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# **BayLift** DOT - PUBLIC USE LIFT





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"DOT – Public Use Lift" verifies that this platform lift meets the public use lift requirements of FMVSS no. 403. This lift may be installed on all vehicles appropriate for the size and weight of the lift, but must be installed on buses, school buses, and multi-purpose passenger vehicles other than motor homes with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) that exceeds 10,000 lbs (4,536 kgs).

Customer Information		
Customer name		
Installing dealer		
Date installed		
Serial number		

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#### BAYLIFT PUBLIC USE INTRODUCTION

he RICON BayLift Public Use wheelchair lift provides wheelchair access to vans and buses and is DOT compliant. A trained attendant operates the lift.



The lift is intended to provide wheelchair access to public vehicles including buses, school buses, and large multi-purpose passenger vehicles. The mechanical linkages provide smooth movement to the platform, which has a rated load capacity of 600 pounds (273 kilograms).

Five hydraulic cylinders are employed to move the lift components. Two cylinders are mounted within the scissors assembly to extend and retract the platform assembly. A third cylinder raises and lowers the inner barrier.

The remaining two cylinders raise and lower the platform assembly. The movement of these cylinders is multiplied by a chain lift connected between the intermediate frame (rear portion of platform assembly) and the platform itself. As the cylinders lift the intermediate frame the chain lift doubles the movement of the platform assembly.

The lift contains an electro-hydraulic pump with a built-in manual backup pump. If the lift loses electrical power, it can be raised or lowered manually. The cylinders are controlled by solenoid valves that are operated manually if there is an electrical failure.

Platform movement is controlled with buttons on the hand held pendant. By using the buttons, the lift is extracted from the vehicle storage compartment and lowered to the ground level. The passenger boards the large non-skid platform and the operator uses the buttons to raise the platform to vehicle floor level. After the passenger departs, the platform is raised and retracted back into the vehicle. A similar procedure is used to exit.

This manual contains warranty information, safety precautions, operating instructions, and maintenance information. It is important to user safety that the lift operator be completely familiar with the operating instructions. Once the lift is installed, it is very important that the lift be properly maintained by following the Ricon recommended maintenance and inspection instructions provided in Chapter III.

#### A. PRODUCT SUPPORT

If there are questions about this manual, or additional copies are needed, please contact Ricon Product Support at one of the following locations:

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#### **B. PRODUCT WARRANTY**

## RICON BAYLIFT PUBLIC WHEELCHAIR LIFT TWO-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

**Ricon Corporation (Ricon)** warrants to original purchaser of this product that Ricon will repair or replace, at its option, any part that fails due to defective material or workmanship as follows:

- Repair or replace parts for a period of two years from date of purchase.
- Labor costs for specified parts replaced under this warranty for a period of two years from date of purchase. A Ricon rate schedule determines the parts covered and labor allowed.

*If you need to return a product*: Return this product to Ricon, following the Ricon RMA procedure. Please give as much advance notice as possible, and allow a reasonable amount of time for repair.

*This warranty does not cover:* Malfunction or damage to product parts caused by accident, misuse, lack of proper maintenance, neglect, improper adjustment, modification, alteration, the mechanical condition of vehicle, road hazards, overloading, failure to follow operating instructions, or acts of nature (i.e., weather, lightning, flood).

**Note:** Ricon recommends that this product be inspected by a Ricon authorized service technician at least once every six months, or sooner if necessary. Any required maintenance should be performed at that time.

## \land WARNING

THIS PRODUCT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND MANUFACTURED TO EXACT SPECIFICATIONS. MODIFICATION OF THIS PRODUCT IN ANY RESPECT CAN BE HAZARDOUS.

#### This warranty is void if:

- The product has been installed or maintained by someone other than a Ricon authorized service technician.
- The product has been modified or altered in any respect from its original design without written authorization by Ricon.

Ricon disclaims liability for any personal injury or property damage that results from operation of a Ricon product that has been modified from the original Ricon design. No person or company is authorized to change the design of this Ricon product without written authorization by Ricon.

Ricon's obligation under this warranty is exclusively limited to the repair or exchange of parts that fail within the applicable warranty period.

Ricon assumes no responsibility for expenses or damages, including incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply.

