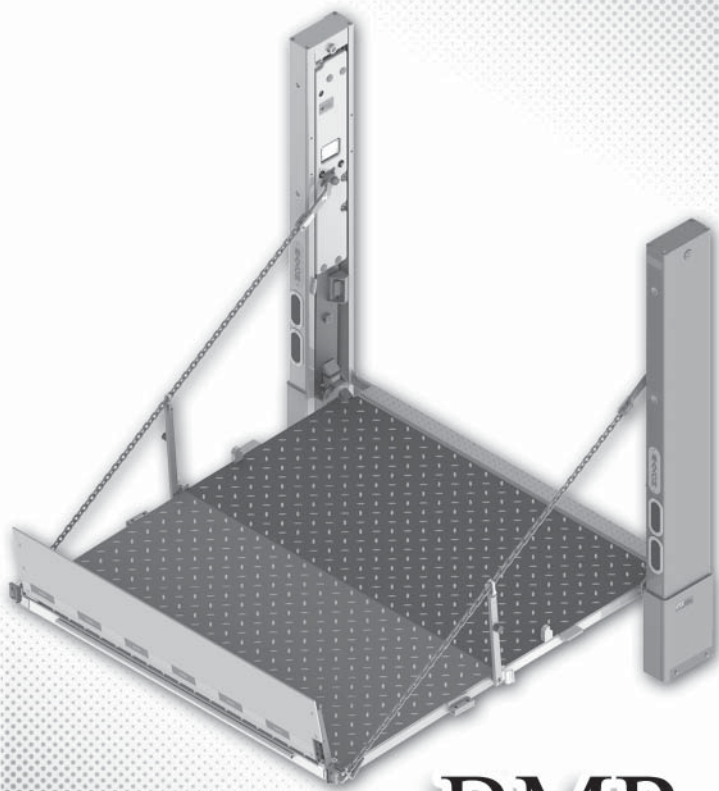


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- Warnings
- Decal & Plate Locations
- Standard Control Locations
- Liftgate & Retention Ramp Operation



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## **WARNING**

1. Incorrect operation of this Liftgate can result in serious personal injury. Comply with **WARNINGS** and Liftgate operating instructions in this manual. Do not allow untrained persons or children to operate the Liftgate. If you need to replace an **Operation Manual**, additional copies are available from:

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**Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670**  
**(800) 227-4116**

2. Do not exceed rated **load capacity** of the Liftgates which is **3500 lbs. for model BMRA-35 (BMRSD-35), 4400 lbs. for model BMRA-44 (BMRSD-44), 5500 lbs. for model BMRA-55 (BMRSD-55), and 6600 lbs. for model BMRA-66 (BMRSD-66).**
3. Do not allow any part of your body to be placed under, within, or around any portion of the moving Liftgate or its mechanisms, or in a position that would trap them between the platform and the floor of truck body (or between platform and the ground) when Liftgate is operated.
4. Consider the safety and location of bystanders and location of nearby objects when operating the Liftgate. Stand to one side of platform while operating the Liftgate. Be certain that the area the Liftgate will move through during operation is clear of all obstacles.
5. Comply with all attached instruction decals and warning decals.
6. Keep decals clean and legible. If decals are illegible or missing, have them replaced. **Get free replacement decals from Maxon.**
7. **Never drive a forklift on the Liftgate platform.**
8. Do not move vehicle unless Liftgate is correctly stowed.
9. **Correctly stow platform when not in use. Extended platforms could create a hazard for people and vehicles passing by.**
10. A correctly installed Liftgate will operate smoothly and reasonably quiet. The only noticeable noise, during Liftgate operation, is from the power unit while the platform is being opened (SD models only), lowered (power down models only), raised, or closed. Listen for scraping, grating and binding noises and have the problem corrected before continuing to operate the Liftgate.
11. Above all, **USE GOOD COMMON SENSE** when operating this Liftgate.
12. Never use a cell phone while operating the Liftgate.

# DECALS & PLATES

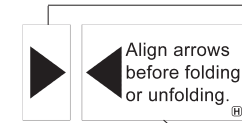
**NOTE:** Ensure there is no residue, dirt, or corrosion where decals are attached. If necessary, clean surface before attaching decals.



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P/N 266508-01



**STOW WARNING DECAL**  
P/N 282847-01



**DECAL "H"**  
(LABEL IS PART OF PLASTIC COVER)

**SERIAL PLATE**

**FAMILY OWNED DECAL**  
P/N 283445-01

**PAINT DECAL**  
P/N 267338-01

**DECAL "F"**  
(2 PLACES)

**DECAL "G"**

**DECAL "C"**

**DECAL "D"**

**DECAL "B"**

**DECAL "A"**

**DECAL "E"**



**FAMILY OWNED DECAL**  
(2 PLACES)  
P/N 283445-01



**PAINT DECAL**  
(2 PLACES)  
P/N 267338-01



**KEEP HANDS CLEAR**  
(2 PLACES)  
P/N 260009

**FIG. 6-1**

## SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Read all decals and operation manual before operating liftgate.

1. Do not use liftgate unless you have been properly instructed and have read, and are familiar with, the operating instructions.
2. Be certain vehicle is properly and securely braked before using the liftgate.
3. Always inspect this liftgate for maintenance or damage before using it. Do not use liftgate if it shows any sign of damage or improper maintenance.
4. Do not overload.
5. Make certain the area in which the platform will open and close is clear before opening or closing the platform.
6. Make certain platform area, including the area in which loads may fall from platform, is clear before and at all times during operation of liftgate.
7. This liftgate is intended for loading and unloading of cargo only. Do not use this liftgate for anything but its intended use.

(A)

## WARNING

Read this information carefully.

- Improper operation of this Liftgate can result in serious personal injury. If you do not have a copy of the operating instructions, please obtain them from your employer, distributor, or lessor before you attempt to operate Liftgate.
- If there are signs of improper maintenance, damage to vital parts, or slippery platform surface, do not use the Liftgate until these problems have been corrected.
- If you are using a pallet jack, be sure it can be maneuvered safely.
- Do not operate a forklift on the platform.
- Do not allow any part of yours or your helper's body to be placed under, within, or around any portion of the moving Liftgate, or its mechanisms, or in a position that would trap them between the platform and the ground or truck when the Liftgate is operated.
- If a helper is riding the platform with you, make sure you are both doing so safely and that you are not in danger of coming in contact with any moving or potentially moving obstacles.
- **USE GOOD COMMON SENSE.**
- If load appears to be unsafe, do not lift or lower it.

