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LAD-series Portable Warehouse Ladders, 13-16 Steps Instruction Manual



Receiving Instructions

After delivery, remove the packaging from the product. Inspect the product closely to determine whether it sustained damage during transport. If damage is discovered, record a complete description of it on the bill of lading. If the product is undamaged, discard the packaging.

NOTE: The end-user is solely responsible for confirming that product design, use, and maintenance comply with laws, regulations, codes, and mandatory standards applied where the product is used.

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For answers to questions not addressed in these instructions and to order replacement parts, labels, and accessories, call our Technical Service and Parts Department at (260) 665-7586. The department can also be contacted online at http://www.vestilmfg.com/parts_info.htm.

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SIGNAL WORDS

This manual uses SIGNAL WORDS to indicate the likelihood of personal injuries, as well as the probable seriousness of those injuries, if the product is misused in the ways described. Other signal words call attention to uses of the product likely cause property damage. The signal words used appear below along with the meaning of each word:

ADANGER	Identifies a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, <u>WILL</u> result in DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY. Use of this signal word is limited to the most extreme situations.
A WARNING	Identifies a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, COULD result in DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY.
NOTICE	Identifies practices likely to result in product/property damage, such as operation that might damage the crane.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Vestil strives to identify foreseeable hazards associated with the use of its products. However, no manual can address every conceivable risk. The most effective way to avoid injury is to exercise sound judgment when assembling, using, inspecting, and maintaining this ladder. Keep a copy of this manual with the ladder at all times. For example, put the copy inside a plastic pouch and attach the pouch to the frame. Anyone who uses this ladder must be made aware that a copy of the manual is available and where to find it.

- **AWARNING** Improper or careless use could result in serious personal injuries or death.
- Read and understand the entire manual before assembling, using, inspecting, or servicing the ladder.
- DO NOT use this ladder unless you are in good health. NEVER use the ladder while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, including prescription medication that affects balance, perception, or judgment.
- DO NOT exceed the capacity/rated load. The total weight applied to the ladder (weight of the user plus tools, etc.) must not be greater than the capacity. The capacity is provided on label 287. See Labeling Diagram on p. 18.
- Wear appropriate footwear. DO NOT wear high-heeled shoes or footwear with smooth soles. DO NOT use the ladder on uneven, sloped, or unstable surfaces. ONLY use the ladder on even, level, improved surfaces (concrete or asphalt).
- Make sure that you will not contact overhead objects with either your body or with the ladder during use.
- Avoid electrical shock! Take precautions to prevent any contact, or possible contact, with an energized, insulated conductor (electrical line).
- Remove foreign matter, e.g. mud, from your shoes before walking on the ladder. Only wear slip-resistant shoes.
- Only stand on the steps. DO NOT climb on the railing. DO NOT slide on the railing.
- DO NOT access, or egress from, any step from another elevated surface unless the ladder is positively secured against movement.
- ALWAYS face the steps and use the handrails while ascending or descending the ladder.
- DO NOT increase the height of a step by standing on other objects placed on the ladder.

• Inspect the ladder as described in Inspections & Maintenance on p. 16-17. DO NOT use the ladder unless it is in Satisfactory Condition. ONLY use manufacturer-approved replacement parts when repairs are necessary.

• DO NOT use the ladder if either square cap (99-024-027) is worn. See applicable Exploded View on p. 4-9. Caps should prevent the ladder from sliding. Replace worn or damaged caps before using the ladder.

• ONLY use the ladder to access elevated working positions. DO NOT use the ladder for any other purpose. DO NOT store materials and/or equipment on the steps. Always unload the ladder before leaving it unattended.

 DO NOT position an occupied ladder in front of a door unless that door is secured in an open position, is locked, is attended, or is barricaded.

• DO NOT lean, or reach, over the side rails or handrails of the ladder. Position the ladder as close to the work as possible. Reposition the ladder to prevent overreaching. Overreaching could cause instability and result in a fall.

- Avoid sudden shifts while on the ladder.
- DO NOT push, pull, or lean on the handrails.
- DO NOT skip steps. Climb the ladder one step at a time.
- DO NOT attempt to move the ladder while someone is using it. The ladder must be unoccupied before it is moved.
- DO NOT use the ladder to transport people or objects. DO NOT ride on the ladder.

• DO NOT remove or obscure any label. Each label must be readable, undamaged, and present in the appropriate location. See Labeling Diagram on p. 18.

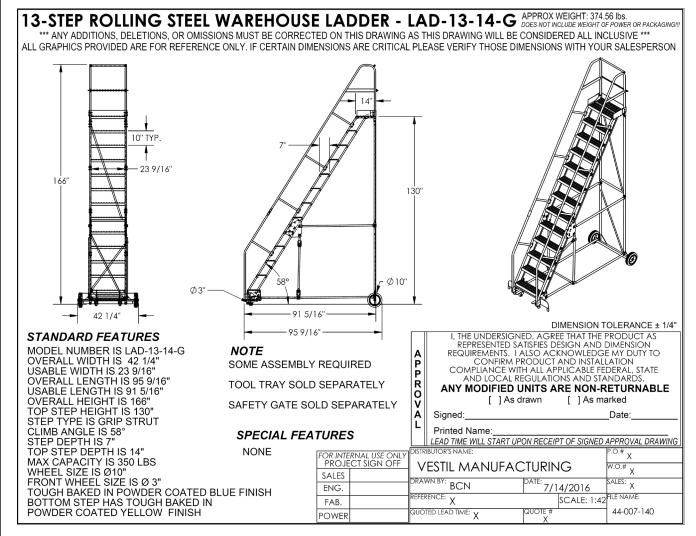
• DO NOT modify this ladder! Unauthorized modifications automatically void the Limited Warranty (p. 19) and might make the ladder unsafe to use.

• While assembling this ladder, confirm that only locking fasteners are provided, i.e. only locking nuts. Contact Technical Service (p. 1) if you find non-locking nuts. Only lock nuts should be used. However, lock nuts can only safely be used once. Discard the used lock nut and install a new lock nut after unfastening a connection.

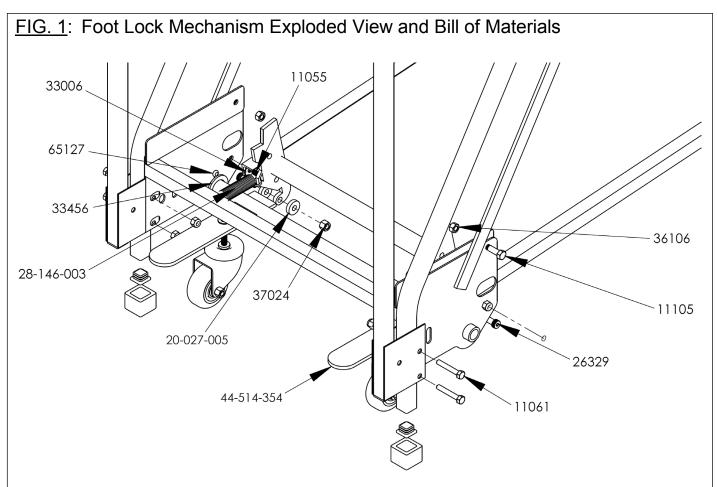
SPECIFICATIONS

Documents that provide specifications for LAD series mobile ladder stands are available online to anyone who visits the Vestil website. Specifications include dimensions, net weight, and capacity information. Acquire the appropriate specifications document by opening this webpage: https://www.vestil.com/product.php?FID=607. Click the "Specifications" tab. Scroll the page to the entry for the product you purchased. Click the button in the "PDF" column that looks like a pencil inside a blue-bordered box. A PDF file will open. This file is the specifications document as soon as your ladder is delivered and keep it with your copy of this manual. If you encounter difficulties while trying to obtain a copy of the specifications document, contact *Technical Service*. Contact information is provided on the cover page of this manual.

