

LIPPERT COMPONENTS

SOFA SLIDEOUT SYSTEM OPERATION AND SERVICE MANUAL





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SYSTEM

WARNING

FAILURE TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

The Lippert Sofa Slideout System is intended for the sole purpose of extending and retracting the slideout room. It's function should not be used for any other purpose or reason and to actuate the slideout room. To use the system for any reason other than what it is designed for may result in damage to the coach and/or cause serious injury or even death.

Before actuating the system, please keep these things in mind:

- 1. Parking locations should be clear of obstructions that may casue damage when the slideout room is actuated.
- 2. Be sure all persons are clear of the coach prior to the slideout room actuation.
- 3. Keep hands and other body parts away from slideout mechanisms during actuation. Severe injury or death may result.
- 4. To optimize slideout actuation, park coach on solid and level ground.

DESCRIPTION

The *Lippert Sofa Slideout System* is a rack and pinion style slide system. Utilizing a bi-directional electric motor to actuate the drive shaft, the slideout room is extended and retracted from the same source. The actuator has a built-in automatic clutching feature. The *Lippert Sofa Slideout System* is designed as a negative or positive ground system.

There are no serviceable parts within the electric motor. If the motor fails, it must be replaced.

Disassembly of the motor voids the warranty.

Mechanical portions of the slideout system are replaceable. Contact Lippert Components, Inc. to obtain replacement parts.

PRIOR TO OPERATION

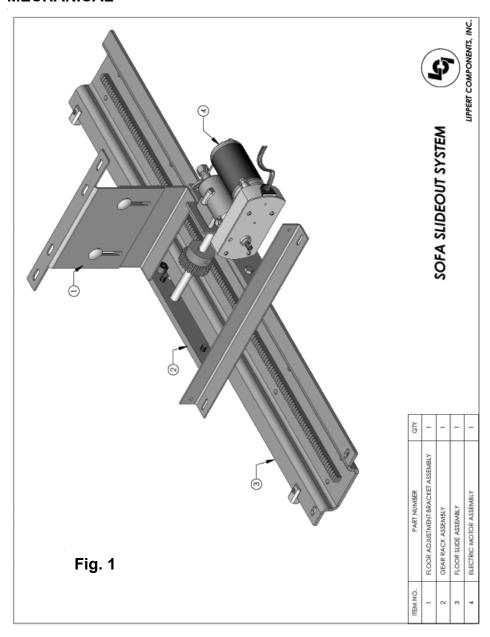
Prior to operating the *Lippert Sofa Slideout System*, follow these four (4) guidelines:

- 1. Coach should be parked on the most level surface available.
- 2. The **PARKING BRAKE** must be engaged.
- 3. The coach's transmission must be in **NEUTRAL** or **PARK**.
- 4. The coach's ignition must be in the **RUN** position or the coach's engine must be running. (Class A and C only)

OPERATION

MAIN COMPONENTS

MECHANICAL

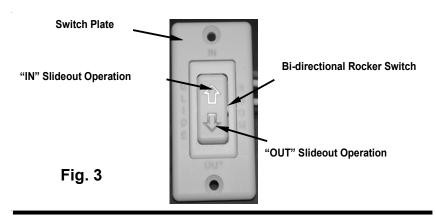


ELECTRICAL

Power Unit - Motor and Gearbox Assembly



Wall Switch



Circuit Breaker - Supplied by OE

OPERATING SYSTEM

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ALWAYS MAKE SURE THAT THE SLIDEOUT ROOM PATH IS CLEAR OF PEOPLE AND OBJECTS BEFORE AND DURING OPERATION OF THE SLIDEOUT ROOM.

ALWAYS KEEP AWAY FROM THE SLIDE RAILS WHEN THE ROOM IS BEING OPERATED. THE GEAR ASSEMBLY MAY PINCH OR CATCH ON LOOSE CLOTHING CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY.

INSTALL TRANSIT BARS (IF SO EQUIPPED) ON THE SLIDEOUT ROOM DURING STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION.