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(B)

### THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF THIS LIFT IS

\_\_\_\_ LB [ \_\_\_\_ KG ]

WHEN THE LOAD IS CENTERED ON THE LOAD CARRYING PLATFORM

(C)

(REFER TO TABLE 7-1)

## CAUTION

Always stand clear of platform area.

(E)

## CAUTION

Do not grease columns.

(F)



## WARNING

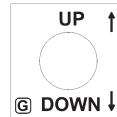
Liftgate hazards can result in crushing or falling.

Keep hands and feet clear of pinch points.

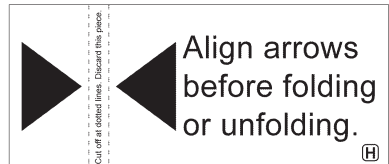
If riding liftgate, make sure load is stable and footing is solid.

Read and understand all instructions and WARNINGS before use.

(D)



(G)



(H)

(RH PORTION OF LABEL IS PART OF PLASTIC COVER)

### DECAL SHEET

FIG. 7-1

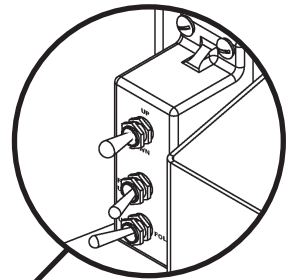
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BMRA-35	268309-01	3500 LBS. [1600 KG]
BMRA-44	268309-02	4400 LBS. [2000 KG]
BMRA-55	268309-03	5500 LBS. [2500 KG]
BMRA-66	268309-04	6600 LBS. [3000 KG]

DECAL SHEET PART NUMBERS  
TABLE 7-1

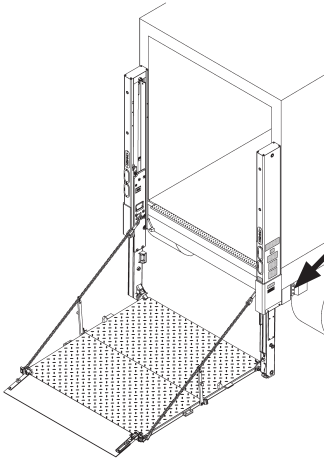
# STANDARD CONTROL LOCATIONS

## GROUND ACCESS - CONTROL BOX

Toggle switches on control box (**FIG. 8-1A**) let operator raise (**UP**), lower (**DOWN**), **FOLD**, and **UNFOLD** the platform (**FIG. 8-1B**) while standing on the ground.



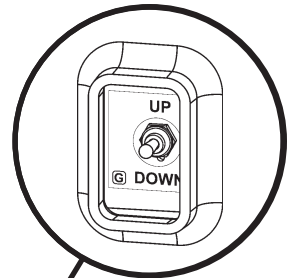
**FIG. 8-1A**



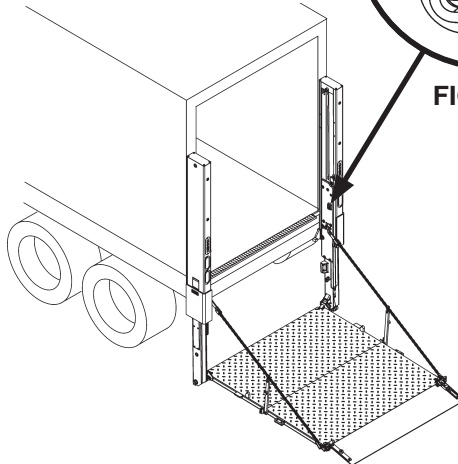
**FIG. 8-1B**

## PLATFORM ACCESS - RUNNER SWITCH

Toggle switch (**FIG. 8-2A**) on RH runner lets operator raise (**UP**) and lower (**DOWN**) the platform (**FIG. 8-2B**) only. Switch stays within reach when operator rides platform **UP** and **DOWN**.



**FIG. 8-2A**



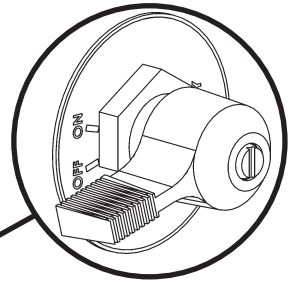
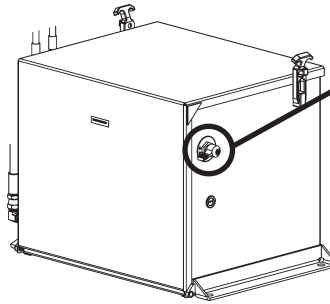
**FIG. 8-2B**



# PUMP BOX CONTROLS

## MASTER DISCONNECT SWITCH

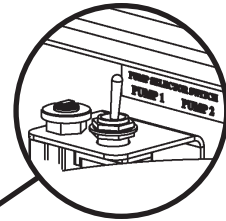
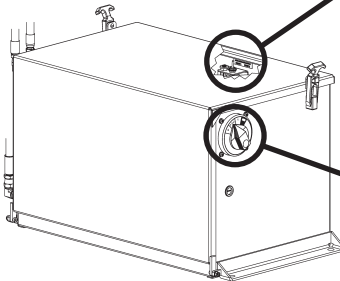
The master disconnect switch (FIGS. 9-1B and 9-2B) removes battery power from the pump(s). For a single pump box (FIGS. 9-1A and 9-1B), turn **ON** the master disconnect switch to operate Liftgate.



**MASTER DISCONNECT SWITCH TURNED OFF**  
FIG. 9-1B

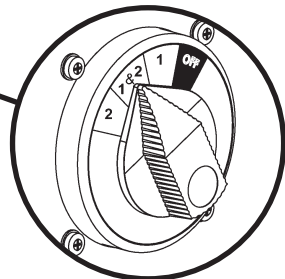
**SINGLE PUMP BOX**  
FIG. 9-1A

To operate a Liftgate equipped with dual pump box (FIGS. 9-2A and 9-2B), turn the master disconnect switch to **1&2**. If necessary, battery power can be connected to one pump only by selecting **1** or **2**. To remove battery power from **PUMPS 1 and 2**, turn switch **OFF**.



