



# Liquid manure spreader

EL48

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# 1 Preface

This is a GEA product. GEA is the manufacturer of the Houle product line. This product was formerly known under HOULE trademark.



## 1.1 About the Instructions

The manufacturer reserves the right to make changes due to technical developments in the data and images given in this manual.

This manual is not subject to an amendment service. The most recent version can be obtained through the dealer or directly from the manufacturer.

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### Pictograms used



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**1.4 Declaration of conformity**

Manufacturer:	<b>GEA Farm Technologies Canada Inc. / Division GEA Houle</b> <b>4591 boul. St-Joseph</b> <b>Drummondville, Qc, J2A 0C6</b>	
Product category:	<b>Liquid Manure Spreader</b>	
Type of product:	<b>EL48</b>	
The product referred to complies with the provisions of the following European directives: 2006/42/EC      Machinery Directive		
Conformity with the requirements of these directives is testified by complete adherence to the following standards:		
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This declaration certifies compliance with the guidelines indicated, but does not establish any guarantee in the sense of paragraphs 443, 444 BGB. This declaration of conformity becomes invalid if design changes are made which affect the technical data given in the instructions and the correct use of the product, thereby significantly altering the machine!		

**1.5 GEA Farm Technologies Canada Inc. / Division GEA Houle - General Equipment Warranty**

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**Important notice!**

THIS GENERAL WARRANTY APPLIES TO ALL EQUIPMENT SOLD UNDER THE GEA HOULE TRADEMARK.

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**1.5.1 Limited Warranty**

GEA Farm Technologies Canada Inc. / Division GEA Houle (hereinafter referred to as "the Company") warrants to the original buyer and end user (hereinafter referred to as the "Purchaser") that the parts of all equipment sold under the Company trademark are free from defects in material or workmanship for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser. This written warranty takes precedence over any other written warranty included in previous versions of the Company's manuals. Any equipment used for commercial usage, commercial lease on one or more farms is warranted for a reduced period of thirty (30) days only.

Components from third-party manufacturers that are not built by the Company, and which are accessory to the equipment sold under the Company trademark (including, without limitation, the motors and tires), are subject to such third-party manufacturers' specific warranty coverage.

THIS WARRANTY EXTENDS ONLY TO THE PURCHASER AND DOES NOT APPLY IN THE EVENT THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED.

**1.5.2 Condition of the Limited Warranty**

The Company, through its GEA authorized dealers only (hereinafter referred to as "Dealer", reserves the right to either repair or replace all parts deemed defective under the following conditions:

1. That the equipment is installed, operated and maintained in accordance with the Company directives;
2. That the Purchaser uses the equipment in accordance with specific instructions, under normal conditions, for the sole purpose for which the equipment was designed;
3. That the Purchaser notifies in writing his Authorized Dealer or the Company (whichever the case may be) of any defect of the equipment. In either case the notification must be made within the twelve (12) months following the date of the delivery to the Purchaser;
4. The Purchaser or the Authorized Dealer must keep the defective parts or equipment for inspection by the Company and return such defective parts or equipment prepaid to the Company, if requested;
5. That the Purchaser does not modify the equipment, nor attempts to repair any equipment or parts without proper authorization from the Company;
6. Depending on the nature of the equipment involved and whether it is fixed or transportable, the Company will repair or replace the defective parts of the equipment free of charge where installed, or at the business place of the Authorized Dealer or the Company, at its sole discretion.

### 1.5.3 Extent of Limited Warranty

This limited warranty DOES NOT cover:

- Defects caused by negligence of the Purchaser in the maintenance of the equipment, improper use resulting from failure to adhere strictly to the Company's manuals or non-compliance with prescribed maintenance instructions provided by the Company (including, without limitation, lack of lubrication of the equipment), as well as damages arising from non-conforming installation of the equipment, or ambient temperature or conditions of storage of the equipment that do not comply with the Company's recommendations (including, without limitation, any damages resulting from storage or operation of the equipment at a temperature equal or below (5°C/41°F));
- Damages to equipment due to normal wear and tear or to external causes, including issues of power or inadequate electrical conditions (including, without limitation, inadequate tension (neutral/ground), abnormal mechanical or environmental conditions (including, without limitation, damages caused by fire, lightning, flood or other natural disaster), damages caused by the use of sand litter or other abrasive or inadequate material (including, without limitation, damages caused by solids in the manure, such as stone, wood, iron, concrete, and strings), as well as damages caused by ice or frozen manure blocking the evacuation line of the equipment or the introduction of such solids in the equipment;
- Freight and shipping associated with repair or replacement of equipment under this limited warranty, as well as all costs relating to removal or replacement of any equipment that is welded or affixed permanently to the ground or a building (including, without limitation, labor costs, and costs related to concrete or excavation);
- Claims arising from repairs or replacements made by the Purchaser without the prior written consent of the Company. The Purchaser shall not remove or alter any safety device, guard, or warning sign.

If the Purchaser fails to comply with any of its obligations referred to in this paragraph, the Purchaser agrees to save the Company and the Authorized Dealer harmless in respect of any liability or obligation incurred by the Company or the Authorized Dealer resulting from such failure of the Purchaser.

#### **1.5.4 Warranty Limitations and Exclusion**

NO WARRANTY, ORAL OR WRITTEN, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OTHER THAN THE ABOVE WARRANTY IS PROVIDED IN RESPECT OF THE EQUIPMENT SOLD.

Some states (or jurisdictions) do not allow the exclusion of implied warranties so it is possible that this limitation may not apply.

THE COMPANY DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, ADAPTABILITY OR OF PERFORMANCE, PROVIDED THAT SUCH EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY COMPLIES WITH THE LAWS HAVING APPLICABLE REGULATORY JURISDICTION.

THE LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY AND ITS AUTHORIZED DEALERS UNDER THIS WARRANTY IS LIMITED TO REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE PARTS UP TO THE CONTRACT VALUE FOR THE PURCHASED EQUIPMENT. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE COMPANY BE LIABLE FOR ANY SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES IN ANY KIND OR CHARACTER, INCLUDING INDIRECT COSTS, LOSS OF PRODUCTION, LOSS OF REVENUES OR PROFITS, AND OTHER DISBURSEMENTS WHICH MAY OCCUR.

Some states (or jurisdictions) do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages and so it is possible that these limitations or exclusions may not apply.

#### **1.5.5 General Statements**

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS THAT VARY BY JURISDICTION.

THE DEALER IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIONS OR PROMISES THAT DIFFER IN ANY WAY FROM THE TERM OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY, OR MODIFY THE PROVISIONS, DURATION AND CONDITIONS OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY. NO WAIVER OR MODIFICATION OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY IS VALID UNLESS AGREED TO IN WRITING AND SIGNED BY THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMPANY.

IN THE EVENT OF ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION AND ANY OTHER TRANSLATED VERSION OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FRENCH LANGUAGE VERSION) THE ENGLISH VERSION SHALL PREVAIL.

**1.6 SPECIFIC LIMITED WARRANTY APPLICABLE TO LIQUID MANURE SPREADERS (ALL MODELS)**

This specific limited warranty benefits to the Purchaser and applies to all models of liquid manure spreaders sold by the Company. This limited warranty applies only to following specific parts: the power take off ("PTO"), axles and wheel hubs, as well as the reservoir. The warranty on these parts is subject to the conditions mentioned below. All conditions stated in this specific limited warranty are in addition to the General equipment warranty that applies to all equipment sold by the Company (see Section 1.5). In the event of any conflict between the conditions stated in this specific limited warranty and those specified in the General equipment warranty, the conditions of this specific limited warranty shall prevail.

**1.6.1 Extent of specific limited warranty**

This specific limited warranty DOES NOT cover damages caused to the spreader when it is attached behind a tractor excessively powerful or when the power take off is used at excessive revolutions per minute (RPM), or if it is misaligned, defective or modified (including, without limitation, damages resulting from the modification of shear bolts).

**Power take off**

In the case of a spreader used under normal conditions, the warranty period of the PTO is twelve (12) months from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser.

In the case of a spreader used for commercial usage, commercial lease on one or more farms, the PTO warranty period is reduced to three (3) months only.

**Wheel axles and hubs**

In the case of a spreader used under normal conditions, the warranty period of wheel axles and hubs is five (5) years from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser.

In the case of a spreader used for commercial usage, commercial lease on one or more farms, the warranty period of the wheel axles and hubs is reduced to one (1) year only.

**Reservoir**

With the exception of the model EL66, the warranty period for the reservoir of the spreader is as set forth below and applies from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser, against perforation due to corrosion. The extended warranty applies to the reservoir only and does not cover parts, whether removable or attached to the reservoir. This warranty is valid, subject to the following conditions:

1. The reservoir is completely emptied by the Purchaser after each use;
2. The inside of the reservoir is cleaned and sprayed with oil as directed by the Company;
3. The spreader is stored inside a building and protected from the weather, in accordance with the recommendations prescribed by the Company.

**¼" thick steel reservoir**

The warranty period for the ¼" thick steel reservoir is ten (10) years from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser. All claims must be submitted before the expiry date of the warranty. In the event of a claim for perforations caused by corrosion, the Company will reimburse the Purchaser the equivalent of ten percent (10%) of the cost of the new reservoir for each full year remaining before the expiry of the extended warranty. The refund will be calculated given the current selling price of the replacement tank at the time of claim by the Purchaser, divided by the number of total years of warranty (ten (10) years), and then multiplied by the number of full years remaining before the expiry of the warranty period.

With respect to the reservoir model EL66, the guarantee mentioned above will apply only in the event that the Purchaser has opted for the extended warranty ("Steel Plus" option – ¼" thick steel reservoir). The "Stainless Steel" option is also available to the Purchaser of the reservoir model EL66, subject to the additional warranty conditions provided below.

**Optional stainless steel reservoir**

The warranty period for the stainless steel reservoir of the spreader is fifteen (15) years from the date of delivery of the equipment to the Purchaser. All claims must be submitted before the expiry date of the warranty. In the event of a claim for perforations caused by corrosion, the Company will reimburse the Purchaser the equivalent of six point six percent (6.6%) of the cost of the new reservoir for each full year remaining before the expiry of the extended warranty. The refund will be calculated given the current selling price of the replacement tank at the time of claim by the Purchaser, divided by the number of total years of warranty (fifteen (15) years), and then multiplied by the number of full years remaining before the expiry of the warranty period.



## 2 Safety

### 2.1 Owner's obligation of care

This product is designed for agricultural purposes only. It is not adapted for use on public roads. Make sure to follow the local road regulations in relation with the use of this product.

This product is designed and constructed while taking into account a risk assessment, a selection of harmonized standards and other technical specifications to be complied with in order to guarantee a maximum level of safety.

If component(s)/equipment not manufactured by GEA is/are added to this GEA product, consider that new risk(s) may arise from this addition. Make sure the equipment and the environment surrounding the equipment remain safe.

Since agitated manure produces heavy toxic gases, make sure to follow the safety procedures for confined spaces before operating or servicing this equipment in such environment. Look at the corresponding Web site below to make sure the local safety procedures for confined spaces are followed.

Location	Administrated by	Web site
Canada	Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety	<a href="http://www.ccohs.ca">www.ccohs.ca</a>
USA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration	<a href="http://www.osha.gov">www.osha.gov</a>
European Union	European Agency for Safety and Health at Work	<a href="http://www.osha.europa.eu">www.osha.europa.eu</a>

Safety is achieved when the safety instructions are followed. It is part of the owner's obligation of care to implement these safety measures and make sure they are carried out at all times.

#### The owner must ensure a safe environment by providing:

- this instruction manual with this product. Everyone performing activities in connection with this product must read this instruction manual and follow those instructions;
- all required personal safety gear such as hearing, eye, feet protection, etc;
- adequate training for employee(s) working or performing activities in connection with this product;
- the tools listed in this manual to perform activities in connection with this product;
- locally purchased components and/or products that comply with the technical requirements mentioned in section Technical data, if applicable;
- new parts to replace any defective, worn or damaged parts on this product;
- adequate lighting in all areas where activities in connection with this product are performed.

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## **2.2 Explanation of the safety symbols**

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The safety symbols draw attention to the importance of the adjacent text.

They are based on ISO 3864-2 and ANSI535.6.

### **Safety symbols and key words**



**Danger!**

The indication "Danger" signals immediate danger to life or health of personnel.

Death or serious injury will result if the danger is not avoided.

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**Warning!**

The indication "Warning" signals potential danger to life or health of personnel.

Death or serious injury may result if the danger is not avoided.

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**Caution!**

The indication "Caution" signals dangerous situations.

Minor or moderate injury may result if the danger is not avoided.

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**Attention!**

The indication "Attention" signals important information on risks for the product or the environment.

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## 2.3 Basic safety instructions

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- Only trained personnel can operate this product to ensure safe operating methods. Make sure the personnel performing activities in connection with this product have the skills when special qualifications are required. Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.
- Wear appropriate personal safety gear such as hearing, eye, feet protection, etc. when performing activities in connection with this product. Inspect the personal gear and replace if worn and/or defective.
- Familiarize yourself with the environment surrounding the working area. Locate the elements that can be dangerous in order to avoid them.
- No one stands near this product unless they are performing instructions included in this manual. When near this product, keep body parts such as hands, feet, hair as well as clothing away from dangerous parts such as rotating parts, articulated parts, sharp edges, etc.
- Use this product only when in perfect working condition. Do not use damaged, worn or defective parts on this product, replace immediately to avoid serious damages and injuries.
- The use of any tool or lubricant is subject to certain risks. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations and wear appropriate personal safety gear.
- Never remove the safety devices such as guards, covers, chains, labels, etc. from this product to ensure safety unless otherwise indicated in this instruction manual. Refer to section Safety - Protective devices. Read and follow the instructions of the safety labels affixed on this product and make sure the safety labels are legible at all times.

**2.4 Personnel qualifications**

The manufacturer intends to determine the difference between trained personnel and qualified personnel.

**Trained personnel**

The operator was trained by the manufacturer or its legal representative to follow all safety rules, cleaning method, general maintenance as well as the operating methods.

It is the operator's responsibility to inform the farm workers of those rules, maintenance and methods.

**Qualified personnel**

Qualified personnel refers to those having obtained the academic knowledge of a specific field of work.

This personnel has followed a training and subsequently obtained a certification, diploma or any other official document provided by a recognized academic facility in the country of study.

An equivalence may be required when operating in other countries.

The special qualifications required will be specified in each section.

## **2.5 Protective devices**

### **2.5.1 Safety parts**

This product is equipped with safety parts protecting the user against dangerous elements.

Those parts must be in perfect working condition and remain in place at all times.

Replace if damaged, worn and/or defective. Refer to the part number.



Safety guard for power take off driveline (American model)  
(Part No. 2018-7603-040)



Safety guard for power take off driveline (European model)  
(Part No. 2018-7632-470)



Safety grid on fill opening  
(Part No. 2018-7627-510) 22" (56 cm)  
(Part No. 2018-7627-500) 16" (41 cm) with anti-splash door on fill opening option

### **2.5.2 Safety labels**

The labels affixed on this product inform the user of the potential dangers, the prohibited manoeuvres, the proper procedures and applications when performing activities in connection with this product.

The labels must remain in place and legible at all times.

Replace when damaged. Refer to the part number for the appropriate label.



Refer to section Appendix - Label position.

### 3 Description (overview)

#### 3.1 Product applications

The EL48 steerable liquid manure spreader is designed to be towed by a tractor to carry and spread water or all types of liquid manure. The EL48 steerable liquid manure spreader must not be towed at a speed exceeding 25 mph (40 km/h).



**Note!**

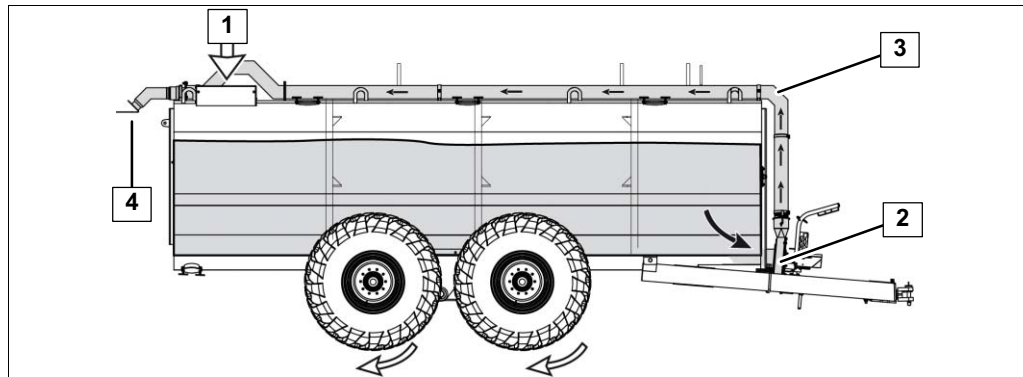
This product and its equipment are designed for agricultural purposes only. Any applications not listed above are considered as improper use.

The manufacturer is not liable for any resulting damages due to improper use of this product. The user carries the risk. Proper use also includes reading and following the instructions of this instruction manual.

- Original GEA parts and accessories are specially designed for GEA products and equipment.
- The manufacturer expressly points out that only original parts and original accessories supplied by GEA are adapted, tested and authorized to be used with this product or equipment. Do not use other suppliers parts or equipment with GEA product unless otherwise approved in writing by GEA.
- The manufacturer does not accept any liability toward injured people or animals or damaged products and equipment caused by the use of other manufacturers products.

#### 3.2 Functional description

The EL48 steerable liquid manure spreader is filled with water or liquid manure through the fill opening (1). The impeller (2) pumps the water/liquid manure in the discharge pipe (3). The water/liquid manure is spreaded through the spreading nozzle (4).



**Legend:**

1	Fill opening	3	Discharge pipe
2	Impeller	4	Spreading nozzle

#### 3.3 Modifications to the product

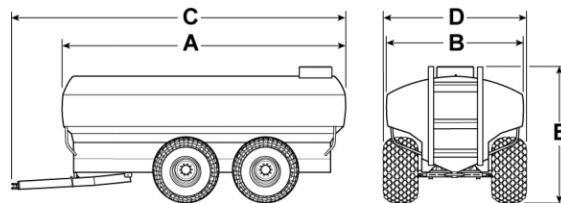
For safety reasons, do not carry out any unauthorized modification to this product!

## 4 Technical data

### 4.1 Geometric data (SAE & Imperial)

The following tables contain approximate values. The type of manure and its composition will significantly increase the total weight, particularly when manure contains sand.

#### EL48-4D



Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (lbs) <sup>1</sup>		Load (lbs) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Per axle <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-4D 3600</b> 3600 UK gal 4300 US gal	23.1 X 26	18 ft	86"	24 ft	113"	118"	12467	48437	22017	4403
	28L X 26				123"	119"	13371	49341	22428	4486
	725/65 X 26				137"	122"	13601	49571	22532	4506
	850/50 X30.5				138.5"		14009	49979	22718	4544
	850/50 X 32						14154	50124	22784	4557
<b>EL48-4D 4000</b> 4000 UK gal 4800 US gal	23.1 X 26	20 ft	86"	26 ft	113"	118"	13077	53117	24282	4553
	28L X 26				123"	119"	13981	54021	24695	4630
	725/65 X 26				137"	122"	14211	54251	24800	4650
	850/50 X30.5				138.5"		14619	54659	24987	4685
	850/50 X 32						14764	54804	25053	4697
<b>EL48-4D 4400</b> 4400 UK gal 5300 US gal	28L X 26	22 ft	86"	28 ft	123"	119"	14591	58591	26920	4751
	725/65 X 26				137"	122"	14821	58821	27026	4769
	850/50 X30.5				138.5"		15229	59229	27213	4802
	850/50 X 32						15374	59374	27280	4814

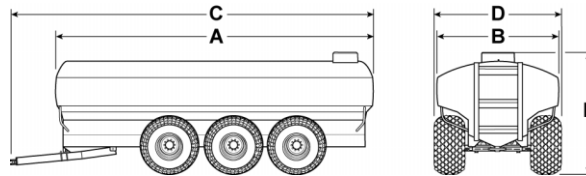
<sup>1</sup> Data given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Data given for a spreader filled with water.

## Technical data

Geometric data (SAE & Imperial)

### EL48-6D



Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (lbs) <sup>1</sup>		Load (lbs) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Per axle <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-6D 4400</b> 4400 UK gal 5300 US gal	23.1 X 26	22 ft	86"	28 ft	113"	118"	15567	59567	18246	4830
	28L X 26				123"	119"	16922	60922	18661	4940
	725/65 X 26				123"	119"	17266	61266	18766	4968
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	18042	62042	19004	5030
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		18259	62259	19070	5048
<b>EL48-6D 4800</b> 4800 UK gal 5800 US gal	23.1 X 26	24 ft	86"	30 ft	113"	118"	16177	64137	19734	4934
	28L X 26				123"	119"	17532	65492	20151	5038
	725/65 X 26				123"	119"	17876	65836	20257	5064
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	18652	66612	20496	5124
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		18869	66829	20563	5141
<b>EL48-6D 5250</b> 5250 UK gal 6300 US gal	23.1 X 26	24 ft	98"	30 ft	113"	118"	17037	69507	21387	5347
	28L X 26				123"	119"	18388	70858	21802	5451
	725/65 X 26				123"	119"	18071	70541	21705	5426
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	19345	71815	22097	5524
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		19561	72031	22163	5541
<b>EL48-6D 5600</b> 5600 UK gal 6700 US gal	23.1 X 26	28 ft	86"	34 ft	113"	118"	17397	73497	22790	5128
	28L X 26				123"	119"	18752	74852	23210	5222
	725/65 X 26				123"	119"	19096	75196	23317	5246
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	19872	75972	23557	5300
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		20089	76189	23624	5316
<b>EL48-6D 6000</b> 6000 UK gal 7200 US gal	23.1 X 26	30 ft	86"	36 ft	113"	118"	18007	78012	24270	5201
	28L X 26				123"	119"	19362	79367	24692	5291
	725/65 X 26				123"	119"	19706	79711	24799	5314
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	20482	80487	25040	5366
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		20699	80704	25108	5380



Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (lbs) <sup>1</sup>		Load (lbs) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Per axle <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-6D</b> <b>6100</b> 6100 UK gal 7300 US gal	23.1 X 26	28 ft	98"	34 ft	113"	118"	18300	79350	24605	5536
	28L X 26				123"	119"	19654	80704	25024	5631
	725/65 X 26						19998	81048	25131	5655
	850/50 X30.5				137"	122"	20608	81658	25320	5697
	850/50 X 32				138.5"		20824	81874	25387	5712

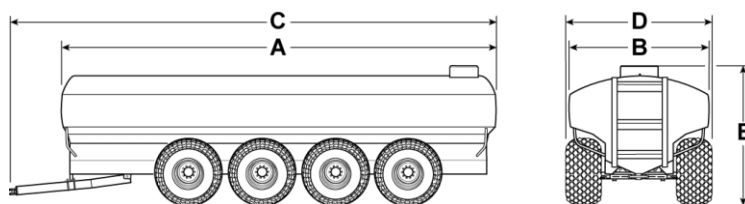
<sup>1</sup> Data given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Data given for a spreader filled with water.

## Technical data

Geometric data (SAE & Imperial)

### EL48-8D



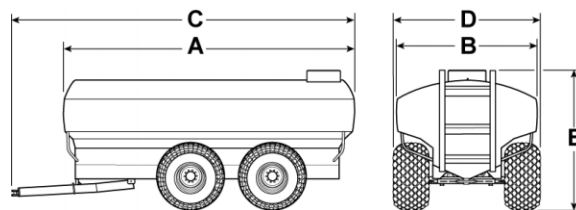
Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (lbs) <sup>1</sup>		Load (lbs) <sup>1</sup>		
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Axles <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>	
<b>EL48-8D 4832</b> 4832 UK gal 5800 US gal	23.1 X 26	32 ft	86.5"	38 ft	123"	108"	16675	65075	15230	4154	Max 7700
<b>EL48-8D 7900</b> 7900 UK gal 9500 US gal	23.1 X 26	32 ft	99"	38 ft	113"	125"	23671	102651	24025	6552	Max 7700
	28L X 26				123"	126"	25474	104454	24447	6667	
	725/65 X 26						25932	104912	24554	6697	
	850/50 X30.5				137"	129"	26746	105726	24744	6748	
	850/50 X 32						138.5"	27035	106015	24812	
<b>EL48-8D 8800</b> 8800 UK gal 10500 US gal	23.1 X 26	36 ft	99"	42 ft	113"	125"	22475	110475	25994	6499	Max 7700
	28L X 26				123"	126"	24278	112278	26418	6605	
	725/65 X 26						24736	112736	26526	6632	
	850/50 X30.5				137"	129"	25550	113550	26718	6679	
	850/50 X 32						138.5"	25839	113839	26786	

<sup>1</sup> Data given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Data given for a spreader filled with water.

## 4.2 Geometric data (Metric)

### EL48-4D

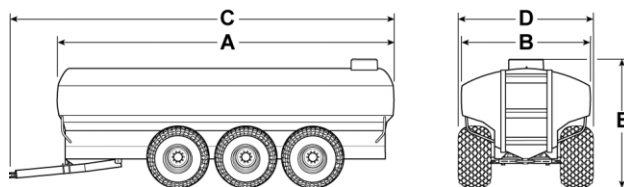


Model Capacity	Size Tire	Overall dimension (m) <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (kg) <sup>1</sup>		Load (kg) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Axles <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-4D 3600</b> 16350 l	23.1 X 26	5,49	2,18	7,32	2,87	3	5667	22017	10008	2002
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	6078	22428	10194	2039
	725/65 X 26						6182	22532	10242	2048
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	6368	22718	10326	2065
	850/50 X 32				3,52		6434	22784	10356	2071
<b>EL48-4D 4000</b> 18200 l	23.1 X 26	6,1	2,18	7,92	2,87	3	5944	24144	11037	2069
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	6355	24555	11225	2105
	725/65 X 26						6460	24660	11273	2114
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	6645	24845	11358	2130
	850/50 X 32				3,52		6711	24911	11388	2135
<b>EL48-4D 4400</b> 20000 l	28L X 26	6,71	2,18	8,53	3,12	3,02	6632	26632	12236	2159
	725/65 X 26						6737	26737	12284	2168
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	6922	26922	12370	2183
	850/50 X 32				3,52		6988	26988	12400	2188

<sup>1</sup> Data given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Data given for a spreader filled with water.

## EL48-6D



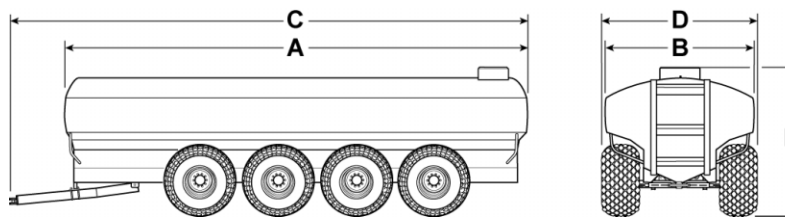
Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension (m) <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (kg) <sup>1</sup>		Load (kg) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Axles <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-6D 4400</b> 20000 l	23.1 X 26	6,71	2,18	8,53	2,87	3	7076	27076	8294	2195
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	7692	27692	8482	2245
	725/65 X 26						7848	27848	8530	2258
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	8201	28201	8638	2287
	850/50 X 32				3,52		8300	28300	8668	2295
<b>EL48-6D 4800</b> 21800 l	23.1 X 26	7,32	2,18	9,14	2,87	3	7353	29153	8970	2243
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	7969	29769	9160	2290
	725/65 X 26						8125	29925	9208	2302
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	8478	30278	9316	2329
	850/50 X 32				3,52		8577	30377	9347	2337
<b>EL48-6D 5250</b> 23850 l	23.1 X 26	7,32	2,49	9,14	2,87	3	7744	31594	9721	2430
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	8358	32208	9910	2478
	725/65 X 26						8214	32064	9866	2466
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	8793	32643	10044	2511
	850/50 X 32				3,52		8891	32741	10074	2519
<b>EL48-6D 5600</b> 25500 l	23.1 X 26	8,53	2,18	10,36	2,87	3	7908	33408	10359	2331
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	8524	34024	10550	2374
	725/65 X 26						8680	34180	10598	2385
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	9033	34533	10708	2409
	850/50 X 32				3,52		9131	34631	10738	2416
<b>EL48-6D 6000</b> 27275 l	23.1 X 26	9,14	2,18	10,97	2,87	3	8185	35460	11032	2364
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	8801	36076	11224	2405
	725/65 X 26						8957	36232	11272	2415
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	9310	36585	11382	2439
	850/50 X 32				3,52		9409	36684	11413	2446

Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension (m) <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (kg) <sup>1</sup>		Load (kg) <sup>1</sup>	
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Axles <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>
<b>EL48-6D</b> <b>6100</b> 27750 l	23.1 X 26	8,53	2,49	10,36	2,87	3	8318	36068	11184	2516
	28L X 26				3,12	3,02	8934	36684	11375	2559
	725/65 X 26						9090	36840	11423	2570
	850/50 X30.5				3,48	3,1	9367	37117	11509	2590
	850/50 X 32				3,52		9465	37215	11540	2596

<sup>1</sup> Data given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Data given for a spreader filled with water.

