



GARAGE DOORS

# INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS



## RESIDENTIAL GARAGE DOORS

MODEL **MDP38**  
16' x 8' (425-4695)\*

MODEL **MDP38U**  
16' x 7' (425-8336)

**Thank you for your purchase.**  
**For questions contact 800-621-3667**  
**or email [idealdoor@clopay.com](mailto:idealdoor@clopay.com)**

MODEL **MDP38-W1**  
16' x 7' (425-4682)

\* Supplemental instructions required

Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Located on label of interior door surface.*

PID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### REPLACEMENT PARTS:

Please contact your nearest Menards® store.  
Be sure to provide the following:

- Part name
- Model and size of door
- Order number or door serial number

### INSTALLATION VIDEO:

<http://www.idealdoorgaragedoors.com/residential-garage-doors/residential-installation-videos/>

or scan the QR code on the right.



## PRE-INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

### BEFORE REMOVING YOUR OLD DOOR:

- Verify you have all required parts and materials required for installation.
  - Door Components (See Page 4).
  - Spring Components (See Page 19).

**If missing parts or damaged sections, please call 800-621-3667 within 45 days of purchase and parts will be replaced promptly. DO NOT RETURN DOOR TO STORE.**

- Read instructions completely and/or watch installation video.

- Verify appropriate amount of headroom to install door. This door requires a minimum of 12" above the door opening (See Appendix A for details).
- Be sure to allow enough time to complete door installation. Garage will be open and unsecured during installation and will not be able to be used until tracks are installed.
  - Removing existing door will take approximately 1–3 hours.
  - Typical installation time is 9–12 hours.

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# ITEMS TO CONSIDER

- **TRACK AND HARDWARE:** Express warranties apply only to doors installed using original, factory-supplied sections, parts and hardware and in strict adherence with these instructions.

### **WARNING**

*Never reuse old track or hardware when installing a new door as it may cause installation problems or door to fall which could result in serious injury or property damage.*

- **AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENER:** Installation of a reinforced mounting point is required to avoid damage (Step 4-4).

- **DRILLING:** Take care not to drill through the outside steel skin unless otherwise instructed.
- **LOW HEADROOM:** Special instructions and additional hardware may be required. Before beginning, verify the headroom and options for door matching your scenario (Appendix A).
- **PAINTING THE DOOR:** If you plan to paint the door be sure to follow directions in Appendix D. We recommend painting the door and allowing it to dry completely before beginning the install.
- **HIGH WIND AREAS:** Doors installed in high windload regions may require additional reinforcement. Refer to Supplemental Instructions for details if applicable.

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION



## WARNING

**TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM INJURY, YOU MUST CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING SAFETY INFORMATION AND WARNINGS BEFORE YOU INSTALL OR USE YOUR NEW GARAGE DOOR!**

### BEFORE INSTALLING YOUR DOOR

- You can install your new garage door yourself if:
  - a) you have help (it may weigh up to 150 lbs.)
  - b) you have the right tools and reasonable mechanical aptitude or experience
  - c) you follow these instructions very carefully
- Garage doors use springs to balance them. There are two types of springs – extension or torsion. Each of these is available in either a standard or EZ-SET® assembly option. Please look at the drawings in Appendix B.1–B.3 to see which springs your old door has. If your door has a different type of spring, consult the original manufacturer's instructions for removal.
- If your old door uses torsion springs, do not attempt to remove the door or the springs yourself. Have a qualified door repair service remove them. Attempting to remove a torsion spring assembly without proper training or tools may result in an uncontrolled release of spring force which can cause serious or fatal injury (Appendix B.1–B.3).
- In removing a garage door that has extension springs, follow the instructions carefully (Appendix B.2), including the use of C-clamps or locking pliers on both sides of the door in order to keep the door from moving once the springs are removed.
- Springs, cables and bottom fixtures are under strong spring tension. Do not attempt to loosen any fasteners on these components. You could suddenly release spring forces and risk severe injury.
- Doors equipped with automatic garage door openers can cause serious injury or death if not properly adjusted and operated. To ensure safety of these doors:
  - a) test the sensitivity of the garage door opener's safety reverse mechanism monthly
  - b) if your door has a pull-down rope, you must remove it
  - c) make sure the door remains unlocked
  - d) ensure door is properly reinforced
  - e) do not allow children to play with the controls
- DO NOT attempt to install the door during windy weather conditions. The door sections may be blown down causing serious injury or property damage.
- Manufacturer disclaims all liability for any installation that is not in compliance with these installation instructions or applicable state or county building codes.

### WHILE INSTALLING YOUR DOOR

- Use only the track specified and supplied with the door.
- Bolts must be installed at the rear end of horizontal tracks. These act to stop the rollers and keep the door from rolling off the back of the track.
- Track installations must use sway braces on the rear track hangers to prevent sideways movement. If the tracks are not firmly stabilized they might spread, allowing the door to fall and cause severe injury and damage.
- Do not attach any brackets directly to drywall or sheet rock. All track brackets, flag brackets and spring brackets should only be attached directly to 2" × 6" wood jambs. Otherwise, brackets could pull out of the drywall with dangerous force.

### AFTER INSTALLING YOUR DOOR

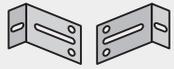
- The brackets at the bottom corners of your garage door are under great tension. Do not attempt to loosen any bracket fasteners except when and as directed in detail in the following instructions. Otherwise, the bracket could spring out with dangerous force.
- Do not permit children to play beneath or with any garage door or electronic operating controls.
- Keep hands and fingers clear of section joints, track and other door parts when the door is opening and closing to avoid injury. In particular, do not place fingers in section joints in order to close the door, as finger pinch, crush or amputation will result. The lift handles are located for safe operation as well as easy use.
- If the garage door and/or any of the supporting track are damaged, operating the door could be hazardous. Contact Ideal Door Customer Service.
- If repairs are ever required to your door, safety and trouble-free operation can be best assured by using original replacement parts.
- Once you have completed the installation of your new garage door, please be sure that your garage complies with all applicable ventilation requirements before you enclose any vehicles in the garage. Good ventilation avoids fire and health hazards caused by fumes accumulating within a well-sealed garage.
- Only approved residential garage door openers are permitted to be used in residential applications. A residential application is a building for four families or less, or a garage that is serving the primary residence.
- Install operator control panel away from garage door track and the door itself. Keep body parts away from track at all times when operating an opener or opening/closing a garage door.



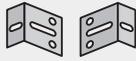
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# DOOR PARTS, MATERIALS & TOOLS LIST\*

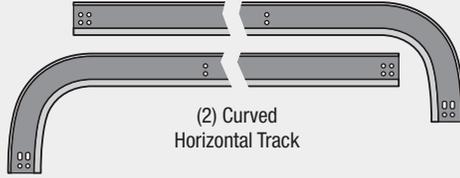
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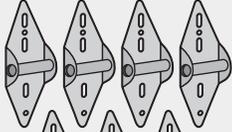
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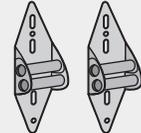
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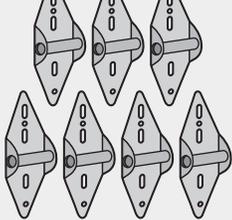
(2) Curved Horizontal Track



(11) #1 Hinges



(2) #2 Hinges



(2) #3 Hinges



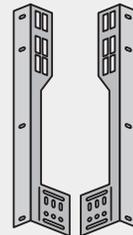
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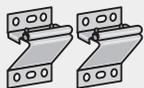
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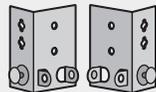
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(2) Flag Brackets



(2) Top Brackets



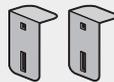
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(2) Horizontal Angles



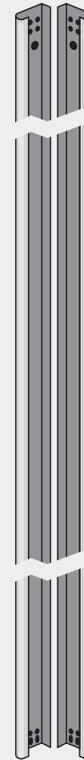
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(2) Inside Step Plates



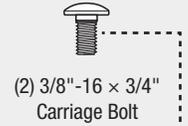
(1) Strut



(2) Vertical Tracks



(70) #14 x 5/8" Hex Head Sheet Metal Screws



(2) 3/8" -16 x 3/4" Carriage Bolt



(10) #14 x 3/4" TEK Screws



(2) 3/8" Flange Nuts



(22) 1/4" -20 x 9/16" Track Bolts



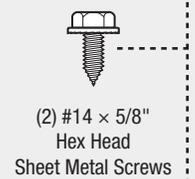
(22) 1/4" -20 Flange Nuts



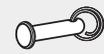
(10) 5/16" x 1-5/8" Lag Screws



Opener Reinforcement Bracket



(2) #14 x 5/8" Hex Head Sheet Metal Screws



Clevis Pin with Cotter Ring

## MATERIALS NEEDED (NOT INCLUDED)

### GENERAL

- (1) Can of Ideal Door® Garage Door Pro Lube (SKU 431-1420)
- (24) 10d 3" common nails
- Stop molding
- Wood shims
- Wood block
- Rope

### REAR TRACK HANGER SPECIFIC

- (1) Rear Track Hanger Kit (SKU 425-1088)  
or
- 1-1/4" x 1-1/4" minimum 13 ga. (3/32") minimum thickness punched angle for rear track hangers (Step 7-4)
- (10) 3/8" x 1" bolts and nuts for rear track hangers
- (6) 5/16" x 1-1/2" lag screws for rear track hangers

## TOOLS NEEDED (NOT INCLUDED)

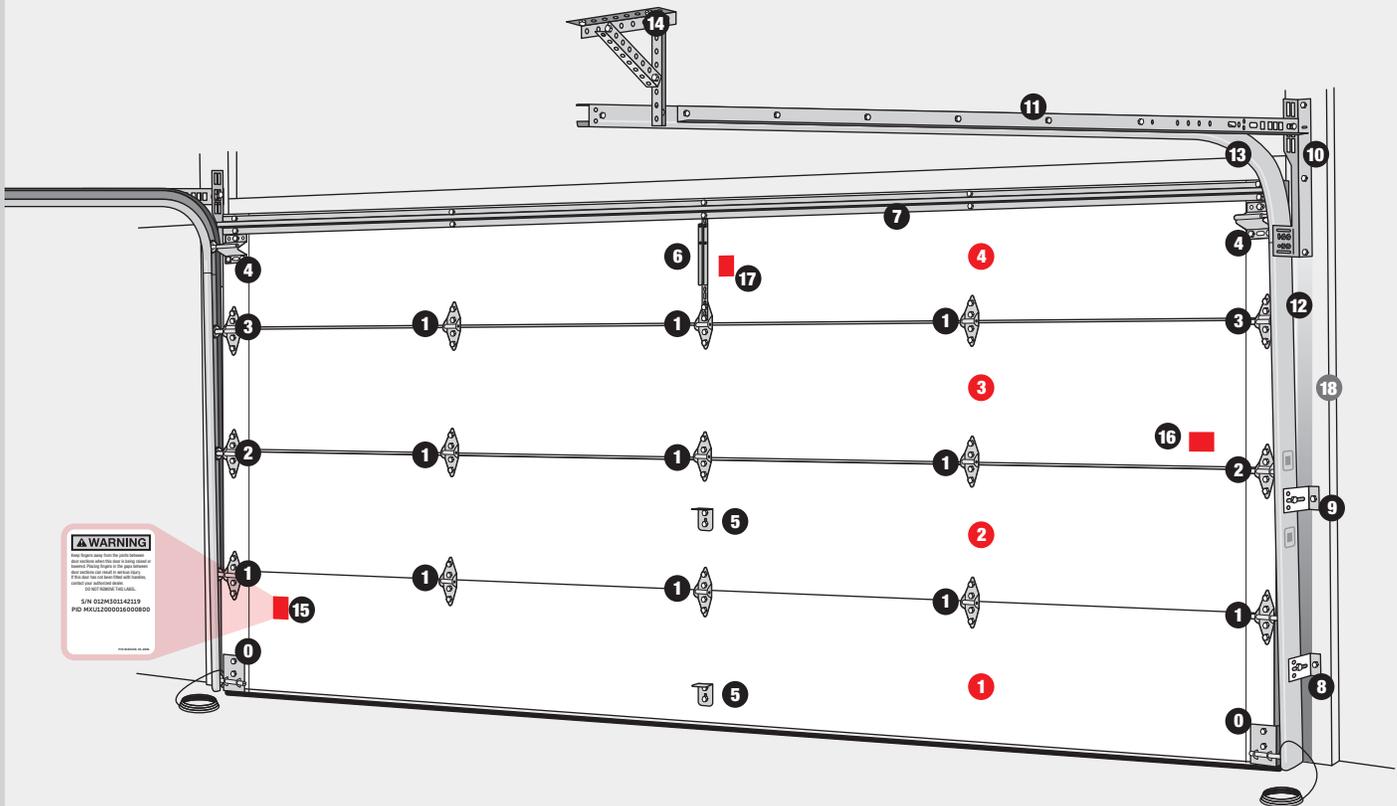
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Goggles             | <input type="checkbox"/> Level  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sawhorses (with non-abrasive carpet or other soft material on top surface) or other supports for placing section on while assembling | <input type="checkbox"/> Additional tools may be required for spring installation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> C-clamps or Locking Pliers | <input type="checkbox"/> 7/16" and 9/16" Box Wrenches   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hacksaw  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill, 1/4", 3/16", 3/8" and 1/2" Drill Bits, 7/16" and 9/16" Drive Bits |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flathead Screwdriver       |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Measuring Tape             |   |   |   |

\* See page 19 for additional spring parts, materials and tools.

\*\* See supplemental for additional parts and materials required for Model MDP38 16' x 8'.

# FINAL DOOR ASSEMBLY

Drawing below is a generalized interior view of the door. Some models may vary.



All instructions are described from inside looking out.

**NOTE:** The above illustration represents a composite of a final door assembly. Spring and opener assembly not shown. This illustration is intended for parts identification and reference only.

## ASSEMBLY COMPONENTS

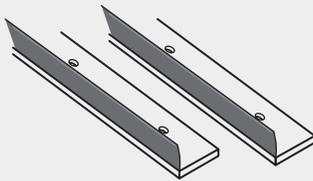
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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 First (Bottom) Door Section  | 0 Bottom Bracket               | 7 Strut                     | 14 Rear Track Hanger (not included) |
| 2 Second (Middle) Door Section | 1 #1 Hinge                     | 8 Short Track Bracket       | 15 Serial Number Label              |
| 3 Third (Middle) Door Section  | 2 #2 Hinge                     | 9 Long Track Bracket        | 16 General Warning Label            |
| 4 Fourth (Top) Door Section    | 3 #3 Hinge                     | 10 Flag Bracket             | 17 Opener Label                     |
|                                | 4 Top Bracket                  | 11 Horizontal Angle Bracket | 18 Door Jamb (pre-existing 2" x 6") |
|                                | 5 Step Plate                   | 12 Vertical Track           |                                     |
|                                | 6 Opener Reinforcement Bracket | 13 Curved Horizontal Track  |                                     |

**NOTE:** If labels are obstructed or missing, contact Ideal Door Customer Service for replacement.

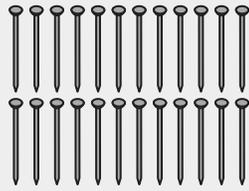
\* See supplemental for full door assembly for Model MDP38 16' x 8'.

# 1 PREPARE THE OPENING

## MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



Optional Stop Molding and Finish Nails

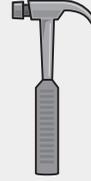


(24) 10d 3" Common Nails

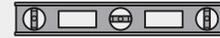
## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



Safety Glasses



Hammer



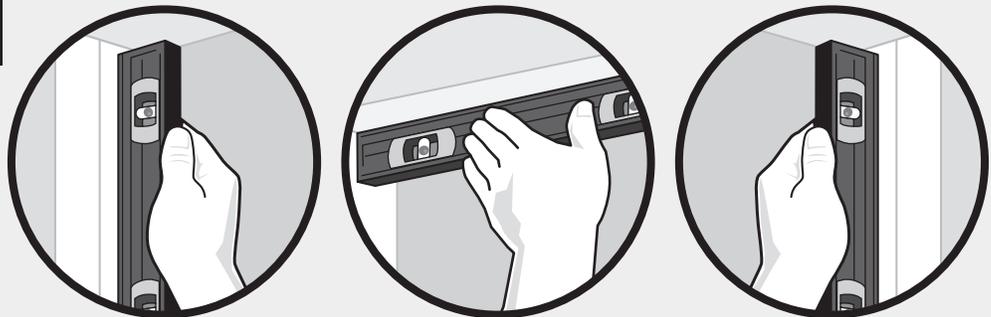
Level

### Step 1-1 Framing

**NOTE:** Rough opening (framed opening without stop molding) = door size.

- If an old door was removed, inspect jambs for rotted or damaged wood and replace immediately if found.
- Inside of door opening should be framed with 2" x 6" lumber.
- Vertical jamb should extend past opening to match headroom required (Appendix A).
- Jambs should be plumb and header should be level (Fig. 1-A).
- Be sure bolts fastening jambs to wall are flush.

