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Comply with the following WARNINGS while installing Liftgates. See Operation Manual M-04-05 for operating safety requirements.

#### **WARNING**

- Read and understand the instructions in this Installation Manual before installing Liftgate.
- Before operating the Liftgate, read and understand the operating instructions in **Operation Manual M-04-05**.
- Comply with all **WARNING** and instruction decals attached to the Liftgate.
- Keep decals clean and legible. If decals are defaced or missing, replace them. Free replacement decals are available from **Maxon Customer Service**.
- Consider the safety and location of bystanders and location of nearby objects when operating the Liftgate. Stand to one side of the platform while operating the Liftgate
- Do not allow untrained persons to operate the Liftgate.
- Do not stand under, or allow obstructions under the platform when lowering the Liftgate. **Be sure** your feet are clear of the Liftgate.
- Keep fingers, hands, arms, legs, and feet clear of moving Liftgate parts (and platform edges) when operating the Liftgate.
- Correctly stow platform when not in use. Extended platforms could create a hazard for people and vehicles passing by.
- Make sure vehicle battery power is disconnected while installing Liftgate. Connect vehicle battery power to the Liftgate only when installation is complete or as required in the installation instructions.
- Wear appropriate safety equipment such as protective eyeglasses, faceshield and clothing while performing maintenance on the Liftgate and handling the battery. Debris from drilling and contact with battery acid may injure unprotected eyes and skin.
- Be careful working by an automotive type battery. Make sure the work area is well ventilated and there are no flames or sparks near the battery. Never lay objects on the battery that can short the terminals together. If battery acid gets in your eyes, immediately seek first aid. If acid gets on your skin, immediately wash it off with soap and water.
- If an emergency situation arises (vehicle or Liftgate) while operating the Liftgate, release the control Toggle Switch and the Liftgate will stop.
- A correctly installed Liftgate operates smoothly and reasonably quiet. The only noticeable noise during operation comes from the pump unit while the platform is raised and lowered. Listen for scraping, grating and binding noises and correct the problem before continuing to operate Liftgate.
- If it is necessary to stand on the platform while operating the Liftgate, keep your feet and any objects clear of the inboard edge of the platform. Your feet or objects on the platform could be trapped between the platform and the Liftgate extension plate.
- Never perform unauthorized modifications on the Liftgate. Modifications may result in early failure of the Liftgate and may create hazards for Liftgate operators and maintainers.

## **GPT-25 & GPT-33 LIFTGATE COMPONENTS**

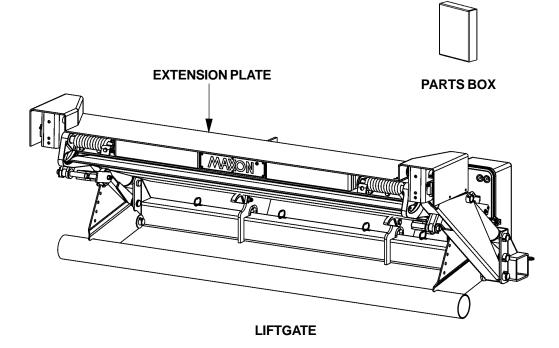
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Prevent injuries and equipment damage. Before cutting the shipping straps from the Liftgate, put Liftgate on level ground that will support at least 1500 pounds. Be careful lifting and moving components after shipping straps are removed.

**NOTE:** Make sure you have all components and parts before you start installing Liftgate. Compare parts in the Part Box and each Kit Box with packing list enclosed in each box. If parts and components are missing or incorrect call:

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GPT-25 & GPT-33 COMPONENTS FIG. 4-1

# **GPT-SERIES INSTALLATION PARTS BOX**

ITEM	DESCCIPTION	QTY.	PART NO.
1	FRAME CLIP, 1/2" X 1-3/8"	7	050079
2	COPPER LUG (#2 GA)	1	226778
3	SWITCH AND CABLE ASSY	1	264346
4	FUSED POWER CABLE, 200 AMP, 38' LG.	1	264422
5	DECAL & MANUAL KIT	1	-
	A. INSTALLATION MANUAL	1	M-04-06
	B. OPERATION MANUAL	1	M-04-05
	C. MAINTENANCE MANUAL	1	M-04-04
	D. WARRANTY CARD	1	M-78-78
	E. CUSTOMER SURVEY FORM	1	M-94-04
	F. DECALS		REFER TO DECAL PAGES IN THIS MANUAL
6	CLAMP, #10 RUBBER LOOM	2	801681
7	SELF-TAPPING SCREW, #10-24 X 1" LG.	4	900057-5
8	SHIM, PLATFORM ADJUSTMENT 1/16"	2	281166-01
9	SHIM, PLATFORM ADJUSTMENT 1/8"	2	281166-02
10	HOOK ASSEMBLY	1	227700
11	EYE, PAD	1	226938

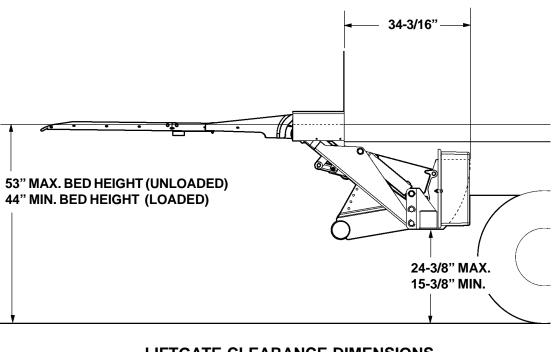
TABLE 5-1

# NOTE: The maximum operating Vehicle Body bed height for the GPT-25 and GPT-33 is 53" (unloaded). The minimum height is 44" (loaded). Do not install this Liftgate on Vehicle Bodies equipped with swing open doors.

**NOTE:** To install Liftgate correctly, you must park the Vehicle on level ground and follow the instructions in this manual.

**NOTE:** Measure the width of the Liftgate and the width of the Vehicle Body before you start doing this procedure. Ensure the Liftgate is the correct width for Vehicle.

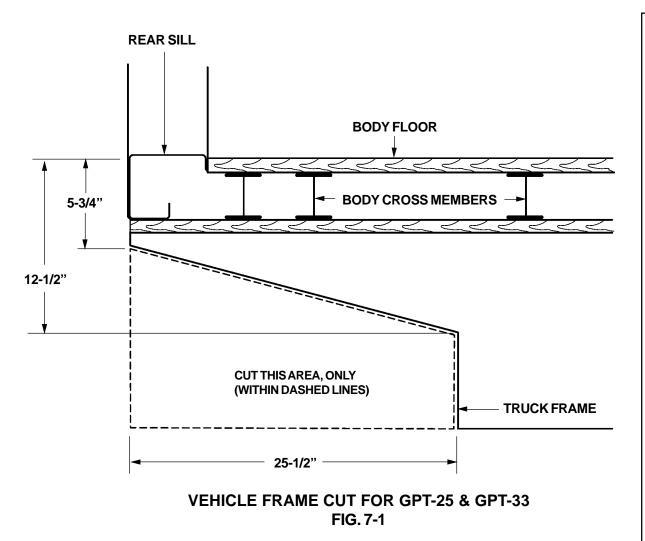
1. Check the Vehicle to ensure Liftgate will fit without interference. The Liftgate must fit within the clearance dimensions shown in **FIG. 6-1**.



