## OPERATOR'S

## FALCON SERIES VERTICAL LIFT

 MODEL 2034
## 1 IMPORTANT

This manual is designed to instruct you in the proper operation of your Work Platform, and to make you aware of the many Safety Hazards that could affect the safe use and operation of your "FALCON" Vertical Lift

Operators must be aware of and comply with all manufacturer's instructions and OSHA / ANSI safety guidelines

This Operator's Manual must be read prior to operating your Simon "FALCON" Work Platform

Note: Earlier versions of the "FALCON - 2034" Vertical Lift are identified on nameplates, decals and accompanying publications as "L-2034E"

Both names refer to the same model, which is identified throughout this publication by its current name, "FALCON"


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## INTRODUCTION

This Operator's Manual is designed to provide you with the instructions needed to properly operate the SIMON AERIALS INC FALCON MODEL 2034 Self-Propelled Vertical Lift The "FALCON" MODEL 2034 includes earlier models identified as "L-2034E This Manual is also meant to inform you of the many Safety Hazards that can affect the safe use and operation of the unit


This Operator's Manual MUST BE READ AND UNDERSTOOD prior to operating the FALCON Self-Propelled Vertical Lift.

Operators must be aware of and comply with ALL manufacturer's instructions and OSHA / ANSI safety guidelines.

Simon Aerials FALCON Series Self-Propelled Vertical Lifts are designed and built to provide many years of safe, dependable service. To obtain full benefits from your FALCON, always follow the proper operating and maintenance procedures Only trained, authorized personnel should be allowed to operate or service this machine. Service personnel should read and study this Operator's Manual in order to gain a thorough understanding of the functioning of the unit prior to making any repairs

Machine operators must understand and comply with all warnings and instructional decals on the body of the machine, and at the ground and platform control stations

## WARNING!!!

## MODIFICATIONS OF THIS MACHINE FROM THE ORIGINAL DESIGN WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM SIMON AERIALS INC. ARE STRICTLY FORBIDDEN, AND WILL VOID ANY REMAINING WARRANTY.

SIMON AERIALS INC reserves the right to change, improve, modify or expand features of its equipment. Therefore, specifications, models or equipment are subject to change without notice, and without incurring obligation to change, improve, modify or expand features of previously delivered equipment

All SIMON AERIALS INC manuals are periodically updated to reflect changes that occur in the equipment Please contact the factory with any questions you may have regarding your machine, or the availability of more recent manuals

## UNLOADING PROCEDURES

## UNLOADING THE UNIT

- Inspect the outside of the unit for damage Inspect all hoses, boom sections and cables for chafing or road damage Confirm that all wheel lug nuts are tight
- Unlock and remove both side compartment covers Inspect all electrical and hydraulic connections for damage and security
- Connect battery cables to batteries if required Check electrolyte level
- Check fluid level in the hydraulic tank, and add fluid as required (see Lubrication Chart) Check that shutoff valve on the hydraulic tank is open
- Replace side compartment covers


## UNITS NOT EQUIPPED WITH TOW PACKAGE OPTION:

- Ensure that lift truck used has adequate capacity to lift the machine (see "Machine Specifications" for weight) Lift the Simon FALCON Vertical Lift from the sides only Position forks under the modules, between the front and rear wheels and as near to the rear (driving) wheels as possible

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Do not use tie down lugs to lift the FALCON.

## UNITS EQUIPPED WITH TOW PACKAGE OPTION:

- The FALCON Vertical Lift may be winched off the transporting vehicle IF THE UNIT IS EQUIPPED WITH THE TOW PACKAGE OPTION Locate the tow brake and motor release valves located below the lift cylinder To unload the unit
- Fully close the brake release valve by turning the knob clockwise Fully open the motor release valve by turning the knob counterclockwise
- Momentarily operate the drive function to disengage the brake cylinder The unit is now ready to unload
- Remove machine tie downs Remove wheel chocks, if used
- Carefully unload the unit off the truck or trailer
- Return both tow valves to normal operating position (engaging the brake) when the unit has been removed from the transporting vehicle.


## ALL UNITS:

- Before placing the unit into service, all operators must read and understand the contents of this Operator's Manual Upon initial unloading of the machine the Predelivery Inspection Report must be completed and returned in order to activate the Simon Limited Warranty An Operator's Manual and a Predelivery Inspection Report are included with each machine leaving the factory