**SELECTOR SWITCH (PUMP 2 SELECTED)**  
FIG. 9-2C

**DUAL PUMP BOX**  
FIG. 9-2A



**MASTER DISCONNECT SWITCH (PUMPS 1&2 CONNECTED)**  
FIG. 9-2B

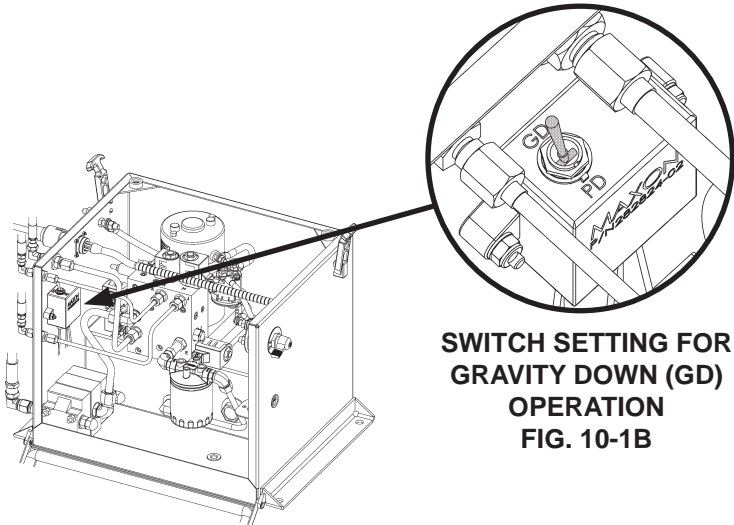
## PUMP SELECTOR SWITCH

If the Liftgate is equipped with a dual pump box (FIG. 9-2A), the **PUMP SELECTOR SWITCH (FIG. 9-2C)** can be used to select **PUMP 1** or **PUMP 2** to power Liftgate.

# PUMP BOX CONTROLS - Continued

## POWER DOWN ON DEMAND SWITCH (BMRSD MODELS ONLY)

The power down switch (**FIG. 10-1B**) selects Gravity Down (**GD**) or Power Down (**PD**) operation of the Liftgate. Setting the switch to **GD** should result in more operating time from a charged battery. The **PD** switch setting should improve performance when operating in severe cold weather.



**SINGLE PUMP BOX  
FIG. 10-1A**

**SWITCH SETTING FOR  
GRAVITY DOWN (GD)  
OPERATION  
FIG. 10-1B**

# FORKLIFT ADVISORY

**⚠ WARNING**  
**Keep forklift OFF of platform.**

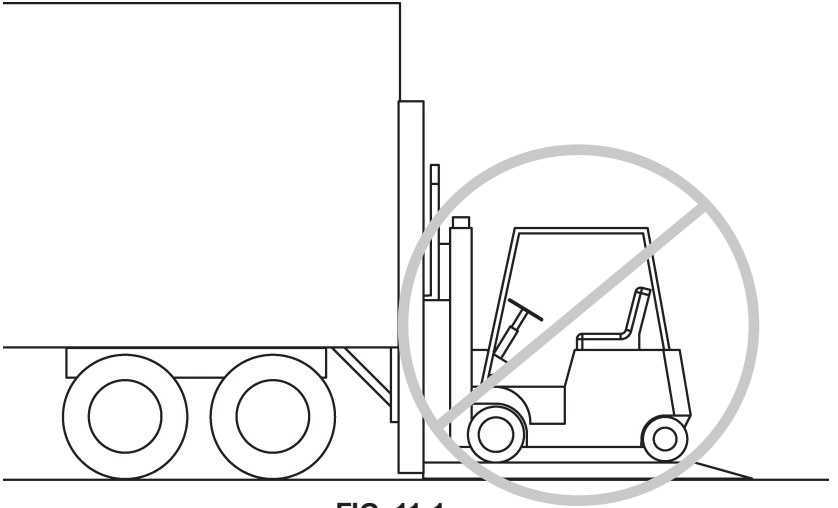


FIG. 11-1

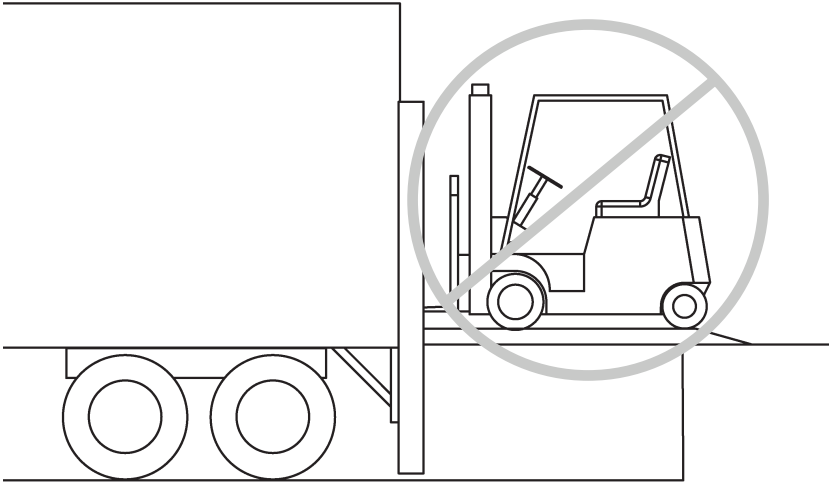
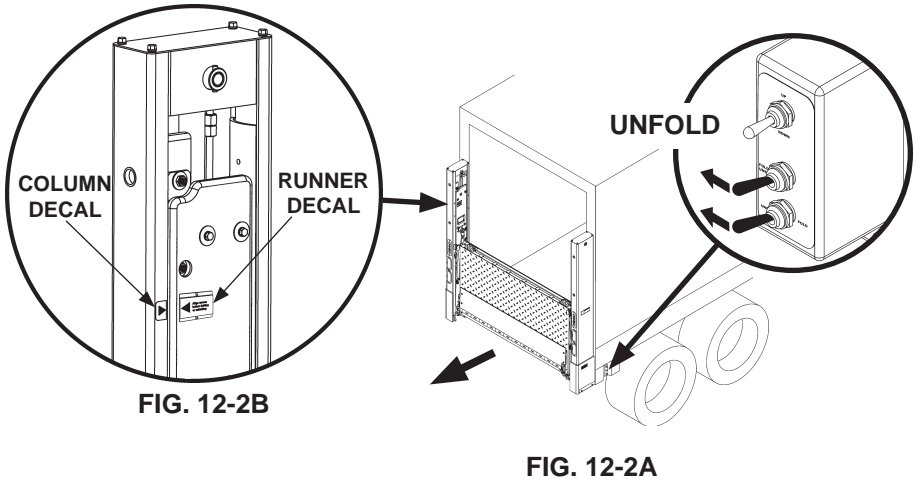
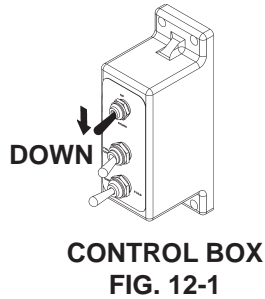