LIFTGATE CLEARANCE DIMENSIONS FIG. 6-1

## **STEP 1 - PREPARE VEHICLE - Continued**

2. Fit Liftgate to truck body by cutting frame as shown in FIG. 7-1.



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# **STEP 2 - WELD LIFTGATE TO VEHICLE**

# \Lambda WARNING

Keep Liftgate clamped to forklift until Liftgate is welded (or bolted if required) to vehicle body. Liftgate may be damaged and create a hazard for the installer if it falls off the forklift.

1. Clamp Liftgate to forklift as shown in FIG. 8-1.

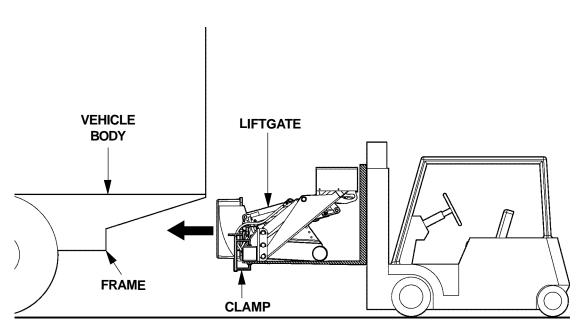


FIG. 8-1

2. Use forklift to center the Liftgate in position on the back of the Vehicle Body and Frame (FIG. 8-1). If necessary, have 1 person operate the forklift and 1 other person check alignment of Liftgate and Vehicle.

#### STEP 2 - WELD LIFTGATE TO VEHICLE - Continued

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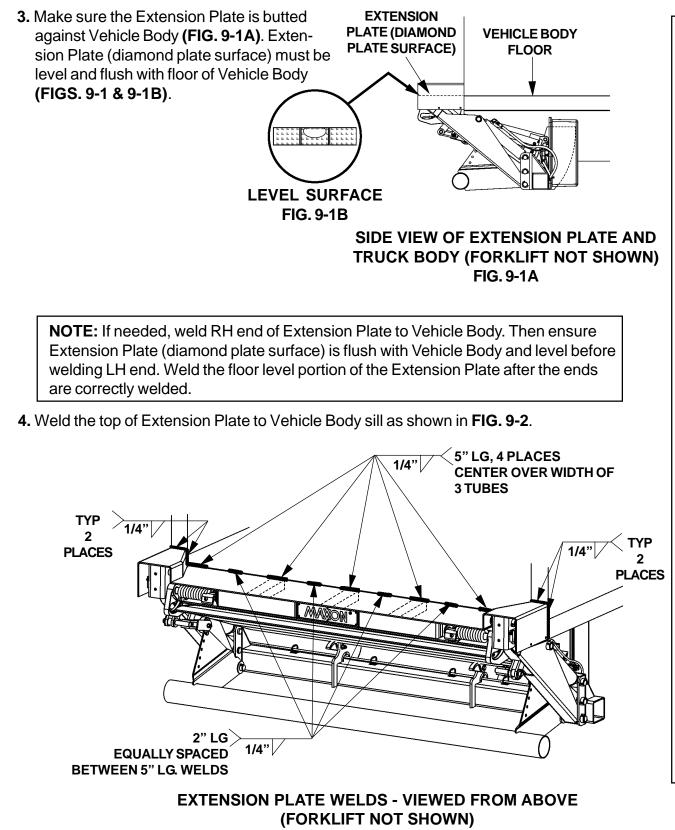


FIG. 9-2

# **STEP 2 - WELD LIFTGATE TO VEHICLE - Continued**

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Liftgate is shipped from factory with Mounting Plates that are only Tack Welded to Main Frame. Weld as shown in illustration before operating Liftgate.

#### CAUTION

Prevent damaged hydraulic hoses and saddles. Before welding next to hydraulic hoses and saddles, protect the hoses and saddles with a heat-resistant cover.

**NOTE:** Weld both Mounting Plates to vehicle frame before welding Mounting Plates to Main Frame.

5. Check if both Mounting **VEHICLE FRAME** Plates line up with the (TYPICAL TRUCK vehicle frame. If the FRAME SHOWN) Mounting Plates do not line up, remove the tack **ORIGINAL TACK WELDS** welds from one Mounting (REMOVE TO REPOSITION Plate (FIG. 10-1). Make **MOUNTING PLATE)** sure Liftgate stays cen-MOUNTING tered on vehicle. Reposi-PLATE tion the Mounting Plate SPLIT against vehicle frame. LOOM **MAIN FRAME** (CUT-AWAY VIEW) **REPOSITIONING MOUNTING PLATE** 6. Remove the Split Loom from (RH SIDE SHOWN) Mounting Plate (FIG. 10-1). FIG. 10-1 Save the Split Loom to reinstall. **VEHICLE FRAME** 7. Clamp Mounting Plate to (TYPICAL TRUCK vehicle frame. Weld the FRAME SHOWN) Mounting Plate to vehicle frame as shown in FIG. **2" LG. 4 PLACES** 1/4" 10-2. Next. weld Mount-(TYPICAL - RH & LH **MOUNTING PLATES)** ing Plate to Main Frame MOUNTING (FIG. 10-2). Remove PLATE clamp. **MAIN FRAME** (CUT-AWAY VIEW) 8. Repeat instructions 5 through 7 for the second WELD TO VEHICLE FRAME AND MAIN FRAME Mounting Plate. (RH SIDE SHOWN)

FIG. 10-2

#### **STEP 2 - WELD LIFTGATE TO VEHICLE - Continued**

9. Remove clamps from forklift and Liftgate. Back out forklift (FIG. 11-1).

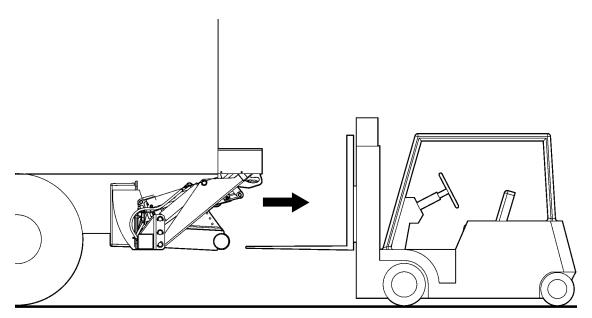


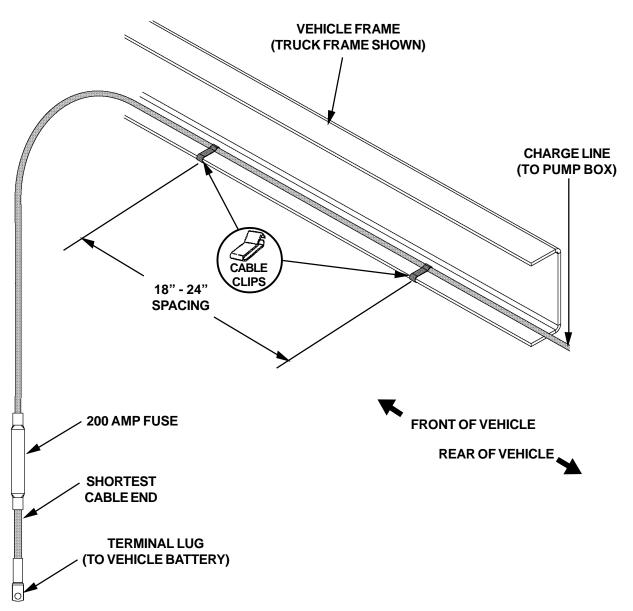
FIG. 11-1

# **STEP 3 - RUN POWER CABLE**

# CAUTION

Never route an energized wire. Make sure the vehicle battery is disconnected. Always route electrical wires clear of moving parts, brake lines, sharp edges and exhaust systems. Avoid making sharp bends in wiring. Attach securely. If drilling is necessary, first check behind the drilling surface so you do not damage any fuel lines, vent lines, brake lines or wires.

