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RETAIN THIS MANUAL IN THE VEHICLE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

"DOT – Public Use Lift" verifies that this platform lift meets the public use lift requirements of FMVSS no. 403. This lift may be installed on all vehicles appropriate for the size and weight of the lift, but must be installed on buses, school buses, and multi-purpose passenger vehicles other than motor homes with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) that exceeds 10,000 lbs (4,536 kgs).

Customer Information		
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Installing dealer		
Date installed		
Serial number		

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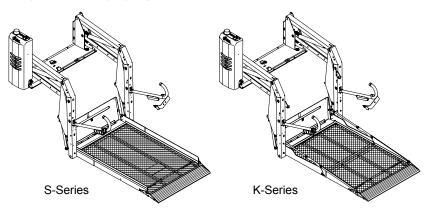
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### INTRODUCTION

The Ricon S-Series and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts provide wheelchair access to public use vehicles including buses, school buses and large multi-purpose vehicles, and are DOT compliant. The platform on both S- and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts has a rated load capacity of 800 pounds, (364) kilograms.



The S-Series has a solid, one-piece platform that is raised and folded into the vehicle when stowed. The platform on the K-Series splits horizontally to reduce overall lift height when stowed. This results in a less obstructed view, either into or out of the vehicle. The mechanical linkages provide smooth movement to both non-skid platforms where the wheelchair and occupant are situated during the "Up" and "Down" lift motions.

S- and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts contain an electro-hydraulic pump with a built-in manual backup pump. If the lift loses power, it can be raised or lowered manually.

Trained personnel operate the lift by using a control pendant. The control pendant is used to unfold the platform out from the vehicle (deploy). The passenger boards the non-skid platform and an operator lowers the platform to the ground. After the passenger departs, the platform is stowed back into the vehicle.

This manual contains warranty information, safety precautions, operating and maintenance instructions that apply to both Ricon S- and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts. It is important to user safety that the lift operator be completely familiar with the operating instructions. Once the lift is installed, it is very important that the lift be properly maintained by following the Ricon recommended maintenance and inspection instructions provided in Chapter III.

#### A. PRODUCT SUPPORT

If there are questions about this manual, or you need copies, please contact Ricon Product Support at the following location:

Ricon Corporation	
7900 Nelson Road	
Panorama City, CA 91402	
Outside (818) Area Code:	
World Wide Website:	

## RICON CORPORATION S- SERIES AND K-SERIES PUBLIC USE WHEELCHAIR LIFTS FIVE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

*Ricon Corporation (Ricon)* warrants to the original purchaser of this product that Ricon will repair or replace, at its option, any parts that fail because of defective material or workmanship as follows:

- Repair or replace parts for a period of one year from the date of purchase. A complete list
  of parts covered by this warranty can be obtained from Ricon Corporation.
- Labor cost for a period of one year from the date of purchase. A Ricon rate schedule determines parts covered and labor allowed.
- Repair or replace lift powertrain parts for a period of five years from date of purchase. A complete list of parts covered can be obtained from Ricon Corporation.

If You Need to Return a Product: Return this product to Ricon, following the Ricon RMA procedure. Please give as much advance notice as possible, and allow a reasonable amount of time for repair.

#### This Warranty Does Not Cover:

 Malfunction or damage to product parts caused by accident, misuse, lack of proper maintenance, neglect, improper adjustment, modification, alteration, the mechanical condition of the vehicle, road hazards, overloading, failure to follow operating instructions, or acts of nature (i.e., weather, lightning, flood).

NOTE: Ricon recommends that this product be inspected by an authorized Ricon service technician at least once every six months, or sooner if necessary. Required maintenance should be performed at that time.

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THIS PRODUCT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND MANUFACTURED TO EXACT SPECIFICATIONS.  $\sim$  ANY MODIFICATION OF THIS PRODUCT CAN BE HAZARDOUS  $\sim$ 

#### This Warranty is Void If:

- The product has been installed or maintained by someone other than an authorized Ricon service technician.
- The product has been modified or altered in any respect from its original design without written authorization by Ricon.

Ricon disclaims liability for any personal injury or property damage that results from operation of a Ricon product that has been modified from the original Ricon design. No person or company is authorized to change the design of this Ricon product without written authorization by Ricon.

Ricon's obligation under this warranty is exclusively limited to the repair or exchange of parts that fail within the applicable warranty period and the authorized labor to accomplish said repair.

Ricon assumes no responsibility for expenses or damages, including incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply.

Important: The warranty registration card must be completed and returned to Ricon within 20 days after installation of this Ricon product for the warranty to be valid. The warranty is not transferable.

The warranty gives specific legal rights. There may be other rights that vary in each state.

#### C. SHIPMENT INFORMATION

- When the product is received, unpack the product and check for freight damage. Claims for damage should be made to the freight carrier immediately.
- Be sure the installation kit contains all items listed on the kit packing list. Please report any
  missing items immediately to Ricon Product Support.
- The warranty and owner registration cards must be completed and returned to Ricon within 20 days to validate the warranty.