## EL48-8D




Model Capacity	Tire Size	Overall dimension (m) <sup>1</sup>					Total weight (kg) <sup>1</sup>		Load (kg) <sup>1</sup>		
		A	B	C	D	E	Net	Full load <sup>2</sup>	Axles <sup>2</sup>	Draw bar <sup>2</sup>	
<b>EL48-8D 4832</b> 22000 l	23.1 X 26	9,75	2,2	11,58	3,12	2,74	7580	29580	6923	1888	Max 3500
<b>EL48-8D 7900</b> 35900 l	23.1 X 26	9,75	2,51	11,58	2,87	3,18	10760	46660	10920	2978	Max 3500
	28L X 26				3,12	3,2	11579	47479	11112	3031	
	725/65 X 26				3,48	3,28	11787	47687	11161	3044	
	850/50 X30.5				3,52		12157	48057	11247	3067	
	850/50 X 32				3,52		12289	48189	11278	3076	
<b>EL48-8D 8800</b> 40000 l	23.1 X 26	10,97	2,51	12,8	2,87	3,18	10216	50216	11816	2954	Max 3500
	28L X 26				3,12	3,2	11035	51035	12008	3002	
	725/65 X 26				3,48	3,28	11244	51244	12057	3014	
	850/50 X30.5				3,52		11614	51614	12144	3036	
	850/50 X 32				3,52		11745	51745	12175	3044	

<sup>1</sup> Weight given for a spreader including wheels, without options nor tool bar.

<sup>2</sup> Weight given for a spreader filled with water.

### 4.3 Tire specifications


#### Galaxy 850/50R X 32

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	Radial	66	33.5	830	376

Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)							
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Carrying capacity (lbs)							
10	12030	12930	13780	14590	15380	16140	16860	17580
15	11010	11560	12080	12590	13090	13560	14030	14500
20	10610	11140	11640	12130	12620	13080	13520	13980
25	9920	10410	10880	11340	11790	12220	12640	13060
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)							
	1.24	1.31	1.38	1.45	1.52	1.58	1.65	1.72
	Carrying capacity (kg)							
16	5456	5865	6251	6618	6976	7321	7648	7974
24	4994	5244	5479	5711	5938	6151	6364	6577
32	4813	5053	5280	5502	5724	5933	6133	6341
40	4499	4722	4935	5144	5348	5543	5733	5924


#### Galaxy 725/65 X 26

When towed, the Galaxy model must be installed in the opposite direction of rotation indicated by the arrow on the tire for better self cleaning performances.

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	20	61	29	715	324


Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)							
	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45
	Carrying capacity (lbs)							
10	12000	12900	13700	14500	15200	16000	16700	17400
15	10200	11000	11700	12300	13000	13600	14200	14800
20	9300	10000	10600	11200	11800	12400	12900	13400
25	8400	9000	9500	10100	10600	11100	11600	12100
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)							
	1.65	1.86	2.07	2.28	2.48	2.69	2.90	3.10
	Carrying capacity (kg)							
16	5443	5851	6214	6577	6894	7257	7575	7893
24	4627	4990	5307	5579	5897	6169	6441	6713
32	4218	4536	4808	5080	5352	5624	5851	6078
40	3810	4082	4309	4581	4808	5035	5262	5488

## Alliance 850/50 X 30.5

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	16	66	33.5	794	360

Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)		
	23	26	32
	Carrying capacity (lbs)		
6	24340	26060	29300
16	20680	22160	24910
25	17380	08610	20930
31	15640	16760	18830
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)		
	1.59	1.79	2.21
	Carrying capacity (kg)		
10	11050	11830	13300
25	9390	10060	11310
40	7890	8450	9500
50	7100	7610	8550


## Alliance 28L X 26

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	16	63	28	604	274

Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)		
	28	30	32
	Carrying capacity (lbs)		
6	18060	19160	19690
16	15310	16260	16700
25	14450	15330	15750
31	13150	13940	14340
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)		
	1.93	2.07	2.21
	Carrying capacity (kg)		
10	8200	8700	8940
25	6950	7380	7580
40	6560	6960	7150
50	5970	6330	6510




## Goodyear 23.1 X 26

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	12	59	23.5	467	212

Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)				
	16	18	20	22	24
	Carrying capacity (lbs)				
10	7554	7980	8512	9044	9510
15	6930	7320	7808	8296	8723
20	6305	6660	7104	7548	7937
25	5680	6000	6400	6800	7150
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)				
	1.10	1.24	1.38	1.52	1.65
	Carrying capacity (kg)				
16	3427	3620	3861	4102	4313
24	3143	3320	3542	3763	3957
32	2860	3021	3222	3424	3600
40	2567	2722	2903	3084	3243

## Goodyear 18.4 X 26

	Ply	Dimensions (inches)		Weight (rim included)	
		Diameter	Width	lbs	kg
	10	56	19	340	154

Speed (mph)	Pressure (psi)					
	16	18	20	22	24	26
	Carrying capacity (lbs)					
10	5267	5559	6038	6384	6570	6916
15	4831	5100	5539	5856	6027	6433
20	4396	4640	5039	5328	5483	5772
25	3960	4180	4540	4800	4940	5200
Speed (km/h)	Pressure (bar)					
	1.10	1.24	1.38	1.52	1.65	1.79
	Carrying capacity (kg)					
16	2389	2522	2739	2896	2980	3137
24	2191	2313	2512	2656	2734	2878
32	1994	2105	2286	2417	2487	2618
40	1796	1896	2059	2177	2241	2359

#### 4.4 Tractor specifications

Spreader model		PTO RPM	Minimum HP		
			When spreading manure at ground level	When injecting or burying manure into soil	When spreading manure on hilly land
EL48-4D	3600	540 - 1000	120	145	180
	4000		135	160	200
	4400		150	180	220
EL48-6D	4400	540 - 1000	150	175	220
	4800		160	190	240
	5250		175	210	260
	5600		190	225	280
	6000		200	240	300
	6100		205	245	300
EL48-8D	4832	540 - 1000	165	195	245
	7900		265	315	400
	8800		300	355	450

## 4.5 Performance data

### Spreader

Maximum towing speed	25 mph [40 km/h]
Maximum speed using power steering system	8 mph [12 km/h]
Operating temperature	5°C [41°F] minimum

### Spreading flow rate

PTO impeller drive		
Maximum manure consistency for spreading (without tool bar)	2 ½" [65 mm]	
Tractor PTO RPM	540 RPM	1000 RPM
Maximum spreading flow rate*	6416 lpm 1695 US gpm 1411 UK gpm	8725 lpm 2305 US gpm 1919 UK gpm

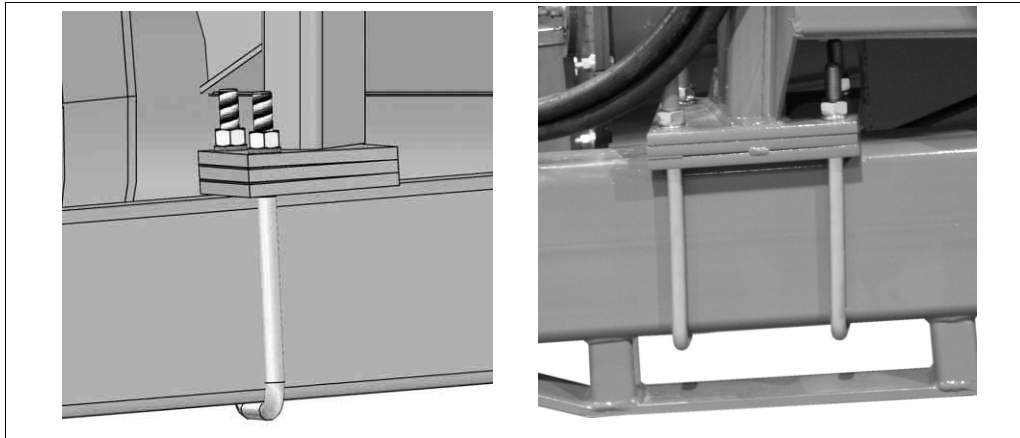
Hydraulic HE impeller drive			
Maximum manure consistency for spreading (without tool bar)	½" [13 mm]		
Tractor hydraulic pump flow	< 25 US gpm < 95 lpm < 21 UK gpm	25 to 32 US gpm 95 to 121 lpm 21 to 27 UK gpm	> 32 US gpm > 121 lpm > 27 UK gpm
Maximum spreading flow rate*	1650 US gpm 6240 lpm 1375 UK gpm	2100 US gpm 7950 lpm 1750 UK gpm	2700 US gpm 10220 lpm 2250 UK gpm

\* Transfer rate at the pump output without tool bar. Performance will differ depending on the tool bar model and manure consistency.

### Tool bar maximum manure consistency for spreading

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twin deflector 25 ft tool bar</li> <li>• 3 deflectors 38 ft tool bar</li> </ul>	2 ½" [65 mm]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deflectors tool bar</li> <li>• Flex drop hoses tool bar</li> <li>• Tool bar with 24" hydraulic disc injectors</li> <li>• Tool bar with 22" concave disc incorporators</li> </ul>	½" [13 mm]

## Spreader draw bar inclination



The spreader draw bar is adjusted on the spreader frame according to the tractor draw bar height.

Spacers are placed between the spreader draw bar and the spreader tank to obtain a 3 degree angle towards the front of the tank. It allows a complete drainage of the liquid inside the tank and it ensures that the PTO shaft operates at a proper angle.

By removing or adding spacers, the draw bar can be adapted for another tractor draw bar.

For more information, contact your dealer.

### 4.6 Hydraulic hose specifications




I.D.	1/4" (6 mm)	1/2" (13 mm)	3/4" (19 mm)
O.D.	0.58" (15 mm)	0.86" (22 mm)	1.10" (28 mm)
Number of braids	2	2	2
Service pressure	5 800 psi [400 bar]	4 000 psi [276 bar]	3 000 psi [207 bar]

## 4.7 Bolt torque chart



### Note!

Refer to the bolt torque chart below unless otherwise specified in this manual.

Bolt	Mat.	Bolt diameter									
		1/4"	5/16"	3/8"	7/16"	1/2"	9/16"	5/8"	3/4"	7/8"	1"
<b>SAE 2</b> 	LCS	6 ft-lb 8NM	12ft-lb 16NM	20ft-lb 27NM	32ft-lb 44NM	47ft-lb 64NM	69ft-lb 94NM	96ft-lb 130NM	155ft-lb 210NM	206ft-lb 279NM	310ft-lb 420NM
<b>SAE 5</b> 	MCS HT	10ft-lb 14NM	19ft-lb 26NM	33ft-lb 45NM	54ft-lb 73NM	78ft-lb 106NM	114ft-lb 155NM	154ft-lb 209NM	257ft-lb 349NM	382ft-lb 518NM	587ft-lb 796NM
<b>SAE 8</b> 	MCAS	14ft-lb 19NM	29ft-lb 39NM	47ft-lb 64NM	78ft-lb 106NM	119ft-lb 161NM	169ft-lb 229NM	230ft-lb 312NM	380ft-lb 515NM	600ft-lb 814NM	700ft-lb 949NM
Socket Head Cap Screw	AS HT	16ft-lb 22NM	33ft-lb 45NM	54ft-lb 73NM	84ft-lb 114NM	125ft-lb 170NM	180ft-lb 244NM	250ft-lb 339NM	400ft-lb 542NM	640ft-lb 868NM	970ft-lb 1315NM

## 4.8 Lubricant specifications

Lubricant type	Product name	Grade	Purpose
Grease	PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To lubricate the equipment.</li> <li>To grease the power steering mechanism.</li> <li>To lubricate the slack adjuster.</li> </ul>
Gearbox oil	TRAXON™	80W-90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To fill the bearing housing.</li> </ul>
Grease	880 Crown and Chassis	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To grease wheel hub bearings.</li> </ul>
Brake fluid	DOT3 brake fluid		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To fill the master cylinder.</li> </ul>
Hydraulic fluid	HYDREX™	MV 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To fill suspension cylinders bottom translucent hose.</li> </ul>
Biodegradable oil			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To lubricate the primer pump piston.</li> <li>To spray over the spreader before storing.</li> </ul>

## 5 Handling and assembly

### 5.1 Special personnel qualification required for handling

Handling must be performed by a qualified forklift operator and/or qualified overhead crane or hoist operator.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

### 5.2 Safety instructions for handling and assembly






#### **Warning!**

Always keep this product on a flat and level surface. An uneven surface could unbalance the product resulting in injuries and/or damages.












Read the section Safety.

#### 5.2.1 Handling tools

	Description	Purpose
	Boom truck	To lift the spreader
	Forklift truck	To lift accessories
	Safety chains	To lift accessories

## 5.2.2 Assembly tools

	Description	Purpose
	Wrench set	To tighten bolts
	Ratchet tool set	To tighten bolts
	Torque wrench	To tighten bolts
	Air impact	To tighten wheel nuts
	Brake spring pliers	To install the air brake springs
	Screw driver set	To install bottom valve
	Cutter	To remove tie wrap
	Fiber hammer	To insert knuckle pivot tubes
	Floor jack	To position the axle

## 5.2.3 Items provided by the owner:

- A PTO driveline meeting local regulations, if applicable.
- A tractor of appropriate size to match the spreader model. Refer to section Technical data - Tractor specifications.

## 5.3 Packing material disposal

Handle the packing material properly and dispose according to your local rules and regulations on waste disposal. Please refer to your local resources for any questions. Recycle if possible.

## 5.4 Handling the product



### Warning!

Do not stand under suspended loads. Falling loads can cause fatal injuries!



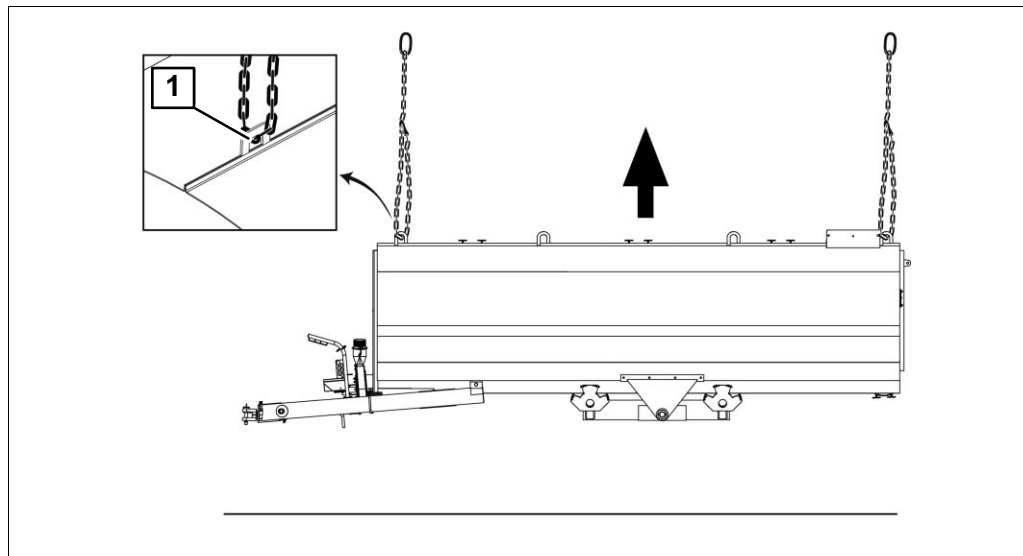
### Attention!

To lift this product use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 30 000 lbs [15 000 kg]. The lifting capacity only includes the weight of the product.



### Attention!

Ensure each lifting ring of this product is in reliable condition to avoid an accidental fall causing injuries and/or damages.

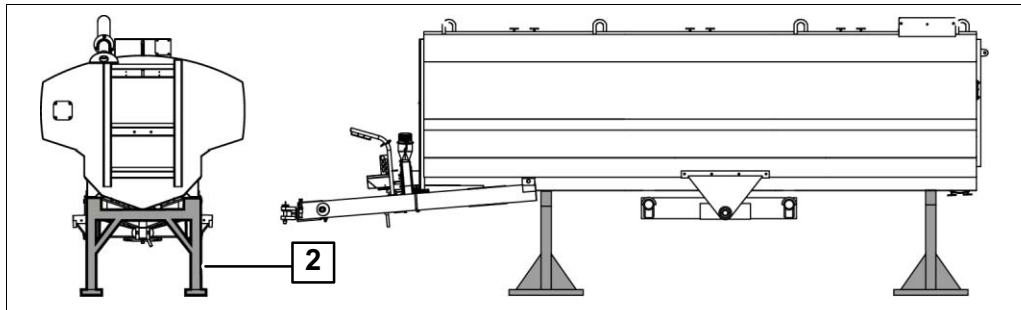


- Lift the spreader by the lifting rings (1), located on top of the spreader tank, using a boom truck and safety chains;

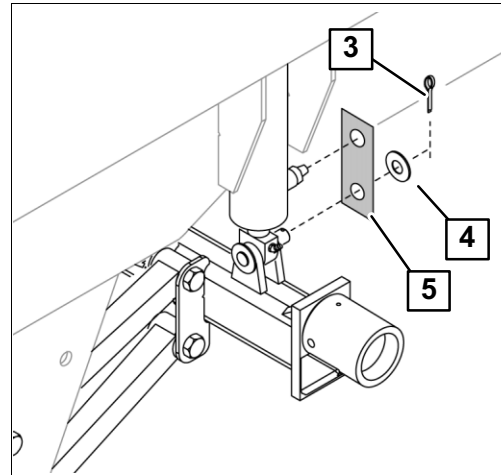


**Warning!**

Always keep the spreader lifted while laying on the support stands (not supplied by GEA) and make sure the support stands can withstand the spreader weight.



- Position the spreader on support stands (2);
- Remove the transport stands and the wrapping that may cover components fixed to the spreader;
- Remove the cotter pin (3) and the washer (4);
- Remove the locking plate (5) from each cylinder and discard the plate;
- Reinstall the cotter pin and washer.



## 5.5 Axle assembly

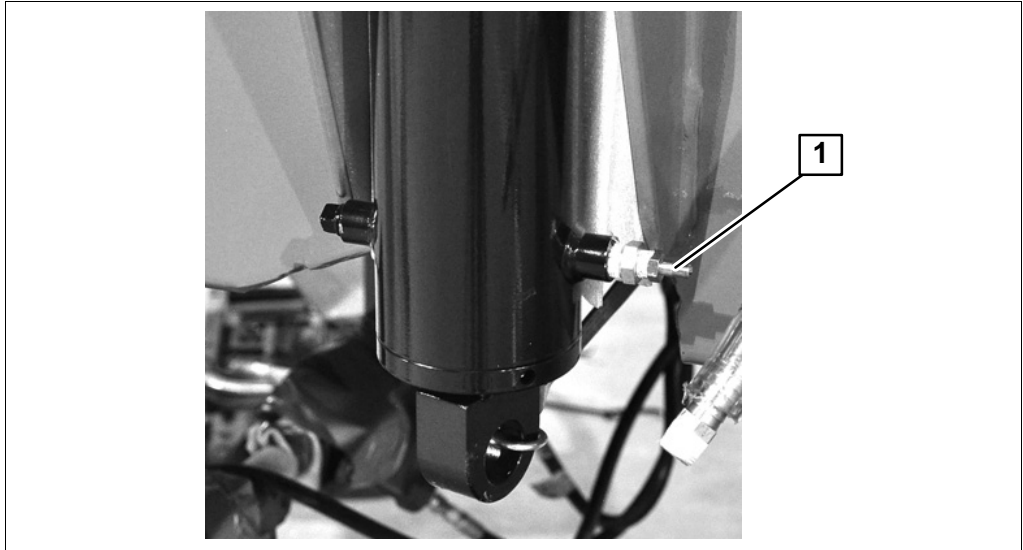
If the spreader is shipped in a container, the non-directional axle may have to be assembled.

### 5.5.1 Air valve removal



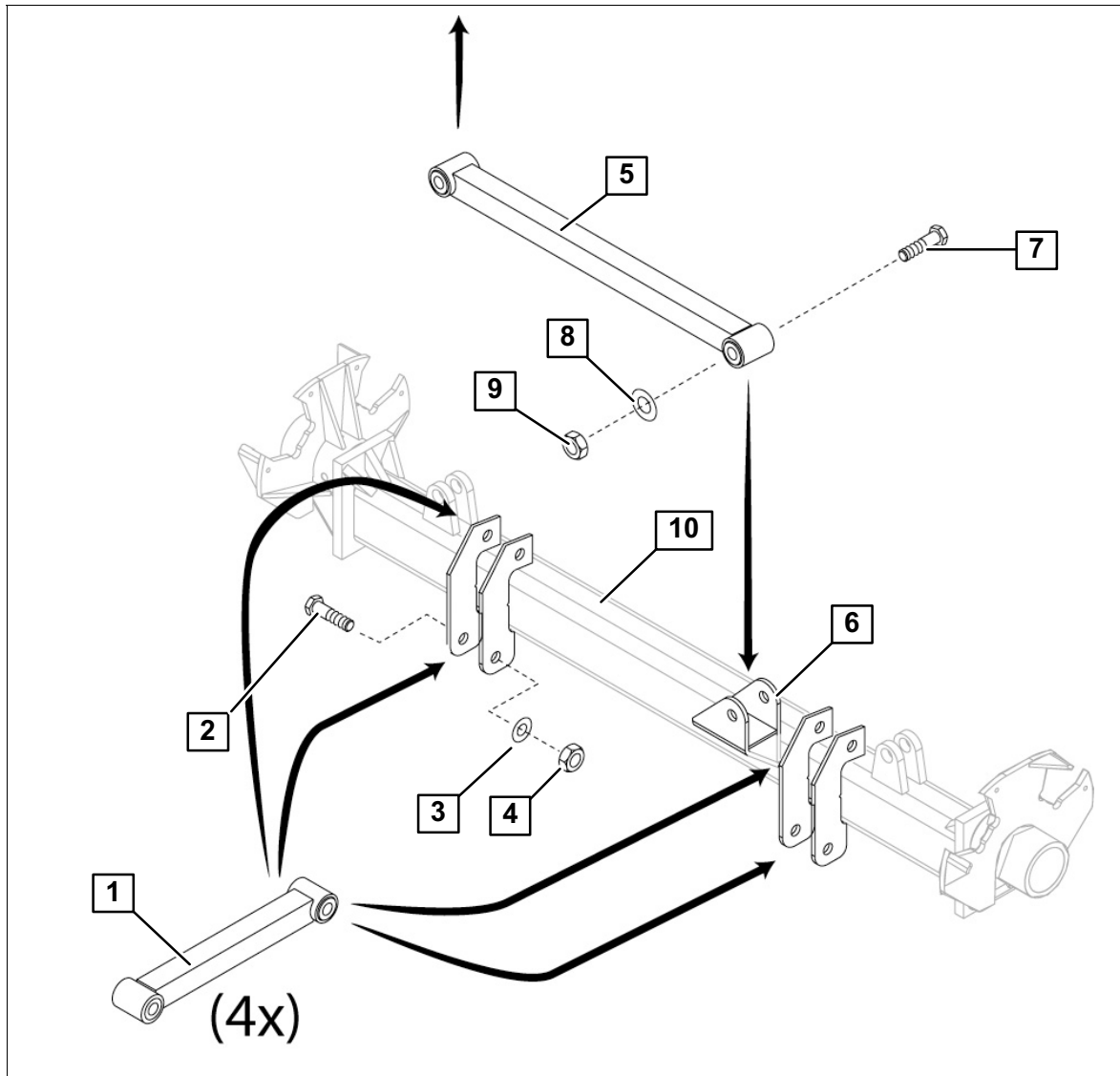
**Note!**

The suspension cylinder will extend.

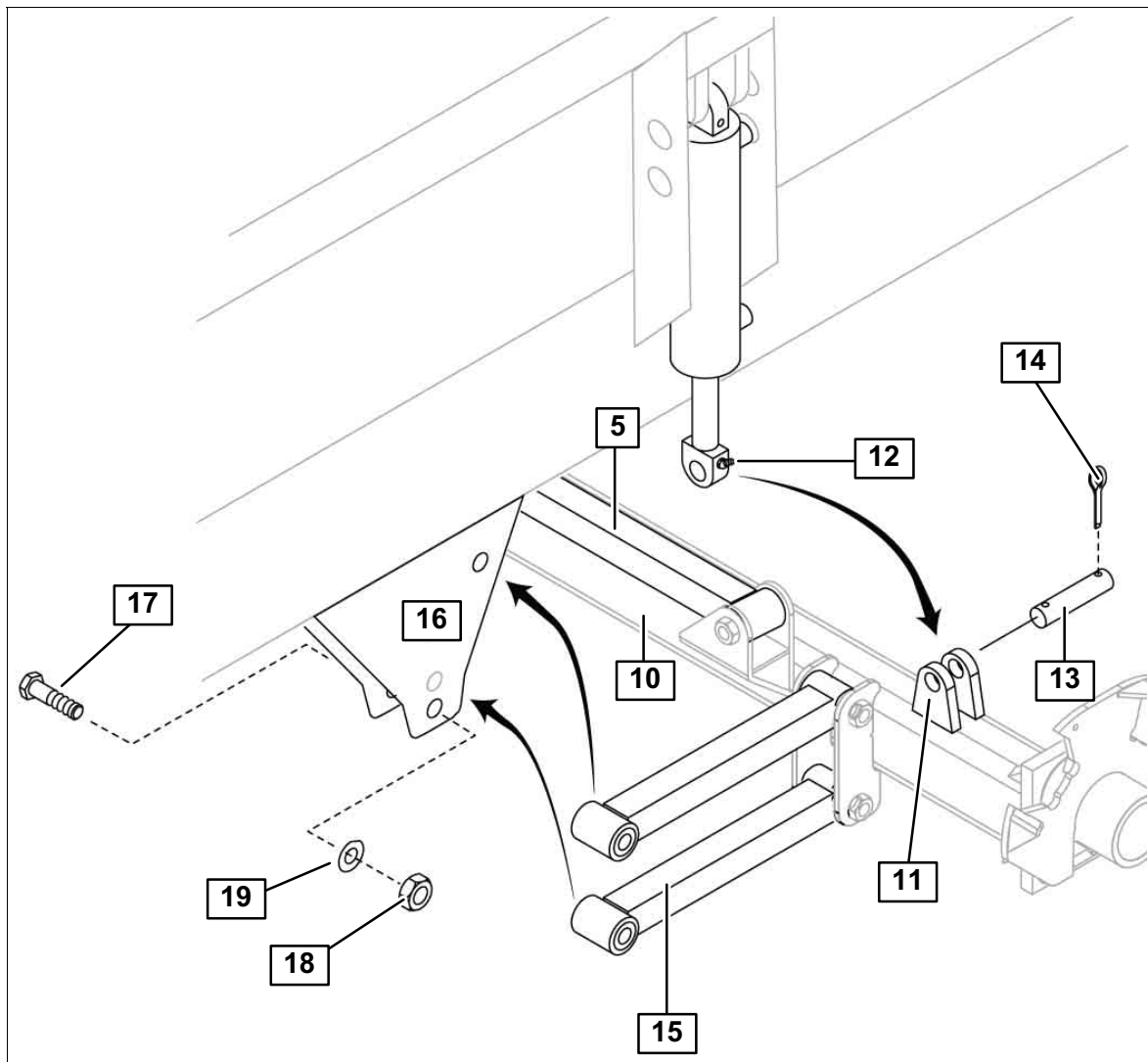


- Unscrew the air valve (1);
- Remove the valve spring located inside the air valve to allow air release;
- Repeat these steps for each cylinder.