Clip Fused Power Cable to vehicle chassis, with fuse nearest the vehicle battery, as shown in **FIG. 12-1**. Keep enough cable near the battery to reach the positive terminal without straining cable (after connection). Run cable to Pump Box on Liftgate.



#### **STEP 4 - CONNECT POWER CABLE**

1. Unbolt the Pump Cover as shown in FIG. 13-1.

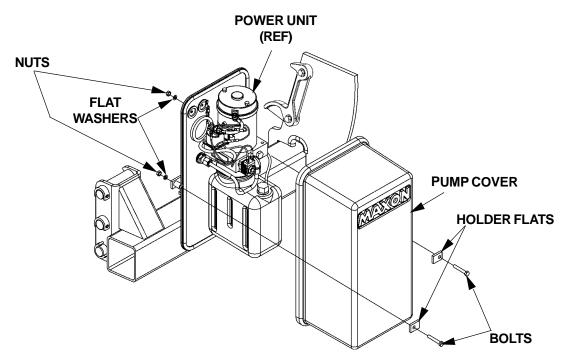


FIG. 13-1

# **STEP 4 - CONNECT POWER CABLE - Continued**

**NOTE:** Electrical lines must be run into Pump Box through sealing grommets (FIG. 14-3). to keep a good seal on hydraulic & electrical lines, never cut the sealing grommets.

- 2. Run fused Power Cable through Grommet on Pump Mounting Plate (FIG. 14-3).
- 3. On the bare wire end of Fused Power Cable, keep enough length to attach copper terminal lug and reach Motor Solenoid without putting tension on cable (after connection) (FIG. 14-1). Measure (if needed) and then cut excess cable from bare wire end of cable. Put heatshrink tubing (Parts Box) (FIG. 14-1) on the end of the cable (leave room for terminal lug). Crimp copper terminal lug (from Parts Box) on the Fused Power Cable and shrink the Heatshrink Tubing (FIG. 14-2).

**COPPER TERMINAL LUG HEATSHRINK TUBING** (P/N 253316-04) FUSED POWER CABLE (BARE WIRE END) PLACING TERMINAL LUG & HEATSHRINK **TUBING ON FUSED POWER CABLE** FIG. 14-1 TYPICAL FUSED POWER CABLE WITH TERMINAL LUG INSTALLED FIG. 14-2 **NOTE:** MAXON recommends using dielectric grease on all electrical connections.

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BATTERY 4. Remove hex nut and lock washer from **TERMINAL POST** Battery terminal post on the Motor Sole-HEX NUT noid. Connect the Fused Power Cable LOCK WASHER to the Motor Solenoid as shown in PUMP MOUNTING FIG. 14-3. Reinstall and tighten lock PLATE washer and hex nut. Torque hex nut to 95 LBS.-IN. MOTOR GROMMET SOLENOID FUSED **POWER CABLE** 

TYPICAL FUSED POWER CABLE CONNECTION (GRAVITY DOWN PUMP SHOWN) FIG. 14-3

# **STEP 5 - INSTALL CONTROL SWITCH**

1. Drill one 3/4" hole and two #21–size holes in the vertical post on curb side of vehicle body as shown in FIG. 15-1A. Use template shown in FIG. 15-1B.

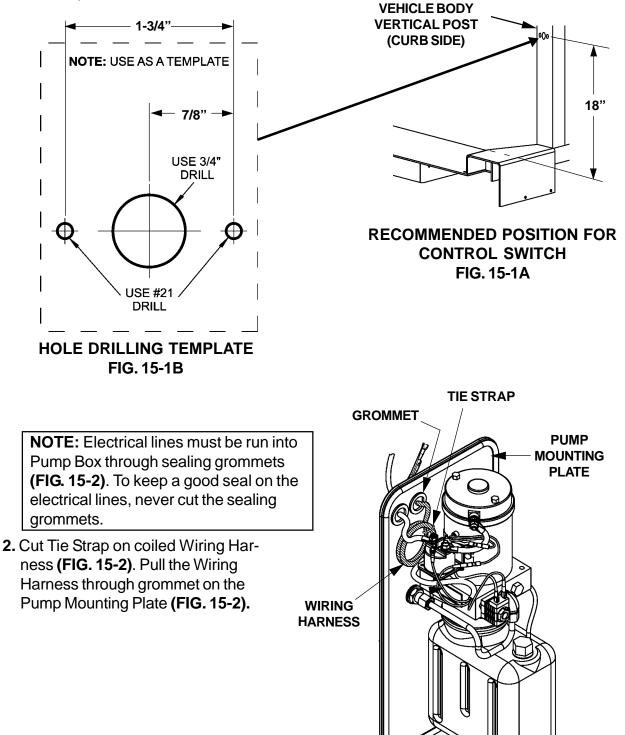


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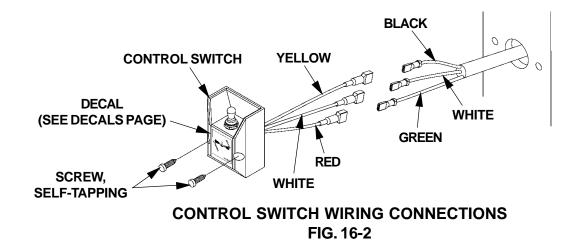
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# **STEP 5 - INSTALLING CONTROL SWITCH - Continued**

**NOTE:** MAXON recommends using dielectric grease on all electrical connections.

3. Run wiring harness under Vehicle Body (see dashed line - FIG. 16-1) and up through inside of Vertical Post. Then pull Control Switch wiring harness out the 3/4" hole drilled in Vertical Post (FIG. 16-1). Connect the Control Switch wiring to the wiring harness as shown in FIG. 16-2. Push extended wiring back into the 3/4" hole in the Vertical Post until Control Switch touches the post. Attach the Control Switch to Vertical Post with 2 selftapping screws (FIG. 16-2).

ROUTING CONTROL SWITCH WIRING FIG. 16-1



## **STEP 6 - ADD HYDRAULIC FLUID TO RESERVOIR**

# CAUTION

Keep dirt, water and other contaminants from entering the hydraulic system. Before opening the hydraulic fluid reservoir filler cap, drain plug and hydraulic lines, clean up contaminants that can get in the openings. Also, protect the openings from accidental contamination.

**NOTE:** Use correct grade of hydraulic fluid for your location.

- +70 to +140 Degrees F Grade ISO 32 +40 to +105 Degrees F - Grade ISO 15
  - 0 +105 Degrees F Grade IS
- Below + 70 Degrees F Grade ISO 10 or MIL-H-5606
- See TABLES 18-1, 18-2, & 18-3 for recommended brands.
- 1. Pull out Filler Cap (no threads) shown in FIG. 17-1. Fill the Reservoir (FIG. 17-1) with Hydraulic Fluid to 3" above the bottom (FIG. 17-1).
- 2. Reinstall Filler Cap (FIG. 17-1).
- **3.** Check that electrical connections are tight and there are no leaks in hydraulic system.