The following is an exemplar specifications document. In this case, it shows a LAD-13-14-G.



NOTE: If your model is not included on the webpage, or if you cannot access and/or print the document, contact the *Technical Service Dept*. Contact information is provided on the front page of this manual.



Part no.	Description	Quantity
11055	⁵ / ₁₆ in. – 18 x 1in. HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	2
11061	⁵ / ₁₆ in. – 18 x 2in. HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
11105	³ / ₈ in. – 16 x 1in. hex head bolt	2
26329	$^{3}/_{8}$ in. shoulder x $^{3}/_{4}$ in. x $^{5}/_{16}$ in. – 18	2
33006	⁵ / ₁₆ in. USS zinc-plated flat washer	2
33456	1 ¹ / ₈ in. I.D. 10 gauge machine bushing	2
36106	³ / ₈ in. – 16 zinc-plated hex nut	2
37024	³ / ₈ in. Nylock insert nut	4
65127	³ / ₁₆ in. x 2in. zinc-plated cotter pin	2
20-027-005	Roller guide	4
28-146-003	Spring	2
44-514-354	Weldment, frame, caster pivot foot lock "caster bracket"	1

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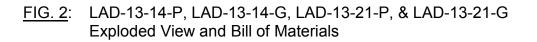
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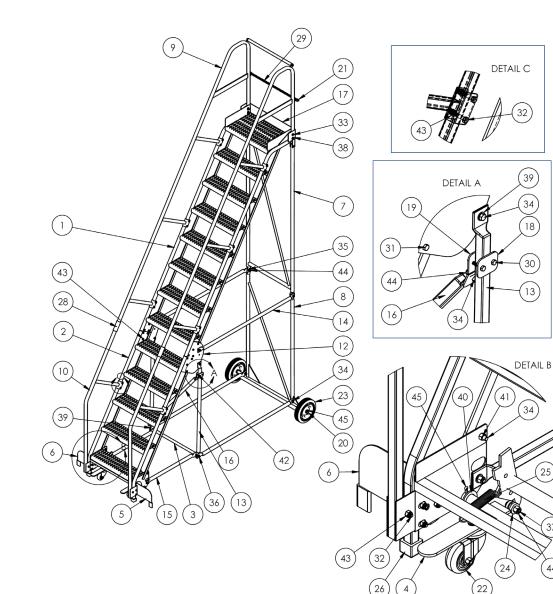
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Item	Part no.	Description	Quantity
		Weldment, 58°, upper (8) steps:	
	44-647-256	LAD-13-14-G	1
1	44-647-255	LAD-13-14-P	1
	44-647-258	LAD-13-21-G	1
	44-647-257	LAD-13-21-P	1
		Weldment, lower (5) steps:	
2	44-647-264	LAD-13-14-G & LAD-13-21-G	1
_	44-647-263	LAD-13-14-P & LAD-13-21-P	1
3	44-514-314	Weldment, frame, back platform	2
4	44-514-354	Weldment, frame, caster pivot foot lock	1
5	44-514-399	Assembly, frame, outrigger, right	1
6	44-514-400	Assembly, frame, outrigger, left	1
7	44-514-401	Weldment, support frame, upper 8 steps	1
8	44-514-402	Weldment, support frame, lower 13 steps	1
		Weldment, handrail, 58° climb, top:	
9	44-524-147	LAD-13-14-G & LAD-13-14-P	2
10	44-524-148	LAD-13-21-G & LAD-13-21-P	2
10	44-524-151	Weldment, handrail, 13 steps	2
11	44-645-001	Assembly, handrail splice joint	2
12	44-012-008	Hinge plates, connector	2
13	44-014-593	Frame tube, horizontal, vertical center, crimped	2
	44 94 4 597	Frame, tube, horizontal back, crimped:	
14	44-014-597	LAD-13-14-G & LAD-13-14-P	4
45	44-014-598	LAD-13-21-G & LAD-13-21-P	4
15	44-014-599	Frame, tube, horizontal, crimped	2
16	44-014-601	Frame, tube, horizontal, crimped	1
17	44-015-001	Toeboard, removable back formed, formed	1
18	44-016-109 44-016-110	Bracket, mid-ladder, outside	2 2
19 20	44-016-110	Bracket, mid-ladder, inside, formed 14-16 step wheel axle	1
20			2
21	08-145-008 16-132-164	¹ / ₄ " snap hook Caster, front	2
22	16-132-164	$10^{\circ} \times 2^{1/2}$ wheel with 16mm steel hub	2
23	20-027-005	Roller guide	4
24	28-146-003		2
		Spring, release 1" x 1", 60 duro. square cap	
26	99-024-027 99-025-025	1" plastic plug (black)	2 2
27 28	99-025-025 99-025-028	Grip, 1" square tube sleeve	2
20	99-145-031	$3/_{16}$ " chain, 24"	1
30	11010	$\frac{1}{4}$ – 20 x 1 ³ / ₄ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
30	11053	$\frac{5}{16}$ – 18 x $\frac{3}{4}$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	18
32	11060	$\frac{1}{16} - 18 \times \frac{1}{4}$ Thics #2 2inc-plated bolt $\frac{5}{16} - 18 \times \frac{1}{4}$ HHCS hex bolt	24
32	11060	$\frac{1}{16} - 18 \times 14$ HHCS flex bolt $\frac{5}{16} - 18 \times 2^{1}/4$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
33	11105	$r_{16} = 10 \times 2.74$ m 100 #2 2m 0-piateu poit	12
34	11105	$3/8^{\circ}$ – 16 x 1in. hex head bolt $3/8^{\circ}$ – 16 x 1 ¹ /4 [°] HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
36	11107	$\frac{7_8 - 16 \times 17_4}{3_8}$ = 16 x 1 ¹ / ₂ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	2
30	26329	$\frac{7_8 - 10 \times 17_2}{3_8}$ shoulder $\times \frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{5}{16}$ - 18 bolt	2
38	33006	${}^{5}/_{16}$ " USS zinc-plated USS flat washer	8
30	33008	$\frac{7}{8}$ zinc-plated USS flat washer	° 26
40	33456	$1^{1}/_{8}$ " I.D. 10 gauge machine bushing	20
40	36106	$^{3}/_{8}$ " – 16 zinc-plated hex nut	2
41	37018	$\frac{7_8}{1/4}$ – 20 UNC zin-plated nylock nut	4
42	37018	$\frac{1}{16}$ – 20 ONC 2m-plated hylock hut $\frac{5}{16}$ – 18 zinc-plated #2 Nylon lock nut	4 46
43	37021	$\frac{7_{16}}{8}$ Nylock insert nut	16
44	65125	$\frac{3}{16}$ " x 1 ¹ / ₂ " zinc-plated cotter pin	4
40	00120	116 × 1 /2 ZING-Plated Coller PIT	4

NOTE: See FIG. 1 on p. 4 for a detailed exploded view of the Foot Lock Mechanism.

