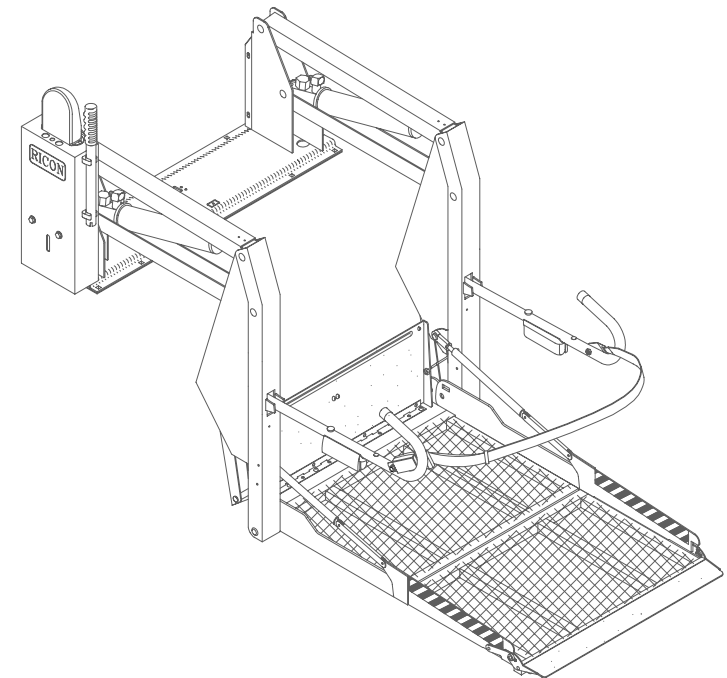




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### OPERATOR MANUAL

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Installing dealer	
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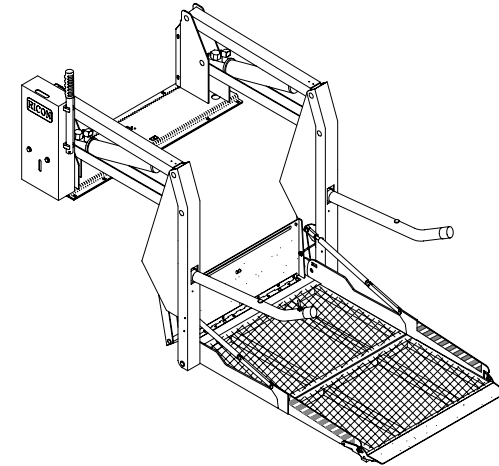
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## I. K-SERIES® DOT PRIVATE USE WHEELCHAIR LIFT INTRODUCTION

This manual provides operating and maintenance instructions for the Ricon K-Series® KlearVue™ Private Use wheelchair lift. The platform on the KlearVue splits horizontally to reduce overall lift height when it is stowed. This results in a less obstructed view, either into or out of the vehicle.



The lift is intended to provide wheelchair access to personal vehicles and to motor homes. The mechanical linkages provide smooth movement to the platform, which has a rated load capacity of 600 pounds (273 kilograms). The lift can be operated by the wheelchair occupant or by a trained assistant.

The lift contains an electro-hydraulic pump with a built-in manual backup pump. If the lift loses power, it can be raised or lowered manually. A 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 raised and folded back into the vehicle (stow). The platform splits and folds horizontally when stowed.

It is important to passenger safety that these operating instructions be read and understood by the lift operator. It is also important that the Ricon recommendations for cleaning, inspecting, and lubricating the wheelchair lift be followed.

### A. PRODUCT SUPPORT

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

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## B. PRODUCT WARRANTY

### RICON CORPORATION K-SERIES® PRIVATE USE WHEELCHAIR LIFT 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 a Ricon dealer.
- Labor costs for specified parts replaced under this warranty for a period of one year from date put into service. 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 a Ricon dealer or Ricon Product Support.

**If you need to return a product:** Return this product to your installing dealer, or 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:***

- Labor or service charges.
- 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 a Ricon dealer or qualified service technician at least once every six months, or sooner if necessary. Required maintenance should be performed at that time.



#### WARNING

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***This warranty is void if:***

- The product has been installed or maintained by someone other than a Ricon dealer or qualified 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.

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**

- Check the received product for freight damage. Claims for damage should be made to the freight carrier immediately.
- The warranty and owner registration cards must be completed and returned to Ricon within 20 days to validate the warranty.

### **D. GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

The following safety precautions must be adhered to during operation:

- Exercise caution when operating lift to avoid injury, and be certain that hands, feet, legs or clothing are not in path of the platform as it moves.
- Read and thoroughly understand the operating instructions before attempting to operate the lift.
- Inspect product before each use. Do not operate lift if an unsafe condition is present, or there is unusual noise or movement.
- Keep others clear during lift operation.
- The lift requires regular maintenance. Ricon recommends a thorough inspection every six months. Maintain the product at its highest level of performance.



## E. MAJOR KLEARVUE PRIVATE USE COMPONENTS

The major components of the lift are in **Figure 1-1**. A description of each component is in **Table 1-1**.