Important: The warranty registration card must be completed and returned to Ricon within 20 days after installation of this Ricon product for the warranty to be valid. The warranty is not transferable.

The warranty gives specific legal rights, and there may be other rights that vary from state to state.

## C. SHIPMENT INFORMATION

- When the product is received, unpack the product and check for freight damage. Claims for any damage should be made to the carrier immediately.
- Be sure the installation kit contains all items listed on the kit packing list. Please report any
  missing items immediately to Ricon Product Support. The warranty and owner registration
  cards must be completed and returned to Ricon within 20 days for the warranty to be valid.

The sales or service personnel must review the Warranty and Operator Manual with the user to be certain that they understand how to safely operate the product. Instruct the user to follow the operating instructions without exception.

## D. GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The following general safety precautions must be followed during operation and maintenance:

- To avoid injury, always exercise caution when operating lift and be certain that hands, feet, legs, and clothing are not in the path of product movement.
- Read and thoroughly understand the operating instructions.
- Inspect the product before each use for unsafe conditions, and unusual noises or movements. Do not use lift until any problems are corrected.
- Stand clear of doors and platform and keep others clear during operation.
- The product requires regular periodic maintenance. A thorough inspection is recommended at least once every six months. The product should be maintained at the highest level of performance.

#### E. MAJOR LIFT COMPONENTS

The terms used throughout this manual are illustrated in **Figure 1-1** and defined in **Table 1-1**. Refer to Chapter IV "Parts Diagrams and Lists" in the service manual for more details.



TABLE 1-1: BAYLIFT TERM DEFINITIONS		
TERM	DESCRIPTION	
Left, right, front, rear	Position references when installed lift is viewed from outside of vehicle.	
Access panel	Provides easy access to components located behind intermediate frame.	
Audible alarm	(not shown) Announces that something has passed through doorway threshold area and platform. Is 71" from vehicle floor level and is activated by threshold warning system (TWS). Refer to "Threshold Warning System" in Chapter II.	
Bridgeplate	Plate bridges gap between platform and vehicle floor when platform is at floor level. Acts as rear barrier during up and down platform motions to prevent wheelchair from rolling off of platform.	
Control pendant	Hand-held device controls platform motions.	
Cycle counter viewport	When platform is stowed the counter can be seen here. It records number of times platform has moved from floor to ground and back to floor.	
Electronic controller	Receives input signals from pendant and lift sensors and sends control signals to pump motor and hydraulic controller.	
Front and rear platform sections	Lift components where wheelchair and occupant are situated during UP and DOWN platform motions. Folds and stows into platform frame.	
Front rollstop	Front barrier prevents the wheelchair from inadvertently rolling off plat- form during platform movement.	
Front rollstop latch	Manually operated latch locks front rollstop in stowed position. Roll- stop is locked in upright position by dropping into slots.	
Handrail	(left and right) Provides a handhold for standing passenger (standee).	
Handrail latch	(left and right) Manually operated latch locks handrail in outward or inward position. Push handrail downward to release latch.	
Hydraulic controller	Electro-hydraulic, solenoid valve system controls distribution of hy- draulic fluid to cylinders. Receives input signals from electronic con- troller.	
Hydraulic pump and reservoir	Hydraulic pump is driven by electric motor and produces pressure to extend and raise platform and to raise bridgeplate. Includes manual backup components.	
Intermediate frame	Rigid structure suspended on outer ends of scissor assembly. Plat- form frame is attached to front face.	
Maintenance safety pin	(left and right) Maintenance item that is employed to lock platform in position on intermediate frame. Must be removed for normal operation.	
Manual backup pump handle	Use to operate manual backup pump when electrical power is not avail- able.	

