How To Use This Manual, General Service Instructions, And Safety Procedures

The following information is provided to help guide the user of this manual. An explanation of how this manual is organized, as well as general information and safety considerations which should be understood when performing any service or maintenance procedure, is given. This information is general in nature and should supplement any of the specific procedures in this manual along with a constant awareness of safety and common sense.

How To Use This Manual

This Service Manual is a collection of written procedures which are used to service and maintain a specific crane model. The index, which is called a "Keysheet", is used to organize the procedures within this manual and serve as a Table Of Contents as well. Each procedure, in this manual, is written so that it can stand alone and typically covers only one procedure. Procedures are given a numerical designation, or "SM Code" Number, (Example: SM01—005—034.00) which is unique to that procedure and that procedure only. The following is a listing of the general area definitions which are designated by the first digits in the SM Code Number sequence:

General Area Descriptions

SM01 — Rubber Tire Lower
SM02 — Crawler Lower
SM03 — Upper Revolving Frame & Machinery
SM04 — Vertical Shafts
SM05 — Horizontal Shafts
SM06 — Upper Engine
SM07 — Hydraulic Power Supply
SM08 — Angle Boom
SM09 — Tubular Boom
SM10 — Tagline Winder
SM11 — Fairleader
SM12 — Shovel Attachment
SM13 — Trench Hoe, Logger & Scrapper Attachment & Prop Handler
SM14 — Cab & House Assembly
SM15 — Rotascope Attachment (Discontinued)
SM16 — Wire Rope Requirements
SM17 — Hydraulic Boom And Attachments
SM18 — Special Attachments
SM19 — Diesel Pile Hammer (Discontinued)
SM20 — Tower, Climbing Assembly, Traveling Base & Gantry (Discontinued)
SM21 — Log Skidder (Discontinued)
SM22 — Hydraulic Hammer (Discontinued)

The procedures in this manual are collated by SM Code Number sequence. Use the Keysheet in the front of this manual, the general area descriptions shown previously, and the SM Code title shown on the Keysheet to find the specific procedure required to service the crane.

Throughout this manual, reference is made to the left, right, front, and rear, pertaining to directions and locations. These reference directions are relative to the operator, sitting in the operator's seat, with the upper directly over the front of the carrier, unless otherwise stated. (Crawler mounted cranes: upper over the front of the crane with travel motors to the rear.)

Danger, warning, and caution captions as well as special notes are used throughout this manual and on the crane to emphasize important and critical instructions. **If any instruction, caution, warning, or danger labels, decals, or plates become lost, damaged, or unreadable, they must be replaced.** Information contained on such labels, decals, and plates is important and failure to follow the information they contain could result in an accident. Replacement labels, decals, and plates can be ordered through a Link-Belt Distributor. For the purpose of this manual, danger, warning, and caution captions and notes are defined as follows:

DANGER

An operating procedure, practice, etc. which, if not correctly followed, may result in severe personal injury, dismemberment, or loss of life.

WARNING

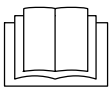
An operating procedure, practice, etc. which, if not correctly followed, may result in personal injury.

CAUTION

An operating procedure, practice, etc. which, if not correctly followed, may result in damage to, or destruction of, equipment or property.

NOTES

Note: An operating procedure step, condition, etc. which is essential in order for the process to be completed properly.



This symbol may appear in manuals or on a label on the crane to alert personnel that additional instructions are included in the crane Operator's Manual.

Figure 1
Keep hands and tools clear of moving parts.

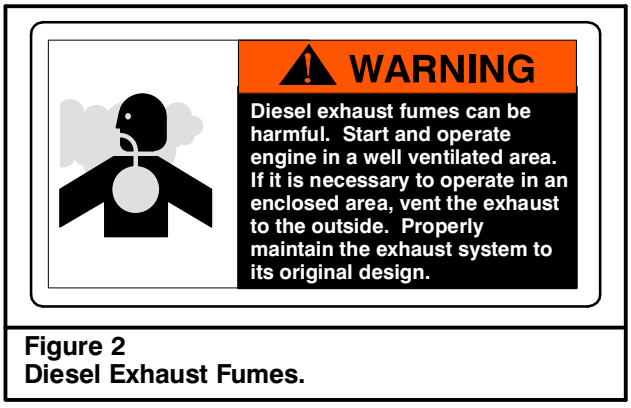


Figure 2
Diesel Exhaust Fumes.

Service Safety And Set Up Guidelines

The following is a list of safety and set up considerations which may apply to any service or maintenance procedure. Review the entire list and understand the type of things you must consider to perform a safe service procedure and then apply these guidelines to each specific service or maintenance procedure.

DANGER

Do not operate the crane unless you are qualified. Unauthorized operation by untrained personnel could result in an accident. Crane operation is to be performed by a certified operator only.

Service Safety

1. Read and understand the service or maintenance procedure to be performed before beginning work. By reading the procedure ahead of time, you can be sure to have the replacement parts and tools on hand that are required to complete the job.
2. Wear protective gear to prevent injury; hard hat, safety glasses, gloves, steel toed shoes, etc.

Figure 3
Pinch Point Label

3. First aid supplies and a fire extinguisher should be on the job site to assist in an unexpected situation. The location of these items should be known to all as well as access to a telephone for emergencies.
4. Work in a clean, dry, firm, level area whenever possible. Choosing the correct work site can make a big difference on how well the job goes.
5. Use caution around flammable materials. Be aware of all the materials in the work area which are a threat. Also make others aware of volatile materials; post signs if necessary.
6. Release all trapped pressure in air and hydraulic circuits before disconnecting any line or component. Shutdown the crane, exhaust all pressure from the crane's air reservoir(s) and work the hydraulic control levers back and forth before servicing the crane.
7. Do not disconnect any hydraulic line from a crane which has its attachment in the air. Trapped pressure may be all that is suspending it. Disconnecting a line could release the trapped pressure, causing the attachment to fall. Lower the attachment to the ground or on to its rest before servicing the crane.
8. Do not work on a crane which is in motion. Fans, belts, gear trains, etc. can catch an unexpecting person and quickly dismember them.
9. Do not climb on the attachment or other hard to reach areas. If the steps and/or ladders which are installed on the crane do not provide adequate access to the area of the crane which needs servicing, use a step ladder or other approved device.
10. Pinch points exists between the upper and lower frames. Death or dismemberment may result from personnel caught in these points. Learn where these pinch points are and stay clear of the rotating upper frame.