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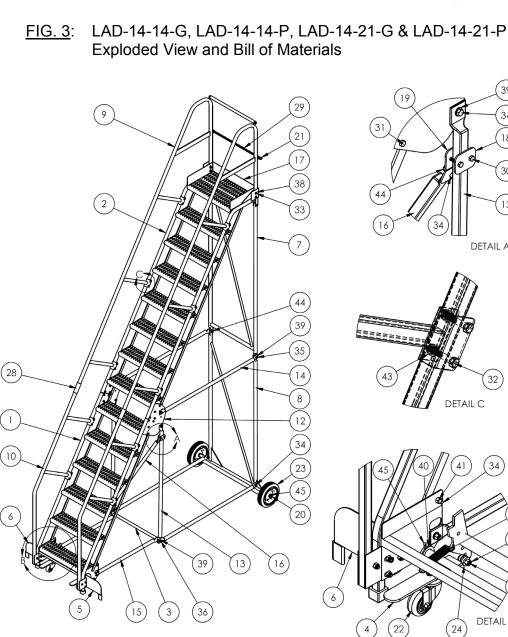
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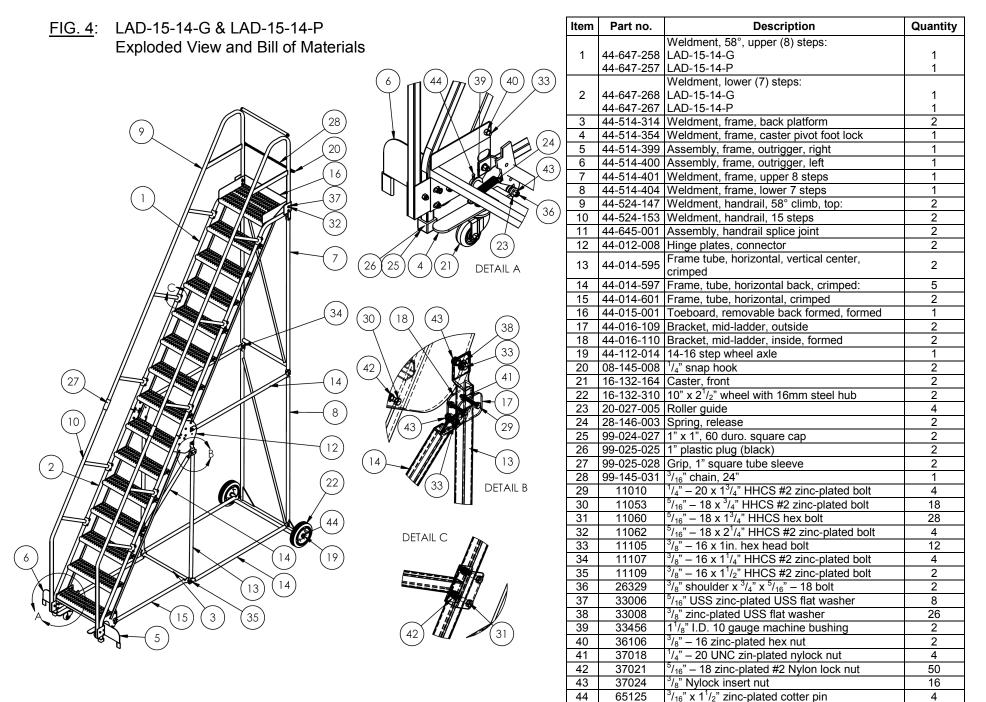


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	44-647-263	LAD-14-14-P & LAD-14-21-P	1
3	44-514-314	Weldment, frame, back platform	2
4	44-514-354	Weldment, frame, caster pivot foot lock	1
5	44-514-399	Assembly, frame, outrigger, right	1
6	44-514-400	Assembly, frame, outrigger, left	1
7	44-514-401	Weldment, frame, upper 8 steps	1
8	44-514-403	Weldment, frame, lower 6 steps	1
		Weldment, handrail, 58° climb, top:	
9	44-524-147	LAD-14-14-G & LAD-14-14-P	2
	44-524-148	LAD-14-21-G & LAD-14-21-P	2
10	44-524-151	Weldment, handrail, 14 steps	2
11	44-645-001	Assembly, handrail splice joint	2
12	44-012-008	Hinge plates, connector	2
13	44-014-593	Frame tube, horizontal, vertical center, crimped	2
		Frame, tube, horizontal back, crimped:	
14	44-014-597	LAD-14-14-G & LAD-14-14-P	4
	44-014-598	LAD-14-21-G & LAD-14-21-P	4
15	44-014-599	Frame, tube, horizontal, crimped	2
16	44-014-601	Frame, tube, horizontal, crimped	1
17	44-015-001	Toeboard, removable back formed, formed	1
18	44-016-109	Bracket, mid-ladder, outside	2
19	44-016-110	Bracket, mid-ladder, inside, formed	2
20	44-112-014	14-16 step wheel axle	1
21	08-145-008	¹ / ₄ " snap hook	2
22	16-132-164	Caster, front	2
23	16-132-310	$10^{\circ} \times 2^{1}/2^{\circ}$ wheel with 16mm steel hub	2
24	20-027-005	Roller guide	4
25	28-146-003	Spring, release	2
26	99-024-027	1" x 1", 60 duro. square cap	2
27	99-025-025	1" plastic plug (black)	2
28	99-025-028	Grip, 1" square tube sleeve	2
29	99-145-031	$^{3}/_{16}$ " chain, 24"	1
30	11010	$^{1}/_{4}$ – 20 x 1 $^{3}/_{4}$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
31	11053	$\frac{5}{16}$ – 18 x $\frac{3}{4}$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	18
32	11060	$\frac{5}{16} - 18 \times \frac{14}{4}$ HHCS hex bolt	28
33	11062	$\frac{5}{16} - 18 \times 174$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
34	11105	$\frac{3}{8}$ – 16 x 1in. hex head bolt	12
35	11107	$\frac{7_8 - 10 \times 10^{-1}}{3_{8}^{-1} - 16 \times 1^{1}_{4}^{-1}}$ HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
36	11107	$\frac{7_8 - 10 \times 17_4}{37_8}$ = 16 x 1 ¹ / ₂ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	
30	26329	$\frac{7_8 - 16 \times 17_2}{3_8}$ shoulder x $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{16} - 18$ bolt	2
37		$\frac{7_8}{1_6}$ "USS zinc-plated USS flat washer	8
	33006 33008	$\frac{7}{8}$ zinc-plated USS flat washer	
39			26
40	33456	$1^{1}/_{8}$ " I.D. 10 gauge machine bushing	2
41	36106	$\frac{3}{8}$ – 16 zinc-plated hex nut	2
42	37018	$\frac{1}{4}$ – 20 UNC zin-plated nylock nut	4
/1/2	37021	⁵ / ₁₆ " – 18 zinc-plated #2 Nylon lock nut	50
43	07004	3/ 9 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
43 44 45	37024 65125	3/8" Nylock insert nut $3/16$ " x $1^{1}/2$ " zinc-plated cotter pin	16 4