The sales or service personnel must review the Warranty and Operator Manual with the user to be certain that they understand how to safely operate the product and instruct the user to follow the operating instructions without exception.

#### D. GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The following safety precautions apply to both S-Series and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts and must be followed during operation and maintenance:

- Read and thoroughly understand the operating instructions before attempting to operate the lift.
- Inspect product before each use. If unsafe conditions, unusual noises or movements, do not operate lift until the problem is corrected.
- Exercise caution when operating lift to avoid injury, and be certain that hands, feet, legs or clothing are not in the path of product movement.
- Stand clear of doors and platform and keep others clear during operation.
- The lift requires regular periodic maintenance. A thorough inspection is recommended at least once every six months. The product should be maintained at the highest level of performance.

## E. MAJOR LIFT COMPONENTS

### 1. S-SERIES PUBLIC USE WHEELCHAIR LIFT MAJOR COMPONENTS

The major components of the S-Series Public Use wheelchair lift are in **Figure 1-1**. A description of each of the components is in **Table 1-1**.

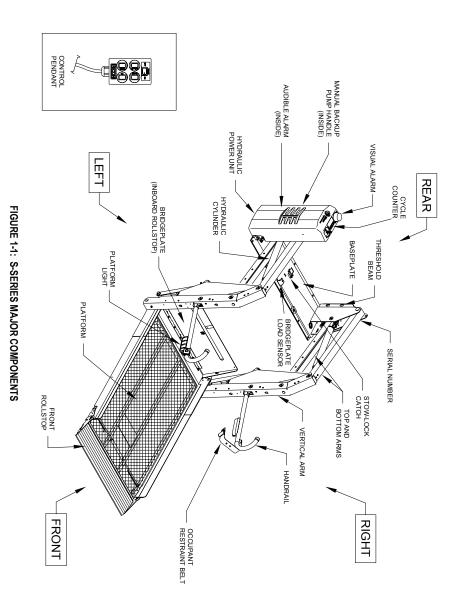


TABLE 1-1: S-SERIES MAJOR COMPONENT TERMS					
TERM DESCRIPTION					
Left, right, front, rear	Position references when installed lift is viewed from outside of vehicle.				
Audible alarm	(inside housing of hydraulic unit) Announces when something passes through the threshold area while the lift platform is below floor level. The alarm is activated by threshold beams.				
Baseplate	Bolts to vehicle floor; provides secure foundation for lift structure.				
Bridgeplate (inboard rollstop)	Plate that bridges gap between platform and baseplate when platform is at floor level. Also acts as a rear rollstop when platform is in motion.				
Bridgeplate load sensor	Senses if weight is present on the lowered bridgeplate.				
Control pendant	Hand-held device used to control platform motions.				
Cycle counter	Visible at top rear of housing, it records number of times platform has moved from floor to ground and back to floor.				
Platform	Component of lift where the wheelchair and occupant are situated during "UP" and "DOWN" lift motions.				
Front rollstop	Front barrier prevents wheelchair from inadvertently rolling off of platform during platform movement.				
Handrail	(left and right) Provides handhold for standing passenger.				
Hydraulic cylinder	(left and right) Telescoping single-acting cylinders convert hydraulic pres- sure into platform lifting and folding force.				
Hydraulic power unit	Contains hydraulic pump driven by electric motor that produces pressur to raise and fold platform, and a pressure release valve to unfold and lov er it.				
Manual backup pump handle	(located inside housing of hydraulic unit) Used to operate manual back up-pump.				
Occupant restraint belt	Electrically interlocked safety belt that is intended to prevent acceleration of wheelchair while on the platform. Lift will not operate unless belt is securely fastened.				
Platform light	(left and right) Directs light onto platform surface.				
Serial number	Location of lift serial number decal.				
Stow-Lock catch	Engages latch located on bottom of bridgeplate when platform is fully stowed.				
Threshold beams	Light-beams detect something passing through the threshold area while platform is below floor level.				
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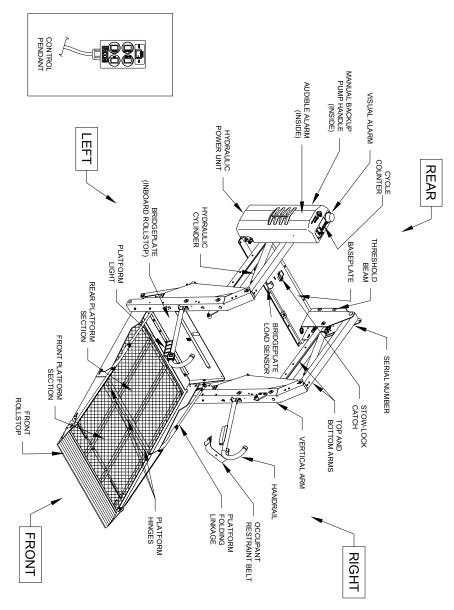
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TERM	DESCRIPTION		
Top and bottom arms	(left and right) Upper and lower links that connect vertical arms to baseplate.		
Vertical arm	(left and right) Connects platform to top and bottom arms.		
Visual alarm Flashing light makes it known when something passes through threshold area. Activated by threshold beams.			
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## 2. K-SERIES PUBLIC USE WHEELCHAIR LIFT MAJOR COMPONENTS

The major components of the K-Series Public Use wheelchair lift are in **Figure 1-2**. A description of each of the components is in **Table 1-2**.