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## MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS

| WORKING HEIGHT | 26 FT ( 793 M ) |
| :---: | :---: |
| PLATFORM HEIGHT | 20 FT (6 10 M ) |
| STOWED HEIGHT |  |
| GUARD RAILS IN PLACE | 896 IN ( 228 M ) |
| GUARD RAILS LOWERED (STANDARD DECK) | 752 IN ( 191 M ) |
| GUARD RAILS LOWERED (W/ DECK EXTENSION) | $780 \mathrm{IN} .(198 \mathrm{M})$ |
| PLATFORM CAPACITY (UNRESTRICTED). |  |
| WITH STANDARD DECK | 750 LBS. ( 340 KG ) |
| WITH OPTIONAL DECK EXTENSION | 650 LBS ( 295 KG ) |
| DECK EXTENSION CAPACITY | 250 LBS ( 115 KG ) |
| PLATFORM DIMENSIONS• |  |
| W/ STANDARD DECK (or w/ optional deck stowed) | $305 \mathrm{IN} .(077 \mathrm{M})$ |
|  | $\times 96 \mathrm{IN}(244 \mathrm{M})$ |
| WITH OPTIONAL DECK EXTENDED | $305 \mathrm{IN}(0.77 \mathrm{M})$ |
|  | $\times 1285 \mathrm{IN}$ ( 326 M ) |
| LENGTH (WITHOUT OPTIONAL DECK EXTENSION) | $96 \mathrm{IN} .(244 \mathrm{M})$ |
|  | 1002 IN ( 254 M ) |
| WIDTH . . . . . .... | $34 \mathrm{IN}(086 \mathrm{M})$ |
| WHEELBASE | 66 IN ( 167 M ) |
|  | 286 IN ( 073 M ) |
| OUTSIDE TURNING RADIUS | 8 FT 6 IN ( 259 M ) |
| INSIDE TURNING RADIUS | $3 \mathrm{FT} 5 \mathrm{IN} .(104 \mathrm{M})$ |
| GROUND CLEARANCE | 4 IN (0 10 M ) |
| GROSS WEIGHT (APPROX) | $\begin{aligned} & 3,200 \mathrm{LBS} \\ & (1,452 \mathrm{KG}) \end{aligned}$ |
| TRAVEL SPEED-PLATFORM STOWED | 2 MPH ( 32 KPH ) |
| TRAVEL SPEED-PLATFORM ELEVATED | 05 MPH (0.8 KPH) |
| GRADEABILITY (on hard surface) (ref next page) . . . . . . | $113^{\circ}(20 \%)$ |
| TIRES | 4" $\times 8$ " x 16" SOLID |
| HYDRAULIC FLUID CAPACITY | 4 GAL (15 1 L) |
| HYDRAULIC OPERATING PRESSURE | 2600 PSI (179 BAR) |
| WHEEL LUG NUT TORQUE | 65-70 FT LBS |
| POWER SYSTEM (ELECTRIC) | 24 VOLT DC |
|  | (FOUR 6 VOLT, |
|  | 220 AMP/HR |
|  | LEAD-ACID |
|  | BATTERIES |
|  | IN SERIES ) |

## GRADEABILITY CONVERSION CHART



## PRIMARY MACHINE COMPONENTS



DECK EXTENSION (OPTIONAL)

FRONT OF UNIT
REAR OF UNIT

BASE POST

TIE DOWN LUG
 PARALLEL ARM,
LOWER BOOM LIFT CYLINDER

HYDRAULIC MODULE (THIS SIDE) BATTERY MODULE (OPPOSITE SIDE)

EMERGENCY LOWERING VALVE

## DECAL AND INFORMATION PLATE LOCATIONS

## ! WARNING!!!

## OPERATING THIS EQUIPMENT WITHOUT ALL SAFETY AND CONTROL DECALS IN PLACE CAN BE HAZARDOUS.

Locations of the various decals and plates on the Simon Falcon 2034 Aerial Platform are shown here If any of these items are damaged or missing, refer to your Parts Catalog for correct replacement part number.


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## SAFETY RULES AND PRECAUTIONS

- Only trained, competent personnel should operate the FALCON Vertical Lift
- Read and understand all safety and control information found on the machine and in this manual before operating the unit.
- Be aware of all Federal, State and Local rules which may apply to this machine and its safe operation
- DO NOT operate this machine while under the influence of any drugs or alcohol
- DO NOT operate this machine if you are bothered by heights, seizures, or dizzy spells.
- DO NOT indulge in stunt driving or horseplay while operating this machine
- DO NOT exceed the safe working load of the unit in any configuration Review the section titled "MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS", earlier in this manual, regarding this model's capacities and dimensions
- DO NOT exceed platform rated capacity when transferring live loads to or from the work platform.
- USE EXTREME CAUTION when transferring live loads to or from the platform while the work platform is in a raised position.
- DO NOT raise the work platform unless the unit is on a firm, level surface
- DO NOT exceed the maximum platform horizontal pull of 150 pounds
- DO NOT alter, modify or disable any safety devices or interlocks
- DO NOT perform any service on the unit unless the batteries are disconnected The platform must be fully lowered, or blocking must be in place between lower boom and base of unit before performing any service
- DO NOT use the FALCON vertical lift as a crane to lift oversized or hanging loads
- DO NOT sit, stand or climb on platform rails.
- DO NOT use scaffolding, ladders or similar items to extend your reach while on the work platform.
- SECURE all tools and other loose items to prevent injury to persons working on or below the work platform.


