



# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR

WHEELCHAIR LIFT MODEL NO. WL7A

DOT-Public Use Lift

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#### INTRODUCTION

This manual contains safety information and operating instructions for the Maxon Wheelchair and Standing Occupant Lift. Read and understand the WARNINGS, SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS, and operating instructions in this manual, before operating the Lift.

#### SAFETY SUMMARY

## WARNING

- This Wheelchair Lift is intended for Commercial Use and to be operated by an Attendant. Do Not attempt to ride Lift without the assistance of an Attendant.
- 2. Incorrect operation of this Lift can result in serious personal injury. Comply with the WARNINGS and Lift operating instructions in this manual. Do not allow untrained persons to operate the Lift. If you need to replace an Operator's Manual, additional copies are available from:

MAXON Lift Corp. 11921 Slauson Ave Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 (800) 227-4116

3. Do not exceed rated load capacity of Lift which is **800 lbs. (364 kg).** 

- 4. Do not allow any part of your body, or the Lift occupant's body, to be placed under, within, or around any portion of the moving Lift or its mechanisms, or in a position that would trap them between the platform and the ground (or vehicle) when Lift is operated.
- 5. Consider the safety and location of bystanders and location of nearby objects when operating the Lift. Stand to one side of platform while operating the Lift. Be certain that the area the Lift will move through during operation is clear of all obstacles.
- 6. If equipped, fasten Seat Belt before operating Lift, but never tighten the belt. Leave a minimum of 3" -4" slack in the belt. Lift will not operate correctly and may become a hazard if belt is tight.
- 7. If Lift is not operated for several days or more it may need to be repressurized. Use manual pump to pressurize the system before operating the Lift again. Low hydraulic pressure may cause Lift to operate incorrectly and become a hazard.

- Always operate the Lift with the vehicle emergency brake set and vehicle parked on <u>Level</u> ground.
   Operating Lift without emergency brake set or parked on an incline may create a hazard for occupant and attendant.
- 9. Comply with all attached instruction decals and warning decals.
- 10. Above all, USE GOOD COMMON SENSE when operating this Lift.
- 11. Do not move vehicle when door is open.

#### ADDITIONAL SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- When using the Lift, wheelchair may face outboard or inboard. If possible, position the wheelchair with occupant facing outboard.
- An ambulatory (standing) occupant may face outboard or inboard. If possible, position ambulatory occupant on the Lift, facing the direction of travel (face vehicle when entering or face away when exiting), and holding on the handrails.

#### DAILY PRE-OPERATION & OPERATION CHECKLIST

NOTE: PRE-OPERATION and OPERATION CHECKS should be performed by the Lift Operator.

#### PRE-OPERATION CHECKS

Park vehicle on level ground, shift vehicle transmission to PARK, and set vehicle emergency brake before doing the following checks..

- brake before doing the following checks.. Visually check Lift for bent or broken parts, or for hydraulic fluid around base. Have hydraulic fluid leaks, and the fluid level in reservoir, checked by a qualified technician. Check for hydraulic fluid leaking from cylinders. Lift may be operated if cylinders are "weeping" a light film of hydraulic fluid. If hydraulic fluid drips from either cylinder, have it checked by a qualified technician. Check that all Decals are in place, undamaged, and legible (see **DECALS** pages). Check that all anti-slip and safety striping is in place (see ANTI-SLIP & SAFETY STRIPING pages). If the Lift is dirty, clean it. Make sure the ON/OFF switch on the Pump Cover is turned ON. If indicator on the switch is illumi-
- NOTE: If any of the PRE-OPERATION CHECKS have incorrect indications, do not operate the Lift until repairs are performed by a qualified technician.

#### **OPERATION CHECKS**

Operate the Lift through one full cycle to do the following checks.

- Use Lift operating instructions in this manual to UNFOLD, LOWER, RAISE, and FOLD platform.
- Make sure the Lift responds properly to hand control switches.
- Listen for unusual noises while the Lift operates.
- Watch for uneven movement of the Lift arms, platform, and inboard and outboard rollstops.