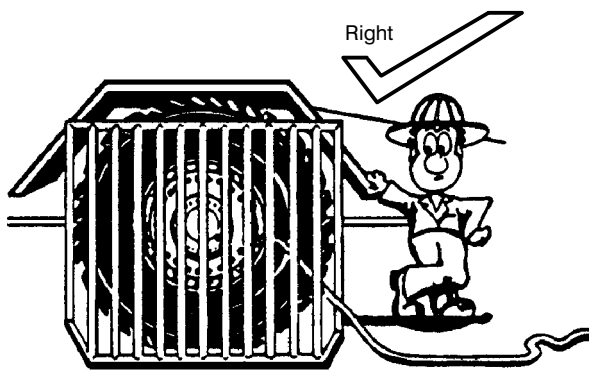


Figure 4
Use a guard when inflating tires.

11. If working in a confined area, be sure to provide adequate ventilation when running the engine(s), using toxic solvents, welding, or any other operation which contaminates the fresh air supply.
12. Post a sign in the operator's cab to alert others that the crane is under service. Starting the crane while it is being serviced could severely injure someone. Crane damage could also occur if systems are operated prematurely. Imagine starting the engine(s) before the oil is replaced.
13. Secure access panels, doors, and machinery hoods when in the open position to ensure they do not fall or slam shut due to wind or accidental disruption.
14. Crane parts may be heavy. Always use an appropriate lifting device to support work. Do not attempt to lift an object without knowing its weight. Get help if necessary.
15. Always use a safety rim cage when inflating or deflating tires. Worn or misassembled parts can "explode" from the assembly causing serious injury. Use a safety rim cage, clip on air chuck, and stand aside when inflating or deflating tires.

Crane Set Up And Disassembly

1. Properly park the crane as described in the Operator's Manual. Park the crane in an area which provides the most comfortable working conditions. However, do not park the crane where it will be an obstruction or an intrusion to traffic, coworkers, or to the public. Keep in mind that a major service procedure, or a repair part which requires a long lead time, could have the crane disabled for an extended period of time.
2. Keep in mind the mess which is sometimes caused by a crane under repair. Oil or other fluid leaks should be contained or prevented. Consider your responsibility of maintaining a safe clean work area and a healthy environment for all.

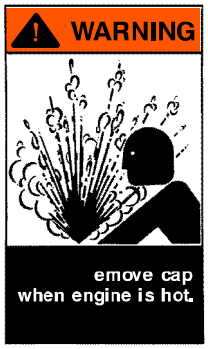


Figure 5
Allow engine to cool before removing the radiator cap.

3. If the crane is equipped with outriggers, it may be safer as well as an advantage to raise and level the crane on outriggers to provide easier access to areas underneath. Do not work under a crane that is improperly supported.
4. Shutdown the engine(s) per the instructions given in the Operator's Manual.
5. Post a sign in the operator's cab to alert others that the crane is being serviced.
6. Engines, transmissions, hydraulic systems, etc. generate extreme heat during operation. Temperatures can reach levels which may cause serious burns. Allow the crane to cool before attempting to service it.

WARNING

Engine coolant is hot. Failure to allow engine(s) to sufficiently cool before draining coolant could result in severe burns or other personal injury. Allow the engine(s) and radiator(s) to cool before draining coolant from the radiator(s).

7. Pressure is generated inside the engine's cooling system due to the heat transfer process from the engine(s) to the radiator(s). Do not attempt to open or drain the radiator(s) until it/they has/have had sufficient time to cool. Disconnecting hoses before the engine(s) and radiator(s) has/have cooled is even more dangerous. Wait until the engine(s) and radiator(s) have cooled and then drain the radiator(s) before disconnecting any hoses. Properly store or dispose of used coolant.

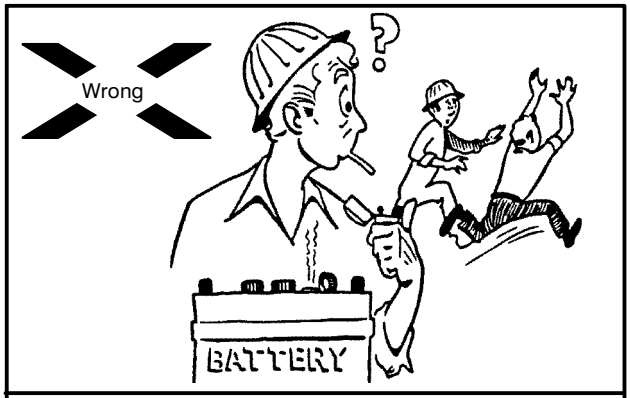


Figure 6
Do not use an open flame near the battery.

WARNING

Solvents and cleaning solutions can be hazardous. Serious personal injury may result from misuse of these products. Read and follow all the manufacturer's recommendations concerning solvents and cleaning solutions.

8. Thoroughly clean the area of the crane which is to be serviced. Dirt or other contamination could enter the hydraulic, air, lubricating system, etc. and cause immediate and/or long term problems. Cleaning the service area not only prevents contamination problems but it also makes working on the crane easier and sometimes problems are more recognizable.
9. Before beginning any removal or disassembly procedure, take a moment to observe critical features of the assembly which may greatly simplify the installation or assembly process. Label electrical, hydraulic, air, or other connections. Index mark pump, motor, and valve sections. Lightly spray paint or count the threads of adjustment screws. Simple steps such as these can minimize the effort needed to put the crane back in service.