## SAFETY RULES AND PRECAUTIONS (CONTINUED)

- DO NOT use the work platform or booms to push or tow another vehicle.
- DO NOT raise or lower the platform into stationary objects, as this will cause damage to mechanical and hydraulic components.
- DO NOT use the Falcon outdoors in electrical storms or in high wind situations
- OSHA approved safety belts and safety hats must be worn at all times when operating the unit
- NEVER fasten safety belt to an adjacent structure while on the work platform
- DO NOT elevate the platform unless all railings are securely locked in their raised position. Make sure that the entry chain to the platform is secured before operating the unit from the platform.
- Since the platform may be lowered from its ground controls, precautions should be taken to prevent unauthorized personnel from operating the ground controls while the platform is in use.
- DO NOT allow anyone to tamper with, service or operate the machine from the ground control station while personnel are on the platform, except in an emergency.
- The operator must complete the "Daily Operational Checklist" found in this manual (see Table of Contents) prior to each day's usage
- The operator shall immediately report any noises, vibrations or malfunctions of the unit to supervisor Machine shall be removed from service until diagnosis and any necessary repairs have been completed.
- The operator should note that the travel speed automatically decreases whenever the platform is elevated
- The operator shall ensure that the area surrounding the FALCON is clear of personnel and equipment before driving the unit, raising or lowering the platform.
- The operator shall maintain a safe distance from overhead and ground obstacles, debris, drop-offs, holes, depressions, electrical wires and other hazards to travel
- The operator shall limit travel speed according to conditions of the ground surface, congestion, slope, location of personnel or any other factors that could cause hazard of collision or injury to personnel
- The operator shall use caution to prevent ropes, cords, hoses, etc. from becoming entangled in the unit's boom sections when being raised, lowered or repositioned.


## SAFETY RULES AND PRECAUTIONS (CONTINUED)

- The operator should check level of battery charge before operating unit If the unit is sluggish in operation, DO NOT USE before recharging
- DO NOT recharge the batteries near sparks or open flames Lead-acid batteries generate EXPLOSIVE HYDROGEN GAS Always wear safety glasses.


## ! DANGER !

ELECTROCUTION HAZARD!!

## THIS MACHINE IS NOT INSULATED!!

Maintain safe clearance from electrical lines and apparatus. You must allow for machine sway (side to side movement) when elevated, and electrical line movement. This machine does not provide protection from contact with or proximity to an electrically charged conductor.

You must AVOID CONTACT between any part of the machine, or its load, and any electrical line or apparatus carrying up to 300 volts.

You must maintain a CLEARANCE OF AT LEAST 10 FEET between any part of the machine, or its load, and any electrical line or apparatus carrying over 300 volts up to 50,000 volts. One foot additional clearance is required for every additional 30,000 volts.

DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY will result from contact with, or inadequate clearance from, any electrically charged conductor.

## OPERATOR CONTROLS

CONTROL CONSOLE


GROUND CONTROLS


# OPERATOR CONTROLS DESCRIPTION 

| Item | Control |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1. | Steering Switch |
| 2 | Vehicle Lift/ Drive <br> (Function) Speed <br> Switch |

3 Emergency Stop Control Console

4 Lift/ Drive Switch Control Console

5 Key Switch Control Console

6 Emergency Lowering Valve

7 Lift/ Lower Switch

820 Amp Fuse

## Location

Control Console

Control Console

Ground Valve
Bank in Enclosure

Ground Panel

Ground Panel
Panel

## Description

Controls the steering wheels when Key Switch is turned to the "DRIVE" position

Shifts between "HIGH" and "LOW" speed drive, or platform raising speed

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High speed drive should be used only on firm, level surfaces.


Drive is limited to "LOW" speed and gradeability will be reduced whenever the platform is elevated

Used to to stop all functions in an emergency Push for emergency stop Turn clockwise to reset.

Used to control the raising and lowering of the platform when the Key Switch is turned to the "LIFT" position.

Used to select forward drive or reverse drive functions when the Key Switch is turned to the "DRIVE" position.

Main power disconnect Also selects "DRIVE" or "LIFT" function. The key may be removed to prevent unauthorized operation

Push red knob in and turn full counterclockwise to permit lowering of platform should the platform controls become inoperable Push and turn full clockwise to release

Toggle switch used to control the raising and lowering of the platform from the ground.

Electrical circuit protection

## START-UP PROCEDURES

## DAILY CHECKS

Before the Simon FALCON Vertical Lift is put into use each day, the following checks should be completed to make sure that the machine is safe and in good condition

Refer to check lists at back of this manual for periodic maintenance requirements and additional procedures for severe duty applications
__ Visually inspect all machine components, i.e missing parts, torn or loose hoses, hydraulic fluid leaks, torn or disconnected wires, damaged tires, etc The module covers on both sides can be removed to inspect components inside
__ Check battery electrolyte level, charge level and connections.
$\qquad$ Check hydraulic fluid level with platform fully lowered
_ Check tires for damage.
__ Check wheel lug nuts for tightness.
Check hoses and cables for worn areas
Inspect safety belt connections and check for worn areas on the belts.
Check platform rails and safety chains for damage.
Check pivot pins for security.
Check that all warning and instructional labels are legible and secure.