FIG. 11-2

# LOADING VEHICLE OPENING THE PLATFORM

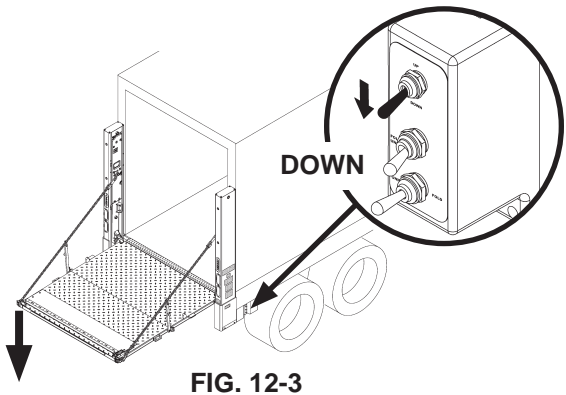
**NOTE:** The 2 platform flashing lights are flashing when platform is unfolding and unfolded. The lights stop flashing when the platform is folded/stowed.

Push toggle switch to **DOWN** position (**FIG. 12-1**) to lower platform (**FIG. 12-2A**) until arrow decals are about even (**FIG. 12-2B**). Platform will be released from the locking wedges on the Liftgate column. Next, use control box to **UNFOLD** platform (**FIG. 12-2A**). Hold both switches until platform reaches the unfolded (horizontal) position and then release both switches.



## LOWERING THE PLATFORM

To lower platform to the ground, use control box as shown in **FIG. 12-3**. Release toggle switch when platform reaches the ground.



## OPENING THE RETENTION RAMP

To unfold retention ramp, first push down on retention ramp (**FIG. 13-1A**) to release tension on lock. To unfold ramp for loading, release and hold lock (**FIG. 13-1B**) and rotate ramp to the ground (**FIG. 13-2**).

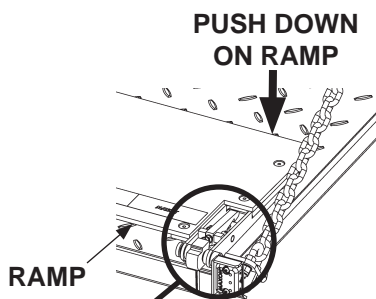


FIG. 13-1A

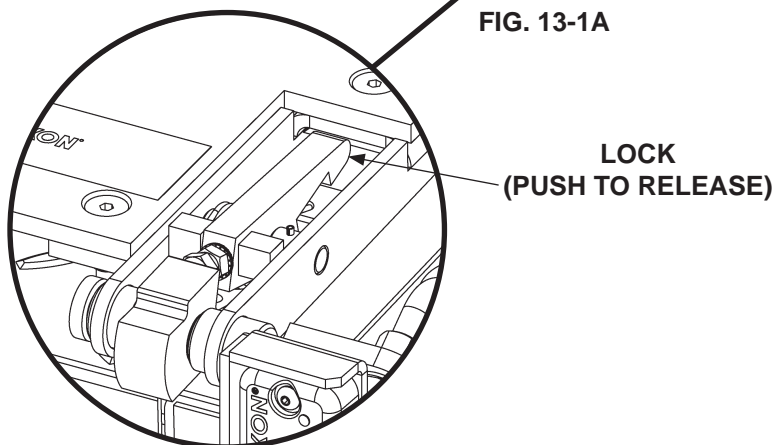


FIG. 13-1B

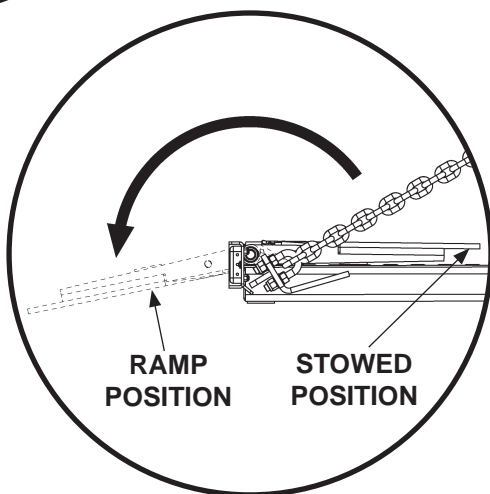


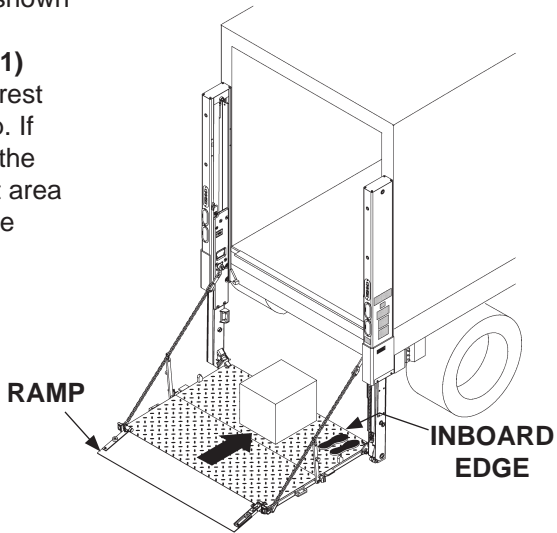
FIG. 13-2

# LOADING VEHICLE - Continued POSITIONING LOAD

## **⚠ WARNING**

**A load should never extend past the edges of the platform. Do not place unstable loads on platform and do not allow load to exceed lifting capacity of Liftgate. If standing on platform, do not allow your feet to extend beyond inboard edge of platform.**

Place all loads as close as possible to the inboard edge of the platform with heaviest part toward the truck body as shown in **FIG. 14-1**. Move loads across the ramp (**FIG. 14-1**) to the platform, but never rest or raise loads on the ramp. If standing on platform with the load, stand in the footprint area shown and comply with the preceding **WARNING**.