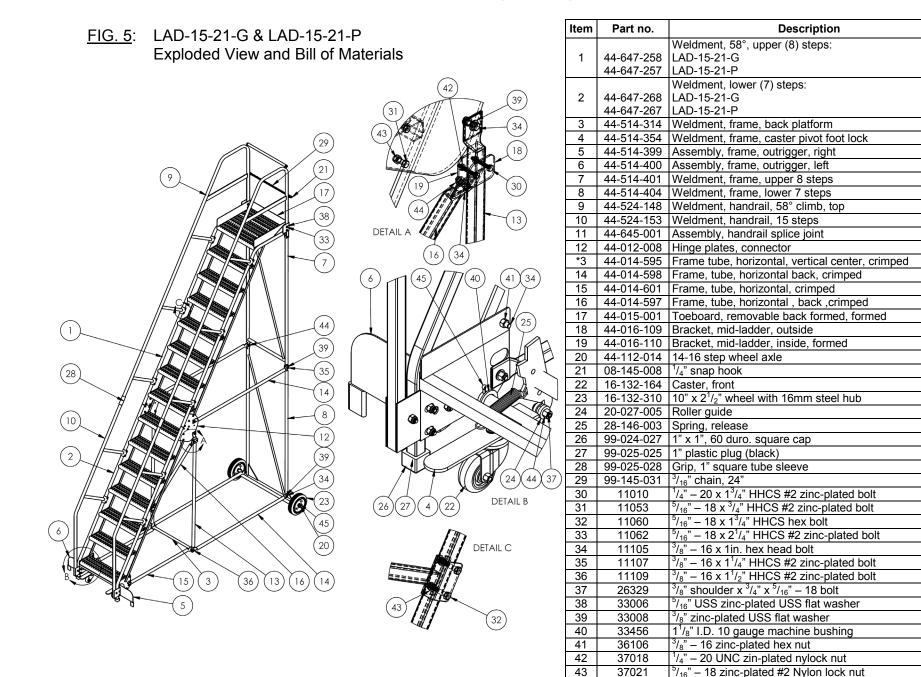
NOTE: See FIG. 1 on p. 4. For a detailed view of the Foot Lock Mechanism.

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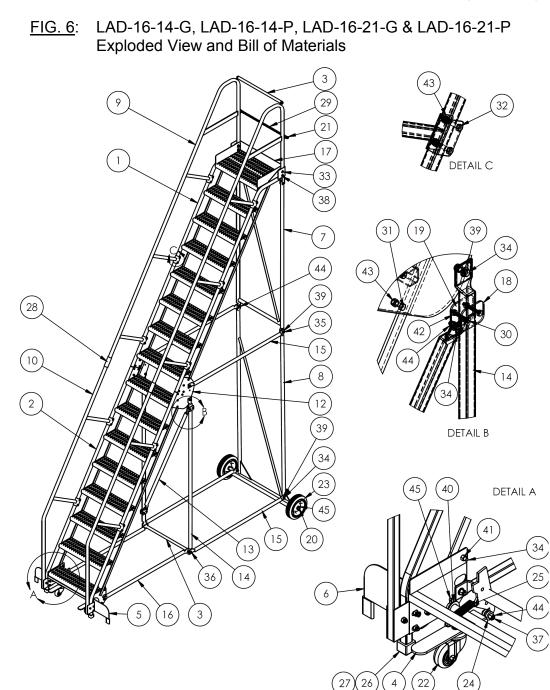
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³/₈" Nylock insert nut

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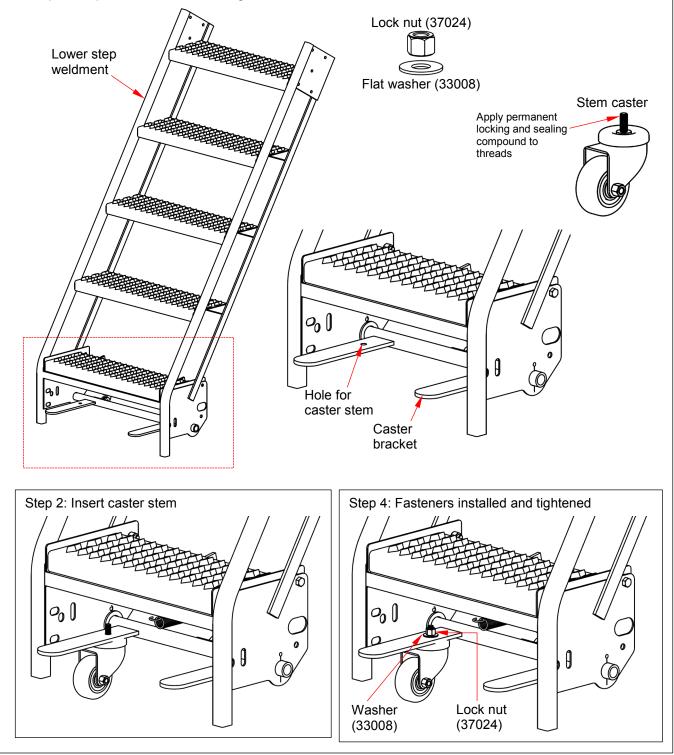