Fig. 1-A

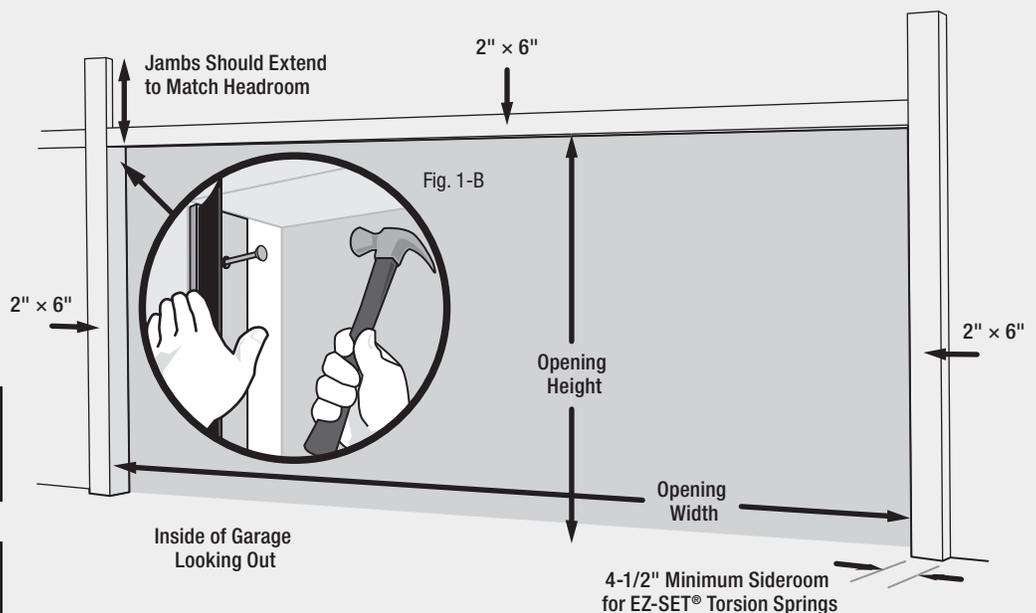


### Step 1-2 Stop Molding

- Door stop molding should be temporarily but securely nailed to edges of jambs and flush with inside framing (Fig. 1-B).

**NOTE:** Stop molding with built-in weatherseal is offered as an option.

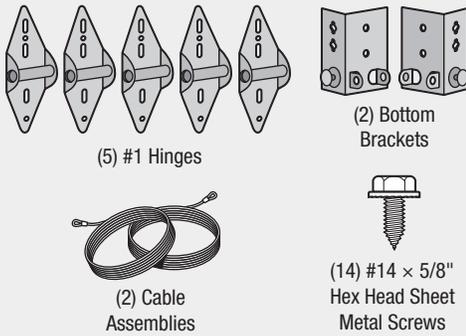
**NOTE:** Refer to Appendix B through C for detailed instructions on old door teardown and door opening preparation.



# 2

# PREPARE & PLACE FIRST (BOTTOM) SECTION

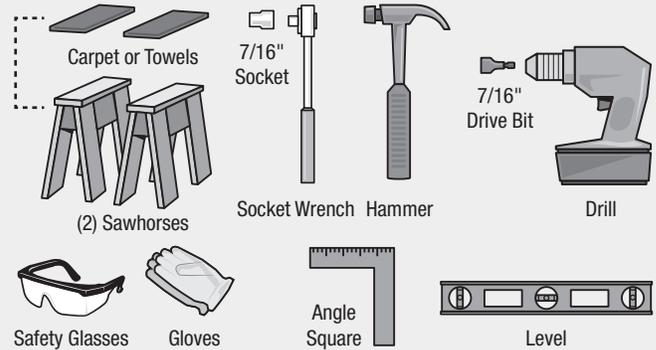
## PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



## MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP

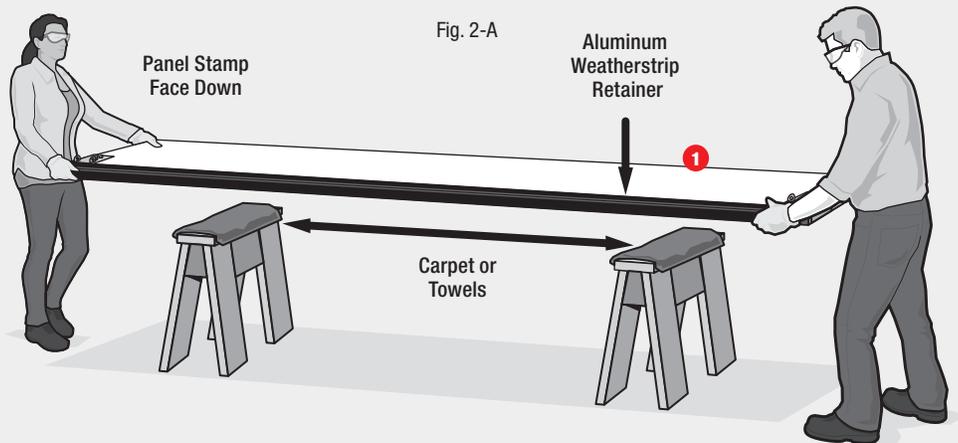


## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### Step 2-1 Locate Bottom Section

- Find section with aluminum weatherstrip retainer fastened to one edge. Retainer is on bottom edge of bottom section.
- Cover sawhorses with non-abrasive carpet or cloth so as not to scratch section.
- Place door section on sawhorses face down (Fig. 2-A).

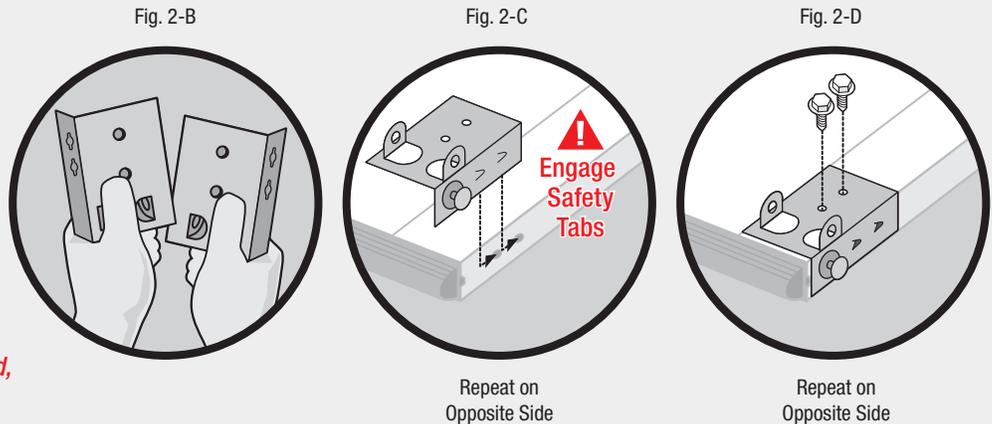


### Step 2-2 Prep Bottom Brackets

- By hand, bend to break apart bottom brackets (Fig. 2-B). Remove connecting tabs.

### Step 2-3 Attach Bottom Brackets

- Slide bottom brackets up to fully engage safety tabs into slots on stile (Fig. 2-C).
- Using (2) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws, attach bottom brackets to bottom corners of door section (Fig. 2-D).



## WARNING

Failure to properly engage safety tabs on bottom bracket into slots on edge of door may cause sections to fall or spring to break free when spring tension is applied, which can result in severe injury.

# 2

## PREPARE & PLACE FIRST (BOTTOM) SECTION

### Step 2-4 Add Hinges

- Hinges are pre-stamped with numbers 1, 2 and 3.
- Attach (3) #1 hinges to each pair of pre-punched holes along top edge of section using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge (Fig. 2-E).

**NOTE:** Doors installed in high windload regions may require additional reinforcement beyond what is detailed in these instructions. Please refer to supplemental windload instructions if required in your area.

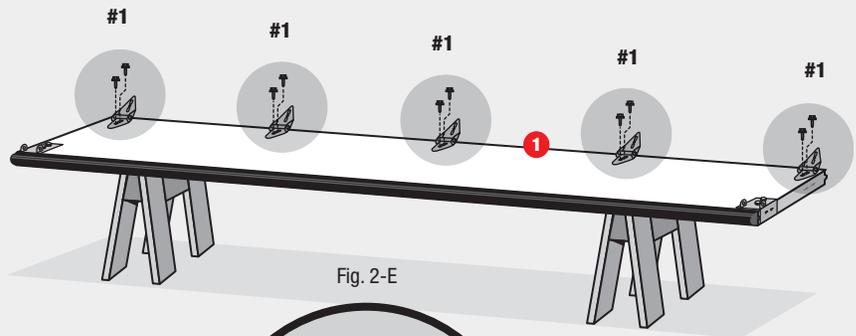
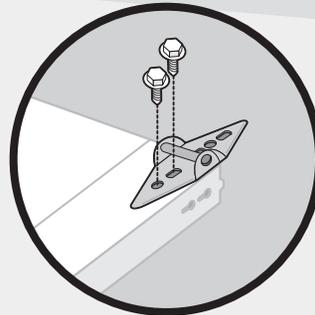


Fig. 2-E



Repeat on all Middle Locations and on Opposite Side

### Step 2-5 Place and Secure First Section

- Place bottom section in opening against stop molding, center side-to-side.
- Place a level on section. Use a wood shim under one end (if necessary) to make section level (Fig. 2-F).

**IMPORTANT:** Step 2-5 is the most important step to ensure your door is level.

- Once section is level, remove level and drive a 10d 3" common nail at an angle into jambs at each end over section to hold it in place (Fig. 2-G).

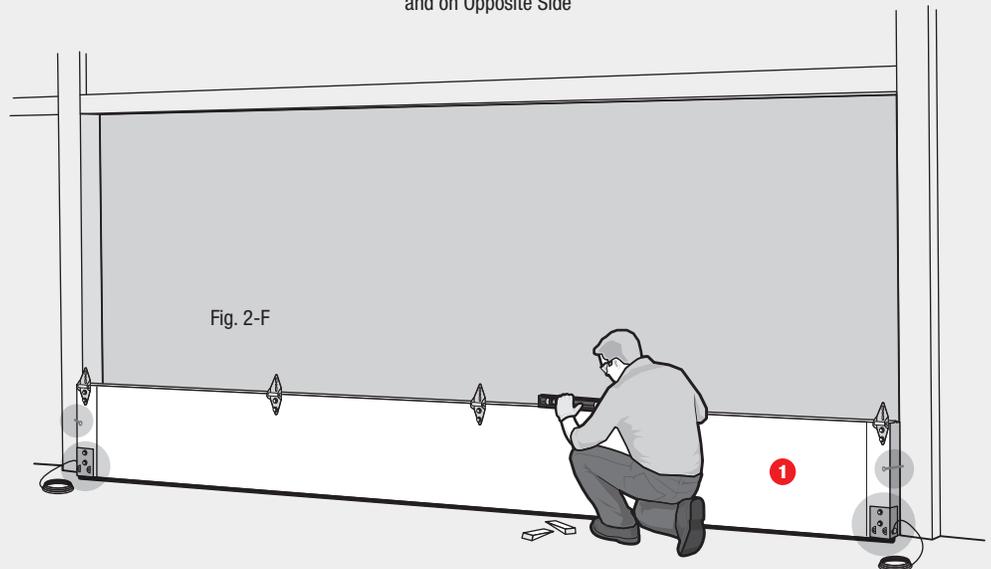


Fig. 2-F

### Step 2-6 Attach Lift Cables

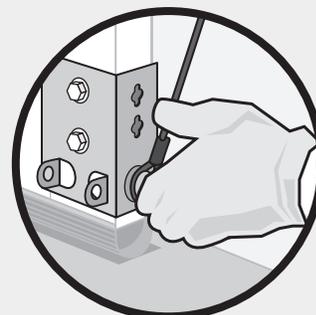
- Hook looped ends of steel lift cable over buttons on bottom brackets (Fig. 2-H).
- Coil remaining cable and place on floor for later assembly.

Fig. 2-G



Repeat on Opposite Side

Fig. 2-H

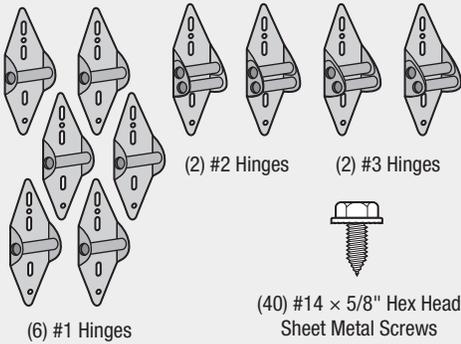


Repeat on Opposite Side

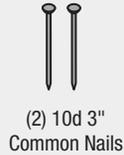
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## PREPARE & PLACE SECOND (MIDDLE) SECTION

### PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP

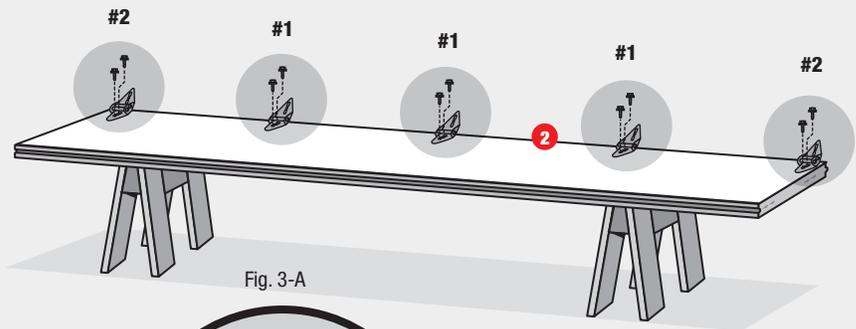


### TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



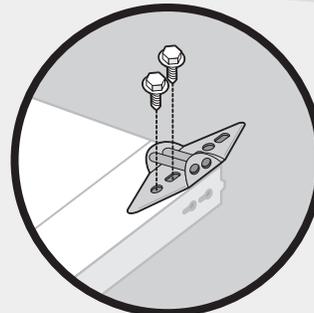
#### Step 3-1 Prep Second Section

- Place section face down on covered sawhorses.
- Attach a #2 hinge to left and right outer top edges using (2) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge. Attach (3) #1 hinges to each pair of pre-punched holes along top edge of section using (2) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge (Fig. 3-A).



#### Step 3-2 Place and Secure Second Section

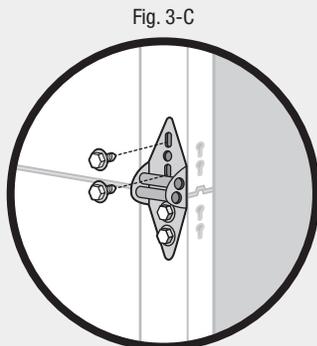
- Nest section on top of previously placed section and drive a 10d 3" common nail at an angle into jambs at each end over the section to hold it in place (Fig. 3-B).
- Attach all five hinges from top of previous section to bottom of section being placed using (2) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge (Fig. 3-C).



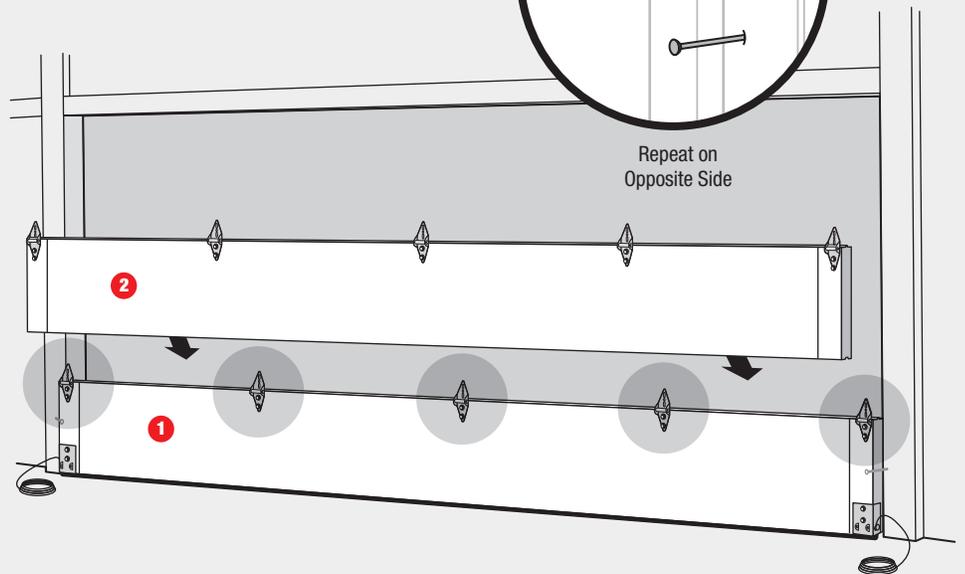
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Repeat on Opposite Side



Repeat on all Middle Locations and on Opposite Side



# 3

## PREPARE & PLACE THIRD (MIDDLE) SECTION

### Step 3-3 Prep Third Section

**NOTE:** Some doors may come with a window section. If your door has a window section, it will be marked "Glass". There is no difference in installation of a glass section. Glass sections can be installed in the top section or third section position.

- Place section face down on covered sawhorses.
- Attach a #3 hinge to left and right outer top edges using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge. Attach (3) #1 hinges to each pair of pre-punched holes along top edge of section using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge (Fig. 3-H).

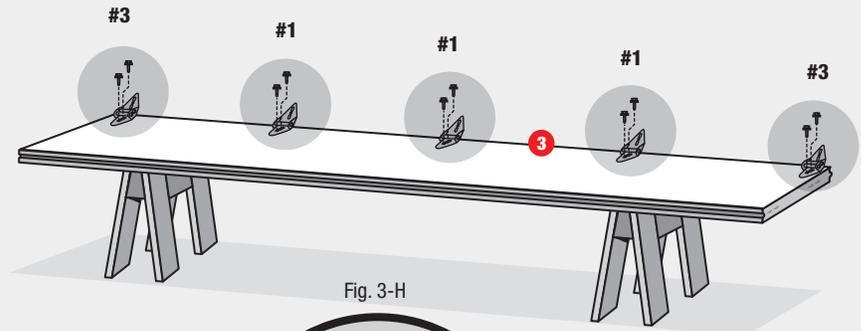
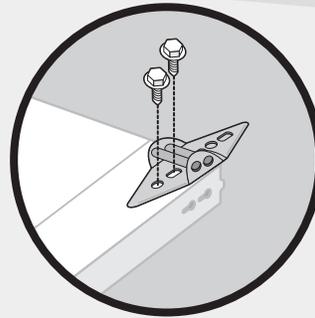


Fig. 3-H



Repeat on all Middle Locations and on Opposite Side

### Step 3-4 Place and Secure Third Section

- Nest section on top of previously placed section and drive a 10d 3" common nail at an angle into jambs at each end over the section to hold it in place (Fig. 3-I).
- Attach all five hinges from top of previous section to bottom of section being placed using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws for each hinge (Fig. 3-J).