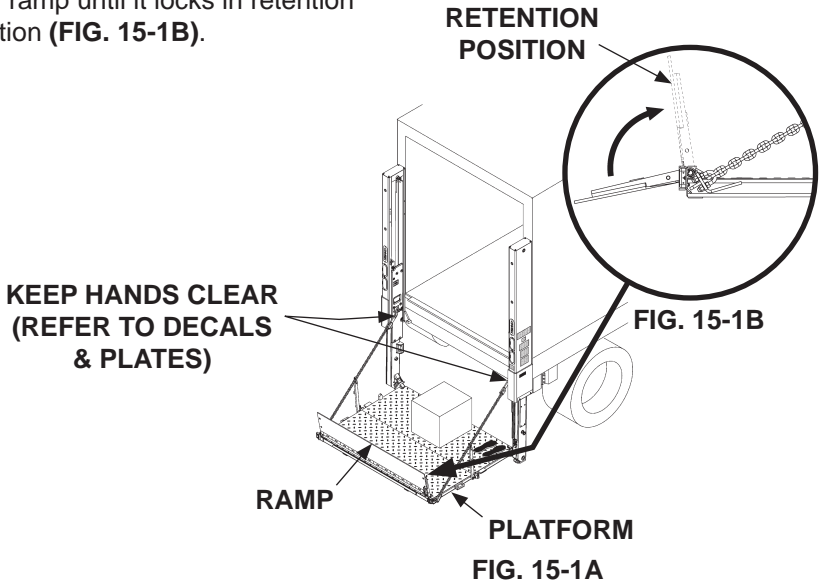
**LOADING PLATFORM AT GROUND LEVEL  
FIG. 14-1**

# RAISING & UNLOADING PLATFORM

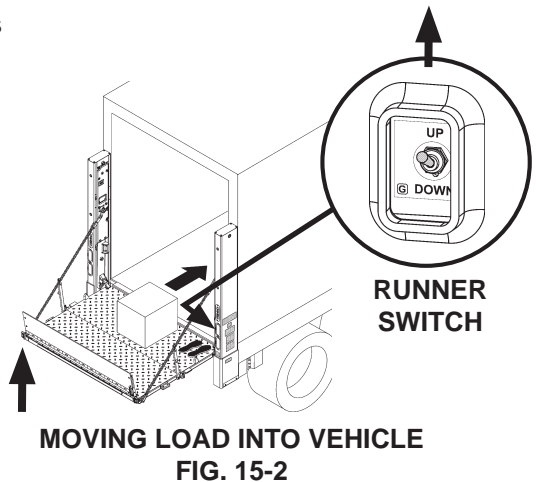
## ⚠ CAUTION

A ramp in retention position can trip you when stepping over it. To prevent possible injury, get on the platform before putting the ramp in retention position.

1. Fold ramp until it locks in retention position (FIG. 15-1B).



2. Use runner switch to raise (UP) platform from ground level to bed height (FIG. 15-2). Release switch when platform reaches bed height.

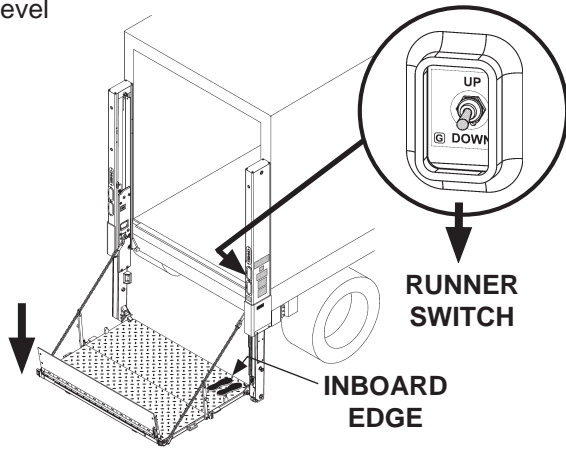


3. Carefully move the load into vehicle (FIG. 15-2).

# LOADING VEHICLE - Continued

## RAISING & UNLOADING PLATFORM - Continued

4. Use runner switch to lower the platform to ground level (**FIG. 16-1**).



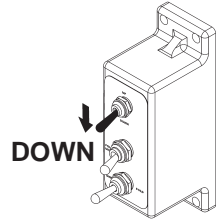
**FIG. 16-1**

5. If there are more loads to put in vehicle, repeat the previous **LOADING VEHICLE** steps for each load. When loading is finished, use **STOWING PLATFORM** procedure in this manual.

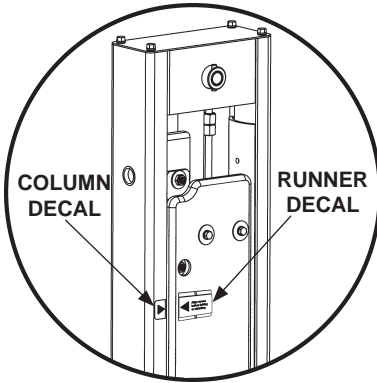


# UNLOADING VEHICLE OPENING THE PLATFORM

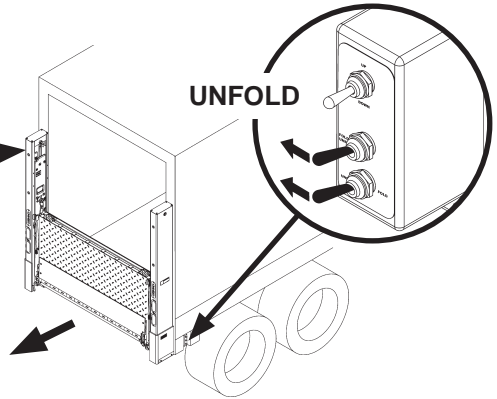
Push toggle switch to **DOWN** position (FIG. 17-1) to lower platform (FIG. 17-2A) until arrow decals are about even (FIG. 17-2B). Platform will be released from the locking wedges on the Liftgate column. Next, use control box to **UNFOLD** platform (FIG. 17-2A). Hold both switches until platform reaches the unfolded (horizontal) position and then release both switches.