## MACHINE STARTUP



All operators must thoroughly read and understand the "Safety Rules and Precautions" section of this manual prior to operating this machine.

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A complete visual inspection of the machine must be performed prior to operational checks.

- Check to be sure that battery charger has been disconnected from the AC power source Unhook the control console from the platform guard rail, and hold console while standing on the ground, alongside the machine, to perform these checks


Stand clear of the machine, and keep control console cable away from mechanism while performing these checks.

- Ensure that emergency stop button is disengaged Turn clockwise to reset.
- Push down on each of the three fastened corners of the tilt alarm (if so equipped) and hold After a three second delay, the alarm should sound as each corner is pressed


## GROUND OPERATION AND CHECKS

- Turn the key switch on the platform control to the "DRIVE" position Switch lift/drive speed toggle to "LOW"
- Switch forward/ reverse toggle in each direction to check for proper control Machine should travel smoothly in the selected direction. Release the forward/reverse switch.


Machine travel should stop upon release of forward/ reverse switch.

- Switch the lift/ drive speed toggle to "HIGH", and repeat forward and reverse tests Check for appropriate drive speed of unit in "HIGH" and "LOW" toggle position.
- Test the "Emergency Stop" function. While travelling, press the red button on the platform control.


Machine travel should stop upon actuation of emergency stop button. Beware of unsecured items on platform.

- Turn emergency stop button clockwise to reset.
- Move steering switch "LEFT" and "RIGHT" to test proper steering control
- Turn the key switch on the platform control to the "LIFT" position Switch lift/ drive speed toggle to "LOW".


## WARNING!!!

BE SURE AREA ABOVE UNIT IS CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS, TO ALLOW FULL ELEVATION OF PLATFORM.

DO NOT OPERATE THE MACHINE IF THE FOLLOWING CHECKS REVEAL A DEFECT.

- Hook the control console to the platform guard rail Switch the lift/ lower toggle on the ground panel "UP" to raise the platform to the end of its movement

Listen for any unusual noises.
Check for any vibration while the platform travels up.
__ Check for uneven or jerky operation
__ Check for hydraulic leaks
Check pivot pin security Ensure that all snap rings and keeper pins are in place at each pin locking point

- Lower the platform about half way by switching the lift/ lower toggle on the ground panel "DOWN". Note operation of audible "down alarm" during lowering procedure.


## __ Listen for any unusual noises.

__ Check for any vibration while the platform travels down
Check for uneven or jerky operation
Check for hydraulic leaks
Check pivot pin security. Ensure that all snap rings and keeper pins are in place at each pin locking point.

- Release the raise/ lower switch when platform is approximately half way to stowed position


## $\triangle$ IMPORTANT

Platform lowering should stop immediately upon release of raise/ lower switch.

- Turn the key switch off


## EmERGENCY VALVE OPERATION AND CHECK

With power off.

- Open the emergency lowering valve by pushing knurled red "manual override" knob (located inside and below the compartment opening) in. Turn knob counterclockwise approximately $180^{\circ}$, then release. The knob will pop out and the platform will lower to the stowed position
- Close the emergency lowering valve. Push red knob in, turn clockwise approximately $180^{\circ}$ and release. The knob will be held in by a detent. Platform cannot be raised when emergency lowering valve is open.


## PLATFORM OPERATION AND CHECKS

- Complete the Ground Operational Checks before you perform the Platform Checks
- Enter platform and close entry safety chain. Check that all end railings are in position, and railing pins are all in place
- For machines with optional deck extension, manually lower extension into working position. Check that front guard rails are in position, and railing pins are all in place


## WARNING!!!

## BE SURE AREA ABOVE UNIT IS CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS, TO ALLOW FULL ELEVATION OF PLATFORM.

DO NOT OPERATE THE MACHINE IF THE FOLLOWING CHECKS REVEAL A DEFECT.
_ Turn the key switch on the side of the control console to the "LIFT" position
__ Switch the lift/ drive toggle "UP" to raise the platform part way
__ Test the "Emergency Stop" function While platform is moving, press the red button Platform should stop
__ Reset button by turning clockwise to continue platform operation
___ Switch the lift/ drive toggle "DOWN" to lower the platform to the stowed position.

## WARNING!!!

IF PLATFORM SHOULD FAIL TO LOWER, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CLIMB DOWN THE BOOM. SERIOUS INJURY MAY RESULT.

- Replace module covers on both side of the machine.


## OPERATION

## WARNING!!!

DUE TO THE DESIGN OF THE FALCON LIFT, IT IS POSSIBLE TO DRIVE THROUGH LOCATIONS IN WHICH IT WOULD BE UNSAFE TO RAISE THE PLATFORM.