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	44-647-258	LAD-16-21-G	1
	44-647-257	LAD-16-21-P	1
		Weldment, lower (7) steps:	
2	44-647-270	LAD-16-14-G & LAD-16-21-G	1
	44-647-269	LAD-16-14-P & LAD-16-21-P	1
3	44-514-314	Weldment, frame, back platform	2
4	44-514-354	Weldment, frame, caster pivot foot lock	1
5	44-514-399	Assembly, frame, outrigger, right	1
6	44-514-400	Assembly, frame, outrigger, left	1
7	44-514-401	Weldment, frame, upper 8 steps	1
8	44-514-405	Weldment, frame, lower 8 steps	1
		Weldment, handrail, 58° climb, top	
9	44-524-147	LAD-16-14-G & LAD-16-14-P	2
	44-524-148	LAD-16-21-G & LAD-16-21-P	2
10	44-524-154	Weldment, handrail, 16 steps	2
11	44-645-001	Assembly, handrail splice joint	2
12	44-012-008	Hinge plates, connector	2
13	44-014-595	Frame tube, horizontal, vertical center, crimped	1
14	44-014-596	Frame, tube, horizontal back, crimped	2
17	44-014-000	Frame, tube, horizontal , back, crimped:	2
15	44-014-597	LAD-16-14-G & LAD-16-14-P	4
15	44-014-598	LAD-16-21-G & LAD-16-21-P	4
16	44-014-602	Frame, tube, horizontal, crimped	2
17	44-015-001		1
		Toeboard, removable back formed, formed	
18	44-016-109	Bracket, mid-ladder, outside	2
19	44-016-110	Bracket, mid-ladder, inside, formed	2
20	44-112-014	14-16 step wheel axle	1
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29	99-145-031	³ / ₁₆ " chain, 24"	1
30	11010	$1/4$ " – 20 x $1^3/4$ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
31	11053	$5/_{16}$ " – 18 x $3/_4$ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	18
32	11060		28
33	11062	⁵ / ₁₆ " – <u>18 x 1³/₄" HHCS hex bolt</u> ⁵ / ₁₆ " – <u>18 x 2¹/₄" HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt</u>	4
34	11105	$\frac{3}{8}$ – 16 x 1in. hex head bolt	12
35	11107	$\frac{7_8}{3}$ - 16 x 11/ ₄ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	4
36	11107	$\frac{7_8}{7_8} = 10 \times 17_4$ miles #2 zinc-plated bolt $\frac{3}{8} = -16 \times 1^{1}/_{2}$ " HHCS #2 zinc-plated bolt	2
30	26329	$\frac{1}{3} = 10 \times 17_{2}$ 11100 #2 2110-plated bolt	2
		$\frac{3}{8}$ shoulder x $\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{5}{16}$ – 18 bolt	
38	33006	⁵ / ₁₆ " USS zinc-plated USS flat washer	8
39	33008	³ / ₈ " zinc-plated USS flat washer	26
40	33456	1 ¹ / ₈ " I.D. 10 gauge machine bushing	2
41	36106	³ / ₈ " – 16 zinc-plated hex nut	2
42	37018	¹ / ₄ " – 20 UNC zin-plated nylock nut	4
43	37021	⁵ / ₁₆ " – 18 zinc-plated #2 Nylon lock nut	50
44	37024	³ / ₈ " Nylock insert nut	16
	65125	$^{3}/_{16}$ " x 1 $^{1}/_{2}$ " zinc-plated cotter pin	4

NOTE: See FIG. 1 on p. 4. For a detailed view of the Foot Lock Mechanism.

INSTALLING CASTERS

- 1. Gather the lower step weldment, stem casters (16-132-164), 2 lock nuts (37024), and 2 flat washers (33008). Apply a permanent thread bonding and sealing compound like Loctite® Threadlocker Red 271[™] to the threads of one of the stem casters (16-132-164). Follow the directions provided with the thread compound.
- 2. Insert the (threaded) stem of a caster through the hole in a caster bracket.
- 3. Put a $\frac{3}{8}$ flat washer (33008) over the stem.
- 4. Tighten a $\frac{3}{8}$ -16 lock nut (37024) on the stem.
- 5. Repeat steps 1-4 with the remaining caster. Install the caster in the other caster bracket.



ASSEMBLING THE LADDER (AT LEAST 2 PERSONS ARE NEEDED)

AWARNING Improper assembly might make this ladder unsafe to use.

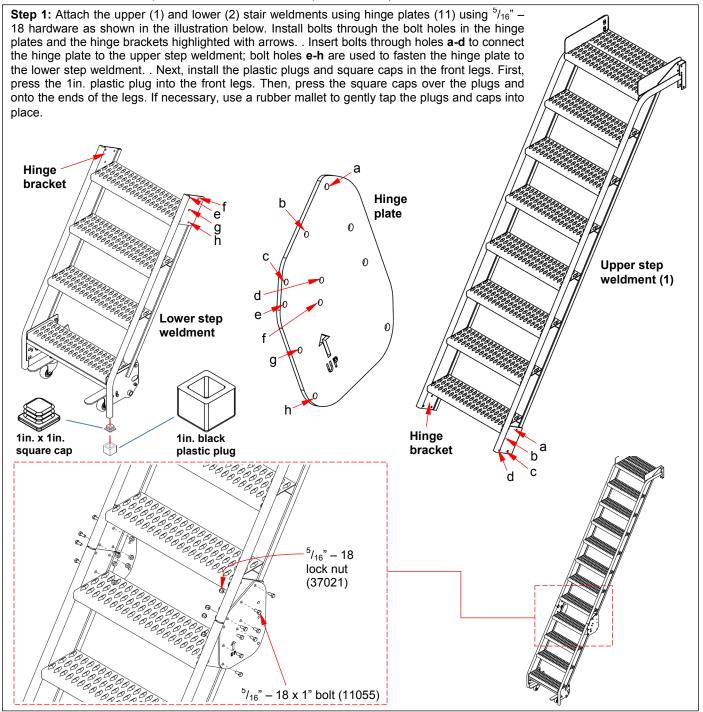
• Visually inspect all ladder components immediately after delivery and *before* assembling the ladder for damage that might have occurred during shipping. DO NOT assemble or use the ladder stand if you notice any damage to one or more of the steps or to other structural element (step weldment, back leg weldment, base supports, and handrails) of the ladder. Using the ladder stand with a weakened frame member could result in serious personal injuries.

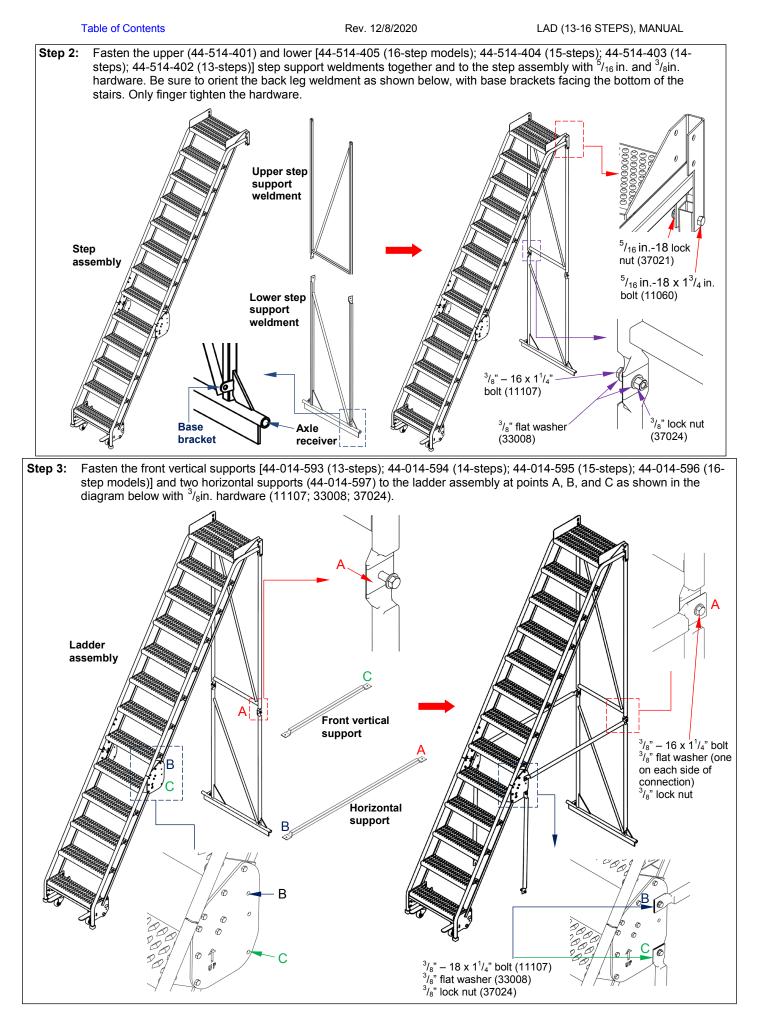
• DO NOT assemble the ladder by yourself. Work with at least 1 other person to assemble the ladder.