NOTE: If any of the OPERATION CHECKS have incorrect indications, discontinue operating Lift until repairs are performed by a qualified technician.

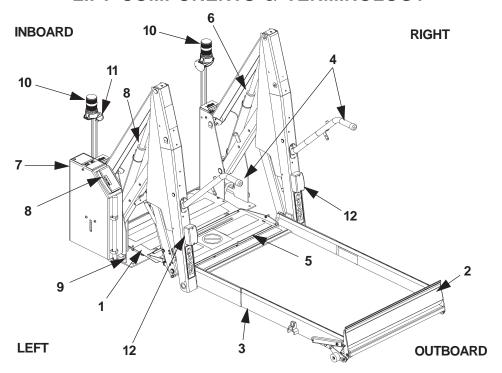
nated, Lift has power to operate.

#### **MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE**

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NOTE: The Lift Controller counts the number of cycles & lifts over the lifetime of the Lift. One CYCLE is counted each time the Lift is unfolded from the stowed position to floor level, lowered to the ground, raised to floor level, and then stowed. One LIFT is counted each time the Lift is lowered from floor level to the ground, and raised back to floor level. Read the LIFTS and CYCLES counts from the Lift Controller display window periodically so you know when to do the maintenance checks listed below.	<ul> <li>□ Check that all Decals are in place, undamaged, and legible (see DECALS pages).</li> <li>□ Check that all anti-slip and safety striping is in place and undamaged (see ANTI-SLIP &amp; SAFETY STRIPING pages).</li> <li>EVERY 2500 CYCLES</li> <li>□ Replace both latch Solenoids P/N 266955-01</li> <li>□ Apply multi-use teflon spray lubricant to all springs on the Lift.</li> </ul>
NOTE: Only a qualified technician should do the sched- uled maintenance on this page and confirm compliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 403. For the compliance checks, refer to the COMPLETED LIFT INSTALLATION CHECKLIST in Installation Manual MP-05-10.	EVERY 5000 LIFTS  Replace both Platform light bulbs P/N 906475-01.  EVERY 10000 LIFTS
EVERY 500 LIFTS  ☐ Visually check the Lift for bent, broken, or worn out parts, and broken welds.  ☐ Check the electrical wiring for worn insulation, and the terminals for corrosion and secure fit. Apply dielectric grease to connections if needed.  ☐ Check for loose fasteners (nuts, bolts, screws & rivets). Also, check cotter pins, clevis pins, retaining ring pins & retaining rings for noticeable wear and damage.	☐ Check both Hydraulic Cylinders for leaks. If a film of hydraulic fluid is visible on cylinder seals Lift can still be operated. However, if fluid is dripping from the cylinders, replace them.

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#### LIFT COMPONENTS & TERMINOLOGY