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TABLE 1-2: K-SERIES MAJOR COMPONENT TERMS					
TERM DESCRIPTION					
Left, right, front, rear	Position references when installed lift is viewed from outside of vehicle.				
Audible alarm	(inside housing of hydraulic unit) Announces when something passes through the threshold area while the lift platform is below floor level. Th alarm is activated by threshold beam.				
Baseplate	Bolts to vehicle floor; provides secure foundation for lift structure.				
Bridgeplate (inboard rollstop)	Plate that bridges gap between platform and baseplate when platform is at floor level. Also acts as a rear rollstop when platform is in motion.				
Bridgeplate load sensor	Senses if weight is present on the lowered bridgeplate.				
Control pendant	Hand-held device used to control platform motions.				
Cycle counter	Visible at top rear of housing, it records number of times platform has moved from floor to ground and back to floor.				
Front platform section	Front portion of platform that unfolds during deploy and folds during stow. See "Platform folding linkage".				
Front rollstop	Front barrier prevents wheelchair from inadvertently rolling off of platform during platform movement.				
Handrail	(left and right) Provides handhold for standing passenger.				
Hydraulic cylinder	(left and right) Telescoping single-acting cylinders convert hydraulic pres- sure into platform lifting and folding force.				
Hydraulic power unit	Contains hydraulic pump driven by electric motor that produces pressure to raise and fold platform, and a pressure release valve to unfold and lower it.				
Manual backup pump handle	(located inside housing of hydraulic unit) Used to operate manual back up-pump.				
Occupant restraint belt	Electrically interlocked safety belt that is intended to prevent acceleration of wheelchair while on the platform. Lift will not operate unless belt is securely fas tened.				
Platform folding linkage	(left and right) Links that cause front platform section to unfold as it deploys or fold as it stows.				
Platform hinges	Three hinges provide connection between front and rear platform sections.				
Platform light	(left and right) Directs light onto platform surface.				
Rear platform section	Rear portion of platform that is folded by linkage located within the vertical arms.				
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TABLE 1-2: K-SERIES MAJOR COMPONENT TERMS				
TERM DESCRIPTION				
Serial number	Location of lift serial number decal.			
Stow-Lock catch	Engages latch located on bottom of bridgeplate when platform is fully stowed.			
Threshold beams	Light-beams detect something passing through the threshold area while platform is below floor level.			
Top and bottom arms	(left and right) Upper and lower links that connect vertical arms to baseplate.			
Vertical arm	(left and right) Connects platform to top and bottom arms.			
Visual alarm Flashing light makes it known when something passes through thresh area. Activated by threshold beams.				
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## **II. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

 his chapter contains safety precautions, daily safety check instructions, control and indicator descriptions, and operating instructions that apply to RICON S-Series and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts. This chapter must be thoroughly understood by the operator before using lift.

#### A. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The following safety precautions must be complied with at all times when operating lift:

Refer to Figure 2-1. Deploying lift when vehicle is on sloped ground is hazardous. Operate lift with vehicle parked on level ground.



FIGURE 2-1: SLOPED PARKING HAZARD

- Vehicle must be safely parked with parking brake ON before using lift.
- Inspect lift before use. Do not use lift if any unsafe condition exists, or unusual noises or movements are noticed, and contact an authorized Ricon service technician for repair.
- Read and comply with all warning labels and symbols affixed to wheelchair lift.
- Refer to Figure 2-2. Wheelchair occupant should face outward on platform when entering or exiting vehicle to minimize the possibility of the large rear wheels rolling up and over the front rollstop.



#### FIGURE 2-2: EXITING BACKWARDS IS HAZARDOUS

- Do not rely on a threshold-warning device (audible, or other) to confirm that it is safe for a passenger to exit backwards. This device may be inoperative or unheard, and they might exit backwards when the platform is on the ground!
- When exiting vehicle, verify that platform is at same height as floor and front rollstop is up and locked.
- Do not place equipment or furniture inside vehicle that may prevent pivoting of your wheelchair. Being able to pivot assures that you can safely exit facing outward.
- Be certain wheelchair fits safely on platform; it must not extend beyond edges or interfere with operation of rollstop.