## THE OPERATOR MUST BE AWARE OF THE ENVIRONMENT. DO NOT RAISE THE PLATFORM IF THE MACHINE IS NOT ON A FIRM LEVEL SURFACE! <br> DO NOT RELY ON THE TILT ALARM TO WARN YOU OF AN UNSAFE CONDITION.

SAFE OPERATION BEGINS WITH A SAFE OPERATOR.

Perform Start-up Procedures After satisfactory completion of all preliminary checks, enter platform, close safety chain, and attach safety belt Check that front end guard rails are also in position, and railing pins are all in place.

## COLD WEATHER OPERATION

- In below zero weather, the hydraulic fluid should be allowed to warm before full operation of the unit
- Check for water contamination of the hydraulic fluid.
- Check for and remove ice on steps, platform and steering linkage prior to operation
- Check that all controls operate freely in all positions


Go slow and leave more maneuvering room during cold weather operation.

## DRIVING AND STEERING

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Check that the route of travel to be taken is clear of persons, obstructions, debris, holes and dropoffs, and is capable of supporting the machine.

Turn the key switch to the "DRIVE" position. Switch the lift/drive speed toggle switch to "LOW" Push the forward/ reverse toggle switch to select the desired travel direction. IF CONDITIONS PERMIT, switch the lift/ drive speed toggle switch to "HIGH" to allow faster travel

Steering is achieved by pressing the steer toggle switch to the left or right as required


Steer wheels will not center themselves after a turn, and must be returned to the straight-ahead position with the steer toggle switch.

Although the control panel may be positioned anywhere on the platform rail, the operator may find driving easier if facing the "steering" end of the machine If driving is attempted while facing the "non-steering" end, it must be remembered that all directions given to the steer and drive controls will be reversed

When descending a ramp (incline), switch the lift/ drive speed toggle switch to "LOW"

## BRAKING

For parking, the brake is automatically applied when the forward/reverse toggle switch is positioned in the center (neutral) position.

## WARNING!!!

## ACTUATION OF THE PLATFORM "EMERGENCY STOP" SWITCH WILL APPLY BRAKES IMMEDIATELY!

BRACE YOURSELF AND SECURE LOOSE OBJECTS ON PLATFORM, AS THIS WILL CAUSE MACHINE TO COME TO A SUDDEN STOP.

## ELEVATING THE PLATFORM

Turn the key switch to the "LIFT" position Switch the lift/ drive speed toggle switch to "LOW" Push the up/ down toggle switch to the "UP" position. If desired, switch the lift/drive speed toggle switch to "HIGH" to allow faster rise.

## WARNING!!!

TRAVEL WITH PLATFORM ELEVATED ONLY ON HARD, LEVEL SURFACES.


The machine will travel only at the slower speed when platform is raised.

## LOWERING THE PLATFORM

Turn the key switch to the "LIFT" position Switch the lift/drive speed toggle switch to "LOW" Push the up/ down toggle switch to the "DOWN" position


The platform will only descend at "LOW" speed, regardless of the position of the lift/drive speed toggle switch

## LOWERING THE GUARD RAILS

## WARNING!!!

USE THIS PROCEDURE ONLY TO PERMIT DRIVING THE UNIT THROUGH DOORWAYS OR OPENINGS TOO SMALL TO OTHERWISE ALLOW ACCESS.

- Unpin control console from platform side rail. Set aside to prevent damage Fold down the deck extension (if so equipped)
- Unpin the front and rear end railings on one side, and unhook the safety chain
- Swing end railings over to side rail, and insert pins to hold end rails in place
- Swing upper side rails inward onto platform. Fold up the deck extension (if so equipped)


## WARNING!!!

OPERATE MACHINE FROM GROUND ONLY, USING PLATFORM CONTROL CONSOLE, WHILE GUARD RAILS ARE IN LOWERED POSITION.

## RAISING THE GUARD RAILS

## WARNING!!!

GUARD RAILS MUST BE SECURELY FASTENED IN THEIR PROPER POSITION BEFORE ENTERING THE PLATFORM.

- Fold down the deck extension (if so equipped). Swing upper side rails to upright position.
- Unpin end railings from side rail, swing into position and pin to opposite side rail
- Connect rear midrail chain. Place control console in desired position on top rail, and pin in place.


## SHUT-DOWN PROCEDURES

- When finished with the unit, place the platform in the stowed position.
- Park the unit on level ground (preferably protected from weather) Secure to prevent vandalism and to discourage children at play.
- Turn off the key switch, and remove key to prevent unauthorized operation
- Plug in the battery charger to recharge the batteries


## RECHARGING BATTERIES

Recharge the batteries of the FALCON Vertical Lift each day after use

## WARNING!!!

## LEAD-ACID BATTERIES GENERATE EXPLOSIVE GASES. KEEP SPARKS AND FLAME AWAY FROM BATTERIES. NO SMOKING!

- Plug the charger into a 115 Volt, 60 Hz AC outlet, using a \#12 AWG grounded extension cord
- Set timer on charger to
- 16 hours for fully discharged batteries,
- $\quad 7$ to 9 hours if batteries are lightly discharged.

