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Regular and High Capacity Hopper Spreader

Installation Instructions



A CAUTION Read this document before installing or operating the spreader.

These Installation Instructions are for FISHER® Regular and High Capacity Hopper Spreaders with serial numbers 4809–5644.

SAFETY DEFINITIONS

A WARNING

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

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

NOTE: Indicates a situation or action that can lead to damage to your spreader and vehicle or other property. Other useful information can also be described.

WARNING/CAUTION LABELS

Become familiar with and inform users about the warning and caution labels on the spreader.

NOTE: If labels are missing or cannot be read, see your sales outlet.

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.

A WARNING

- Driver to keep bystanders minimum of 25 feet away from operating spreader.
- Before working with the spreader, secure all loose-fitting clothing and unrestrained hair.
- Before operating the spreader, verify that all safety guards are in place.
- Before servicing the spreader, wait for conveyor, auger, and spinner to stop.
- Do not climb into or ride on spreader.

A WARNING

Overloading could result in an accident or damage. Do not exceed GVWR or GAWR ratings as found on the driver-side vehicle door cornerpost. See Loading section to determine

maximum volumes of spreading material.

Do not install the control for this product in the deployment path of an air bag. Refer to vehicle manufacturer's manual for air bag deployment area(s).

A WARNING



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

A CAUTION

If rear directional, CHMSL light, or brake stoplights are obstructed by the spreader, the lights shall be relocated, or auxiliary directional or brake stoplights shall be installed.

During the hopper installation we recommend the addition of an OSHA compliant Backup Alarm. This alarm is required for OSHA governed employers.

- Do not operate a spreader in need of maintenance.
- Before operating the spreader, reassemble any parts or hardware removed for cleaning or adjusting.
- Before operating the spreader, remove materials such as cleaning rags, brushes, and hand tools from the spreader.
- Before operating the spreader, read the engine owner's manual, if so equipped.
- While operating the spreader, use auxiliary warning lights, except when prohibited by law.
- Tighten all fasteners according to the Torque Chart. Refer to Torque Chart for the recommended torque values.

Disconnect electric and/or hydraulic power and tag out if required before servicing or performing maintenance.

DO NOT leave unused material in hopper. Material can freeze or solidify, causing unit to not work properly. Empty and clean after each use.

NOTE: Lubricate grease fittings after each use. Use a good quality multipurpose grease.

FUSES

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The electrical system contains several blade-style automotive fuses. If a problem should occur and fuse replacement is necessary, the replacement fuse must be of the same type and amperage rating as the original. Installing a fuse with a higher rating can damage the system and could start a fire. Fuse Replacement, including fuse ratings and locations, is located in the Maintenance section of the Owner's Manual.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- Remove ignition key and put the vehicle in park or in gear to prevent others from starting the vehicle during installation or service.
- Wear only snug-fitting clothing while working on your vehicle or spreader.
- 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

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.

CELL PHONES

A driver's first responsibility is the safe operation of the vehicle. The most important thing you can do to prevent a crash is to avoid distractions and pay attention to the road. Wait until it is safe to operate Mobile Communication Equipment such as cell phones, text messaging devices, pagers or two-way radios.

VENTILATION

A WARNING

Vehicle exhaust contains lethal fumes. Breathing these fumes, even in low concentrations, can cause death. Never operate a vehicle in an enclosed area without venting exhaust to the outside.

BATTERY SAFETY

A CAUTION

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.

NOISE

Airborne noise emission during use is below 70 dB(A) for the spreader operator.

VIBRATION

Operating spreader vibration does not exceed 2.5 m/s² to the hand-arm or 0.5 m/s² to the whole body.

TORQUE CHART

A CAUTION

Read instructions before assembling. Fasteners should be finger tight until instructed to tighten according to the Torque Chart. Use standard methods and practices when attaching spreader, including proper personal protective safety equipment.