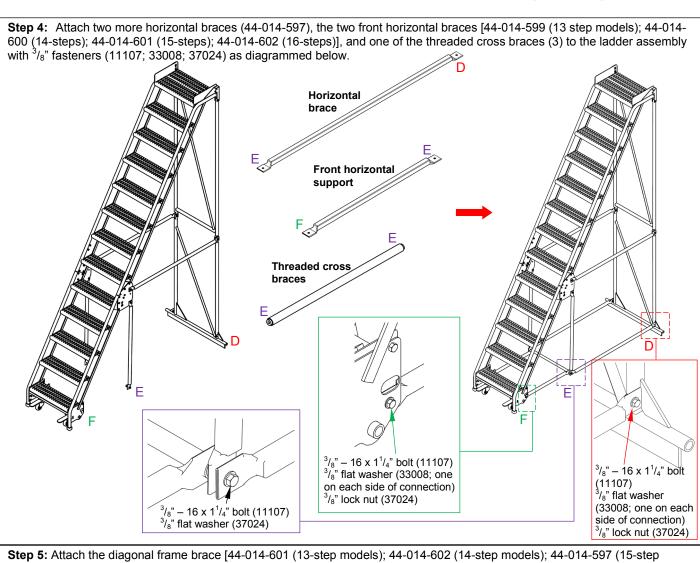
• Read the entire instruction manual before assembling this ladder.

The following tools are necessary to assemble the ladder: a) ${}^{3}/{}_{8}$ " drive ratchet with ${}^{5}/{}_{16}$ " and ${}^{3}/{}_{8}$ " sockets or two (2) ${}^{5}/{}_{16}$ " and two (2) ${}^{3}/{}_{8}$ " wrenches (open end or box end); b) Pliers; and c) Rubber mallet.

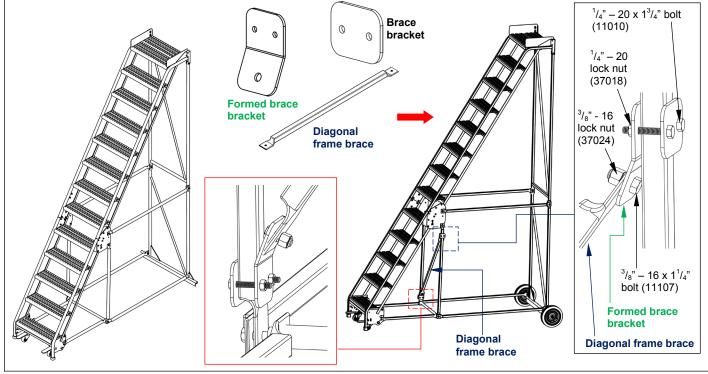
Numbers in the diagrams and in parentheses () correspond to item numbers or part numbers in the bills of materials on pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9. Refer to the appropriate exploded view and bill of materials for your ladder while assembling it. **NOTE:** Step 1 depicts the step frame weldment with casters already installed. If your ladder is delivered without these casters installed, go to *INSTALLING CASTERS* on p. 10. Install the casters; then proceed to step 1.