- The raised front rollstop prevents slow and unintentional rolling off of the platform. It is not intended to stop a fast-moving wheelchair, which might tip forward if the small front wheels collide with the rollstop.
- Do not operate with a load in excess of 800 lbs (364 kgs).
- Keep arms, legs, and clothing away from moving lift parts.
- The lift is intended for <u>one</u> wheelchair and its occupant or <u>one</u> standee. Do not overload lift.
- Refer to **Figure 2-3**. Do not stand in front of lift while deploying platform.





FIGURE 2-3: STAND CLEAR OF LIFT

- Keep others clear while operating lift.
- Do not allow an untrained person to operate lift.
- Careful supervision is necessary if used near children.
- Do not allow anyone to stand on bridgeplate. A bent bridgeplate can interfere with the platform as it raises and lowers.
- Lock wheelchair brakes before moving platform (power chair users should turn off power and set brake).
- Use great care in wet conditions, because the wheelchair brakes are less effective if wheels or platform are wet.
- Never leave platform outside of vehicle. Return platform to stowed position after use.
- Do not load an oversize wheelchair into vehicle if it is too large to pivot freely inside vehicle.

Read and understand these safety precautions. Review them periodically and ask other operators to read them as well. Contact an authorized Ricon service technician or call Ricon Product Support if there are questions.

### **B. DAILY SAFETY CHECK**

Inspect lift before use and meet the following conditions:

- All functions operate properly. Do not use lift if unusual noises or movements exist, and contact an authorized Ricon service technician for repair.
- Vehicle interlock is operating properly.
- Objects that may interfere with operation are not present.
- General appearance and lubrication are satisfactory and fasteners are tight.

## C. PLATFORM MOTIONS

TABLE 2-1: PLATFORM MOTIONS				
MOVEMENT			DESCRIPTION	
S-Series	K-Series		DESCRIPTION	
E	E	D E P L O Y	Platform unfolds, or deploys, out of vehicle from stowed position to floor level position. If equipped with a power door operator, the doors automatically open before lift deploys.	
Ft	Ŀ	D O W N	Platform lowers from vehicle floor level towards ground level. The front rollstop automatically lowers (opens) when platform reaches ground level.	
		U P	Platform rises from ground level towards vehicle floor level. The front rollstop automatically rises (closes) when platform leaves ground level.	
Vr	K	S T O W	Platform folds, or stows, from vehicle floor level to the stowed position. If equipped with a power door operator, the doors automatically close after lift stows.	
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**<u>NOTE:</u>** The up and down functions do not operate if platform is in stowed position.

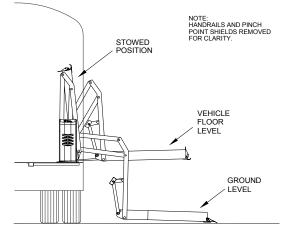


FIGURE 2-4: PLATFORM POSITIONS

#### D. CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

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THE LIFT CAN OPERATE ONLY WHEN THE VEHICLE MANUFACTURER INTERLOCK CIRCUITRY IS ACTIVATED. IF NECESSARY, REFER TO VEHICLE OPERATOR MANUAL FOR INTERLOCK INSTRUCTIONS. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO OPERATE LIFT WITH INTERLOCK BYPASSED.

#### CONTROL PENDANT

Refer to **Figure 2-5.** The lift is operated with four rocker switches and an ON-OFF switch located on the hand-held, hard-wired remote-control pendant. Turn on the POWER switch and then press an appropriate rocker switch to control each lift motion.

The POWER switch enables the pendant by providing power to it and must be turned on before the lift can be operated. When turned on, the power switch will illuminate.

Pressing the DEPLOY rocker switch unfolds the platform from the vehicle, and pressing the STOW rocker switch folds the platform back into the vehicle. Pressing the DOWN rocker switch lowers the platform towards the ground, and pressing the UP rocker switch raises the platform towards the floor.

A rocker switch must be held depressed until the motion is completed. Movement of the platform can be halted at any time by releasing the rocker switch.

The pendant is typically stowed on a wall-mounted clip inside the vehicle, near the lift.

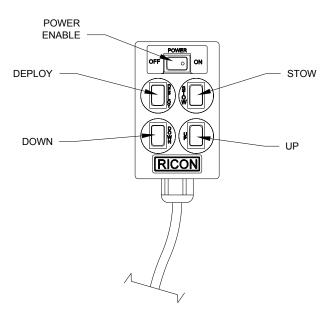
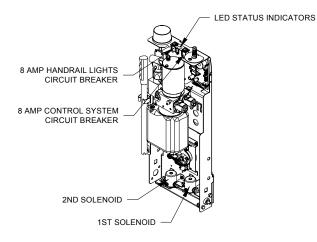


FIGURE 2-5: CONTROL PENDANT

- CIRCUIT BREAKERS AND LED STATUS INDICATORS
- Pump Solenoid LED Status Indicators

Refer to **Figure 2-6.** The pump has two solenoids that provide a margin of safety if one of them fails with its contacts closed. Green and red LED status indicators monitor the condition of the two solenoids, and are located between two 8A circuit breakers. The green LED is normally off when the pump is not operating and will illuminate when the pump operates. When the pump is not operating and the second solenoid has failed the red LED will illuminate. The green LED will illuminate if the first solenoid has failed. For more information on both indicator lights refer to Service manual 32DSKL02.