WARNING

Hydraulic oil is under pressure and may be hot. A sudden release of hot oil could cause severe burns and/or other serious injury. Shutdown the engine(s) and exhaust all trapped hydraulic pressure from the system before removing any line or component.

10. Hydraulic systems, while operating, are under high pressure. Even after the crane is shutdown these pressures can remain trapped in the hydraulic lines and system components. Some hydraulic systems utilize an air pressurized reservoir which maintains pressure on the system after the crane is shutdown. It is critical that all residual pressure, which is trapped in the system, be neutralized before disconnecting any line or hydraulic component. Use the following techniques to exhaust trapped hydraulic pressure from the system:
    a. Lower the attachment to the boom rest, onto blocking, or onto the ground and shutdown the engine(s).
    b. Open the drain valves on the air system reservoir(s), if equipped, to bleed the air system pressure.
    c. Relieve any residual or precharge pressure by pushing the button on the pressure relief valve, on the hydraulic reservoir, if equipped. Otherwise, loosen the filler cap 1/4 turn.
    d. Turn the ignition switch to the **ON POSITION**, but **DO NOT START THE ENGINE.**
    e. Operate the steering control(s) back and forth repeatedly until steering becomes hard. (On cranes equipped with emergency steering system, it will take several rotations of steering wheel before steering becomes hard.)
    f. Work the crane control levers and outrigger switches, if equipped, back and forth several times.
    g. Turn ignition switch to the **OFF POSITION.**
    h. When pressure is fully relieved, close the drain valves on the air system reservoir(s), if equipped.

WARNING

Air lines may contain high pressure. Opening lines and fittings before relieving air pressure may result in serious injury. Shutdown the engine(s) and drain the air system reservoir(s) before opening any line or fitting.

11. Air system circuits, like hydraulic circuits, contain high pressures also. Although the threat of a hot working fluid does not exist, highly pressurized lines and components can possibly "fly off" if lines are disconnected before the system pressure is relieved. Open the drain valve on the air system reservoir(s) to exhaust system pressure before working on the crane.

WARNING

Use care not to cause sparks at the battery terminals while disconnecting or connecting the battery. Battery gasses are volatile and could be ignited by a spark or flame causing the battery to explode. Keep the area around the battery well ventilated and disconnect the negative side of the battery first, with the ignition switch "OFF", to minimize hazard.

Battery posts, terminals, and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds. Eating or smoking with lead residue on hands may cause lead poisoning. Wash hands after handling lead products.

12. When working on electrical circuits, disconnect the battery to minimize shock, burn, spark, or other hazard. When disconnecting the battery, confirm that the ignition switch is in the "OFF" position. Disconnect the negative side of the battery first to minimize the potential for sparks at the battery. Battery gases which are exposed to such sparks, could cause an explosion. Likewise when connecting the battery, confirm that the ignition switch is in the "OFF" position and install the positive cable(s), first and the negative connection(s) last.
13. It is a good practice when disassembling hydraulic components to lay the parts out in the order that they were disassembled. Keeping the parts in this order during disassembly, cleaning, and inspection will aid in the assembly process.

Welding

1. When making repairs which require welding, disconnect any electronic equipment (such as rated capacity limiters and engine computers) to prevent damage to them. Use the battery disconnect switch(es), if equipped.
2. Be aware of systems adjacent to areas being welded. Residual heat from the welding process could cause damage to other components. Heat may also vaporize materials which may become toxic or volatile.
3. Remove paint from areas to be welded to prevent toxic fumes.
4. The grounding connection should be within 3 feet (*1 m*) of the welded parts.
5. Connect the ground to the lower, if welding on the lower, or to the upper if welding on the upper. Electrical current through the turntable bearing could cause an arc which could damage it.
6. Do not position the ground connection where seals or bearing, as in transmissions or valves, will be between it and the welded parts.
7. Remove any flammable materials from the area.
8. Use the appropriate setting on the welder for the size of the welding operation. Do not use more than 200 Volts continuously.

Cleaning And Inspection

WARNING

Solvents and cleaning solutions can be hazardous. Serious personal injury may result from misuse of these products. Read and follow all the manufacturer's recommendations concerning solvents and cleaning solutions.

1. All components should be thoroughly cleaned with an approved cleaning solvent, air dried and carefully inspected for damage, wear and corrosion.
2. All Loctite® or other sealant residue should be removed from threads of hardware and parts that are going to be reused.
3. All "soft parts", such as seals, gaskets, back up rings, and o-rings, should be replaced.
4. Replacement of bearings and bushings is generally a good preventive maintenance measure. Even though a bearing or bushing seems to be intact and is functioning properly, its life span is limited. Replacing a simple bearing or bushing while the opportunity is at hand could save a complete component failure later.
5. In the event of severe defects, contact factory personnel for directions whether to repair or replace any major component.