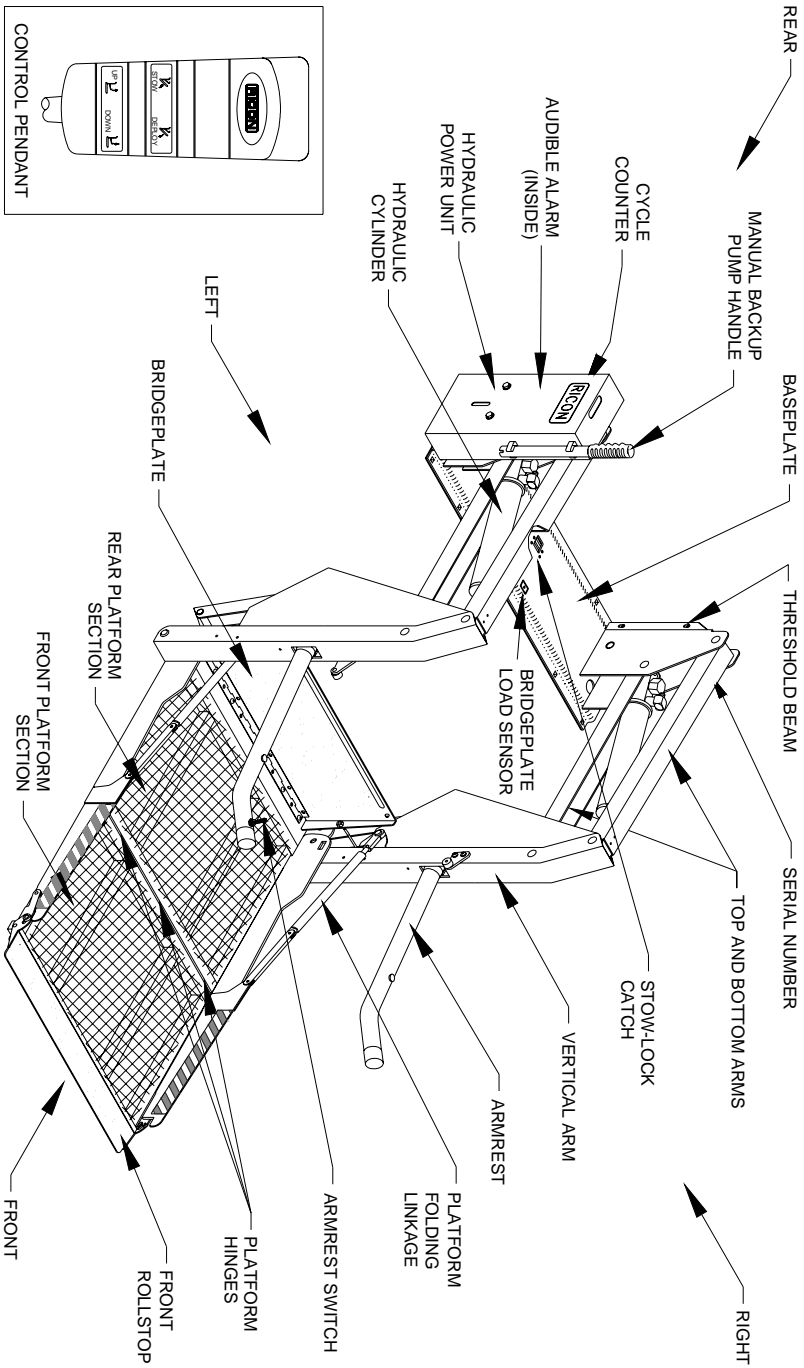


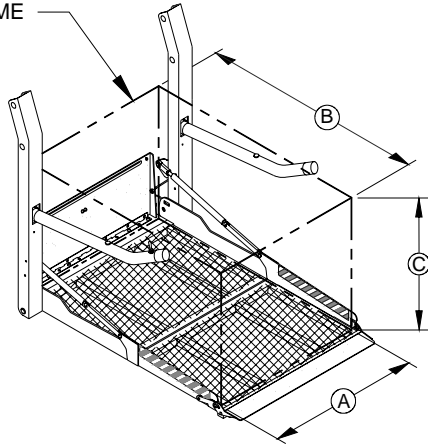
FIGURE 1-1: KLEARVUE MAJOR COMPONENTS

<b>TABLE 1-1: KLEARVUE MAJOR COMPONENT TERMS</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
Left, right, front, and rear	Position references when installed lift is viewed from outside of vehicle.
Armrest	(left and right) Provides handhold for passenger.
Armrest switch	Allows passenger to control "Up" and "Down" platform motions.
Audible alarm	Announces when something has passed over threshold. 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.
Hydraulic cylinder	(left and right) Telescoping single-acting cylinders convert hydraulic pressure into platform lifting and folding force.
Hydraulic power unit	Contains hydraulic pump driven by electric motor to produce pressure for raising and folding platform, plus a pressure release valve to unfold and lower it.
Manual backup pump handle	Used to operate manual back up-pump (located on hydraulic power unit cover).
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.
Rear platform section	Rear portion of platform that is folded by linkage located within the vertical arms.
Serial number	Location of lift serial number decal.
Stow-Lock catch	Engages latch on bottom of bridgeplate when platform is fully stowed.
Threshold beams	Light-beams detect presence of objects in threshold area.
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.
<b>END OF TABLE</b>	

## F. PLATFORM OPERATING VOLUME

Refer to **Figure 1-2**. The useful lift operating volume is represented in the figure by the rectangular volume shown in phantom outline. It is centered above the platform. Refer to **Table 1-2** for the dimensions that correspond to your lift model.