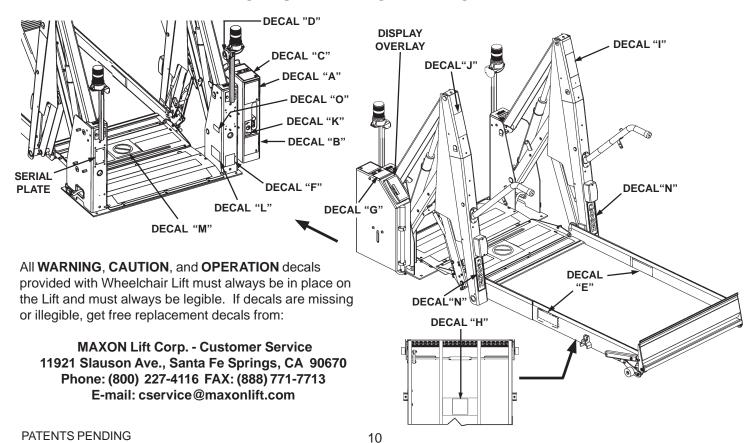


LIFT COMPONENTS (SEE TABLE 9-1) FIG. 8-1

ITEM	NAME	DESCRIPTION
1.	THRESHHOLD PLATE	Component that bridges the entry way, through the Lift, into the vehicle. Detects if that portion of Lift is occupied during "UP/DOWN" operation between vehicle floor and the ground.
2.	OUTBOARD ROLLSTOP	Barrier to prevent the Wheelchair from rolling off of the Platform. Also provides entry/exit ramp for Platform on the ground.
3.	PLATFORM	Contains the Wheelchair and Occupant during "UP/DOWN" operation between vehicle floor and the ground.
4.	HANDRAILS	(Left/Right) Provides a hand hold for the Lift Occupant.
5.	INBOARD ROLLSTOP	Barrier to prevent the Wheelchair from rolling off inboard side of Platform. Also, provides bridge between Platform and Threshhold.
6.	HYDRAULIC CYLINDER	(Left/Right) Telescoping steel tube and rod, pressurized by hydraulic fluid, that folds and unfolds the Lift and moves the Lift up and down.
7.	HYDRAULIC POWER UNIT (COVER IS SHOWN)	Contains motorized hydraulic pump, manually operated backup pump, fluid lines, and controls to operate the hydraulic cylinders.

ITEN	NAME	DESCRIPTION
8.	LIFT CONTROLLER	Electronic device that controls and monitors Lift operation and the interlock connection with the vehicle.
9.	BASE	Structure that secures Lift to the vehicle floor.
10.	THRESHHOLD WARNING BEACON	Flashing red light indicates Threshhold is occupied by a person or object during "UP/DOWN" operation between vehicle floor and the ground.
11.	THRESHHOLD WARNING ALARM	Audible alarm sounds when Threshhold is occupied by a person or object during "UP/DOWN" operation between vehicle floor and the ground.
12.	PLATFORM LIGHTS	Illuminates the Platform when ready to load at floor level and during "UP/DOWN" operation between vehicle floor and the ground.

#### DECALS AND DECAL PLACEMENT



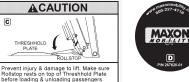


Raise or lower Platform until Rollstop rests

correctly on Threshhold Plate.

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Chassis Electrical Ground The surface finish of this lift is powder coat paint. To insure a proper electrical ground to the vehicle chassis remove the paint from the area around the chassis grounding strap munting bolt hole by grinding or sanding the surface to expose bare metal. Also, remove any undercoating from the surface of the vehicle chassis where the strap will be

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of platform between handrails, gripping handrails, and facing direction of travel.

To automatically maintain hydraulic pressure when lift is stowed, keep power switch ON.



- UNFOLD LIFT:
- FULLY OPEN AND SECURE WHEELCHAIR DOOR(S). MAKE SURE SEAT BELT IS
- FASTENED IF EQUIPPED.
- PUSH FOLD SWITCH FOR 1-2 SECONDS.
- PUSH UNFOLD SWITCH TO UNFOLD PLATFORM TO VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL. LOAD PASSENGERS:
- PUSH DOWN SWITCH TO LOWER PLATFORM TO GROUND LEVEL
- UNFASTEN SEAT BELT IF EQUIPPED. POSITION WHEELCHAIR IN THE
- CENTER OF PLATFORM AND LOCK WHEELCHAIR BRAKES
- 4. FASTEN SEAT BELT IF EQUIPPED 5. PUSH UP SWITCH TO RAISE PLATFORM TO VEHICLE FLOOR
- 6. RELEASE WHEELCHAIR BRAKES
- . LOAD WHEELCHAIR IN VEHICLE. UNLOAD PASSENGERS:
- POSITION WHEELCHAIR IN THE CENTER OF PLATFORM AND LOCK WHEELCHAIR BRAKES
- MAKE SURE SEAT BELT IS FASTENED IF EQUIPPED.
- PUSH DOWN SWITCH TO LOWER PLATFORM TO GROUND LEVEL.
- 4. UNFASTEN SEAT BELT IF EQUIPPED.
- 5. RELEASE WHEELCHAIR BRAKES 6. UNLOAD WHEELCHAIR FROM PLATFORM.

