



# Maintenance, Service and Repair of LaserDisc Lite Hubs

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## 1. Before you start



### GENERAL WARNING:

All WTB products should be installed and serviced by a qualified bicycle mechanic using appropriate professional tools. *WTB assumes no liability for products which are improperly installed, removed, assembled, disassembled or configured. Improper installation, adjustment or service may result in damage to the component or component failure.*

Use only genuine WTB replacement parts.

After any installation, adjustment or repair, test your work by taking a test ride in a controlled environment, away from cars, other cyclists, obstacles or other hazards.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in component failure. Component failure can cause the rider to lose control of the bicycle and fall, leading to serious injury or death.

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(a) Identify your hub. The graphics on the hub shell should say LaserDisc Lite. *If they do not, find the Maintenance, Service and Repair instructions for your WTB hub model on this web site, at [wtb.com/tech](http://wtb.com/tech).*

(b) Make sure you have read the WTB Hub Instructions which are packed with the hubs and are also available on this web site at [wtb.com/tech](http://wtb.com/tech).

(c) Download, read and follow these Maintenance, Service and Repair instructions.

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## 2. Tools and Equipment

To disassemble and reassemble your hubs, you will need the following tools:

a drift punch long enough to tap out a bearing from the opposite side of the hub

a mallet to tap the drift punch

a pick, small screw driver or similar tool to remove the dust seal

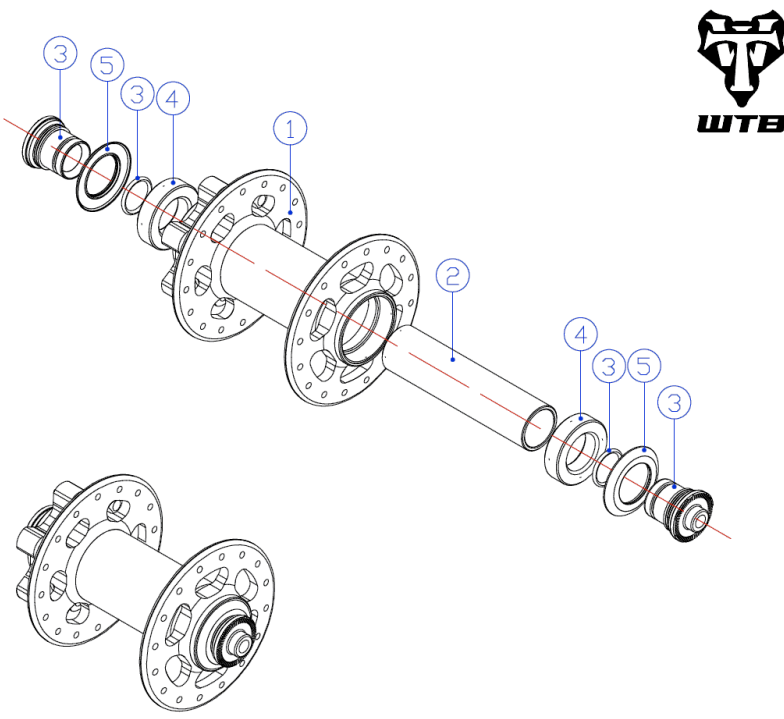
a bearing press or soft-jawed vise to press in new bearings

an axle vise

two 19mm hub wrenches

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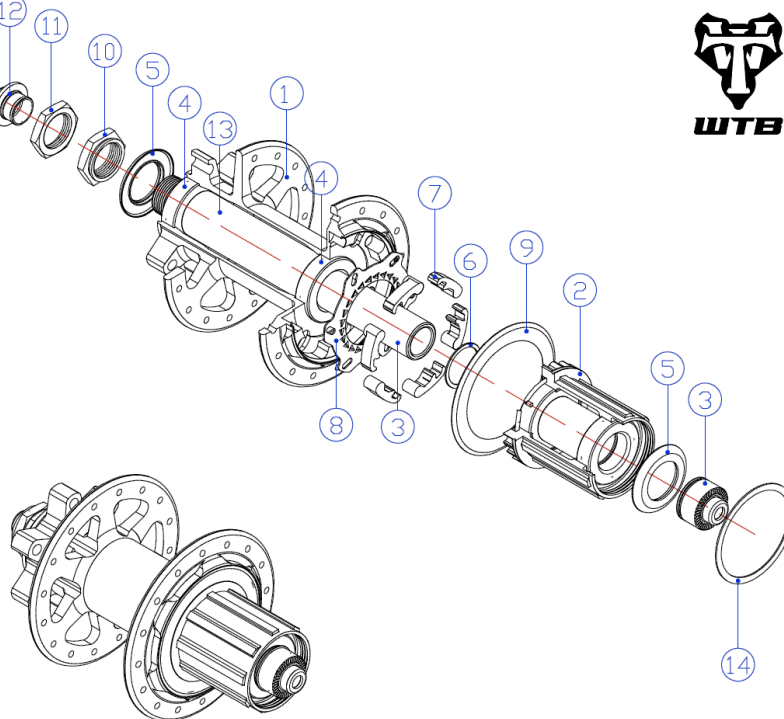
### 3. Serviceable Parts