UNOBSTRUCTED PLATFORM  
OPERATING VOLUME



**FIGURE 1-2: PLATFORM OPERATING VOLUME**

<b>TABLE 1-2: K-SERIES OPERATING VOLUME DIMENSIONS, inches (mm's)</b>			
<b>MODEL</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
K1203	30 (762)	51 (1,295)	30 (762)
K1205	32 (813)	51 (1,295)	30 (762)
K2003	30 (762)	51 (1,295)	30 (762)
K2005	32 (813)	51 (1,295)	30 (762)
K5005	32 (813)	51 (1,295)	30 (762)
K5010	34 (864)	56 (1,422)	30 (762)
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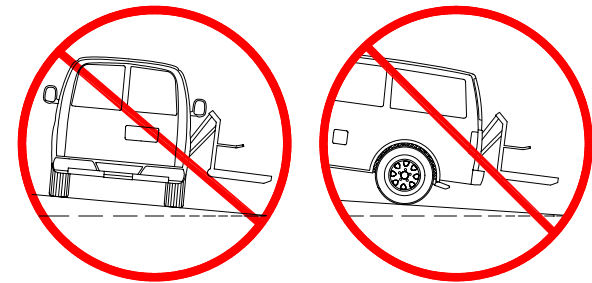
## II. K-SERIES® DOT PRIVATE USE LIFT OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This chapter contains safety precautions, daily safety check instructions, control and indicator descriptions, and operating instructions for the RICON K-Series® Private Use wheelchair lift. This chapter must be thoroughly understood by 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 the 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 set before using lift.
- Inspect lift before use. Do not use lift if an unsafe condition exists, or unusual noises or movements are noticed, and contact a Ricon dealer or qualified service technician for repair.
- Read and comply with all warning labels and symbols affixed to wheelchair lift.
- Refer to **Figure 2-2**. Wheelchair occupant must face outward on platform when entering or exiting vehicle. Due to variations in the size and configuration of mobility aids, for maximum safety, Ricon recommends that passengers always face outward when riding the lift platform.



**FIGURE 2-2: ALWAYS FACE OUTBOARD WHEN RIDING ON THE LIFT PLATFORM**

- It is never safe for a wheelchair occupant to exit a vehicle facing inboard. It is not safe to rely on a threshold warning device (audible or other) to confirm that it is safe to exit vehicle while facing inboard. Exiting the vehicle while facing outboard allows for visual confirmation that the lift platform has been raised in the event that the threshold warning device is inoperative or unheard and prevents the occupant from exiting the vehicle backwards when the platform is still 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.
- The outer rollstop is intended to prevent slow, or unintentional, rolling off the platform. The outer rollstop is not designed to stop a quick moving wheelchair. The wheelchair might tip and possibly injure its occupant if the small front wheels collide hard with the rollstop. The large rear wheels of a quick moving wheelchair can also roll over the rollstop. Use great care, board platform slowly, and lock wheelchair brakes.
- Be certain wheelchair fits safely on platform; it must not extend beyond edges or interfere with operation of rollstop.
- Do not operate with a load in excess of 800 lbs (364 kg).
- Keep arms, legs, and clothing away from moving lift parts.
- The lift is intended for ONE wheelchair and its occupant. Do not overload lift.
- **Refer to Figure 2-3.** Keep others clear while operating lift.



**FIGURE 2-3: STAND CLEAR OF PLATFORM**

- Do not allow an untrained person to operate lift.
- Careful supervision is necessary if used by or 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 lift to stowed position after use.
- Do not place a wheelchair on lift if it is too large for the vehicle. The wheelchair must be able to pivot freely inside vehicle to comply with lift instructions for entering and exiting vehicle.





Read and understand these safety precautions. Review them periodically and ask any attendants or other operators to read them as well. Contact a Ricon dealer or Ricon Product Support if there are questions.

## **B. DAILY SAFETY CHECK**

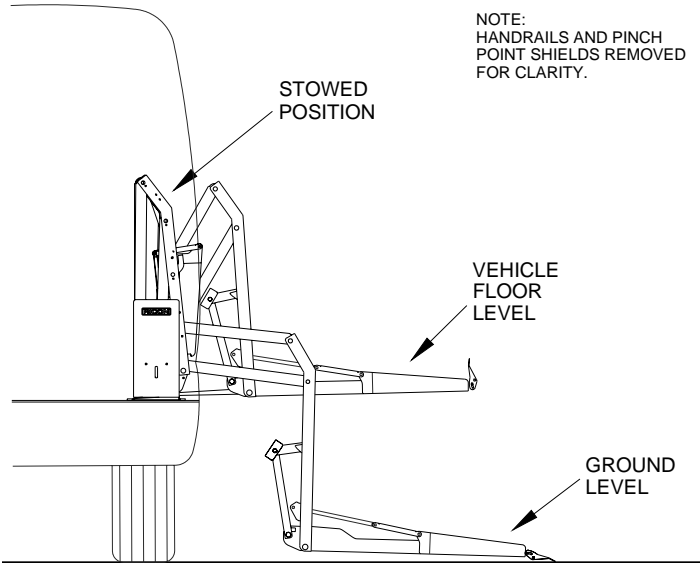
Inspect lift before each use and verify the following conditions are met before operating:

- All functions operate properly. **DO NOT** use if unusual noises or movements exist, and contact a Ricon dealer or qualified service technician for repair.
- Vehicle interlock is operating properly.
- No objects that may interfere with operation are present.
- General appearance and lubrication are satisfactory and all fasteners are tight.