#### STOW LIFT:

- FROM VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL MAKE SURE PLATFORM IS
- EMPTY AND SEAT BELT IS FASTENED IF EQUIPPED. PUSH FOLD SWITCH UNTIL
- PLATFORM FOLDS COMPLETELY. UNDER HYDRAULIC PRESSURE.

#### FROM GROUND LEVEL MAKE SURE PLATFORM IS

- EMPTY AND SEAT BELT IS FASTENED IF EQUIPPED.
- PUSH UP SWITCH TO RAISE PLATFORM TO VEHICLE FLOOR
- PLATFORM FOLDS COMPLETELY. UNDER HYDRAULIC PRESSURE.
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THIS WHEELCHAIR LIFT MUST BE OPERATED BY AN ATTENDANT. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO RIDE LIFT WITHOUT THE ASSISTANCE OF AN ATTENDANT. IMPROPER OPERATION OF THIS LIFT CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS

PERSONAL INJURY. DO NOT OPERATE LINEESS YOU HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTRUCTED AND HAVE READ, AND ARE FAMILIAR WITH, THE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SAFETY SUMMARY CONTAINED IN THE OPERATOR'S MANUAL. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A COPY OF THE OPERATOR'S MANUAL, ADDITIONAL COPIES ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

MAXON LIFT CORP. 11921 SLAUSON AVE SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670 (800) 227-4116 WWW.MAXONMOBILITY.COM

DO NOT EXCEED RATED LOAD CAPACITY OF LIFT WHICH IS:

800 lbs. (364 kg)



#### **DECAL SET P/N 267620-01** FIG. 11-1

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#### **DECALS AND DECAL PLACEMENT - Continued**









DECAL SET P/N 267620-01 FIG. 12-1

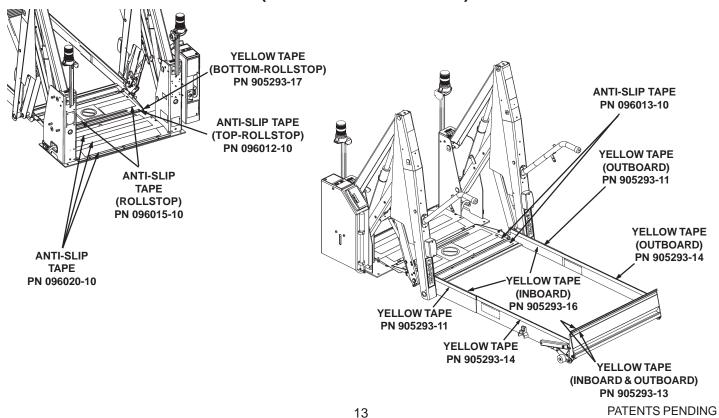


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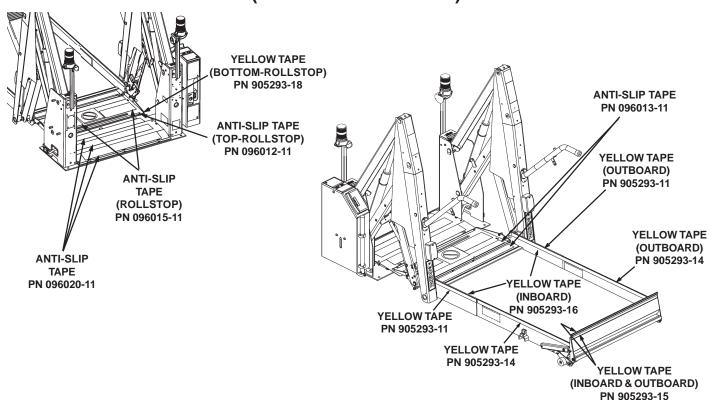


DECAL-OVERLAY P/N 2667630-01

### **ANTI-SLIP & SAFETY STRIPING** (30" WIDE PLATFORM)



# ANTI-SLIP & SAFETY STRIPING - Continued (33" WIDE PLATFORM)

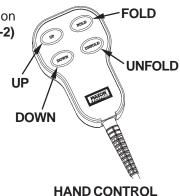


#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **ENTER VEHICLE**

**NOTE:** If equipped, Seat Belt must be fastened for Lift to operate.

 Fully open and secure Wheelchair Lift access door(s) on the vehicle.  Push the UNFOLD switch on HAND CONTROL (FIG. 15-2) to unfold PLATFORM to horizontal position (FIG. 15-3).



