

## SECTION 1

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVING AND HANDLING

RECEIVING: **! WARNING**

Before installing the dock leveler, read and follow the safety procedures and the operating instructions. Failure to follow the safety procedures could result in serious injury and/or death.

Check for possible damage or missing parts immediately upon receipt of unit. Note any damage on receiving papers.

Prepare any claims against carrier if necessary.

**NOTE:** Damage noticed after receipt must be reported to carrier within 15 days.

HANDLING:

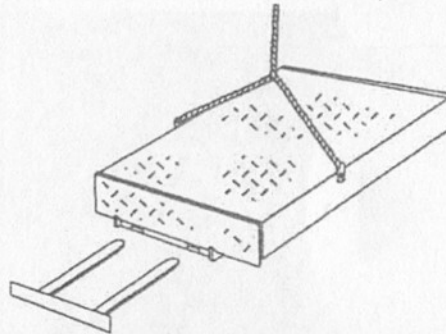


FIGURE A

Move leveler into position by using:

- chain sling inserted into upper side plate holes. (See Figure A) or
- fork lift, inserted into front fork slots;
- fork lift, inserted into rear fork slots just below the deck.

**NOTE:**

Weather seals, if applicable, are strapped under leveler. Push button control panel, 100' of air line, two dock bumpers and compressor (if applicable) are packaged separately. Handle with care to avoid damage to these components. Contact PIONEER for chain sling assembly (Part #1700)

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## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS INSTALLATION

INSTALLATION: (Consists of 3 phases)

Pit preparation

Leveler Preparation

Leveler Installation



**Caution:** Before you start to install the leveler, use proper safety signs and barriers to separate the work area from the remainder of the dock.

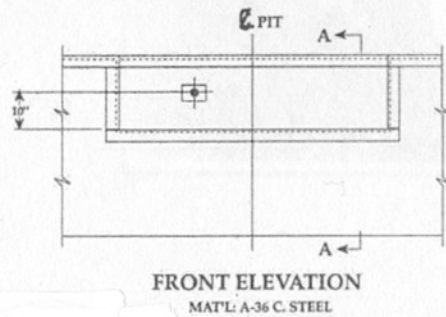
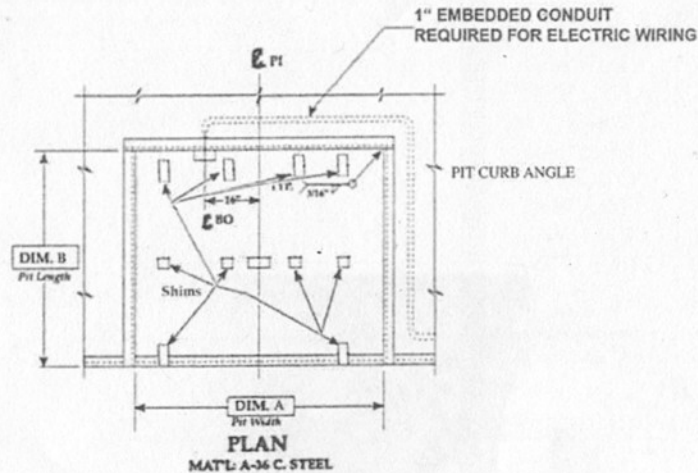


**WARNING**

Never allow anyone to stand on or near dock leveler when it is being lifted or placed into the pit. Failure to follow this warning can allow the dock leveler to fall, tip, or swing into people, resulting in serious injury and/or death.