**A. PLATFORM MOTIONS**

TABLE 2-1: PLATFORM MOTIONS		
MOVEMENT		DESCRIPTION
	<b>DEPLOY</b>	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.
	<b>DOWN</b>	Platform lowers from vehicle floor level position towards ground level. The front rollstop automatically lowers (opens) when platform reaches ground level.
	<b>UP</b>	Platform rises from ground level towards vehicle floor level. The front rollstop automatically rises (closes) when platform leaves ground level.
	<b>STOW</b>	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.
<b>END OF TABLE</b>		

**NOTE:** The up and down functions do not operate when platform is stowed.



**FIGURE 2-4: PLATFORM POSITIONS**

## B. CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

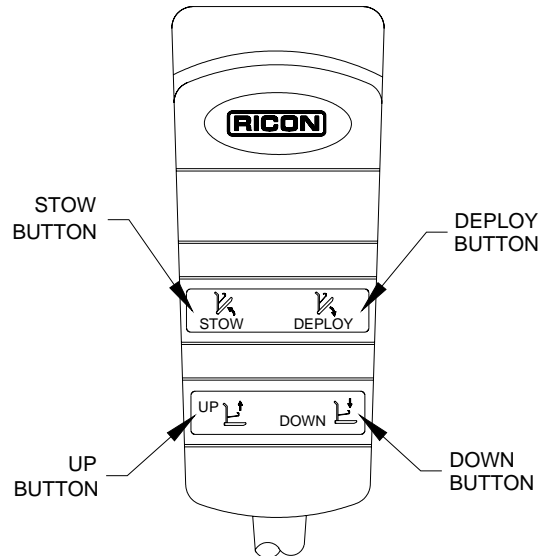


### ■ CONTROL PENDANT

Refer to **Figure 2-5**. The lift is operated with two rocker switches on a hard-wired, hand-held remote control pendant. Control platform movement by pushing and holding one end of a rocker switch. The ends of the switches are referred to in this manual as buttons.

Pushing the DEPLOY button causes the platform to unfold at floor level. Pushing the DOWN button causes the platform to descend towards the ground. Pushing the UP button causes the platform to rise towards floor level. Pushing the STOW button when the platform is at floor level causes it to fold and retract into the vehicle.

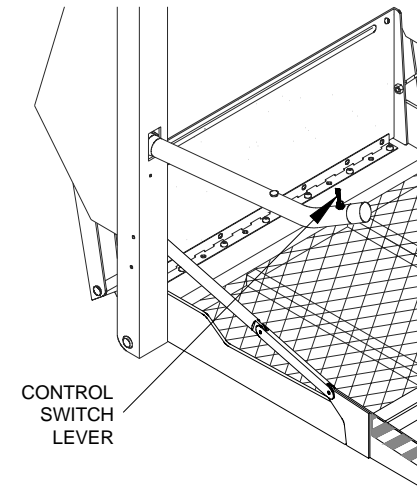
Platform motion can be halted at any time by releasing the button. The pendant is usually stored on a wall clip in an interior location that is near the lift.



**FIGURE 2-5: CONTROL PENDANT**

### ■ CONTROL SWITCH

Refer to **Figure 2-6** on the following page. An alternate lift control switch is located on the left side platform armrest. The spring-loaded switch lever can be used by the passenger to control UP and DOWN motions of the platform. To move platform downward push and hold switch lever forward, and to move platform upward pull and hold lever back. Release lever at any time to halt motion.