 Apply power to the Lift by turning ON switch on the Pump Cover (FIG. 15-2). The switch is illuminated when turned ON.

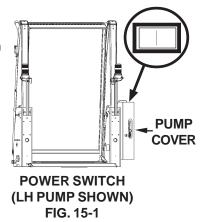


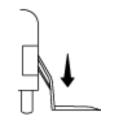


FIG. 15-2

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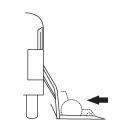
#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS - Continued**

 Push the **DOWN** switch on HAND CONTROL (FIG. 17-1) to lower PLATFORM to ground level (FIG. 16-1).



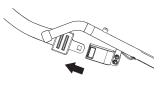
LOWER PLATFORM TO GROUND FIG. 16-1

6. Position wheelchair or ambulatory occupant on the center of PLATFORM (FIG. 16-3). SET WHEELCHAIR BRAKES or SWITCH OFF POW-ERED WHEELCHAIR.



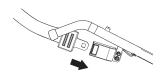
POSITIONING OCCUPANT ON PLATFORM AT GROUND LEVEL FIG. 16-3

 If equipped, unfasten SEAT BELT (FIG. 16-2), and place on hanger provided.



UNFASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 16-2

 If equipped, fasten SEAT BELT allowing 3" - 4" of slack (FIG. 16-4).



FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 16-4

# 8. Push the **UP** switch on HAND CONTROL (**FIG. 17-1**) to raise PLATFORM to vehicle floor level (**FIG. 17-2**).

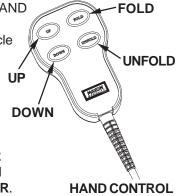
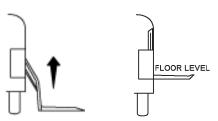


FIG. 17-1

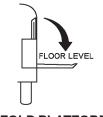
 RELEASE WHEELCHAIR BRAKES or SWITCH ON POWERED WHEELCHAIR. Move wheelchair or ambulatory occupant inside the vehicle.



RAISING LIFT UP TO VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL FIG. 17-2

#### **EXIT VEHICLE**

- 1. Fully open and secure Wheelchair Lift access door(s) on the vehicle.
- Push the **UNFOLD** switch on HAND CONTROL (FIG. 17-1) to unfold PLATFORM to horizontal position (FIG. 17-3).



UNFOLD PLATFORM FIG. 17-3

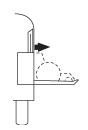
3. If equipped, make sure SEAT BELT is fastened (FIG. 17-4) with 3" - 4" of slack in belt.



FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 17-4

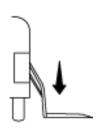
#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS - Continued**

4. Position wheelchair or ambulatory occupant on the center of platform (FIG. 18-1).
SET WHEELCHAIR BRAKES OR SWITCH OFF POWERED WHEELCHAIR.



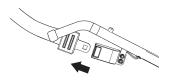
POSITIONING OCCUPANT ON PLATFORM AT FLOOR LEVEL FIG. 18-1

 Push the DOWN switch on hand control (FIG. 19-1) to lower PLAT-FORM to ground level (FIG. 18-2).



LOWERING PLATFORM TO GROUND FIG. 18-2

If equipped, unfasten SEAT BELT (FIG. 18-3) and place on hanger provided.



UNFASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 18-3

7. RELEASE WHEELCHAIR
BRAKES or SWITCH ON
POWERED WHEELCHAIR.
Move wheelchair or ambula-

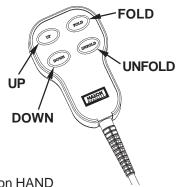
Move wheelchair or ambulatory occupant into the passenger unloading zone.