### 5.5.2 Arms assembly



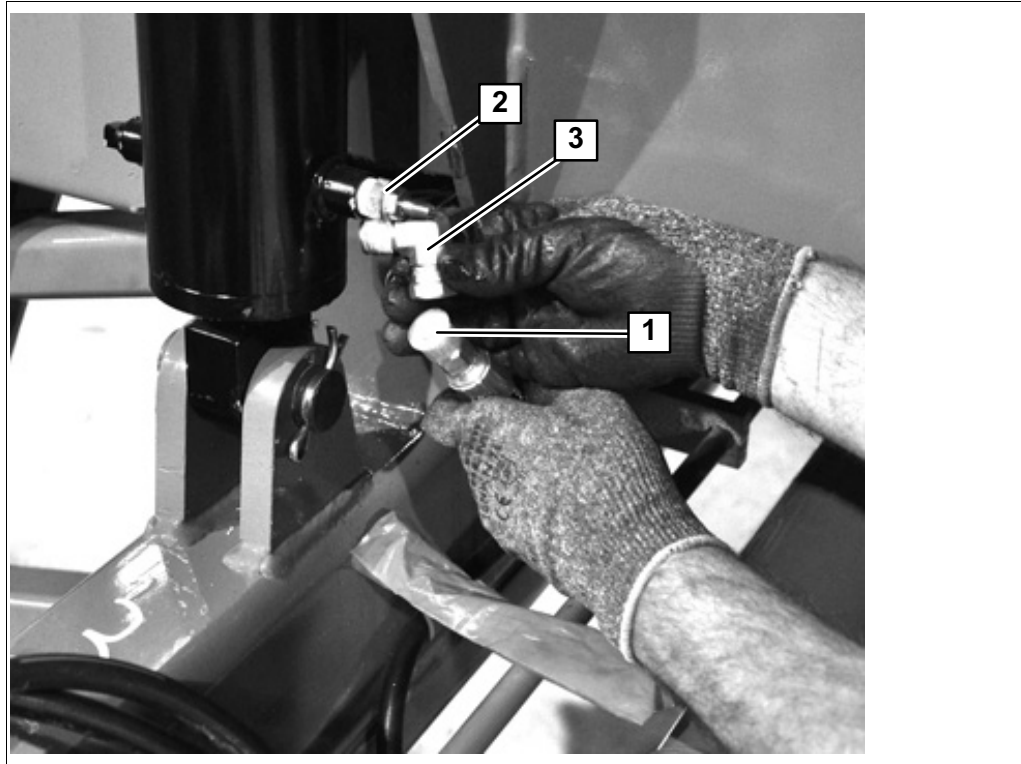
- Install four arms (1) on the axle using bolts (2), washers (3) and nuts (4). Torque to 350 ft-lb [475 NM];
- Slide the axle (10) under the spreader using a floor jack. Make sure the four arms are positioned toward the front of the spreader;
- Install the transverse arm (5) in the bracket (6) using bolt (7), washer (8) and nut (9). Make sure the offset side of the arm is oriented toward the front of the spreader;



- Lift the axle (10) using the floor jack;
- Align the suspension cylinder (12) hole with the bracket (11) holes then insert a connecting rod (13) through the holes. Secure the connecting rod using cotter pins (14) on both sides;
- Insert the four arms (15) between the plates (16). Fix the arms using bolts (17), washers (18) and nuts (19). Torque to 350 ft-lb [475 NM];
- Position the transverse arm (5) end in the bracket located under the spreader and fix it using bolt, washer and nut (not illustrated). Torque to 350 ft-lb [475 NM].

### 5.5.3 Weight transfer assembly

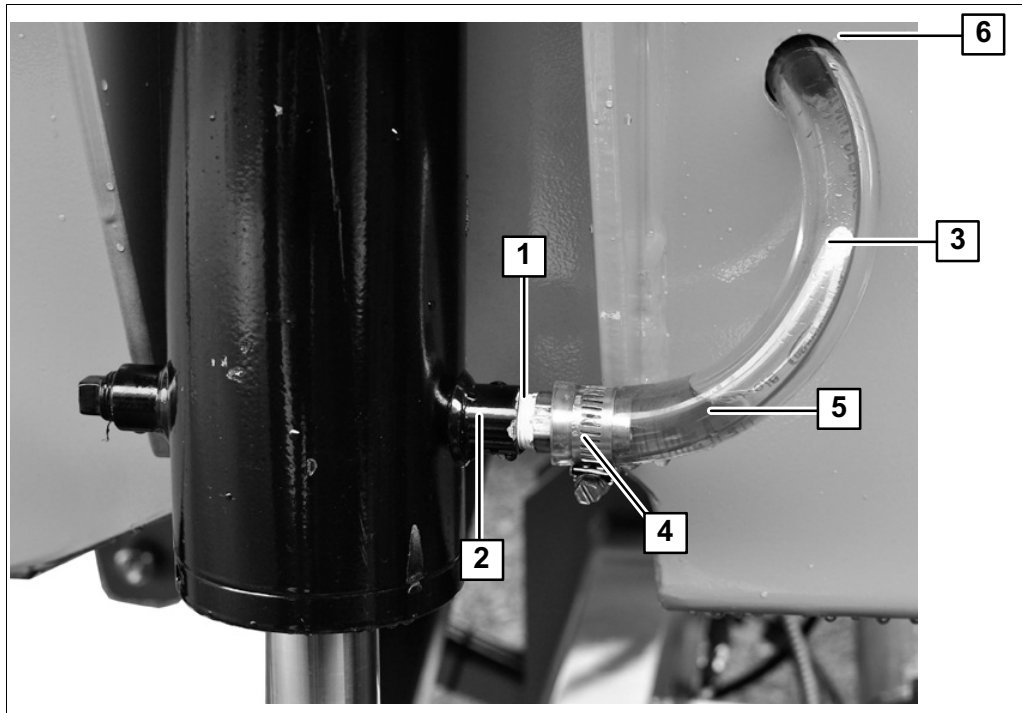
If the spreader is equipped with the weight transfer option, proceed with the following steps on both cylinders of the first axle. If the spreader is not equipped with the weight transfer option, proceed with the next step.



- Remove the weight transfer hose (1) that is bound under the spreader;
- Take the hose fittings in the bag;
- Remove the air valve adapters (2) from the suspension cylinder;
- Apply Teflon tape over the 90° adapter (3) threads and install it on the bottom part of the suspension cylinder. Connect the weight transfer hose (1);
- Repeat these steps to connect the second cylinder of the first axle.

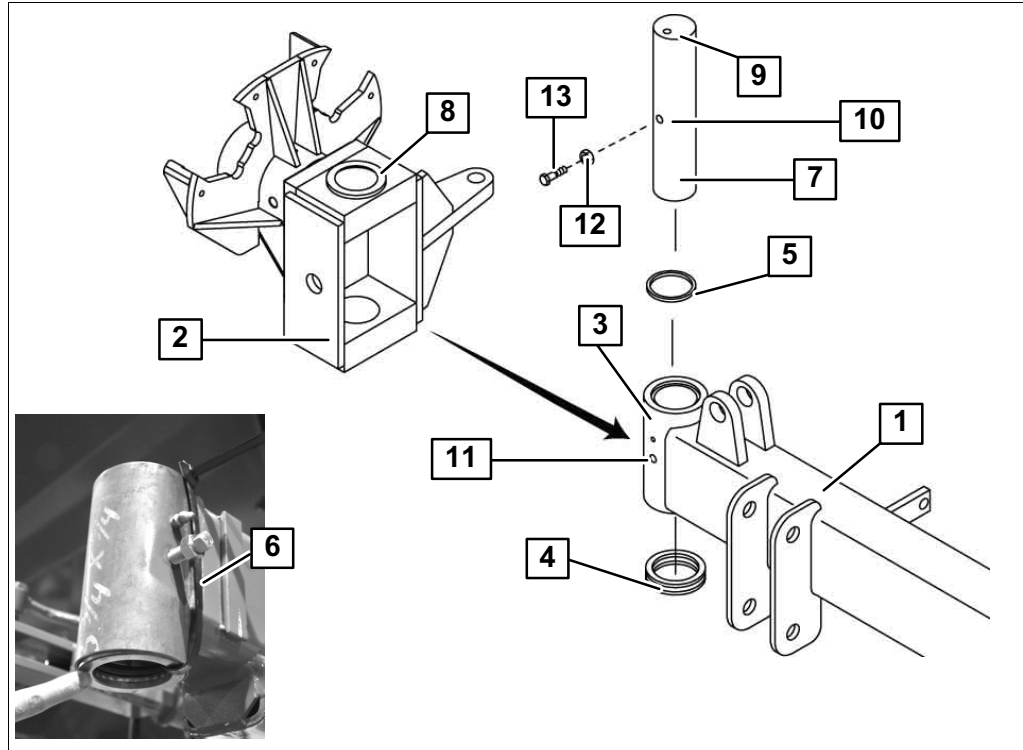
### 5.5.4 Translucent hose assembly

This step is not required for spreader equipped with oil on both sides of suspension cylinder.



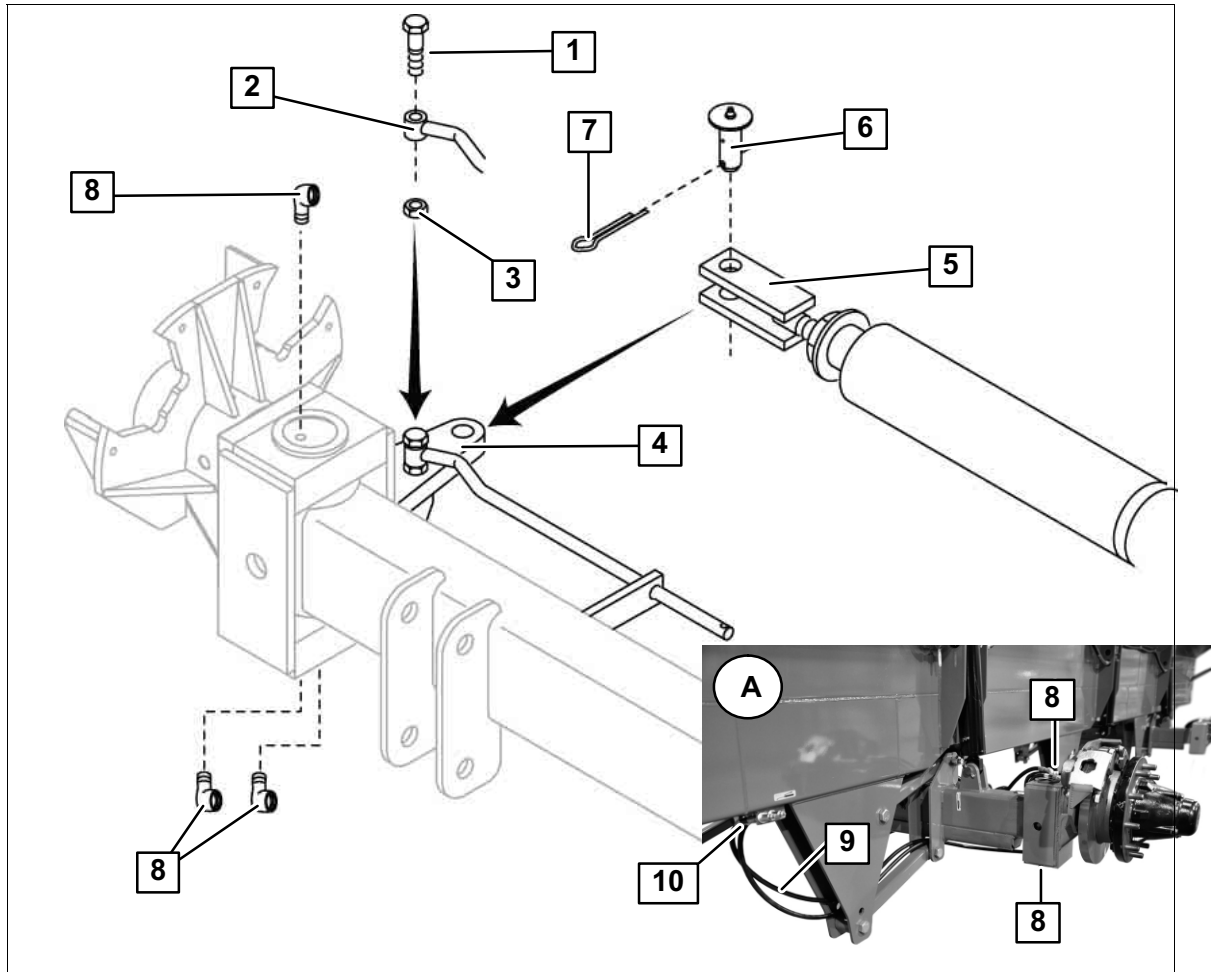
- Remove air valve from the cylinder opening (2);
- Apply Teflon tape on the straight adapter (1) threads;
- Screw the straight adapter (1) on the opening (2);
- Fit the translucent hose (3) on the straight adapter (1) and secure it using a collar (4);
- Pour grade MV 22 HYDREX™ hydraulic fluid (5) in the translucent hose (3) through the other end of the hose;
- Insert the end of the translucent hose (3) in the spreader frame (6);
- Repeat these steps for each cylinder.

### 5.5.5 Knuckle installation



- Remove the protective bags from the axle (1);
- Match the number written on the knuckle (2) with the number written on the axle (1) end;
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the top and bottom inner ends of the pivot tube (3) and on the bearing (4);
- Slowly slide the knuckle (2) halfway over the pivot tube (3). Make sure the bearing (4) and the O-ring (5) are well positioned;
- Cut and remove the tie wrap (6);
- Completely slide the knuckle (2) over the pivot tube (3);
- Place the pivot shaft (7) over the knuckle opening (8). Make sure there is one hole on the top of the shaft (9) and two holes on the underside of the shaft (7);
- Align the side hole (10) of the pivot shaft with the hole of the pivot tube (11). Insert the shaft with a fiber hammer. Make sure the top of the pivot shaft (7) is even with the top of the knuckle (2);
- Screw the jam nut (12) on the bolt (13). Keep a space of 1/8" (3 mm) between the jam nut (12) and the bolt (13) head;
- Screw the bolt (13) in the hole of the pivot tube (11) until the jam nut (12) touches the pivot tube (3). Using two keys, hold the bolt (13) and lock the jam nut (12) on the pivot tube (3);
- Repeat these steps for each knuckle.

### 5.5.6 Knuckle connection



- Insert the bolt (1) in the connecting rod (2). Screw the jam nut (3) on the bolt (1), keep a space between the nut (3) and the connecting rod (2);
- Bolt the assembly in the steering knuckle side plate (4) until the jam nut (3) touches the side plate (4);
- Using two keys, hold the jam nut (3) and adjust the bolt (1) to keep a space of 1/16" [1 mm] between the parts. It allows the rod to pivot freely;
- Once adjusted, hold the bolt (1) and tighten the jam nut (3) against the side plate (4);
- Connect the clevis (5) on the knuckle side plate (4) using a hinge pin (6). Lock the hinge pin (6) using a cotter pin (7);
- Apply Teflon tape on the fittings threads (8);
- Screw one fitting (8) on top of the pivot shaft and two fittings (8) underside. Make sure the fittings point toward the center of the spreader;
- Connect the grease lines (9) from the fittings (8) to the hose brackets (10) as shown in Detail A;
- Repeat these steps for each knuckle.



## 5.6 Hydraulic braking system assembly

### 5.6.1 Hub assembly



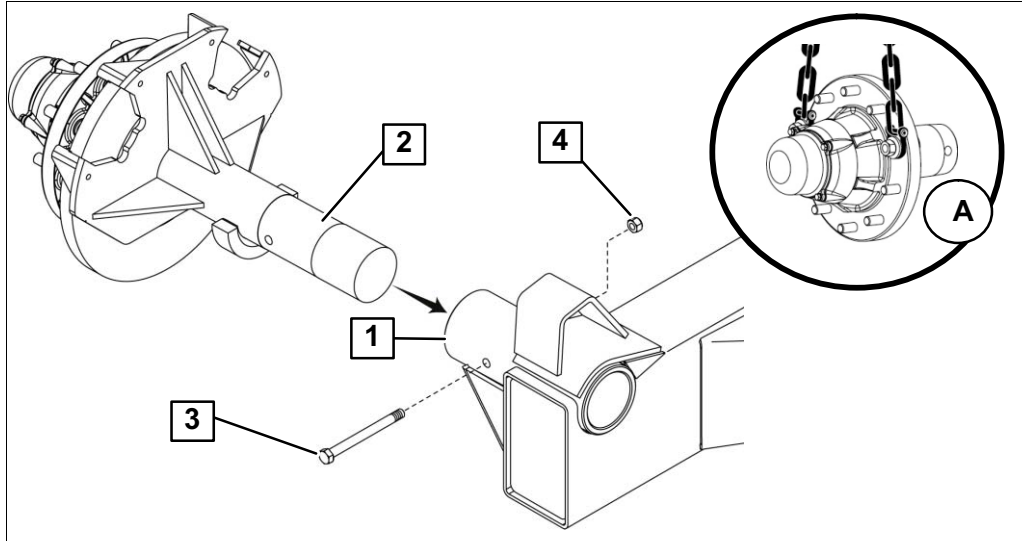
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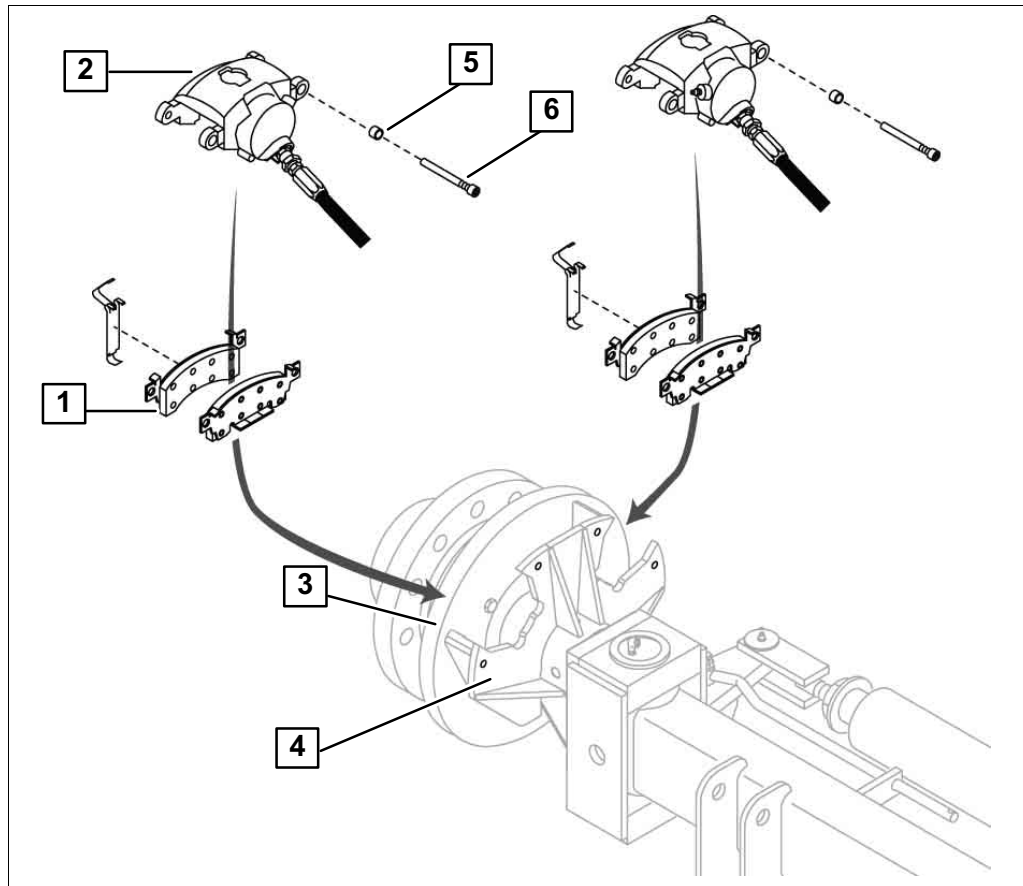
**Attention!**

To lift wheel hub, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 150 lbs [70 kg].



- Apply a thin layer of grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) in the hub receptacle (1);
- Lift the hub. See Detail A;
- Insert the hub shaft (2) in the hub receptacle (1);
- Align the holes of the shaft (2) with the holes of the hub receptacle (1);
- Insert the bolt (3) in the holes. Place the bolt head toward the front of the spreader;
- Secure with a locknut (4). Tighten;
- Repeat these steps for each hub.

### 5.6.2 Brake parts assembly



- Place the brake pads (1) in the caliper (2) and position the assembly on the brake disk (3);
- Align the holes of the caliper (2) with the holes of the support (4);
- Insert a sleeve (5) in each hole of the caliper (2);
- Insert a bolt (6) in each hole of the caliper (2). Tighten;
- Install two calipers per wheel;
- Repeat these steps for each wheel.

### 5.6.3 Hydraulic braking system calibration



Refer to section Maintenance - Calibrate the hydraulic braking system.

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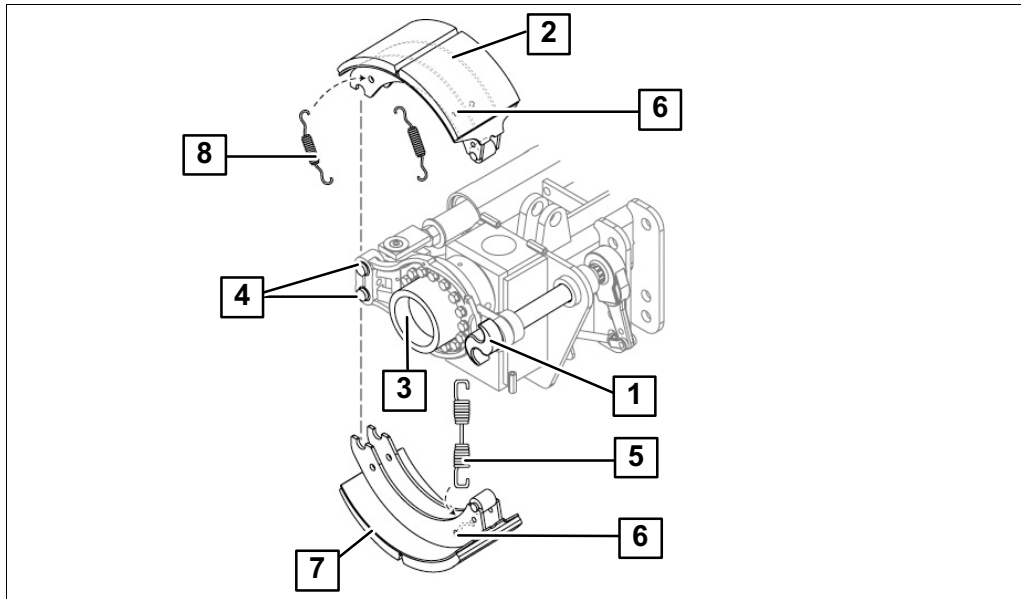
## 5.7 Air braking system assembly (optional)

### 5.7.1 Brake parts assembly



#### Attention!

Do not exceed 120 psi [8.27 bar] when connecting the air supply to the air braking system.



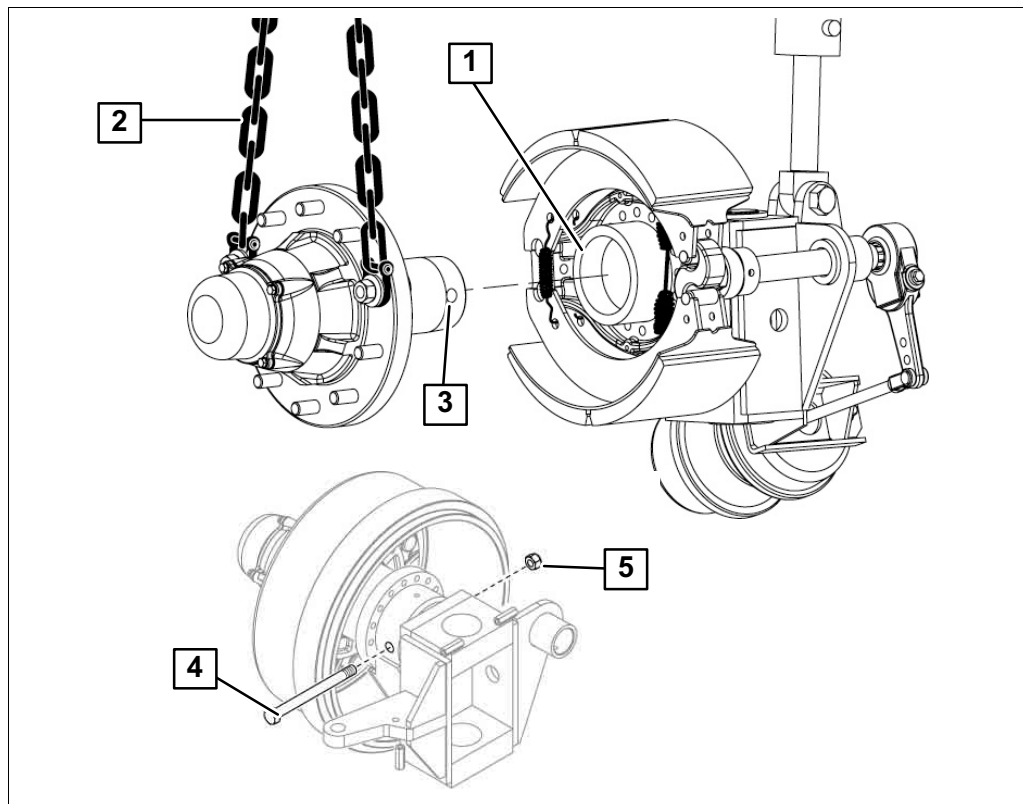
- Build air pressure in the air braking system to rotate the "S" camshaft (1):
  - Connect the tractor air brake outlets to the spreader air brake emergency line (red hose) and service line (yellow/blue hose). Make sure the pressure is maintained between 70 to 100 psi [4.82 to 6.90 bar];
- or
  - Connect a compressor to the emergency line (red hose). Make sure the compressed air is filtered and regulated between 70 to 100 psi [4.82 to 6.90 bar];
- Install the upper brake lining (2) over the hub receptacle (3). Make sure the upper brake lining is well seated on the anchor pins (4) and the "S" camshaft (1);
- Hook the blue spring (5) on the return spring pin (6) located inside the brake lining frame;
- Position the lower brake lining (7) near the hub assembly in order to hook the other end of the blue spring (5) on the return spring pin (6);
- Position the lower brake lining (7) under the hub receptacle (3). Make sure the brake lining is well seated on the anchor pins (4) and the "S" camshaft (1);
- Using the brake spring pliers, install the two retaining springs (8) between the upper and the lower brake lining frame. Repeat these steps for each wheel.

## 5.7.2 Wheel hub assembly



### Attention!

To lift wheel hub, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 150 lbs [70 kg].



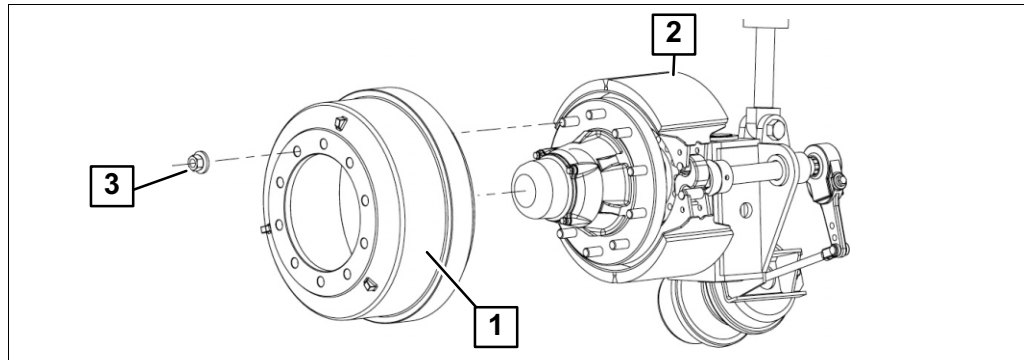
- Apply a very thin layer of grade 2, 880 Crown and Chassis grease in the receptacle (1) using a brush;
- Lift the wheel hub using safety chains (2). Secure the safety chains with two wheel nuts, as illustrated;
- Rotate the hub shaft to position the hub holes (3) horizontally;
- Insert the hub shaft in the receptacle (1) making sure the hub holes (3) are aligned with the holes of the receptacle;
- Insert the cam bolt (4) through the receptacle (1) and the hub shaft (3) and secure with a locknut (5);
- Grease the hub shaft behind the brake lining assembly through the grease fitting;
- Repeat these steps for each wheel.