Crane Assembly

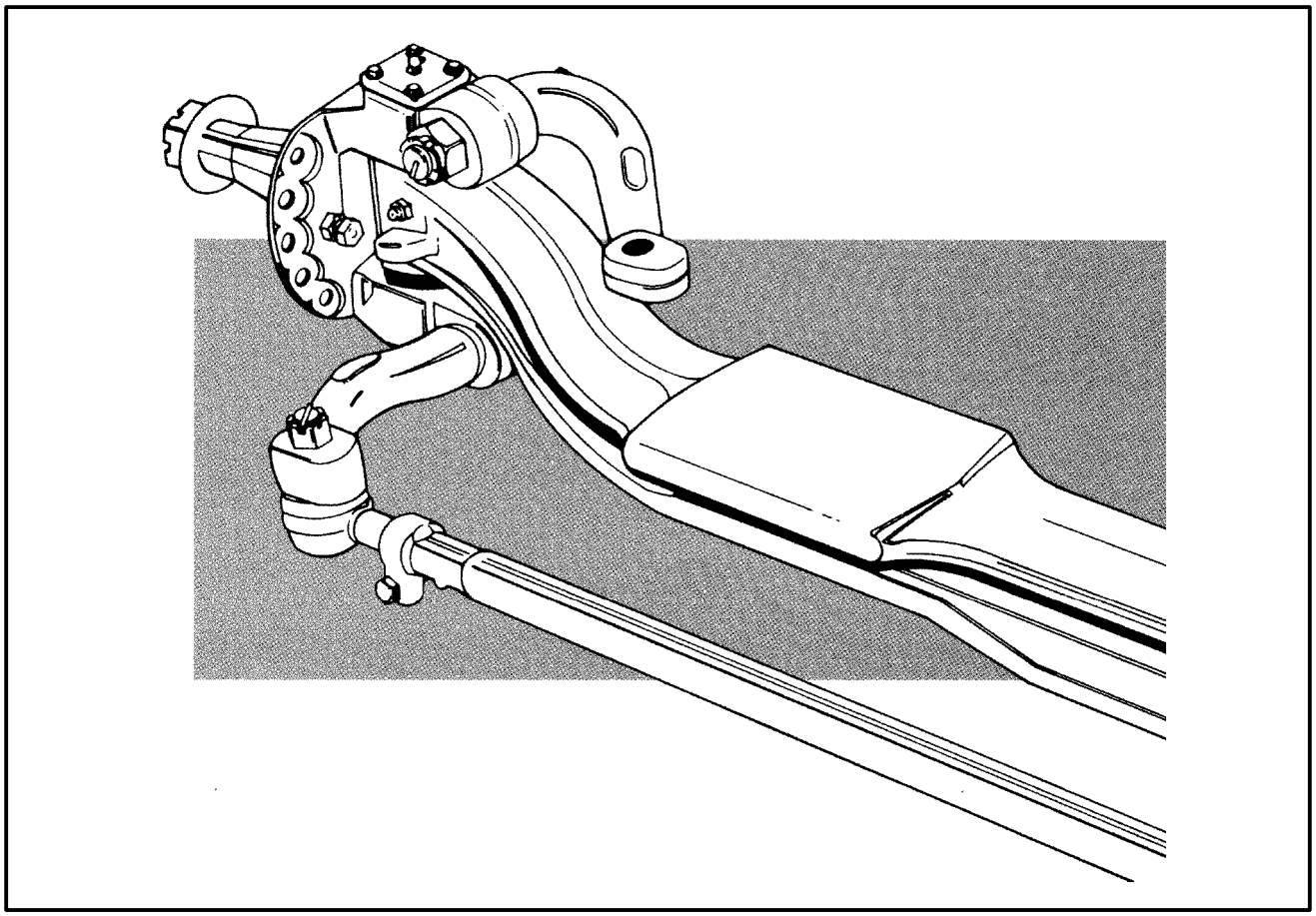
1. Loosely assemble parts to ensure all parts are in place and fasteners started before beginning torquing procedure. Always use a cross torquing sequence to ensure even and uniform installation.

WARNING

Lubricants, sealants, joint and thread locking compounds, etc. can be hazardous. Serious personal injury may result from misuse of these products. Read and follow all manufacturer's recommendations concerning these products.

Figure 7
Proper disposal is important.

2. Unless otherwise stated, torque all fasteners per the instructions given in SM Code Area 18—000.
3. When installing hydraulic hoses, lines, and fittings, use two wrenches to ensure the hoses and lines are not twisted. One wrench must be on the male fitting, the other wrench on the female fitting.
4. Unless otherwise stated, torque all hydraulic fittings per the instructions given in SM Code Area 07—018.
5. Check all fluid levels before returning the crane to service; hydraulic reservoir oil level, transmission fluid level, engine(s) oil level, etc. Add oil as required. See Operator's Manual and/or engine(s) manufacturer's manual(s) for correct type of fluids and procedures.
6. Always replace guards, grilles, and other types of protective shields. Also, be sure that any systems which were disconnected such as load indicating systems, anti-two block devices, control cables, etc. are functioning properly before returning the crane to service.
7. Start the appropriate engine and let it idle for five minutes. Inspect the connections on the hydraulic, air, transmission, etc. lines for leaks. Repair if needed.
8. Check that all hydraulic, air, and electrical functions are operating normally before returning the crane to service.
9. After crane is assembled, refer to the Operator's Manual for any periodic type of adjustments which may have been affected by the service procedure.
10. Properly dispose of any used oils, solvents, cleaners, etc.



Front Steer Axle, Recondition

This procedure covers the recondition of the front steer axle. For removal and installation procedures, see SM Keysheet Area 1–4.

The following pages are taken directly from Dana® Spicer® Service Manual AXSM–0037 dated March 1992. Axle models 12F3/F4, 13F3/F5, 18F3, 20F4, 22T2/T5, and 24T2/T5 are covered by this information. Pay particular attention to Section 1 of this procedure to correctly identify the specific axle being serviced. Proper identification of the axle is crucial to obtain the correct information to follow from the charted specifications included in this procedure.

Based on the specific application of this axle, Link–Belt literature will supersede any discrepancies in operation, lubrication, maintenance, or service, implied by the axle manufacturer. Any concerns regarding such inconsistencies should be reviewed with a Link–Belt distributor.

If parts are hard to disassemble and assemble, do not use a hammer unless it has a soft face, do not force parts together, they must be free to turn and not bind.

It is a good practice when disassembling complex components to lay the parts out in the order that they were disassembled. Keeping the parts in this order during disassembly, cleaning, and inspection will aid in the assembly process.

⚠ WARNING

Solvents and cleaning solutions can be hazardous. Serious personal injury may result from misuse of these products. Read and follow all the manufacturer's recommendations concerning solvents and cleaning solutions.

Thoroughly clean the exterior surface of the axle before beginning the disassembly process.