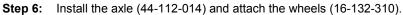




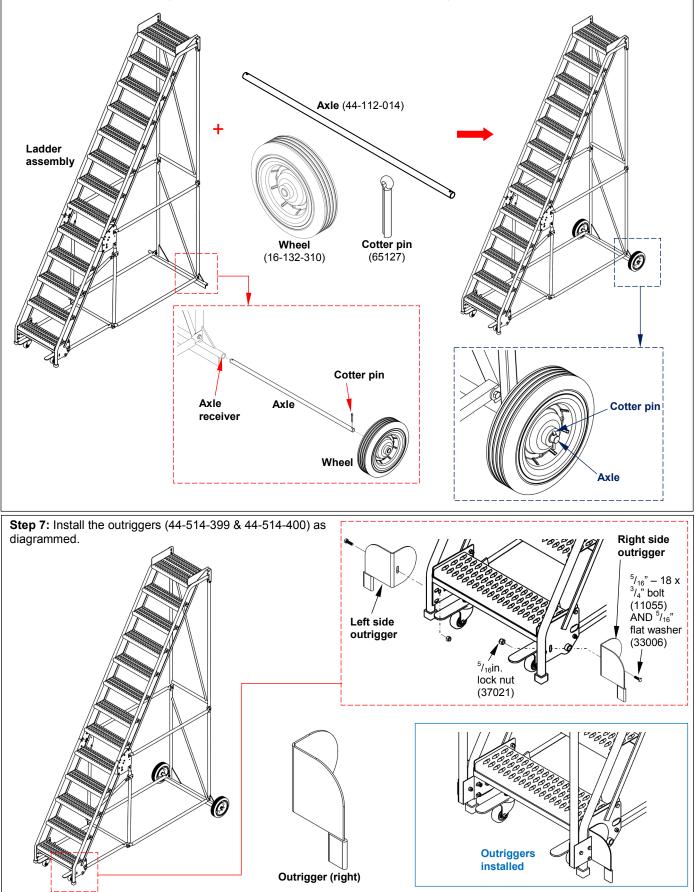


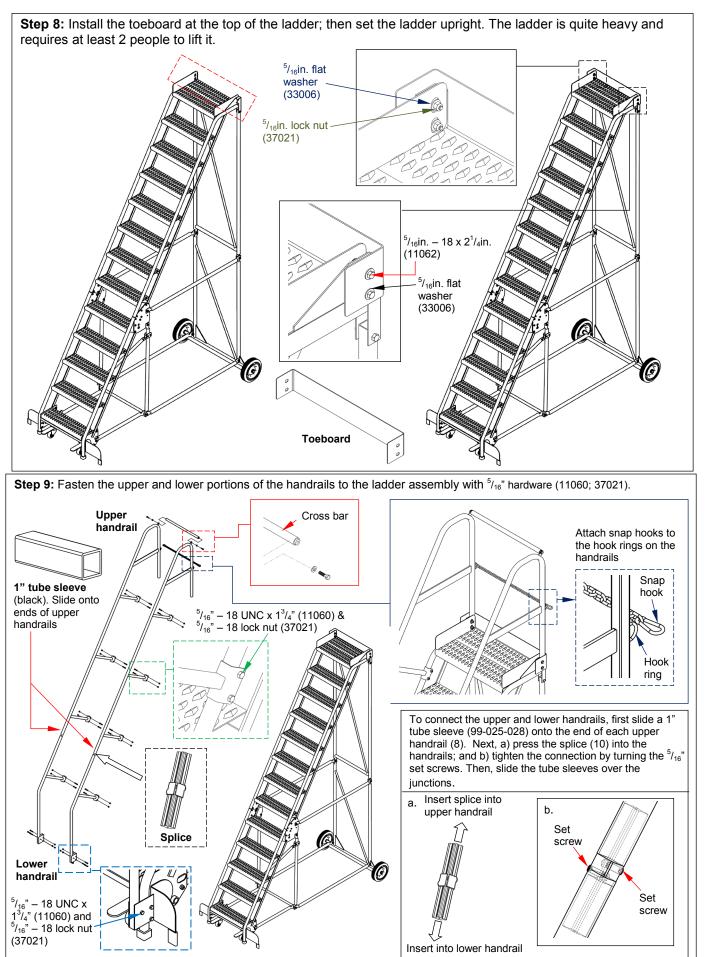
Step 5: Attach the diagonal frame brace [44-014-601 (13-step models); 44-014-602 (14-step models); 44-014-597 (15-step models); 44-014-595 (16 step models)] to the front vertical supports. First, fasten the diagonal frame brace to the formed brace bracket (44-016-110); then attach the formed bracket to the flat bracket (44-016-109) as shown in the diagram below.





- i. Insert the axle through the axle receiver of the lower step support weldment.
- ii. Slide the wheels onto the ends of the axle. Secure the wheels to the axle by inserting a cotter pin through the pinhole in each end of the axle. Periodically lubricate the axle to allow the wheels to rotate freely.





RECORD OF SATISFACTORY CONDITION (THE "RECORD")

After assembling the ladder and before putting it into service, visually inspect the ladder. Record the condition and appearance of each of the frame members (step weldment, back leg weldment, base support frame members), the handrails, outriggers, wheels and/or casters, (leg) caps, back platform frame and chain, and all fasteners (bolts, nuts, etc.). Thoroughly photograph the ladder from multiple angles. Include close range photographs of the rubber leg caps, casters and wheels, all labeling, and all handrail connections. Add the photographs to the record. Collate all photographs and writings into a single file. This file is a record of the ladder in satisfactory condition. Compare the results of all inspections to this Record to determine whether the ladder is in satisfactory condition. Do not use the ladder unless it is in satisfactory condition. Purely cosmetic changes, like damaged paint or powdercoat, are not changes from satisfactory condition. However, touchup paint should be applied as soon as damage occurs.

NATIONAL STANDARDS

This product is a "mobile ladder stand" (MLS). ANSI standard A14.7 (the "Standard") applies to MLS's. You <u>should</u> acquire a copy of the latest version of the standard. Follow all use and maintenance/care instructions provided in the Standard as well as all other provisions for MLS owners and users. If any content in this manual conflicts with any recommendations or mandatory provision(s) in the Standard, apply the provision(s) from the Standard. Vestil encourages you to immediately contact *Technical Service* if you discover any inconsistencies.

USING THE LADDER

Review the SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS on p. 2 before using the ladder. ONLY use the ladder on even, level, improved surfaces (concrete or asphalt).

Inspect the ladder before each use for damage, such as unusual wear, deterioration, or corrosion. Tighten loose nuts. If a lock nut has been partially or completely unfastened, it must be replaced with a new lock nut.

Make sure there are no children in the area where the ladder is used or stored.

Climbing the ladder:

ONLY use this ladder on solid, level ground. Never use the ladder on angled surfaces. The ladder must not wobble or lean while in use. Only climb the ladder when the steps and handrails are clean and dry.

Stand on the bottom step. The front legs of the ladder should automatically lower into contact with the ground as the caster brackets pivot upwards (caster brackets identified on p. 12). The rubber caps on the front legs (see Step 4 on p. 15) must solidly contact the ground before climbing the ladder. The caps resist sliding movement. They are included to prevent the front end of the ladder from moving while they are in contact with the ground.

Face the ladder and grasp the handrails while ascending or descending the steps. Do not lean against the handrails, the guardrails (around the platform), or the platform bar or chain. Do not lean over the handrails or guardrails.

Moving the ladder:

After using the ladder, the mechanism that brings the front casters into ground contact must be reset. Lift the front of the ladder while pressing down on one of the caster brackets. Caster brackets are identified on p. 12.

Grasp the handrails and carefully push the ladder. Only try to move the ladder if you are able to comfortably lift the front end and can easily control the ladder.

Storing the ladder

This ladder is designed for use both indoors and outdoors. However, it should only be stored indoors. The ladder should be considered in storage whenever is has been unused for 30 minutes or more.

INSPECTIONS & MAINTENANCE

Inspect the unit as instructed. Inspections and all necessary repairs should be performed by qualified persons. Compare the results of each inspection to the *Record of Satisfactory Condition*. Do not use the ladder unless every part is in satisfactory condition. If you have any questions about the condition of your ladder, contact the *Technical Service* department. The phone number is provided on the cover page of this manual. <u>Never make temporary repairs of damaged or missing parts</u>. Only use manufacturer-approved replacement parts to restore the ladder to satisfactory condition.

Before each use inspect the ladder for any sustained damage, such as unusual wear, deterioration, or corrosion. Look for loose connections. Tighten all loose connections. Whenever a lock nut is partially or completely unfastened, it must be replaced with a new lock nut. Check cotter pins at each end of the wheel axle, the wheels, and the square caps (99-024-027) for damage.

Regular inspections — **at least once per month** inspect the following items. Replace all parts not in satisfactory condition before returning the ladder to service. DO NOT continue to use the ladder if damage cannot be repaired.

• Handrails, guardrails, toeboard, back frame weldment (platform bar), snap hooks, and platform chains: Confirm that both handrails are solidly fastened to the step weldment and to the platform. Each handrail should be straight, rigid, and undamaged. Examine the guardrails around the platform for damage, bends, and cracks. Examine the

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platform bar and, if applicable, the chain and snap hooks. Confirm that the bar and chain are undamaged and securely fastened to the guard railing. Snap hooks should close automatically.

