## QUICK-START GUIDE\* for STRAWMASTER

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# A Connect Hydraulics AUTO-FOLD LIFT CIRCUIT...Harrow Lift Cylinders HYDRAULIC LIFT CIRCUIT....(Optional) REPHASING TINE ANGLE CIRCUIT....(Optional)

**Note:** These hydraulic options are not included on all models. Manual adjustment will be required if they are not installed.



 Remove Transport Frame Pins (A) and place in holders. Note: Hydraulic models have both frame and cylinder transport pins (B).



**2)** The 50' model has a telescopic truss beam. Move out into field position and secure with pin. All other models have a fixed length truss arm.



**3)** Turn the transport wheel's spindle over so the wheel leans out (**both sides**).



4) Back-up slowly. The wings will open up. Ensure there is lots of room behind and to the sides. Back-up evenly so you don't damage the transport wheels.

A IMPORTANT: Be sure to backup evenly to avoid serious damage to the transport wheels.

5) With wings fully opened, lower harrow sections to the ground by extending the auto-fold lift cylinders.



The Auto-Fold cable will loosen and the auto-fold latch should close on the swing arm pipe.

6) If the auto-fold latch(s) still haven't closed, slowly back up just a bit more. It should then snap shut and be fully engaged.

**ATTENTION:** Before driving forward make sure both latches have fully engaged or serious damage to the machine will result.

Adjust Settings

- 7) Adjust settings for light or aggressive harrowing.
- **8)** Adjust Tine Angle as needed.
- 9) Adjust Height Adjustments as needed.

## C Setting Tine Angle, Pressure & Frame

NOTE: Strawmaster can have either manual or hydraulic adjustment. Trailer height & tine angle are set by either ratchet/sidewind jacks or hydraulics.

Note: Actual settings will vary

#### Tine Angle Adjustment

There are no standard angles for running the tines, the operator may adjust the tine angles as needed to achieve desired results.





Manual models - Use the manual jacks

extending the rephasing cylinders and holding for 30 seconds. This should be repeated a few times daily or as needed.

#### Trailer Height Adjustment Hydraulic or Manual (with the use of two ratchet jacks, located on trailer wheel arms)



To manually adjust trailer height:

- Begin with the machine in field position. Make sure the tine angle has been set (if necessary).
- Using the ratchet jack handle for adjustment, adjust ratchet jacks evenly until tines are set to the desired height.
- When adjustments are complete, check that the trailer frame is parallel to the ground.
- If not, adjust clevis height and re-check. Repeat if necessary.

### Wing Beam Height Adjustment

- The Wing beams and Center beam should be at the same height, parallel to the ground.
- Adjust the wing beam height when the tine angles are adjusted, the trailer height is adjusted, or as the tines wear down.

#### Remember When Operating:

- Straw should be dry.
- to efficiently shatter and spread straw and residue.
- Manual models: Use the manual jacks to raise or lower the wing beam section until desired height/level is achieved.

#### Hydraulic models: Adjust the fine adjustment rod located on the top of the endwheel linkage until desired height/level is achieved.



- A speed of 8 to 12 MPH (12 to 16 KPH) is suggested
- The harrow sections can be set in float position, where the section drags the ground under its own weight.
- If machine leaves clumps of straw, apply slight down pressure by extending hydraulic lift cylinders.

Maintenance

- Check for missing, worn or damaged parts.
- Hydraulic Connections & Hoses • Hubs & Spindles

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## **D** Moving Into Transport Position

(Check Machine Daily)

1) Turn the transport wheel's spindle over so the rear transport tires will be completely upright (both sides)

• Working points & pins

- 2) Operate the lift hydraulics 1 to fully raise the harrow sections.
- 3) Carefully drive forward. The wing beams should fold back into transport position.
- 4) Install the frame transport pins (both sides). On hydraulic models, also install the cylinder transport locks (both sides).
- 5) On the 50' model with a telescopic truss beam, shorten length into transport position and secure with pin.
- 6) Ensure SMV sign and reflectors are clean and lights are working. Follow all local transport laws when transporting.