THE FAMILY OF *LIPPERT SOFA SLIDE SYSTEMS* IS CONTROLLED BY A SWITCH MOUNTED ON THE COACH WALL, NORMALLY LOCATED CLOSE TO THE ENTRY DOOR

EXTENDING SLIDEOUT ROOM

- Level the unit.
- 2. Verify the battery is fully charged and hooked-up to the electrical system.
- 3. Remove the transit bars (if so equipped).
- 4. Press and hold the IN/OUT switch (Fig. 4B) in the OUT position until the room is fully extended and stops moving.
- 5. Release the switch, which will lock the room into position.

NOTE: If the slideout switch is held after the room in fully extended, the control will sense that the room has stopped and will shut off the motor after a few seconds.

RETRACTING SLIDEOUT ROOM

- 1. Verify the battery is fully charged and hooked-up to the electrical system.
- 2. Press and hold the IN/OUT switch (Fig. 4C) in the IN position until the room is fully retracted and stops moving.
- 3. Release the switch, which will lock the room into position. **NOTE**: If the slideout switch is held after the room in fully retracted, the control will sense that the room has stopped and will shut off the motor after a few seconds.
- 4. Install the transit bars (if so equipped).

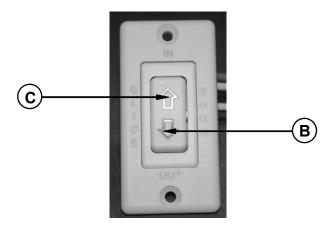


Fig. 5 - Slideout Switch and Switch Plate

MANUAL OPERATION

The ABF-24-711-18:1 is equipped with a backup auxiliary power (BAP) system that allows you to extend or retract a room if the rooms do not move when switch is pushed.

Check the troubleshooting guide on pages 10-13 for possible solutions before using the backup auxiliary system.

WARNING!

Always disconnect battery from system prior to manually operating system. Failure to disconnect battery can cause electricity to backfeed through the motor and cause serious damage to the system as well as void the warranty.



Fig. 6

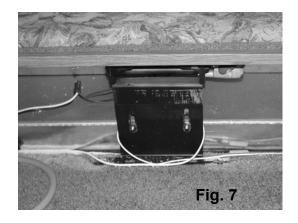
- Locate coach's house battery and disconnect the leads.
- 2. Access the slideout mechanism.

<u>Note:</u> This is an above floor style slideout. The motor and slideout mechanism is located inside the coach.

WARNING!

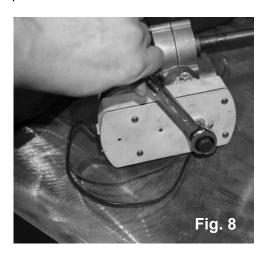
The gears can be stripped out if the room is manually retracted/extended to it's fullest extent and the operator continues to rotate manual override.

Any damage due to misuse of the Manual Override feature will disqualify any and all claims to the Limited Warranty.

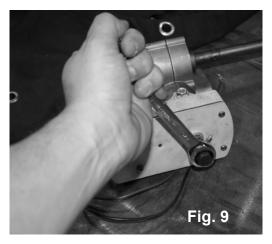


3. Disconnect the motor wire.

Note: Only one lead needs to be disconnected. **CAUTION** – If neither lead is disconnected from battery, actuating the system may push an electrical charge back through the motor and damage the motor or other electrical components.



4. Using a 5/8 in wrench or socket/ratchet combination, rotate the shaft in the counterclockwise to retract slideout room.



5. Using a 5/8 in wrench or socket/ratchet combination, rotate the shaft in the clockwise to extend slideout room.

<u>Note</u> - Once the room has reached its fully extended/retracted position, apply pressure to the wrench to firmly set the room. The worm gear in the gear box will prevent the room from drifting in or out.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

For optimum performance, slide-out system requires full battery current and voltage. The battery must be maintained at full capacity. Other than good battery maintenance, check the terminals and other connections at the battery, the control switch, and the electric motor for corrosion, and loose or damaged terminals. Check motor leads under the motorhome chassis. Since these connections are subject to damage from road debris, be sure they are in good condition.