### 5.7.3 Drum assembly



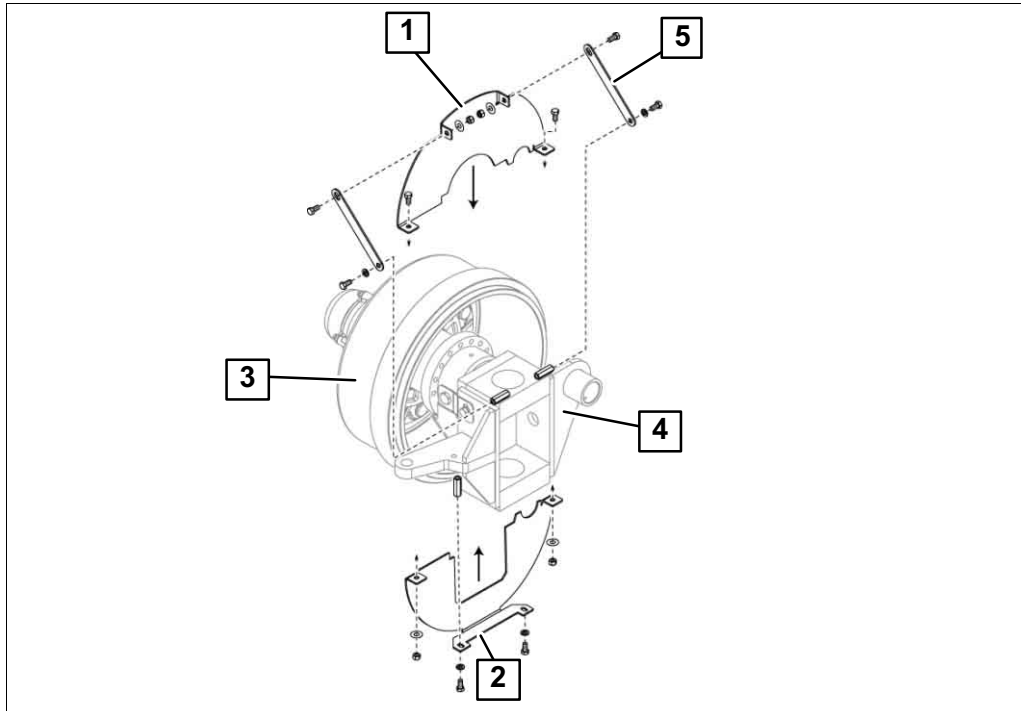
**Note!**

Make sure the air pressure in the emergency line (red hose) is maintained during the installation of the drum. The air pressure will keep brake linings close to the drum, which makes installation easier.



- Lift the drum (1) and install it over the brake lining (2);
- Screw three nuts (3) on the hub to secure the drum (1) temporarily;
- Repeat these steps for each drum;
- Release air pressure and unscrew the nuts (3) on each wheel.

### 5.7.4 Dust shield assembly



- Assemble the upper and the lower dust shields (1, 2) behind the drum (3) using bolts, flat washers and locknuts;
- Fix the lower dust shield (2) on the steering knuckle (4) using bolts and lock washers;
- Fix the links (5) on the steering knuckle (4) using bolts and lock washers;
- Fix the links (5) on the upper dust shield (1) using bolts, flat washers and locknuts;
- Repeat these steps for each wheel.

### 5.7.5 Air braking system calibration



**Note!**

Calibrate the air braking system by following the instructions in section Maintenance - Air braking system.

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## 5.8 Wheel assembly



### Warning!

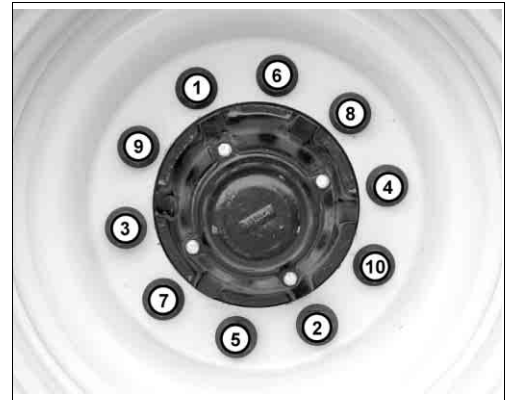
Do not stand under suspended loads. Falling loads can cause fatal injuries!



### Attention!

To lift the wheels, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 1000 lbs [500 kg].

- Check tire air pressure;
- Lift the wheel and position it on the wheel hub;
- Install ten wheel nuts and tighten to 375 ft-lb [508 NM] following the sequence illustrated;
- After tightening all nuts, double check the torque for safety;
- Repeat these steps for each wheel;



- Lower the spreader on the ground;
- Place wheel chocks on a wheel, one at the front and the other at the back of the wheel, to secure the spreader.



Refer to section Technical data - Tire specifications.

## 5.9 Hydraulic suspension adjustment

The hydraulic suspension is lowered for transport purposes.



Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic suspension.

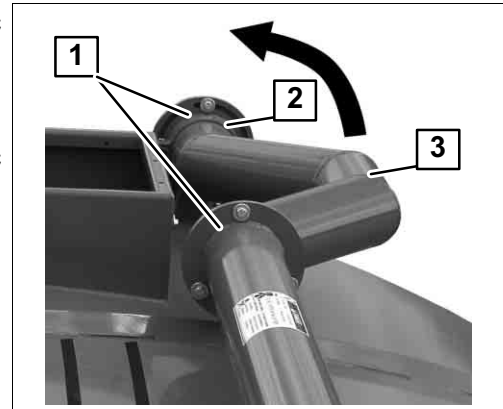
## 5.10 Anti-siphon assembly



### Warning!

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.

- Loosen the bolts holding the disc flanges (1) and the collar (2);
- Turn the anti-siphon (3) upward;
- Tighten the bolts holding the disc flanges (1) and the collar (2).



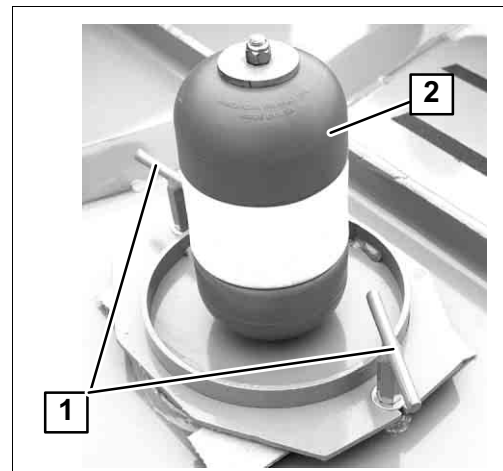
## 5.11 Top fill indicator assembly



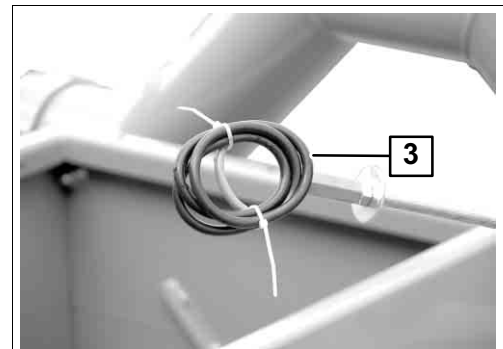
### Warning!

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.

- Unscrew both handles (1);
- Remove the top fill indicator (2) from the opening;

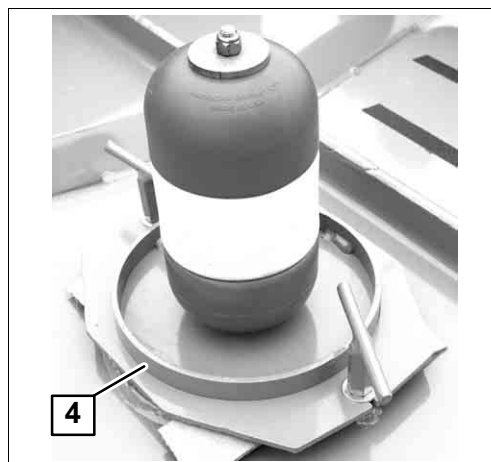


- Remove the O-ring (3) fastened to the top fill indicator;

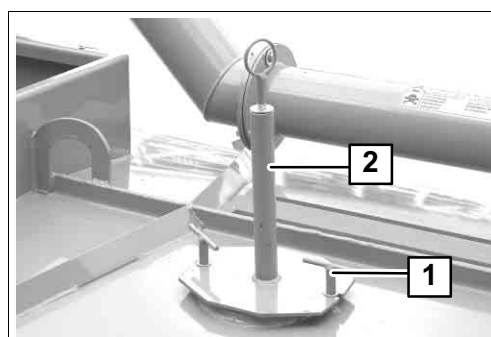




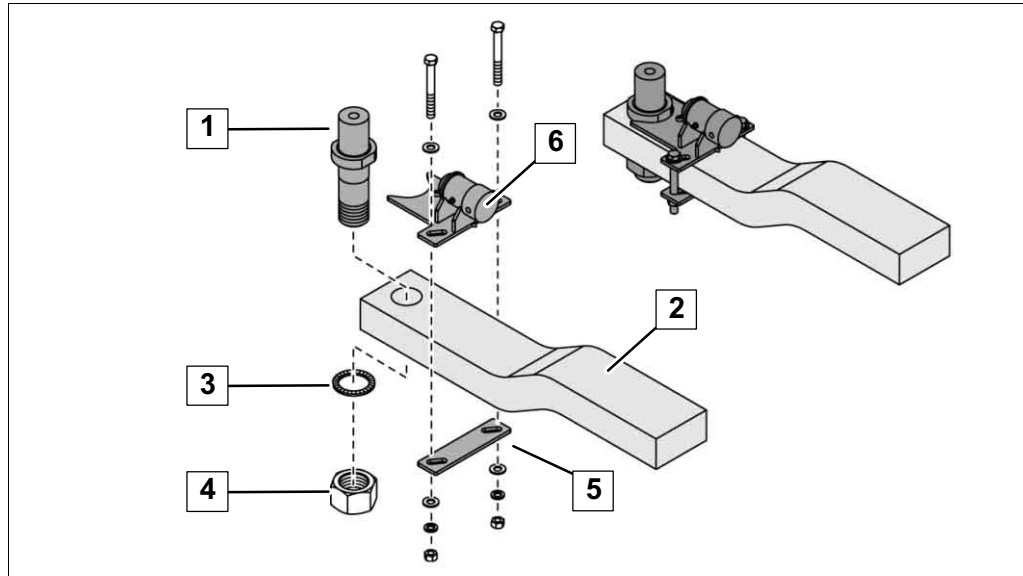
- Place the O-ring over the lid (4) of the top fill indicator;



- Turn the top fill indicator (2) upside down and insert it into the spreader tank;
- Screw both handles (1) to maintain the assembly.



## 5.12 PowerHitch assembly (optional)



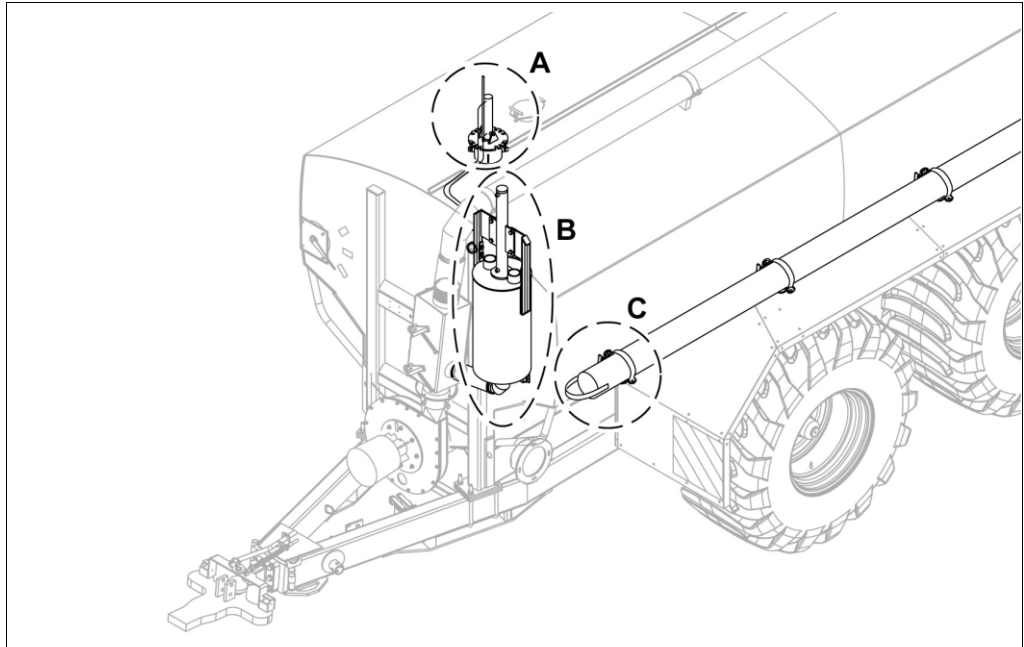
- Insert the hitch pin (1) in the tractor draw bar (2);
- Secure the hitch pin (1) using the Nord-Lock washer (3) and nut (4);
- Using a pipe wrench or a key, torque the nut to 600 ft-lb (813 NM) minimum;
- Install the plate (6) against the hitch pin, centered on the draw bar;
- Bolt the plates (5,6) together using provided hardware;
- Torque the bolts to 119 ft-lb (161 NM).

### 5.13 Self-loading assembly (optional)



**Warning!**

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



A	Inner valve cylinder
B	Primer pump (if applicable)
C	Hose supports

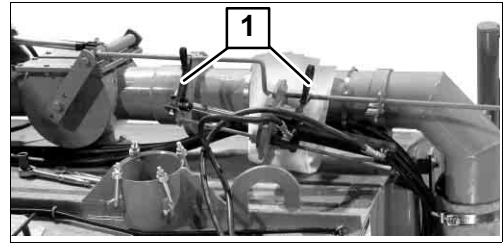


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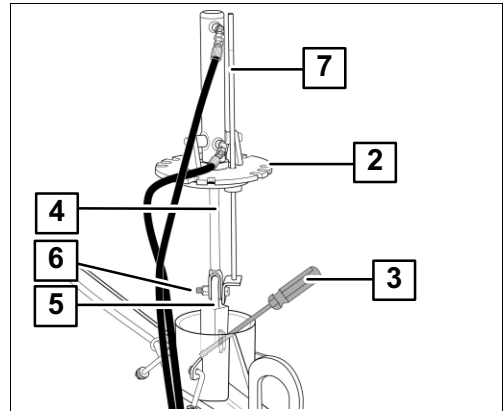
The flexible suction hose is not shown in the illustration above. It is installed on the opposite side of the spreader.

### 5.13.1 Cylinder assembly

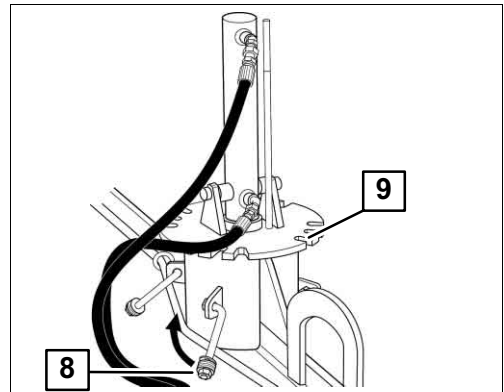
- Cut tie wraps (1) to remove the inner valve cylinder (2) from the spreader;



- Raise the extension of the inner valve cylinder (2) located inside the tank. Insert a screwdriver (3) through the extension bracket to maintain it at its maximum height;
- Fix the cylinder rod (4) to the extension (5) using a bolt (6). Make sure the indicator rod (7) points toward the front of the spreader;
- Remove the screwdriver (3);



- Position the retaining bolts (8) in the disc notches (9) to maintain the cylinder in the receptacle. Tighten all nuts.

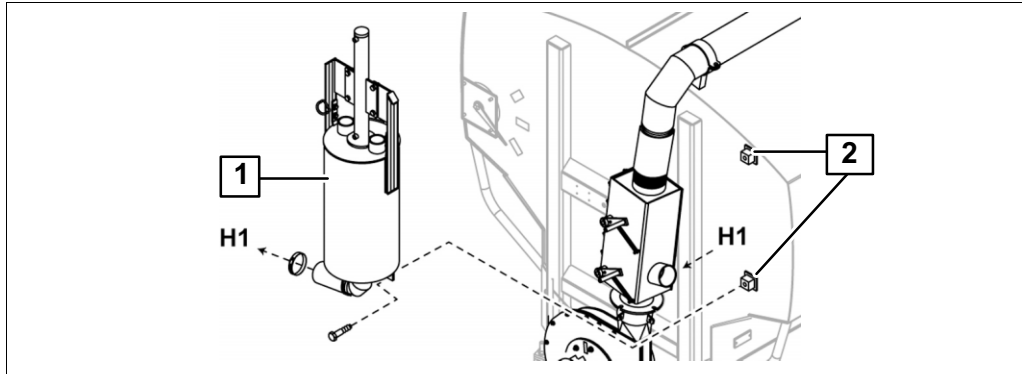


### 5.13.2 Primer pump installation (if applicable)



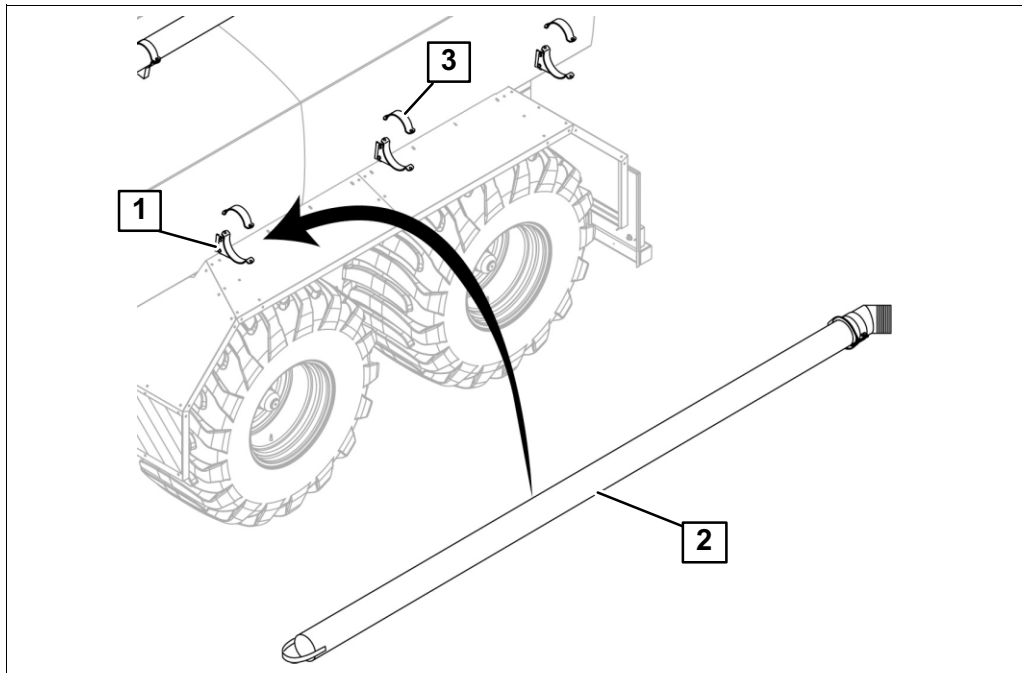
#### Attention!

To lift the primer pump, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 250 lbs [110 kg].



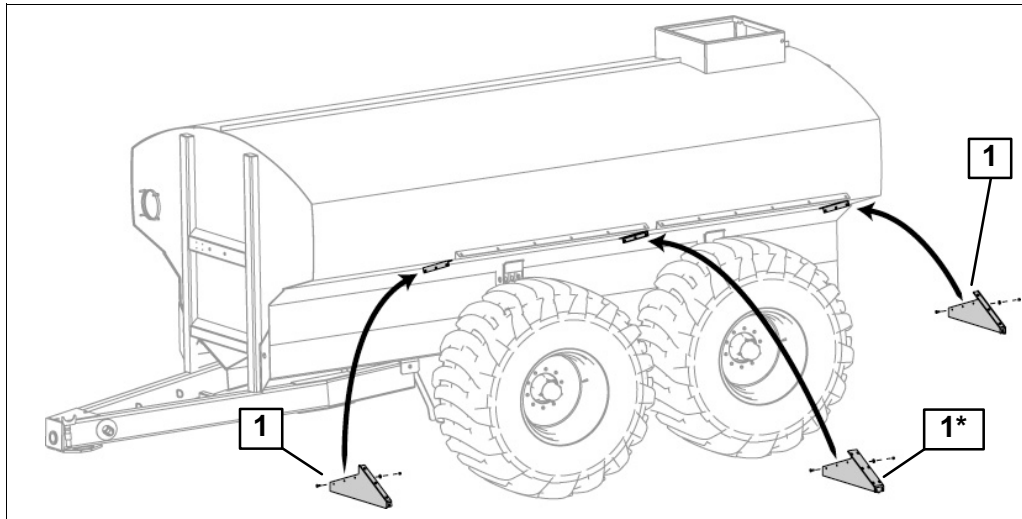
- Using provided hardware, bolt the primer pump (1) on the supports (2). Tighten bolts;
- Connect the hose H1 to the valve H1 and secure it with provided collar.

### 5.13.3 Hose support installation

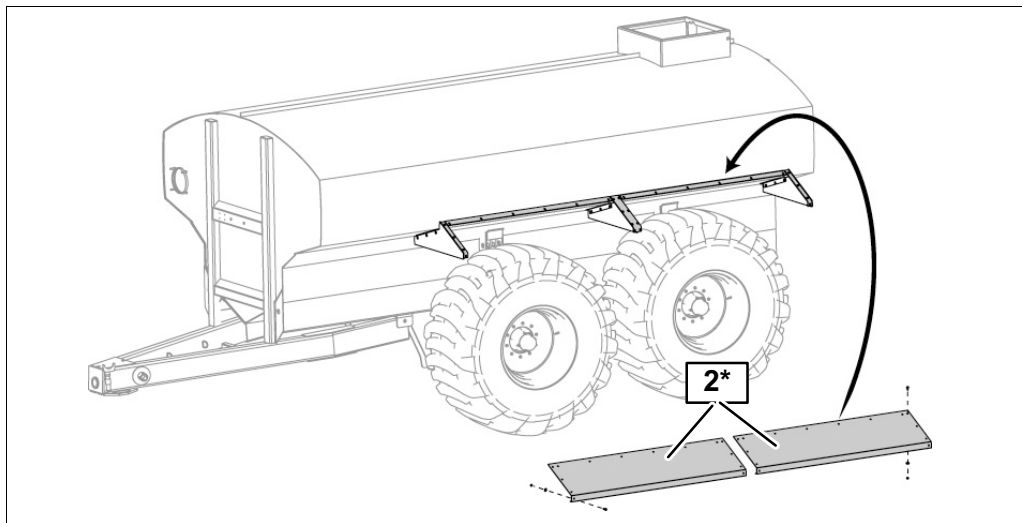


- Install the supports (1) on the welded brackets using two bolts for each support;
- Install the aluminum pipe (2) on the supports (1). Install the suction pipe on the supports located on the other side of the spreader;
- Install the half collars (3) over the pipe supports (1) to maintain the pipes during transport. Use two nylon spacers and two bolts to tighten the collars. Hold the pipes firmly without compressing them.

## 5.14 Fenders assembly (optional)



- Install the fender supports (1) on the brackets welded on the spreader side using carriage bolts, flat washers and locknuts;
- Tighten all nuts;



\* Additional supports / sections may be required.



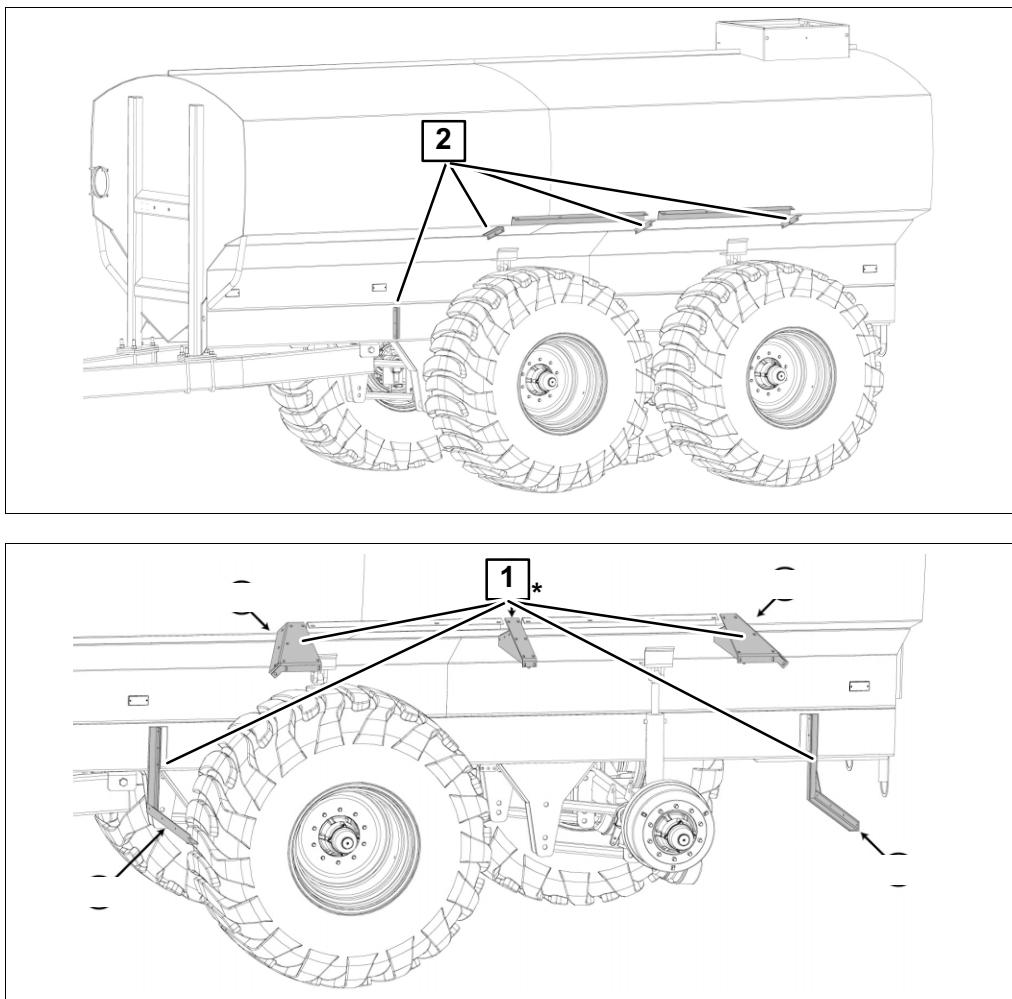
### Note!

Apply silicone on the brackets and on the supports before installing the fender sections in order to avoid rattling noise.