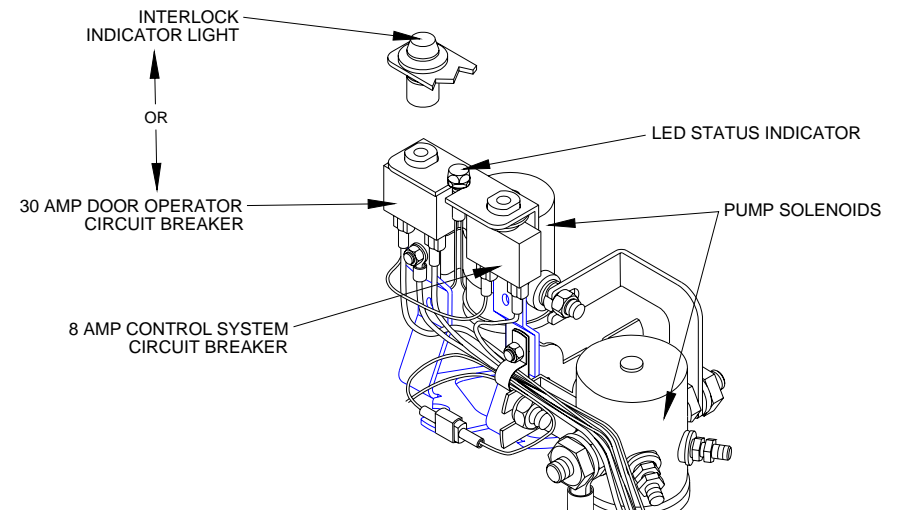


**FIGURE 2-6: ARMREST CONTROL SWITCH**

■ **CIRCUIT BREAKERS AND INDICATOR LIGHTS**

- Interlock Indicator Light

Refer to **Figure 2-7**. The vehicle interlock system prevents operation of lift if an unsafe condition is present. When a vehicle interlock system is interfaced with the lift circuitry, the interlock indicator shows whether or not the interlock is operating properly. The light is interfaced with the electrical system so that regardless of which interlock system is used, the light will be on when the interlock provides power to lift and off when interlock has removed power to lift. When there is no interlock system installed, the light stays illuminated at all times.

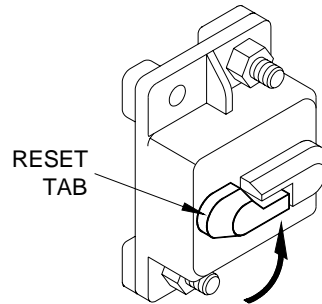


**FIGURE 2-7: INDICATOR LIGHT, CIRCUIT BREAKERS, AND LED INDICATOR**



- MAIN CIRCUIT BREAKER

Refer to **Figure 2-8**. 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 an 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 press and hold tab. Contact a Ricon dealer or qualified service technician for repair.



**FIGURE 2-8: MAIN CIRCUIT BREAKER**

- Optional Door Operator Circuit Breaker

Refer to **Figure 2-7**. The circuit breaker for optional door operator is located on the hydraulic pump assembly. In the event of a short circuit in the door operator, the circuit breaker button will “pop-out”. If pressing and releasing button does not reset power, do not press and hold. Contact a Ricon dealer or qualified service technician for repair. Refer to appropriate Power Door Operator service manual for a detailed description.

- Control System Circuit Breaker

Refer to **Figure 2-7**. 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 dealer or qualified service technician for repair.

- Pump Solenoid LED Status Indicator

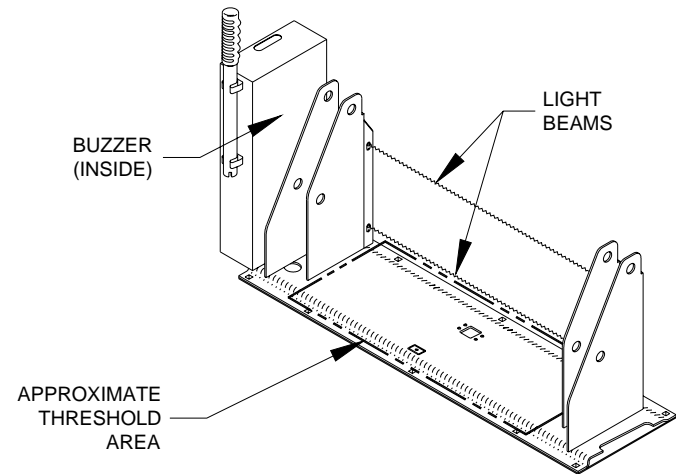
Refer to **Figure 2-7**. A second pump solenoid is installed next to the original pump solenoid and a green LED is located between the 8A and 30A circuit breakers. The LED monitors the condition of the two solenoids. The LED is on when the pump is operating, and off when the pump is off. For more information on this LED refer to the service manual 32DSSK04.

- BRIDGEPLATE LOAD SENSOR

Refer to Figure 1-1 and Table 1-1 in Chapter 1 for the location of the switch that detects the presence of a load on the bridgeplate. When the sensor switch 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. It also protects the bridgeplate from damage, which could later interfere with proper operation of the lift.

■ THRESHOLD WARNING SYSTEM

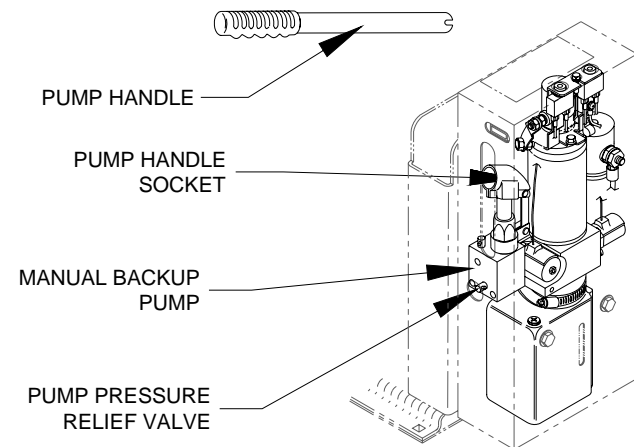
Refer to **Figure 2-9** for the location of the sensor portion of the threshold warning system. The lift incorporates two light beams that detect when a passenger (or object, such as a wheelchair) is in the vicinity of the baseplate or bridgeplate (threshold area). The beams are enabled when the platform 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 buzzer is 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 at floor level when boarding the platform prior to exiting the vehicle.