Note: The *Lippert Sofa Slideout System* is designed to operate as a negative ground system. A negative ground system utilizes the chassis frame as a ground and an independent ground wire back to battery is necessary (see page 12 for wiring diagram). It is important that the electrical components have good wire to chassis contact. Over 90% of unit electrical problems are due to bad ground connections.

MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE

Although the system is designed to be almost maintenance free, inspect the slideout for any visible signs of external damage after and before movement of the room. Remember to inspect inside the coach as well as the slideout system outside the coach.

Note: For long-term storage: It is recommended that the room be closed (retracted).

- When the room is out, visually inspect the Slide Floor and Drive Box Assemblies. Refer to Fig. 1 for location of rail assemblies. Check for excess build-up of dirt or other foreign material; remove any debris that may be present.
- If the system squeaks or makes any noises it is permissible to apply a
 coat of lightweight oil to the drive shaft and roller areas but remove any
 excess oil so dirt and debris do not build-up. DO NOT use grease.

WARNING

DO NOT WORK ON YOUR SLIDEOUT SYSTEM UNLESS THE BATTERY IS DISCONNECTED.

FAILURE TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

SERVICE

TROUBLESHOOTING

The *Lippert Sofa Slideout System* is only one of four inter-related slideout soom system components. These four components are as follows: chassis, slideout room coach and *Lippert Sofa Slideout System*. Each one needs to function correctly with the others or misalignment problems will occur.

Every coach has it's own personality and what may work to fix one coach may not work on another even if the symptoms appear to be the same.

When something restricts room travel, system performances will be unpredictable. It is very important that slide rails, inner and outer, be free of contamination and allowed to travel freely the full distance or "STROKE." Ice or mud build-up during travel is an example of some types of contamination that may occur.

When beginning to troubleshoot the system, make sure the battery is fully charged, there is no visible signs of external damage to the actuator, motor or rails and that the motor is wired properly and all connections are secure.

You can adjust room extension by modifying the position of the rack gear on the slide floor rail to the spur gear on the gear assembly.

During troubleshooting, remember, by changing, altering or adjusting one thing, it may affect something else. Be sure any changes do not create a new problem.

Additional information on the *Lippert Sofa Slideout System* by calling 866-524-7821 and asking for technical assistance.

IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS CONSULT YOUR LOCAL AUTHORIZED DEALER OR CALL LIPPERT AT: (866) 524-7821.

TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

The following troubleshooting chart outlines some common problems, their causes and possible corrective actions. When reference is made to a "Power Unit," the term includes the motor and the actuator as a complete unit. All Power Units are shipped from the factory with a serial number and date code, which should be given to the service technician when asking for assistance.

ROOM DOESN'T MOVE WHEN SWITCH IS PRESSED.

PROBABLE CAUSE CORRECTIVE ACTION Restriction or obstruction inside or outside of unit Check for and clear obstruction

Low battery voltage, blown fuse, defective wiring Check battery voltage and charge if needed

> Find and check fuse, replace if blown. Check battery terminals and wiring. Look for loose disconnected or corroded connectors.

Excessive room drag Check that transit bars are removed

POWER UNIT RUNS, ROOM DOES NOT MOVE

Motor turns, room does not move Gear key is broken or lost, replace gear

drive assembly

Broken gear on drive shaft Replace gear drive assembly

Broken gear in gearbox Replace motor/gearbox assembly

Replace motor/gearbox assembly Bad motor or gearbox

POWER UNIT RUNS, ROOM MOVES SLOWLY

Low battery, poor ground, extremely low Charge battery, check ground wire

temperature

Room in bind Adjust to proper room setting

Incorrect height adjustment Check for proper room height

ROOM STARTS TO MOVE AND STOPS

Low battery voltage, blown fuse, defective wiring Check battery voltage and charge if needed

> Find and check fuse, replace if blown. Check battery terminals and wiring. Look for loose disconnected or corroded connectors.