# SPEEDTOUCH SERIES PIT DETAIL

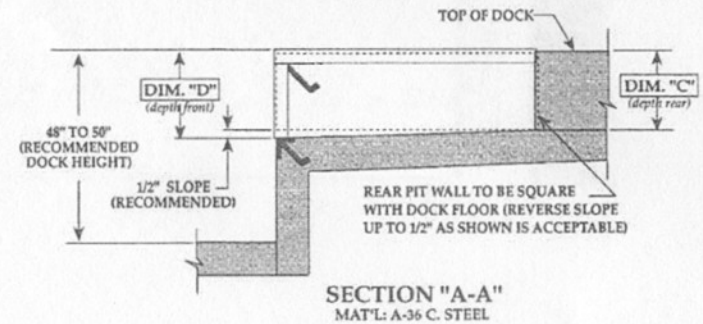
FIGURE B – PLAN VIEW



NOT TO SCALE

VARIABLE DIMENSIONS				
MODEL SIZE	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"
6'W x 6'L	74"	63"	19 1/2"	20"
6'W x 8'L	74"	87"	19 1/2"	20"
6'-6" W x 6'L	80"	63"	19 1/2"	20"
6'-6" x 8'L	80"	87"	19 1/2"	20"
7'W x 6'L	85"	63"	19 1/2"	20"
7'W x 8'L	85"	87"	19 1/2"	20"
6'W x 10'L	74"	111"	19 1/2"	20"
6'-6" W x 10'L	80"	111"	19 1/2"	20"
7'W x 10'L	85"	111"	19 1/2"	20"

INSERT SPECIFIC JOB DIMENSIONS FROM CHART



<b>NOTES</b>	DRAWN: D.E.A.	SCALE: AS NOTED	DATE: 6/19/96	DRAWING NUMBER: PMI-2010
	<b>JOB</b>			
TOLERANCES				
Inch Dimension = 1/16"	Decimal Dimension = .005	Angles = 1°		

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## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS PIT PREPARATION

### PIT PREPARATION

1. Examine pit
2. Measure pit dimensions. (See "Variable Dimensions" Figure B, Page 1-2)



Before welding the rear frame, cover the rear weather seal with a sheet of steel to prevent setting fire to the weather seals. Failure to do so may result in property damage.

Pit walls should be square and plumb. Clean all debris from pit. Verify that walls are square and plumb.

### PRE-PLACEMENT OF SHIMS:

1. Place shims in correct locations on pit floor before lowering leveler into place in pit.

Proper shim thickness will assure that deck of leveler is level with dock floor.

NOTE 1: Shims are to be placed directly under each rear frame upright, and under lip keepers. (See Figure C, Page 1-3) and (See Plan View, Page 1-2).

NOTE 2: For units with a 20" lip the lip keepers are separate. Prior to shimming, weld the angle with the lip keeper under the front base frame. (See Figure C, Page 1-3) (See Figure E, Page 1-4)

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## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS LEVELER PREPARATION

### LEVELER PREPARATION

1. Position leveler directly in front of pit
2. Cut restraining band on lip.

### ⚠ WARNING

Be Careful of the lip falling before the lip lock is engaged. The lip plate could fall causing serious injury and/or death.

Remove band completely from leveler..

FIGURE C

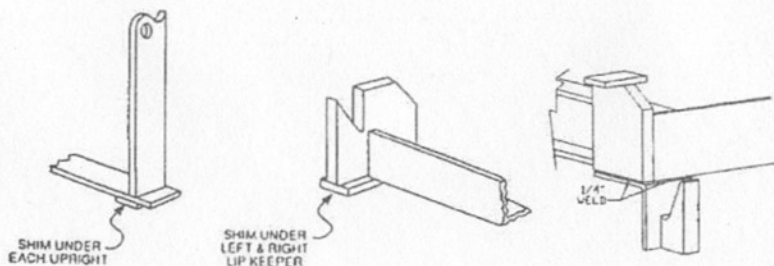
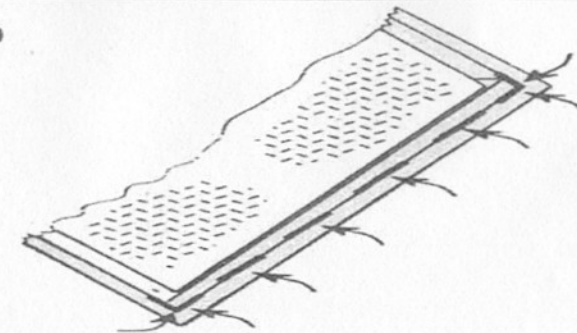


FIGURE D



**SECTION 1****INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS  
LEVELER INSTALLATION**

LEVELER INSTALLATION:

**! WARNING**

DO NOT work under the dock leveler, ramp, or lip unless the maintenance strut is in place.