Timer will shut off the charger automatically at the end of this time
To determine if the batteries are fully charged, plug the charger in, and set the timer for 1 hour A drop in the charge rate (shown on the ammeter) to 1-4 amps within a few minutes indicates that the batteries are fully charged

## WARNING!!!

DO NOT OPERATE THE UNIT WHILE CHARGING.

Be sure to disconnect the charger from the outlet before moving the FALCON

## TRANSPORTING THE UNIT

Platform should be in the stowed position when the unit is being transported Do not operate the unit while it is being transported

## TOWING OF THE FALCON SERIES LIFT:

If your FALCON is equipped with the TOW PACKAGE OPTION, it can be towed MAXIMUM TOWING SPEED IS 6 MPH ( 9.6 KPH ). The tow brake and motor release valves are located below the lift cylinder. To tow the unit

- Fully close the brake release valve by turning the knob clockwise. Fully open the motor release valve by turning the knob counterclockwise.
- Momentarily operate the drive function to disengage the brake cylinder. The unit is now ready to tow.

To return to normal operation, fully open the brake release valve by turning the knob counterclockwise Fully close the motor release valve by turning the knob clockwise.

## FORK LIFTING OF THE FALCON SERIES LIFT:

- Lift the Simon FALCON Vertical Lift from the sides only. Position forks under the modules, between the front and rear wheels and as near to the rear (driving) wheels as possible Ensure that lift truck used has adequate capacity to lift the machine (see "Machine Specifications" for weight).


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Do not use tie down lugs to lift the FALCON.

## TRUCK TRANSPORT OF THE FALCON SERIES LIFT:

- The FALCON Vertical Lift may be winched onto a transporting vehicle IF THE UNIT IS EQUIPPED WITH THE TOW PACKAGE OPTION. Return both tow valves to normal operating position (engaging the brake) when the unit is on the transporting vehicle
- Securely attach the machine to the transporting vehicle using the tie down lugs, located at the center front and center rear of the undercarriage Ensure that chains or straps have adequate load capacity, and DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN

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Do not use tie down lugs to lift the FALCON.

- Always chock the wheels of the unit while on the transporting vehicle


## EMERGENCY SYSTEM AND PROCEDURES

## WARNING!!!

IF PLATFORM SHOULD FAIL TO LOWER, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CLIMB DOWN THE BOOM ASSEMBLY. SERIOUS INJURY MAY RESULT.

HAVE AN EXPERIENCED OPERATOR USE THE EMERGENCY LOWERING PROCEDURE TO SAFELY LOWER THE PLATFORM.

THIS MACHINE IS NOT INSULATED AND EXTREME CARE MUST BE TAKEN WHEN WORKING AROUND POWER LINES.

DO NOT TOUCH THE UNIT IF THERE IS A CHANCE IT IS IN CONTACT WITH POWER LINES. WAIT UNTIL THE POWER TO THE LINES HAS BEEN SHUT OFF.

## EMERGENCY LOWERING

## WARNING!!!

DO NOT REMOVE THE VELOCITY FUSE WHILE THE PLATFORM IS RAISED.

- Remove wire \#7 from the high speed valve. The high speed valve is located to the left of the emergency lowering valve inside and below the ground control opening
- Hold the lift/ lower toggle in the "LIFT" position. The pump should run.
- Open the emergency lowering valve by pushing knurled red "manual override" knob (on the emergency lowering valve) in. Turn knob counterclockwise approximately $180^{\circ}$, then release The knob will pop out, you should hear pressure being relieved, and the platform will lower to the stowed position.


Drive and steer functions are not available when using the emergency lowering valve


The emergency lowering system is designed to be used only for emergency descent.

- Once the platform has been fully lowered, close the emergency lowering valve Push red knob in, turn clockwise approximately $180^{\circ}$ and release The knob will be held in by a detent.


Platform will not elevate if this valve is open.

- Reconnect wire \#7 to the high speed valve.
- Report the incident to your supervisor immediately.


## EMERGENCY DRIVE

The emergency lowering system will not provide control or operation of the drive or steering functions Should it be necessary to move the unit, see "Transporting the Unit", earlier in this Manual

## EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

It is not possible for us to foresee every emergency situation that could arise during operation of this machine. The following information describes three such emergency situations, and lists appropriate actions that can be taken.

When faced with an emergency, above all please remember-

- Stay calm
- Think through the situation before operating the machine
- Get help if necessary

SITUATION: Platform elevated, operator not incapacitated, but unit will not respond to control console.

## WARNING!!!

DO NOT TRY TO CLIMB DOWN THE BOOM ASSEMBLY. SERIOUS INJURY MAY RESULT

HAVE AN EXPERIENCED OPERATOR USE THE EMERGENCY LOWERING PROCEDURE TO SAFELY LOWER THE PLATFORM.