Recommended Fastener Torque Chart							
Inch Fasteners Grade 5 and Grade 8							
Size	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)			
	Grade 5	Grade 8	Size	Grade 5			
1/4-20	8.4	11.9	9/16-12	109	154		
1/4-28	9.7	13.7	9/16-18	121	171		
5/16-18	17.4	24.6	5/8-11	150	212		
5/16-24	19.2	27.3	5/8-18	170	240		
3/8-16	30.8	43.6	3/4-10	269	376		
3/8-24	35.0	49.4	3/4-16	297	420		
7/16-14	49.4	69.8	7/8-9	429	606		
7/16-20	55.2	77.9	7/8-14	474	669		
1/2-13	75.3	106.4	1-8	644	909		
1/2-20	85.0	120.0	1-12	704	995		
Metric Fasteners Class 8.8 and 10.9							
	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)			
Size	Class 8.8	Class 10.9	Size	Class 8.8	Class 10.9		
M6 x 1.00	7.7	11.1	M20 x 2.50	325	450		
M8 x 1.25	19.5	26.9	M22 x 2.50	428	613		
M10 x 1.50	38.5	53.3	M24 x 3.00	562	778		
M12 x 1.75	67	93	M27 x 3.00	796	1139		
M14 x 2.00	107	148	M30 x 3.50	1117	1545		
M16 x 2.00	167	231	M33 x 3.50	1468	2101		
M18 x 2.50	222	318	M36 x 4.00	1952	2701		
These torque values apply to fasteners except those noted in the instructions.							

These instructions cover vehicles which have been recommended for carrying the hopper spreader. Please see your local dealer for proper vehicle applications.

CERTIFICATION

A WARNING

New untitled vehicle installation of a spreader requires National Highway Traffic Safety Administration altered vehicle certification labeling. Installer to verify that struck load of snow or ice control material does not exceed GVWR or GAWR rating label and complies with FMVSS.

Overloading could result in an accident or damage. Do not exceed GVWR or GAWR as found on the driver-side cornerpost of vehicle.

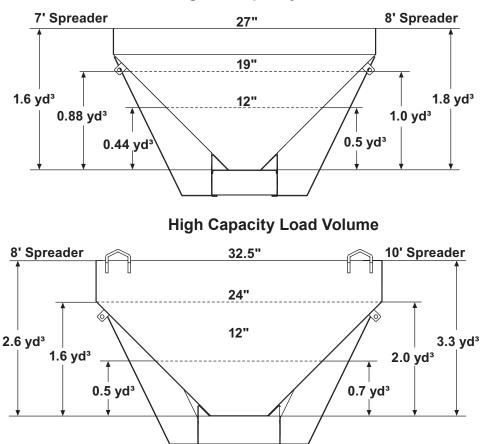


Read and adhere to manufacturer's ice-control material package labeling including, Material Safety Data Sheet requirements.

MATERIAL WEIGHTS

	Density				
Material	(lb/ft ³)	(lb/yd³)	(kg/m³)		
Salt	80	2160	1282		
Sand	100	2700	1602		

Material densities are approximate and are based on dry, loose material. It is the responsibility of the operator to know the weight of the material to be spread and the vehicle carrying capacity.



Regular Capacity Load Volume

Mounting the Spreader onto the Vehicle

NOTE: Periodically throughout the snow and ice control season, verify that mounting devices are secure.

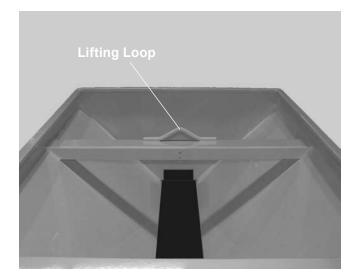
1. Remove the tailgate from the truck.

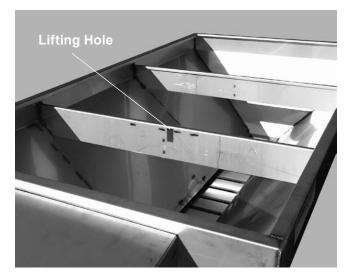
Before lifting, verify hopper is empty of material. The lifting device must be able to support the spreader's weight.

