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Spring, Connecting Link & U-Bolt Kit

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

A CAUTION

Read this document before installing the spring, connecting link, and U-bolt kit.

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Use standard methods and practices when attaching snowplow and installing accessories, including proper personal protective safety equipment.

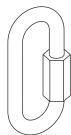
- Park the vehicle on a smooth, level, hard surface, such as concrete. Lower the blade to the ground. Place the control in FLOAT and manually collapse the lift ram. Turn the control OFF. Turn the vehicle ignition to the "OFF" position and remove the key.
- Assemble a nut fully onto each side of the U-bolt.
 Pass the U-bolt through the loop at one end of
 the spring and insert the U-bolt into the holes on
 the center tab on the A-frame or T-Frame. Secure
 with two locknuts.

3. When the blade is lowered, the lift chain spring provides slack in the lift chain for ease of mounting and dismounting the blade.

Your snowplow application may use either a lap link or a quick link to connect the lift chain and spring.

Lap Link Quick Link

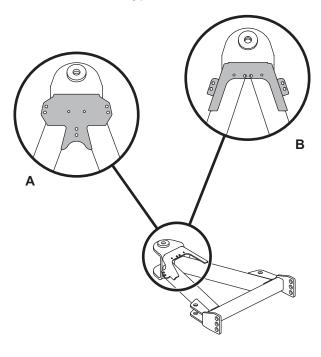




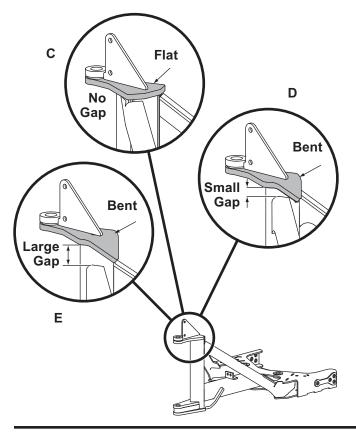
Refer to the table below to determine which link in the driver-side lift chain to use as the attachment point for the spring. For XLS^{TM} and $XtremeV^{TM}$ snowplows, also refer to the A-frame and T-frame diagrams that follow.

Connecting Link Attachment Point				
Snowplow	A-Frame/ T-Frame	Number of Links from Driver-Side U-Bolt		
		Lap Link	Quick Link	
XLS	Α	8	9	
	В	14	14	
XtremeV	С	7	8	
	D	7	8	
	E	8	9	
XV2™	_	-	9	
SD	_	8	9	
MC	_	8	9	
HD/XBLADE™	_	6	7	
HD2™/HDX™	_	_	14	
HC	_	-	8	
EZ-V® 7'6"	_	_	9	

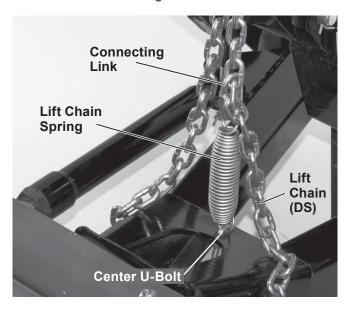
A-Frame Types, XLS™ Blades



T-Frame Types, XtremeV™ Blades



- 4. Count the links, beginning with the one attached to the driver-side U-bolt. Insert the connecting link through the lift chain link selected.
- 5. Attach the spring loop to the connecting link.
- 6. Close the connecting link.



LIFT CHAIN SPRING ADJUSTMENT

If you encounter mounting or dismounting difficulty, the attachment point of the connecting link and spring can be changed to add or remove slack.

If there is not enough slack in the lift chain, there will be difficulty getting the connecting pins to engage the vehicle pushplates while pushing back on the headgear. Adjust the connecting link up one link from the factory setting.

If there is too much slack in the lift chain, adjust the connecting link *down* one link from the factory setting.

Moving the connecting link more than one chain link higher or lower than the original factory setting is not recommended.

FINAL ADJUSTMENTS

A WARNING

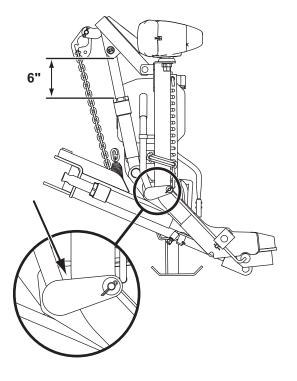
Keep 8' clear of the blade when it is being raised, lowered, or angled. Do not stand between vehicle and blade or directly in front of the blade. If the blade hits or drops on you, you could be seriously injured.

With the snowplow attached to a properly ballasted vehicle and the blade lowered to the ground, the A-frame/T-frame should be parallel with the ground.

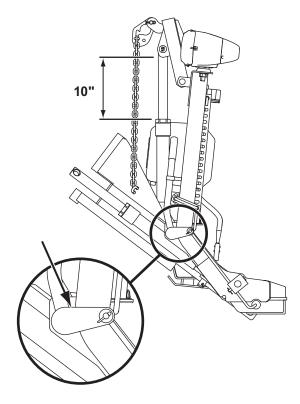
SD Series, HD Series, HD2[™], HDX[™], XLS[™], XtremeV[™], XV2[™] & EZ-V[®] 7'6" Blades Only

 Adjust the length of the lift chain so that the A-frame/T-frame hits the A-frame/T-frame stacking stops (XLS, XtremeV, XV2, EZ-V 7'6", and some HDX installations) or the lower portion of the headgear (SD Series, HD Series, HD2, and some HDX installations), when the lift ram is fully extended (6" for SD Series, 10" for all others).