## REPORT THE INCIDENT TO YOUR SUPERVISOR IMMEDIATELY.

## POSSIBLE CONDITION:

- One or more functions not operating correctly
- Unit movement from unselected control
- Unit function will not stop unless power is switched off


## CORRECTIVE ACTION

1 Contact an experienced operator to lower the machine using the emergency descent lowering procedure.

2 Report the incident to your supervisor immediately.

SITUATION: Unit elevated, with operator incapacitated at controls.
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## CORRECTIVE ACTION

1 Have someone summon first aid or rescue squad.
2. Attempt to talk to operator before taking any rescue measures.

3 Check to see if operator is in a pinned position, or would be endangered if platform is moved, before attempting emergency lowering procedure.

4 After establishing that the machine is not in contact with live power lines, lower the platform using the emergency lowering procedure.

5 Render first aid to the operator
SITUATION: Platform in contact with live power lines and operator incapacitated.


## CORRECTIVE ACTION

1 Contact authorized personnel to disconnect power supply touching unit.
2. Have someone summon first aid or rescue squad.

3 If operator is unconscious, check to see if he is in a pinned position, or would be endangered if platform is moved.

4 AFTER POWER IS CUT, use the emergency lowering procedure to bring platform with operator to a safe location to render first aid.


Any incident involving personal injury must be immediately reported to the local Simon Aerials Distributorship as well as to Simon Aerials Inc.

## SECTION 3: MAINTENANCE

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## MAINTENANCE

## GENERAL MAINTENANCE TIPS

## WARNING!!!

NEVER PERFORM SERVICE ON THE UNIT (WITH PLATFORM ELEVATED) WITHOUT FIRST BLOCKING THE ELEVATING ASSEMBLY IN PLACE!

USE 4" X 4" WOOD POSTS OR SIMILAR MATERIAL WITH SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO HOLD PLATFORM AND BOOM.

BLOCK BETWEEN LOWER BOOM OR MIDPOST AND CHASSIS. DO NOT BLOCK BETWEEN MIDPOST AND GROUND, AS RETRACTING CYLINDER MAY CAUSE STEER END OF UNIT TO RISE OFF THE GROUND.

- Never leave hydraulic components or hoses open. They must be protected from contamination (including rain) at all times.
- Never open a hydraulic system when there are contaminants in the air
- Use only recommended lubricants. Improper lubricants or incompatible lubricants may be as harmful as no lubrication.
- ALWAYS clean the surrounding area before opening hydraulic systems
- Watch for makeshift "fixes" which can jeopardize safety as well as lead to more costly repairs.
- Any work platform found not to be in safe operating condition should be removed from service until repaired. All repairs should be made by authorized personnel in conformance with the manufacturer's operating, maintenance, and repair manuals


## DAILY OPERATIONAL CHECKLIST

All checks must be completed before operation of the Simon FALCON.

DATE $\qquad$ INSPECTED BY $\qquad$

MODEL NUMBER $\qquad$ SERIAL NUMBER $\qquad$

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1 Keep inspection records up-to-date
2 Record and report all discrepancies to your supervisor
3 A dirty machine cannot be properly inspected
Keep your Simon FALCON clean!!

## WARNING!!!

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE USED DAILY. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ENDANGER THE LIFE OF THE OPERATOR. ALWAYS REMEMBER, A LITTLE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CAN SAVE MUCH MORE THAN IT COSTS.

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ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SEVERE USAGE APPLICATIONS
INITIAL DESCRIPTION
11. Check hydraulic system for leakage after every eight (8) hours of operation

## WEEKLY OPERATIONAL CHECKLIST

All checks must be completed before operation of the Simon FALCON.

DATE

MODEL NUMBER $\qquad$ SERIAL NUMBER $\qquad$

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Keep inspection records up-to-date

2 Record and report all discrepancies to your supervisor.
3 A dirty machine cannot be properly inspected.
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## WARNING!!!

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE USED WEEKLY. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ENDANGER THE LIFE OF THE OPERATOR. ALWAYS REMEMBER, A LITTLE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CAN SAVE MUCH MORE THAN IT COSTS.

## INITIAL DESCRIPTION

1. Perform all checks listed on Daily Operational Checklist
2. Check battery electrolyte level and specific gravity (fully charged specific gravity should be 1.265).

3 Check wheel lug nuts for proper torque (65-70 ft lbs ).
4. Grease boom gears at mid post.

## ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SEVERE USAGE APPLICATIONS

## INITIAL

## DESCRIPTION

5 Inspect condition of hydraulic fluid in the reservoir Oil should have a clear amber color
6. Lubricate all grease fittings (see Lubrication Chart)
7. Lubricate all steering linkages and pivot points.

DATE $\qquad$ INSPECTED BY
MODEL NUMBER $\qquad$ SERIAL NUMBER
GENERAL INFORMATION
1 Keep inspection records up-to-date.
2 Record and report all discrepancies to your supervisor
3 A dirty machine cannot be properly inspected.
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## WARNING!!!