8. If equipped, make sure SEAT BELT is fastened (FIG. 18-4) with 3" - 4" of slack in belt.



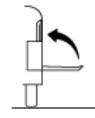
FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 18-4

#### STOW LIFT FROM VEHICLE FLOOR



Push the **FOLD** switch on HAND CONTROL (**FIG.19-1**) to close PLATFORM (**FIG. 19-2**). Fold operation will stop automatically when completed.

HAND CONTROL FIG. 19-1



FOLDING PLATFORM UP INTO VEHICLE FIG. 19-2

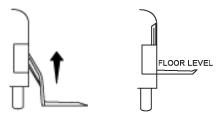
#### STOW LIFT FROM GROUND LEVEL

 If equipped, fasten SEAT BELT allowing 3" - 4" of slack (FIG. 19-3).



 Push the UP switch on HAND CONTROL (FIG. 19-1) to raise PLATFORM to vehicle floor level (FIG. 19-4).

FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 19-3



## RAISING LIFT UP TO VEHICLE FLOOR LEVEL FIG. 19-4

 Push the FOLD switch on HAND CONTROL (FIG. 19-1) to fold PLATFORM (FIG. 19-2). Fold operation will stop automatically when completed.

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## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS - Continued MANUAL PUMP OPERATION

NOTE: If possible, keep the Lift power ON/OFF switch turned ON. In most cases, operating the Lift with Manual Pump may be easier if power is ON. Manual pump operating instructions for the Lift are also located on Pump Cover. See DECALS AND DECAL PLACEMENT in this manual.

If possible, apply power to the Lift by turning **ON** switch on the Pump Cover **(FIG. 20-1)**. The switch is illuminated when turned **ON**.

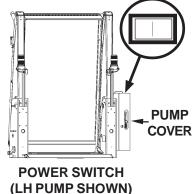
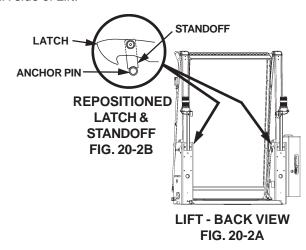


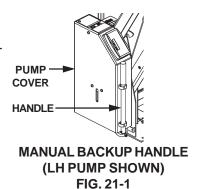
FIG. 20-1

#### **LOADING & UNLOADING OCCUPANT**

 Reposition latches to manually unfold the Lift as follows. Raise latch off anchor pin (FIG. 20-2B) on LH side of Lift. Position the standoff to hold latch in place above the anchor pin (FIG. 20-2B). Repeat for latch on RH side of Lift.



Remove the MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE from clips on the Pump Cover (FIG. 21-1).



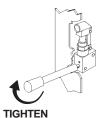
 Observe the PLATFORM unfolding to horizontal position at vehicle floor level (FIG. 21-3).



 Unfold the PLATFORM as follows. Open pressure release valve on Manual Pump by turning MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE counterclockwise (FIG. 20-2). Start with 1/4 turn and slowly increase to 1/2 turn counter-clockwise.



 When the PLATFORM reaches floor level, close pressure release valve on Manual Pump by turning MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE clockwise until tight (FIG. 20-4).



CLOSE PRESSURE RELEASE VALVE FIG. 20-4

#### **MANUAL PUMP OPERATION - Continued**

6. Ensure OUTBOARD ROLLSTOP is raised up all the way **(FIG. 22-1)**.



OUTBOARD ROLLSTOP RAISED UP FIG. 22-1

**NOTE:** If there are no occupants to unload from vehicle, skip step 8.

8. Position wheelchair or ambulatory occupant on the center of Platform (FIG. 22-3).
SET WHEELCHAIR BRAKES OR SWITCH OFF POWERED WHEELCHAIR.