2. Lift the spreader. See appropriate instructions below.

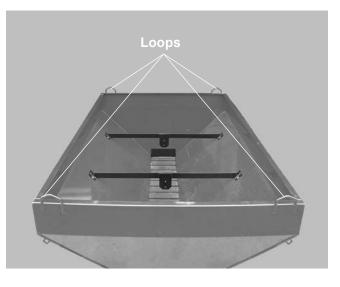
Regular Capacity: Lift spreader by hooking the loop (mild steel) or hole (16-gauge stainless steel) located on rear cross channel inside hopper.

NOTE: The loop or hole is located at the approximate balance point of the spreader. The balance point may vary with engine fluid levels, battery, top screen, or residual material in hopper.

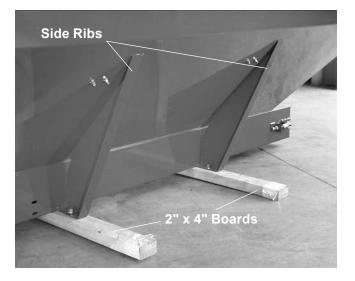




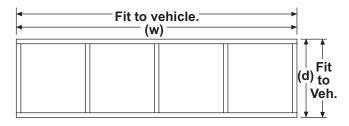
High Capacity: Lift spreader by hooking all four loops located at the corners of the hopper.



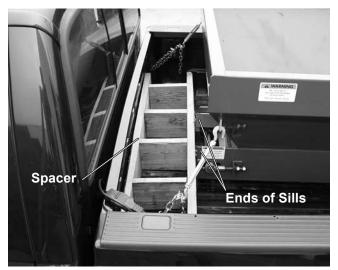
 Before lowering the spreader, place lengths of lumber (2" x 4" x 48" minimum) under the side ribs. By elevating the spreader off of the vehicle, it is easier to remove excess material that accumulates under the spreader.



- 4. Center the spreader on the vehicle with the end of the spreader sills 11" to the rear of the nearest vertical obstructions (bumper, trailer hitch, etc.).
- 5. Measure the distance from the front of the truck bed to the sills and make a spacer to place between the bed and the rails.







A WARNING

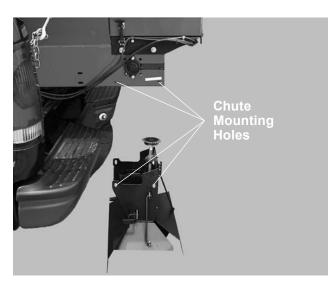
Spreader shall be bolted to vehicle frame. Do not rely on the tie-down chains or straps alone to hold spreader in vehicle.

6. Bolt the spreader to the vehicle frame through the lengths of lumber using the holes located at each lower support leg. Use 1/2" hardware as required by vehicle application. If 2 x 4s are not directly over the truck box supports, the truck bed must be braced to the frame to prevent buckling or deforming the truck bed.

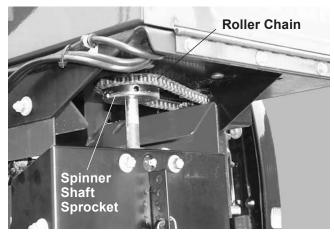
NOTE: Pay special attention when drilling or clamping dissimilar metals to aluminum bodies. Galvanic corrosion can occur if not handled properly. Contact vehicle manufacturer for recommended attachment practices.

Chute Assembly

- 1. *High Capacity 31" Chute Only:* Remove the access panel on the back of the chute housing
- Loosely attach the chute assembly using four 3/8" x 3/4" carriage bolts, flat washers, lock washers, and nuts with the heads of the fasteners on the inside of the chute.

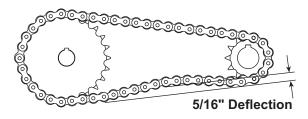


- 3. Push the chute assembly toward the front of the vehicle. DO NOT tighten the bolts at this time.
- 4. Install the roller chain between the spinner shaft sprocket and the gear case sprocket with the master link.