**CONTROL BOX**  
**FIG. 17-1**



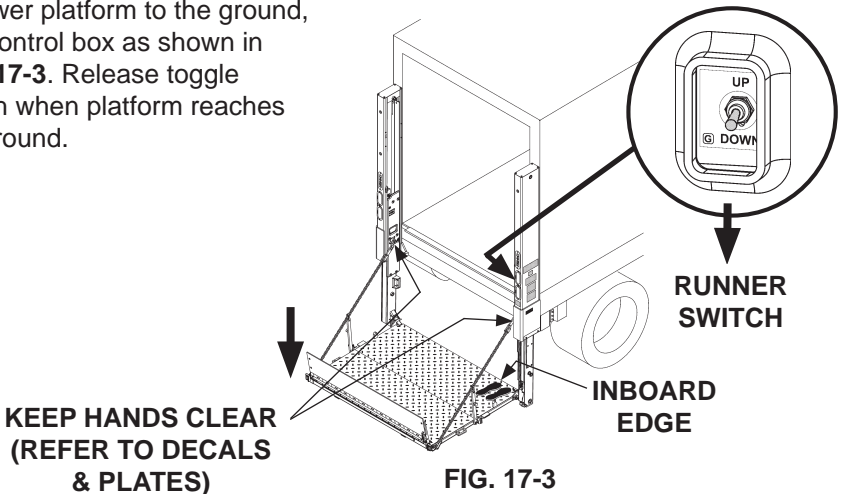
**FIG. 17-2B**



**FIG. 17-2A**

# LOWERING THE PLATFORM

To lower platform to the ground, use control box as shown in FIG. 17-3. Release toggle switch when platform reaches the ground.



**FIG. 17-3**

# UNLOADING VEHICLE - Continued

## OPENING RAMP TO RETENTION POSITION

### CAUTION

A ramp in retention position can trip you when stepping over it. To prevent possible injury, get on the platform before putting the ramp in retention position.

To unfold retention ramp, first push down on retention ramp (FIG. 18-1A) to release tension on lock. Next, push down on lock mechanism (FIG. 18-1B) and lift the retention ramp until it locks in the retention position (FIG. 18-2).

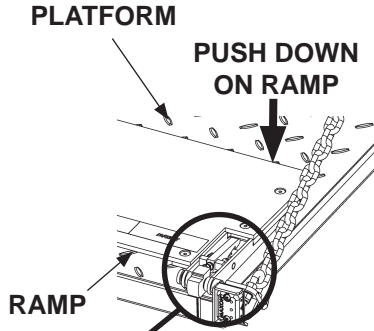


FIG. 18-1A

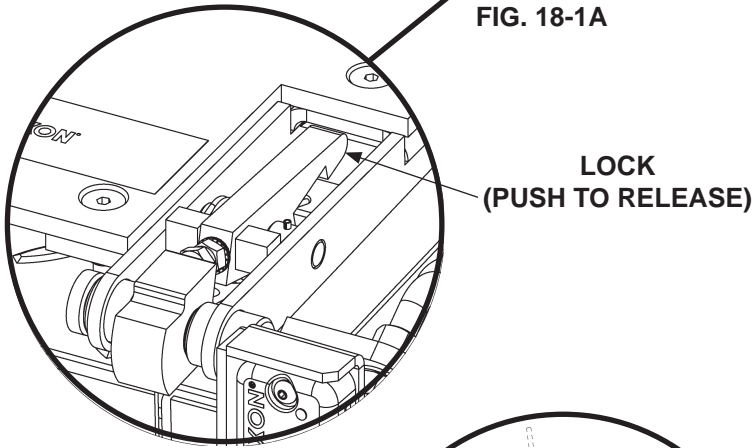


FIG. 18-1B

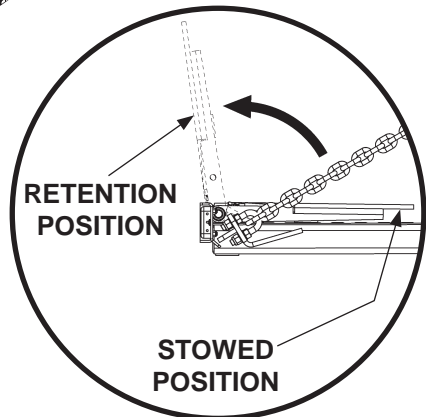
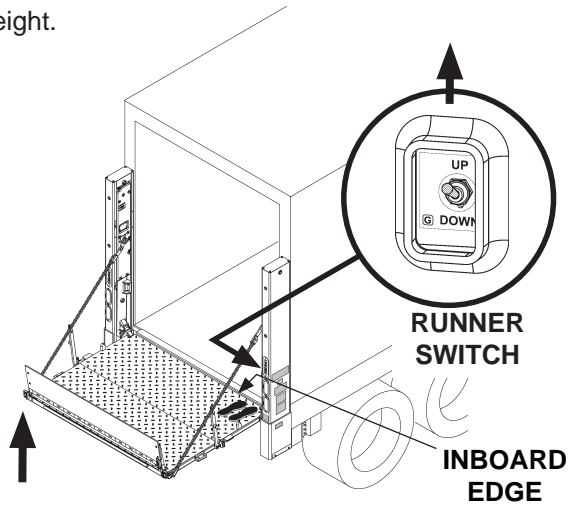


FIG. 18-2

## RAISING THE PLATFORM

Use runner switch to raise platform  
**(FIG. 19-1)** from ground level to  
bed height. Release switch when  
platform reaches bed height.