#### FIGURE 2-6: PUMP SOLENOIDS LED STATUS INDICATORS

Main Circuit Breaker

Refer to **Figure 2-7**. The main circuit breaker is located in the vehicle engine compartment and is used to interrupt electrical power to the lift electrical system when a major short circuit occurs. In such event, the circuit breaker reset tab will "flip-down". If pressing reset tab back up (as shown by arrow) and releasing it does not reset power, do not <u>press and hold</u> tab. Contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.

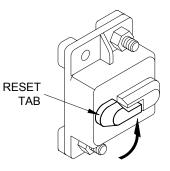


FIGURE 2-7: MAIN CIRCUIT BREAKER

Handrail Lights Circuit Breaker

Refer to **Figure 2-6**. The circuit breaker for the handrail lights is located on the hydraulic pump assembly. In the event of a short circuit in the handrail lights, the circuit breaker button will "popout". If pressing and releasing button does not reset power, **DO NOT** press and hold. Contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.

Control System Circuit Breaker

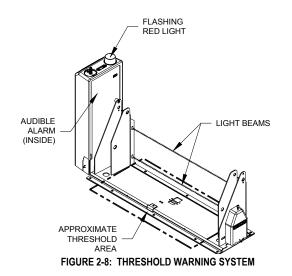
Refer to **Figure 2-6**. The Control System Circuit Breaker is located on the hydraulic pump assembly. In the event of a short circuit in the control system, the circuit breaker button will "pop-out". If pressing and releasing button does not reset power, **DO NOT** press and hold. Contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.

BRIDGEPLATE LOAD SENSOR

Refer to "Major Lift Components" section in Chapter I for the location of the sensor switch that detects the presence of a load on the bridgeplate. When the sensor detects that an object is present on the bridgeplate it inhibits lowering of the platform. This protects the passenger from possible injury when the bridgeplate rises, and also protects the bridgeplate from damage, which could later interfere with proper operation of the lift.

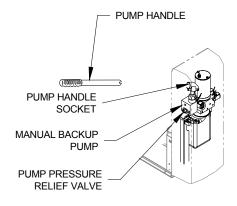
THRESHOLD SAFETY WARNING SYSTEM

Refer to **Figure 2-8** for the location of threshold warning system components. The lift incorporates two light beams that detect when a passenger (or object, such as a wheelchair) is in the vicinity of the baseplate or bridgeplate (threshold area). The beams are enabled when the platform is one inch, or more, below the vehicle floor. If someone passes through either of the beams when the platform is one inch below the floor an audible alarm and flashing red light are actuated. This system provides a margin of safety for lift users by warning them if the platform is below floor level. The platform must be <u>at floor level</u> when boarding the platform prior to exiting the vehicle.



#### MANUAL BACK-UP PUMP

Refer to **Figure 2-9**. The manual backup pump is used to operate the lift if electrical power is not functioning. Controls for the pump are located inside housing of hydraulic unit and consist of a pump handle to raise platform, and a pump pressure release valve to lower it. Instructions for operating manual pump are provided in the "Manual Operation" section later in this chapter.



#### FIGURE 2-9: MANUAL BACKUP PUMP & HANDLE

#### LIFT CYCLE COUNTER

Refer to **Figure 2-10**. The cycle counter is located inside the hydraulic pump housing and visible through a slot on the rear side. The counter advances each time the platform moves through a complete cycle, which consists of the platform moving from the vehicle floor to the ground and back to the floor. The number of cycles displayed is used to schedule maintenance operations. For maintenance schedule refer to Chapter III of this document.

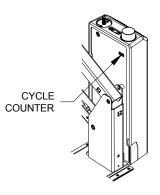


FIGURE 2-10: CYCLE COUNTER

### E. NORMAL LIFT OPERATION

•	IMPROPER USE OF LIFT CAN RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY. USERS MUST READ AND FOLLOW OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS. ADDITIONAL COPIES OF OPERATOR MANUAL ARE AVAILABLE FROM:
	RICON CORPORATION
	7900 NELSON ROAD
	PANORAMA CITY, CA 91402
	(800) 322-2884 or (818) 267-3000
-	DO NOT EXCEED RATED LOAD CAPACITY OF 800 POUNDS (364 KGS).
•	PRIOR TO USE, INSPECT WHEELCHAIR LIFT FOR PROPER FUNCTION, REQUIRED MAINTENANCE, OR DAMAGE. IF A PROBLEM EXISTS, DO NOT USE LIFT AND CONTACT A RICON AUTHORIZED SERVICE TECHNICIAN FOR REPAIR.
	THIS LIFT IS FOR USE BY WHEELCHAIR OCCUPANTS AND STANDEES.
FI	ICON CORPORATION DISCLAIMS LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY RESULTING ROM MODIFICATION TO LIFT, LACK OF MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR, NEGLIGENCE, ABUSE, OR AILURE TO FOLLOW LIFT OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS.