5. Verify the sprockets are in line and *the set screws are tight.*

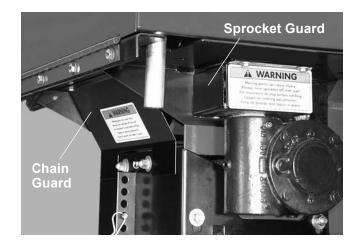
6. To adjust roller chain tension, loosen the spinner shaft bearing bolts and move the spinner shaft away from the gear case. Correct chain tension allows a 5/16" deflection midway between the sprockets. Make sure the spinner shaft is vertical and the sprockets are lined up before retightening the fasteners.



7. Additional chain tension may be applied by pulling the chute assembly toward the rear.

Overtightening the roller chains may damage the bearings on the gear case, the engine, and/or the spinner shaft. Overtightening will also shorten the life of the roller chain and of the sprockets.

- 8. Tighten all fasteners according to the torque chart.
- 9. Install the chain guard using 1/4" x 3/4" hex cap screws, lock washers, and nuts.
- 10. Install the sprocket guard using 3/8" carriage bolts, lock washers, and nuts.
- 11. *High Capacity 31" Chute Only:* Secure the access panel onto the chute housing.



Wire Harness Installation

NOTE: Use dielectric grease on all electrical connections.

1. All spreaders are shipped from the factory with the spreader harness wired to the engine, clutch, and electric throttle.

All Spreaders: Attach the spreader harness to the side of the spreader using pre-drilled holes, #6 clamp loops, and tap screws.

- 2. Plug the vehicle harness into the spreader harness.
- 3. Lay out a path for routing the vehicle harness into the cab through the floor of the truck checking that the vehicle harness avoids any hot or moving parts of the truck. The routing will vary from truck to truck.

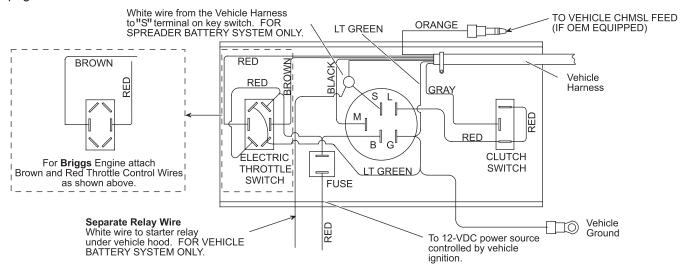
- 4. Identify a convenient location for the cab control that can be reached by harnesses and wiring.
- 5. Drill a 5/8" hole in the floor so that the vehicle harness can reach the desired cab control location.

Before drilling any holes, check both sides of the material for any wires, fuel lines, fuel tanks, etc., that may be damaged by drilling.

- 6. Insert the rubber grommet into the hole.
- 7. Route the harness into the desired location.
- 8. Secure the harness to the truck. Verify the harness cannot drop onto the road when it is disconnected from the spreader.

Standard Cab Control Installation

For premium cab control wiring instructions, see next page.



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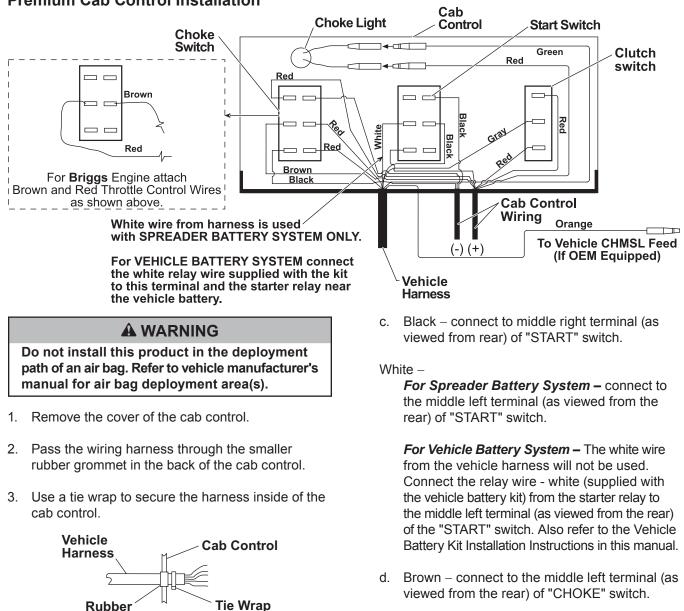
Do not install this product in the deployment path of an air bag. Refer to vehicle manufacturer's manual for air bag deployment area(s).