7. If equipped, make sure SEAT BELT is fastened (FIG. 22-2) with 3" - 4" of slack in belt.



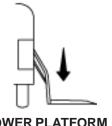
FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 22-2

9. Lower the PLATFORM as follows.
Re-enter the vehicle to access Manual Pump. Open pressure release valve on Manual Pump by turning MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE counter-clockwise (FIG. 22-4). Lower the Lift slowly below floor level and check if Inboard Rollstop raises up all the way.



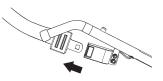
FIG. 22-4

 Watch PLATFORM (FIG. 23-1) as it lowers occupant to the ground.



LOWER PLATFORM TO GROUND FIG. 23-1

12. If equipped, unfasten SEAT BELT (FIG. 23-3). Store on hanger provided.



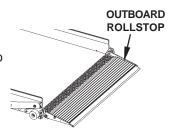
UNFASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 23-3

11. When PLATFORM rests on the ground, close pressure release valve on Manual Pump by turning MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE clockwise until tight (FIG. 23-2).



CLOSE PRESSURE RELEASE VALVE FIG. 23-2

 Ensure OUTBOARD ROLLSTOP on Lift PLATFORM is opened to the horizontal position (FIG. 23-4).



OUTBOARD ROLLSTOP IN HORIZONTAL POSITION FIG. 23-4

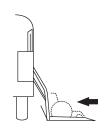
#### **MANUAL PUMP OPERATION - Continued**

**NOTE:** If there are no occupants to unload, skip steps 14 & 15.

14. RELEASE WHEELCHAIR
BRAKES or SWITCH ON
POWERED WHEELCHAIR.

Move wheelchair or ambulatory occupant into the unloading zone.

 Position wheelchair or ambulatory occupant on the center of Platform (FIG. 24-1).
 SET WHEELCHAIR BRAKES OR SWITCH OFF POWERED WHEELCHAIR.



POSITIONING OCCUPANT ON PLATFORM FIG. 24-1

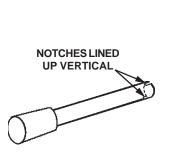
16. If equipped, fasten SEAT BELT **FIG. 24-2)**. Allow 3" - 4" of slack in belt.



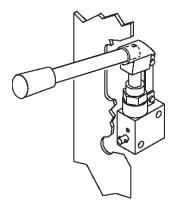
FASTENING SEAT BELT FIG. 24-2

#### **CAUTION**

Prevent the MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE from getting damaged. Before you start pumping with the HANDLE, line up notches on tip of HANDLE as shown in FIG. 25-1. Then fully engage HANDLE with Manual Pump as shown in FIG. 25-2.

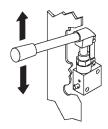


HANDLE - NOTCHES LINED UP CORRECTLY FIG. 25-1

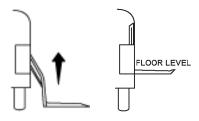


HANDLE FULLY ENGAGED FIG. 25-2

17. Raise the PLATFORM as follows. Insert MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE in Manual Pump actuator. Pump the handle up and down (FIG. 25-3) until PLATFORM is raised up even with the vehicle floor (FIG. 25-4) and Inboard Rollstop lowers to rest on Threshhold Plate.



PUMPING MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE FIG. 25-3



RAISING LIFT TO VEHICLE FLOOR FIG. 25-4

#### **MANUAL PUMP OPERATION - Continued**

**NOTE:** If there are no occupants to load on Platform, skip step 18.

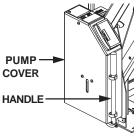
18. RELEASE WHEELCHAIR BRAKES or SWITCH ON POWERED WHEELCHAIR.

Move wheelchair or ambulatory occupant inside the vehicle.

PUMPING MANUA

PUMPING MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE FIG. 26-1

 Store MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE on Pump Cover (FIG. 26-3) using the clips provided.



MANUAL BACKUP HANDLE (LH PUMP SHOWN) FIG. 26-3

Stow the Lift as follows.
 Pump the MANUAL
 BACKUP HANDLE up and down (FIG. 26-1) until
 PLATFORM folds up tightly inside the vehicle (FIG. 26-2)