- The lift operator must take special care to be certain that area is clear before deploying lift. Be certain there are no obstacles beneath platform.
- Open doors completely if lift is not equipped with a power door operator. If so equipped, the vehicle doors will automatically open before platform deploys and close after platform is stowed.
- If equipped with a safety interlock mechanism (e.g. transmission, parking brake, etc) be certain that it is properly engaged before attempting to operate lift. The lift will not operate until this feature has been engaged properly.
- A person that uses the wheelchair lift while standing (does not require mobility aid equipment) is referred to in this manual as a Standee.

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ATTENDANT MUST REMAIN NEAR PASSENGER TO RENDER IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE WHEN NECESSARY.

#### 1. ENTERING VEHICLE:

- **NOTE:** The occupant restraint belt must be fastened to enable the DEPLOY, DOWN, UP, and STOW motions; the platform will not operate unless this safety mechanism is connected. Turn the pendant power switch on.
- a. **DEPLOY PLATFORM** Push and hold DEPLOY rocker switch until platform is completely unfolded from vehicle and stops at floor level.
- b. **LOWER PLATFORM** Push and hold DOWN rocker switch until platform is at ground level and front rollstop is fully lowered.

c. Unfasten occupant restraint belt, carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, preferably facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn power off.



Be certain wheelchair is clearly within perimeter of platform and does not interfere with operation of rollstop.

- ➤ A Standee must stand near the center of the platform, facing in the direction of travel (into vehicle), and firmly grasp handrails.
- d. Fasten occupant restraint belt.
- e. **RAISE PLATFORM** Push and hold UP rocker switch until platform rises and stops automatically at floor level.
- f. Release wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn power back on. Carefully board passenger into vehicle, and secure wheelchair.
- g. Refer to "Stowing Platform" section below to stow platform.

### 2. EXITING VEHICLE:

- **NOTE:** The occupant restraint belt must be fastened to enable the DEPLOY and DOWN motions. The platform will not operate unless this safety mechanism is connected. Turn the pendant power switch on.
  - a. **DEPLOY PLATFORM** Push and hold DEPLOY rocker switch until platform is completely unfolded from vehicle and stops at floor level.

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VERIFY THAT PLATFORM IS AT VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL AND THAT FRONT ROLLSTOP IS UP AND LOCKED IN POSITION.

- b. Fasten occupant restraint belt.
- c. Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, preferably facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn power off.



- A Standee must stand near the center of the platform, facing in the direction of travel (away from vehicle), and firmly grasp handrails.
- d. **LOWER PLATFORM** Push and hold DOWN rocker switch until platform is at ground level and front rollstop is fully lowered.
- e. Unfasten occupant restraint belt and release wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn power back on. Carefully assist passenger off platform.
- f. Refer to "Stowing Platform" section on next page to stow platform.

### 3. STOWING PLATFORM:

**<u>NOTE:</u>** The occupant restraint belt must be fastened to enable the UP and STOW motions. The platform will not operate unless this safety mechanism is connected.

- **<u>NOTE:</u>** If platform is at ground level, push and hold UP rocker switch until platform rises and stops automatically at floor level.
  - g. Push and hold STOW rocker switch until platform folds completely into vehicle.



Verify that platform has folded completely before closing doors. To avoid damage to doors, do not release switch until lift has folded completely and lift pump motor has stopped automatically.

h. Close vehicle doors if lift is not equipped with a power door operator. If so equipped, the vehicle doors may close automatically after platform is stowed.

### F. MANUAL OPERATION

The lift can be operated manually if the lift electrical power source is absent. Ricon recommends that manual operation be used only for exiting passengers from vehicle.

Preparation:

- Be certain vehicle is on a level area and away from traffic. Allow space for platform movement plus space to exit from platform.
- The vehicle operator must summon assistance to move vehicle to a safe area if a break down situation exists where vehicle cannot be moved under its own power.
- Open doors manually if vehicle is not equipped with a power door operator. If equipped with a power door operator, refer to its operator manual for manual operation directions.

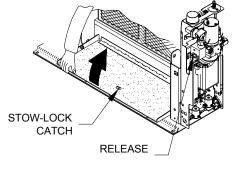
### WARNING

FOLLOW PRECAUTIONS IN "LIFT OPERATION" SECTION WHEN USING MANUAL BACKUP SYSTEM TO ENTER OR EXIT VEHICLE.

**<u>NOTE:</u>** The threshold warning system is not active during manual operation and cannot be used to indicate platform height.