The description, testing procedures, and specifications contained in this service publication were current at the time of printing.

Eaton Corporation reserves the right to discontinue or modify its models and/or procedures and to change specifications at any time without notice and without incurring obligation.

The recommendations of the vehicle manufacturer should be considered as the primary source of service information regarding this Eaton product. This manual is intended to be used as a supplement to such information.

Any reference to brand names in this publication is made simply as an example of the types of tools and materials recommended for use and, as such, should not be considered as an endorsement. Equivalents, if available, may be used.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The symbol shown below is used throughout this publication to call your attention to areas in which carelessness or failure to follow specific procedures may result in personal injury and/or component malfunction or damage.

Anyone departing from the instructions contained in this publication through procedures used or choice of tools, materials, and parts may jeopardize his personal safety and/or the safety of the vehicle user.

WARNINGS: Used in areas where failure to follow listed procedures creates a **high probability of personal injury** to the **servicing technician.**

CAUTIONS: Used in areas where failure to follow listed procedures **may cause personal injury due to component damage or subsequent malfunction.**

SPECIAL NOTICE ON FASTENER TORQUE

THIS SYMBOL IS USED THROUGHOUT THIS MANUAL TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO FASTENERS REQUIRING A SPECIAL INSTALLATION TORQUE.

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Section 1

PARTS IDENTIFICATION/NOMENCLATURE

General Information

The service procedures and specifications in this publication cover six basic Eaton Steer Axles. Their design is common with major differences in the beam type and capacity. Refer to chart below.

Basic instructions are the same unless specified otherwise.

For Eaton Brake service information, refer to EB–31 Service Manual for EB and ES–150 Brakes or EB–32 Service Manual for EB and ES–165, EB–180 Brakes.

Eaton® Steer Axle Models and Specifications

	EFA–12F3/F4	EFA–13F3/F5	EFA–18F3	EFA–20F4	EFA–22T2/T5	EFA–24T2/T5
Nominal Load Ratings	12,000–13,200 lb (*5 433–5 987kg*)	12,000–13,200 lb (*5 433–5 987kg*)	18,000 lb (*8 163kg*)	16,000–20,000 lb (*7 257–9 072kg*)	20,000 lb (*9 070kg*)	22,000 lb (*9 977kg*)
Beam Type	Forged Steel I–Beam	Forged Steel I–Beam	Forged Steel I–Beam	Forged Steel I–Beam	Tubular Beam	Tubular Beam
Beam Drop	F3 –3.50" (*89mm*) F4 –3.50" (*89mm*)	F3 –3.50" (*89mm*) F5 –5.00" (*127mm*)	3.50" (*89mm*)	3.50" (*89mm*)	T2 –1.50" (*38mm*) T5 –5.12" (*130mm*)	T2 –1.50" (*38mm*) T5 –5.12" (*130mm*)
Eaton Standard Brake Model & Size	EB–150* (15" x 4") (*381 x 102mm*)	EB–150 (15" x 4") (*381 x 102mm*)	EB–165 (16.5" x 6") (*419 x 152mm*)	EB–165 (16.5" x 6") (*419 x 152mm*)	EB–165 (16.5" x 6") (*419 x 152mm*)	EB–165 (16.5" x 6") (*419 x 152mm*)

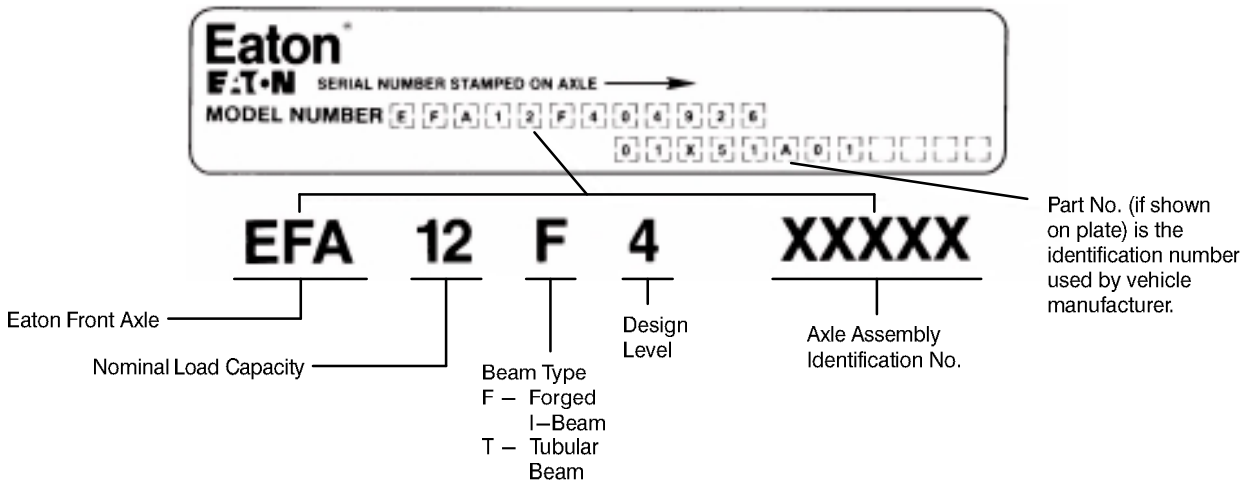
* Note EB–165 Brake is optional on EFA–12F4 Steer Axle.

Wheel Alignment: For specifications, refer to vehicle manufacturer's instructions.

Axle Identification

The Model and Part Numbers are stamped on a plate that is attached to the front of the axle beam. The *Serial Number* is stamped in the beam. The *Serial Number* is used by Eaton for control purposes. *The Model Number* describes the axle specifications. *If difficulty is experienced* in parts replacement identification, furnish Model No. and Serial No. only.