Manual bypass knobs	Four knobs are employed during manual operation to control distribu- tion of hydraulic fluid to preferred lift cylinders.	
Manual pressure release valve	Opening valve bleeds pressure from hydraulic system, allowing plat- form or bridgeplate to lower.	
Pendant holders	(up to three each, depending on application) Storage clips for pendant. One clip is attached to bottom of platform.	
Platform frame	Structure that platform and handrails attach to. Moves up and down on sliders fastened to intermediate frame.	
Platform latch	Magnetic catch that holds folded platform sections in upright position.	
Reservoir dipstick	Use to determine fluid level in reservoir.	
Safety belt	Safety restraint belt that spans between handrails to confine passenger.	
Scissors assembly	(left and right) Telescoping components that support intermediate frame and platform, and allow horizontal movement.	
Visual alarm	(not shown) Flashing red light makes it known that something has passed through doorway threshold area. Activated by threshold warning system (TWS). Refer to "Threshold Warning System" in Chapter II.	
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## II. BAYLIFT PUBLIC USE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- This chapter contains operating precautions, daily safety check instructions, control and indicator descriptions, and operating instructions for the RICON BayLift Public Use wheelchair
- lift. This chapter must be thoroughly understood before using lift.

#### A. OPERATING PRECAUTIONS

The following safety precautions must be complied with when operating lift:

Refer to Figure 2-1. Deploying the lift when vehicle is on sloped ground is hazardous. Operate lift with vehicle parked on level ground.



FIGURE 2-1: SLOPED PARKING HAZARD

- Vehicle must be safely parked with parking brake set before using lift.
- Inspect lift before use. Do not use lift if an unsafe condition exists, or unusual noises or movements are noticed, and contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.
- Read and comply with all warning labels affixed to wheelchair lift and vehicle.
- Do not operate with a load in excess of 600 lbs (273 kgs).
- Refer to Figure 2-2. Wheelchair occupant should face outward on platform when entering or exiting vehicle to minimize the possibility of the large rear wheels rolling up and over the front rollstop.



FIGURE 2-2: EXITING BACKWARDS IS HAZARDOUS

- Do not load an oversize wheelchair into vehicle if it is too large to pivot freely inside vehicle.
- Do not place large equipment inside vehicle that can prevent pivoting of a wheelchair. Being able to pivot assures that a passenger can safely exit facing outward.

- Do not rely on a threshold-warning device (audible, or other) to confirm that it is safe for a passenger to exit backwards. This device may be inoperative or unheard, and they might exit backwards when the platform is on the ground!
- When exiting vehicle, verify that platform is at same height as floor and front rollstop is upright and locked.
- The upright front rollstop inhibits slow and unintentional rolling off of the platform. It is not intended to stop a fast-moving wheelchair, which might tip forward if the small front wheels collide with the rollstop.
- Be certain wheelchair fits safely on platform; it must not extend beyond edges or interfere with rising and locking of front rollstop.
- Keep arms, legs, and clothing away from moving lift parts.
- The lift is intended for <u>one</u> wheelchair and occupant, or <u>one</u> standee. Do not overload lift.
- Refer to **Figure 2-3**. Do not stand in front of lift while deploying platform.



FIGURE 2-3: STAND CLEAR OF PLATFORM

- Keep others clear while operating lift.
- Do not allow an untrained person to operate lift.
- Careful supervision is necessary if used near children.
- Lock wheelchair brakes when on platform (power chair users must turn off power and set brake).
- Use great care in wet conditions, because the wheelchair brakes are less effective if wheels or platform are wet.
- Never leave platform outside of vehicle. Return platform to stowed position after use.

Read and understand safety precautions. Review them periodically and ask other operators to read them. Contact an authorized Ricon service technician or call Ricon Product Support if you have questions.

#### B. DAILY SAFETY CHECK

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

- All functions operate properly and there are no unusual noises or movements. If problems are present, contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.
- Vehicle interlock is operating properly.
- No objects that may interfere with operation are present.
- General appearance and lubrication are satisfactory, and fasteners are tight.

## C. PLATFORM MOTIONS

**NOTE:** The platform is an assembly comprised of the intermediate frame, platform frame, handrails, front and rear platform sections, bridgeplate, and front rollstop. Note that up and down motions operate only when platform is fully extended.

TABLE 2-1: PLATFORM MOTIONS		
MOTION		DESCRIPTION
	DEPLOY	Platform moves outward from lift compartment.
	DOWN	Platform lowers towards ground level. Bridgeplate auto- matically rises when platform drops below floor level.
	UP	Platform rises towards vehicle floor level. Bridgeplate automatically lowers when platform arrives at floor level.
	STOW	Platform moves downwards towards stow level and then retracts into lift compartment. If platform is below stow level, it must first be raised above stow level.
END OF TABLE		



FIGURE 2-4: PLATFORM POSITIONS

#### D. CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

## \land WARNING

THE LIFT IS ALLOWED TO OPERATE ONLY WHEN THE LIFT AND VEHICLE INTERLOCK CIRCUITRY REQUIREMENTS ARE MET. IF NECESSARY, REFER TO VEHICLE OPERATOR MANUAL FOR INTERLOCK INSTRUCTIONS. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO OPERATE LIFT WITH INTERLOCK BYPASSED.