**FIGURE 2-9: THRESHOLD WARNING SYSTEM**

■ 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 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.

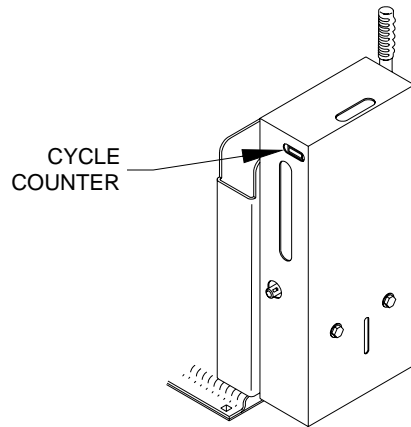


**FIGURE 2-9: MANUAL BACKUP PUMP & HANDLE**

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■ LIFT CYCLE COUNTER

Refer to **Figure 2-10**. The cycle counter is located inside the hydraulic pump housing and is 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.



**FIGURE 2-10: CYCLE COUNTER**

## C. NORMAL LIFT OPERATION



### WARNING

- IMPROPER USE OF LIFT CAN RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY. USERS MUST READ AND FOLLOW OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS. ADDITIONAL COPIES OF OPERATOR MANUAL ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

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PANORAMA CITY, CA 91402  
(800) 322-2884 or (818) 267-3000

- DO NOT EXCEED RATED LOAD CAPACITY OF 600 POUNDS (273 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 DEALER OR QUALIFIED SERVICE TECHNICIAN FOR REPAIR.
- THIS LIFT IS DESIGNED FOR USE BY WHEELCHAIR OCCUPANTS ONLY.

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- Before operating lift, be certain vehicle is safely parked on a level area away from traffic. Provide space for lift operation and passenger boarding.
- 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.



### WARNING

IF POSSIBLE, SOMEONE SHOULD BE NEAR PASSENGER TO RENDER IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE IF NECESSARY.

#### 1. ENTERING VEHICLE:

- DEPLOY PLATFORM** - Push and hold DEPLOY button until platform is completely unfolded from vehicle and stops at floor level.
- LOWER PLATFORM** - Push and hold DOWN button until platform is at ground level and front rollstop is fully lowered.
- Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, **facing outward** (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes.



### CAUTION

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

- d. **RAISE PLATFORM** - Push and hold UP button until platform rises and stops automatically at floor level.
- e. Release wheelchair brakes and carefully enter vehicle.
- f. Refer to “Stowing Platform” section below to stow platform.

## 2. EXITING VEHICLE:

- a. **DEPLOY PLATFORM** - Push and hold DEPLOY button until platform is completely unfolded from vehicle and stops at floor level.



### WARNING

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

- b. Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, **facing outward** (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes.



### CAUTION

Do not stand on bridgeplate as platform lowers.

- c. **LOWER PLATFORM** - Push and hold DOWN button until platform is at ground level and front rollstop is fully lowered.
- d. Release wheelchair brakes and carefully exit platform.
- e. Refer to “STOWING PLATFORM” section below to stow platform.

## 3. STOWING PLATFORM:

- a. If platform is at ground level, push and hold UP button until platform rises and stops automatically at floor level.
- b. Push and hold STOW button until platform folds completely into vehicle.



### CAUTION

Be certain platform has stowed completely before attempting to close doors. To avoid damage to doors, do not release STOW button until lift pump motor stops automatically.

- c. Close vehicle doors if lift is not equipped with a power door operator. If equipped with a power door operator, the vehicle doors will automatically close after platform is stowed.

## D. MANUAL OPERATION

The lift can be operated manually if the lift is not functioning or the primary electrical power source is absent. Ricon recommends that manual operation be used only for exiting passengers from vehicle.

Preparation:

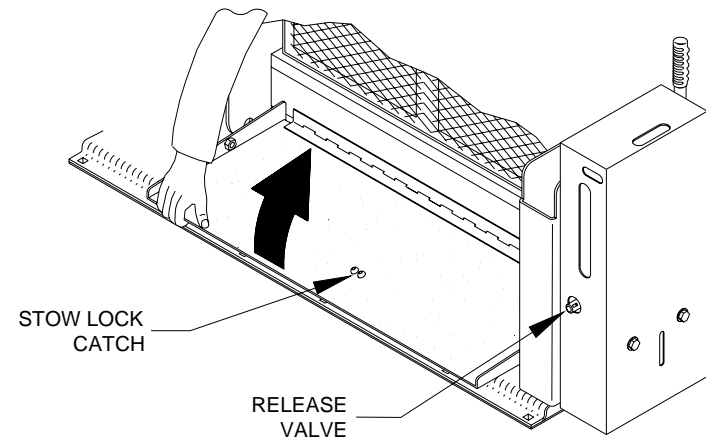
- Be certain vehicle is on a level area and away from traffic. Allow space for platform movement plus space to exit from platform.
- The vehicle operator must summon assistance to move vehicle to a safe area if a break down situation exists where vehicle cannot be moved under its own power.
- Open doors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



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

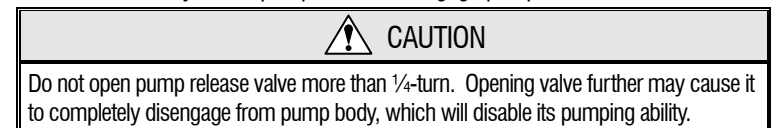
### 1. DEPLOY PLATFORM

- 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 "Stow Platform" paragraph in this section for manual backup pump details.

