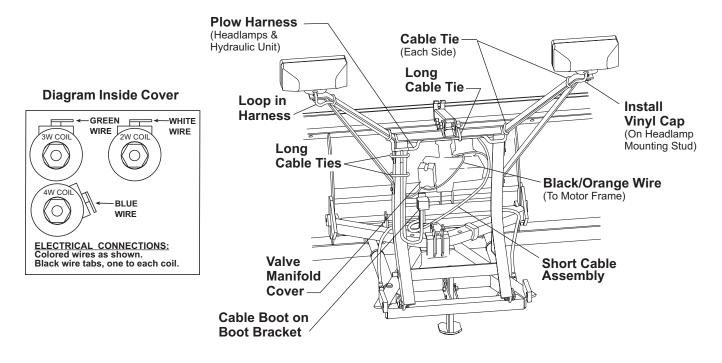


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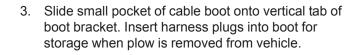
Assembling Battery Cable To Motor

Apply a light coating of dielectric grease to connectors before assembly.

NOTE: Retain dielectric grease tube for use during vehicle mount installation. Pass tube on to end user.

All parts installed in this section are found in the hydraulics box.

- 1. Attach black/red battery cable to motor terminal on hydraulic unit. Secure nut to 50-60 in. lbs.
- 2. Attach black battery cable (without a stripe) and the black/orange wire from under the valve manifold cover to the ground stud. Secure nut to 50-60 in. lbs.



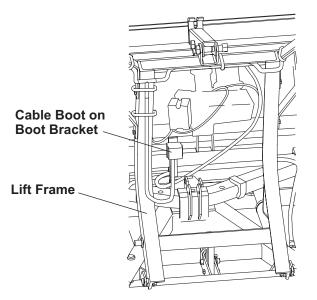


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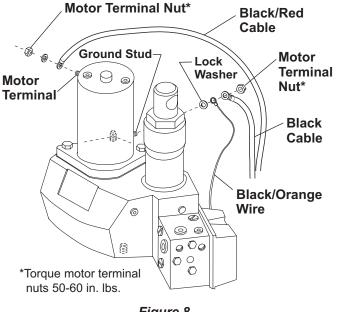
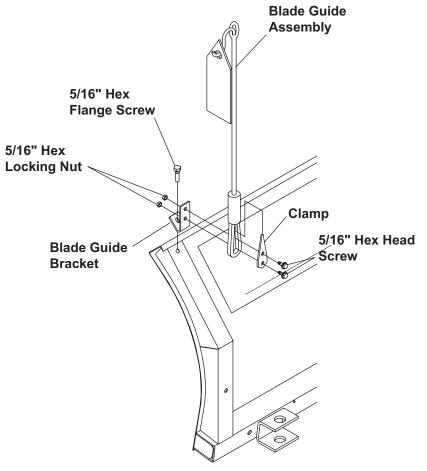


Figure 8

BLADE GUIDE ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Attach blade guide bracket to outer rib using 5/16" Hex Flange Screw as shown.
- 2. Insert pointed end of clamp into coil of the blade guide rod. Attach a blade guide rod to each outer rib using 5/16" x 1" cap screws and locknuts as shown.







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