CONTROL PENDANT

## AUTION

Refer to Figure 1-1 in Chapter I. The pendant must be attached to the clip located on the bottom of the platform when the platform is stowed. The pendant can be severely damaged by the lift compartment doors if left stored on either of the other clips.

Refer to **Figure 2-5**. The lift is operated with a hand-held, hard-wired remote-control pendant. Turn on the POWER ENABLE switch and then press an appropriate button to control each lift motion.

The POWER ENABLE switch provides power to the pendant and thereby enables the lift. When turned on, the power switch and each button illuminate.

Pressing the DEPLOY button extends the platform from the storage compartment, and pressing the STOW button retracts the platform back into the storage compartment. Pressing the DOWN button lowers the platform towards the ground, and pressing the UP button raises the platform towards the vehicle floor.

A button must be held depressed until the motion is completed. Movement of the platform can be halted at any time by releasing the button.

**NOTE:** In addition to the four powered operations described above, there are several manual operations required to deploy, lower, and stow the platform. Refer to "Manual Lift Operation" section.



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- CIRCUIT BREAKERS
  - Main Circuit Breaker

Refer to **Figure 2-6**. The main circuit breaker is located in vehicle battery compartment and is used to interrupt electrical power to lift electrical system when a major short circuit occurs. In the event of such a short circuit, the circuit breaker reset tab will rotate CW (flip-down). Rotate tab CCW as shown to reset. If rotating reset tab CCW and releasing does not restore power, <u>do not</u> press and hold tab. Contact a Ricon authorized service technician for repair.



FIGURE 2-6: MAIN CIRCUIT BREAKER

Control System Circuit Breaker

The control system circuit breaker is located on the PCB assembly, which is inside the electronic controller. The control system includes essentially all electrical components except the motor that drives the hydraulic pump. Consult the Baylift service manual (32DBLE04) for information on accessing the circuit breaker.

VEHICLE INTERLOCK SYSTEM

The purpose of the vehicle interlock system is to prevent lift operation if it is unsafe to do so. Typical requirements are that the vehicle transmission be in neutral, the parking brake be applied, and the passenger door be opened before power is supplied to the lift. Before the vehicle can depart, the lift must be stowed, and both the lift compartment door and passenger door must be closed.

#### BRIDGEPLATE LOAD SENSOR

A sensor switch is located in the hydraulic line connected to the bridgeplate hydraulic cylinder. When the sensor detects that an object is present on the bridgeplate it inhibits raising or lowering of the platform. This protects the passenger from possible injury when the cylinder raises the bridgeplate. It also protects the bridgeplate from damage, which could interfere later with proper operation of the lift.

#### LIFT CYCLE COUNTER

Refer to Figure 1-1 in Chapter I. The cycle counter (located near the electronic controller) is visible through a slot at the top center of the intermediate frame, just above the access panel. The platform must be fully stowed to view the counter. The counter advances each time the platform moves through a complete cycle, which consists of the platform moving from the vehicle floor to the ground and back to the floor. The number of cycles displayed is used to schedule maintenance operations.

#### THRESHOLD WARNING SYSTEM

Refer to **Figure 2-7.** The threshold warning system is installed at the top of the doorway above the lift compartment. The module is powered on when the lift is powered, and the status indicator light then turns on. The acoustic sensors are enabled when the door is open and the lift-to-vehicle interlock system requirements are met.

**<u>NOTE:</u>** Some installations provide a vehicle door closure signal to the module that will disable the sensors when the door is closed.

Acoustic sensors (transmitter and receiver) monitor the doorway threshold area for the presence of a passenger (or object, such as a wheelchair). If someone is detected in the threshold area when the platform is one inch, or more, below the floor an audible buzzer and flashing red light are actuated.