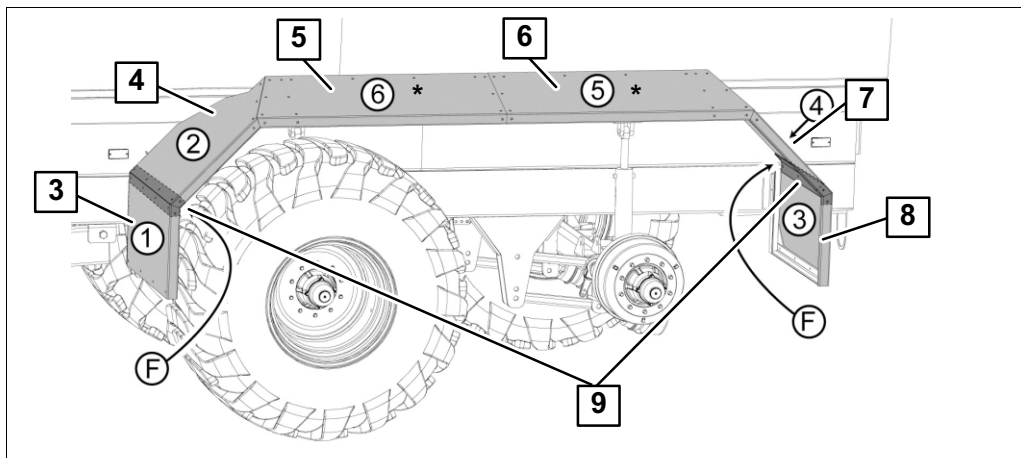
Install fender sections (2) using carriage bolts, flat washers and locknuts. Follow these steps:

- Install sections (2) on supports;
- Tighten all nuts;
- Repeat these steps to install the fender on the other side of the spreader;
- Let the silicone dry before moving the spreader.

### 5.15 Mudguards assembly (optional)



- Install the mudguard supports (1) on the brackets (2) welded on the side of the spreader using carriage bolts, flat washers and locknuts;
- Tighten all nuts;



\* Additional supports / sections may be required.

**Note!**

Apply silicone on the brackets, on the supports and on mudguard sections to avoid rattling noise caused by vibration.

Install mudguard sections using carriage bolts, flat washers and locknuts. Follow these steps:

- Install sections (3) and (4) on supports;
- Fix the bottom part of section (3) on support;
- Bolt the bracket (9) on upper part of section (3);
- Install section (4) between sections (3) and (5);
- Fix the bottom part of section (8) on support;
- Bolt the bracket (9) on upper part of section (8);
- Install section (7) between sections (6) and (8);
- Tighten all nuts;
- Let the silicone dry before moving the spreader;
- Repeat these steps to install the mudguards on the other side of the spreader.



## 5.16 Nursing kit assembly (optional)



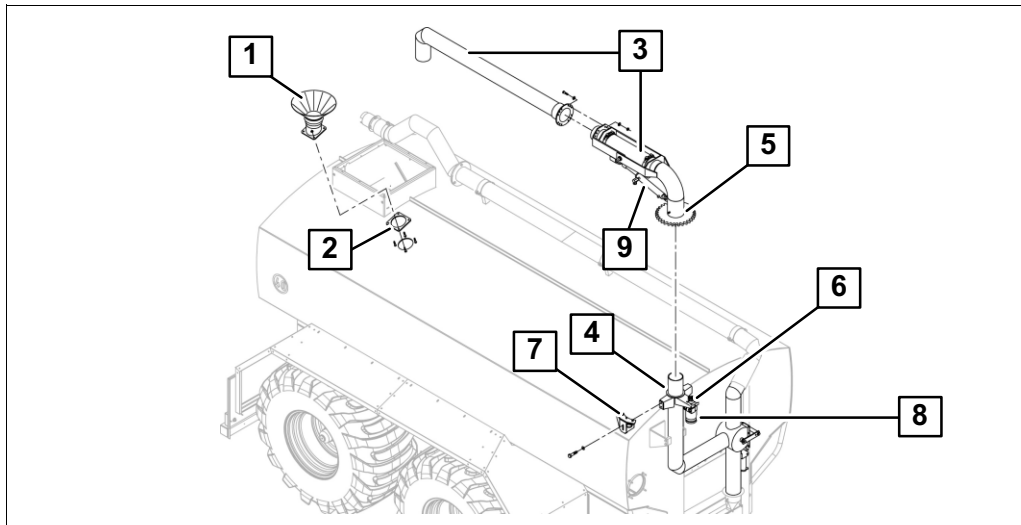
### Warning!

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



### Attention!

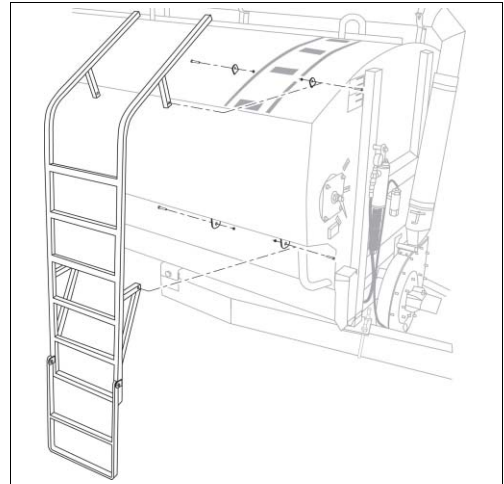
To lift the nursing kit assembly, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 1450 lbs [650 kg].



- Install the transfer pipe receptacle (1) on top of the spreader using four locknuts, flat washers and a rubber gasket (2);
- Assemble the transfer pipe (3) using bolts, flat washers and locknuts. Tighten all nuts;
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the pipe end (4) to facilitate the transfer pipe assembly (3);
- Lift the transfer pipe assembly (3) using an appropriate lifting device. Position it over the pipe end (4). Slowly lower the transfer pipe assembly (3) to lean over the pipe end (4) so that the pipe gear (5) fits into the motor gear (6);
- Assemble two retaining brackets (7) on the vertical pipe using bolts and lock washers;
- Connect the hydraulic hoses to the hydraulic motor (8) and to the hydraulic cylinder (9).

### 5.17 Ladder assembly (optional)

- Install the ladder on the spreader using four bolts and locknuts.



### 5.18 Hydraulic door on fill opening assembly (optional)



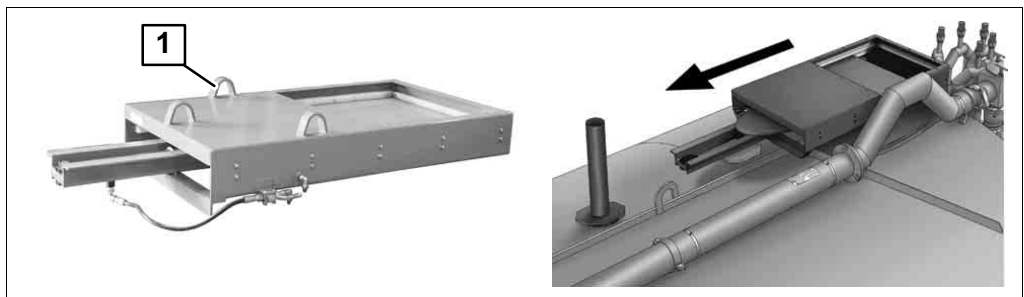
**Warning!**

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



**Attention!**

To lift the hydraulic door on fill opening, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 375 lbs [165 kg].



- Lift the hydraulic door by the lifting rings (1) using safety chains. Make sure the door is open before lifting it to ease installation;
- There are two hydraulic hoses installed on top of the tank. Connect one of the hydraulic hoses to the ball valve located on the door frame. Connect the second hose to the cylinder;
- Bolt the door using provided hardware;
- Open the ball valve located on the door frame.

### 5.19 Hopper assembly (optional)



**Warning!**

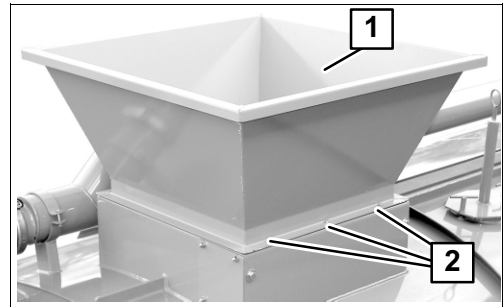
Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



**Attention!**

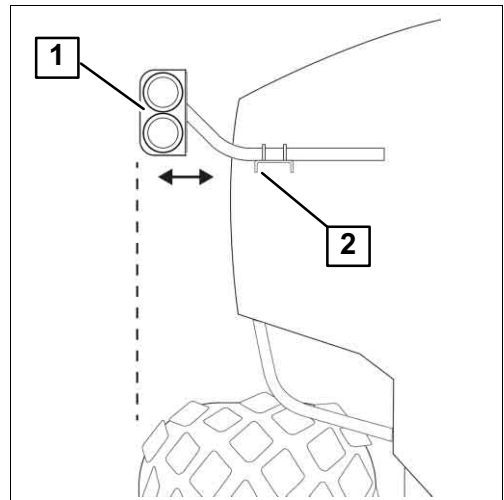
To lift the hopper, use a lifting device with a minimum lifting capacity of 125 lbs [50 kg].

- Lift the hopper (1) and position it on the spreader fill opening;
- Install the hopper using 12 bolts (2) and locknuts. Tighten.



### 5.20 Rear lights assembly (optional)

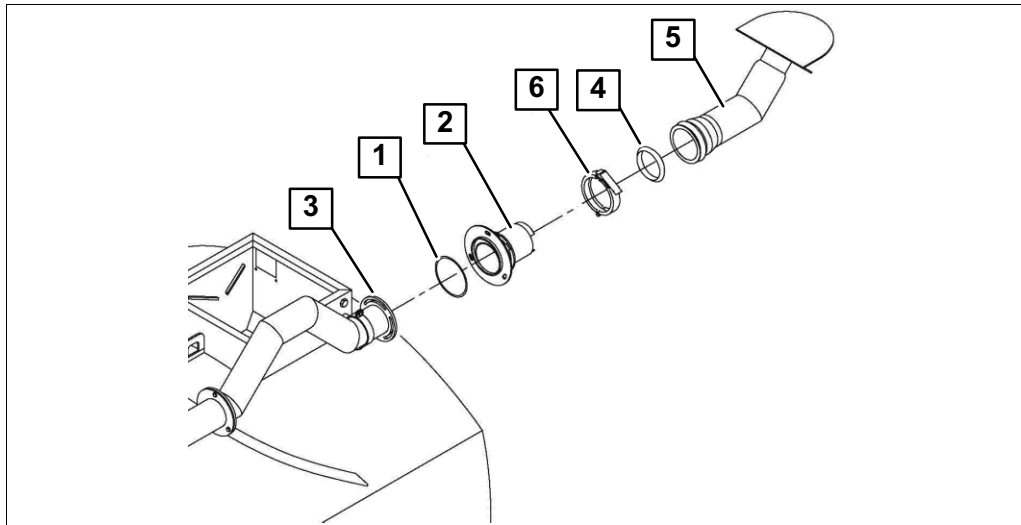
- Install the light support (1) on the fixing plate (2);
- Align the light with the spreader wheel as illustrated hereafter;
- Fix the light support (1) to the fixing plate (2) using "U" bolts.



## 5.21 Spreading nozzles assembly (optional)

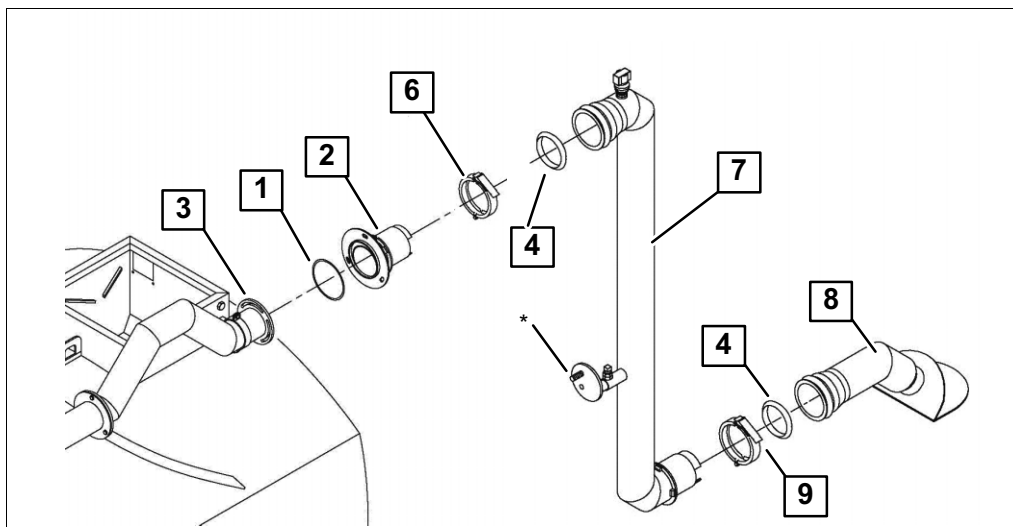
### 5.21.1 Nozzles without manual directional valve

#### Top nozzle assembly



- Place the O-ring (1) around the lid of the adapter (2);
- Place the adapter (2) on the anti-siphon end (3). Bolt the assembly using provided hardware;
- Insert the seal (4) inside the spreading nozzle (5);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (4);
- Slide the spreading nozzle (5) over the adapter end (2) until it reaches the welded ring on the adapter;
- Install a circle lock clamp (6) over the junction of the spreading nozzle and of the adapter.

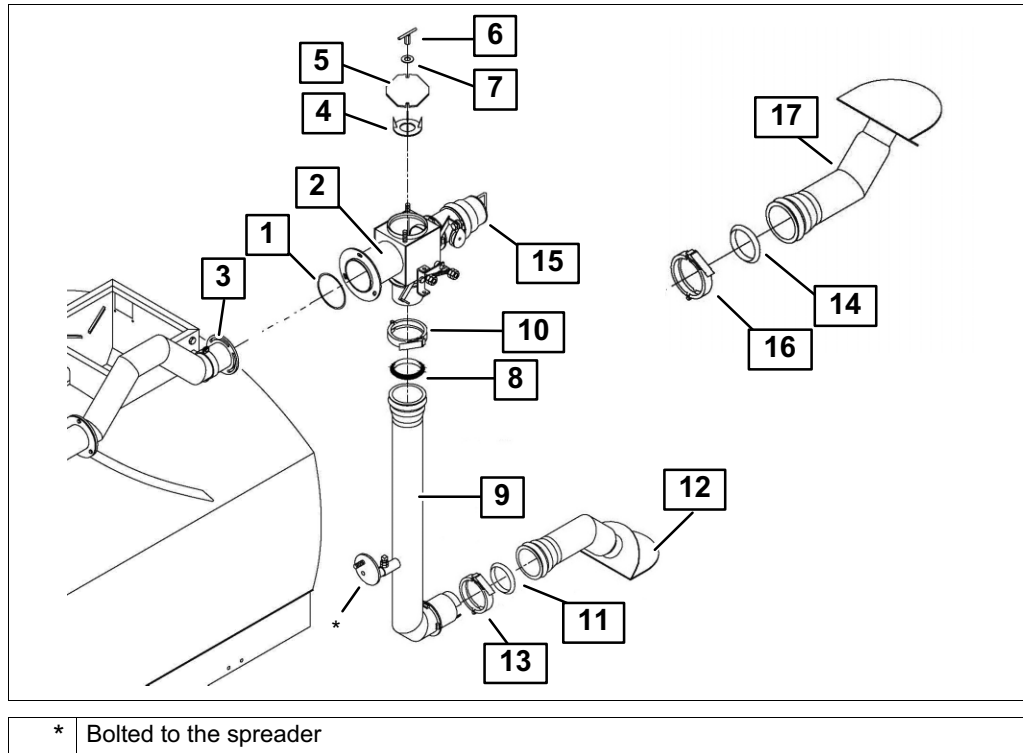
## Bottom nozzle assembly



\* Bolted to the spreader

- Place the O-ring (1) around the lid of the adapter (2);
- Place the adapter (2) on the anti-siphon end (3). Bolt the assembly using provided hardware;
- Insert the seal (4) inside the vertical tube (7);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (4);
- Slide the vertical tube (7) over the adapter end (2) until it reaches the welded ring on the adapter;
- Install a circle lock clamp (6) over the junction of the vertical tube and of the adapter;
- Insert the seal (4) inside the spreading nozzle (8);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (4);
- Slide the spreading nozzle (8) over the vertical tube end (7) until it reaches the welded ring on the vertical tube;
- Install a circle lock clamp (9) over the junction of the vertical tube and of the spreading nozzle.

### 5.21.2 Nozzles with manual directional valve



#### Manual directional valve assembly

- Place the O-ring (1) around the lid of the adapter (2);
- Place the adapter (2) on the anti-siphon end (3). Bolt the assembly;
- Place a restrictor (4) inside the top opening of the directional valve;
- Position a cap (5) on the restrictor. Secure it using "T" handles (6) and flat washers (7).

#### Bottom nozzle assembly

- Insert the seal (8) inside the vertical tube (9);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (8);
- Slide the vertical tube (9) on the bottom adapter (2) until it reaches the adapter welded ring;
- Install a circle lock clamp (10) on the junction of the vertical tube and adapter;
- Insert the seal (11) into the spreading nozzle (12);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (11);
- Slide the spreading nozzle (12) over the vertical tube end (9) until it reaches the welded ring on the vertical tube;
- Install a circle lock clamp (13) on the vertical tube and spreading nozzle junction.

### **Safety cap assembly**

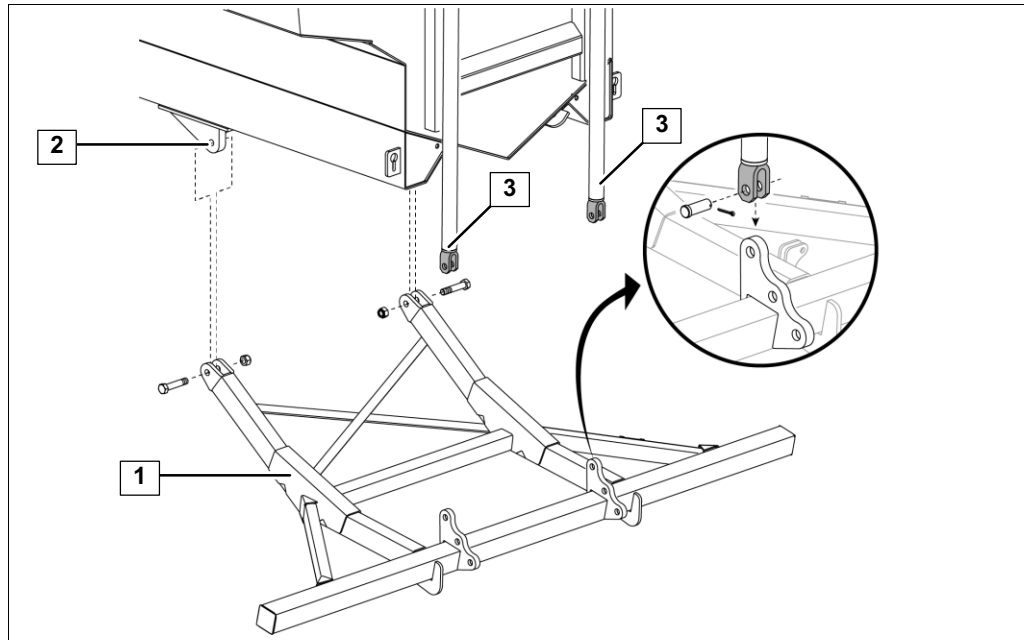
- Insert a seal (14) inside the end cap (15);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (14);
- Slide the end cap (15) on adapter (2) until it reaches the adapter welded ring;
- Install a circle lock clamp (16) on the end cap and the adapter junction.

### **Top nozzle assembly**

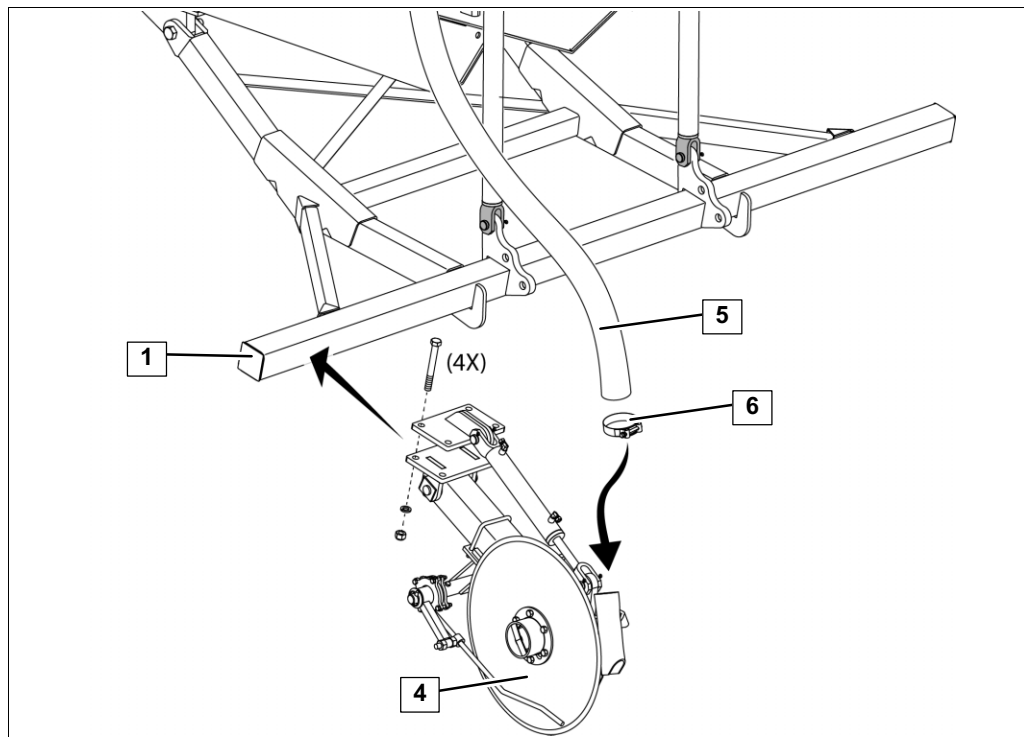
- Insert a seal (14) inside the spreading nozzle (17);
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the seal (14);
- Slide the spreading nozzle (17) on the adapter (2) until it reaches the adapter welded ring;
- Install a circle lock clamp (16) over the junction of the spreading nozzle and of the adapter.

## 5.22 Tool bar assembly (optional)

### 5.22.1 Tool bar with 24" hydraulic disc injectors



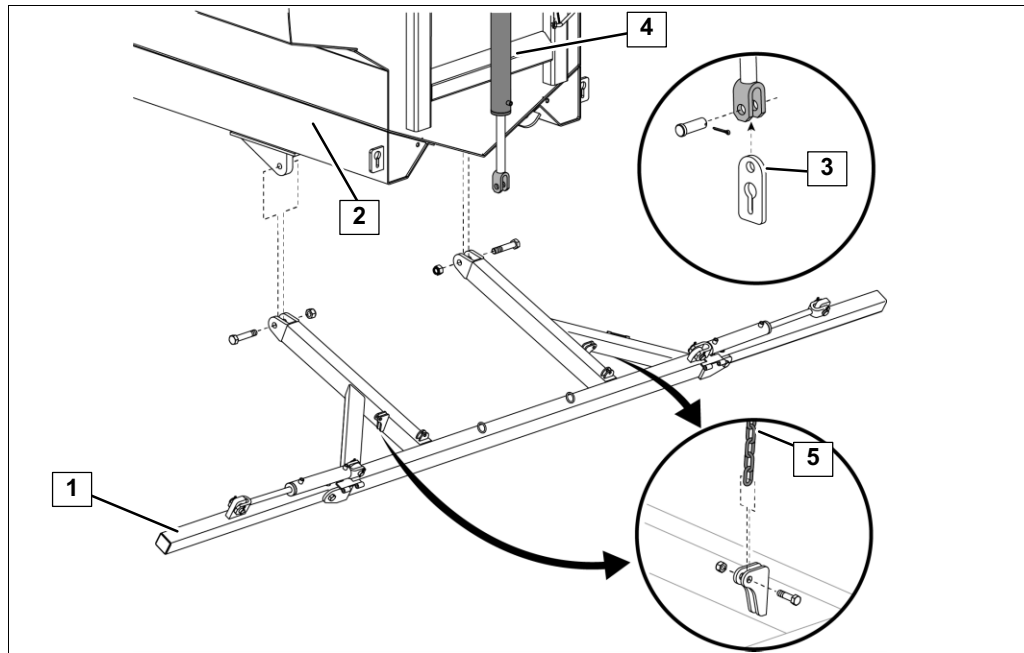
- Bolt the tool bar (1) to the spreader frame (2) using provided hardware;
- Fix the support rods (3) to the tool bar (1);



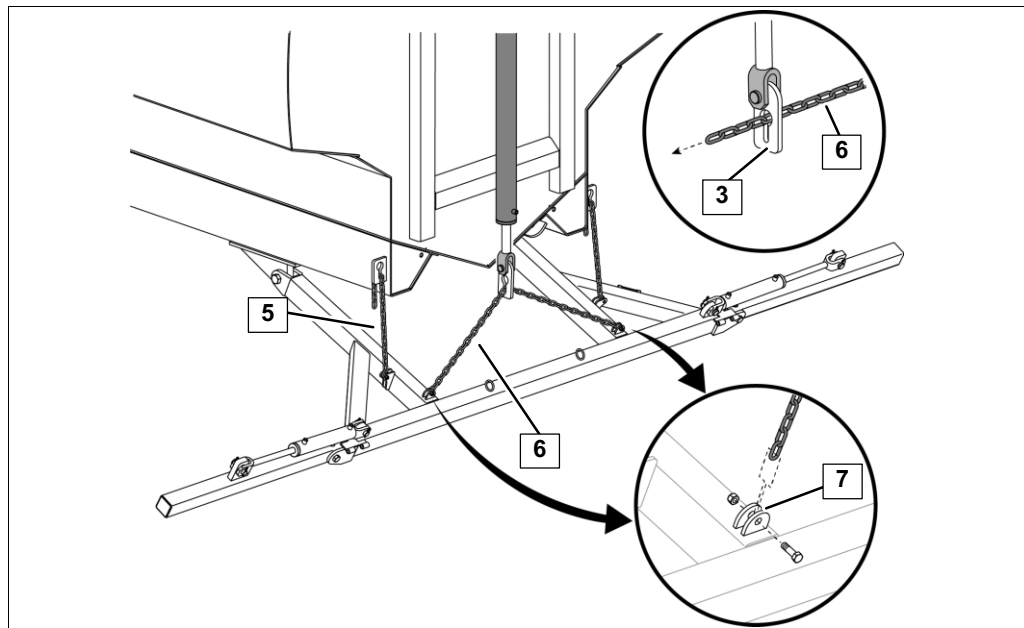
- Install the tools (4) on the tool bar (1);
- Install a hose (5) on each tool using a collar (6);
- Connect hydraulic hoses to the spreader.