Pump Cover must be correctly secured to prevent it from becoming a hazard. To secure Pump Cover, the long side of the Holder Flats must be installed as shown in the illustration.

4. Bolt on the Pump Cover as shown in FIG. 17-2. Torque the 5/16"-18 cover bolts 20 to 29 LBS.-FT.

PUMP RESERVOIR (GRAVITY DOWN POWER UNIT SHOWN) FIG. 17-1

FILLER

CAP

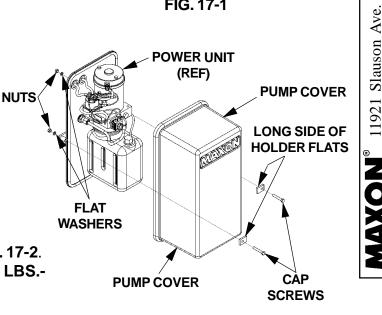
RESERVOIR

**DRAIN PLUG** 

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UNBOLTING / BOLTING PUMP COVER FIG. 17-2

#### STEP 6 - ADD HYDRAULIC FLUID TO RESERVOIR - Continued

ISO 32 HYDRAULIC OIL			
RECOMMENDED BRANDS	PART NUMBER		
AMSOIL	AWH-05		
CHEVRON	HIPERSYN 32		
KENDALL	GOLDEN MV		
SHELL	TELLUS T-32		
EXXON	UNIVIS N-32		
MOBIL	DTE-13M, DTE-24, HYDRAULIC OIL-13		

**TABLE 18-1** 

ISO 15 HYDRAULIC OIL			
RECOMMENDED BRANDS	PART NUMBER		
AMSOIL	AWF-05		
CHEVRON	FLUID A, AW-MV-15		
KENDALL	GLACIAL BLU		
SHELL	TELLUS T-15		
EXXON	UNIVIS HVI-13		
MOBIL	DTE-11M		

**TABLE 18-2** 

ISO-10 OR MIL-H-5606 HYDRAULIC FLUID			
RECOMMENDED BRANDS	PART NUMBER		
AMSOIL	N/A		
CHEVRON	FLUID A, FLUID G		
KENDALL	GLACIAL BLU		
SHELL	AEROSHELL FLUID-41		
EXXON	UNIVIS HVI-13		
MOBIL	AERO HFA		

**TABLE 18-3** 

# **STEP 7 - CONNECT POWER CABLE TO BATTERY**

NOTE: MAXON recommends using dielectric grease on all electrical connections.

Remove nut from positive (+) battery terminal connector. Connect Power Cable to the positive (+) battery terminal connector (FIG. 19-1). Reinstall and tighten nut.

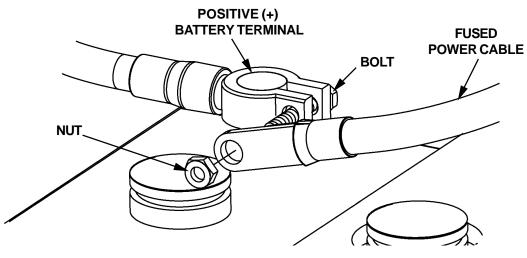


FIG. 19-1

# **STEP 8 - REMOVE LOCKING BRACKETS**

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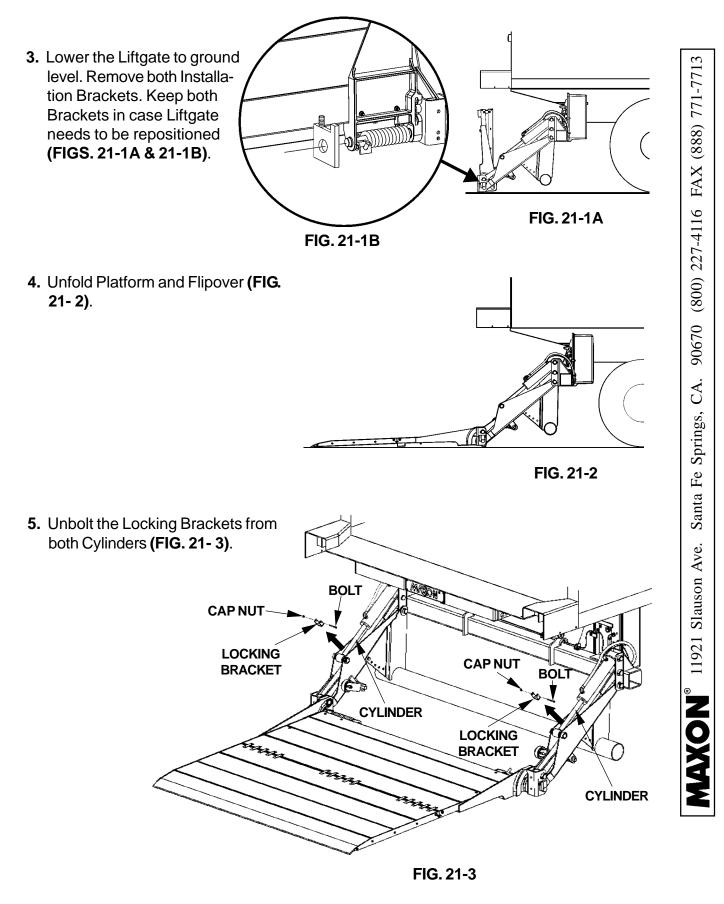
To prevent possible injury, never work in the area under the Platform. Get access to the Locking Angle from the back of the Liftgate.

NOTE: To operate Liftgate, Locking Bracket must be removed.

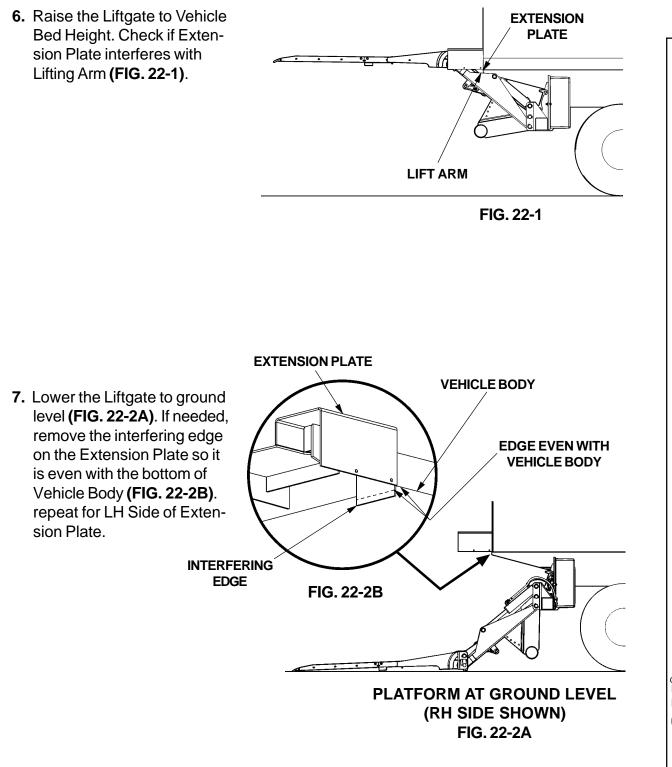
1. Push the Control Switch to RAISE position to pressurize Hydraulic System. Unbolt NUT Installation Bracket (FIG. 20-1B) from TOP OF Right Hand (RH) side of Extension Plate **EXTENSION** FLAT PLATE (FIG. 20-1A). Repeat for LH side. WASHER INSTALLATION BRACKET MANON FIG. 20-1B FIG. 20-1A **EXTENSION** PLATE 2. Remove tack weld between each Lift Arm and Extension Plate (FIG. 20-2). Repeat for LH Side of Liftgate. TACK WELD LIFT ARM **REMOVING TACK WELD** (RH SIDE OF LIFTGATE SHOWN) FIG. 20-2

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#### **STEP 8 - REMOVE LOCKING BRACKETS - Continued**



#### **STEP 8 - REMOVE LOCKING BRACKETS - Continued**



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#### **STEP 9 - FINISH WELDING EXTENSION PLATE**

Weld the bottom of Extension Plate to Vehicle Body Sill as shown in FIG. 23-1.