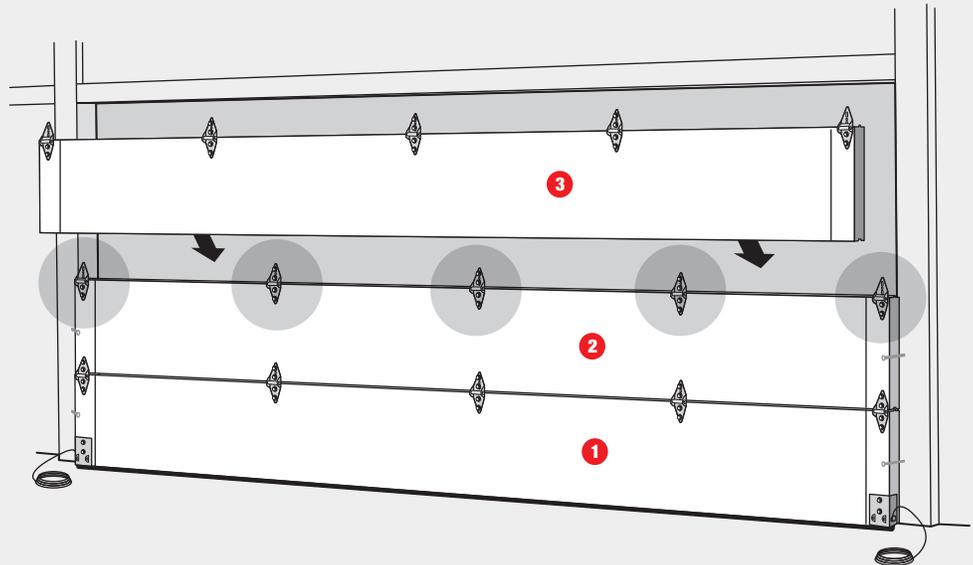
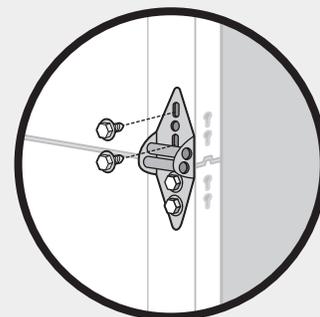


Fig. 3-I



Repeat on Opposite Side

Fig. 3-J

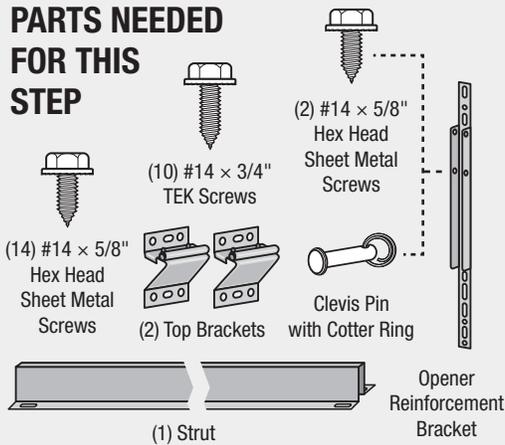


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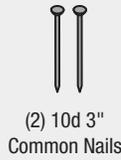
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# PREPARE & PLACE FOURTH (TOP) SECTION

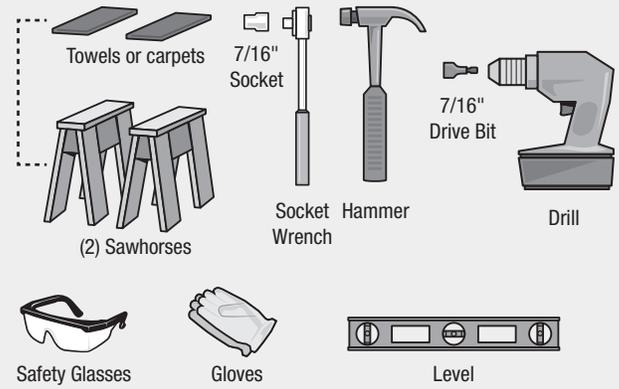
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## MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP

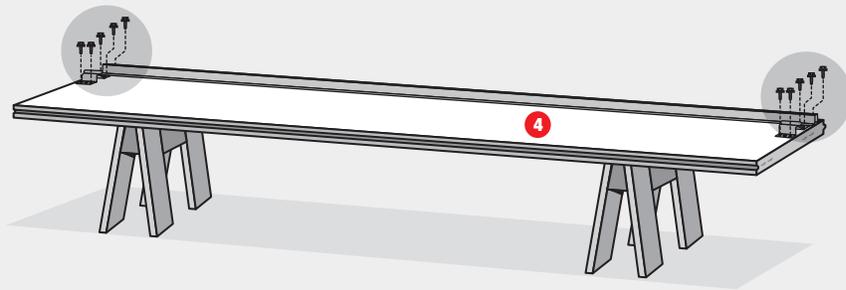


## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



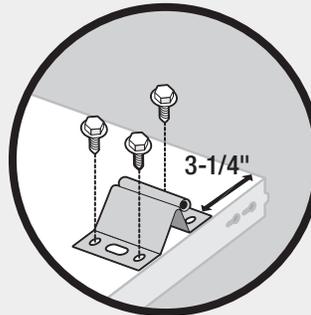
### Step 4-1 Attach Top Brackets

**NOTE:** Some doors may come with a window section. If your door has a window section, it will be marked "Glass". There is no difference in installation of a glass section. Glass sections can be installed in the top section or third section position.



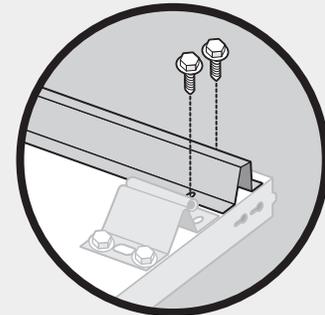
- Place last section face down on covered sawhorses.
- Place top roller bracket 3-1/4" from top of section, aligning middle hole in top of bracket with bottom hinge hole/indentation (Fig. 4-A).
- Attach top bracket using (3) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws. Bottom part of bracket goes into two smaller holes/indentation (Fig. 4-A).

Fig. 4-A



Repeat on Opposite Side

Fig. 4-B



Repeat on Opposite Side

### Step 4-2 Place Strut

- Place strut along top of the door section.
- Using a drill or impact wrench with a 7/16" socket, drive (2) #14 x 3/4" TEK screws through strut and into door at each end hinge location. Do not attach strut at center hinge location at this time (Fig. 4-B).

## CAUTION

Take care not to bend or twist sections with glass as this may cause glass to break, which may result in personal injury.

## WARNING

DO NOT install top section unless you are able to immediately continue through to Step 5 installing vertical track as this may cause sections to fall.

DO NOT install top section if there are high wind conditions as this may cause sections to fall. Failure to follow these warnings could result in serious injury, death or property damage.

# 4

## PREPARE & PLACE FOURTH (TOP) SECTION

### Step 4-3 Place and Secure Top Section

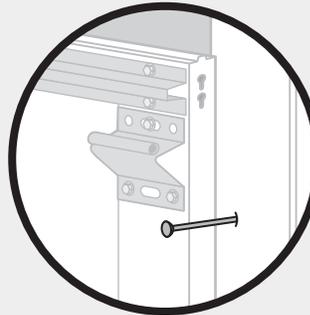
- Nest top section on the other door section and drive a 10d 3" common nail at an angle into the jambs at each end over section to hold it in place (Fig. 4-C).
- Attach hinges on each edge from top of previous section to bottom of this section using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws (Fig. 4-D).

**IMPORTANT:** Do not attach center hinge at this time.

### Step 4-4 Attach Opener Bracket

- Slide opener bracket under the middle of the strut and place it directly over the center hinge (Fig. 4-E).
- Begin attaching the opener bracket by using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws at the hinge location (Fig. 4-F).
- Next place (2) #14 × 3/4" TEK screws into the center of the strut and through the top of the opener bracket (Fig. 4-G).
- Finally place (4) #14 × 3/4" TEK screws into the two additional center hinge locations to secure the strut in place. (Fig. 4-H).

Fig. 4-C



Repeat on Opposite Side

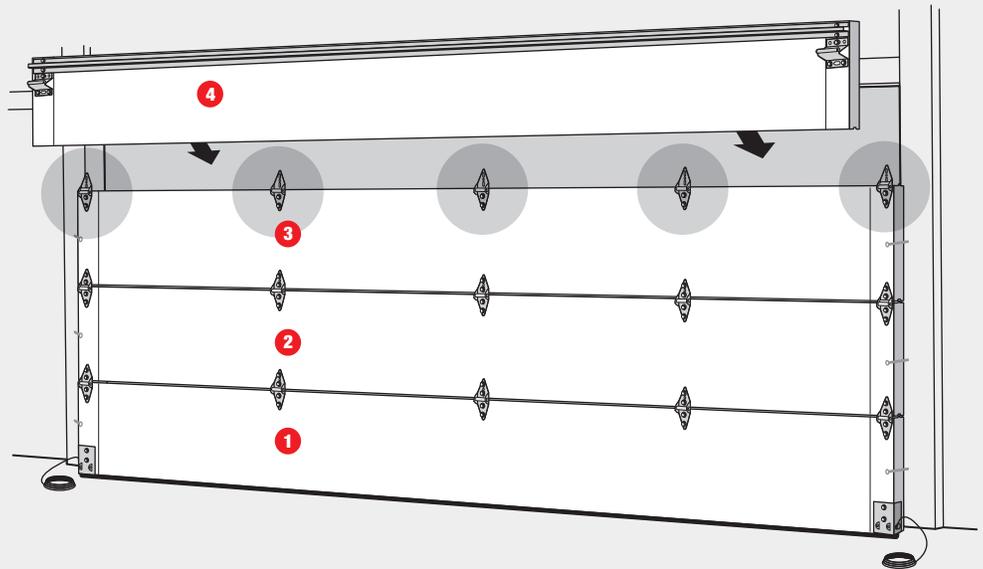


Fig. 4-G

Fig. 4-F

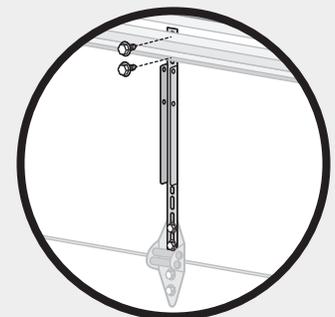
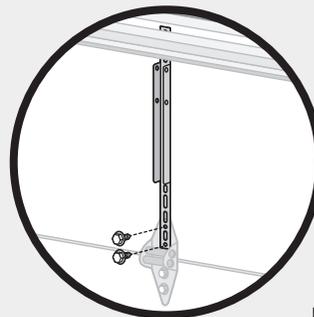


Fig. 4-H

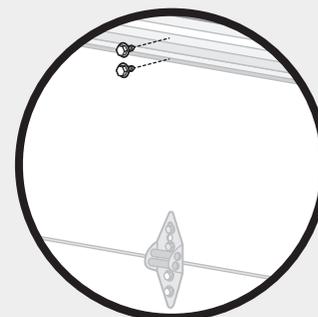


Fig. 4-E

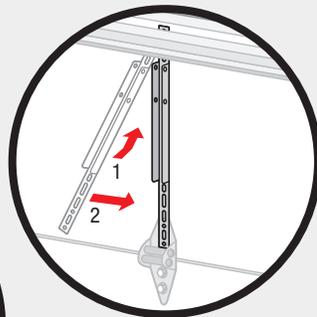
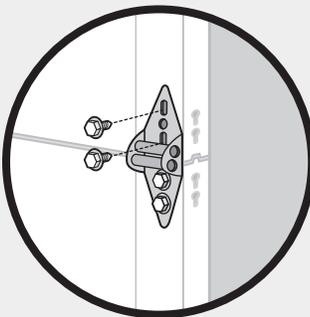


Fig. 4-D



Repeat in Middle and on Opposite Side

# 5

## ASSEMBLE ROLLERS

### PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



(10) Rollers

### TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



Safety Glasses



Gloves

#### Step 5-1 Place Rollers

- Place a roller in each top and bottom bracket, and in tubes of hinges at each edge of door (Fig. 5-A).

**NOTE:** In hinges with two tubes, place roller in tube farthest from the face of door.

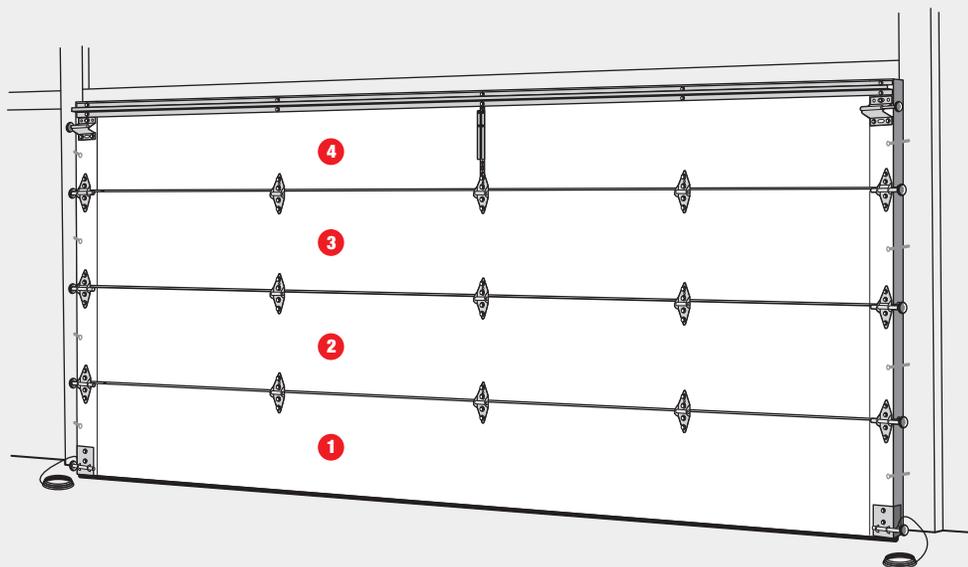
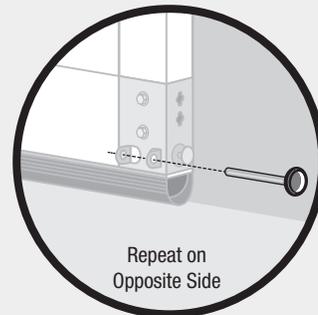
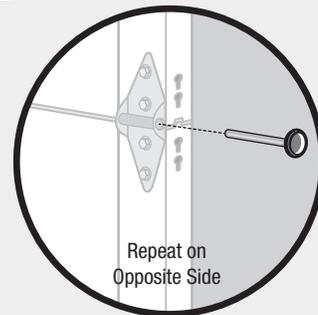
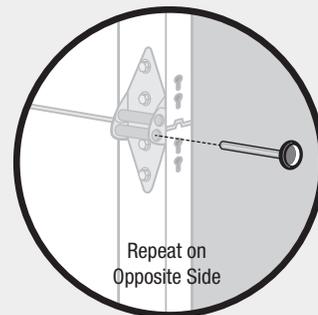
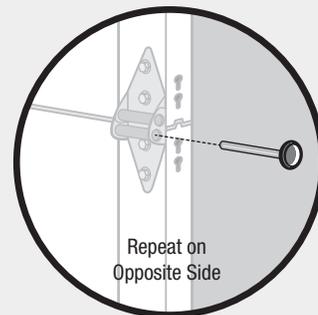
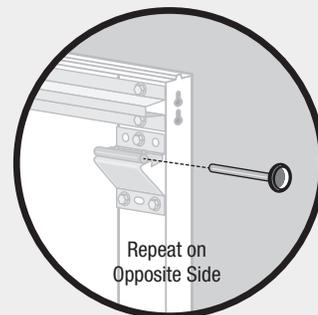


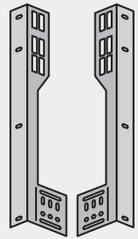
Fig. 5-A



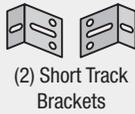
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# ASSEMBLE VERTICAL TRACK

## PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



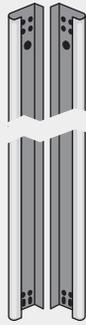
(2) Flag Brackets



(2) Short Track Brackets



(2) Long Track Brackets



(2) Vertical Tracks



(8) 1/4"-20 × 9/16" Track Bolts



(8) 1/4"-20 Flange Nuts



(10) 5/16" × 1-5/8" Lag Screws

## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



Gloves



Safety Glasses



7/16" Socket

Socket Wrench



Flathead Screwdriver



3/16" Drill Bit



7/16" Drive Bit



Drill

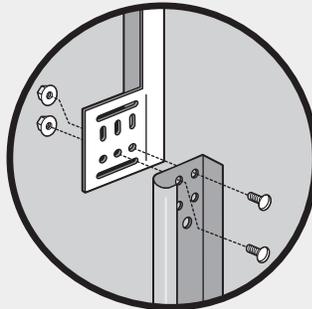
## ⚠ WARNING

*Failure to use the track provided with new door may cause installation problems or the door to fall which could result in serious injury or property damage.*

### Step 6-1 Prep Each Track - Add Flag Brackets

- Align top two holes on each track with two inner holes on bottom of flag brackets and loosely attach using (2) 1/4"-20 × 9/16" track bolts and 1/4" flange nuts. The head of the bolts should face the inside of the track (Fig. 6-A).