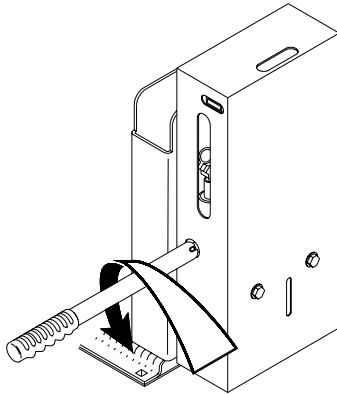


**FIGURE 2-11: RAISE BRIDGEPLATE BY HAND**

- Refer to **Figure 2-12** on following page. Insert notched end of pump handle into circular hole on hydraulic pump cover and engage pump release valve.

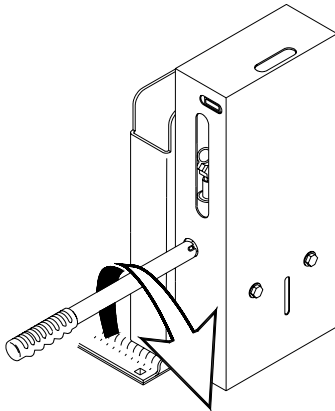


- c. Refer to **Figure 2-12**. Open release valve by turning it 1/4 turn counter-clockwise and platform will begin to lower.



**FIGURE 2-12: OPEN RELEASE VALVE**

- d. Refer to **Figure 2-13**. When platform reaches level of interior floor turn valve clockwise to close; do not over-tighten valve. Do not lower platform below vehicle floor



**FIGURE 2-13: CLOSE RELEASE VALVE**

level. The rear edge of bridgeplate must rest flat on vehicle floor.

- e. Load Passenger  
Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, **facing outward** (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes.

## 2. LOWER PLATFORM



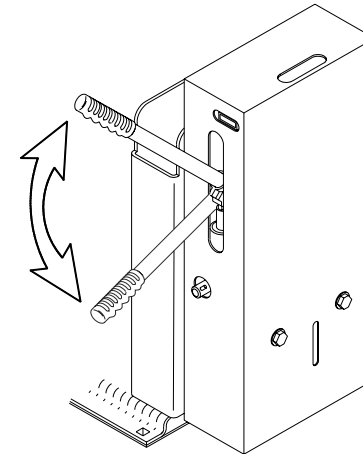
### CAUTION

Do not open pump release valve more than 1/4-turn. Opening valve further may cause it to completely disengage from pump body, which will disable its pumping ability.

- 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. Refer to **Figure 2-13**. Turn handle clockwise to close valve; do not over-tighten valve.
- c. Release wheelchair brakes and carefully exit platform.

## 3. STOW PLATFORM

- a. Refer to **Figure 2-13**. Verify that pump release valve is closed; do not over-tighten valve.
- b. Refer to **Figure 2-14**. Insert pump handle into pump handle socket. Operate pump to begin raising and folding platform.



**FIGURE 2-14: RAISE PLATFORM**

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

## E. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR NOTE

Follow the lubrication, cleaning, and maintenance instructions in the following chapter, **MAINTENANCE**. These instructions will optimize the operating condition of wheelchair lift.



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### III. K-SERIES® DOT PRIVATE USE LIFT MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance of the RICON K-Series® Private Use wheelchair lift will provide optimum performance and reduce the need for repairs. This chapter contains cleaning instructions, a maintenance schedule, and decal information.

#### A. ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE INFORMATION

Additional maintenance information is available in the K-Series Private Use service manual, part number 32DSSK04. 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](http://www.riconcorp.com). At the website, click on “Technical Documents”, “I agree”, and then “Service Manuals”.

 <b>WARNING</b>
THIS RICON PRODUCT IS HIGHLY SPECIALIZED. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS MUST BE PERFORMED BY A RICON DEALER OR QUALIFIED 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. Verify that lift pivot points are clean and dry prior to lubrication.