This system provides a margin of safety for lift passengers by warning them when the platform is below floor level. The platform <u>must be at floor level</u> when a passenger is boarding or exiting the platform.

**<u>NOTE:</u>** An optional installation method can disable the buzzer and flashing light when the door is closed. In this case, the status indicator flashes when a passenger presence is detected.



MANUAL BACKUP PUMP

Refer to **Figure 2-8**. The manual backup pump system can operate the lift if electrical power is not functional. The controls for the system consist of a pump handle (not removable) and pressure release valve, which are used in conjunction with four bypass knobs to extend, raise, lower, and retract the platform.

The four bypass knobs shown on the front face of the hydraulic controller are connected to four solenoid valves located inside the enclosure. The open or closed position of each solenoid valve determines how fluid is distributed to the five hydraulic cylinders. The knobs provide the ability open and close the valves manually.

Instructions for operating the manual pump are provided in the Manual Operation section in this chapter.



FIGURE 2-8: MANUAL BACK-UP PUMP SYSTEM

## E. NORMAL LIFT OPERATION

	🕂 WARNING
impr oper	OPER USE OF LIFT CAN RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY. USERS MUST READ AND FOLLOW ATING INSTRUCTIONS. ADDITIONAL COPIES OF OPERATOR MANUAL ARE AVAILABLE FROM:
	RICON CORPORATION 7900 NELSON ROAD PANORAMA CITY, CA 91402 (800) 322-2884 or (818) 267-3000
•	DO NOT EXCEED RATED LOAD CAPACITY OF 600 POUNDS (273 KGS). PRIOR TO USE, INSPECT WHEELCHAIR LIFT FOR PROPER FUNCTION, DAMAGE, AND REQUIRED MAINTENANCE. IF A PROBLEM EXISTS, DO NOT USE LIFT AND CONTACT A RICON AUTHORIZED SERVICE TECHNICIAN FOR REPAIR.
Ricoi Fron Failu	THIS LIFT IS FOR USE BY WHEELCHAIR OCCUPANTS AND STANDEES. N CORPORATION DISCLAIMS LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY RESULTING M MODIFICATION TO LIFT, LACK OF MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR, NEGLIGENCE, ABUSE, OR IRE TO FOLLOW LIFT OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS.
B P T	efore operating lift, be certain vehicle is safely parked on a level area away from traffic. Provide space for lift operation and passenger boarding. he lift operator must take special care to ensure that area is clear before deploying plat-
V ti lo	When parked adjacent to a curb, the vehicle must be within 26 inches of curb. Rear sec- on of platform must overlap curb a minimum of eight inches. Refer to <b>Figure 2-9</b> on fol- owing page for related information.
0 lf b w	pen lift compartment doors completely and secure. the vehicle and lift are equipped with a safety interlock system (e.g. transmission, parking rake, etc) be certain that it is in the proper mode before attempting to operate lift. The lift vill not operate until this feature has been properly engaged.
/ T	urn on lift power switch located on or near vehicle dashboard.
E A m	nable lift control pendant by turning on Power switch located on pendant. , person that uses the wheelchair lift while standing (does not require mobility aid equip- nent) is referred to in this manual as a Standee.
	Refer to Figure 1-1 in Chapter I. Before attempting to raise or lower the platform, verify the two maintenance safety pins are not inserted into intermediate frame and platform. Severe damage can occur if pins are inserted. The pins are normally stored on the side, as shown, and are for maintenance use only.

# **WARNING**

ATTENDANT MUST REMAIN NEAR PASSENGER TO RENDER IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE WHEN NECESSARY.

#### 1. ENTER VEHICLE

a. **DEPLOY PLATFORM** - Press and hold DEPLOY button until platform is completely extended from lift compartment.

**NOTE:** Platform cannot be moved up or down unless platform is fully extended.

- b. Unlatch each handrail by pushing downward and then and swinging outward by hand.
- c. Pull out on top edge of platform to release magnetic latch and lower platform sections to horizontal position; weight of platform is spring assisted.
- d. Unfold front platform section by grasping handle provided.
- e. Raise front rollstop to upright position and lock in place by allowing it to drop into the slots at rollstop pivot points.
- f. **LOWER PLATFORM** Press and hold DOWN button until platform contacts ground. Verify that bridgeplate is in upright position.