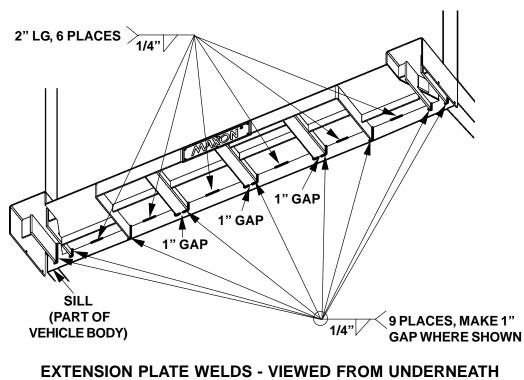
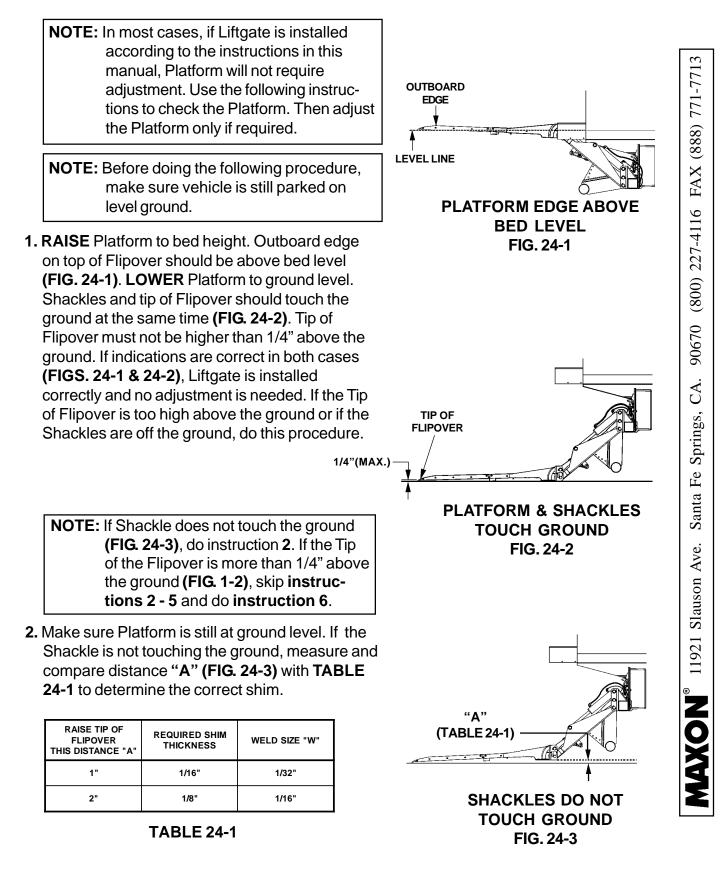
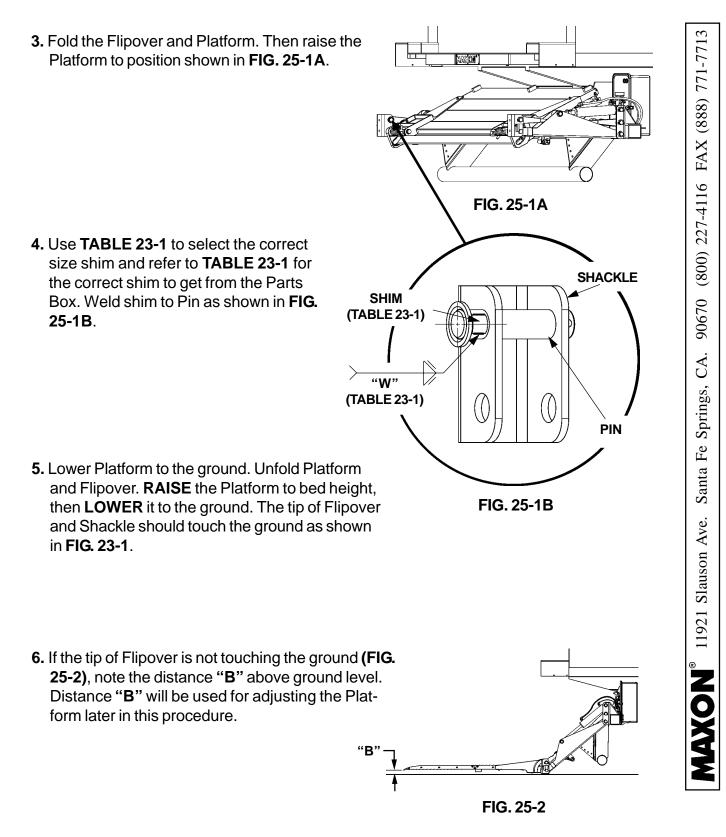


FIG. 23-1

# **STEP 10 - ADJUST PLATFORM (IF REQUIRED)**





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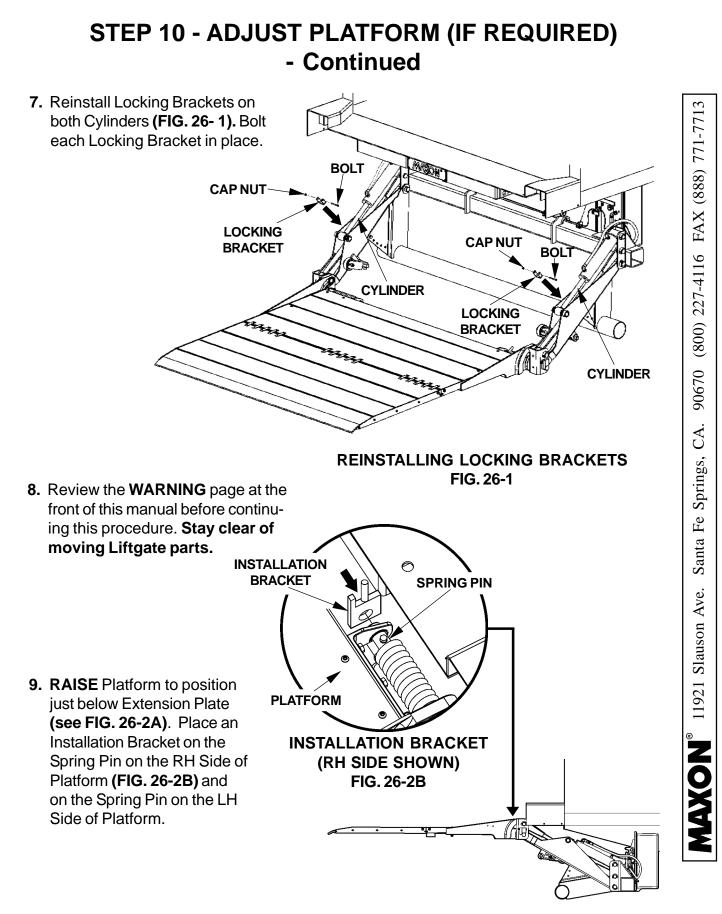
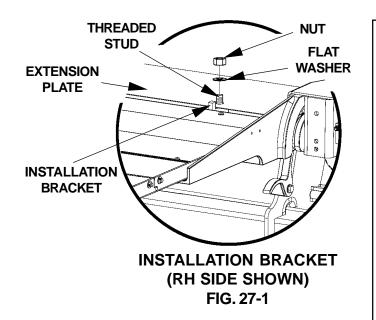