Fig. 6-A

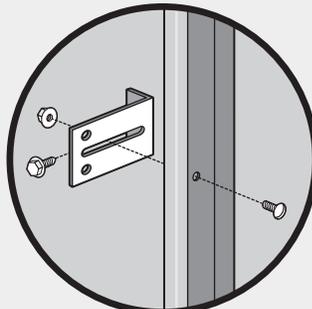


Repeat on Opposite Side

### Step 6-2 Prep Each Track - Add Track Brackets

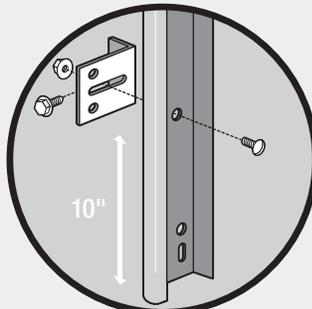
- Using the horizontal slot in each track bracket, loosely fasten each track bracket to each vertical track using (1) 1/4"-20 × 9/16" track bolt and 1/4" flange nut with head of bolt facing to the inside of each track.
- The next larger sized pair of brackets should be installed centered on each track in between knockouts (Fig. 6-B).
- The shortest pair of track brackets should be installed 10" from bottom of each track with flange facing the flat side of the track (Fig. 6-C).
- Open side of track faces inward toward door opening.

Fig. 6-B

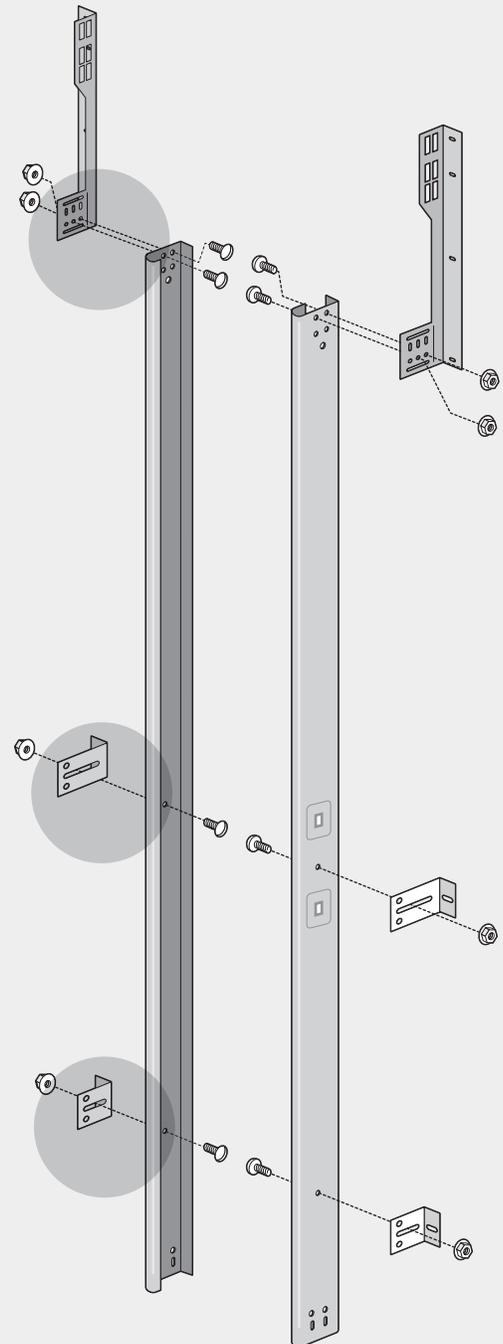


Repeat on Opposite Side

Fig. 6-C



Repeat on Opposite Side



**NOTE:** If additional adjustment is required, horizontal slots in flag brackets can be used for attachment to vertical track.

# 6

## ASSEMBLE VERTICAL TRACK

### Step 6-3 Place Track into Position

**NOTE:** Complete steps shown in Figures 6-E through 6-J before starting the opposite side.

- Place track over rollers on door (Fig. 6-E).
- Move track close to door so that rollers are all the way into hinges, leaving about 1/2" between edge of door and track. Do not force track too tightly or door will bind (Fig. 6-F).
- Lift track 1/2" from floor and mark jamb for each lag screw (Fig. 6-G). Vertical track should not be raised beyond rollers on bottom section of door.

Fig. 6-E



Fig. 6-F

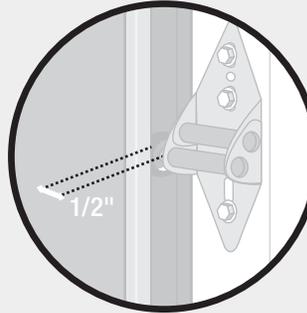


Fig. 6-G

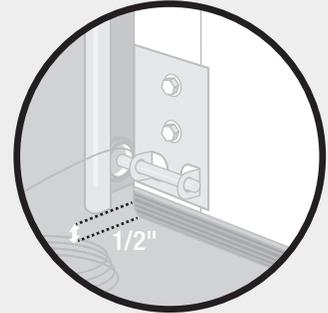


Fig. 6-H

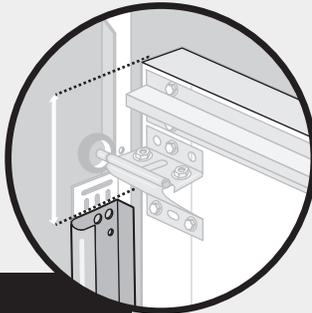


Fig. 6-I

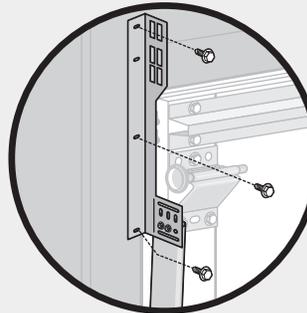
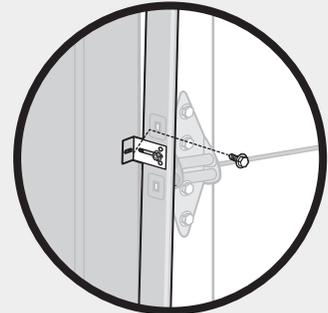
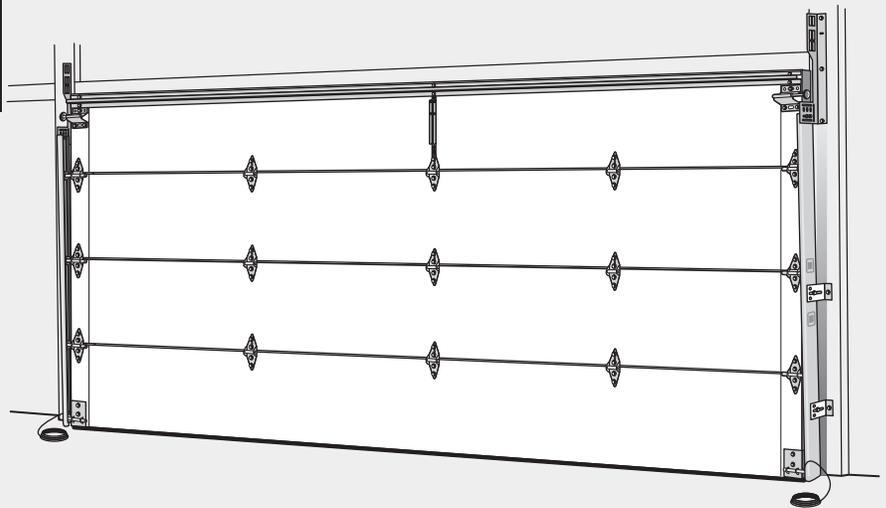


Fig. 6-J



**IMPORTANT:** Tops of vertical tracks must be level with each other. Check this by measuring from top of door section to top of track on both sides. If they are not equal, cut some material off bottom of one track (no more than 1") to lower it, or raise other track (Fig. 6-H).

- Drill 3/16" pilot holes at each lag screw location on jamb. Then fasten flag bracket into jamb using (3) 5/16" x 1-5/8" lag screws, one each in top, middle and bottom holes. Do this for both sides of door (Fig. 6-I).
- Now fasten track brackets to jamb using (1) 5/16" x 1-5/8" lag screw in each bracket. Do this for both sides of door (Fig. 6-J).
- When track brackets and flag brackets are securely fastened to jamb, tighten track bolts and flange nuts connecting flag brackets to tracks.



### **WARNING**

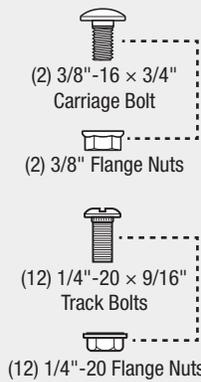
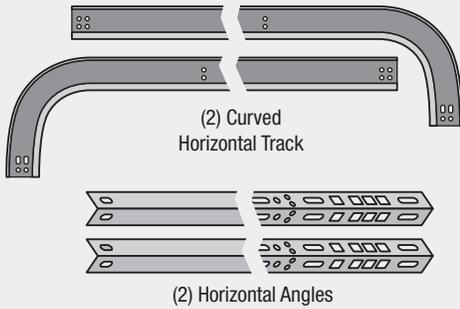
**DO NOT** attach any brackets directly to drywall. All track brackets and flag brackets should be attached directly onto wood door jamb. Failure to do so may cause track to detach from wall and fall which could result in property damage or serious injury.

**NOTE:** Pressure-treated lumber purchased after January 2004 is treated with chemicals that have highly corrosive effects on metal fasteners. The fasteners provided with your door are intended for use with standard lumber only. If you are installing your door into an opening framed with pressure-treated lumber, it is highly recommended that 5/16" x 1-5/8" lag screws with a minimum galvanization equivalent of G185 be purchased for this application.

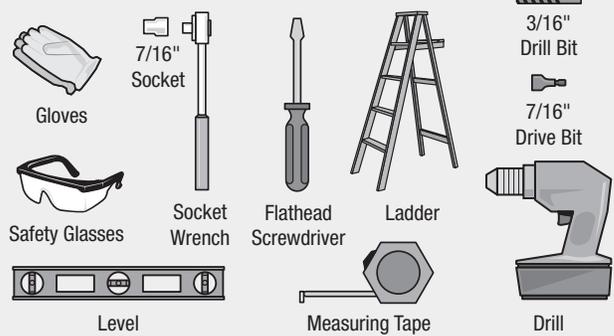
# 7

# ASSEMBLE HORIZONTAL TRACK

## PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



## MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP (not included)

(1) Rear Track Hanger Kit (SKU 425-1088)

OR

1-1/4" × 1-1/4" minimum 13 ga. (3/32") minimum thickness punched angle (Step 7-4)

(8) 3/8" × 1" bolts and nuts

(6) 5/16" × 1-1/2" lag screws

Rope

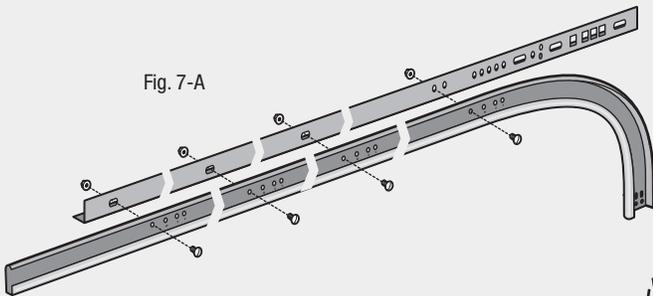
## ⚠ WARNING

*Failure to use the track provided with new door may cause installation problems or door to come off of tracks and fall which could result in serious injury or property damage.*

### Step 7-1 Fasten Horizontal Angle to Horizontal Track

- Fasten horizontal angle to horizontal (curved) track using (4) 1/4"-20 × 9/16" track bolts and 1/4" flange nuts with head of bolt facing the inside of each track (Fig. 7-A). Repeat this and following steps for both sides of door.

Fig. 7-A



### Step 7-2 Support Rear End of Track

- Temporarily support rear end of track with a rope attached to overhead trusses or rest the track on a tall ladder (Fig. 7-B).

### Step 7-3 Attach Horizontal Track Assembly to Flag Bracket

- Place curved end of horizontal track over roller in top bracket and align with vertical track.
- Attach horizontal track portion to flag bracket using (2) 1/4"-20 × 9/16" track bolts and 1/4" flange nuts with head of bolt facing the inside of each track (Fig. 7-C).

**NOTE:** Horizontal and vertical track must join together to form a continuous channel for rollers.

- Attach end of horizontal angle to top of flag bracket using a 3/8"-16 × 3/4" carriage bolt and a 3/8" hex nut. Bolt will be removed and replaced later during spring installation (Fig. 7-D).

Fig. 7-B



Fig. 7-C

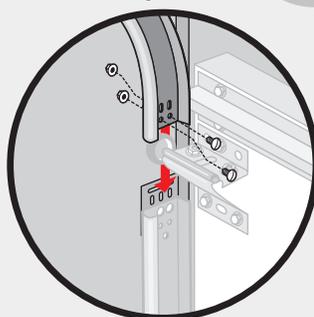
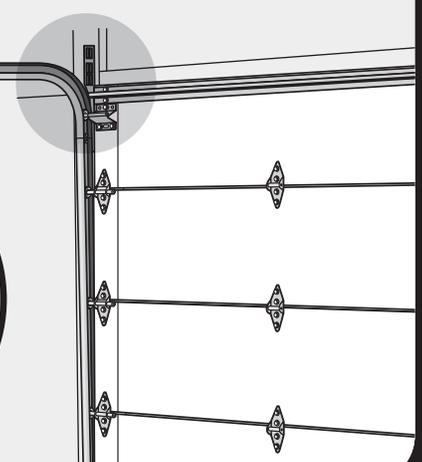
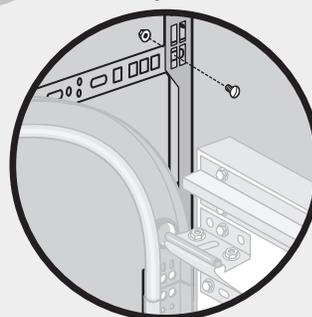


Fig. 7-D



# 7

## ASSEMBLE HORIZONTAL TRACK

### Step 7-4 Assemble Rear Track Hangers

**NOTE:** Rear track hangers are not provided with standard hardware. Use Rear Track Hanger Kit (SKU 425-1088), or make your own (Figures 7-E through 7-F). These are used to attach rear horizontal track to ceiling joist or support and must be strong enough to hold the full weight of door.

- Use 1-1/4" × 1-1/4" punched angle, at least 13 ga. or 3/32" steel to make two rear track hangers including sway braces. (Fig. 7-E).
- Assemble rear track hanger using (3) 3/8" × 1" bolts (Fig. 7-F).
- Attach rear track hanger assembly to horizontal track using a 3/8" × 1" bolt. Bolt should be inserted pointing to the inside of the horizontal track allowing the bolt to stop the door at the end of its travel and prevent it from exiting the track. Sway brace must be perpendicular to the track (Fig. 7-G).

### Step 7-5 Position and Secure Horizontal Track

- Position of horizontal track is critical for door to operate properly. Horizontal track should be level and square to the door.
- Squareness should be measured by comparing two diagonal distances: These distances should be within 1/2" of each other.
  - a) Distance from the top left-hand corner of the door to the rear of the opposite right-hand horizontal track.
  - b) Distance from the top right-hand corner of door to the opposite rear of the left-hand horizontal track (Fig. 7-H).

**NOTE:** To avoid inhibiting door travel, rear track hangers should not be mounted any farther in than 6" from the end of horizontal track.

- With track level and square with opening, track hangers can be fastened permanently to ceiling trusses or support. Drill 3/16" pilot holes before installing 5/16" × 1-1/2" lag screws.

### **⚠ WARNING**

To prevent door from falling and causing serious injury, be sure rear track hangers are properly secured. Sway braces must be used to prevent tracks from spreading and adequate length screws must be used to fasten hangers into trusses.

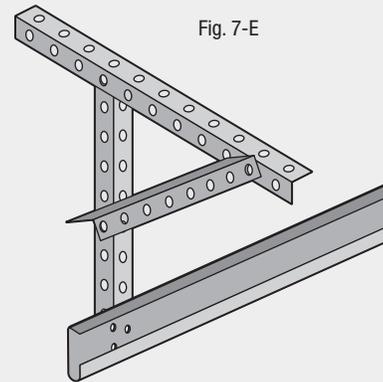


Fig. 7-E

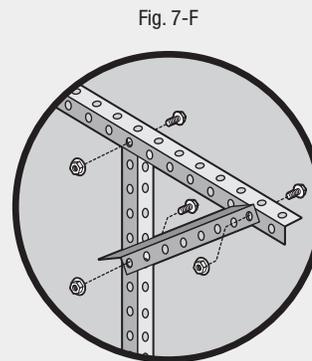


Fig. 7-F

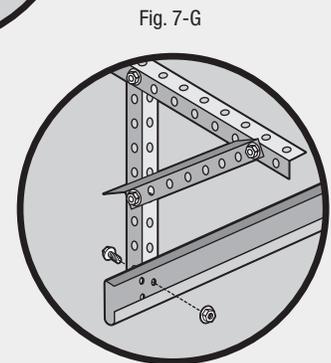
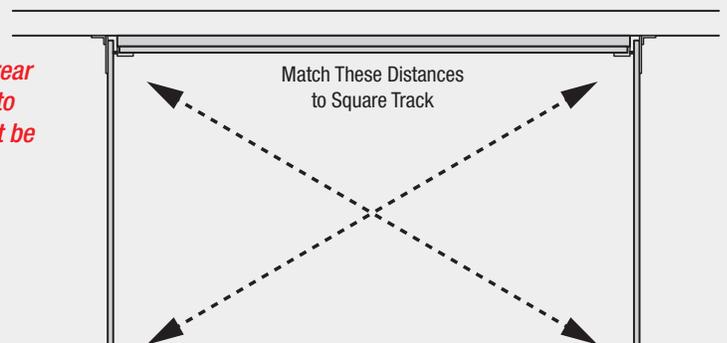


Fig. 7-G

Fig. 7-H



# 7

## ASSEMBLE HORIZONTAL TRACK

### Step 7-6 Adjust Top Roller Bracket

- With track installed, top door section can now be properly adjusted.
- If there is a gap between door and door jamb or stop molding, remove gap by loosening slide bolts on top roller bracket and push top of door toward stop molding or door jamb. While holding door against jamb, pull roller toward you so it is tight against groove in track and tighten slide bolts (Fig. 7-I).