**FIG. 19-1**

## UNLOADING VEHICLE - Continued POSITIONING LOAD

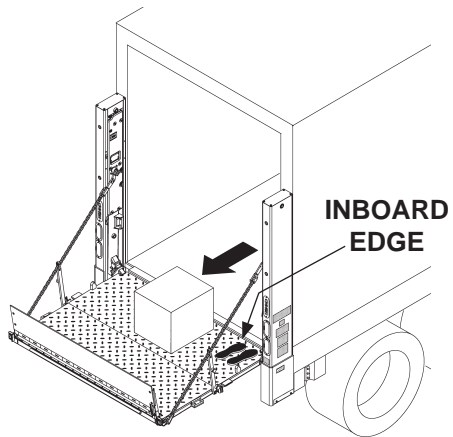
### ⚠ WARNING

A load should never extend past the edges of the platform. Do not place unstable loads on platform and do not allow load to exceed lifting capacity of Liftgate. If standing on platform, do not allow your feet to extend beyond inboard edge of platform.

### ⚠ WARNING

Pulling the load from vehicle to platform can result in a fall from platform and serious injury. When unloading vehicle, always push the load out on the platform.

Load the platform at bed level (**FIG. 20-1**) as follows. Push load out of the vehicle to correct position on the platform. Place all loads as close as possible to the inboard edge of the platform with heaviest part toward the vehicle body as shown in **FIG. 20-1**. If standing on platform with the load, stand in the footprint area shown and comply with the **WARNING** at the top of this page.



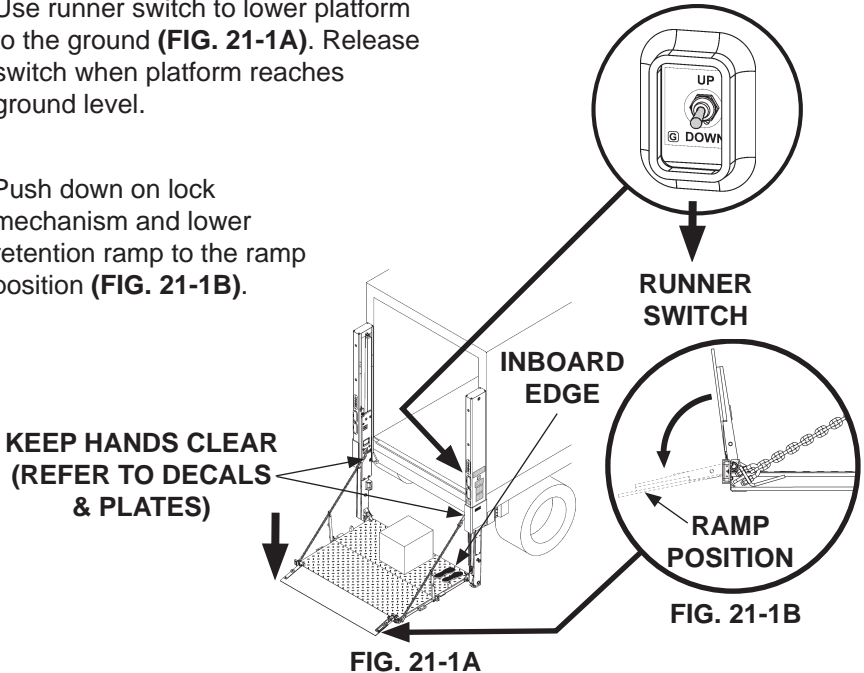
**PUSHING LOAD ON PLATFORM**  
**FIG. 20-1**

# LOWERING & UNLOADING PLATFORM

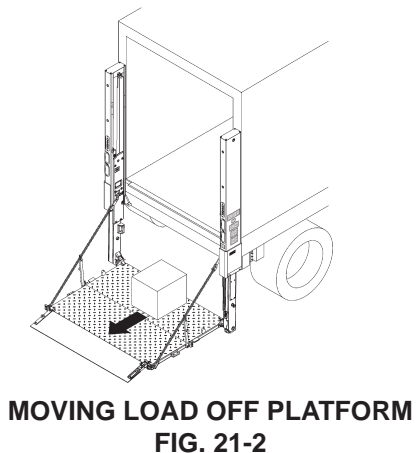
## WARNING

Before lowering platform, make sure area surrounding platform is clear of people and objects. If standing on platform, do not allow your feet to extend beyond inboard edge of platform.

1. Use runner switch to lower platform to the ground (**FIG. 21-1A**). Release switch when platform reaches ground level.
2. Push down on lock mechanism and lower retention ramp to the ramp position (**FIG. 21-1B**).

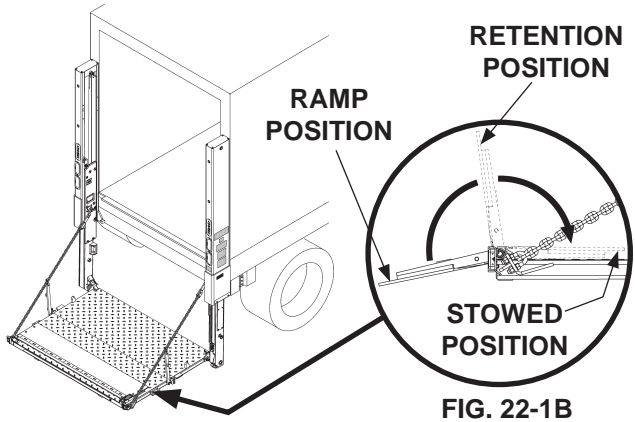


3. Carefully move load off platform (**FIG. 21-2**) and then move it to a place where it will not become a hazard for people and other vehicles. If there is more to unload from vehicle, repeat the previous **UNLOADING VEHICLE** steps for each load. When unloading is finished, use **STOWING PLATFORM** procedure in this manual.



# STOWING PLATFORM STOW RETENTION RAMP

Push retention ramp to stowed position as shown in FIGS. 22-1A & 22-1B.