## AUTION

Refer to **Figure 2-9.** The platform does not automatically stop when being lowered onto a curb, therefore the operator must monitor the height of the platform. Do not allow platform to tilt as shown in left panel. Use the UP button to adjust the platform height, if necessary. Also, do not lower front portion of platform onto curb as shown in right panel.



FIGURE 2-9: OPERATOR MUST MONITOR POSITION OF PLATFORM

- g. Lift front rollstop out of slots and swing forward until it rests on ground.
- h. Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, preferably facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. Pull safety belt from retractor on handrail and fasten to other handrail.

## \land Caution

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

- A Standee must stand near the center of the platform, facing in the direction of travel (into vehicle), and firmly grasp handrails. Do not stand on bridgeplate.
- i. Raise front rollstop to upright position and lock in place by allowing it to drop into the slots at rollstop pivot points.

- j. **RAISE PLATFORM** Press and hold UP button until platform rises and stops automatically at vehicle floor level. Verify that bridgeplate lowers to horizontal position and rests flat on vehicle floor.
- k. Release wheelchair brakes, and carefully board passenger into vehicle.
- I. Refer to "STOW PLATFORM" section on next page and stow platform.

## 2. EXIT VEHICLE

a. **DEPLOY PLATFORM** - Press and hold DEPLOY button until platform is completely extended from lift compartment.

**NOTE:** Platform cannot be moved up or down unless platform is fully extended.

- b. Unlatch each handrail by pushing downward and then swing outward by hand.
- c. Pull out on top edge of platform to release magnetic latch and lower platform sections to horizontal position; weight of platform is spring assisted.
- d. Unfold front platform section by grasping handle provided.
- e. Raise front rollstop to upright position and lock in place by allowing it to drop into the slots at rollstop pivot points.
- f. **RAISE PLATFORM** Press and hold UP button until platform rises to vehicle floor level and automatically stops.

## AUTION

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

- g. Carefully place wheelchair in center of platform, preferably facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. Pull safety belt from retractor on handrail and fasten to other handrail.
- A Standee must stand near the center of the platform, facing in the direction of travel (away from vehicle), and firmly grasp handrails. Do not stand on bridgeplate.
- h. **LOWER PLATFORM -** Press and hold DOWN button until platform settles at ground level. Verify that bridgeplate is in upright position before platform begins to lower.

# AUTION

Refer to **Figure 2-9.** The platform does not automatically stop when being lowered onto a curb, therefore the operator must monitor the height of the platform. Do not allow platform to tilt as shown in left panel. Use the UP button to adjust the platform height, if necessary. Also, do not lower front portion of platform onto curb as shown in right panel.

- i. Lift front rollstop out of slots and swing forward until it rests on ground.
- j. Unfasten safety belt, release wheelchair brakes, and carefully assist passenger off platform.
- k. Refer to "STOW PLATFORM" section and stow platform.

## 3. STOW PLATFORM

- a. Lift front rollstop out of slots and swing to rear until it rests on platform. Latch in place.
- b. Grasp handle on lower side of front platform section and fold section back onto rear platform section.

- c. Raise platform sections by hand until they engage magnetic platform latch; weight of platform is spring assisted.
- d. Swing handrails inward and then push downward and latch handrails into square holes in bottom edge of platform frame.
- e. Stow platform:
- ★ If platform is at floor level (or anywhere above stow level) press and hold STOW button until platform lowers to stow level and fully retracts into lift compartment.
- ➤ If platform is at ground level (or anywhere below stow level) press and hold UP button until platform rises above stow level. Press and hold STOW button until platform lowers to stow level and fully retracts into lift compartment.

## ▲ CAUTION

Be certain platform has retracted completely. To prevent damage to lift compartment doors, do not release button until lift pump motor has stopped automatically.

f. Turn control pendant power switch off and stow pendant on clip located on bottom of platform.

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The pendant must be attached to the clip located on the bottom of the platform when the platform is stowed. The pendant can be severely damaged by the lift compartment doors if left stored on either of the other clips.

- g. Close lift compartment doors.
- h. Turn off lift power switch located on or near vehicle dashboard

## F. MANUAL LIFT OPERATION

The lift can be operated manually if lift electrical power is not functioning. Ricon recommends that manual operation be used only to exit from vehicle, not to enter vehicle.