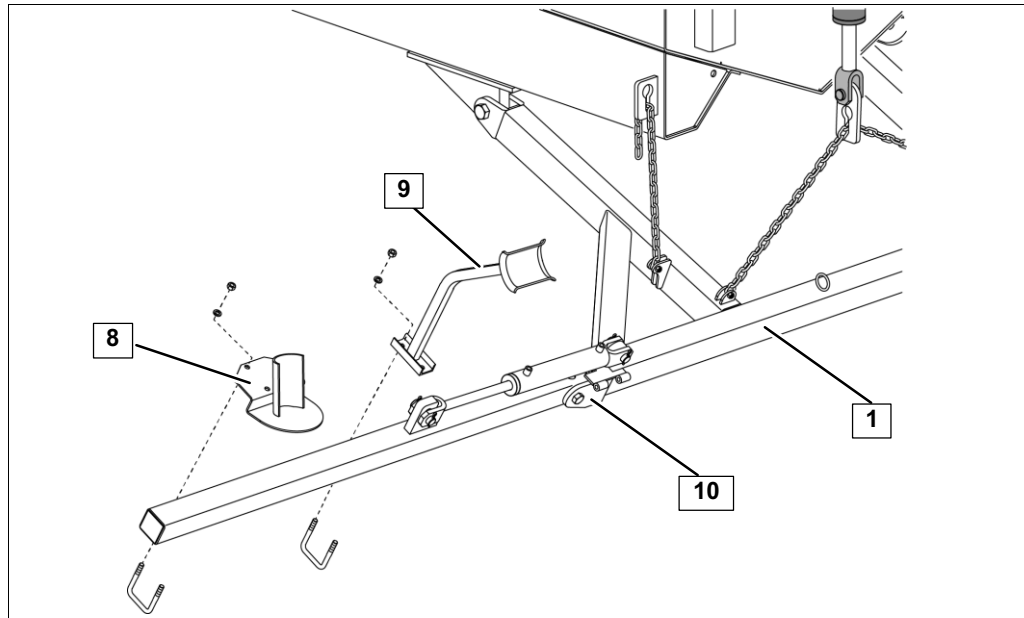
### 5.22.2 Deflectors tool bar



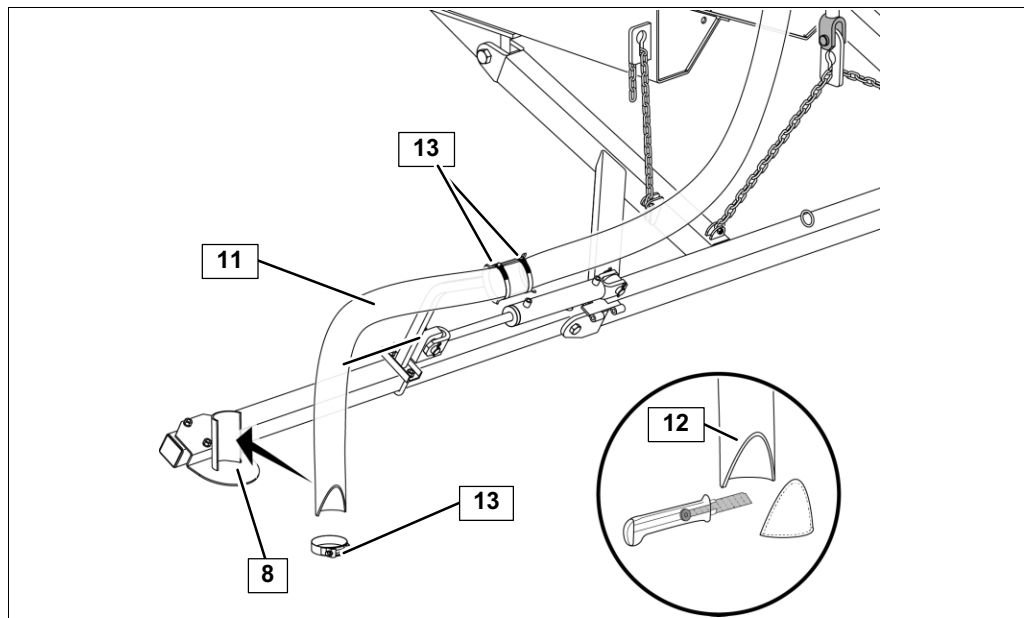
- Bolt the tool bar (1) to the spreader frame (2) using provided hardware;
- Fix the plate (3) to the hydraulic cylinder (4);
- Install safety chains (5);



- Insert the lifting chains (6) through the plate (3);
- Fix both ends of the lifting chain (6) to the tool bar brackets (7);

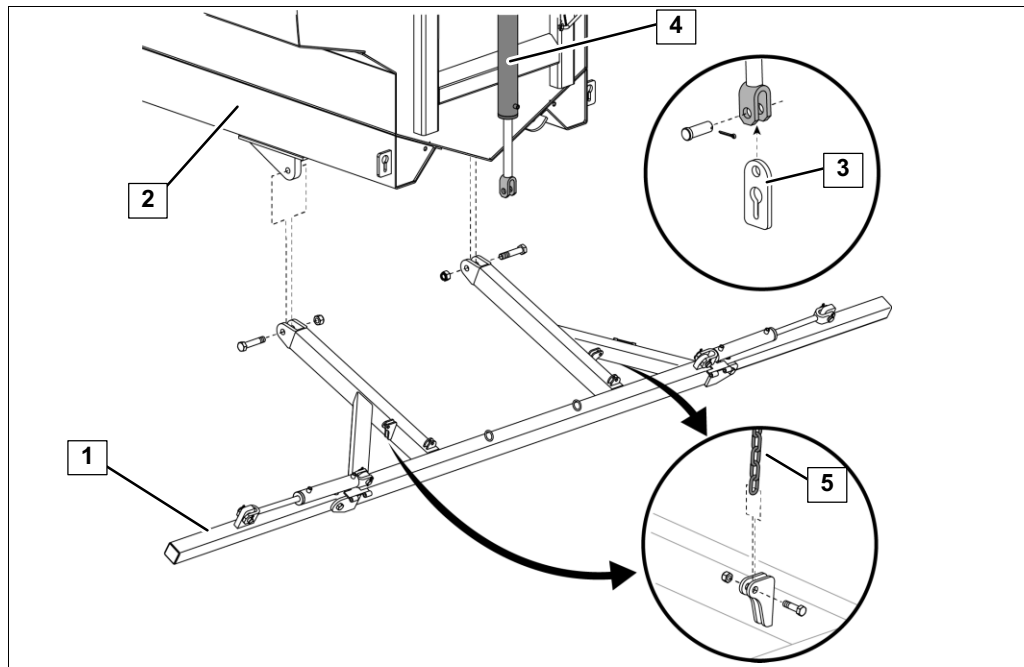


- Install the deflectors (8) on the tool bar (1) using provided hardware;
- Position the hose support (9) halfway between the tool bar end and the hinge (10) on both sides;
- Fix the hose support (9) on the tool bar using provided hardware;

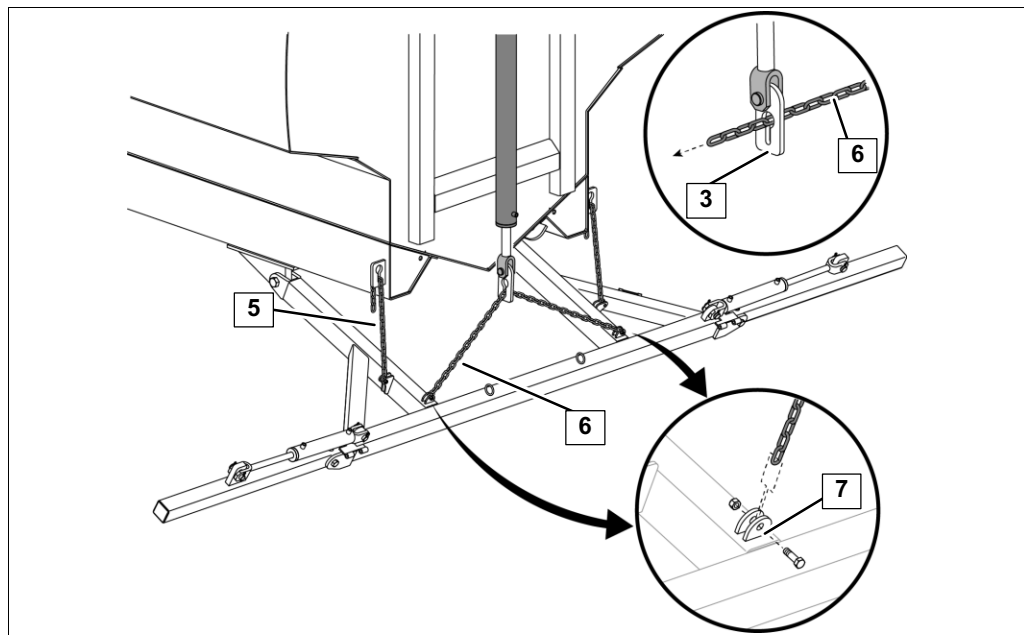


- Install a hose (11) from the spreader distributor to the deflector (8);
- Cut the hose (11) at proper length. The hose (11) should not be tight, keep a loose;
- Cut the hose end as illustrated (12);
- Install the hose end in the deflector (8) and fix it using collars (13);
- Repeat these steps for each deflector;
- Connect hydraulic hoses to the spreader.

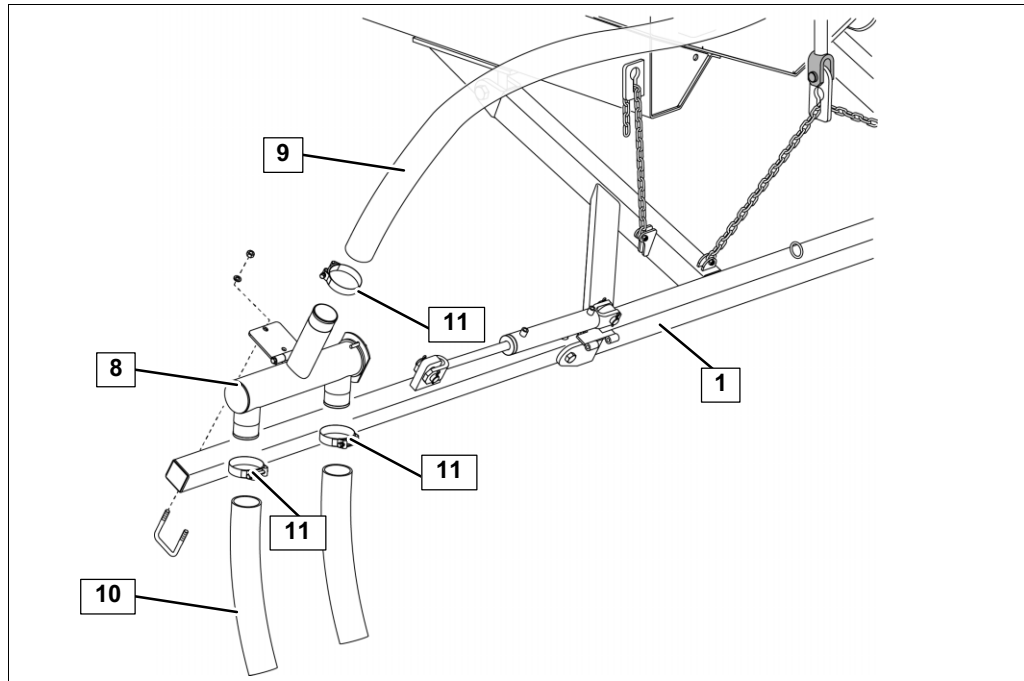
### 5.22.3 Flex drop hoses tool bar



- Bolt the tool bar (1) to the spreader frame (2) using provided hardware;
- Fix the plate (3) to the hydraulic cylinder (4);
- Install safety chains (5);

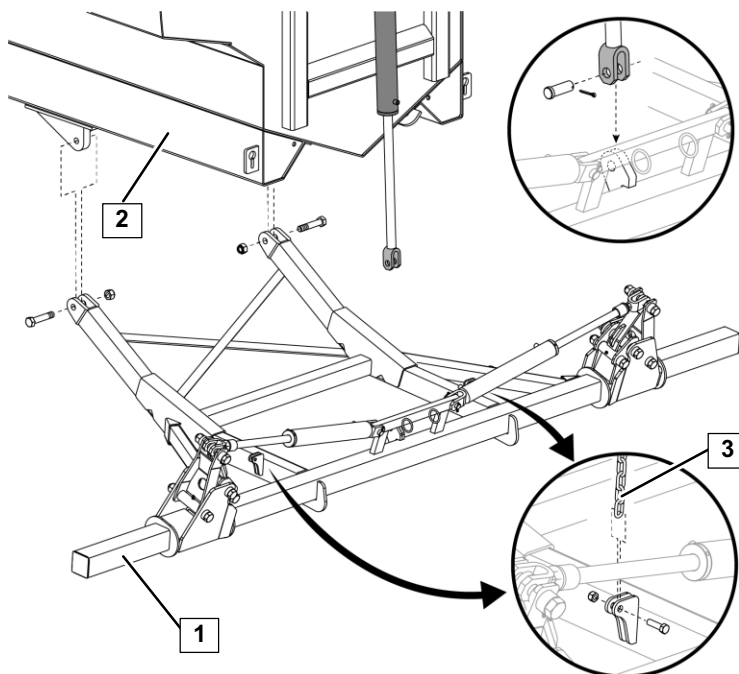


- Insert the lifting chains (6) through the plate (3);
- Fix both ends of the lifting chain (6) to the tool bar brackets (7);

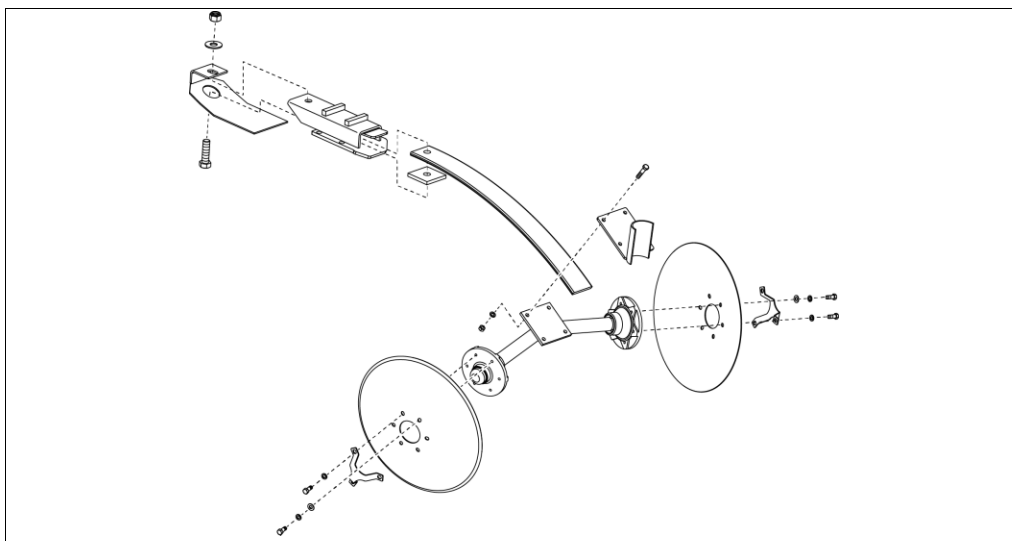


- Install the tools (8) on the tool bar (1) using provided hardware;
- Install a hose (9) from the spreader distributor to the tool (8);
- Cut the hose (9) at proper length. The hose (9) should not be tight, keep a loose;
- Fix the hose (9) to the tool (8) using a collar (11);
- Cut hose ends (10) at desired length for each tool (8);
- Fix the hose ends (10) to the tool (8) using collars (11);
- Repeat these steps for each tool (8);
- Connect hydraulic hoses to the spreader.

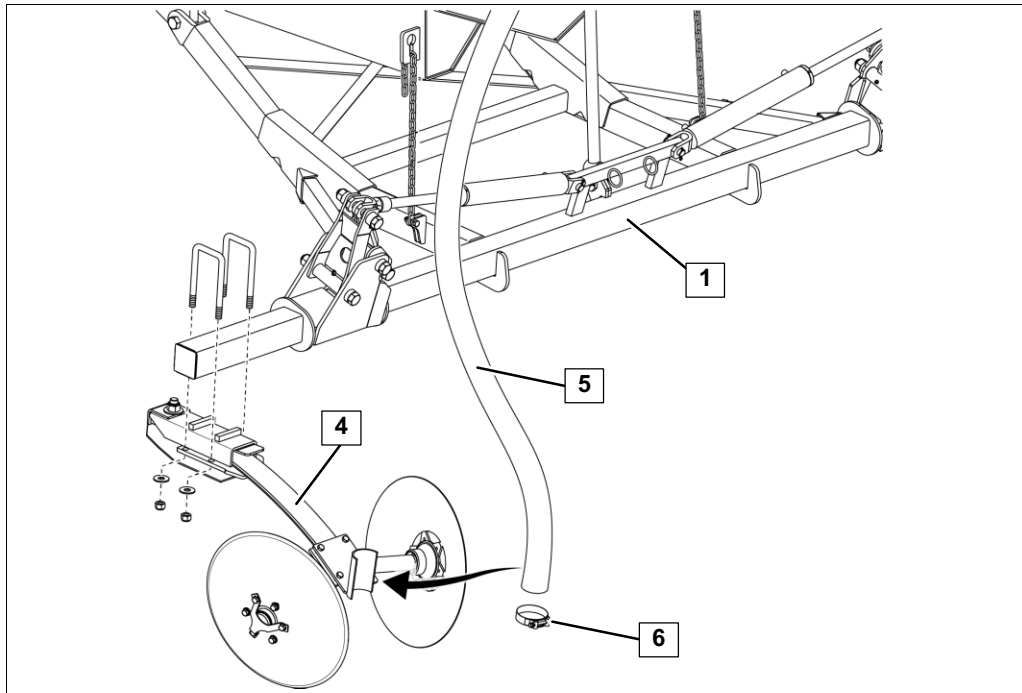
#### 5.22.4 Tool bar with 22" concave disc incorporators



- Bolt the tool bar (1) to the spreader frame (2) using provided hardware;
- Connect the hydraulic cylinder to the tool bar (1);
- Install safety chains (3);

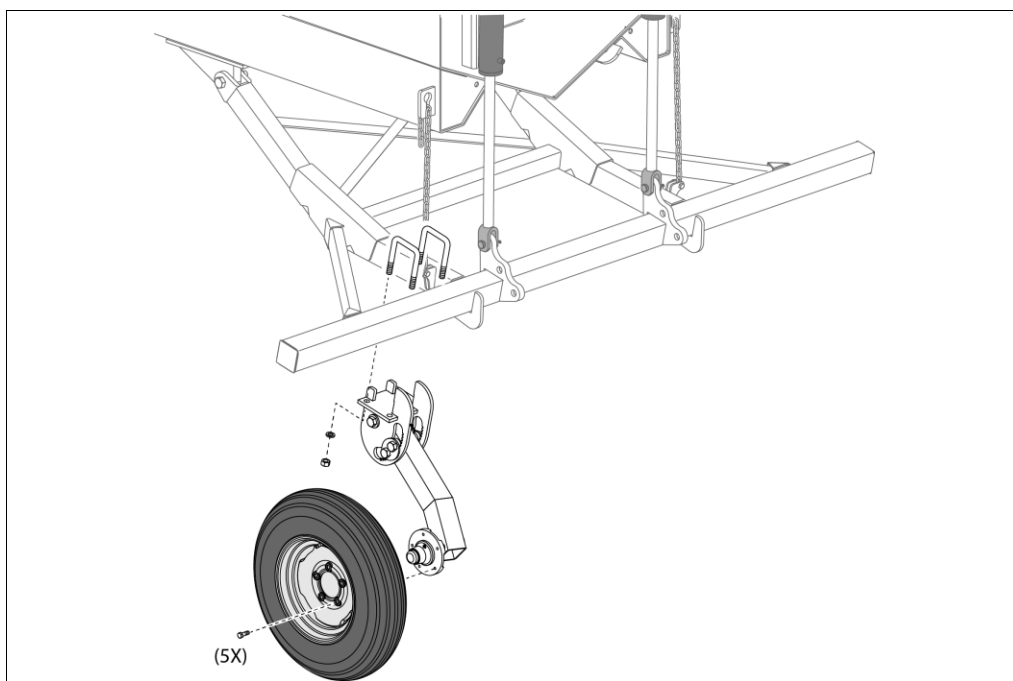


- Assemble the tool as illustrated above;

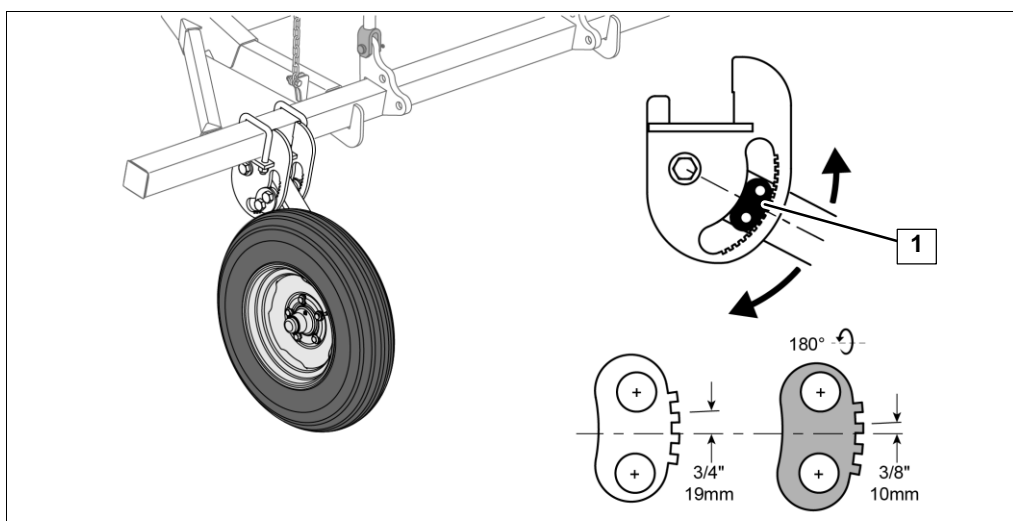


- Install the tools (4) on the tool bar (1);
- Install a hose (5) from the spreader distributor to the tool (4);
- Cut the hose (5) at proper length. The hose (5) should not be tight, keep a loose;
- Fix the hose (5) to the tool (4) using a collar (6);
- Repeat these steps for each tool (4);
- Connect hydraulic hoses to the spreader.

### 5.22.5 Gauge wheel (if applicable)



- Fix the gauge wheel on the tool bar as illustrated above using provided hardware;



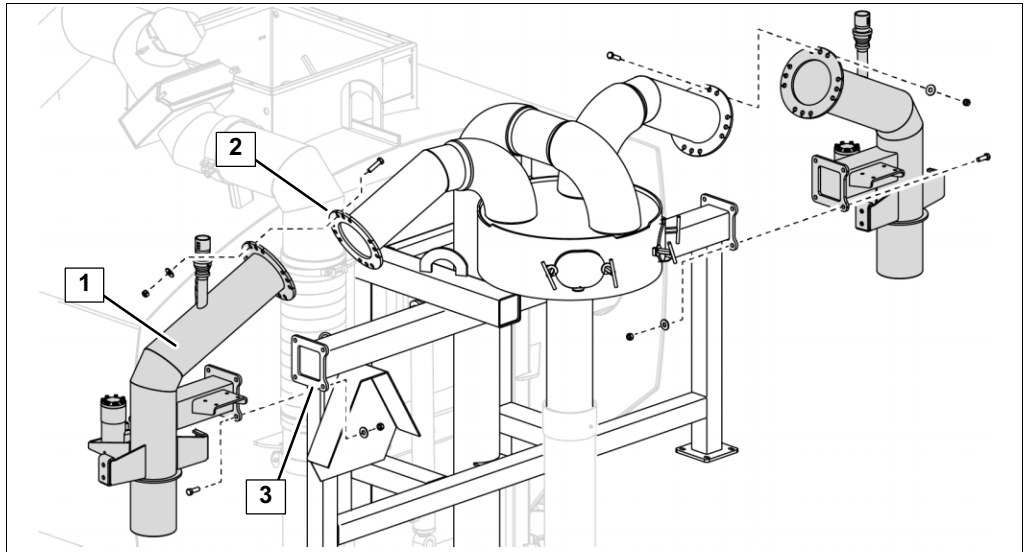
- To adjust the gauge wheel height, remove the locking plate (1) to unlock the wheel. Lower the tool bar to the desired height. Put the locking plate back in place to lock the wheel.



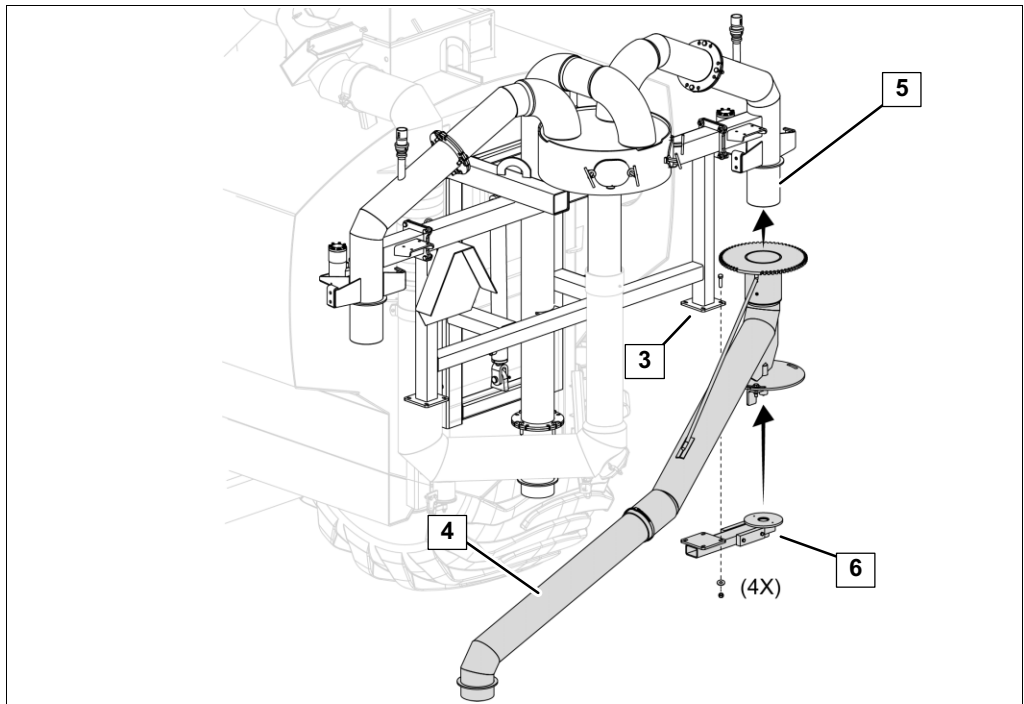
**Note!**

Depending on the locking plate installation side, the adjustment can be of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " or  $\frac{3}{8}$ " between each tooth.