**NOTE:** Take care not to press door too tightly against door jamb or stop molding. It is normal to have a gap of up to 1/2" between the door and the jamb.

- Remove all the 10d 3" common nails that were used to hold sections in place (Fig. 7-J).

### Step 7-7 Install Pull Rope

- Install the pull rope by attaching to roller shaft in bottom bracket of door (Fig. 7-K).

**NOTE:** Rope is intended only for use on manually operated doors.

Fig. 7-I

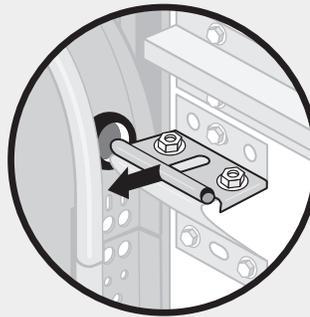


Fig. 7-J

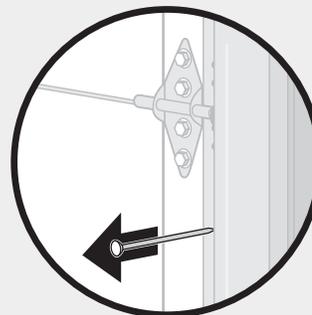
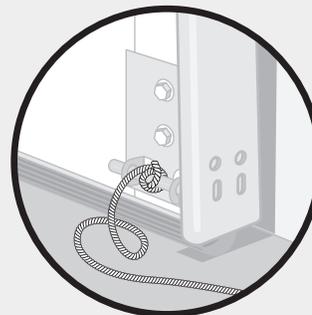
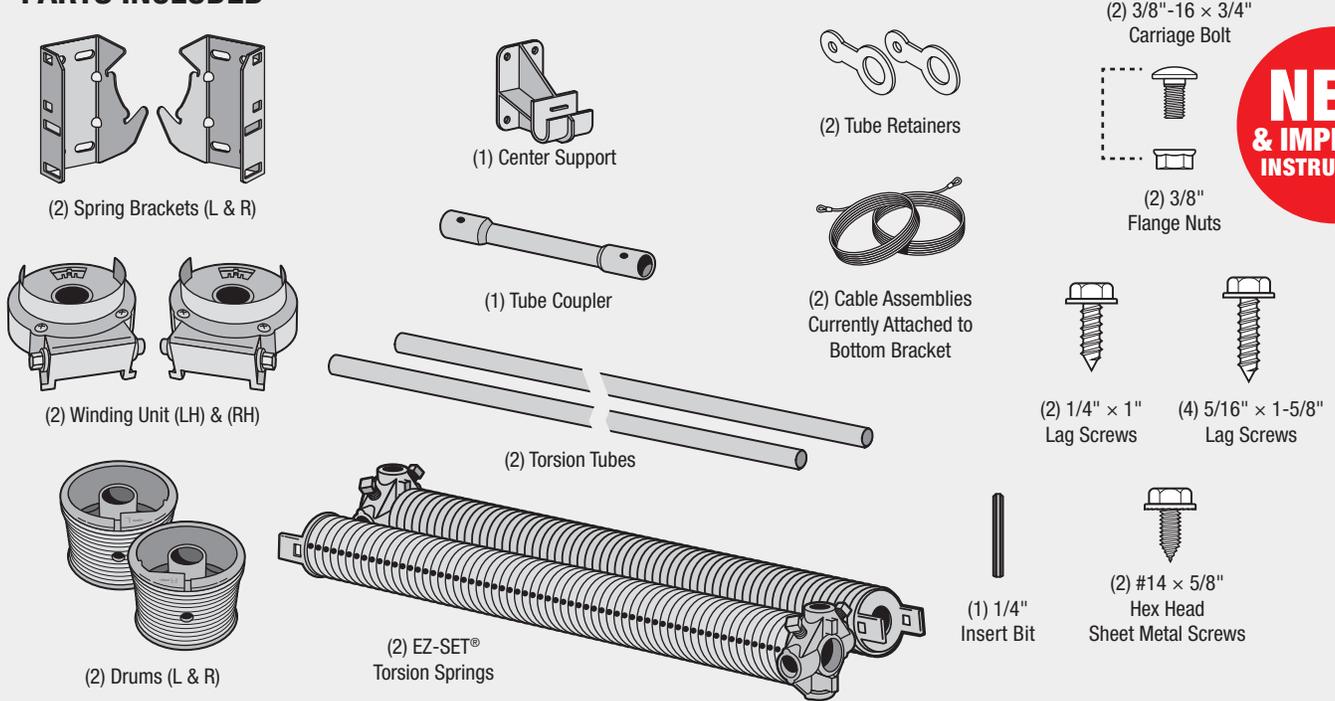


Fig. 7-K



# EZ-SET® TORSION SPRING PARTS & TOOL LIST

## PARTS INCLUDED



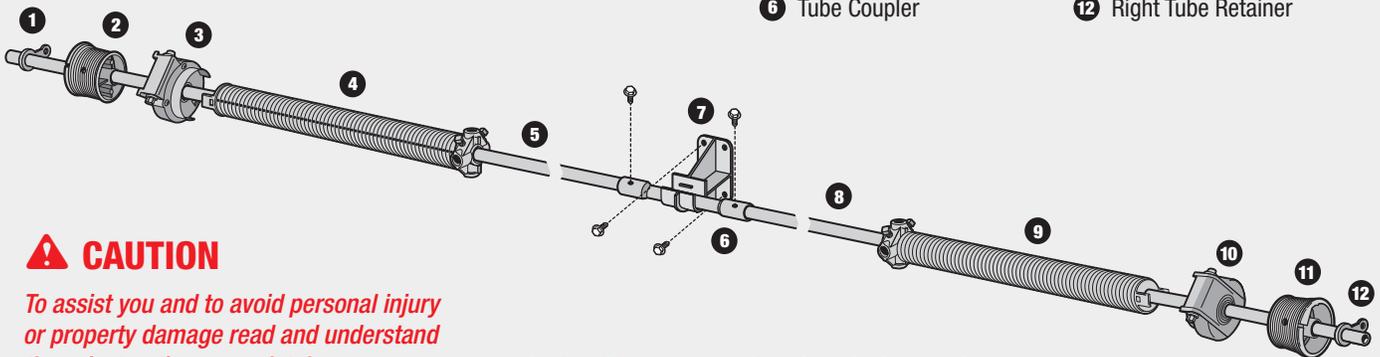
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## TOOLS NEEDED (not included)

- 3/8" Medium-duty Reversible Power Drill
- 3/8" and 9/16" Box Wrenches
- 3/16" Hex (Allen) Wrench
- 7/16" Socket and Socket Wrench
- 1/8" Drill Bit
- Locking Pliers (2 sets)
- Measuring Tape
- Pencil

## ASSEMBLY COMPONENTS

- 1 Left Tube Retainer
- 2 Left Drum
- 3 Winding Unit (LH)
- 4 EZ-SET® Torsion Spring (LH)
- 5 Left Torsion Tube
- 6 Tube Coupler
- 7 Center Brace
- 8 Right Torsion Tube
- 9 EZ-SET® Torsion Spring (RH)
- 10 Winding Unit (RH)
- 11 Right Drum
- 12 Right Tube Retainer



## CAUTION

To assist you and to avoid personal injury or property damage read and understand these instructions completely.

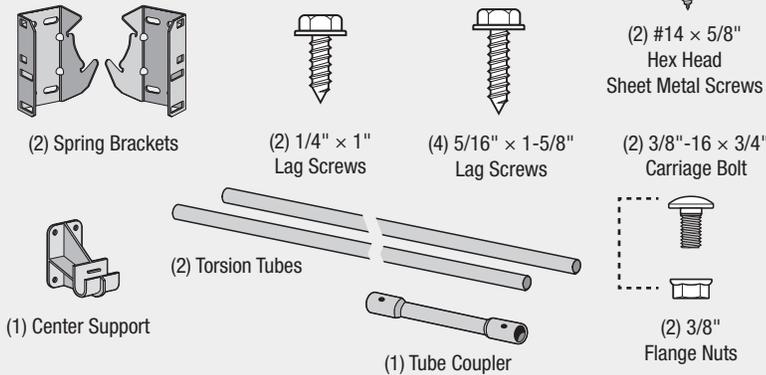
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MDP38 - W1	16' × 7'	425-4682	SPECIAL ORDER	YELLOW A RW .207 × 1.75 × 38 YELLOW A LW .207 × 1.75 × 38
MDP38U	16' × 7'	425-8336	SPECIAL ORDER	ORANGE A RW .192 × 1.75 × 32 ORANGE A LW .192 × 1.75 × 32

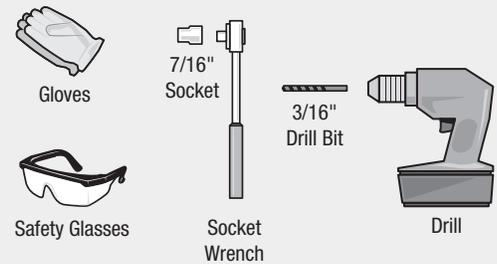
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# ASSEMBLE EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

## PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### **WARNING**

*Because of strong spring tension, it is critical that spring brackets are securely mounted against jamb and flag brackets to prevent spring from coming loose causing the door to fall. Failure to do so could result in serious injury or death.*

### Step 8-1 Attach Spring Bracket

- Attach left side (L) spring bracket to flag bracket and horizontal angle by removing and reattaching 3/8"-16 x 3/4" carriage bolt and 3/8" flange nut (Fig. 8-A). This bolt should be fastened in slot closest to jamb.

**NOTE:** When using double track low headroom refer to supplemental instruction manual for carriage bolt mounting locations.

- Pre-drill 3/16" pilot holes into jamb.
- Using the two slots closest to flag bracket, connect spring bracket to jambs using (2) 5/16" x 1-5/8" lag screws (Fig. 8-B). Be sure spring bracket is seated against jamb and flag bracket and carriage bolt(s) and lag screws are fastened securely.
- Repeat for right (R) side.

### Step 8-2 Assemble Torsion Tube

- Push each torsion tube section firmly into coupler.
- Drill 3/16" pilot hole into one side of torsion tube. Use pre-drilled coupler holes as guide (Fig. 8-C).
- Fasten with (2) #14 x 5/8" sheet metal screws (Fig. 8-C). Do not overtighten.

Fig. 8-A

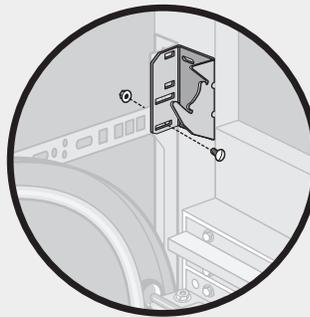


Fig. 8-B

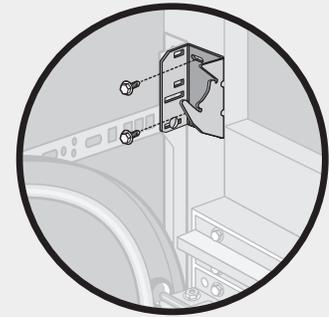


Fig. 8-C

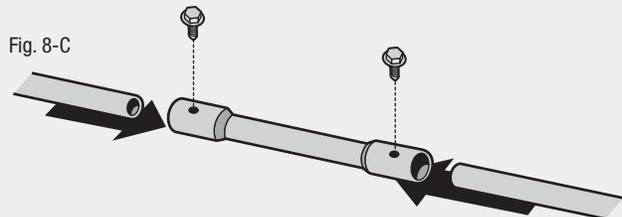
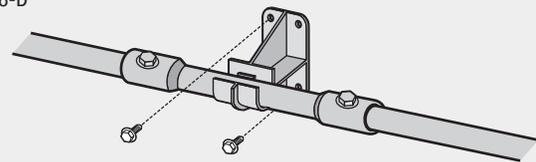


Fig. 8-D



### Step 8-3 Center Support

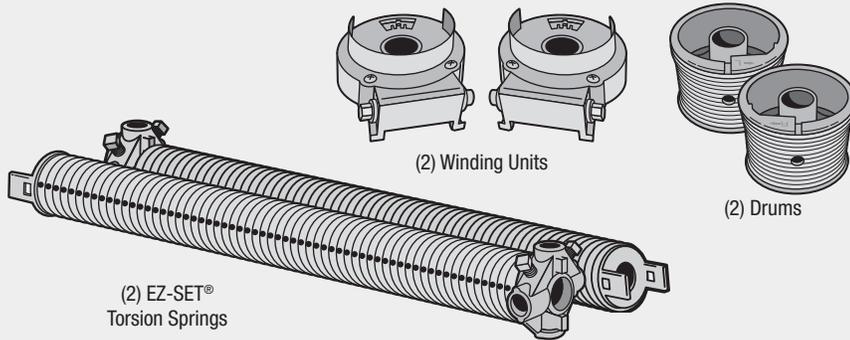
- Snap center support bracket into center of torsion tube and drill 1/8" pilot holes at attachment points.
- Fasten with (2) 1/4" x 1" lag screws at opposite corners of the support to the header above the center of the door (Fig. 8-D).

**NOTE:** Make sure tube is straight and level by checking distance from top of door and wall to tube along length of door. You may need to position and shim mounting location to make tube straight.

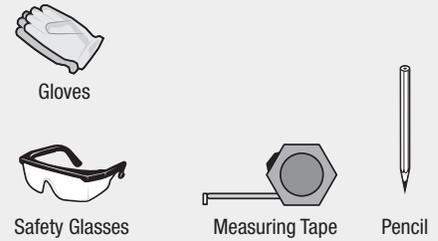
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# ASSEMBLE EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

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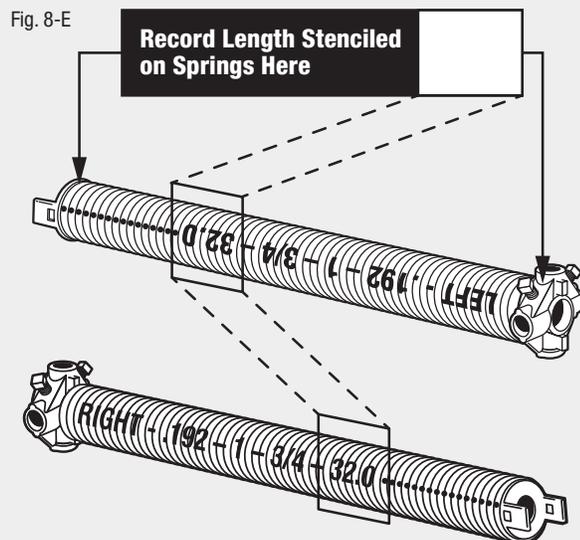


## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



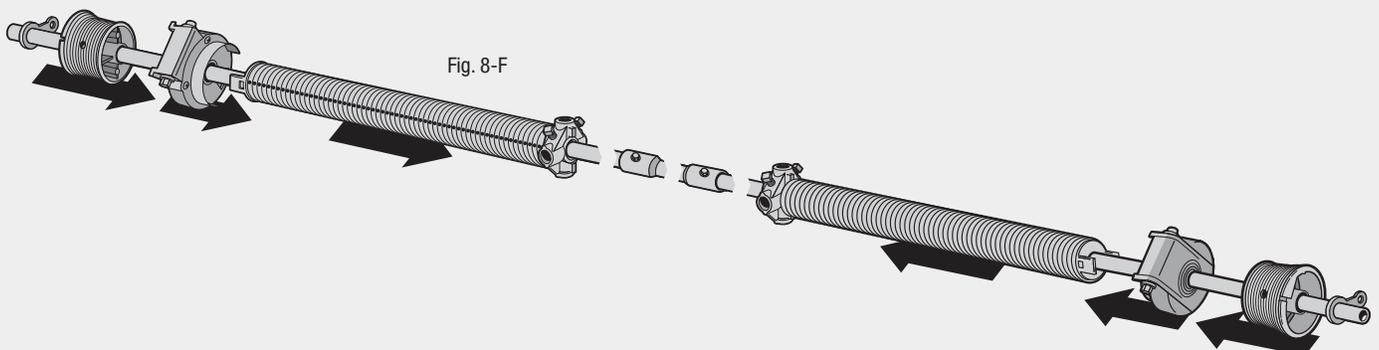
### Step 8-4 Prepare Springs and Record Length

- Lay springs flat on floor with stencil facing up.
- Springs are stenciled with measurements of "LEFT" or "RIGHT". Record last number on springs in space provided (Fig. 8-E). This number will be used later to set your spring coil length.



### Step 8-5 Slide Spring and Components onto Torsion Tube

- With each torsion tube on ground, slide springs, drums and winding units onto each tube (Fig. 8-F).
- Springs and winding units MUST be put on both sides of each torsion tube.
- Confirm drum marked "L" is on left side and drum marked "R" on right side. Drums are marked near cable slots.
- Confirm springs marked "LEFT" are on the left side and spring marked "RIGHT" is on the right side.
- Drums should be oriented so slots are facing away from winding units.