FIG. 26-2A

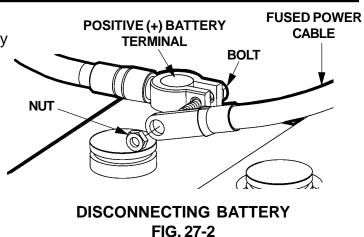
10. Carefully RAISE the Platform to Vehicle Bed Height. Make sure threaded stud on each Installation Bracket comes up through hole in Extension Plate (FIG. 27-1). Bolt the Installation Bracket (FIG. 27-1) to Extension Plate. Torque nut from 39 to 59 LBS.-FT. Repeat for bolting and torquing the Installation Bracket on the LH Side.



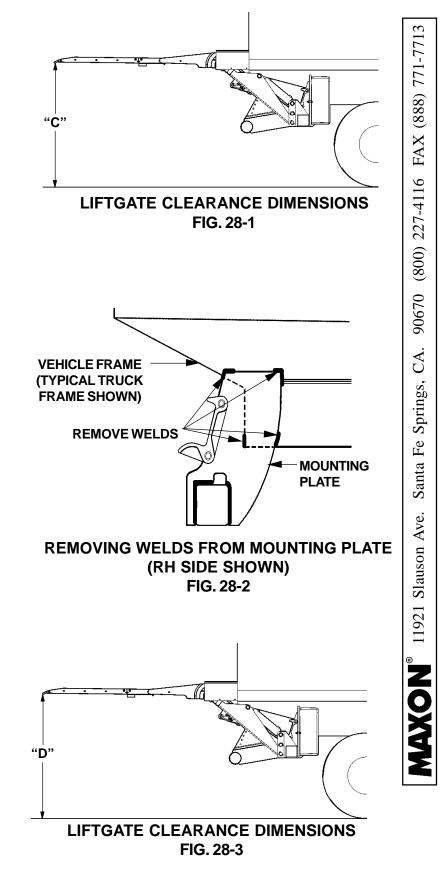
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To prevent accidental personal injury and equipment damage, make sure power is disconnected from Liftgate while installing parts.

 Disconnect power from Liftgate by removing nut from positive (+) battery terminal connector and disconnect Power Cable (FIG. 27-2). Reinstall nut on positive (+) battery terminal connector.



- **12.** Support the Liftgate under Main Frame with a floor jack.
- Measure distance "C" from the tip of the Flipover to ground level (FIG. 28-1). Then subtract the distance "B" measured in instruction 6. The result is distance "D" for the Platform adjustment (FIG. 28-3). For example, if you measured 50" for "C" and 1" for "B", the calculated distance "D" for the Platform adjustment is 49".
- Remove welds from RH Side Mounting Plate (FIG. 28-2). Repeat for LH Side Mounting Plate.



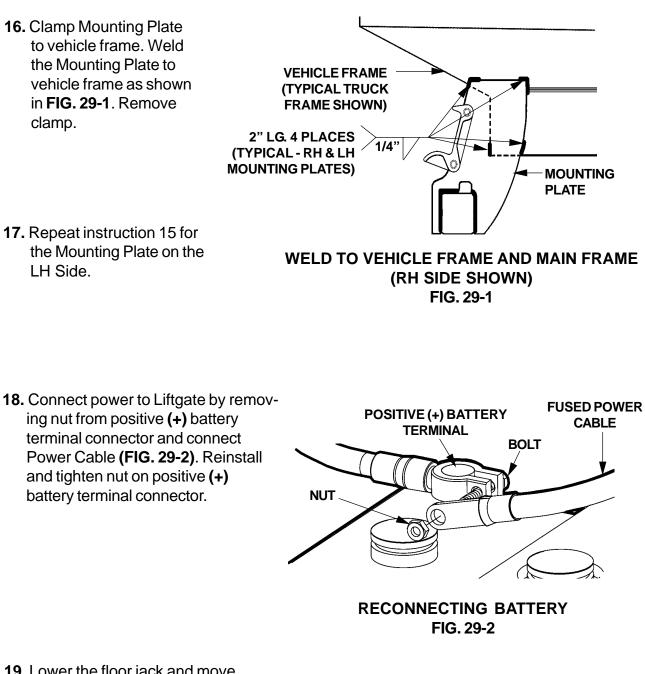
15. Raise or lower the floor jack to adjust distance "D" between tip of Flipover and ground level (FIG. 28-3). Use the distance "D" calculated in instruction 12.

## CAUTION

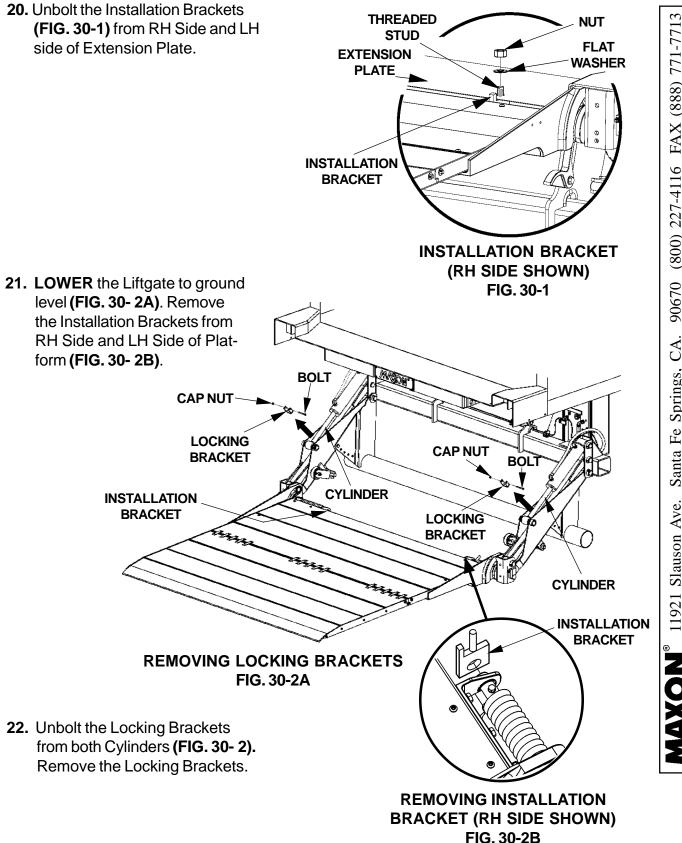
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**19.** Lower the floor jack and move it away from the Liftgate.



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# **STEP 11 - FINISH WELDING LIFTGATE TO VEHICLE**

## CAUTION

Prevent damaged hydraulic hoses and saddles. Before welding next to hydraulic hoses and saddles, protect the hoses and saddles with a heat-resistant cover.