**! WARNING**

Keep fingers, hands, and head away from the lip when it is released. Fingers, hands, or head could be struck by or caught between the lip and other parts of the dock leveler causing serious injury and/or death.

1. Place leveler into pit opening.
2. Recheck shim packs to ensure leveler is at proper height, flush with floor level, front and rear, after restraining band has been cut.  
  
For leveler with a 20" lip — with leveler flush with dock floor locate lip keepers on frame embedded curb angle and move upwards until lip touches bottom of keeper. Lip keeper should be located 12" toward center from each side.
3. Bring deck section of leveler to fully raised position.
4. Place maintenance strut securely under leveler.

**! WARNING**

Improper installation of anchoring devices or installation into aged or unsound concrete could result in serious injury and/or death.

Allow one inch (1") equal clearance between leveler sides and pit walls. Rear frame angle of leveler should be tight against and flush with rear curb angle for proper welding.

Shims must be placed properly under each rear frame upright, and front lip keepers. (See Figure C, Page 1-3, for close up view and Plan View B, Page 1-2, for shim locations.)

Skip weld rear of leveler to curb angle (weld center first then ends) and front shims to leveler and curb angle. (See Figure D, Page 1-3)

To operate, pull and hold the ratchet release chain located at rear of leveler.

Place strut in tubes located on base & under lip.

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LEVELER INSTALLATION**

5. Weld all shims securely in place.	Front shims must be welded securely to frame and steel curb angle.
6. Check compressed air requirements. (Customer may have air in the building, if so it must be dry air at 60 P.S.I. min to 140 P.S.I. max)	If needed add a properly sized separator to insure dry air supply to existing systems.
7. Mount the supplied push button control panel in the desired location at the dock door.	Usually to the right or left of the door approximately 50" off the floor.
8. If there is no compressed air in the building, mount the supplied compressor on the wall away from traffic.	If two or more levelers, centrally locate the compressor.
9. A total of 100' of 1/4" poly tubing is supplied with each leveler.	Route one 1/4" poly-tube from the air supply to the push button. (A 1/8" NPT to 1/4" bulkhead fitting is supplied at the control panel)  Route two of 1/4" poly-tube lines from the push button to the air cylinder on the pit levelers ratchet. (Two 1/8" NPT to 1/4" bulkhead fittings are supplied at the push button and two 1/4" NPT to 1/4" bulkhead fittings are supplied at the air cylinder). The two poly-tubes from the push button to the pit can be installed in 1" conduit if desired. (See submittal drawings).
10. Store maintenance strut.	Walk forward onto leveler, returning it to dock level with lip in keepers.
11. Install bumpers on dock face.	Securely bolt bumpers to dock face as close to pit opening as possible. Bumpers should be flush with dock floor or 48" off ground. Raised bumpers should be supported to floor from behind.
12. Complete weld at rear of leveler.	Weld to cover approximately 50% of the length of the rear angle. Ensure welds are placed directly behind frame uprights and at ends of angle. (See Figure D, Page 1-3)

**CAUTION: Before you start to install the leveler, use proper safety signs and barriers to separate the work area from the remainder of the dock.**

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### 20" LIP KEEPER INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Two separate lip keeper angles are provided with every unit that has a 20" lip. These angles are tack welded to the leveler base frame just behind the lip.