Obstruction of room inside or outside Check for and remove any obstruction

Clean dirt or corrosion and coat Dirts or corrosion build up on mechanism

LIGHTLY with oil

ROOM CHATTERS DURING OPERATION

Teeth on gear drive broken or worn Replace gear drive assembly

Teeth on inner rail broken or worn Replace inner rail assembly

Notes:

If the slideout room will not retract there is a manual override that is located on the opposite side of the slideout room. A crank handle is provided with your unit. Once you have the room in the closed position take you unit to the closest dealer. See pages 9-11 for Manual Override Instructions. 13

Switch related problems:

- If room moves opposite from what the switch plate indicates, reverse the motor wires on the back of the switch (refer to the wiring diagram page 12). Wire size must be 10ga. Min.
- If a gear is stripped, the entire gearbox must be replaced.
- If the room does not seal fully, refer to page 11.

TROUBLESHOOTING - POWER UNIT

Before attempting to troubleshoot the PowerUnit, make sure an adequate power source is available. The unit batteries should be fully charged or the unit should be plugged into to A/C service with batteries installed. Do not attempt to troubleshoot the Power Unit without assuring a full 12V DC charge

The following tests require only a DC voltmeter (or DC test light) and a jumper lead.

Step 1 - Attach voltmeter (or test light) leads to the negative and positive switch terminals on back of wall switch (See Fig. 11). Does the meter indicate 12V DC? If **YES**, see **Step 2**; if **NO** see **Step 3**.

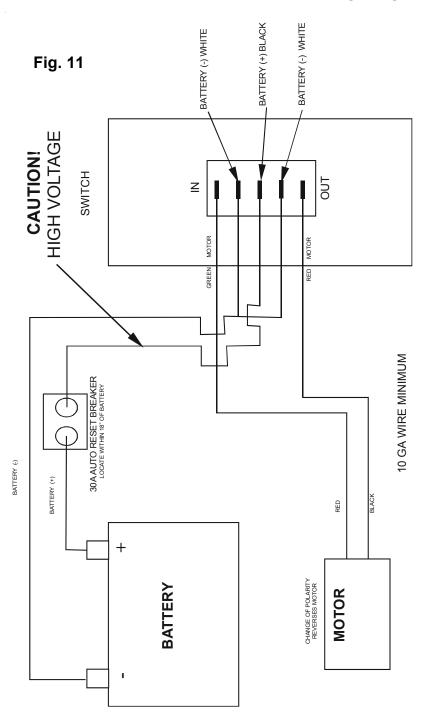
Step 2 - If **YES**, at the motor, check the incoming leads to 12V DC (if necessary, disconnect leads at wire splices). Does meter indicate 12V DC? If **YES**, Power Unit needs to be replaced. The motor is not field serviceable. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REPAIR. If **NO**, Inspect all wires and connections bewtween the wall switch and the motor. Repair connections as necessary. Recheck as in **Step 1**.

Step 3 - If **NO**, Inspect all connections between battery and switch. Inspect 30A Circuit Breaker (See Fig. 11). Recheck as above in **Step 1**.

Since there are no field serviceable parts in the motor of the Power Unit, electrical troubleshooting and service is limited to replacing only those components as previously outlined.

Thorough inspection of wiring and connections is the only other electrical service that can be performed.

WIRING DIAGRAM



ORDERING PARTS

To assist the customer service when ordering parts, please provide the following information:

- 1. Your Name
- 2. Company Name
- 3. Phone Number
- 4. Shipping Address
- 5. Billing Address
- 6. Purchase Order Number
- 7. Coach
 - A. Serial # and/or VIN #
 - B. Make
 - C. Model
- 8. Part Number
- 9. Description
- 10. Quantity

Please take your coach to an authorized service center for repairs. Systems that have been modified, adjusted, repaired or augmented by a party other than an authorized service center may void any warranty claim with Lippert Components, Inc.