#### C. MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

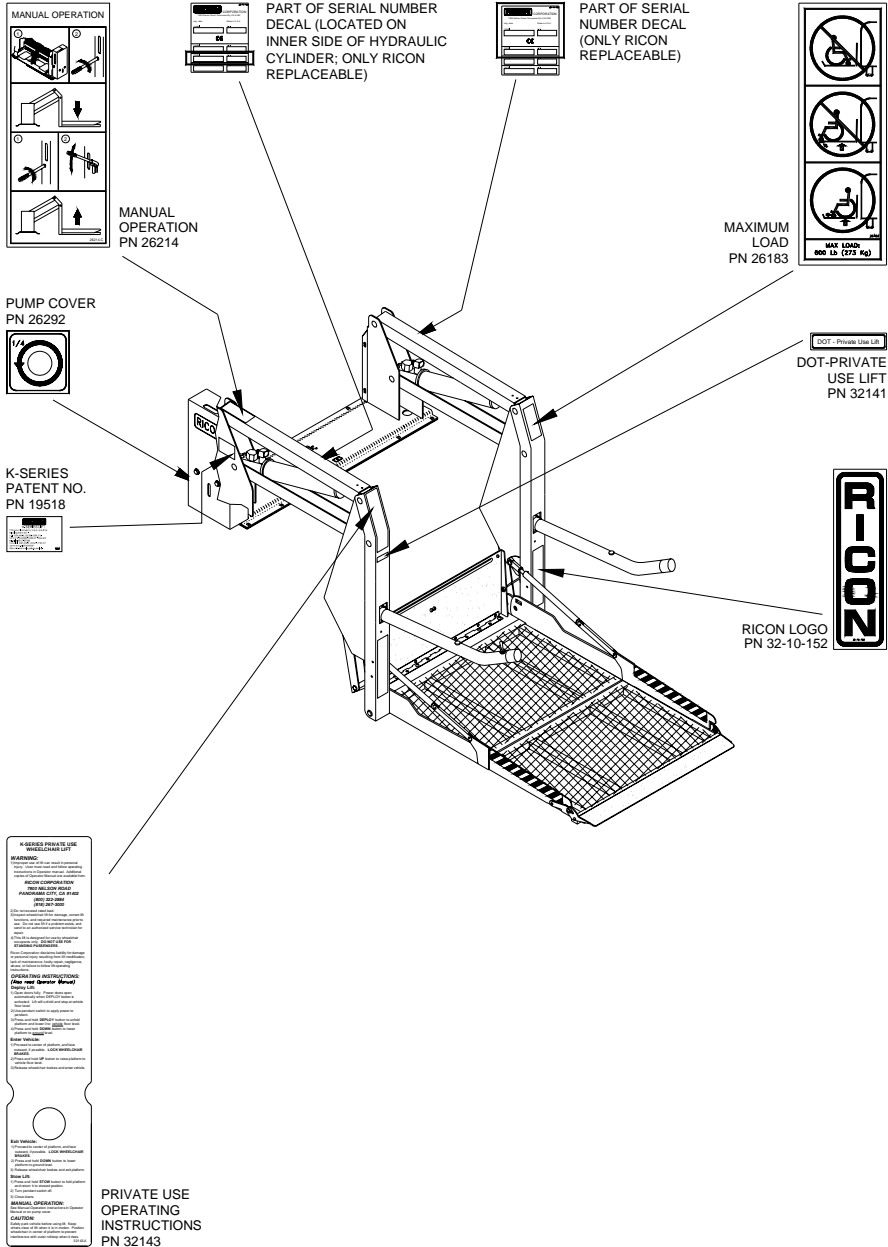
Refer to cycle counter located on rear side of hydraulic power unit. Under normal operating conditions, maintenance inspections are required at the frequencies listed in **Table 3-1**. 10 cycles is considered an average number of cycles for one day.

<b>TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>SERVICE POINT</b>	<b>ACTION TO PERFORM</b>
<b>10 CYCLES</b>	
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.
Threshold warning system	Verify that system properly detects objects in baseplate area and actuates the audible alarm.
Bridgeplate load sensor	Verify that sensor inhibits downward movement of platform when a weight is present on lowered bridgeplate.
<b>150 CYCLES</b>	
Overall condition	Inspect underside of vehicle for anything that is out of place.
Electrical wiring	Inspect electrical wiring for frayed wires, loose connectors, etc.
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 necessary.
Armrests	Verify that armrest fasteners are properly tightened.

<b>TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>SERVICE POINT</b>	<b>ACTION TO PERFORM</b>
Lift mounting points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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.
Bridgeplate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Verify that bridgeplate operates without binding during lift functions.</li> <li>▪ Verify that bridgeplate deploys fully when platform stops at floor level.</li> <li>▪ Verify bridgeplate rests flat against baseplate.</li> </ul>
Front rollstop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Verify that rollstop is opened completely when platform is at ground level.</li> <li>▪ Verify that rollstop closes and locks when platform leaves ground.</li> </ul>
Hydraulic power unit	 <b>CAUTION</b>
	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 style="list-style-type: none"> <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> <li>▪ Verify there are no hydraulic fluid leaks.</li> <li>▪ Verify that manual backup pump operates properly.</li> </ul>
<b>1800 CYCLES</b>	
Cleaning and lubrication	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean lift with mild soap and water and wipe dry. Prevent rust by coating all surfaces with a light weight oil. Remove excess oil.</li> <li>2. Spray penetrating oil (Curtisol® Red Grease 88167 or WD-40®) where specified in the service manual 32DSSK04 following directions on container. Remove excess grease from surrounding areas.</li> </ol>
 <b>CAUTION</b>	
A Ricon dealer or qualified service technician must perform the annual safety check.	
<b>3600 CYCLES</b>	
Hydraulic cylinder, hoses and fittings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Check hydraulic cylinder for evidence of leaks.</li> <li>▪ Inspect hydraulic hoses for damage.</li> <li>▪ Verify that all fittings are tight.</li> </ul>
<b>END OF TABLE</b>	

**D. DECAL PART NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS**

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



**FIGURE 3-1: K-SERIES PRIVATE USE LIFT DECAL LOCATIONS AND PART NUMBERS**

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