- Rear wheels (16-132-310): Check the wheels. They must not be significantly worn, i.e. must still have ~1/8" of tread. Wheels must not be cracked, warped, broken, etc. They should be vertical (not bent towards, or away from, the ladder) and roll smoothly. Examine the wheel axle and cotter pins (11053) for damage.
- Frame members (step weldment, back leg weldment, base supports), handrails, and all fasteners (bolts, nuts, pins): Inspect each frame member for damage. In particular, look for excessive wear, bends, cracks, warps, damaged welds, and looseness. All frame pieces should be square, rigid, and free of rust and corrosion. Remove rust and apply touch-up paint to the affected area. Check the areas where components are fastened/bolted together. Check for cracks around bolt holes, elongated bolt holes, etc.
- Square caps (99-024-027): Check the caps for cracks, tears, and wear. If either cap is not in satisfactory condition, install a replacement cap before returning the ladder to service. Even a moderate amount of wear can affect the performance of a cap.
- Outriggers and outrigger fasteners (bolts, nuts): Examine the outriggers (44-514-310 & 44-514-311). Both should be undamaged and be securely fastened to the step weldment. Both outriggers should make solid contact with the ground. The ladder should not wobble. Confirm that the caps on the outrigger legs are in satisfactory condition.

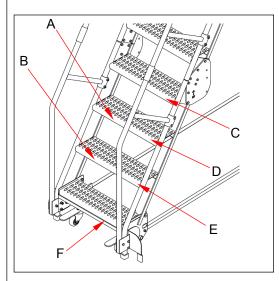
Maintenance: Regular maintenance is required for the ladder to function properly for as long as possible. in addition to correcting issues discovered during inspections, maintain the ladder in the following ways.

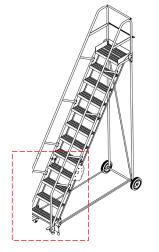
- Clean the ladder with a damp cloth to remove dirt and grime, especially from step surfaces. Let the ladder dry completely before returning it to service.
- Lubricate bolts as necessary for the rear wheels to rotate freely. DO NOT get lubricant on the bolt threads!
- Apply touchup paint wherever the finish is damaged. Apply touchup paint as soon as damage occurs.

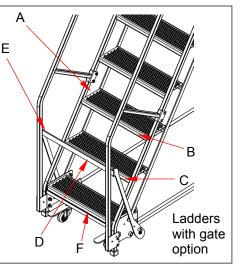
LABELING DIAGRAM

Each unit should be labeled as shown in the diagram. Label content and location are subject to change so your product might not be labeled exactly as shown. Compare the diagram below to your *Record of Satisfactory Condition*. If there are any differences between actual labeling and this diagram, contact *Technical Service*.

Replace all labels that are damaged, missing, or not easily readable (e.g. faded). To order replacement labels or to inquire whether your unit is properly labeled, contact the technical service and parts department online at http://www.vestilmfg.com/parts_info.htm or by calling (260) 665-7586 and asking for the Parts Department.







A: Label 821

SAFETY FIRST SEGURIDAD PRIMERO Read owners manual and all labels before using. Lea el manual del propietario y todas las etiquetas antes del uso.

B: Label 287

MODEL/MODÉLO/MODÈLE	
STATIC CAPACITY (evenly distributed)	lbs.
LA CAPACIDAD CONSTANTE (distribuida uniformemente)	kgs.
CAPACITÉ STATIQUE (distribuée régulièrement)	kgs.
SERIAL/SERIE/SÉRIE	
	287 BEV 0812

C: Label 740

A WARNING		
Do not use near live electric lines	No use cerca de lineas electricas	 Ne pas utiliser près des lignes électriques sous tension
Do not climb rails or lean over rails	 No se suba o se asome en la barandilla 	 Ne pas grimper sur ou vous pencher des rails
Do not use if damaged or worn	 No use si esta danado o gastado 	 Ne pas utiliser si endommagée ou usagée
• Use ladder on level, smooth surfaces only	• Use la escalera en superficies a nivel y lisas	Utiliser l'échelle seulement sur des surfaces plates et lisses 740

D: Label 729



E: Label 468 AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY

F: Label 998

Step here to engage brake / Pise aqui para poner el freno

LIMITED WARRANTY

Vestil Manufacturing Corporation ("Vestil") warrants this product to be free of defects in material and workmanship during the warranty period. Our warranty obligation is to provide a replacement for a defective, original part covered by the warranty after we receive a proper request from the Warrantee (you) for warranty service.

Who may request service?

Only a warrantee may request service. You are a warrantee if you purchased the product from Vestil or from an authorized distributor AND Vestil has been fully paid.

Definition of "original part"?

An original part is a part used to make the product as shipped to the Warrantee.

What is a "proper request"?

A request for warranty service is proper if Vestil receives: 1) a photocopy of the <u>Customer Invoice</u> that displays the shipping date; AND 2) a <u>written request</u> for warranty service including your name and phone number. Send requests by one of the following methods:

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<u>US Mail</u>	<u>Fax</u>	Email
Vestil Manufacturing Corporation	(260) 665-1339	info@vestil.com
2999 North Wayne Street, PO Box 507	Phone	Enter "Warranty service request"
Angola, IN 46703	(260) 665-7586	in subject field.

In the written request, list the parts believed to be defective and include the address where replacements should be delivered. After Vestil receives your request for warranty service, an authorized representative will contact you to determine whether your claim is covered by the warranty. Before providing warranty service, Vestil will require you to send the entire product, or just the defective part (or parts), to its facility in Angola, IN.

What is covered under the warranty?

The warranty covers defects in the following original, dynamic parts: motors, hydraulic pumps, motor controllers, and cylinders. It also covers defects in original parts that wear under normal usage conditions ("wearing parts"), such as bearings, hoses, wheels, seals, brushes, and batteries.

How long is the warranty period?

The warranty period for original dynamic components is <u>90 days</u>. For wearing parts, the warranty period is <u>90 days</u>. Both warranty periods begin on the date Vestil ships the product to the Warrantee. If the product was purchased from an authorized distributor, the periods begin when the distributor ships the product. Vestil may, at its sole discretion, extend a warranty period for products shipped from authorized distributors by up to 30 days to account for shipping time.

If a defective part is covered by the warranty, what will Vestil do to correct the problem?

Vestil will provide an appropriate replacement for any *covered* part. An authorized representative of Vestil will contact you to discuss your claim.

What is <u>not</u> covered by the warranty?

The Warrantee (you) is responsible for paying labor costs and freight costs to return the product to Vestil for warranty service.

Events that automatically void this Limited Warranty.

- Misuse;
- Negligent assembly, installation, operation or repair;
- Installation/use in corrosive environments;
- Inadequate or improper maintenance;
- Damage sustained during shipping;
- · Collisions or other accidents that damage the product;
- <u>Unauthorized modifications</u>: Do not modify the product IN ANY WAY without first receiving written authorization from Vestil.

Do any other warranties apply to the product?

Vestil Manufacturing Corp. makes no other express warranties. All implied warranties are disclaimed to the extent allowed by law. Any implied warranty not disclaimed is limited in scope to the terms of this Limited Warranty. Vestil makes no warranty or representation that this product complies with any state or local design, performance, or safety code or standard. Noncompliance with any such code or standard is not a defect in material or workmanship.