- 1. Use a #6 clamp loop to secure the vehicle harness to the cab control.
- 2. Connect the vehicle harness wires to the spreader cab control electrical terminals.
 - a. *For Spreader Battery System ONLY:* Connect the white wire from the vehicle harness to the "S" terminal on the key switch.
 - b. For Vehicle Battery System ONLY: The white wire from the vehicle harness will not be used. Connect the separate relay wire – white (supplied with the vehicle battery kit) from the starter relay to the "S" terminal on the key switch. Also refer to the Vehicle Battery Kit Installation Instructions in this manual.

A CAUTION

Use tape or grommets to protect the wire harness from abrasion and cutting caused by sharp edges during installation and operation.

- 3. Connect the light green wire from the vehicle harness to known ground on the vehicle.
- 4. Connect the power wire red to an accessory wire/terminal that is controlled by the vehicle's ignition switch.
- 5. Fabricate any needed brackets and fasten cab control into the cab of the truck.



Premium Cab Control Installation

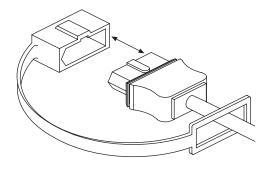
Grommet

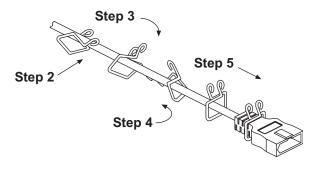
Use tape or grommets to protect the wire harness from abrasion and cutting caused by sharp edges during installation and operation.

- 4. Separate the wires and do the following with each wire.
 - a. Orange loop it around and pass it out the large rubber grommet in the back of the cab control.
 - b. Gray connect to middle terminal of "CLUTCH" switch.

- e. Red connect to the middle right terminal (as viewed from the rear) of "CHOKE" switch.
- f. Green connect to yellow wire of choke light.
- 5. Connect the black wire from the cab control to a known ground on the vehicle.
- 6. Connect the red (power) wire to an accessory wire/terminal that is controlled by the vehicle's ignition switch
- 7. Replace the cab control cover and fasten the cab control in the cab of the truck.

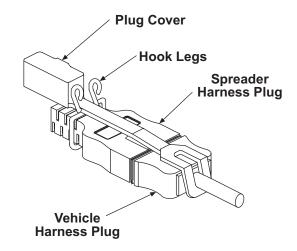
1. Install the plug cover as shown.





- 2. Position the legs of the hook over the spreader harness.
- 3. Twist the hook to spread the wire.
- 4. Rotate the hook and push over the spreader harness.
- 5. Squeeze the legs of the hook together and slide the hook over the spreader harness plug.

6. After connecting the spreader harness plug with the vehicle harness plug, secure the plug cover into the legs of the hook.



Spreader Battery Kit Installation

NOTE: Apply dielectric grease to all electrical terminals before assembly.

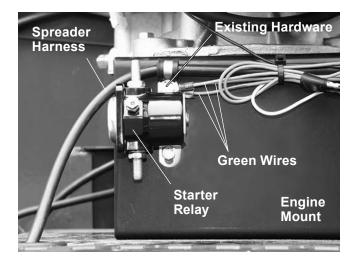
Battery Safety

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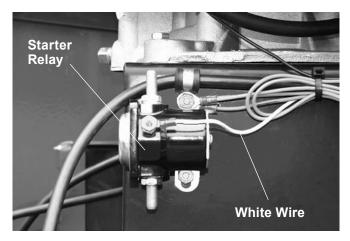
- Batteries contain sulfuric acid which burns skin, eyes, and clothing.
- Disconnect the battery before removing or replacing any electrical components.
- 1. Install a 12-Volt battery with a minimum of 400 cold cranking amp rating. The battery box will accept any group 65, 64, 27, 24, or 22 series top terminal battery.