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE USED MONTHLY. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ENDANGER THE LIFE OF THE OPERATOR. ALWAYS REMEMBER, A LITTLE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CAN SAVE MUCH MORE THAN IT COSTS.

INITIAL
DESCRIPTION

1. Perform all checks listed on Daily and Weekly Operational Checklists

2 Lubricate all grease fittings (see Lubrication Chart).
3 Lubricate all steering linkages and pivot points.
4 Lubricate deck extension pivot pin (if so equipped)
5 Inspect condition of hydraulic fluid in the reservoir Oil should have a clear amber color

6 Inspect the entire machine for signs of damage, broken welds, loose bolts, improper or makeshift repairs
7. Check the electric motor brushes

8 Check pin joints and retaining bolts for security.
9. Check hydraulic system pressure.

10 Check left and right spindles for free turning with no end play.
11. Visually inspect power wheel mounting bolts. Bolts should be flush to retainer, with no gap between retainer and hub flange Torque to 55-60 ft lbs

## SEMI - ANNUAL OPERATIONAL CHECKLIST

## DATE

$\qquad$ INSPECTED BY $\qquad$
MODEL NUMBER $\qquad$ SERIAL NUMBER $\qquad$
GENERAL INFORMATION
1 Keep inspection records up-to-date
2 Record and report all discrepancies to your supervisor
3 A dirty machine cannot be properly inspected Keep your Simon FALCON clean!!

## WARNING!!!

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE USED AT SIX MONTH INTERVALS. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ENDANGER THE LIFE OF THE OPERATOR. ALWAYS REMEMBER, A LITTLE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CAN SAVE MUCH MORE THAN IT COSTS.

INITIAL DESCRIPTION

1. Perform all checks listed on Daily, Weekly and Monthly Operational Checklist.

2 Have hydraulic fluid sample analyzed at a test laboratory Comply with test results and recommendations to ensure long, trouble free operation


If hydraulic fluid has been regularly maintained, it should only require changing once every year, depending on maintenance, temperature, application, duty cycle, and atmospheric conditions.
3. Check tightness of upper frame and linkage pins.

4 Check overall platform stability
5. Check the electrical mounting and hardware connections for security

6 Replace return filter element.
7 Repack front wheel bearings.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

## WARNING!!!

SHOULD YOU EXPERIENCE ERRATIC OPERATION OR NOTICE ANY MALFUNCTION WHILE RUNNING THIS UNIT, CONTINUE OPERATION ONLY LONG ENOUGH TO RETURN TO THE GROUND POSITION IF POSSIBLE.

IMMEDIATELY REPORT THE INCIDENT TO YOUR SUPERVISORS, AND DISCONTINUE USING THE UNIT UNTIL IT HAS BEEN CHECKED BY A TRAINED, QUALIFIED MECHANIC.

## WHAT TO CHECK IF UNIT WILL NOT OPERATE:

- Key switch turned to proper mode?
- Emergency stop button released? (Twist to release.)
- Batteries fully charged?
- Battery cables connected?
- Wires pulled out or loose?
- Hydraulic fluid level low?
- Obvious fluid leak or damaged component?

LUBRICATION CHART

| NO. | ITEM | SPECIFICATION <br> AND QUANTITY | FREQUENCY OF <br> LUBRICATION |
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| 1. | Hydraulic reservoir | Mobil DTE-15 <br> to 2" from top of tank <br> with platform retracted | Check daily, Analyze every <br> 6 months or 500 hrs ${ }^{\star \dagger}$, Change <br> yearly or every 1,000 hrs *t |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Hydraulic return filter | Filter element | Chg. every 6 months or 500 hrs *t |
| 3 | Pivot pins | Mobilgrease Special or <br> equivalent (NLGI \#2 <br> Lithium plus EP \& Moly). <br> Purge old grease. | Weekly or every 25 hrs. ${ }^{\star \dagger}$ |
| 4 | Steering spindles | Lithium N.L.GI \#2 EP. <br> Purge old grease. | Monthly or every 100 hrs. ${ }^{* \dagger}$ |
| 5 | Steering hubs | Lithium N.L.G I \#2 EP <br> Clean and repack. | Every 6 months or 500 hrs. ${ }^{*}$ |
| 6 | Steering linkage | Silicone spray or <br> penetrating oil | Monthly or every 100 hrs. ${ }^{\star \dagger}$ |
| 7 | Boom gears | "Keystone - Moly 29 <br> Open Gear Compound" <br> Coat gear faces | Weekly or every 25 hrs. ${ }^{* \dagger}$ |
| 8 | Deck extension pivot pin | Silicone spray or <br> penetrating oil. | Monthly or every 100 hrs. ${ }^{\star \dagger}$ |

* Whichever occurs first
$\dagger$ Different requirements for severe duty applications See check lists


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(b) that all component parts manufactured by it shall be free from defects in material or workmanship for 12 months from the date the unit is first placed in service; and
(c) that component parts not manufactured by the Company shall be free from defects in material or workmanship for the period warranted by the Company's vendor.

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