

Manual Steps

Installation and Owner's Manual

(For Aftermarket Applications)

Introduction

This document details the installation, operation and maintenance of manual steps.

Safety

⚠ WARNING

THE "WARNING" SYMBOL ABOVE IS A SIGN THAT AN INSTALLATION PROCEDURE HAS A SAFETY RISK INVOLVED AND MAY CAUSE DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY IF NOT PERFORMED SAFELY AND WITHIN THE PARAMETERS SET FORTH IN THIS MANUAL. ALWAYS WEAR EYE PROTECTION WHEN PERFORMING THIS INSTALLATION PROCEDURE. OTHER SAFETY EQUIPMENT TO CONSIDER WOULD BE HEARING PROTECTION, GLOVES AND POSSIBLY A FULL FACE SHIELD, DEPENDING ON THE NATURE OF THE INSTALLATION PROCEDURE.

⚠ WARNING

THE TRAILER MUST BE SUPPORTED PER MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS BEFORE WORKING UNDERNEATH. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY.

⚠ CAUTION

MOVING PARTS CAN PINCH, CRUSH OR CUT. KEEP CLEAR AND USE CAUTION.

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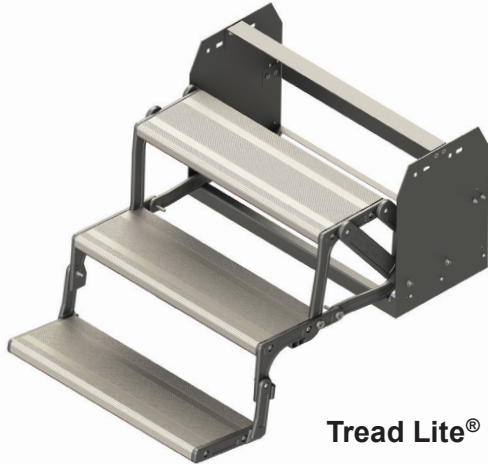
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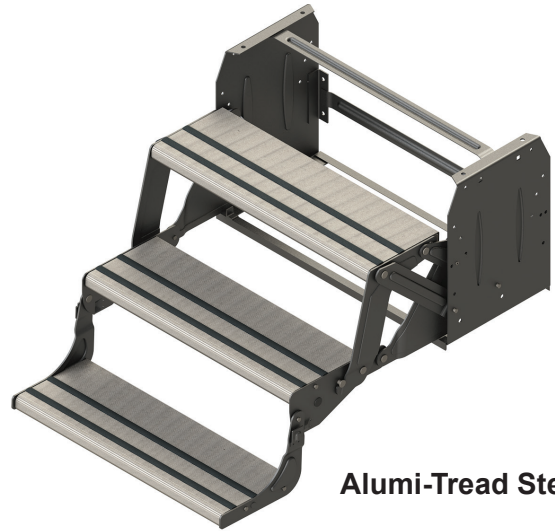
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Part Numbers



Tread Lite®



Alumi-Tread Step®

Part #	Description
328730	Tread Lite® Single Step (Replace with #430063)
344420	Tread Lite® Double Step (Obsolete)
258998	Tread Lite® Triple Step (Replace with #432696)

Part #	Description
430063	Alumi-Tread® Single Step
429994	Alumi-Tread® Double Step
432696	Alumi-Tread® Triple Step
432698	Alumi-Tread® Quad Step



Steel Steps

Part #	Description
432678	24" Radius Single Steel Step (Formerly #341499)
432682	24" Radius Double Steel Step (Formerly #341500)
432687	24" Radius Triple 7" Rise Steel Step (Formerly #341501)
432690	24" Radius Triple 9" Rise Steel Step (Formerly #341502)
358991	24" Radius Quad 8" Rise Steel Step (Formerly #341504)

Preparation

Resources Required

- Cordless or Electric Drill or Screw Gun
- Appropriate Drive Bits
- 9/16" Socket
- Four 3/8" - 16 x 1" Bolts, Grade 2
- Four 3/8" - 16 Flange Nuts, Grade 2
- Two Self-Tapping 1" x 1/4" Screws (If needed for step support brackets)

Removal

Take off the existing step by removing the lag bolts, which secure the step to the floor, and the step bolts from the outriggers.

NOTE: If the existing step has a support bracket, remove the screws securing the step to the bracket.



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Installation

1. Verify the location and squareness of the step outriggers.

2. Make sure the step is completely backed up against the frame (I-beam).

NOTE: Some OEM designs allow the steps to rest against the I-beam and lag directly to the web of the beam. Other designs include step supports and, if supports are present, steps should be completely backed up against the step supports on the frame (angle or tube).

3. Align holes in the step with holes in the outrigger (**Fig.1A**). Insert two bolts and flange lock nuts per side. Tighten only until snug to allow for adjustments.

4. Verify that the step housing is square, level to the outrigger and plumb to the chassis.

5. Once verified, tighten the bolts to 20 ft-lbs of torque.

NOTE: If step support brackets are located on the step, they should be secured to the chassis I-beam or step support angles on the chassis by one 1" x 1/4" self-tapping screw per each side of the step.

NOTE: The adjustable step bracket is optional and may not be included on all steps.