**VEHICLE FRAME** 

(TYPICAL TRUCK

FRAME SHOWN)

1/4"

2" LG. 4 PLACES

(TYPICAL - RH & LH MOUNTING PLATES)

 Clamp Mounting Plate to vehicle frame. Weld the Mounting Plate to vehicle frame as shown in FIG.
31-1. Remove clamp.

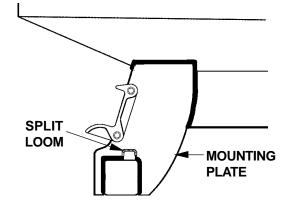
2. Repeat instruction 1 for the

LH Side Mounting Plate.

- WELD TO VEHICLE FRAME (RH SIDE SHOWN) FIG. 31-1

To prevent injury and damaged parts, let Mounting Plate cool off from welding before reinstalling split Loom.

3. Reinstall the Split Loom on RH Side Mounting Plate (FIG. 31-2). Repeat for LH Side Mounting Plate.



#### REINSTALLING SPLIT LOOM (RH SIDE SHOWN) FIG. 31-2

MOUNTING PLATE

# **STEP 12 - ADJUST OPENER (IF REQUIRED)**

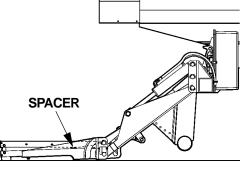
**NOTE:** Platform Openers are set at the factory for Vehicle Bed Heights of 49"-53". If your Vehicle Bed Height is 49"-53", no adjustment needed.

1. The illustrations in FIGS. 32-1A and 32-1B show the Roller in Position #1 for 49"-53" Vehicle Bed Height. If your Vehicle Bed Height is 44"-49", do instruction 2. **FLIPOVER ROLLER IN POSITION #1** 49" - 53 OPENER FIG. 32-1B **ROLLER POSITION FOR 49"- 53" BED HEIGHT (LH SIDE SHOWN)** FIG. 32-1A ROLLER LOCK **POSITION #2** 2. Unbolt Roller from Opener (FIG. 32-2). Move NUT Roller to position #2 (FIG. 32-2). Bolt Roller to **POSITION #1** Opener. Torque the 1/2"-13 opener bolt from 85 LBS.-FT. BOLT FLAT WASHER **BOLTING/UNBOLTING ROLLER** (LH SIDE SHOWN) FIG. 32-2 FLIPOVER -**ROLLER IN POSITION #2** 44" - 49 OPENER FIG. 32-3B **ROLLER POSITION FOR 44"- 49" BED HEIGHT** 3. Repeat instruction 2 for (LH SIDE SHOWN) RH Side Opener. FIG. 32-3A

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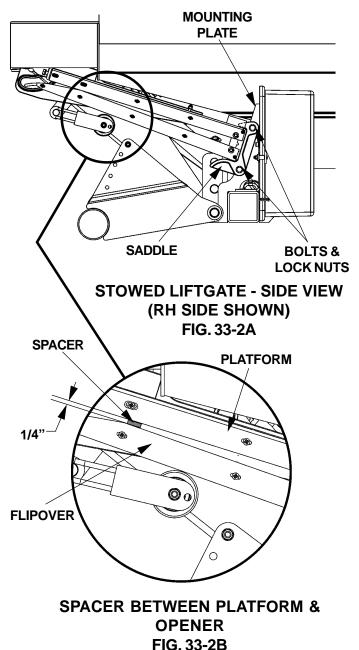
#### **STEP 13 - ADJUST SADDLES**

- 1. Fold the Flipover on Platform. Place 1/4" Spacer between tip of Flipover and Platform on RH side and LH side (FIG. 33-1).
- 2. Stow Liftgate under hydraulic pressure (FIG. 33-2A). Make sure 1/4" Spacers are still in place (FIG. 33-2B).





3. Loosen the 2 bolts and lock nuts on RH side Mounting Plate (FIG. 33-2A). Repeat for Saddle on LH side. Butt each Saddle against Platform, and tighten lock nuts. Torque lock nuts to 85 LBS.-FT.



**4.** Lower the Liftgate. Then unfold Platform and Flipover. Remove the 1/4" Spacers.

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### **STEP 14 - ADJUST UNDERRIDE (IF REQUIRED)**

- 1. Stow the Liftgate under hydraulic pressure (FIG. 34-1). 2. Check the Underride clearance dimensions shown in FIG. 34-1. If the Underride needs adjustment, do instruction 2. 21-1/2" MAX. FIG. 34-1 3. Stow the Platform (FIG. 34-2). Support the Underride with forklift or jack. Remove the 2 adjuster bolts and 2 washers. Then rotate Underride to desired position (FIG. 34-2). Bolt the Underride in the new position. Torque the 1/2"-13 bolts from 85 LBS.-FT. WASHERS UNDERRIDE BOLTS
- 4. Remove forklift or jack.

FIG. 34-2

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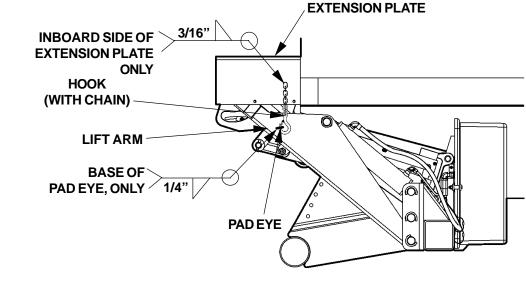
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## **STEP 15 - WELD HOOK AND EYE TO LIFTGATE**

1. Stow the Liftgate under hydraulic pressure (FIG. 35-1).



2. Weld the Pad Eye (from Installation Parts Bag) to Lift Arm as shown in FIG. 35-1. RH SIDE VIEW OF STOWED LIFTGATE FIG. 35-1

3. Insert the Safety Hook through the Pad Eye (FIG. 35-1). Next position the Safety Hook Chain on the Extension Plate as shown in FIG. 35-1. Leave enough slack in the Chain to hook and unhook from the Pad Eye. Then weld the free end of Chain to the inboard side of the Extension Plate.

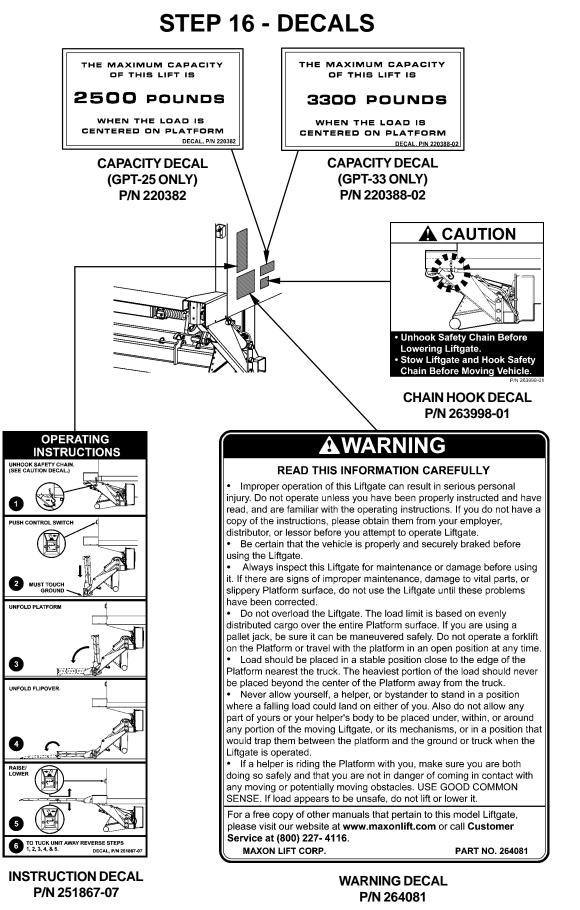
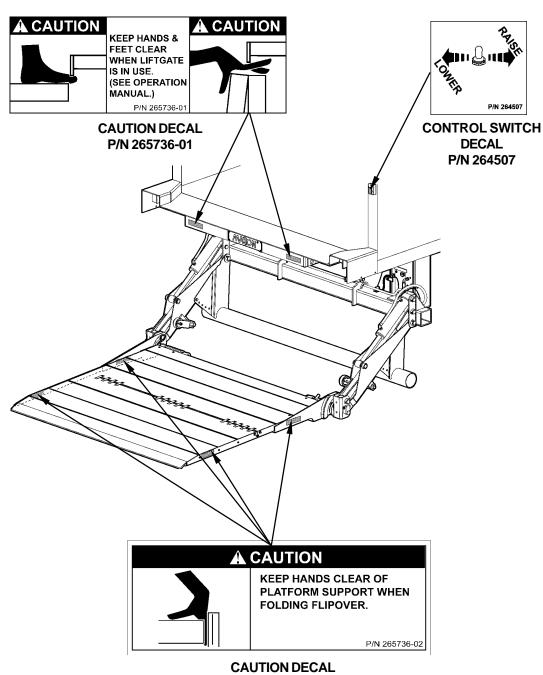