Preparation:

- Be certain vehicle is on a level area and away from traffic. Allow space for platform movement plus space to exit from platform.
- The vehicle operator must summon assistance to move vehicle to a safe area if a break down situation exists where vehicle cannot be moved under its own power.
- Open storage compartment doors.
- The threshold warning system is not active during manual operation and cannot be used to indicate that the platform is at floor height.

## \land WARNING

FOLLOW PRECAUTIONS AT BEGINNING OF "LIFT OPERATION" SECTION WHEN USING MANUAL BACKUP SYSTEM TO EXIT VEHICLE.

Refer to **Figure 2-10** on following page. The manual backup pump handle and manual pressure release valve are both referred to frequently in the following procedures. Moving its handle back and forth operates the backup pump. The release valve is closed by rotating it clockwise and opened by rotating it counterclockwise. The valve must be kept closed during normal operation.



FIGURE 2-10: MANUAL BACKUP PUMP

Refer to **Figure 2-11**. The four bypass knobs shown are also referred to frequently in the following procedures. Push the designated knob inward and rotate to the setting directed in the procedure. Each knob must be in the normal position during normal operation.



#### FIGURE 2-11: MANUAL BYPASS KNOBS



#### 1. DEPLOY PLATFORM

- a. Verify that pressure release valve is closed.
- b. Rotate DEPLOY knob to override position.
- c. Operate hand pump until platform assembly is fully extended from lift compartment.
- d. Rotate DEPLOY knob to normal position.
- e. Swing both handrails outward by hand.
- f. Pull out on top edge of platform to release magnetic latch and lower platform sections to horizontal position; weight of platform is spring assisted.
- g. Unfold front platform section by grasping handle provided.
- h. Raise front rollstop to upright position and lock in place by allowing it to drop into the slots at rollstop pivot points.

#### 2. RAISE PLATFORM

- a. Verify that pressure release valve is closed.
- b. Rotate the UP OR DOWN knob to override position.
- c. Operate hand pump until platform rises to vehicle floor height.
- d. Rotate the UP OR DOWN knob to normal position.
- e. Rotate BRIDGEPLATE knob to override position.
- f. Open pressure release valve and allow bridgeplate to lower to floor. Close valve.
- g. Rotate BRIDGEPLATE knob to normal position.
- h. Load passenger by carefully placing wheelchair in center of platform, preferably facing outward (away from vehicle), and lock wheelchair brakes. Pull safety belt from retractor on handrail and fasten to other handrail.

#### 3. LOWER PLATFORM

- a. Verify that pressure release valve is closed.
- b. Rotate BRIDGEPLATE knob to override position.
- c. Operate hand pump until bridgeplate is in upright position.
- d. Rotate BRIDGEPLATE knob to normal position.
- e. Rotate UP OR DOWN knob to override position.
- f. Open pressure release valve and allow platform to lower to ground level. Close valve.
- g. Rotate UP OR DOWN knob to normal position.
- h. Unlock front rollstop and swing forward until it rests on ground.
- i. Unfasten safety belt, release wheelchair brakes, and carefully assist passenger off platform.

#### 4. STOW PLATFORM

- a. Verify that pressure release valve is closed.
- b. Rotate the UP OR DOWN knob to override position.
- c. Refer to **Figure 2-12** on following page. Operate hand pump until top edge of platform frame is at same height as top edge of intermediate frame (stow level).



#### FIGURE 2-12: STOW LEVEL HEIGHT

- d. Rotate the UP OR DOWN knob to normal position.
- e. Lift front rollstop and swing to rear until it rests on platform. Latch in place.
- f. Grasp handle on lower side of front platform section and fold section back onto rear platform section.
- g. Raise platform sections by hand until they engage magnetic platform latch; weight of platform is spring assisted.
- h. Refer to **Figure 2-13.** Swing handrails inward and then push downward and latch handrails into square holes in bottom edge of platform frame.



- i. Rotate STOW knob to override position.
- j. Operate hand pump until platform assembly is fully retracted into lift compartment.
- k. Rotate STOW knob to normal position.

#### G. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR NOTE

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

## III. BAYLIFT PUBLIC USE MAINTENANCE

R egular maintenance of the RICON BayLift Public Use wheelchair lift will provide optimum performance and reduce the need for repairs. This chapter contains cleaning instructions, a maintenance schedule, and decal information.