### 5.22.6 3 deflectors 38 ft tool bar

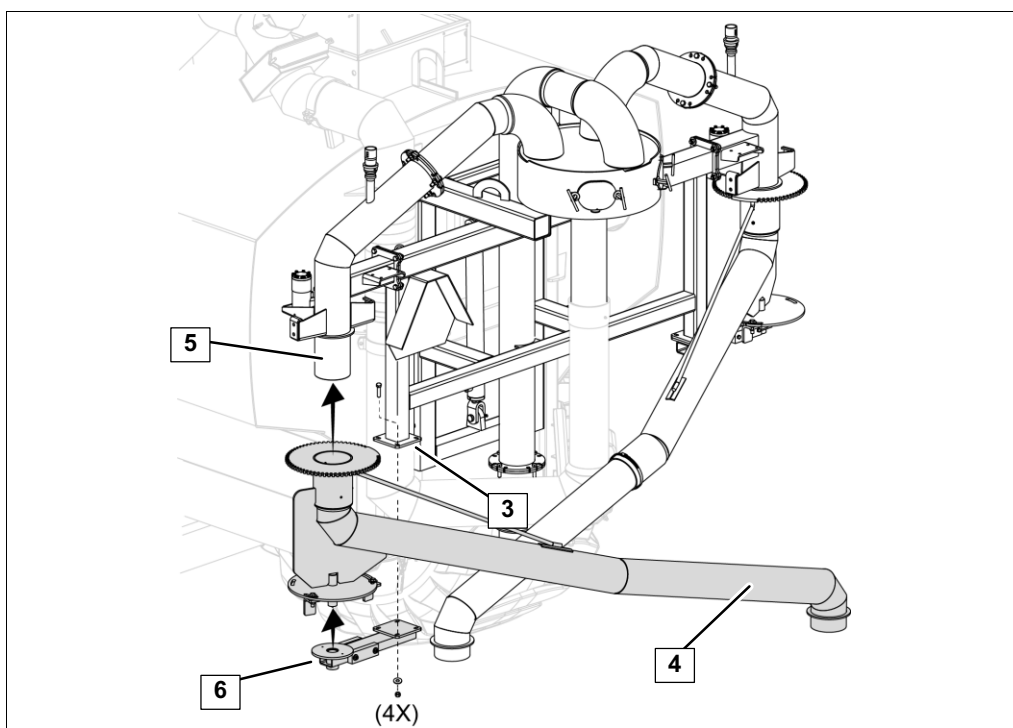


- Apply silicone on flange (2);
- Fix the part (1) to the flange (2) and to the tool bar frame (3), on both sides, using provided hardware;

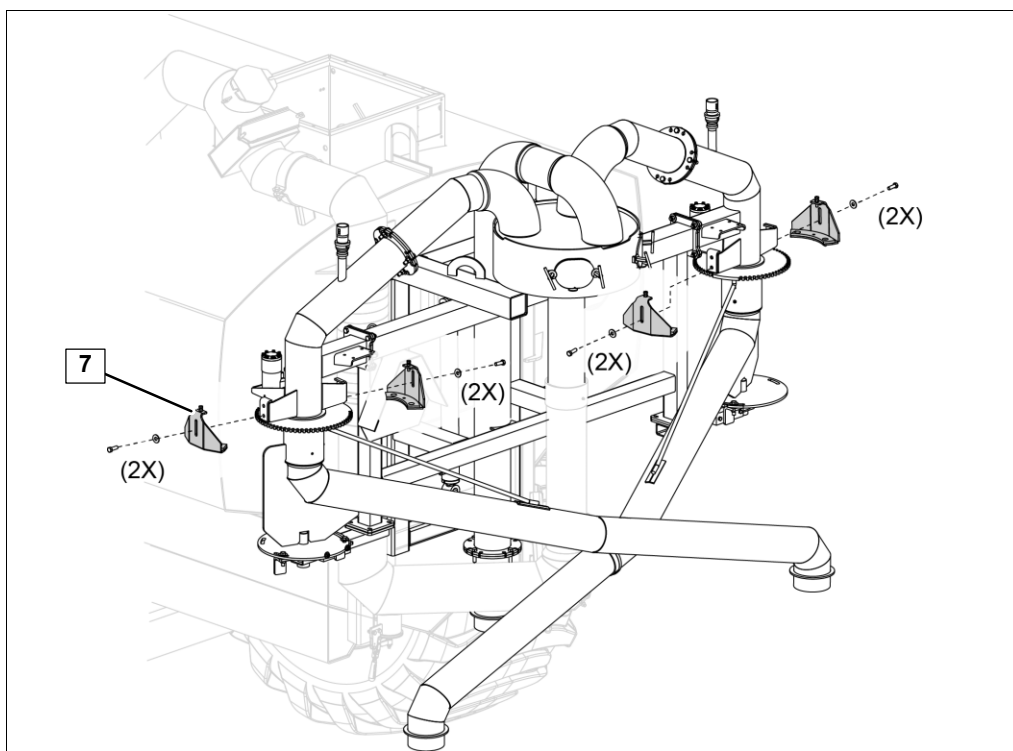


- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the part (5);
- Insert the arm (4) over the part (5);
- Install the pivot support (6) on the arm (4) then fix the pivot support (6) to the tool bar frame (3);

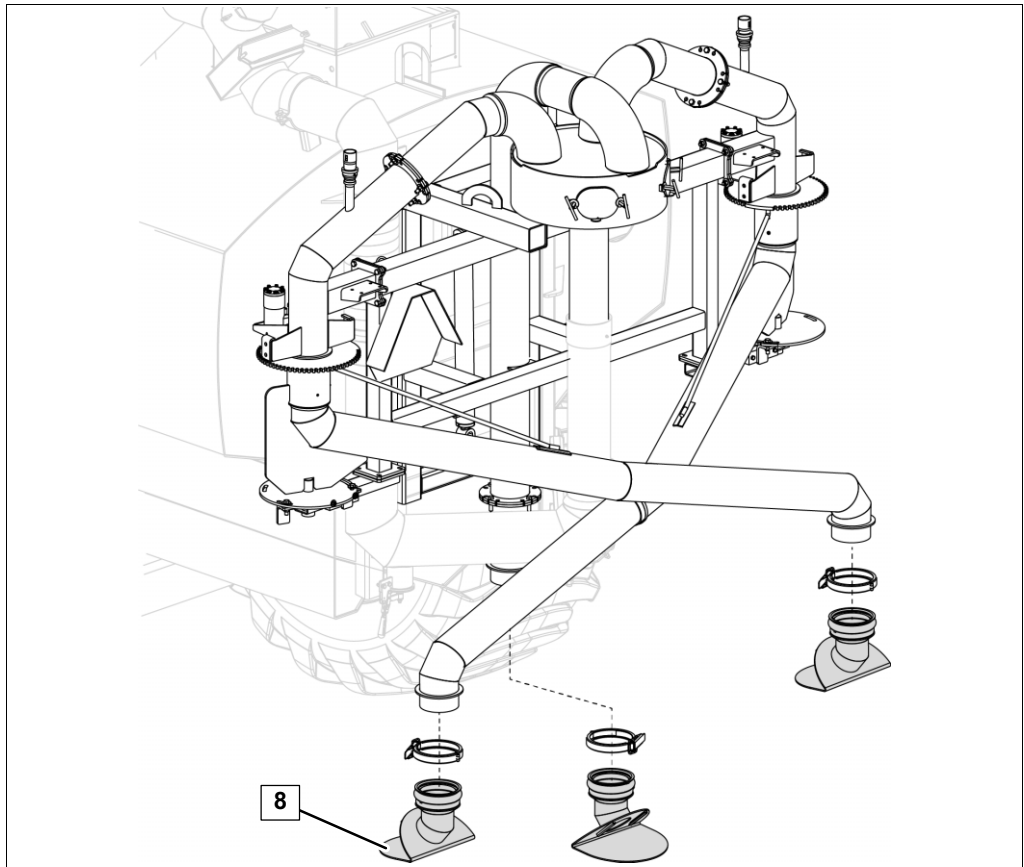




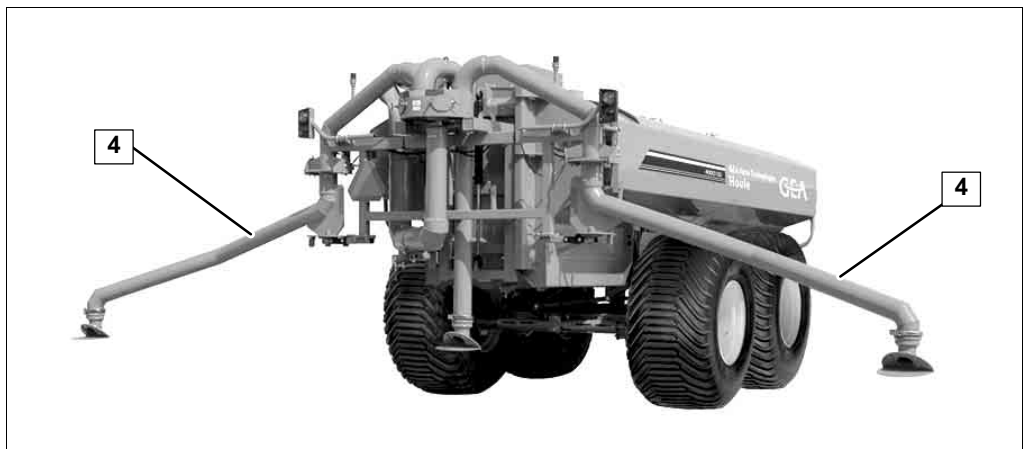
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the part (5);
- Insert the arm (4) over the part (5);
- Install the pivot support (6) on the arm (4) then fix the pivot support (6) to the tool bar frame (3);



- Install the retaining fixtures (7), on both sides, using provided hardware;



- Install the deflectors (8) as illustrated above using provided hardware;
- Lubricate all greasing points on the tool bar using grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent);



- Open each arm (4) manually until the stopper is reached;
- Start hydraulic motors to close the arms (4).

## 6 Initial commissioning

### 6.1 Special personnel qualification required for initial commissioning

Initial commissioning must be performed by trained personnel in accordance with the safety instructions.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

### 6.2 Safety instructions for initial commissioning



#### **Warning!**

Do not start this product until the initial commissioning checklist is completed.

The first start steps intend to test the product in order to validate its functionality and efficiency before handing it over to the customer. Therefore, the dealer along with the customer must operate the product as well as the operating elements.

## 6.3 Power steering

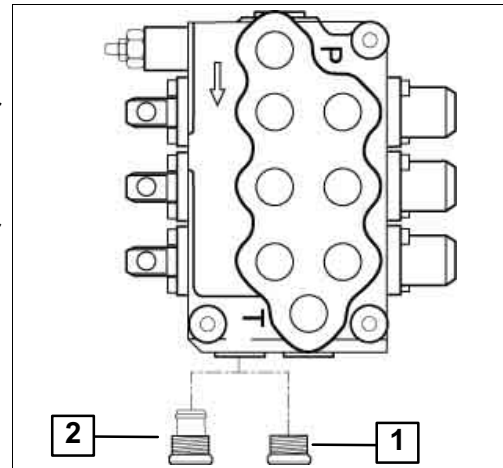
### Control valve

**Attention!**

Since tractors can be equipped with an open or a closed hydraulic system, the control valve must be set with the appropriate plug to avoid overheating/damaging hydraulic components. Contact your tractor dealer.

Use the appropriate plug in order to match the tractor hydraulic system:

- The standard plug (1) is required for tractor equipped with an open hydraulic system.
- The beyond plug (2) is required for tractor equipped with a closed hydraulic system also called load sensing in some cases.

**Note!**

A new equipment always comes with two plugs, a standard plug installed on the valve and a beyond plug supplied separately. Make sure to install the appropriate plug.

### Plug change

**Attention!**

Oil leak will occur when changing the plug.

- Apply Teflon tape on the threads of the beyond plug (2). Do not apply Teflon tape on the tip of the plug.
- Unscrew the standard plug (1) and replace immediately by the beyond plug (2).

## 6.4 Initial commissioning checklist

This checklist must be completed by the dealer and the customer to validate that the product is assembled and/or installed according to the manufacturer's instructions and that it is safe for use.



### Note!

Additional information necessary to complete the checklist can be found in this instruction manual.

General	DONE	N/A
The owner received the instruction manual from the dealer and commits to read it.		
The owner is instructed by the dealer on how to operate and maintain the product.		
The safety guard/grid and safety labels are installed.		
The signal lights are operational.		
The lubrication points are lubricated.		
The oil levels are adequate.		
All bolts are torqued.		
All drains are closed.		
All connections are secured.		
A visual inspection is performed to ensure there are no leaks, signs of distortion or defective parts.		
The wheels nuts are tightened at correct torque.		
The tires are inflated at appropriate pressure.		
The owner is instructed on the turning radius of this product.		
The tractor draw bar is adjusted to minimum length while respecting the PTO limitations (if applicable).		
The guiding mechanism fingers are adjusted properly, if using a single or double hitch.		
The spreader impeller matches the tractor RPM.		
The owner is instructed on the PTO driveline instructions (if applicable).		
The spare safety shear bolts are removed from the PTO guards (if applicable).		
The anti-siphon is in the upright position.		
The owner is instructed on how to adjust the spreading flow rate using the PTO, the flow regulator, the restriction plate, the directional valve, the manual flow control and understands how to use the spreading chart.		
The black film behind the spreader is removed.		

<b>Power steering</b>	<b>DONE</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The power steering is operational, the wheels respond to the tractor command.		
The tractor oil flow is adjusted for the power steering.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the power steering system.		

<b>Hydraulic brakes</b>	<b>DONE</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The hydraulic brakes are operational.		
The owner is instructed on how to verify and adjust the master cylinder.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the hydraulic braking system.		

<b>Air brakes</b>	<b>DONE</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The air brakes are operational.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the air braking system.		

<b>Hydraulic suspension</b>	<b>DONE</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The hydraulic suspension is adjusted and the spreader inclination is adequate when connected to the tractor.		

<b>Options</b>	<b>DONE</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The owner is instructed on how to operate the weight transfer system.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the self-loading system.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the nursing kit.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the in-tank recirculation kit.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the hydraulic door on fill opening.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the tool bar.		
The owner is instructed on how to operate the hydraulic HE impeller drive.		
The rear lights electrical connectors are connected to the tractor.		
The solenoid valve selector switch is connected to the tractor 12 VDC outlet. Hose connection is done.		

**Note!**

The dealer and the owner must fill the warranty registration form when the checklist is completed.

**Dealer's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 6.5 Checks after initial commissioning



### **Note!**

The initial commissioning of this product can reduce the tractor hydraulic oil level. Follow the recommendations of the tractor manufacturer to ensure proper hydraulic oil level.

The owner must make sure that:

- there are no damaged, worn, defective parts or signs of distortion;
- the safety devices such as guards, grids, covers, chains, etc. are in perfect working condition and remain in place to ensure safety;
- the lubricants such as grease, oil, etc. are at an appropriate level;
- there are no leaks;
- all bolts are tight. Refer to section Technical data - Bolt torque chart;
- the product works perfectly;
- tires are inflated at appropriate pressure.

## 6.6 Handing over to the customer

### **Hand over warranty registration form**

The warranty registration form must be completed and signed by the customer and the dealer. The warranty registration form must be returned to GEA Farm Technologies Canada Inc. to validate the warranty.

## 7 Operating

### 7.1 Special personnel qualification required for operation

Operating must be performed by qualified personnel in accordance with the safety instructions.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

### 7.2 Safety instructions for operation



**Warning!**

Tip over hazard when traveling on a hilly land. Adapt the tractor driving to the land conditions.



**Warning!**

Do not tow this product at a speed exceeding 8 mph [12 km/h] when the power steering system is engaged.



**Warning!**

Do not tow this product at a speed exceeding 25 mph [40 km/h].



**Warning!**

Do not operate this product if a person is on top.



Read the section Safety.

### 7.3 Checks before operation

- The safety devices such as guards, grids, covers, chains, labels, etc. remain in place to ensure safety;
- Lubricants such as grease, oil, etc. are at appropriate level. To locate the grease points, refer to section Appendix - Label position;
- The wheel nuts are tightened at correct torque;
- Tires are inflated at appropriate pressure;
- The signal lights are functional;
- The product is in perfect condition. There is no visible damage;
- Only authorized personnel are in the working area of the equipment;
- No unnecessary object or material is located in the working area of the equipment;
- The PTO driveline meets local requirements, if applicable.



## 7.4 Connecting the spreader

### 7.4.1 Hitching the spreader



#### Attention!

Connect the hydraulic hoses properly to ensure safe operation. Refer to section Appendix - Hydraulic diagram.



#### Note!

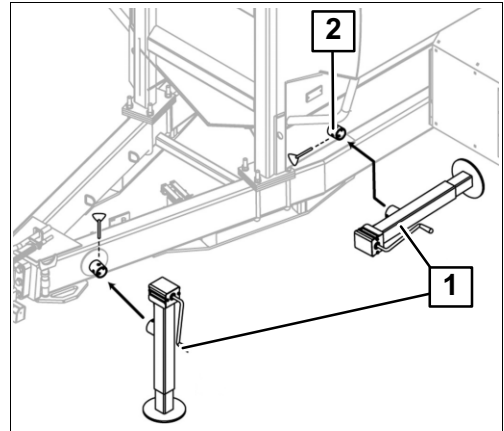
The tractor draw bar must be adjusted to minimum length.



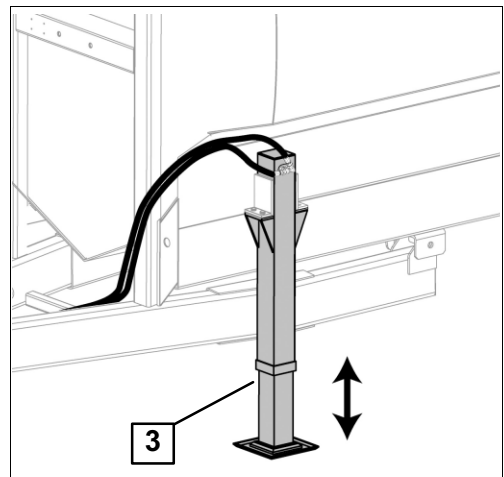
#### Note!

The spreader must be towed by the tractor for which it was designed. If changing tractor, refer to Technical data - Performance data - Spreader draw bar inclination section.

- Using the jack (1), position the spreader draw bar to connect the tractor;
- When the spreader is connected, the jack must be placed on the transport support (2);

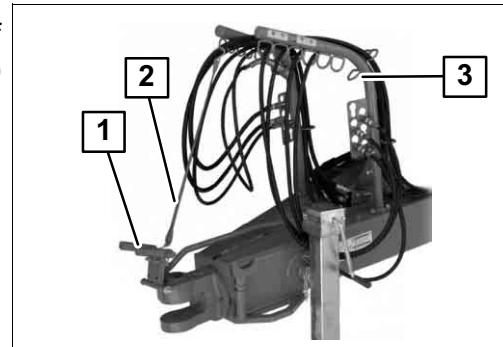


- If a hydraulic jack (3) is used, connect the hydraulic hoses to the tractor and adjust the spreader draw bar height.

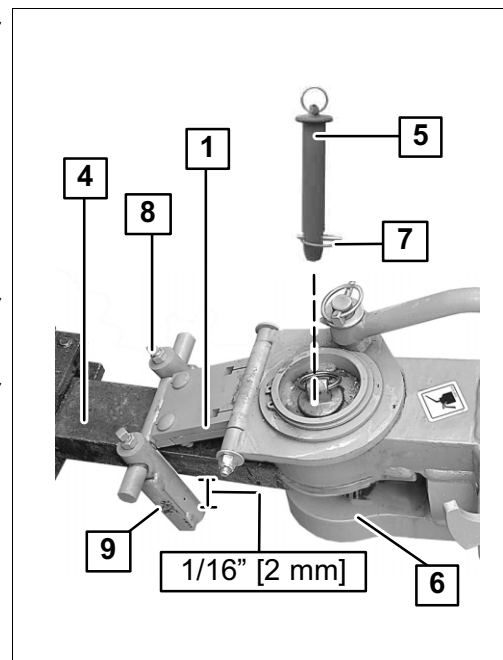


## Single / double hitch connection

- Raise the guiding mechanism (1) of the spreader. Use a bungee cord (2) to secure it on a hose support ring (3);
- Position the tractor to connect the draw bar to the spreader hitch (double hitch model illustrated);

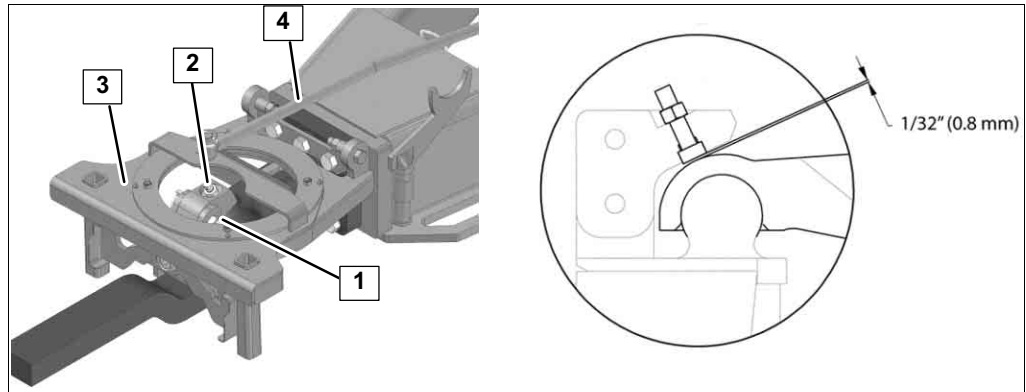


- Remove the bungee cord to lower the guiding mechanism (1) on the tractor draw bar (4);
- Grease the pin (5) using grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent);
- Insert the pin (5) through the spreader hitch (6) and the tractor draw bar (4);
- Secure the assembly with a cotter pin (7);
- Pull the spreader in a straight line until all wheels are perfectly aligned;
- Turn off the tractor and apply the hand brake;
- Loosen the squarehead bolts (8);



- Set a space of 1/16" [2 mm] between each finger (9) and the draw bar;
- Secure the fingers (9) by tightening the squarehead bolts (8). Lock with a jam nut.

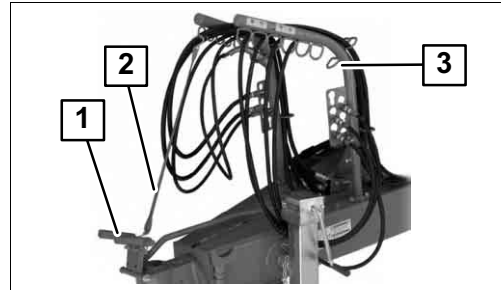
## Ball hitch connection



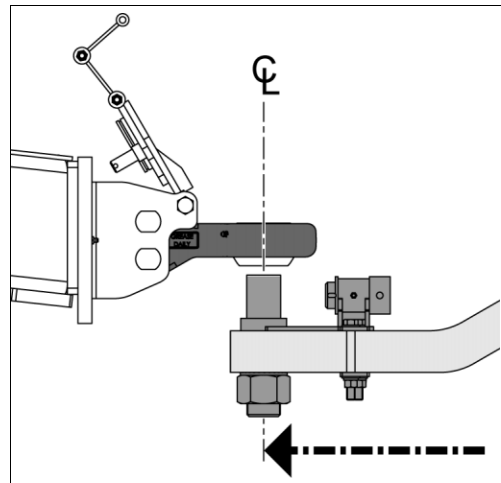
- Lubricate all greasing points using grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent);
- Remove the pin (1);
- Position the tractor to connect its draw bar to the spreader hitch;
- Install the pin (1) back in position;
- Perform the adjustment using the bolt and nut (2);
- Lower the ball hitch steering system (3);
- Connect the power steering rod (4).

## PowerHitch connection

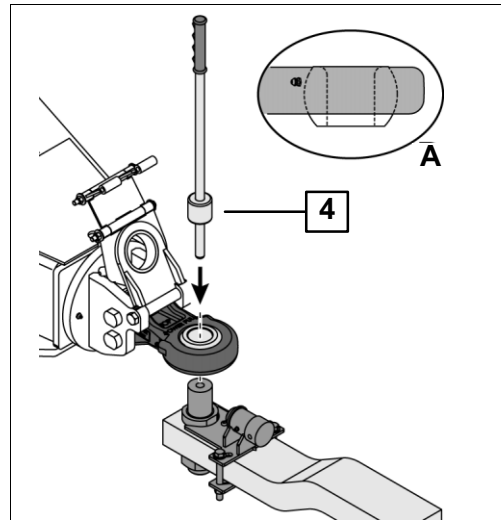
- Raise the guiding mechanism (1) of the spreader. Use a bungee cord (2) to secure it on a hose support ring (3);



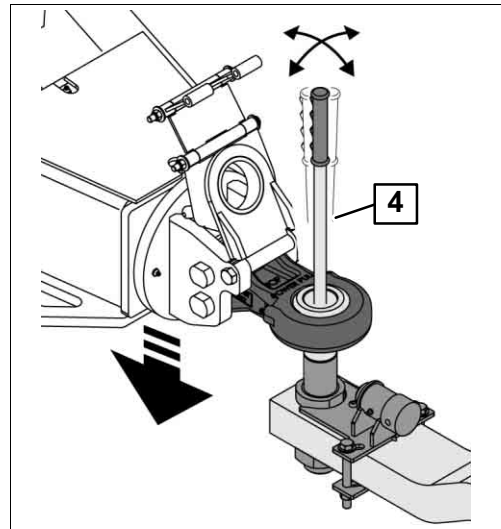
- Using grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent), lubricate all greasing points;
- Clean the shaft and apply a thin layer of grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent);
- Move the tractor backward to center the hitch pin with the PowerHitch opening;



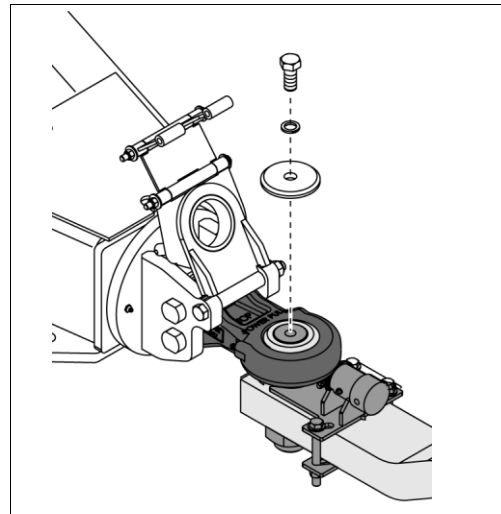
- Make sure the chamfered edge points upward. See Detail A;
- Insert the alignment tool (4) in the ball. Make sure the tool tip is inserted in the hitch pin opening;



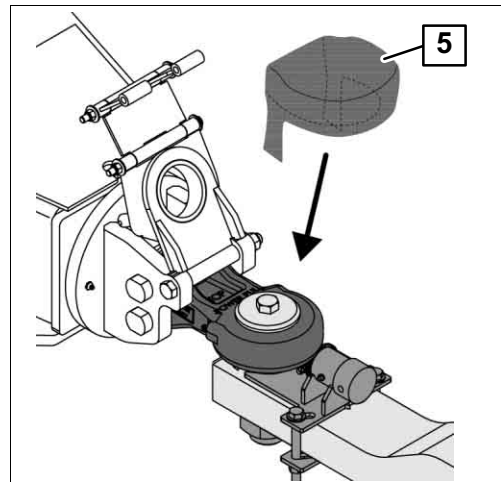
- Use the alignment tool (4) to position the PowerHitch on the tractor draw bar;



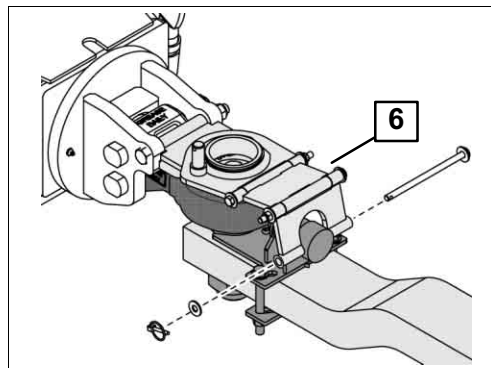
- Apply grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) on the bolt and secure the coupling using provided hardware. Torque to 278 ft-lb (376 NM);



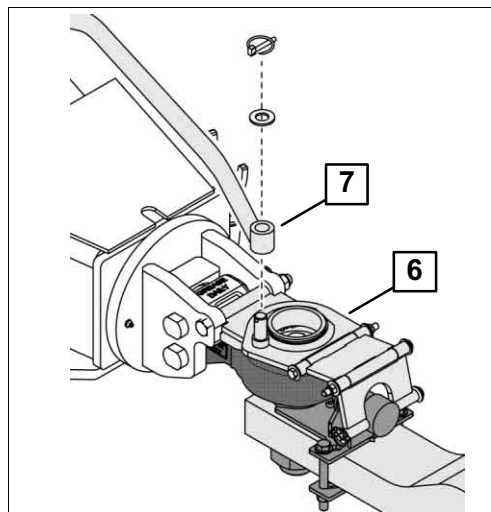
- Install the dust cover (5) on the PowerHitch. Make sure the dust cover remains on the PowerHitch at any time;



- Connect the power steering mechanism (6) to the draw bar assembly using provided hardware;

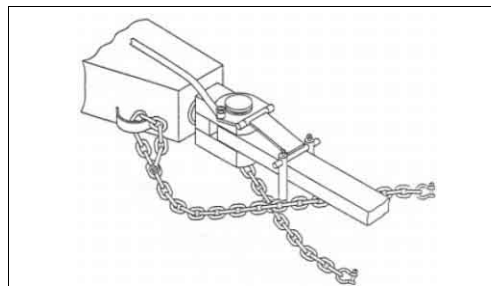


- Connect the power steering rod (7) to the power steering mechanism (6) using the lock pin and the washer;
- Connect the spreader hydraulic hoses to the tractor to operate the power steering system.



### **Safety chains connection**

- Attach safety chains between the tractor and the spreader draw bar. Follow local regulations;
- Remove the manual jack or retract the hydraulic jack;
- Remove the wheel chocks.



## 7.4.2 Connecting the PTO driveline (if applicable)



### **Warning!**

Turn off the tractor and apply the hand brake before connecting or disconnecting the PTO driveline.

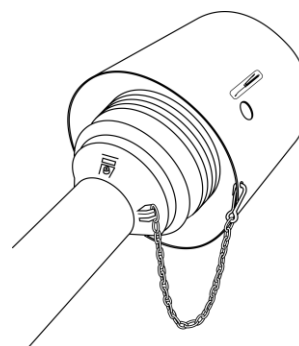


Refer to the following instructions when the PTO driveline is supplied by GEA otherwise follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

### **Safety chains (European model only)**

- Safety chains must be in place at all times to prevent the driveline guards from rotating. Replace if damaged;

- Make sure the safety chains do not restrict the driveline movement when operating or transporting the spreader;



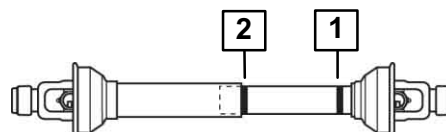
- Never use the safety chains to secure the PTO when disconnected from the tractor.