FIG. 36-1

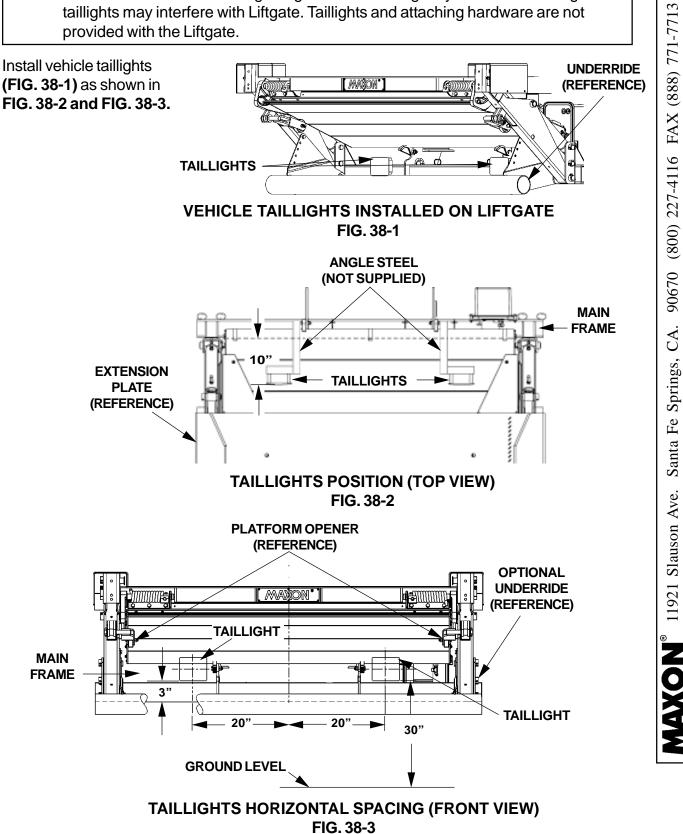
#### **STEP 16 - DECALS - Continued**



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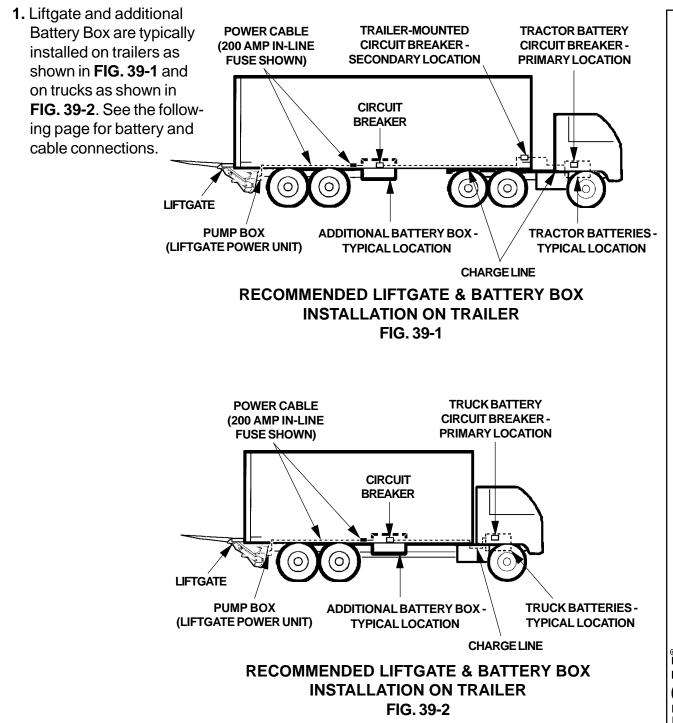
#### **STEP 17 - VEHICLE TAILLIGHT POSITIONING** (IF REQUIRED)

NOTE: Positions are based on using taillights of 6-3/4" height by 5-3/4" width. Larger taillights may interfere with Liftgate. Taillights and attaching hardware are not provided with the Liftgate.



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#### OPTIONS RECOMMENDED LIFTGATE POWER CONFIGURATION



#### **OPTIONS**

#### **RECOMMENDED LIFTGATE POWER CONFIGURATION - Continued**

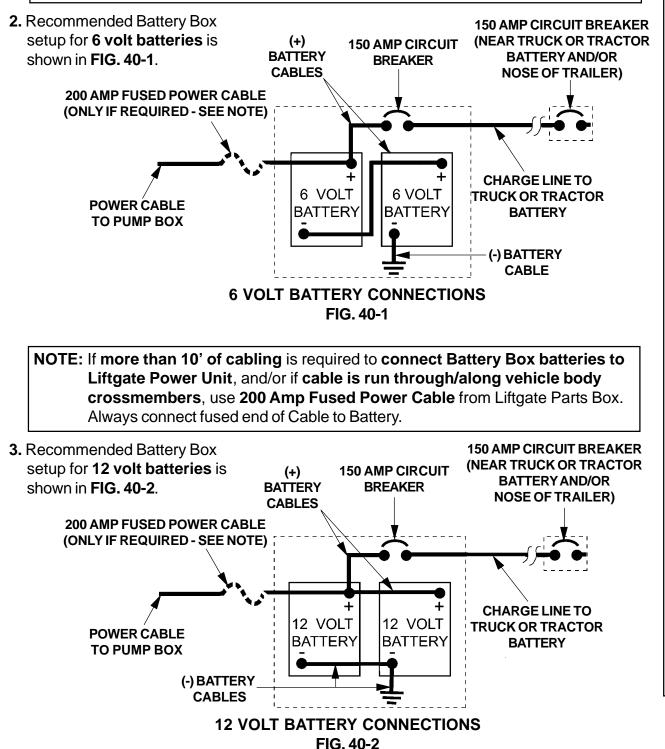
NOTE: If more than 10' of cabling is required to connect Battery Box batteries to Liftgate Power Unit, and/or if cable is run through/along vehicle body crossmembers, use 200 Amp Fused Power Cable from Liftgate Parts Box. Always connect fused end of Cable to Battery.

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