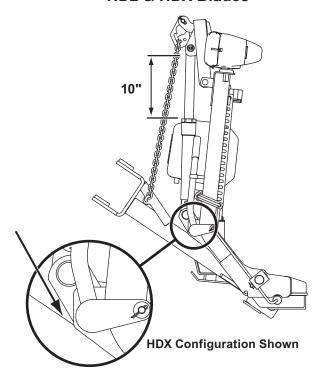
SD Series Blades

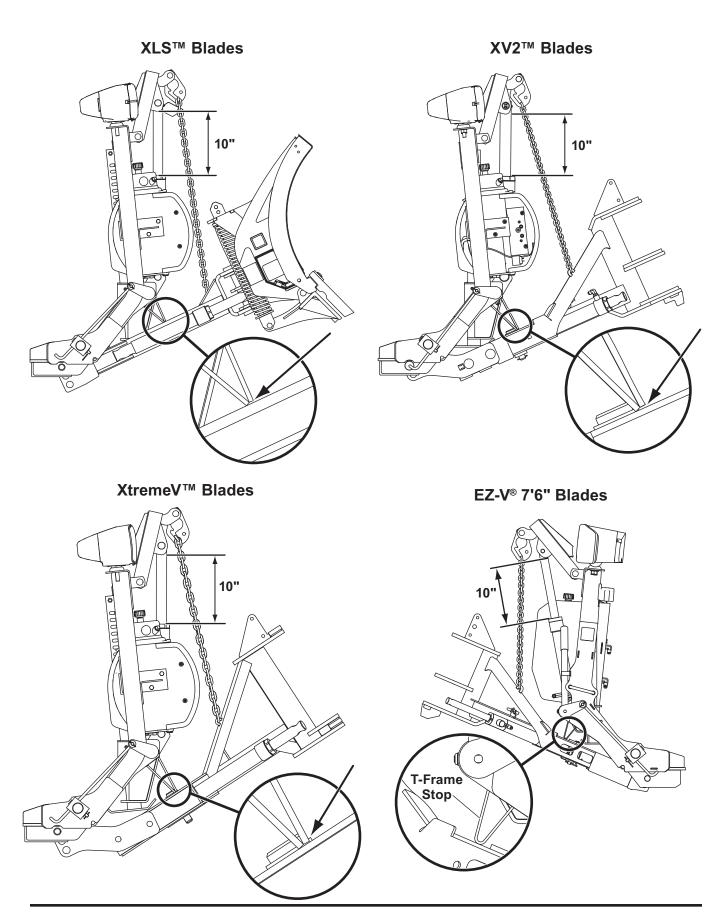


HD Series Blades



HD2 & HDX Blades



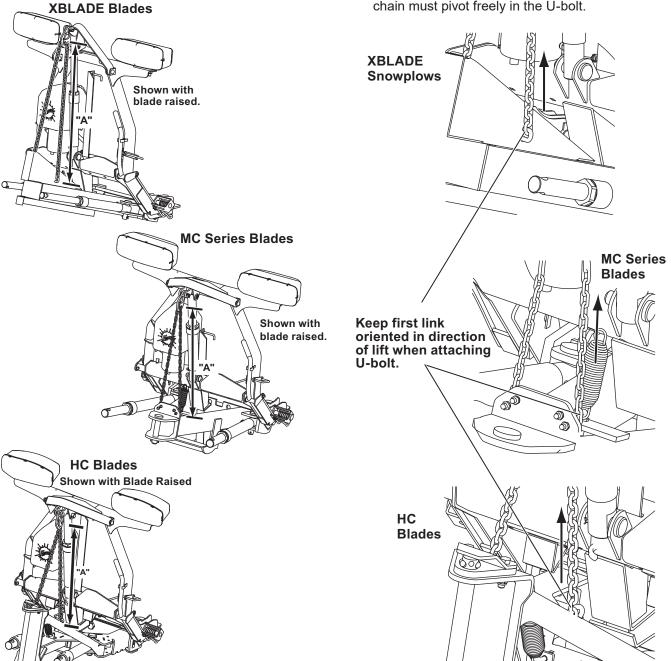


XBLADE™, MC Series & HC Blades Only

 To prevent the blade from blocking the snowplow headlamps during travel, adjust the chain to the minimum length indicated in the chart below. (Chain will be slack.)

A-Frame	Minimum Dimension "A"		
Adjustment Holes	XBLADE	MC Series	HC
Тор	29.0"	30.0"	30.0"
Middle	28.5"	28.5"	29.0"
Bottom	28.0"	27.0"	28.0"

- Remove the U-bolt securing the lift chain on the passenger's side of the A-frame/T-frame. Reposition the U-bolt in the chain so the chain is the same length as the chain on the driver's side.
- Reattach the U-bolt and loose end of the lift chain to the passenger's side of the A-frame/T-frame using the hardware removed in the previous step. The chain must be the same length on both sides.
- 4. Fully tighten the U-bolts, with the chain oriented in the direction of lift, before lifting the blade. The chain must pivot freely in the U-bolt.



XLS™ Blades Only

Fully angle the blade in raised and lowered positions. Adjust the hose fittings and wraps so that the hoses do not contact the vehicle bumper, have no sharp bends, and are wrapped at contact points with the headgear and blade.

XtremeV™ and XV2™ Blades Only

Raise and lower the snowplow in the fully retracted (vee) position to verify that the hydraulic hoses bow outward and do not interfere with snowplow components.

NOTE: For XtremeV blades, ensure that the base-end angle ram hoses are wrapped over the diagonal brace. Adjust hoses, fittings, and wraps as necessary to prevent any hoses from being pinched.

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