Steer Axle Identification Plate



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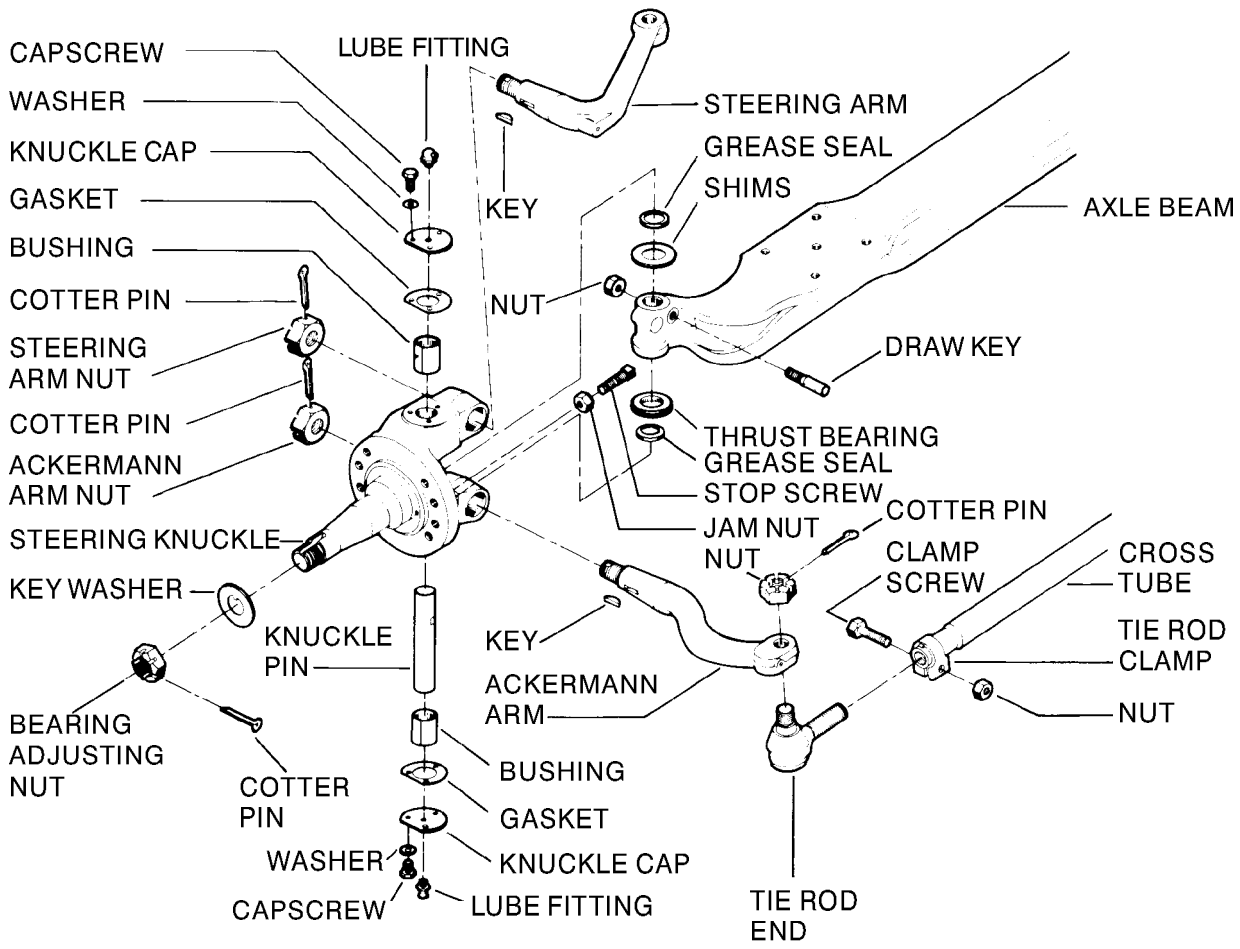

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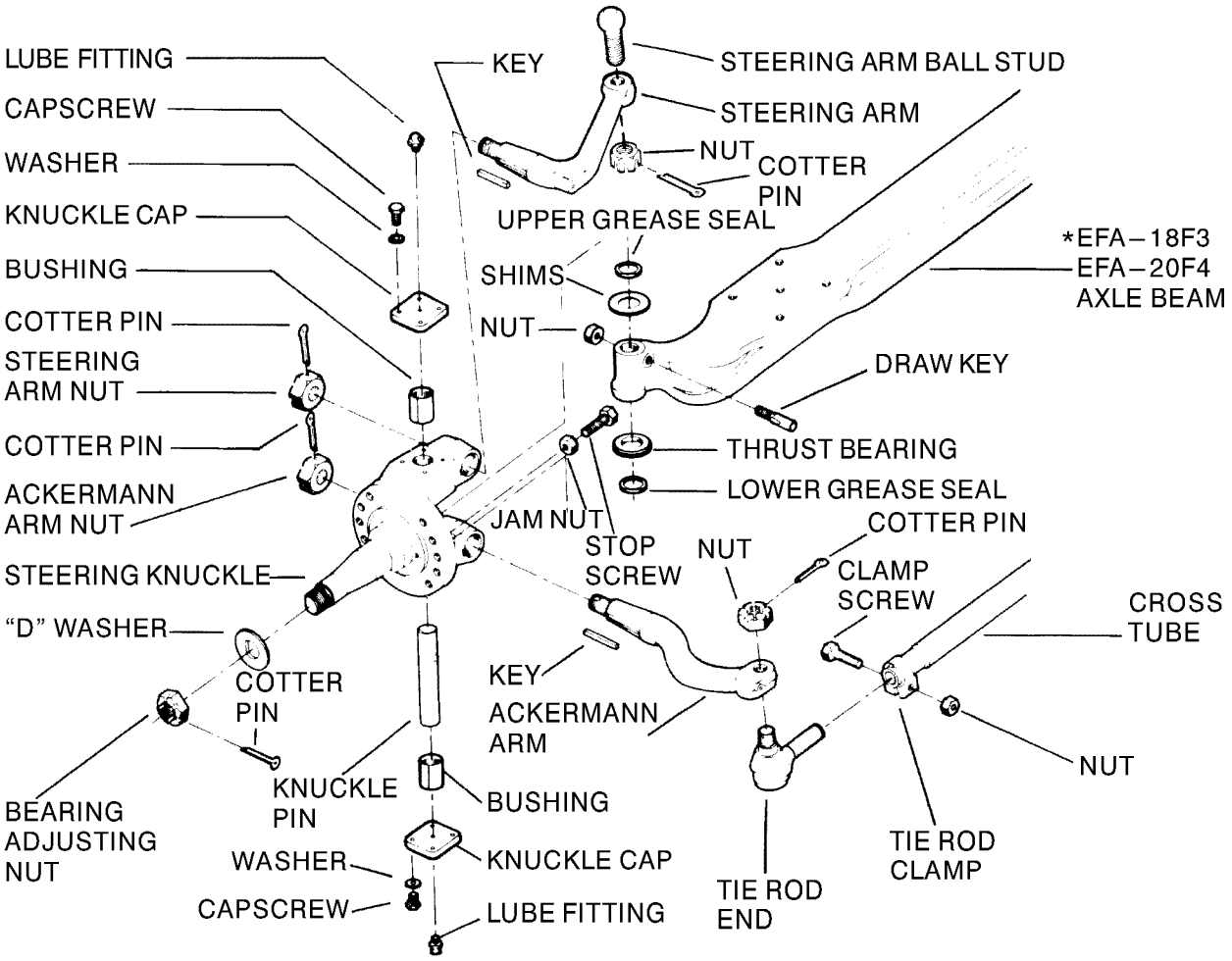