#### 1. DEPLOY PLATFORM

a. Refer to Figure 2-11. Override the Stow-Lock feature by lifting bridgeplate by hand. This will separate the Stow-Lock catch (fastened to underside of bridgeplate) from Stow-Lock latch (fastened to baseplate). If Stow-Lock is difficult to separate, use manual backup pump to raise platform slightly to remove tension from catch; refer to "Stowing Platform" paragraph in this section.



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FIGURE 2-11: RAISE BRIDGEPLATE
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b. Refer to Figure 2-12. Remove hydraulic unit cover to locate pump handle. Insert notched end of pump handle into shaft with roll pin crossing on hydraulic pump unit and engage pump release valve while holding bridgeplate. Once platform starts to deploy, release bridgeplate.

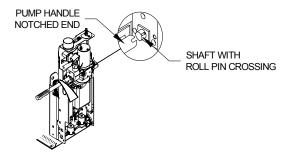


FIGURE 2-12: OPEN RELEASE VALVE

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Do not open pump release valve more than ¼-turn. Opening valve further may cause it to completely disengage from pump body, which will disable its pumping ability.

- c. Refer to Figure 2-12. Turn valve 1/4 turn counter-clockwise to begin lowering platform.
- d. Refer to Figure 2-13. When platform reaches level of interior floor turn valve clockwise to close; <u>do not over-tighten valve</u>. Do not lower platform below vehicle floor level. The rear edge of bridgeplate must rest flat on vehicle floor.

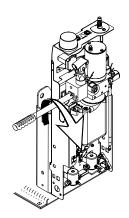


FIGURE 2-13: CLOSE RELEASE VALVE

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VERIFY THAT PLATFORM IS AT VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL AND THAT FRONT ROLLSTOP IS UP AND LOCKED IN POSITION.

- e. Fasten occupant restraint belt.
- f. Load passenger. Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn power off.



A Standee must stand near the center of the platform, facing in the direction of travel (away from vehicle), and firmly grasp handrails.

### 2. LOWER PLATFORM

- a. Refer to Figure 2-12. Turn valve 1/4 turn counter-clockwise to begin lowering platform.
- b. Hold valve open until platform settles at ground level. Turn handle clockwise to close valve; <u>do not over-tighten valve</u>.
- c. Unfasten occupant restraint belt and release wheelchair brakes. If a power wheelchair is used, turn the power back on. Carefully assist passenger off platform.

### 3. STOW PLATFORM

- a. Fasten occupant restraint belt.
- b. Refer to Figure 2-12. Verify that pump release valve is closed; do not over-tighten valve.
- c. Refer to **Figure 2-14**. Insert notched end of pump handle into pump shaft with roll pin crossing. Operate pump to begin raising and folding platform.

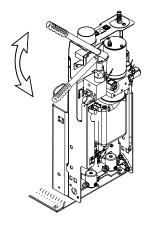


FIGURE 2-14: RAISE PLATFORM

- d. Operate pump until platform is completely folded inside vehicle and Stow-Lock has engaged.
- e. Stow pump handle and replace pump cover.
- f. Close vehicle doors.

## G. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR NOTE

Follow the lubrication, cleaning, and maintenance instructions in the following chapter, "Maintenance". These instructions apply to Ricon S-Series and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts. The instructions are meant to optimize the operating condition of the wheelchair lift. This page intentionally left blank.

## **III. MAINTENANCE**

This chapter contains cleaning instructions, a maintenance schedule, and decal information that

applies to RICON S-Series and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts. Regular maintenance of the RICON S- and K-Series Public Use wheelchair lifts will provide optimum performance and reduce the need for repairs.

### A. ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE INFORMATION

Additional maintenance information is available in the RICON S-Series and K-Series Public Use service manual, part number 32DSKL02. This manual is available from Ricon in printed hard copy, or at the Ricon website in PDF format. The website is located at www.RiconCorp.com. At the website, click on "Technical Documents", "I agree", and then "Service Manuals".

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THIS RICON PRODUCT IS HIGHLY SPECIALIZED. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS MUST BE PERFORMED BY A RICON AUTHORIZED SERVICE TECHNICIAN USING RICON REPLACEMENT PARTS. MODIFYING OR FAILING TO PROPERLY MAINTAIN THIS PRODUCT WILL VOID THE WARRANTY, AND MAY RESULT IN UNSAFE OPERATING CONDITIONS.

## B. CLEANING

Regular cleaning with mild soap (i.e. liquid hand soap or car wash liquid) and drying thoroughly will protect lift painted surfaces. Cleaning is especially important in areas where roads are salted in winter. Make sure that lift pivot points are clean and dry prior to lubrication.