6. Attach lag bolt or bolts to the floor through the outer end holes in the outrigger (**Fig.1B**) as per manufacturer's recommendations.

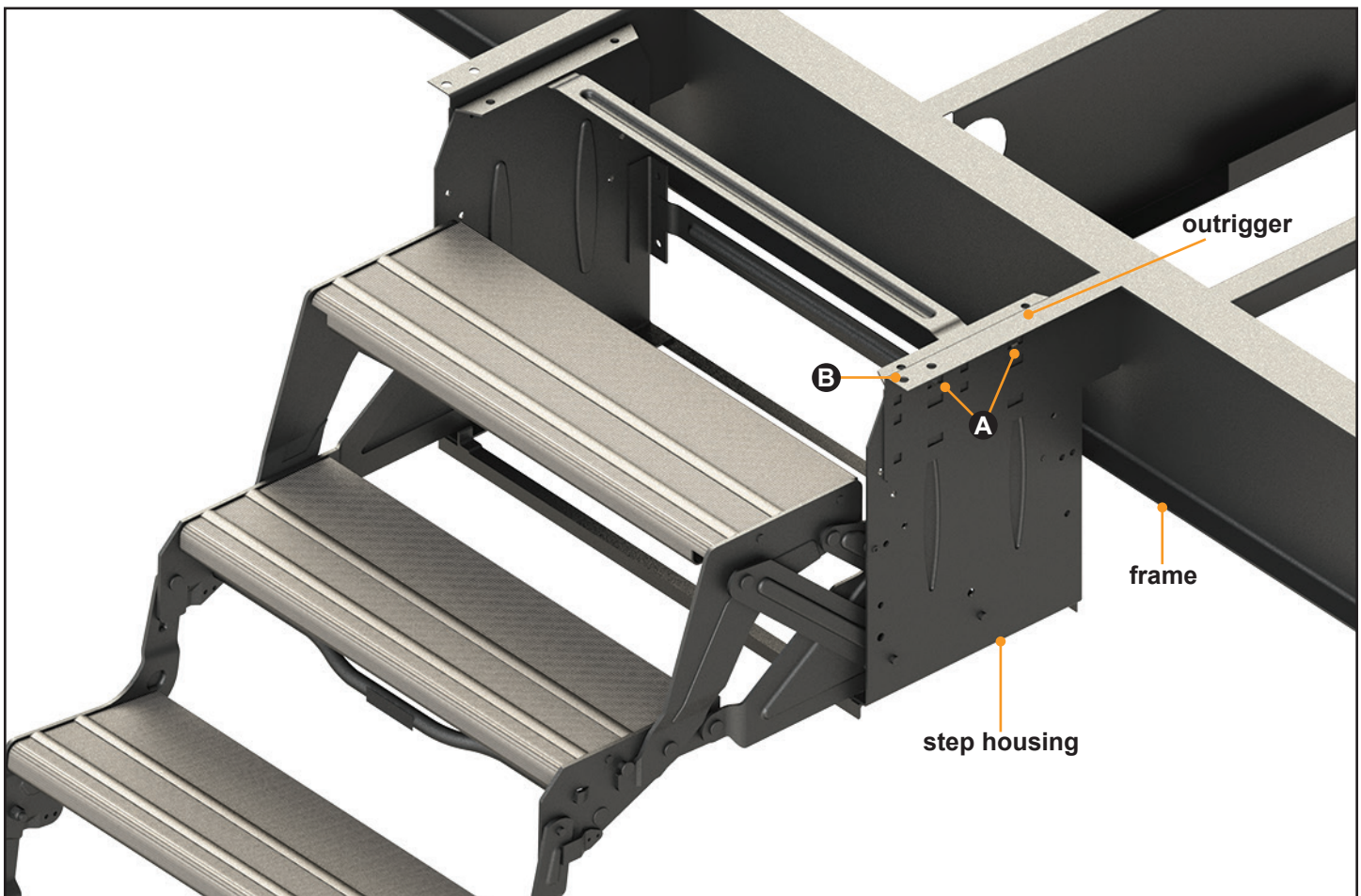


Fig.1



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Step Operation

Unfolding Steps

1. Pull out on the top lip of the vertically stored step (**Fig.2A**).
2. Pull up and out on the back of step resting on the second step (**Fig.3A**).
3. Unfold bottom step (**Fig.4**).

Folding Steps

4. Pull up on bottom step and fold over the second step (**Fig.3A**).
5. Pull up on bottom of steps and fold inward under top step (**Fig.2A**).

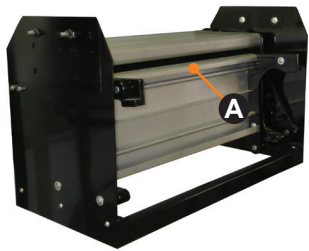


Fig.2



Fig.3



Fig.4

Maintenance

Scratches

1. Clear any chipped paint or material adhering to scratched area.
2. Apply automotive grade primer to scratch.
3. Paint primed area with automotive high gloss paint.

Lubrication

1. Remove all dirt and foreign matter from hinge areas.
2. Lubricate hinge areas in between the sheet metal portions of the steps.

NOTE: Utilize a dry lubricant such as silicone. Wet lubricants will attract dirt and possibly cause damage to the hinge areas.



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