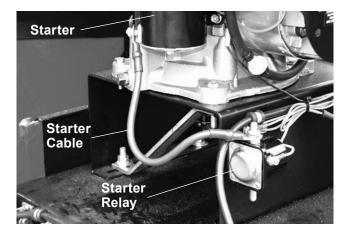
 Mount the starter relay to the engine mount using the existing hardware and an additional 1/4"-20 cap screw, external tooth lock washer, and nut. Reconnect the three green wires, the spreader harness, and the #6 clamp loop to the upper starter relay mounting bolt.



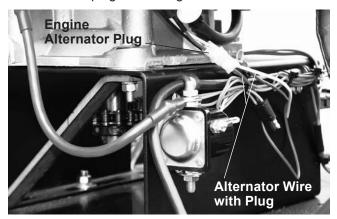
3. Connect the white wire from the spreader harness to the primary terminal of the starter relay.



4. Connect the starter cable from the starter to one of the large secondary terminals on the starter relay.

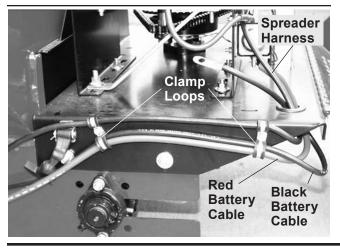


5. Connect the alternator wire with plug to the alternator plug on the engine.



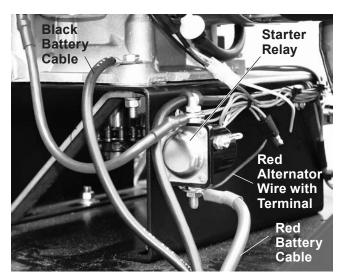
6. Route the battery cables as shown. Secure with #10 clamp loops.

NOTE: Use the fasteners that secure the spreader harness for securing the spreader cable.



7. Connect the alternator wire with plug and the red battery cable to the unused secondary terminal of the starter relay.

NOTE: The white alternator wire is not used.



- 8. Connect the red battery cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminal of the battery.
- 9. Attach one end of the black battery cable to the spreader engine mounting flange using the existing 5/16" cap screw, nut, lock washer, and supplied flat washer.
- 10. Attach the supplied green spreader ground wire to the spreader in a convenient location. Attach the other end of the spreader ground wire to a convenient ground point on the truck.

NOTE: When installing a hopper spreader with a spreader battery kit, a ground must be provided between the spreader and the truck.

11. Connect the unused end of the black battery cable to the NEGATIVE (–) terminal of the battery.

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Vehicle Battery Kit Installation

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- Batteries contain sulfuric acid which burns skin, eyes, and clothing.
- Disconnect the battery before removing or replacing any electrical components.

NOTE: Apply dielectric grease to all electrical terminals before assembly.

Battery

- 1. Verify vehicle battery is in good condition.
- 2. Disconnect the ground cable from the battery.

Starter Relay



 Locate an area protected from road splash for the starter relay within 18" of the vehicle's primary battery. The mounting surface needs to be grounded.

NOTE: If a grounded surface is not available, install a 16-gauge wire (not supplied) between a known ground and the starter relay mounting flange after starter relay installation.

Before drilling any holes, check both sides of the material for any wires, fuel lines, fuel tanks, etc., that may be damaged by drilling.

 Using the starter relay mounting flange as a template, drill two 9/32" holes and fasten with two 1/4" x 3/4" cap screws, flat washers, and locknuts.

Battery Cable

 Install the 22" battery cable between the POSITIVE (+) battery terminal and to one of the large secondary terminals of the starter relay.

NOTE: A Battery Cable Adapter Kit is provided for side terminal batteries.

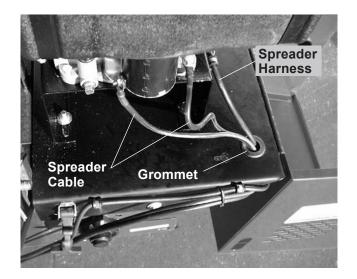
2. Verify the cable is protected or secured away from all sharp edges, and hot or moving parts.