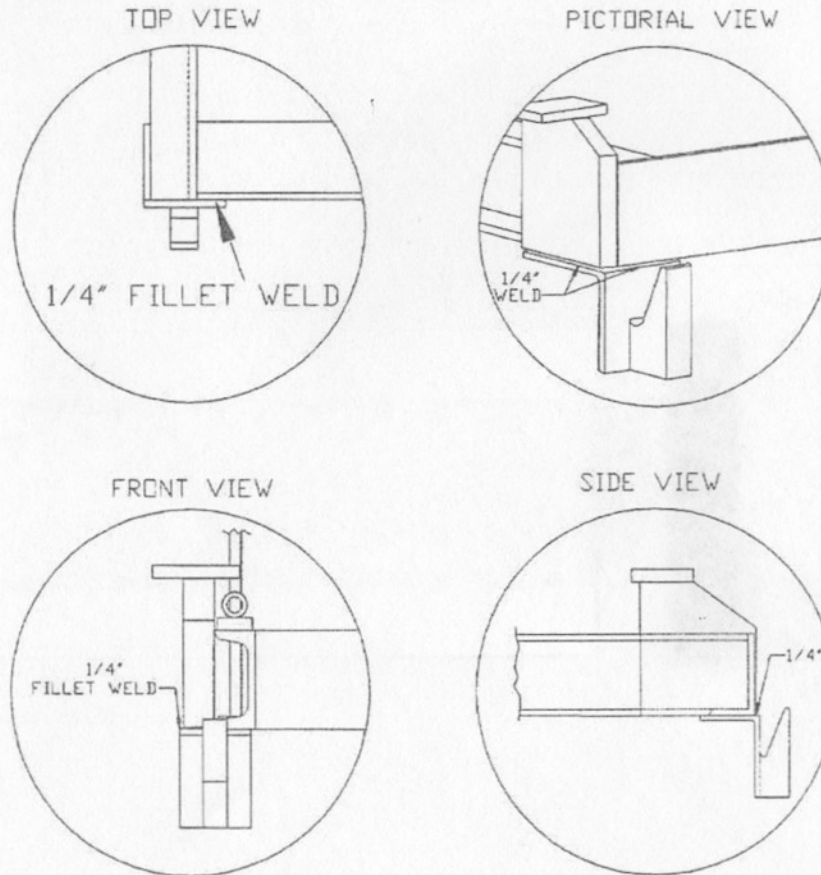
Break each one loose and set the leveler into the pit per the installation instructions in the owner's manual.

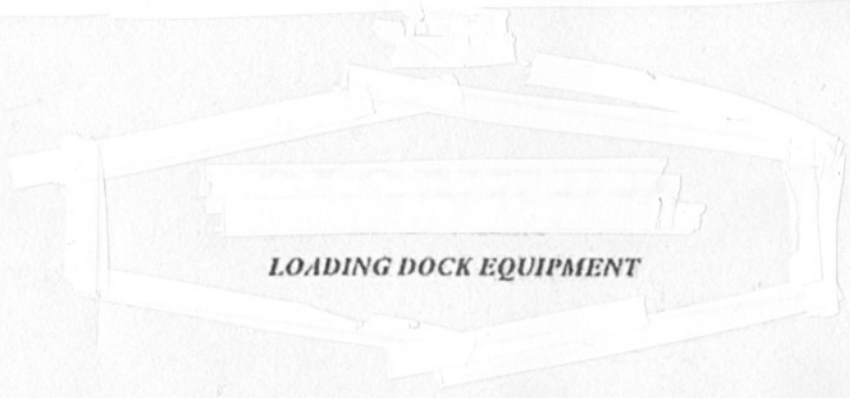
Prior to angle installation or shimming make sure that the unit is snug against the embedded curb angle at the back of the pit.

Place the lip keepers under the front base angle on either side of the unit with the top of the angle protruding out past the base 1/4" in the front and on the left for the left hand keeper and on the right for the right hand keeper. This will facilitate welding.