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# ASSEMBLE EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

## Step 8-6 Attach Springs to Winding Units

- Working on the left-side spring and winding unit, insert spring plug into winding unit.
- Line up both tabs on spring plug with the two slots in winding unit and push them together (Fig. 8-G).

### ⚠ WARNING

*To avoid damage or serious injury, make sure both tabs of the spring plug are fully intact and engaged into winding unit slots to prevent spring from coming loose. Be certain both tabs in winding unit slot engage with spring plug and winding unit is secured before proceeding.*

**NOTE:** If you need to disconnect spring plug from winding unit use two small flat head screwdrivers to release the two tabs on the winding unit.

- Depress accessible tab with screwdriver. To prevent tab from re-locking, place second screwdriver between spring plug and winding unit near released tab.
- Wind until second tab can be accessed and depress tab.
- With both tabs released, gently pull spring from winding unit.
- Repeat these steps on the right-side spring and winding unit.

Fig. 8-G

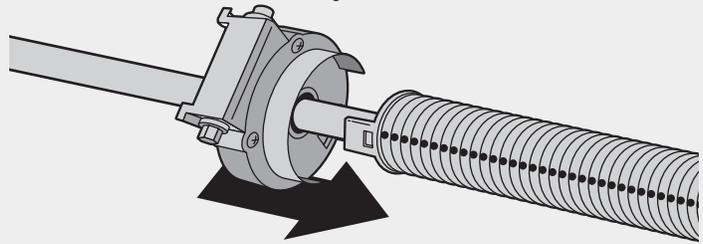
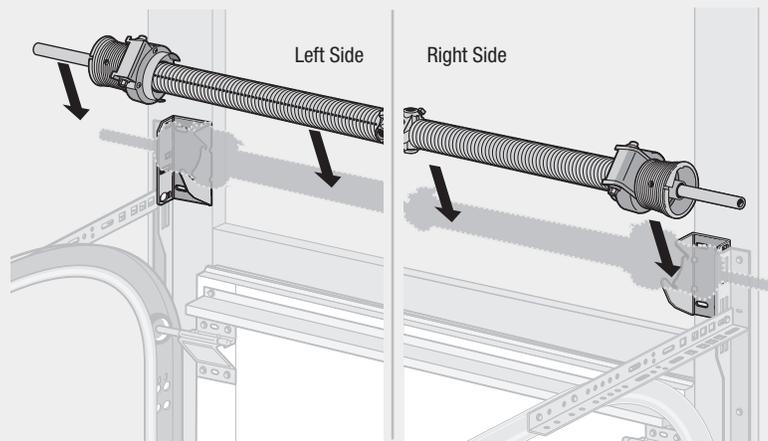


Fig. 8-H



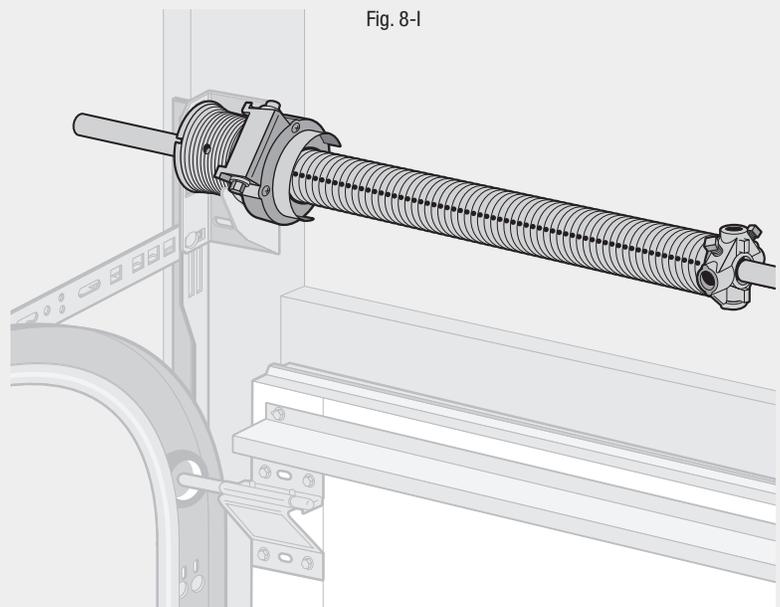
## Step 8-7 Position Spring Assembly

- Slide all components toward center of tubes to expose 12" of tube on each end.
- With a partner, carefully lift torsion tube and components and place ends of tube in cradle of each bracket (Fig. 8-H).
- On both sides, position drum between bracket legs and engage winding unit rails in bracket slot (Fig. 8-I). Push winding unit rails into bracket leaving about 1/4" of space between unit and spring.

**NOTE:** DO NOT pull tube farther than needed to place drum between legs of bracket as damage may occur to unit engaged to other side. Be sure exposed bearing is facing toward the drum.

- Center torsion tube as equally as possible between brackets so an equal amount of tube is extending from each side.

Fig. 8-I

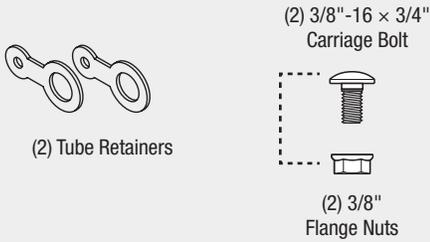




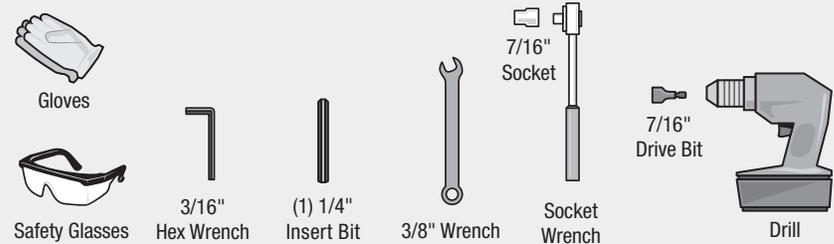
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# ASSEMBLE EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

## PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



## TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### Step 8-9 Prepare Left Side Cable and Drum

- On left side, pull lift cable up from safety bottom bracket behind rollers and inside jamb brackets. Bring it between legs of bracket, behind left drum (marked "L") and insert cable lug into drum slot (Fig. 8-M).

**NOTE:** Both set screws must be below surface of cable grooves **BEFORE** securing drum.

- Take up cable slack by turning drum by hand. Make sure cable is pulled tightly into drum grooves and drum is against the bearing in winding unit.
- Now tighten the most accessible set screw in drum (only one at this time) using a 3/16" hex wrench.

### **⚠ WARNING**

*You will feel resistance when set screw makes contact with tube. Once contact is made, set screw should be turned 3/4 to one full turn. Failure to follow instruction could result in loss of spring tension and allow door to fall too quickly causing injury or damage.*

**NOTE:** If you need to disconnect spring plug from winding unit, use two small flat head screwdrivers to release the two tabs on the winding unit.

- While maintaining cable tension, use drill (turning clockwise) to wind spring one or two turns. Spring tension will maintain proper cable tension upon release.

### Step 8-10 Prepare Right Side Cable and Drum

- Repeat Step 8-8 for right side drum.

**NOTE:** For both left and right instances, there should be no more than 1/16" gap between drum and winding unit.

- Remove locking pliers from previous step.

### Step 8-11 Install Tube Retainers

- Using a 3/8"-16 × 3/4" carriage bolt, attach tube retainer to spring bracket on both sides of door with 9/16" open ended wrench (Fig. 8-N).

**NOTE:** Head of carriage bolt should never touch or come in contact with drum.

**NOTE:** Tube retainer and spring should be lubricated periodically, for smooth and quiet operation.

Fig. 8-M

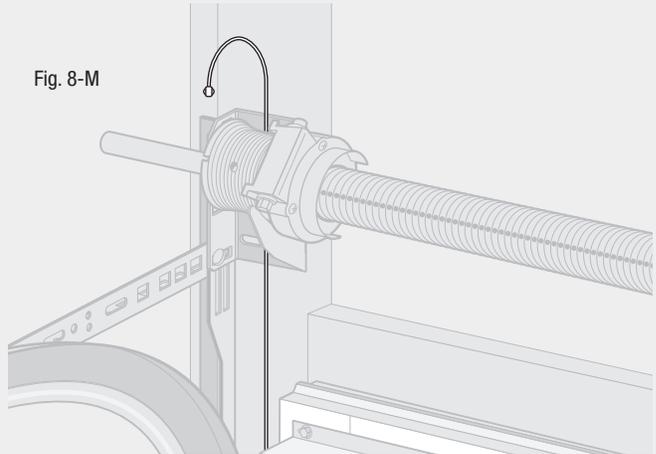
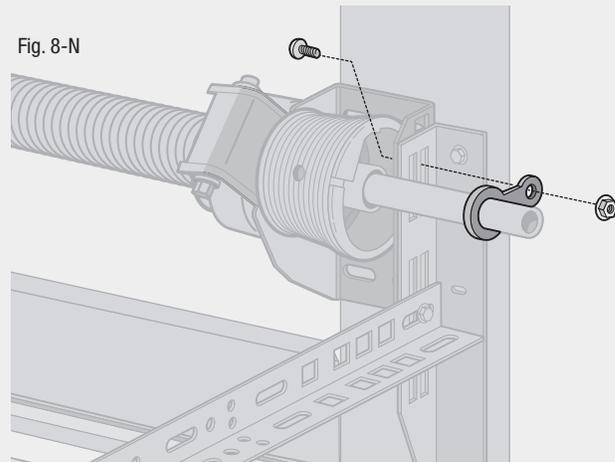


Fig. 8-N



# 8

# ASSEMBLE EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

## Step 8-12 Tensioning the Springs

- Engage drill with 1/4" insert bit (or 7/16" drive bit) into drive shaft of winding unit to wind spring. Repeat on other side.
- Using half speed, wind each spring a total of 11-1/4 clockwise winds for a 7' tall door. The line on the spring will create a striping effect. Each stripe represents one full turn on spring. Count the number of stripes to determine how many winds you have made on each spring (Fig. 8-0).

**NOTE:** If you have an MDP38 16' × 8', your door requires a total of 12-3/4 winds.

### **⚠ WARNING**

*Failure to follow the following instructions may result in rapid release of spring energy causing damage to the unit or personal injury.*

- To avoid personal injury, do not rest hand or any body part on springs or any part of EZ-SET® Torsion Spring system while tensioning or un-tensioning springs.
- Adjust number of spring winds only when door is completely closed.
- Always operate drill at half speed.
- If additional winding is required or system has to be completely unwound, wait AT LEAST 5 MINUTES between consecutive winds/unwinds.
- If for any reason unit begins to resist winding, stop winding at once and wait AT LEAST 5 MINUTES before continuing.

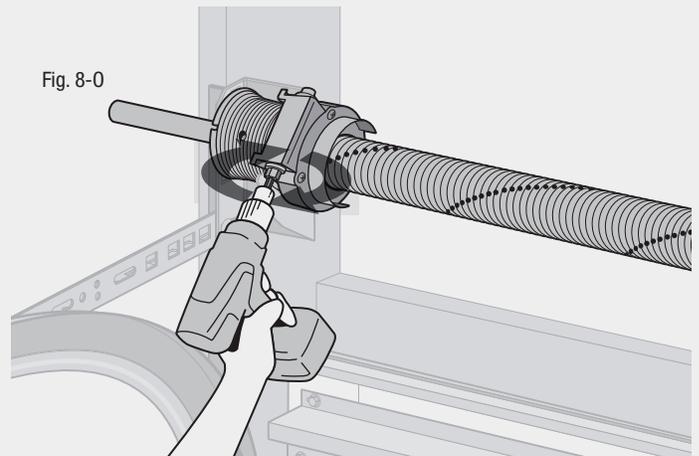
**NOTE:** To remove all tension from spring(s), unwind (drill in reverse or counterclockwise) until spring paint stripe is a single straight line and lift cables are slack.

- Lift door 3" – 4" off the ground.
- Starting on right-hand side, tighten set screws in drums that were not previously tightened in Step 8-8.
- Repeat procedure for left-hand side.

### **⚠ WARNING**

*If spring tension needs reduced or spring needs unwound, be sure door is in closed position. Failure to do so could result in a loss of spring tension and allow the door to fall too quickly, causing personal injury or damage to the door.*

- To reduce spring tension, unwind each spring by placing drill in reverse (counter-clockwise).



11-1/4 Clockwise Winds

# 9

# LIFTING YOUR DOOR FOR THE FIRST TIME

## ⚠️ WARNING

*This is the first time new door is being opened fully. If tracks are not correctly aligned, or back hangers are not strong enough, door may fall causing serious injury or property damage. Proceed slowly and carefully.*

### Step 9-1 Lifting the Door for First Time

## ⚠️ CAUTION

*Prior to opening door fully or attaching an automatic opener, ensure door will clear brackets and winding unit. Failure to check this could result in damage to door.*

- Using pull rope, slowly and carefully lift door to full open position.

## ⚠️ WARNING

*Do not place fingers in or near section joints. Doing so could result in finger pinch injury.*

- Door should lift easily and smoothly to fully open position and remain at top of opening until pulled closed. If door feels heavy and wants to fall closed, there is not enough tension on spring. If door lifts open rapidly, there may be too much tension on spring.
- Refer to spring instructions in Step 8 to verify spring is proper length and there are a proper number of winds on spring. Make necessary adjustments.

### Step 9-2 Check Horizontal Track

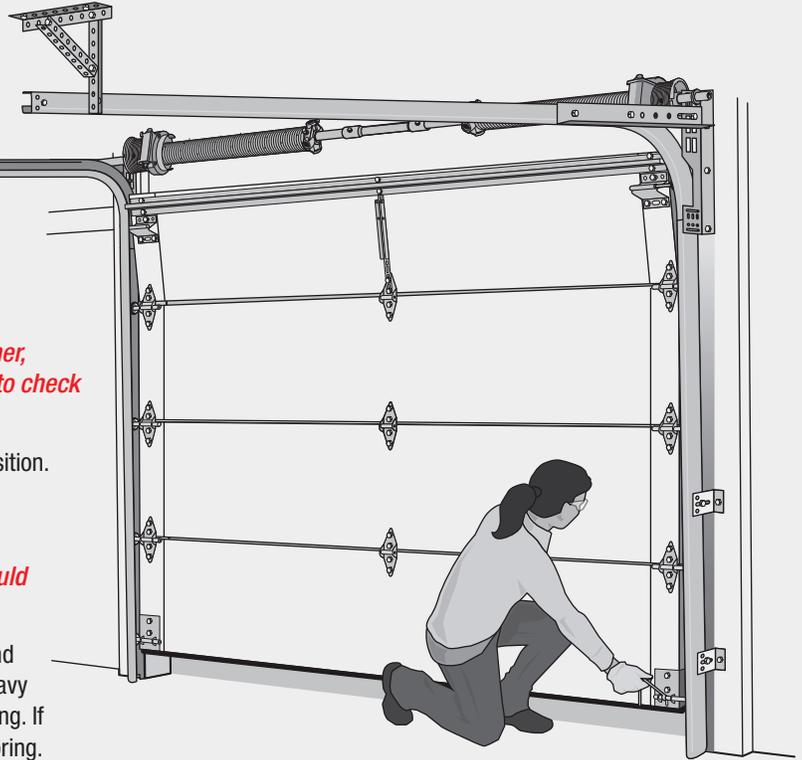
- Once door is in fully open position, check horizontal tracks to be sure they are parallel with door.

## ⚠️ WARNING

*If tracks are not parallel, this could cause door to bind or to fall from opening, resulting in serious injury or death. Refer to Step 7 to make necessary adjustments.*

### Step 9-3 Close Door, Check Operation

- Using pull rope, close door fully. Once door can be opened and closed fully, check operation for smooth operation by opening and closing several times.



### Step 9-4 Permanently Attach Stop Mold

- Make any final adjustments to stop mold as necessary. Take care stop mold is not too tight against door or this could cause rubbing.
- Put remainder of finishing nails into stop mold for secure attachment (Fig. 9-A).

Fig. 9-A



# 10

## ATTACHING OPENER

**NOTE:** To avoid damage to your door, you must reinforce the top section of the door in order to provide a mounting point for the garage door opener to be attached. Refer to STEP 4 for specific instructions. **DO NOT** use the bracket that came with your opener or attach it directly to the door. Failure to reinforce the door as illustrated will void the warranty on your door.

### ⚠ WARNING

To avoid risk of strangulation or personal injury, if your door has a pull rope, you must remove pull rope when you install an automatic garage door opener.

#### Step 10-1 Remove Pull Rope and Locks

- If you have installed pull rope, remove it now (Fig. 10-A).

### ⚠ CAUTION

If you have installed a door lock, unlock or remove at this time. Failure to do so may cause damage to the door and void the warranty.

#### Step 10-2 Install Opener Rail and Head

- Make sure to follow garage door opener manufacturer's installation and safety instructions for installing opener rail.
- To prevent top of door from bending, opener rail should be mounted no less than 2" and no greater than 5" from face of door in open position (Fig. 10-B).

#### Step 10-3 Attach Opener Arm to Door

- With the door in down position, use supplied clevis pin to attach opener arm to vertical opener reinforcement bracket at roughly same height as top roller of door. Opener arm should be approximately 60° from vertical opener bracket (Fig. 10-C).

#### Step 10-4 Test the Opener

- Follow manufacturer's door opener instructions to test your garage door opener.