#	Description	Qty	WTB part #
1	Hub shell	1	W135-0131
2	Front Axle (sleeve)	1	W135-0134
3	End Cap (w/ O-ring)	2	W135-0132
4	Bearing, 15x26x7mm	4	W135-0104
5	Dust Seal (bearing)	2	W135-0111

WTB "LaserDisc Lite" Front Hub - 100x9

WTB Hub Parts Kits	Qty	WTB part #
15x26x7 Bearings - 2 per bag	1	W035-0051



#	Description	Qty	WTB part #
1	Hub shell	1	W135-0118
2	Freehub Body (assembly)	1	W135-0137
3	Rear Axle (w/ drv side cap)	1	W135-0177
4	Bearing, 15x26x7mm	2	W135-0104
5	Dust Seal (bearing)	2	W135-0111
6	Washer, 15x17x.5mm	1	W135-0128
7	Pawls	6	W135-0115
8	Cam Plate	1	W135-0110
9	Dust Seal (freehub)	1	W135-0109
10	Adjuster Nut	1	W135-0112
11	Lock Nut	1	W135-0113
12	End Cap (disc side)	1	W135-0116
13	Bearing Sleeve (hub shell)	1	W135-0130
14	Spacer, 35x40x.5mm	1	W135-0157

WTB "LaserDisc Lite" Rear Hub - 135x10

WTB Hub Parts Kits	Qty	WTB part #
15x26x7 Bearings - 2 per bag	1	W035-0051
Freehub w/ bearings, spacer, loop spring, cam plate and seal	1	W035-0052

#### 4. Adjusting the bearings

The LaserDisc Lite **front hubs** do not need adjustment. There is a small amount of play in the axle when the hub is not clamped in the fork, and this is normal. When the quick release is closed, the axle system will compress slightly and eliminate the play.

LaserDisc Lite **rear hubs** for Model Years 2001-2008 are adjustable while on the bike. Newer ones are not adjustable. While holding the Adjuster Nut (10) with a 19mm wrench, loosen the Lock Nut (11) with a second 19mm wrench. Turn the Adjuster Nut clockwise to eliminate play. If the Adjuster Nut bottoms out before play is eliminated, you have a newer, non-adjustable hub. While holding the End Cap (12) in place, tighten the Lock Nut back down against the Adjuster Nut. If the Adjuster Nut does not bottom out, you have an older, adjustable hub. Adjust the Adjuster Nut and, holding the End Cap (12) in place, tighten the Lock Nut back down against the Adjuster Nut. Take care though to adjust the hub so that there is just enough load on the bearing to remove play. Over-tightening will cause the bearing to overload, and they can wear out prematurely.

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#### 5. Disassembling the hubs

For the **front hub**, remove the skewer and pull the End Caps (3) out of the hub. The "O" Ring (3) and Dust Seal (5) should stay on the end cap and pull off with it. This will expose the Cartridge Bearings (4). Floating between the bearings is a hollow tube, the Front Axle (sleeve) (2) that acts as the axle. Push the Front Axle to the side with a drift punch or a small screwdriver, so that the opposite inner bearing race is visible through the bearing. Carefully, using a small flat end drift punch, tap on the inner bearing race. This will drive out the bearing. You can then remove the opposite bearing in the same way.

For the **rear hub**, grasp the drive side of the Axle (3) in an axle vise. Much like a conventional hub, on the non-drive side there is a Lock Nut (11) and an Adjuster Nut (10), which runs against the Bearing (4), with the addition of a pressed-in End Cap (12). With two 19mm wrenches you will be able to loosen the Lock Nut and Adjuster Nut. Threading them off the end will force the End Cap up and out of the axle.

Now, the Hub Shell (1) and Freehub Body (2) can be removed from the Axle. They are separate pieces, held together by the Axle, so you will be able to separate them. Pieces shouldn't go flying as they are separated, though be careful to not drop any of the Pawls (7) or the axle Washer (6), which may be loose. Now you will be able to access any of the internal parts of the hub.

When re-assembling the hub, put the large Dust Seal (9) on *last*, and pay special attention to the rubber Dust Seal (5) placement on the Adjuster Nut (10) and drive-side End Cap (3).

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#### 6. Replacing the front hub and rear hub bearings

On the **rear hubs**, the Bearings have a light press-fit. So, once the hubs are disassembled, the Bearings can be lightly tapped or pressed out. Follow the directions above for taking your hub apart, and from there you will be able to access the 2 Bearings in the Hub Shell and the 2 Bearings in the Freehub Body. Tap out the old Bearings as described in the **front hub** disassembly instructions above, then carefully tap or press the new Bearings back into place.

On the **front hubs**, slide an End Cap into one Bearing and position it in one end of the Hub Shell. Tap the Bearing into place in the Hub Shell so it is flush with the face of the Hub Shell; then place the Axle (sleeve) in the Hub Shell and on to the End Cap which is in the Bearing. Position the other Bearing and, with the second End Cap in place, tap it into the Hub Shell, making sure that the Axle (sleeve) remains centered so that the "O" ring end of the End Cap can seat in the Axle (sleeve). Place the hub into your frame and check for binding with the QR skewer fully tightened. You should now be done.

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#### 7. Contact Information

If you have any questions or problems with any WTB product, please go to [wtb.com](http://wtb.com) for help.

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#### 8. Disclaimer

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