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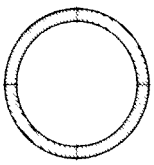

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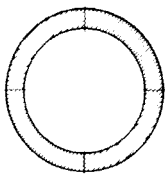

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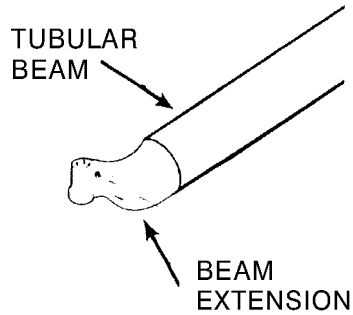

Periodic Service | **INSPECTION**

Inspection Recommendations and Intervals

General Recommendations

The following procedures are consistent with industry practice and are recommended as general guidelines for periodic service. Use manufacturer's instructions as a primary guide.

Intervals of inspection or service are recommended for general or average vehicle use. It may be appropriate to increase frequency of intervals depending on vehicle service.

General Inspection

Perform a thorough visual inspection for proper assembly, broken parts, looseness each time vehicle is lubricated. Make certain spring to axle beam mounting nuts and steering connection fasteners are secure.

Wheel Alignment

Follow manufacturer's instructions for intervals of inspecting wheel alignment. However, if excessive steering effort, vehicle wander, or uneven and excessive tire wear is evident, then check wheel alignment (see page 12).

Steering Axle Stops

No specific interval is recommended. However, if steering turning radius is insufficient or excessive, adjust stops. Refer to manufacturer's instructions.

Tie Rod Ends

Inspect each time axle is lubricated. Check for seal damage, worn ball socket, or loose fasteners.

Knuckle Thrust Bearings

Adjust knuckle vertical play each time knuckle pin is removed for service, at axle overhaul, or when excessive knuckle vertical movement is noted.

Knuckle Pins

Inspect pin fit in bushings when pin is removed for service, at axle overhaul, or when looseness is noted.

Wheel Bearings and Knuckle Thrust Bearings

Inspect wheel and knuckle thrust bearings for damage or wear each time hub/drum is removed or steering knuckle repaired.

Lubrication

Pressure–Fitting Grease – Heavy–duty, multipurpose lithium base (#2 grade). Do not mix with sodium base grease.

Knuckle Pins, Thrust Bearings, Tie Rod Ends – Pressure lubricate every 25,000 miles (*40 000km*). Use grease specified above. Knuckles or tie rod ends without grease fittings are permanently lubricated.

Wheel Bearings – Refer to vehicle manufacturer's recommendations for grease or oil and frequency of lubrication. Generally, lubricate at each brake overhaul or when hub/drum is removed for service.

General Procedure for Grease Lubricated Wheel Bearings – Thoroughly clean bearings, spindle, hub cap, and hub cavity. Parts may be washed in a suitable commercial solvent. Be certain parts are free of moisture or other contaminants.

Fill wheel hub with grease to inside diameter of bearing cups. Fill hub cap. Grease bearing cones by forcing grease between rollers, cones, and cage.

General Procedures for Oil Lubricated Wheel Bearings – Fill hub (or wheel) to oil level line on hub cap.

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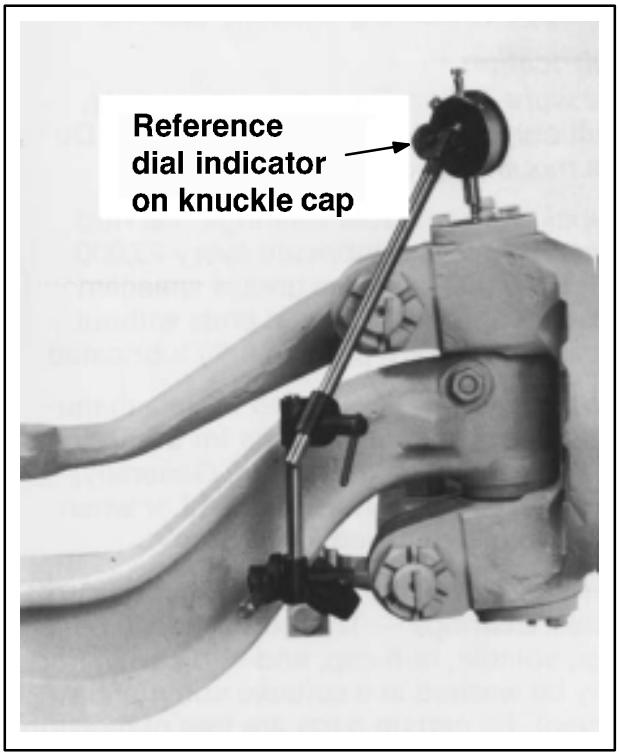
Inspection Preliminary Steps