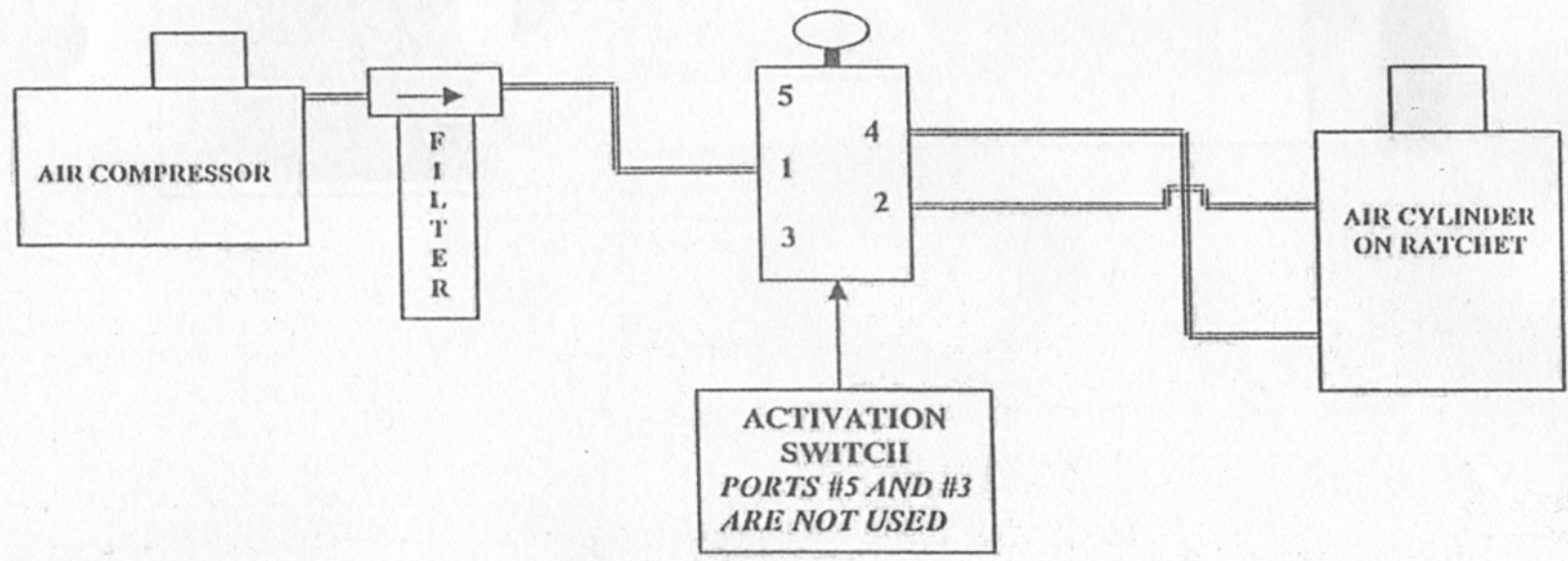
Fully weld the keeper angle to the base angle.

Proceed with shimming per the owner's manual.





### ST SERIES LEVELER AIR LINE ROUTING



**SECTION 2****OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS  
ABOVE DOCK OPERATION****! WARNING**

ALWAYS secure the vehicle with a vehicle restraint or wheel chocks before operating the dock leveler.

- \* DO NOT operate leveler with anyone standing on or in front of leveler.
- \* DO NOT lift the leveler by hand.
- \* ALWAYS keep fingers, hands, feet, and head clear of all moving parts.

**! WARNING**

If the lip does not fully extend, do not lift by hand. Restore leveler to dock level and try again. If lip still does not fully extend, the dock leveler requires maintenance or adjustment. Notify your supervisor. DO NOT use the leveler until it has been repaired. Failure to do so could result in serious injury and/or death.

**! WARNING**

If the lip does not fall to the stored position, the dock leveler requires maintenance or adjustment. Notify your supervisor. DO NOT use dock leveler until it has been repaired. Failure to do so could result in serious injury and/or death.