Relay Wire

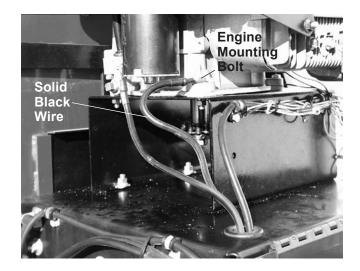
- Install and secure the relay wire (white) between the cab control and the primary terminal of the starter relay. See Cab Control Wiring Instructions in this manual for connection of the white wire to the "S" terminal of the keyed ignition switch.
- 2. Verify the wire is protected or secured away from all sharp edges, and hot or moving parts.

Spreader Cable

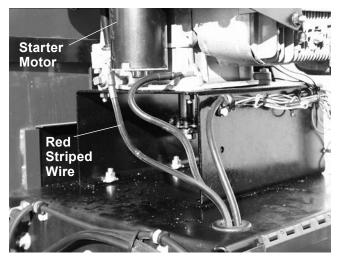
1. At the rear of the spreader, feed the spreader cable up through the 1" grommet in the engine base used by the spreader harness.



2. Attach the solid black wire of the spreader cable to the engine flange using the existing 5/16" cap screw, nut, lock washer, and supplied flat washer.

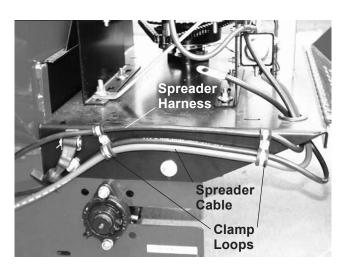


3. Connect the red striped wire of the spreader cable to the starter motor terminal.

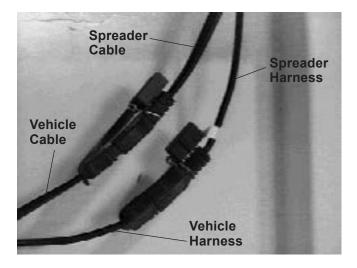


4. Route the spreader cable next to the spreader harness and secure to the side of the spreader with #10 clamp loops.

NOTE: Use the fasteners that secure the spreader harness for securing the spreader cable.

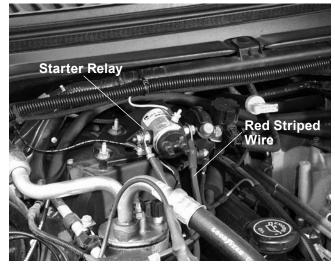


5. Connect the spreader cable to the vehicle cable.



Vehicle Cable

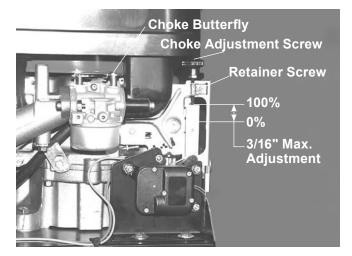
- 1. Route the vehicle cable under the cab, into the vehicle engine compartment, and over to the starter relay.
- 2. Secure the vehicle cable to the vehicle avoiding sharp edges, and hot or moving parts.
- 3. Verify the vehicle cable cannot drop onto the road when it is disconnected from the spreader.
- 4. Connect the solid black wire of the vehicle cable to the vehicle engine ground.
- 5. Connect the red striped wire to the unused secondary terminal of the starter relay.



6. Reconnect the ground cable to the battery.

Choke Adjustment Procedure

- 1. The choke linkage and choke adjustment screw is shipped from the factory with the choke butterfly set to **75% fully closed choke**.
- With the choke set at 100% the engine will not stay running in the choked position. This position is for *extremely* cold conditions. Throttle linkage travel from 0% to 100% choke is 3/16". Four and one-half turns of the choke adjustment screw (clockwise when viewed from above the engine) will take the maximum choke setting from fully closed to fully open (no choking at all).
- 3. To adjust your choke setting, loosen the adjustment retainer screw and rotate the choke adjustment screw clockwise one full turn (scratch a mark on the knob to indicate position). This will generally allow the engine to run very roughly with the throttle linkage at maximum choke. This is approximately the equivalent of 75% fully closed choke. (This is the factory setting.)



4. Additional adjustments can be made by 1/4 turn increments until you reach the desired start/run in choke setting of your preference/need.