#### A. ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE INFORMATION

Additional maintenance information is available in the BayLift Public Use service manual, part number 32DBLE04. This manual is available from Ricon in printed hard copy, or at the Ricon website in PDF format. The website is located at www.riconcorp.com. At the website, click on "Technical Documents", "I agree", and then "Service Manuals".

## 🚹 WARNING

THIS RICON PRODUCT IS HIGHLY SPECIALIZED. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS MUST BE PERFORMED BY A RICON AUTHORIZED SERVICE TECHNICIAN USING RICON REPLACEMENT PARTS. MODIFYING OR FAILING TO PROPERLY MAINTAIN THIS PRODUCT WILL VOID WARRANTY, AND MAY RESULT IN UNSAFE OPERATING CONDITIONS.

## **B.** CLEANING

Regular cleaning with mild soap (i.e. liquid hand soap or car wash liquid) and drying thoroughly will protect the lifts painted surfaces. Cleaning is especially important in areas where roads are salted in winter. Make sure that lift pivot points are clean and dry prior to lubrication.

## C. MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

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

TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE				
SERVICE POINT	ACTION TO PERFORM			
	10 CYCLES			
Overall condition	Listen for abnormal noises as lift operates (i.e. grinding or binding noises.)			
Control pendant	<ul> <li>Verify that control pendant is undamaged and cable connector is tight.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Verify that switch and buttons are illuminated.</li> </ul>			
Threshold warning system (TWS)	Verify that system reliably detects objects in doorway threshold area, when enabled, and actuates the visual and audible alarms.			
Bridgeplate load sensor	Verify that sensor inhibits upward and downward movement of platform when a weight is present on the lowered bridgeplate.			
	150 CYCLES			
Electrical wiring	Inspect electrical wiring for frayed wires, loose connectors, etc.			
Vehicle interlock	Place vehicle in non-interlock mode and verify that lift does not operate.			
Decals	Verify that lift decals are properly affixed, clearly visible, and legible. Replace, if necessary.			
Handrails	Verify that handrail fasteners are properly tightened, and that handrails can be latched securely in position.			

TABLE 3-1: MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE			
SERVICE POINT	ACTION TO PERFORM		
Lift mounting	<ul> <li>Verify that vehicle mounting and support points are undamaged.</li> </ul>		
points	<ul> <li>Verify that mounting bolts are sufficiently tight and free of corrosion.</li> </ul>		
Main lifting pivots	Verify that pins on scissor arms are properly installed, free from damage, and locked in position.		
Platform pivot points	Verify that platform moves freely, without binding, and does not wobble.		
Bridgeplate	<ul> <li>Verify that bridgeplate operates without binding during lift functions.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Verify that bridgeplate deploys fully when platform stops at floor level.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Verify bridgeplate rests flat against vehicle floor.</li> </ul>		
Front rollstop	Verify that rollstop pivots freely and can be latched securely in position.		
Hydraulic power unit	<b>AUTION</b>		
	Check and add fluid when platform is at <u>ground</u> level. Fluid that is added when platform is raised will overflow when platform is lowered.		
	<ul> <li>Verify that pump hydraulic fluid level is at FULL mark when platform is at ground level. Add Pentosin G002000 fluid.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Verify there are no hydraulic fluid leaks.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Verify that manual backup pump operates properly.</li> </ul>		
	1800 CYCLES		
Cleaning and lubrication	<ol> <li>Clean lift with mild soap and water and wipe dry. Prevent rust by coating all surfaces with a light oil. Remove excess oil.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Spray penetrating oil (Curtisol® Red Grease 88167 or WD-40®) where specified in the service manual 32DBLE04 following directions on con- tainer. Remove excess grease from surrounding areas.</li> </ol>		
<b>CAUTION</b>			
A Ricon	authorized service technician must perform the annual safety check.		
	3600 cycles		
Hydraulic	Check hydraulic cylinders for evidence of leaks.		
cylinders, hoses, and fittings	<ul> <li>Inspect hydraulic hoses for damage.</li> </ul>		
Verify that all fittings are tight.			
	END OF TABLE		

## D. DECAL PART NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

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



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