**ABOVE DOCK USE:**

- 1 Push and hold the activation button on the control panel.

**(In case of power outage pull firmly and hold the release ring located in the rear of the deck)**

When deck raises and lip extends, release the button. **DO NOT** release the button until the lip is fully extended.

(When deck raises and lip extends release the ring. **DO NOT** release the ring until lip is fully extended.)

2. While standing at the dock door, place foot on leveler deck and easily push unit onto truck bed. (Truck should be secured firmly against bumpers with "Truck Restraint" and wheel chocks.)

With standard locking type lip mechanism, lock will release once lip makes firm contact with truck bed.

3. When truck departs, lip will close to pendant (not stored) position.

This action applies when truck is above dock height.

4. Place foot on leveler deck and push down until unit is returned to stored position.

In this position, lip is secure in lip keepers, and ready to receive the next truck.



**ABOVE DOCK USE:**

5. Leveler may be recycled with truck at dock.

Make momentary contact with the push button allowing deck to raise 2" – 3" above dock with lip down. This allows operator to close the truck and/or building door prior to truck departure.

Place foot onto leveler and push down, returning it to dock level with lip in keepers.

During power outages (manual mode) pull the release ring in short, rapid pulls. This will raise the deck and allow the lip to fall pendent.

**SECTION 2****OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS  
BELOW DOCK OPERATION****BELOW DOCK USE: (WITH LIP EXTENDED)**

1. Repeat steps 1 & 2 for above dock use.	
2. As you step on the leveler, pull the safety leg release ring located in the front of deck plate.	This will pull safety legs away from the pads they would normally contact allowing unit to go below dock. When lip makes firm contact with the truck bed, release the front ring.
3. When truck departs, lip will return to pendant (not stored) position.	Lip will be in front of lip keepers, and deck will remain below floor level.
4. To recycle unit after truck departure, make momentary contact on the push button.  (During power outage, pull release ring in short rapid pulls.	This action will allow the deck to raise 2" – 3" above dock floor while the lip will remain in a pendant position.
5. Leveler may be recycled with <b>truck at dock.</b>	Follow Step #4 to recycle.
6. Following Step #4, step onto deck until unit is returned to stored position.	Lip should be completely closed and resting in lip keepers which provide overnight security.

**SECTION 2****OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS  
BELOW DOCK OPERATION**

**BELOW DOCK USE: (LIP RETRACTED FOR END LOADS)**

BELOW DOCK CONTROL OPTION IS RECOMMENDED FOR THIS OPERATION:

1. Make 1 or 2 momentary contacts on the push button.  
(Pull release ring in short rapid pulls)

Allow deck to raise 2" – 3" above dock floor. (This will raise lip out of lip keepers, without extending lip.)

2. As you step on the leveler, pull the safety leg release ring located in the front of deck plate.

With Below Dock Control option, lip will be pushed out in front of keepers while safety legs are being pulled away from pads.

3. When truck departs, lip will close to pendant (not stored) position.

Lip will be in front of keepers, and deck will remain below dock.

4. To recycle unit after truck departs, make 1 or 2 momentary contacts on the push button.  
(During power outage, pull release ring in short, rapid pulls.)

Continue this until unit is 2" – 3" above dock floor.

5. Leveler may be recycled with truck at dock.

Follow Step #4 to recycle.

6. Following Step #4, step onto deck until unit is returned to stored position.

Lip should be completely closed and resting in lip keepers which also provide overnight security.



**CAUTION: ALWAYS SECURE LEVELER WITH LIP IN KEEPERS AND SAFETY LEGS FORWARD TO INSURE SAFE CROSS TRAFFIC USE.**

## SECTION 3

## TROUBLESHOOTING

ALL SPEED TOUCH LEVELERS ARE TESTED AND ADJUSTED AT THE FACTORY. HOWEVER, MINOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE MAIN SPRINGS MAY BE REQUIRED ONCE THE UNIT IS INSTALLED. (UNITS WITH WEATHER SEALS NORMALLY REQUIRE MAIN SPRING ADJUSTMENT).