Hydraulic Unit Installation

Recommended sequence of installation is as follows:

- 1. Pump (not provided).
- 2. Install hydraulic reservoir.
- 3. Install cab control valve (optional).
- 4. Install hydraulic hoses (not provided).
- 5. Fill hydraulic reservoir and check system.

Pump

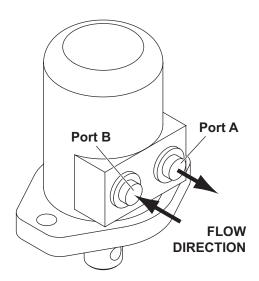
Because of the wide range of possible installations of this hopper spreader, no pump is supplied with the unit. If your truck does not have a pump suitable to your application, one may be purchased from a local truck equipment supplier. This pump should produce 9 GPM at 1,500 psi at normal operating speed and have 1" NPT suction and discharge ports.

Hydraulic Reservoir Installation

Position the reservoir outlet as high, or higher than, the pump inlet. Keep the hose distance as short as possible. (Reservoir used should have a capacity of 1-1/2 to 2 times the pump maximum flow rate in GPM.)

Cab Control Valve Installation

- With the seat fully forward, select a suitable location to mount the cab control valve allowing for the operator to adjust the control and to turn it ON and OFF.
- 2. Check for clearance with ALL controls in the cab.
- 3. Under the cab, check for interference with transmission, etc.
- 4. Check to see that the cab control valve location does not interfere with entering or leaving cab.
- 5. Fabricate a bracket to mount cab control valve in selected location.
- 6. Insert a grommet into all holes drilled for this installation.
- Mount valve and plumb pump and motor to valve. Plumb Port "T" to reservoir, Port "P" to pressure side of pump, and Port "REG" of the valve to Port "B" of the gear box motor.
- 8. Check machine for proper rotation of drive shafts and hydraulic leaks.



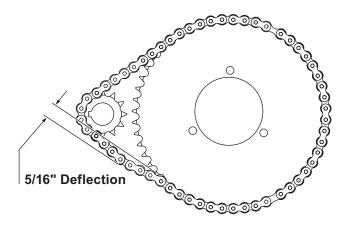
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Chains

Check engine to electric clutch roller chain tension. Correct tension allows 5/16" deflection midway between the sprockets.

To *increase* spinner belt tension:

Loosen the four (4) engine mount to engine base hardware and pull the engine away from the electric clutch. Re-tighten the mounting hardware.



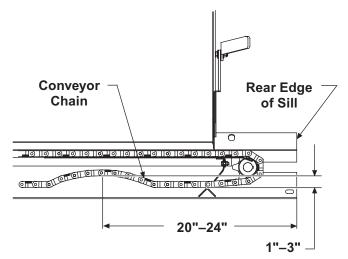
A CAUTION

Overtightening the roller chains may damage the bearings on the gear case, the engine, and/or the spinner shaft. Overtightening will also shorten the life of the roller chain and of the sprockets.

Check the conveyor chain tension. To check the tension, measure in 20"-24" from the end of the sills. Push up on the chain with your hand. The conveyor chain should lift 1"-3" off the conveyor chain guide or cross angles.

To increase chain tension:

Use the two 5/8" x 6" take-up bolts at the front of the spreader to adjust conveyor chain tension. Turn both bolts equal amounts to ensure the tension is equally distributed across both sides of the conveyor chain.



Final Checklist

- □ Verify correct engine oil level. (See engine manufacturer's Owner's Manual.)
- □ Verify the gear case oil level is level with the fill hole.
- □ Verify correct engine-to-clutch sprocket alignment and chain tension.
- □ Verify correct gear case to spinner shaft sprocket alignment and chain tension.
- □ Verify correct conveyor chain tension.
- □ Verify the sprocket set screws are tight.
- □ Verify dielectric grease is applied to all electrical connections.
- □ Verify wire harnesses are properly secured away from hot or moving parts.
- □ Verify vehicle harness cannot drop down below the truck bed when the spreader is removed from the truck.
- □ Verify proper choke setting and choke light operation. See Choke Adjustment Procedure.



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