Fig. 10-A

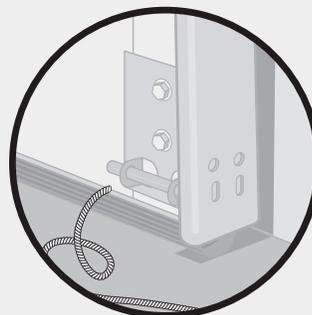


Fig. 10-B

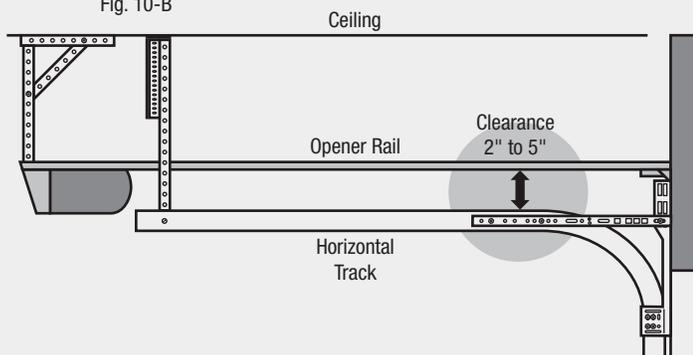
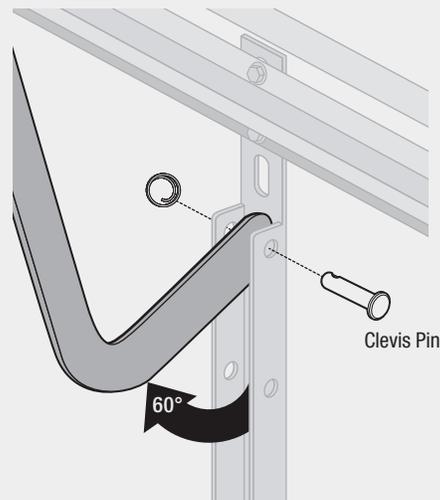


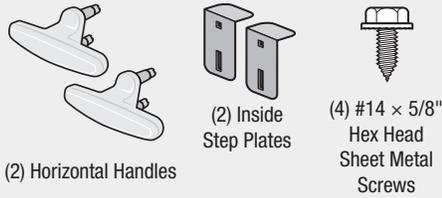
Fig. 10-C



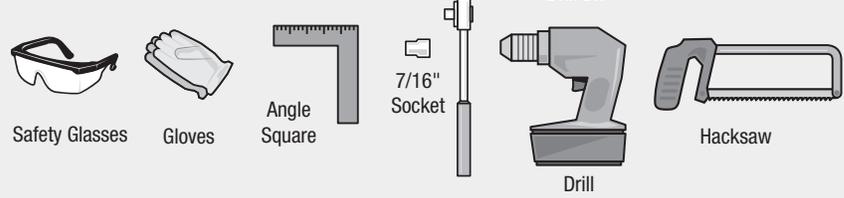
# 11

## PREPARE & INSTALL LIFT HANDLES

### PARTS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### TOOLS NEEDED FOR THIS STEP



### Step 11-1 Prepare Lift Handles

**NOTE:** If installing an outside keyed lock assembly, refer to lock assembly instructions for next section and drill hole pattern for bottom section directly in line with the lock.

**IMPORTANT:** Use wrench or socket to drive screws. DO NOT over tighten or use a powered drill or driver.

- Cut the stems on the lift handles along the ridge line using a hacksaw (Fig. 11-A).

Fig. 11-A

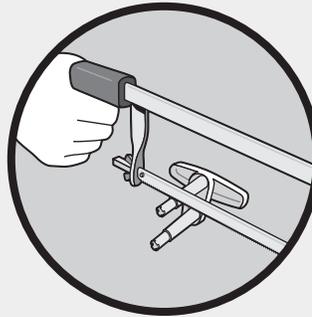
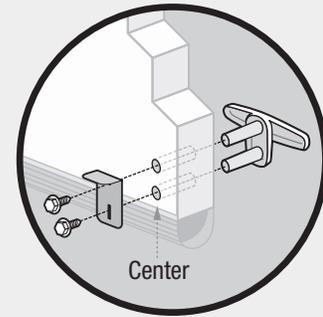


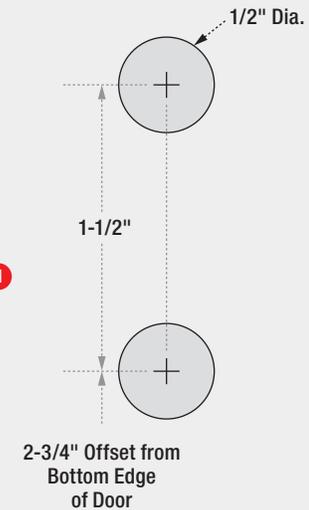
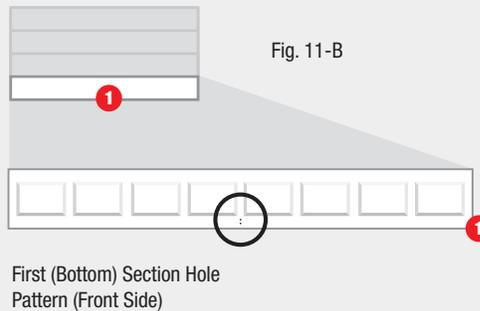
Fig. 11-D



### Step 11-2 Attach Lift Handles First (Bottom) Section

- From front side of door section, drill two 1/2" holes through section according to First (Bottom) Section Hole Pattern (Fig. 11-B). Do not use the pre-stamped hinge holes for lift handle placement. Use angle square to ensure vertical alignment.
- Install lift handle and inside step plate assembly using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws (Fig. 11-D).

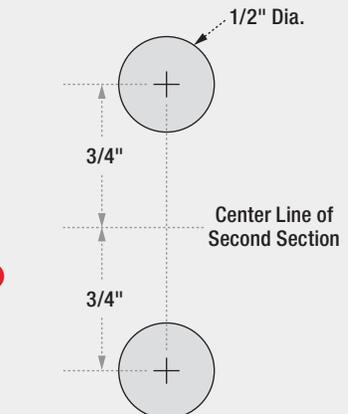
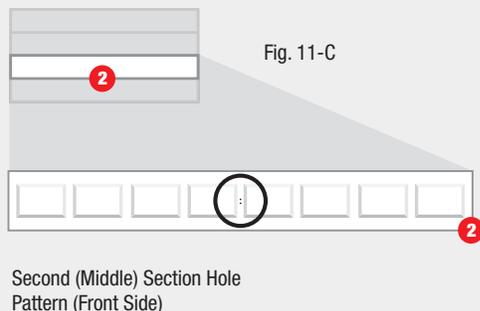
Fig. 11-B



### Step 11-3 Attach Lift Handles Second (Middle) Section

- From front side of door section, drill two 1/2" holes through section according to Second (Middle) Section Hole Pattern (Fig. 11-C). Do not use the pre-stamped hinge holes for lift handle placement. Use angle square to ensure vertical alignment.
- Install lift handle and inside step plate assembly using (2) #14 × 5/8" sheet metal screws (Fig. 11-D).

Fig. 11-C



# APPENDIX

## A - CHECK HEADROOM, BACKROOM, SIDEROOM

Headroom is the space needed above top of door for door, overhead tracks and springs. Measure to check that there are no obstructions in garage within that space (Fig. A-1).

- The rough opening should be same size as door.

### HEADROOM REQUIREMENT:

MODEL	Spring	Radius	Headroom
MDP38	EZ-SET® Torsion	12"	12"
MDP38U	EZ-SET® Torsion	12"	12"

**NOTE:** If there is restricted headroom, there are low headroom options available. Installation of low headroom options differ from installation of standard headroom options. See supplemental instructions included with low headroom option.

### LOW HEADROOM OPTION (NOT INCLUDED):

Reduce Headroom to 9-1/2"

Low Headroom Conversion Kit (SKU 425-1143)

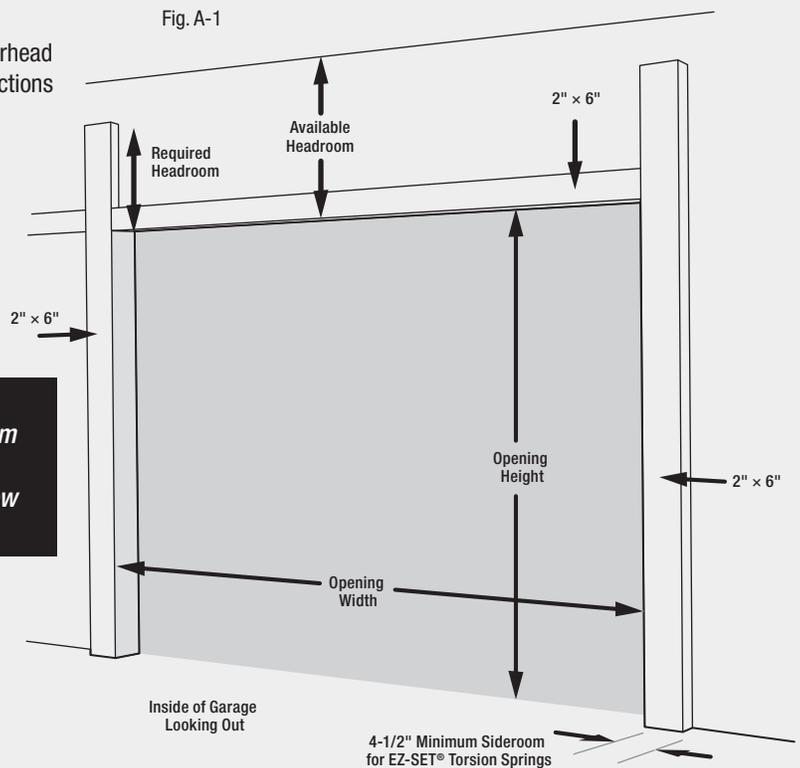
- If you have less than 9-1/2" contact Ideal Door Customer Service for additional remedies.

### BACKROOM REQUIREMENT:

- Measured from back of door into garage, and should be at least 18" more than height of garage door.

### SIDEROOM REQUIREMENT:

- Minimum 4-1/2" is needed on each side of door on interior wall surface to allow for attachment of vertical track assembly.
- Minimum 4-1/2" is needed on each side of door above opening for torsion spring attachment.



# APPENDIX

## B - REMOVING THE EXISTING DOOR SPRINGS

**NOTE:** Garage doors use springs to balance door weight. Springs are one of two types – extension or torsion. Each of these is available in either a standard or EZ-SET® assembly option.

- Use illustration in Fig. B-1 to determine which springs your door has. The following instructions detail how to remove these springs. If you do not see your spring type, please consult spring manufacturer.

### **⚠ WARNING**

*Serious injury could result from an uncontrolled release of spring forces if spring tension has not been released before other work begins.*

### **⚠ WARNING**

*To avoid pinch and other crushing injuries, keep hands and fingers clear of section joints, track and other door parts while door is opening and closing.*

**NOTE:** Some large doors might weigh as much as 500 pounds and single car doors as much as 200 pounds when the spring tension is removed.

### B.1 - STANDARD TORSION SPRINGS

#### **⚠ WARNING**

*If present door uses standard torsion springs, DO NOT attempt to remove door or springs yourself. They should be removed by a qualified door service professional. Attempting to remove a torsion spring assembly without proper training and tools may result in an uncontrolled release of spring forces which can cause serious injury.*

### B.2 - REMOVING STANDARD EXTENSION SPRINGS

#### **⚠ WARNING**

*Extension adjustments or removal should only be made with door in up position. To avoid damage or serious injury from door falling, use two or more helpers to assist in lowering door.*

#### Step 1:

- Raise door to full open position.
- Place C-clamps or locking pliers tightly on both sides of track under door so door is held securely in place (Fig. B.2-1).
- With door fully open, most spring tension has been removed.

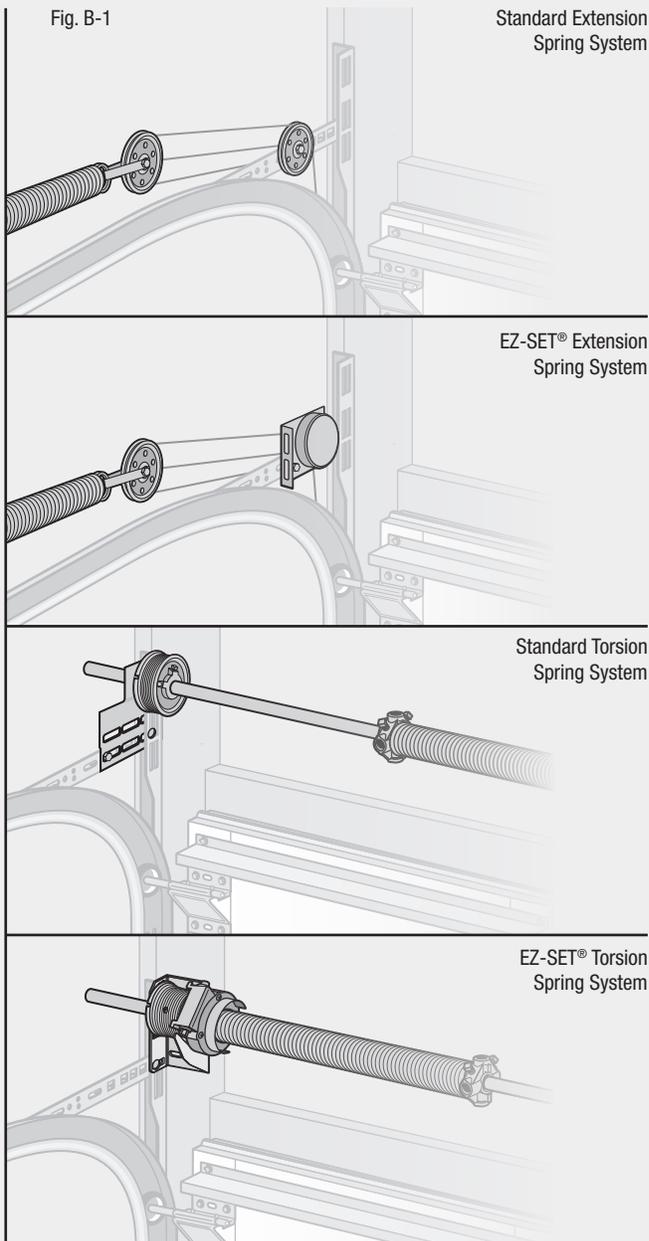


Fig. B.2-1



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## Step 2:

- Keeping C-clamps in place to keep door from falling, detach cable at both ends.
- Disassemble and remove springs and cable completely from door.

**NOTE:** Wood blocks should be placed underneath the door when closing to prevent fingers from being trapped.

## Step 3:

- Remove C-clamps from track and carefully close door.
- Weight of door will not be apparent when you first begin to close door. Door will feel progressively heavier as it is lowered until its full weight is realized about one foot from floor.

## B.3 - REMOVING EZ-SET® EXTENSION SPRINGS OR EZ-SET® TORSION SPRINGS

### **⚠ WARNING**

*To avoid damage or serious injury, use two or more helpers to assist in lowering door. EZ-SET® torsion springs adjustments or removal should only be made with door in down position.*

## Step 1:

- With door in down position, position drill with 7/16" socket bit over winding unit.
- Using reverse (counter-clockwise) direction on drill, remove all tension from spring (repeat for each side, if applicable) (Fig. B.3-1).
- After spring tension has been removed, detach lift cables at both ends.
- Disassemble and remove springs and cable completely from door.

Fig. B.3-1

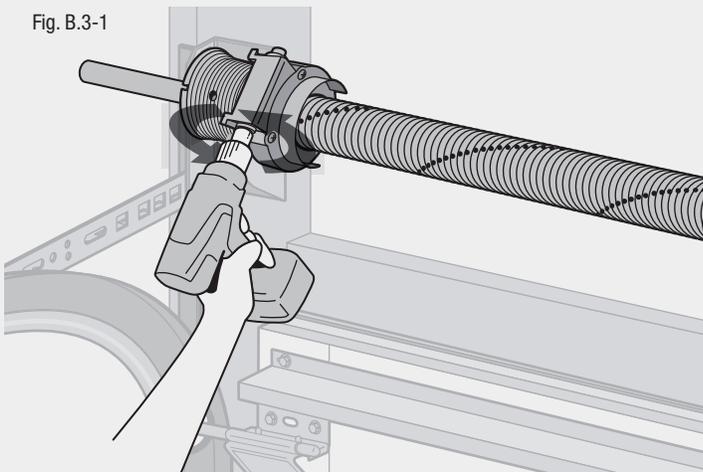
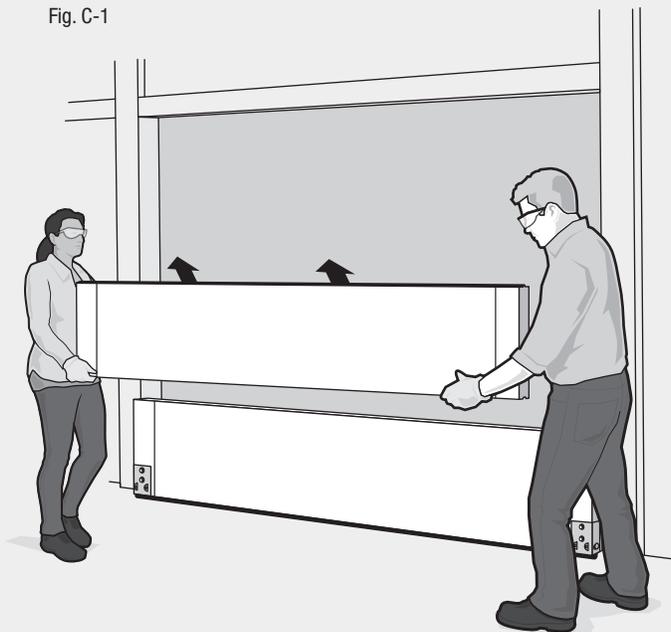


Fig. C-1



## C - REMOVING DOOR SECTIONS AND TRACK

Door can now be disassembled.