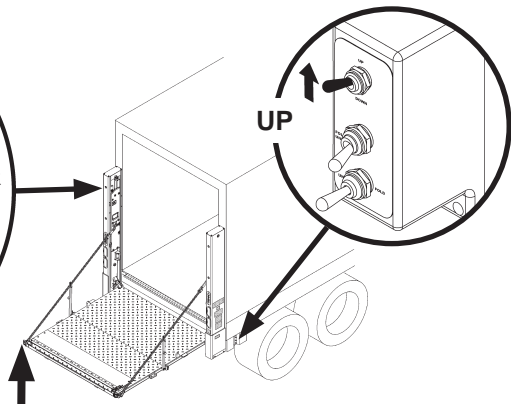
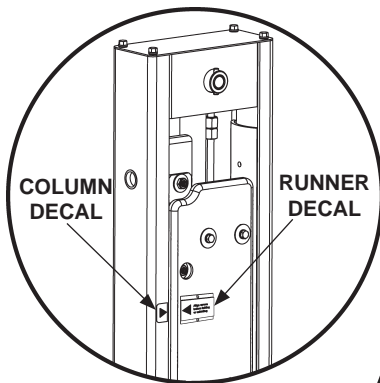


## STOW PLATFORM

### CAUTION

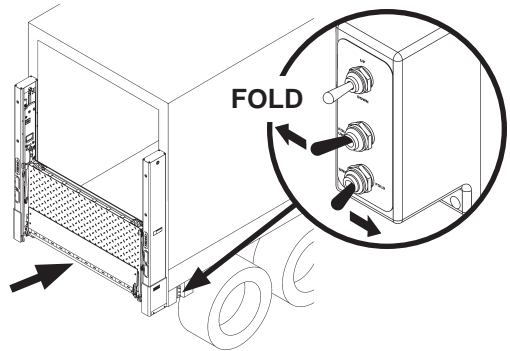
Platform and bottom stops could be damaged if platform is folded with heel below the column bottom stops. Bottom stops will interfere with folded platform being raised to up position. Prevent damage by aligning arrow decals on column & runner before folding platform. Then, platform heel will be above the bottom stops.

1. Use control box to raise (UP) platform (FIG. 22-2A) until decals on LH column are aligned (FIG. 22-2B).



**NOTE:** The 2 platform flashing lights are flashing when platform is unfolding and unfolded. The lights stop flashing when the platform is folded/stowed.

2. Use control box to **FOLD** platform (**FIG. 23-1**).

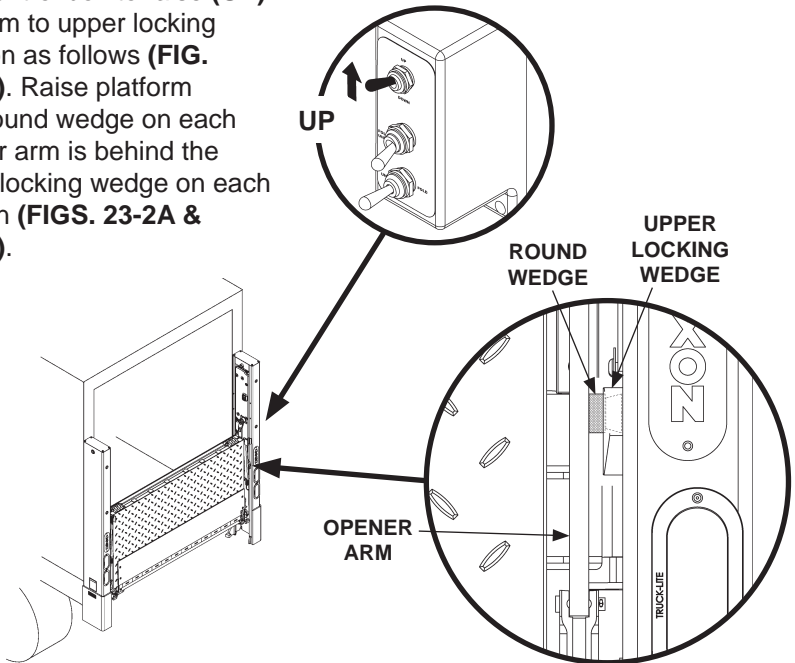


**FIG. 23-1**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Upper locking wedges must be engaged before moving vehicle.**

3. Use control box to raise (**UP**) platform to upper locking position as follows (**FIG. 23-2A**). Raise platform until round wedge on each opener arm is behind the upper locking wedge on each column (**FIGS. 23-2A & 23-2B**).



**PLATFORM STOWED IN UPPER LOCKED POSITION**  
**FIG. 23-2A**

**UPPER LOCKING WEDGE ENGAGED**  
**(CHAIN REMOVED FROM VIEW)**  
**FIG. 23-2B**

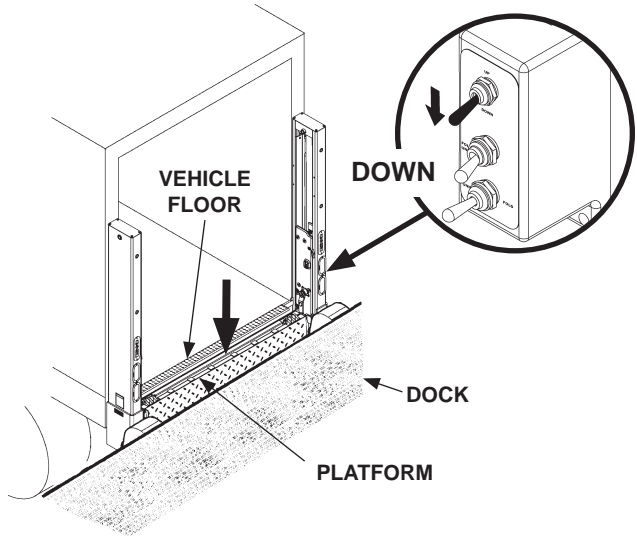
# DOCK LOADING & UNLOADING LOWER PLATFORM BELOW DOCK LEVEL

## CAUTION

Use dock plate for moving loads between dock and vehicle. Dock plate must be supported by dock and vehicle floor. It must not rest on Liftgate platform.

**NOTE:** Platform may be lowered with vehicle backed up to dock.

1. Use control box to lower (**DOWN**) platform until it rests on bottom stops (**FIG. 24-1**). Release switch when top edge of closed platform is below bed height and dock level, and in the lower locking position (**FIG. 24-1**). Now, loads can be moved between dock and vehicle without using Liftgate.



**LOWER LOCKING POSITION  
FIG. 24-1**



## **! WARNING**

**Upper locking wedges must be engaged before moving vehicle.**

2. When finished loading and unloading from the dock, use control box to raise **(UP)** platform to upper locking position as follows **(FIG. 25-1A)**. Raise platform, until the round wedge on each opener arm is behind upper locking wedge on each column **(FIGS. 25-1A & 25-1B)**.