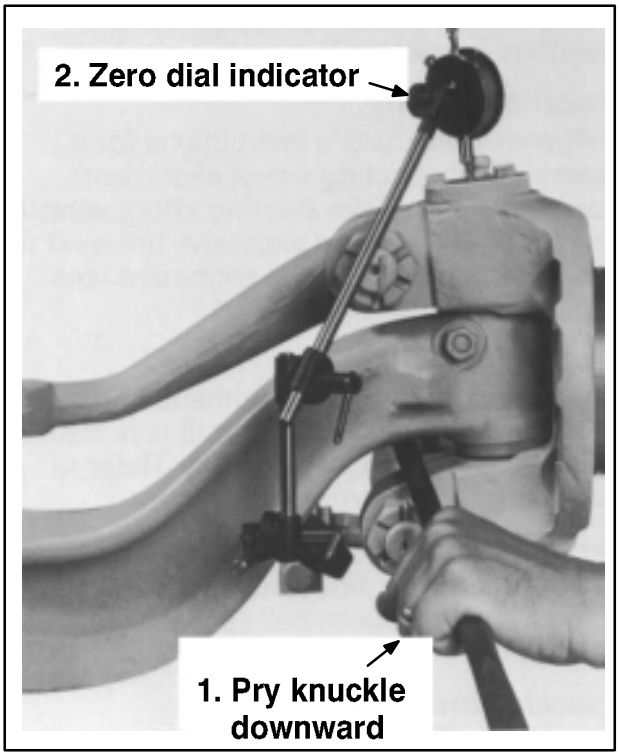
Prior to performing inspections, the following preliminary steps should be accomplished:

1. Set parking brake and block drive wheels to prevent vehicle movement.
2. Jack vehicle until steering axle wheels are raised from the ground. Support raised vehicle with safety stands.

WARNING: Never work under a vehicle supported only by a jack.

Knuckle Vertical Play Inspection





1. Mount dial indicator on axle beam. Reference the knuckle cap.
2. Pry steering knuckle downward.
3. Zero the dial indicator.
4. Lower the front axle to obtain dial indicator reading. If reading exceeds 0.040" (*1.02mm*), inspect thrust bearings. Replace if necessary and adjust. Refer to page 17 for overhaul procedures.

SPECIAL NOTE: Inspection procedures above assume axle is assembled and installed in vehicle with tire and wheels. Checking knuckle vertical play during axle assembly requires different procedure. See page 23.

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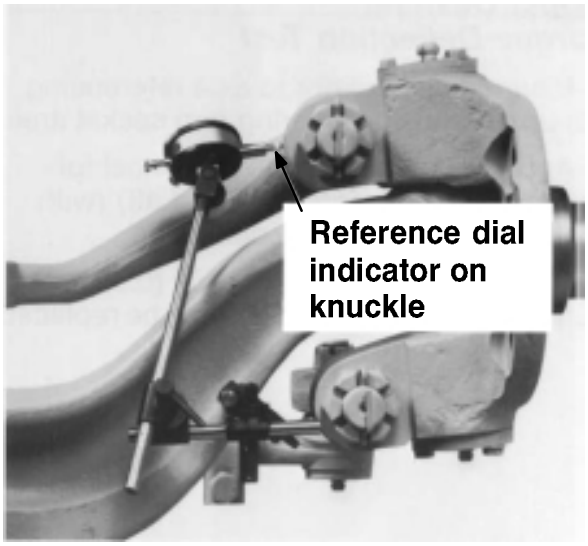
Knuckle Pin Fit Inspection

Upper Bushing Inspection

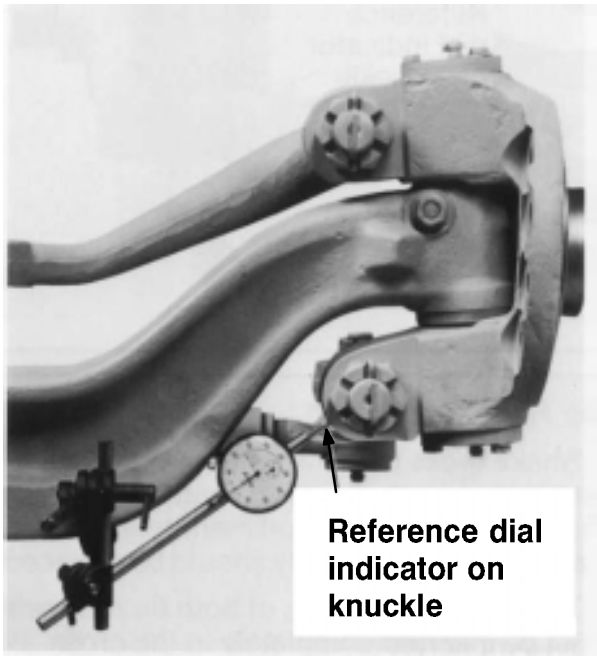
1. Mount a dial indicator on the axle as shown in photo. Reference upper part of knuckle.



2. Move top of wheel in and out with a push/pull motion. Have assistant monitor the dial indicator.
3. Readings in excess of 0.015" (*0.38mm*) indicate the need for bushing replacement.

Lower Bushing Inspection

1. Mount dial indicator on the axle. Reference the lower Ackermann Arm socket of the steering knuckle.
2. Move bottom of wheel in and out with a push/pull motion. Have assistant read dial indicator.
3. Dial indicator readings in excess of 0.015" (*0.38mm*) indicate that the lower bushing should be replaced.



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