## C. MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

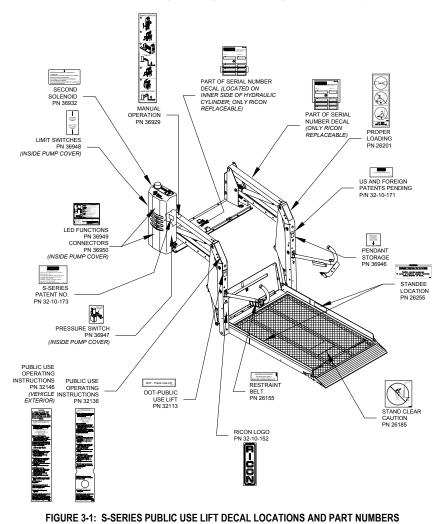
Refer to cycle counter located on rear side of hydraulic power unit. Under normal operating conditions, maintenance inspections are required at the frequencies listed in **Table 3-1**. Ten cycles is considered an average number of cycles for one day.

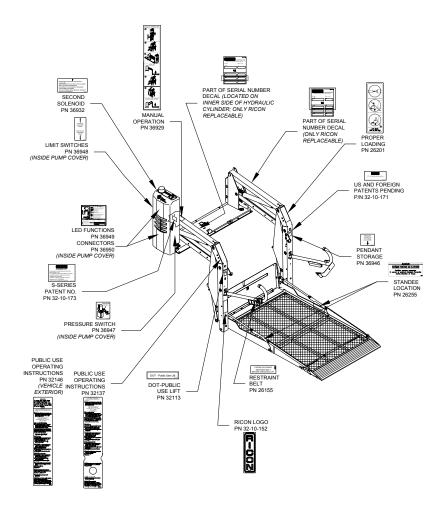
TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE				
SERVICE POINT ACTION TO PERFORM				
	10 CYCLES			
Overall condition	Overall condition Listen for abnormal noises as lift operates (i.e. grinding or binding noises.)			
Control pendant	Verify that control pendant is undamaged and cable connector is tight.			
	Verify that switch and buttons are illuminated.			
Threshold warning system	·····			
Bridgeplate load sen- sor				
Platform lights Verify that both lights are on when lift is powered.				
	150 CYCLES			
Overall condition	Listen for abnormal noises as lift operates (i.e. grinding or binding noises).			
	Inspect underside of vehicle for anything that is out of place.			
Electrical wiring Inspect electrical wiring for frayed wires, loose connectors, etc.				
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TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE					
SERVICE POINT ACTION TO PERFORM					
	150 CYCLES (CONT.)				
Vehicle interlock Place vehicle in non-interlock mode and verify that lift does not operate.					
Decals	Verify that lift decals are properly affixed, clearly visible, and legible. Replace, if ne- cessary.				
Handrails	Verify that handrail fasteners are properly tightened.				
Lift mounting points	<ul><li>Verify that vehicle mounting and support points are undamaged.</li><li>Verify that mounting bolts are sufficiently tight and corrosion free.</li></ul>				
Main lifting pivots	Verify that link pins on arms are properly installed, free from damage, and locked in position.				
Platform pivot points	Verify that platform moves freely, without binding, and does not wobble. (If applicable)				
Bridgeplate	<ul> <li>Verify that bridgeplate operates without binding during lift functions.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify that bridgeplate deploys fully when platform stops at floor level.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify bridgeplate rests flat against baseplate.</li> </ul>				
Front rollstop	<ul> <li>Verify that rollstop is opened completely when platform is at ground level.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify that rollstop closes and locks when platform leaves ground.</li> </ul>				
Hydraulic power unit	CAUTION				
	Check and add fluid when platform is at <u>ground</u> level. Fluid that is added when platform is raised will overflow when platform is lowered.				
	<ul> <li>Verify that pump hydraulic fluid level is at FULL mark when platform is at ground level. Add Texaco 01554 Aircraft Hydraulic Oil or equivalent U.S. mil spec H5606G fluid.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify there are no hydraulic fluid leaks.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify that manual backup pump operates properly.</li> </ul>				
	1800 CYCLES				
Cleaning and lubrication	<ol> <li>Clean lift with mild soap and water and wipe dry. Prevent rust by coating all surfaces with a lightweight oil. Remove excess oil.</li> </ol>				
	<ol> <li>Spray penetrating oil (Curtisol® Red Grease 88167 or WD-40®) where speci- fied in the service manual 32DSKL02 following directions on container. Re-</li> </ol>				
	move excess grease from surrounding areas.				
A Ricon authorized service technician must perform the annual safety check.					
3600 CYCLES					
Hydraulic cylinder,	<ul> <li>Check hydraulic cylinder for evidence of leaks.</li> </ul>				
hoses and fittings	<ul> <li>Inspect hydraulic hoses for damage.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Verify that all fittings are tight.</li> </ul>				
	END OF TABLE				

### D. DECAL PART NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

Inspect decals at intervals in **Table 3-1**. Inspect for chipping, peeling, fading, and illegibility. Order replacement decals with part number given in **Figure 3-1** and **Figure 3-2**, and apply where shown.





#### FIGURE 3-2: K-SERIES PUBLIC USE LIFT DECAL LOCATIONS AND PART NUMBERS