### WARNING

Read and follow the safety procedures in this manual before doing any service or repair to the dock leveler. ALWAYS SECURE LEVELER WITH MAINTENANCE STRUT BEFORE CLIMBING INTO THE DOCK LEVELER PIT OR DOING ANY MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR UNDER THE DOCK LEVELER. Failure to do so could result in serious injury and/or death.

SYMPTOM:	PROBABLE CAUSE:	CORRECTION:
WHEN ACTIVATION BUTTON IS PRESSED LEVELER DOES NOT ACTIVATE.	1. Air lines not attached correctly or leaking air.	Check all air line connections and check for leaks.
	2. Improper air pressure, 60 P.S.I. minimum required to activate all SpeedTouch levelers.	Check air supply and increase pressure to 60 P.S.I.
	3. supplied air compressor not hooked up electrically.	Make sure unit is plugged in to an adequate electrical supply (110 volt).
WHEN ACTIVATION BUTTON IS PRESSED OR RELEASE RING IS PULLED, DECK RAISES BUT LIP DOES NOT FULLY EXTEND AND LOCK.  Note: With Hydra-Lip Option, lip is designed to begin closing once extended, or when truck departs. No adjustment is required. Assem. #30	1. Improper main spring adjustment. NOTE: Proper adjustment will entail a combination of adjusting the lip assist spring and possibly the main springs. (See #3 below)	Tighten both main spring adjustment nuts one or two rotation clockwise and re-test.  Item #7 (1 1/2" socket or wrench)
	2. Lip lock spring is stretched.	Replace spring or lower spring one or two links in snubber chain. Item #22; Assem. #6
	3. Improper adjustment of lip assist spring.	Tighten both hex nuts, on the lip assist rods, two (2) clockwise rotations and re-test. Item # 27.  NOTE: The back nut, toward the rear of the leverler, is the adjustment nut. After attaining proper adjustment, hold the back nut and securely tighten the front or lock nut against the adjustment nut.
	4. Lip lock spring is broken or disconnected.	Replace broken spring and/or reconnect spring to proper chain link with "S" hook.  Item #22, Assem. #6
	Leveler may be servicing trucks that are above the factory set service range (8' models - 12", 6' models - 8") causing lip to impact truck during upward movement.	Minor adjustments to service range above dock may be made in the field. Consult the local representative or call the factory for assistance.

**SECTION 3****TROUBLESHOOTING**

<b>SYMPTOM:</b>	<b>PROBABLE CAUSE:</b>	<b>CORRECTION:</b>
(HYDRA-LIP OPTION) Lip will not close completely when truck departs.	Lip assist spring is over compressed.	Loosen both hex nuts on the lip assist rod two (2) rotations counter-clockwise and re-test. Item # 27
(HYDRA-LIP OPTION) Lip closes too fast when extended.	Lip assist spring is under compressed.	Tighten both hex nuts on the lip assist rod two (2) clockwise rotations and re-test. Item # 27
	Shocks are failing after years of use.	Replace with new shocks. Item # 29 (Covered by 1 year warranty)

## "ST" SpeedTouch

PARTS LIST	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION
3	DECK REAR HINGE KIT (SET)
6	SNUBBER CHAIN ASSEMBLY (For standard 16" Lip)
7	ADJUSTING ROD ASSEMBLY
8	WING NUT ASSEMBLY
9	RATCHET ASSEMBLY
16	LOWER PIN KIT
19	RATCHET MOUNTING ASSEMBLY LOWER
20	SNUBBER SPRING
21	SNUBBER CHAIN TENSION SRPING
22	LIP LOCK SPRING
28	"S" HOOK
34	AIR VALVE PUSH BUTTON
35	CONTROL BOX
36	AIR COMPRESSOR