## Step 1:

- Starting with top section, remove hardware and unstack sections one at a time (Fig. C-1).

## Step 2:

- After all sections have been removed from opening, detach all remaining track and hardware from jambs.

- Hangers that attach rear ends of overhead track to ceiling (rear track hangers) in many cases can be reused on new door. Be sure they are made of 13 ga. (3/32") or heavier steel and are not loose or unstable.

### **⚠ WARNING**

*To avoid installation and operation problems from using worn, damaged or incompatible track, use only track specified and supplied with door. DO NOT attempt to reuse old track.*

# APPENDIX

## D - PAINTING DOOR

This Ideal garage door can be painted with high quality 100% acrylic latex (flat, satin or semigloss) exterior grade paint.

### CAUTION

*Do not use any type of oil-based paint or alkyd modified paint. These paints will void the warranty of your door. We recommend using solar reflective paint when available.*

*If your door is a Custom Crafted Steel product:*

*You must check the Light Reflectance Value (LRV) of the paint color. If the desired color has an LRV less than 38, only a pre-approved solar reflective paint can be used. For a list of pre-approved paints, call the customer service hotline at 800-621-3667 or visit [info.garagedoors.com/lrv](http://info.garagedoors.com/lrv)*

### Step 1: Painting preparation

Before painting the door it must be free of dirt, oil, caulk, waxes and mildew.

- Make a solution of trisodium phosphate (or a biodegradable cleaner) using 1/3 cup of powder to 1-1/2 to 2 gallons of water.
- Saturate cleaning pad (3M synthetic steel wool - gray not green) and rub with even pressure to lightly scuff surface while applying the cleaning solution over all surfaces to be painted.
- Rinse with clean water and sponge, changing water often.
- A final wipe and rinse with clean water and sponge should be done to remove any loose material.

**NOTE:** *If door has been waxed, wax must be removed before cleaning. Using moderate pressure, wipe the door surface with a rag saturated with xylene (xylol). Do not allow it to sit on door for extended time.*

**NOTE:** *Sanding could remove rust-inhibiting compounds. Sanding should be done only to damaged areas where bare metal has been exposed. Refer to "Paint repair" section below.*

### Step 2: Pretest paint

All paints are not created equal, the following test needs to be performed:

- Apply paint on small area of door (following instructions on paint container).
- Allow paint to dry and evaluate for any blistering or peeling.
- Perform adherence test by applying strip of masking tape over painted area and peel back tape. Check to see that paint adheres to door and not to tape.

**NOTE:** *If paint shows signs of poor adherence there may be a problem with the paint or surface preparation. DO NOT PROCEED! A new paint or further preparation of surface is called for.*

### Step 3: Paint door

Follow directions on paint container and apply to door. Be sure to allow adequate drying time should you wish to apply a second coat.

**NOTE:** *Do not apply paint when door surface temperature is different from manufacturer's suggested temperature range for application.*

**NOTE:** *Window frames and inserts can be painted with a high quality, 100% acrylic latex. The plastic should first be lightly sanded to remove any surface gloss.*

### Paint repair:

Should door's paint finish become damaged, exposing bare metal, it will become necessary to repair this area to prevent rust from forming.

- Damaged area should be lightly sanded with medium to fine sandpaper, making sure to remove all visible red and white rust.
- Wipe this area with dry, clean rag.
- Coat sanded area with high quality, rust inhibiting, zinc enriched primer. This can be found at most paint or hardware stores and should be labeled for covering bare and galvanized steel.
- Wait time specified on the primer's instructions before proceeding with painting door.

# APPENDIX

## E - ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Door will need regular inspection, lubrication and cleaning to keep all parts in good working order and to help protect it from the elements.

### **WARNING**

*A sectional garage door is a large, heavy object that moves with the help of springs under high tension. Springs, bottom brackets, cables and supports are under high tension and can cause death or serious injuries if not properly handled. If door is inoperable or difficult to move, do not attempt these maintenance steps and contact a trained service person.*

### E.1 - VISUAL INSPECTION AND LUBRICATION

#### Inspecting the Door:

Visually inspect door every three months for worn or broken parts using checklist below. If something seems out of balance or adjustment, the door may be unsafe to operate. Contact a trained service person for assistance.

- 1 Visually examine door for loose or bent hinges:
  - Tighten loose hinges.
  - Straighten or replace bent hinges.

### **WARNING**

*Door must be locked and in down position. No more than one hinge to be removed from door at any given time. DO NOT loosen or remove bottom bracket with spring tension engaged as this may result in serious injury or property damage.*

- 2 Visually inspect rollers for broken wheels, bent shafts or worn out bearings.
- 3 Visually examine door and track supports for loose or missing bolts, screws, etc.
- 4 Visually examine track for creases or bends.
- 5 Visually examine door panels for signs of cracking or fatigue.
- 6 Spring system:
  - Visually inspect springs and components for damage. If the spring looks worn or broken it will need replaced.

### **WARNING**

*DO NOT operate door with a broken spring, doing so can cause serious injury or death. Contact a trained service person to replace spring.*

- Visually inspect cables for wear at bottom bracket button and make sure they run properly in drums.
- 7 Be sure all handles are properly attached and functioning properly before lifting the door manually.

### **WARNING**

*DO NOT manually operate door if handles are not installed. Doing so can cause finger pinch or crushing injury or amputation.*

- 8 For doors with automatic operators:
  - Make sure that the operator has a working safety feature. Photo eyes should be mounted to the left and right sides of the bottom of the door opening.
  - Retest monthly following manufacturer's instructions.
  - Remove pull down ropes and remove or disable door locks.
  - Be sure there is a way to manually detach opener.
  - Top section of door must be reinforced to support opener. Make sure this is securely attached to door.
- 9 After visually inspecting door, and all of its components, it is time to check door operation. With door in the down position, detach opener (if applicable) and lift door manually to ensure it is in good operating order.
  - Door should lift and lower easily.
  - It should not be too difficult to move or move more quickly than force applied.

Be sure to reattach opener once you ensure door is operating properly.

**NOTE:** *If door is too difficult to move, opens too quickly, or rollers come out of track, immediately discontinue use of door and contact a trained service technician.*

#### Lubricating the door:

Regularly lubricate all moving parts of door with Ideal Door® Garage Door Pro Lube or a synthetic lubricant, including:

- Lift cables at bottom bracket button.
- Bearings on spring system.
- Lock hardware where surfaces turn or slide.
- Full length of torsion spring to reduce friction between coils.
- Steel roller shaft where it sits in the hinge.

**DO NOT** lubricate nylon rollers.

# APPENDIX

## E.2 - CLEANING AND PRESERVING THE DOOR

Doors must be cleaned and waxed at least twice a year or four times a year for harsh environments (such as coastal regions, high road salts, etc.).

- Helps prevent damage (surface rust) caused by foreign matter or salt adhering to the door.
- Assist to restore the look of factory-applied finish by removing dirt and chalking.

**NOTE:** Failure to properly clean and preserve your door (particularly, but not limited to, high-salt or acidic environments) may result in surface rust, which may result in loss of warranty coverage.

For further questions about the requirements, contact Ideal Door Customer Service.

### To Clean the Door:

- 1 Working from top to bottom of the door sections, use a well soaked cloth, sponge, soft bristle brush or low pressure garden sprayer with either of the following solutions:
  - One cup of Simple Green® or other non-toxic biodegradable cleaner (less than 0.5% phosphate) into two gallons of warm water, or
  - Household liquid dish washing detergent.

### CAUTION

*Never blend cleaners or ammonia with bleach. DO NOT use scouring powders or solvents.*

- 2 Rinse door with clean water and allow to dry.

**NOTE:** Be sure to clean behind stop molding on sides and top of door.

### Waxing the Door:

After cleaning, use liquid car wax (not paste) to preserve the door's finish between cleanings. This is especially important in coastal and harsh environments.

## E.3 - WINDOW CLEANING AND CARE INSTRUCTIONS:

### Cleaning the Windows:

- 1 Clean with a mild solution of a dishwashing detergent and a soft cloth. DO NOT use any ammoniated, abrasive or solvent-based cleaners of any kind.
- 2 Rinse thoroughly.

### CAUTION

*Use care when handling decorative windows to avoid scraping or scratching surface.*

**NOTE:** Minor scratches or scuffs are not considered defects and will not be covered under window warranty.

### Optional Snap-In Insert Removal:

**NOTE:** DO NOT remove screws from window frame.

Decorative inserts are designed to snap in and out of window frame. Some doors with windows have a decorative insert attached behind window. They may be moved to outside of glass, or can be removed for cleaning or painting purposes.

- 1 Remove the insert's four tabs from under the edge of inside window frame. There is one tab on each side and one on top and bottom of insert.
- 2 Insert can be firmly pulled out of window.
- 3 Replacing insert is the reverse of process described for removal. The four tabs must be pressed under lip in window frame.
- 4 If preferred, insert can be snapped into frame on outside of glass.

### Glass Replacement:

### WARNING

*To avoid injury, use extreme caution in handling glass window pane. When frame is removed, exposed steel edge of door may be sharp. Avoid contact with steel edges. Always wear safety glasses and gloves.*

If the door is equipped with windows, and glass should need replacement, follow the steps below:

- 1 With someone holding outside frame, remove screws from inside frame retainer.
- 2 Pull inside frame out of door.
- 3 Carefully remove broken or old glass.
- 4 Insert new glass. Glass should be 11" x 18-1/2" (standard panel windows).
- 5 With someone holding outside frame, reinsert screws into inside frame, securing glass.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

## Door Is Hard to Open from Closed Position

- ISSUE**
- 1 Too little tension on spring.
  - 2 Door is binding on door stop molding.
  - 3 Top of door caught under inside edge of header.
  - 4 Horizontal tracks raised above level.
  - 5 Track distance from edge of door is incorrect, making track tight against door.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Increase spring tension slightly. Verify spring coil length is set properly.  
**▲WARNING: See springs instructions for guidelines.**
  - 2 Adjust tracks or reset stops.
  - 3 Set header stop just past bottom edge of header.
  - 4 Level tracks or increase spring tension slightly.  
**▲WARNING: See springs instructions for guidelines.**
  - 5 There should be 1/2" gap between edge of door and the tracks.

## Door Is Hard to Close from Open Position

- ISSUE**
- 1 Too much tension on spring.
  - 2 Sections are bowed.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Reduce spring tension slightly.  
**▲WARNING: See springs instructions for guidelines.**
  - 2 Tighten strut fasteners and secure in place. Be sure door is properly reinforced for opener. See Steps 4-2 and 4-4 for instructions.

## Daylight Can Be Seen at Inside Edges

- ISSUE**
- 1 Stop mold not sealing against door.
  - 2 Opening oversized or jambs not plumb.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Reset stop mold or replace, adjust tracks.
  - 2 Add 3/4" trim or second jamb stop, caulk outside edges of stops, center door in opening.

## Bottom Section Hitting Stop Molding

- ISSUE**
- 1 Stop molding is out of alignment.
  - 2 Track bracket is not adjusted properly.
  - 3 Bottom brackets are upside down.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Adjust stop molding.
  - 2 Loosen bracket, move door back from opening, retighten.
  - 3 See Step 2-3 for instructions.

## Door Moves Side-to-Side in Track

- ISSUE**
- 1 Track distance from edge of door is incorrect.
  - 2 Cables out of adjustment.
  - 3 Rear track hangers not placed correctly.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Tracks too far apart: should be 3/8"-1/2" from edge of door.
  - 2 Check cable lengths are even.
  - 3 See Steps 7-4 and 7-5 for proper installation.

## Door Hits Header

- ISSUE**
- 1 Top roller bracket too high, stop molding is out of alignment.
  - 2 Jamb brackets or hinges are installed in wrong location.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Move top roller bracket down, loosen stop molding.
  - 2 Check for proper installation for jambs, brackets, hinges (numbers in correct location) and rollers.

## Door Starts Up and Hits EZ-Set® Spring Brackets

- ISSUE**
- 1 Top section not rolling backward fast enough.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Vertical track must be 1/2" off the ground, top roller bracket should be 3-1/4" down from top of door.

## Spring Pops Out of Winding Unit and Unwinds

- ISSUE**
- 1 Winding unit has broken tab.
  - 2 Spring coils are not set to correct length.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Replace winding unit.  
**▲WARNING: See Step 8 for instructions.**
  - 2 See Step 8-8 for proper spring coil length.

## Spring Slips on Either the Winding or Stationary Cone While Being Wound, and/or "Snakes Up" While Winding

- ISSUE**
- 1 Winding unit being wound wrong direction.
  - 2 Wrong spring is installed.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Be sure to wind CLOCKWISE (with drill on forward).
  - 2 Check spring instructions and packaging for correct spring.

## Door Will Not Open All the Way or Cables Come off the Drums When Door Is Pushed to Full Open Position

- ISSUE**
- 1 Not enough winds on the spring.
  - 2 Spring coils are not set to correct length.
  - 3 Door or vertical track is not level.

- SOLUTION**
- 1 Put proper winds on spring: 7' Door = 11-1/4 winds.
  - 2 Spring coils should measure length stenciled on spring. See Step 8-8 for proper spring instructions.
  - 3 If door or track are not level, springs must be rewind.  
**▲WARNING: See Step 8 for instructions.**

# STEEL GARAGE DOOR LIMITED WARRANTY

Subject to the terms of this Limited Warranty ("Warranty") and any warranty policies and procedures in effect at the time a notice of a claim is received, Ideal Door ("Ideal", "we", or "our") will repair or replace (at our sole discretion) any garage door sections/section components, hardware, or springs/spring components (collectively, "Replacement Parts") that we determine to be defective in material or workmanship so long as timely written notice is provided within the applicable limited warranty periods provided below. This Warranty shall apply and benefit only the original purchase of an Ideal Door garage door product and is non-transferable, and does not apply to decorative hardware or to any commercial, industrial or other non-residential application/installation.

The warranty period begins from the date of delivery. Proof of purchase is required. Once we have verified any defect(s) with your product through persons authorized by Ideal Door, we will provide – at no cost to you – Replacement Parts to the extent necessary to repair or replace any such defective sections, hardware, or springs/spring components. We reserve the right to inspect and/or verify any claimed defect, as well as the right to replace product(s) with a similar or like product, all within the sole discretion of Ideal Door. All labor costs associated with any warranty claim (including removal, reinstallation, installation, and/or finishing) will be your responsibility.

The applicable Warranty periods are as follows:

MODEL NUMBER	PAINT FINISH	SECTIONS/ DELAMINATION	WINDOWS	HARDWARE/SPRINGS
MDP38, MDP38U	Single Family* – Lifetime Other** – 10 Years	5 Years	10 Years	3 Years

Terms and limitations of the limited warranty are further detailed below:

\* Applies to residential single family installations.

\*\* "Other" refers to all other residential installations (including installations on facilities owned in common by condominium associations or similar organizations).

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR WARRANTY

Ideal Door warrants the sections of the Models listed above against the paint finish cracking, checking or peeling (i.e. losing adhesion). We warrant our rust prevention system against rust through perforation(s) caused by corrosion originating at the steel layer. Failure to properly clean and maintain your door (particularly in, but not limited to, high-salt or acidic environments) or damage to the door such as scratching, may result in surface rust, a coating that forms on the surface when exposed to moisture, which – if left untreated – may result in loss of warranty coverage. Surface rust is not covered under this warranty. For more information about our rust prevention system and how to care for your door visit: [info.garagedoors.com/maintenance](http://info.garagedoors.com/maintenance).

Window components such as frames, grilles, inserts, and clear acrylic are warranted for ten (10) years from manufacturing defects and excessive yellowing. Insulated windows are warranted for ten (10) years for material obstruction of vision resulting from film formation or dust or moisture collection between the interior surface of the insulating glass. No warranty is available for single pane glass. No warranty is available for decorative hardware.

## EXCLUSIONS TO COVERAGE

This warranty shall not extend to damages or defects caused by any of the following:

Paint or Stain Not Applied per Manufacturer Specifications after Delivery of Door	Failure to Follow All Installation Instructions	Failure to Follow Maintenance Instructions	Faulty or Defective Installation(s)
Fire	Radiation (UV or Other)	Foreign Substances	Accident or Casualty
Harmful Fumes	Vandalism	Act(s) of God	Physical Damage
Salt Spray or Exposure	Normal Wear and Tear	Chemical Action	Abrasive Materials
Operation Beyond Rated Capacity	Improper Use or Abuse	Improper Installation or Handling	Exposure to Coastal Weather Conditions
Alteration, Modification or Use of Non-OEM/Clopay-Approved Parts or Products	Other Painted Parts Not Part of a Door Section (such as stop mold)	Normal Fading or Discoloration from Usage, Age or UV Exposure	Thermal bow as described in DASMA Technical Data Sheet 185 <a href="http://www.dasma.com">www.dasma.com</a>

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If you would like to submit a Warranty claim, notify Ideal Door Customer Service promptly after discovery of the defect by sending an email to [idealdoor@clopay.com](mailto:idealdoor@clopay.com) or calling 800-621-3667. Please be prepared to send us a proof of purchase and complete description with photographs of any issues. YOU MUST REPORT ANY MANUFACTURING DEFECTS THAT ARE IMMEDIATELY OBVIOUS OR VISIBLE AT THE TIME OF INSTALLATION (SUCH AS INCORRECT OR INCONSISTENT PAINT COLOR, MANUFACTURING DEFECTS (E.G. SURFACE CONTAMINANT(S) OR SMUDGES), VISIBLE PHYSICAL DAMAGE, OR MAJOR SCRATCHES) WITHIN FORTY FIVE (45) DAYS FROM DELIVERY OR YOUR CLAIM MAY BE BARRED. Additional copies of our installation and maintenance instructions may be obtained by calling 800-621-3667.

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