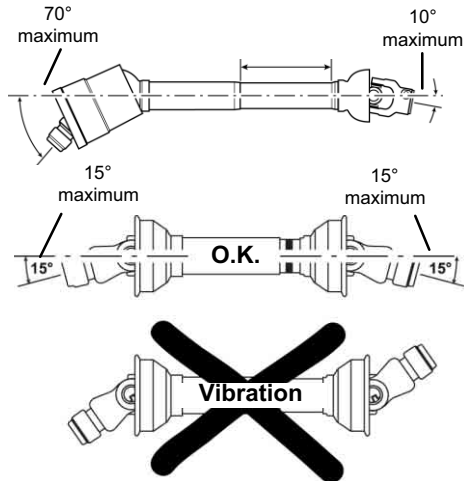
### **Maximum extension and retraction**

- Always keep the edge of the female guard between the indicators while operating;

- The minimum retraction indicator (1) must never disappear underneath the female guard;

- The maximum extension indicator (2) must never be completely visible.



Maximum angle of PTO joints	
<b>Constant velocity PTO driveline</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>One PTO joint must be set at a maximum of 70° angle. The other PTO joint must be set at a maximum of 10° angle.</li></ul>	
<b>Standard PTO driveline</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Both PTO joints must be set at the same angle (maximum 15° angle);</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Joints must always be directed toward the same side of the driveline.</li></ul>	
Lubrication	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>For universal joints, use a high quality grease formulated for intensive use. Follow the instructions of the PTO manufacturer for proper lubrication.</li></ul>	

### 7.4.3 Connecting the components



#### Attention!

Connect the hydraulic and pneumatic hoses properly to ensure safe operation. Refer to section Appendix.

- Connect the spreader hydraulic hoses and/or pneumatic hoses to the tractor. Double check all connections for safety purpose;
- Connect the electrical outlet of the spreader to the tractor.



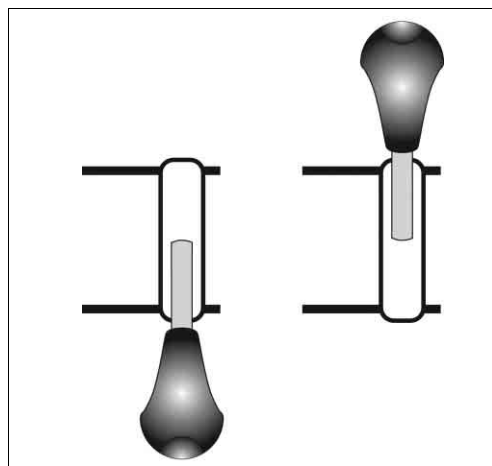
## 7.5 Testing safety components

### Lights

- Check the left and right signal lights and visually confirm their functionality at the rear of the spreader;
- Apply the brake and visually confirm that the brake indicators work properly.

### Hydraulic braking system (if applicable)

- Apply and release the spreader brakes a few times before moving the spreader. Depending on the type of hydraulic master cylinder installed, brakes can be activated by a control lever or by a brake pedal located inside the tractor;
- Move the spreader to a wide and safe area. Apply the service brakes a few times to ensure that the brakes can stop the spreader properly.



### Air braking system (optional)

Test the service brakes:

- Apply and release the tractor brake pedal a few times before moving the spreader;
- Move the spreader to a wide and safe area. Apply the service brakes a few times to ensure that the brakes can stop the spreader properly.

Test the emergency brakes:

- Activate the tractor parking brake. Try to move the spreader by pressing on the gas pedal. The emergency brake must keep the spreader immobilized.

## 7.6 Moving the spreader



### **Danger!**

Before moving the spreader on public roads, make sure the tool bar is correctly positioned for safe transportation (set to the smallest position in width, completely raised and locked with safety chains), if applicable.



### **Note!**

Make sure all local rules and regulations are followed.



### **Attention!**

If using a PTO, disengage the PTO before turning.



### **Attention!**

Shift the tractor to a lower gear when traveling down a hilly land.

- Before moving the spreader, make sure all connections are secured. Refer to section Operating - Connecting the spreader;
- Release the brakes and move the spreader;
- Set the hydraulic flow rate of the output connected to the power steering valve as per the spreader model:

Spreader model	Hydraulic flow rate adjustment
EL48-4D	3 - 4 US gpm [11 - 15 lpm]
EL48-6D	6 - 8 US gpm [23 - 30 lpm]
EL48-8D	9 - 12 US gpm [34 - 45 lpm]

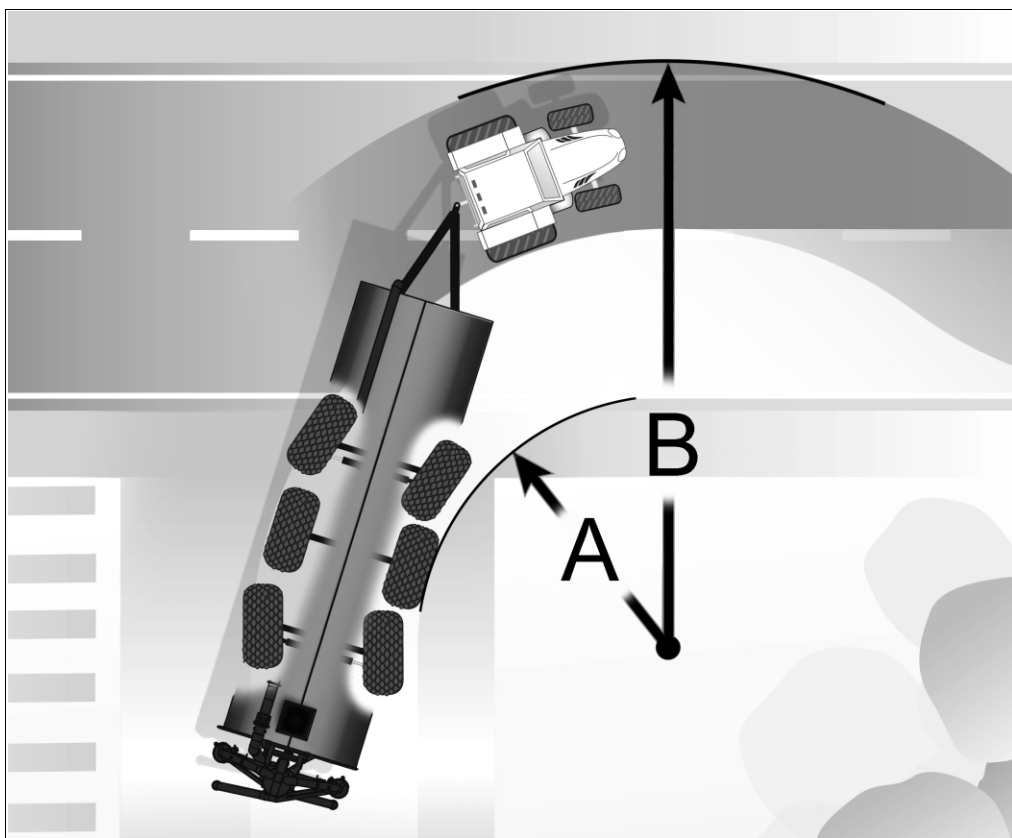
- Engage the power steering system only when the spreader is towed at a speed below 8 mph [12 km/h];
- Disengage the power steering system when the spreader is towed at a speed ranging from 8 to 25 mph [from 12 to 40 km/h];
- Before turning with the spreader, reduce the speed below 8 mph [12 km/h] then activate the power steering system;
- Maintain the speed below 8 mph [12 km/h] when turning;
- Once the turn is completed, deactivate the power steering system as soon as the spreader speed exceeds 8 mph [12km/h];
- To keep manure homogenized during transport, make sure the directional valve is set in recirculation mode and activate the impeller drive.

### 7.6.1 Turning radius



#### Attention!

Follow the turning radius to prevent premature wear of the tires and damages to wheel components.



Spreader model	Inside radius <b>A</b>	Outside radius <b>B</b>
<b>EL48-4D</b>	15' (4,58 m)	30' (9,16 m)
EL48-6D	15' (4,58 m)	35' (10,67 m)
EL48-8D	28' (8,53 m)	47' (14,33 m)

## 7.7 Loading the spreader



### Attention!

Make sure all drains and cleaning openings are closed before loading.



### Attention!

Always keep this product on a flat and level surface.



### Attention!

Do not use the jack when the spreader tank contains liquid.



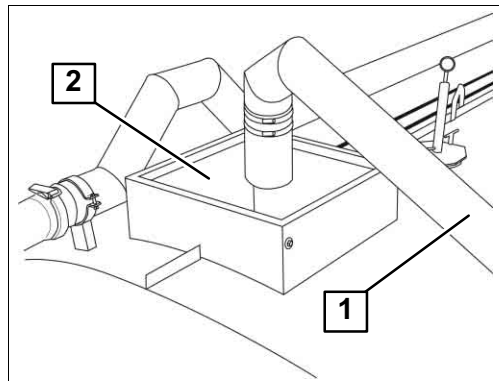
### Note!

Before loading the spreader, make sure that manure is homogenized and that the consistency matches the tool bar capacity. Refer to section Technical data - Performance data.

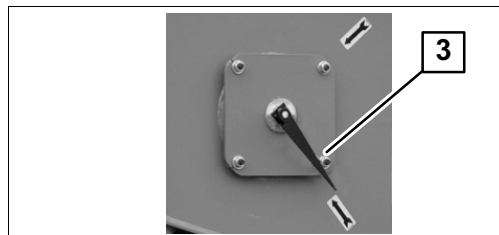


To load the spreader with the self-loading option, refer to section Operating - Operating spreader options - Self-loading.

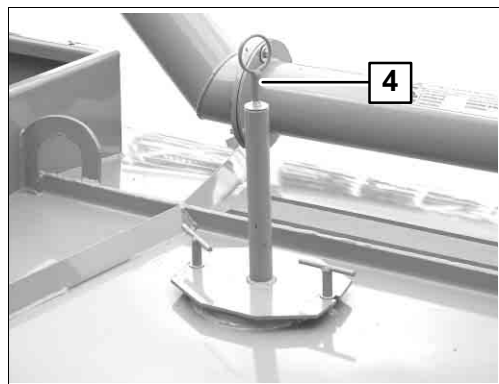
- Position the spreader to center the loading pipe (1) in the fill opening (2);
- Open the hydraulic door on fill opening, if applicable;
- Start filling the spreader with liquid manure;



- Watch the level indicator (3) at the front or at the rear (optional) of the spreader while loading;



- Reduce filling rate when the spreader tank is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full;
- Stop filling when the top level rod indicator (4) starts to raise.



## 7.8 Spreading



### Attention!

Never open cleaning openings and drains when the spreader tank contains liquid.



### Attention!

If using a PTO, disengage the PTO before turning.



### Note!

Familiarize yourself with the hydraulic functions and spreading tools before spreading.

### 7.8.1 Spreading with a nozzle

- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;

### 7.8.2 Spreading with twin deflector 25FT tool bar



### Note!

The spreading pattern can be adjusted by changing the deflector restriction plates and/or by changing the tool bar restriction plate.

- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;

### 7.8.3 Spreading with three deflector 38 FT tool bar



**Danger!**

Before moving the spreader on public roads, make sure the tool bar is correctly positioned for safe transportation (set to the smallest position in width, completely raised and locked with safety chains), if applicable.

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**Note!**

Make sure all local rules and regulations are followed.

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**Note!**

The spreading pattern can be adjusted by changing the deflector restriction plates and/or by changing the tool bar restriction plate.

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- Once on the field, unfold the tool bar arms using the tractor hydraulic control. Make sure it is placed in spreading position;
- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;
- Fold the tool bar arms using the tractor hydraulic control.

#### 7.8.4 Spreading with low spreading tool bar



##### **Danger!**

Before moving the spreader on public roads, make sure the tool bar is correctly positioned for safe transportation (set to the smallest position in width, completely raised and locked with safety chains), if applicable.



##### **Note!**

Make sure all local rules and regulations are followed.

- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control;
- Adjust the tool bar safety chains to set the proper spreading position. The spreading pattern of each tool should not overlap on the ground when spreading.
- Lower and unfold the tool bar to the spreading position:
  - If the spreader is not equipped with a shredder kit, disengage the tractor hydraulic control lever once the tool bar is positioned.
  - If the spreader is equipped with the shredder kit, the tractor hydraulic control lever must be kept engaged while spreading;
- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;
- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control lever;
- Fold the tool bar arms using the tractor hydraulic control. Make sure it is completely folded before moving out of the field.
- Adjust the safety chains to its shortest length;
- Set the tractor hydraulic lever on float position.

### 7.8.5 Spreading with 22" concave disc incorporators



#### **Danger!**

Before moving the spreader on public roads, make sure the tool bar is correctly positioned for safe transportation (set to the smallest position in width, completely raised and locked with safety chains), if applicable.



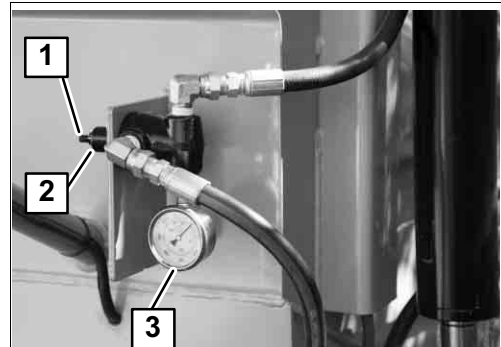
#### **Note!**

Make sure all local rules and regulations are followed.

- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control;
- Adjust the tool bar safety chains to its maximum length;
- Lower and unfold the tool bar to the spreading position. Keep the tractor hydraulic control lever engaged while spreading;
- For better results, adjust the tool bar pressure valve adjustment below.
- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;
- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control lever;
- Fold the tool bar arms using the tractor hydraulic control. Make sure it is completely folded before moving out of the field;
- Adjust the safety chains to its shortest length;
- Set the tractor hydraulic lever on float position.

#### **Tool bar pressure valve adjustment (if applicable)**

- Unlock the nut (1);
- Apply hydraulic pressure to the tool bar;
- Move the spreader few feet to verify the concave discs penetration. The discs should penetrate 4" to 5" in the soil while moving;
- Adjust the pressure by using the screw (2). The indicator (3) must not exceed 500 psi;
- Repeat until the proper adjustment.
- Lock the nut (1) when adjusted.





## 7.8.6 Spreading with 24" hydraulic disc injectors



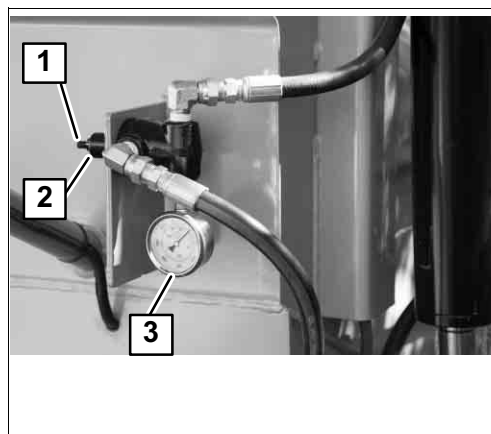
### **Danger!**

Before moving the spreader on public roads, make sure the tool bar is correctly positioned for safe transportation (set to the smallest position in width, completely raised and locked with safety chains), if applicable.

- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control;
- Adjust the tool bar safety chains to its maximum length.
- Lower and unfold the tool bar to the spreading position. Keep the tractor hydraulic control lever engaged while spreading;
- Adjust the gauge wheels to maintain the hydraulic discs at desired depth in the soil.
- For better results, adjust the tool bar pressure valve adjustment below.
- Engage the impeller to start spreading;
- Adjust the tractor speed according to the desired spreading rate. Refer to section Appendix - Spreading rate calculation;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is empty;
- Raise the tool bar using the tractor hydraulic control lever;
- Fold the tool bar arms using the tractor hydraulic control. Make sure it is completely folded before moving out of the field.
- Adjust the safety chains to its shortest length;
- Set the tractor hydraulic lever on float position.

### **Tool bar pressure valve adjustment (if applicable)**

- Unlock the nut (1);
- Apply hydraulic pressure to the tool bar;
- Move the spreader few feet to verify the discs penetration while moving;
- If required, adjust the pressure by using the screw (2). The indicator (3) must not exceed 500 psi;
- Repeat until the proper adjustment;
- Lock the nut (1) when adjusted.



## 7.9 Operating spreader options

### 7.9.1 Self-loading



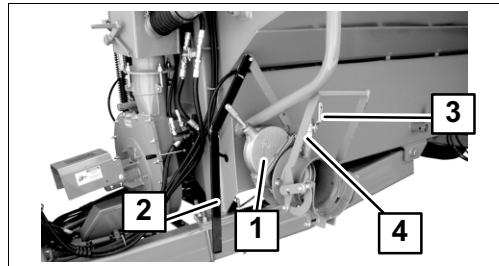
**Warning!**  
ROTATING DRIVELINE! KEEP AWAY!



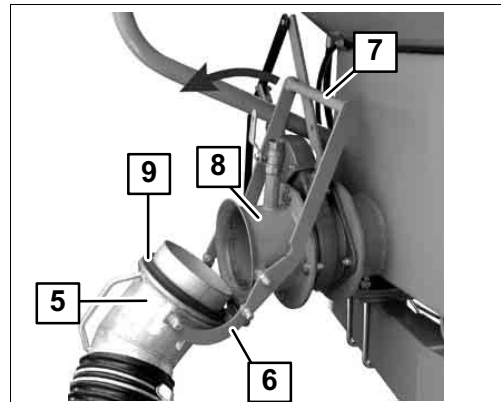
**Note!**

Before loading the spreader, make sure that manure is homogenized and that the consistency is adequate for spreading. Refer to sections Technical data - Performance data and Appendix - Consistency test.

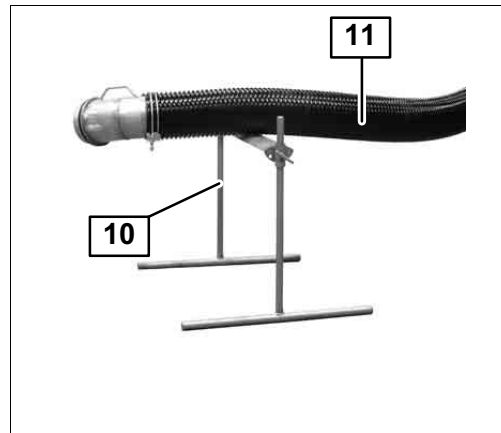
- Apply the tractor parking brake and turn off the engine;
- Remove suction hose and pipe from supports located on each side of the spreader;
- Assemble the hoses and pipes together;
- Close the gate valve (1) by pushing the gate valve lever (2) downward;
- Open the ball valve (3);
- Unlock the latch mechanism by flipping the locking flat bar (4);

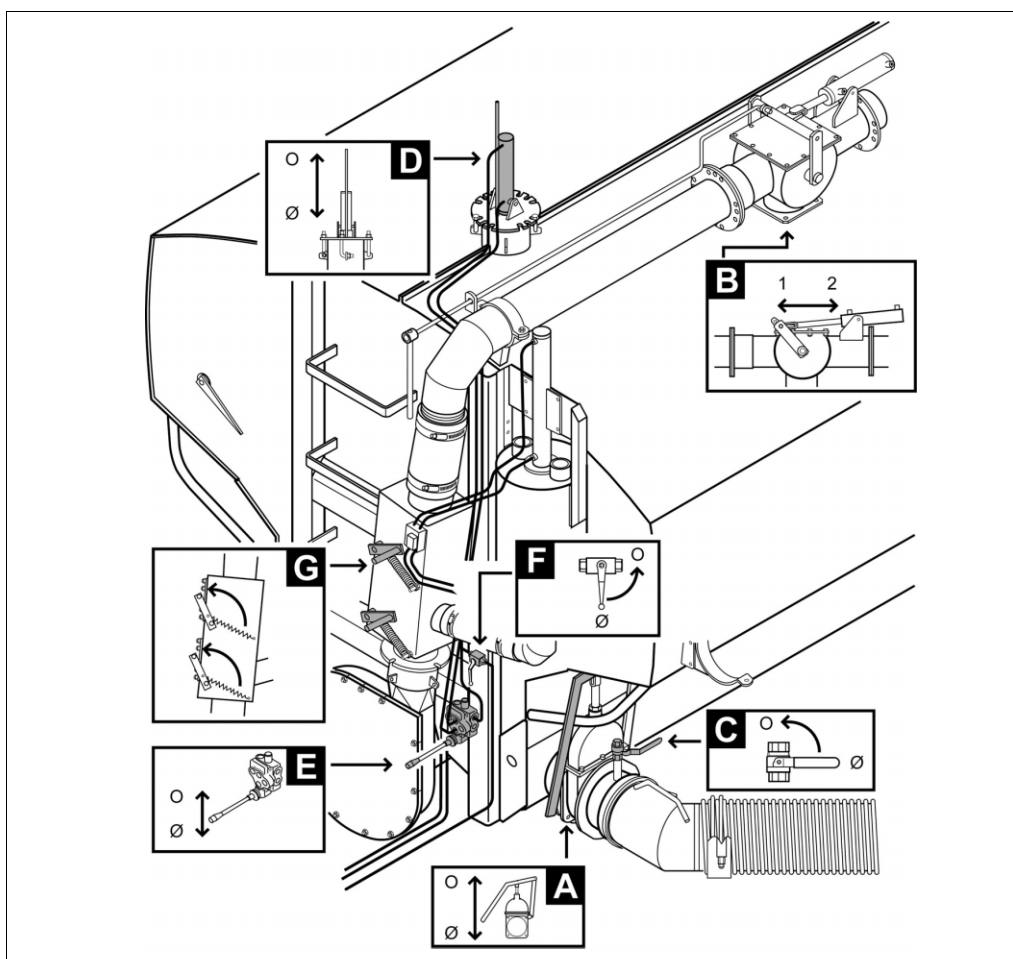


- Insert the suction hose adapter (5) in the U-shape support (6);
- Pull the receptacle lever (7) to connect the hose adapter (5) to the receptacle (8);
- Make sure the O-ring (9) properly seals the connection;



- Assemble the suction hose support supplied with the self-loading option;
- Install the suction hose support (10) two meters away from the spreader;
- Set the height of the support (10) so that the end of the hose (11) lays horizontally;
- Make sure the other end of the hose is well inserted in manure;



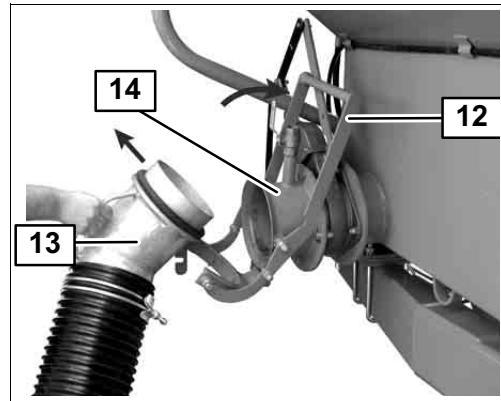


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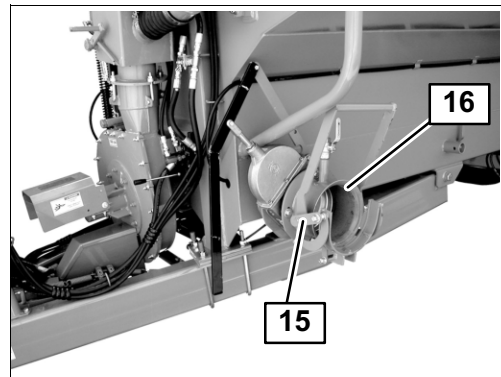
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- Set the directional valve (B) to loading position (1);
- Engage the impeller;
- Turn on the tractor hydraulic outlet to feed the primer pump;
- Close the ball valve (C);
- Open the gate valve (A);
- Close the inner valve cylinder (D) by pushing down the lever (E);
- Close the bypass valve (F) to start the primer pump;
- Check the handles of the check valve (G). When the handles remain in up position, the centrifugal pump is primed properly;
- Open the bypass valve (F) to stop the primer pump and let the centrifugal pump fill the tank. Monitor the level of liquid inside the tank;
- When the tank is full, open the ball valve (C);
- Close gate valve (A);
- Open the inner valve cylinder (D);

- Remove suction hose by pushing the receptacle lever (12) to disconnect the suction hose adapter (13) from the receptacle (14);
- Disengage the impeller;



- Lock mechanism in place by flipping the locking flat bar (15) located on one side of the receptacle (16). Make sure it is hooked properly;
- Place the hoses on the supports and secure it using the half collars, bolts and nuts provided;
- Move to spreading area.



Refer to section Operating - Moving the spreader.

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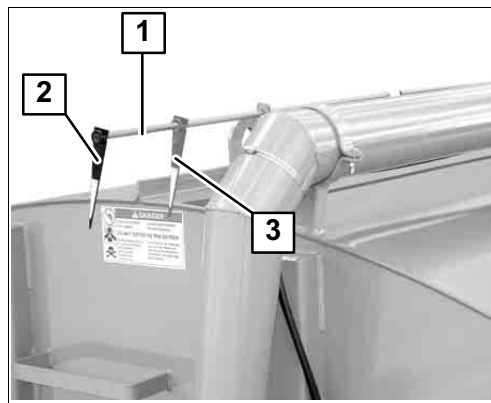
## 7.9.2 In-tank recirculation kit



### Attention!

If using a PTO, disengage the PTO when turning.

- Position the directional valve indicator (1) in recirculating mode (2);
- Engage the impeller in low revolution;
- Disengage the impeller to interrupt recirculating mode (example: before turning when using a PTO);
- Position the directional valve in spreading mode (3).



### 7.9.3 Nursing kit

**Danger!**

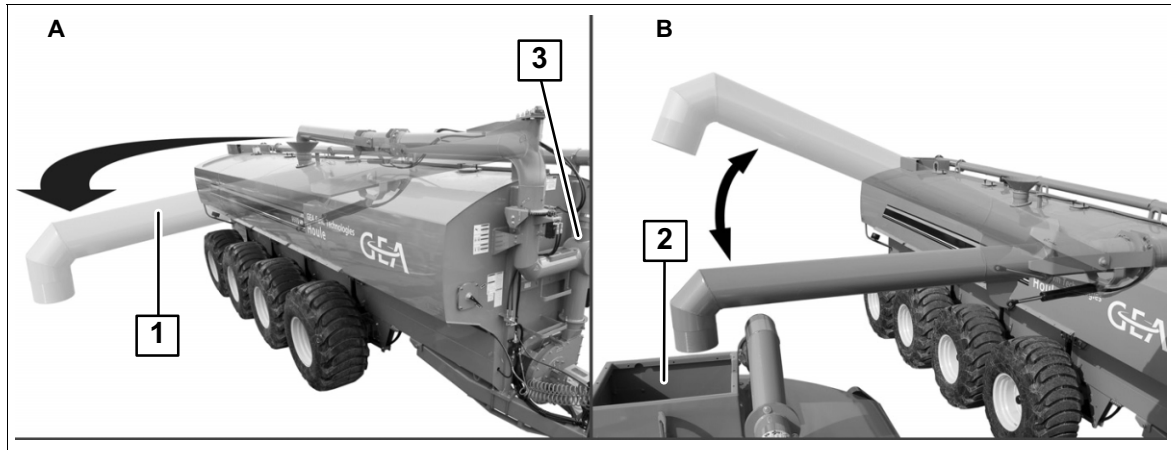
BEWARE OF ELECTRICAL POWER LINES!



Operating this product near electrical power lines can result in fatal injuries. Make sure this product is operated in a secure environment. Consult your local electrical supplier regarding electrical safety.

**Attention!**

Always keep this product on a flat and level surface.



- Use the hydraulics to lift and rotate the articulated transfer pipe (1) over the fill opening (2) of the other spreader;
- Set the directional valve (3) in transfer mode;
- Engage the impeller to start transfer;
- Monitor the level indicator of the spreader being filled;
- Reduce the impeller revolution when the spreader tank is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full;
- Disengage the impeller when the spreader is full;
- Use the hydraulics to position the transfer pipe in transport position.

## 7.9.4 Hydraulic door on fill opening



### Warning!

Do not operate the hydraulic door while a person stands on the spreader.



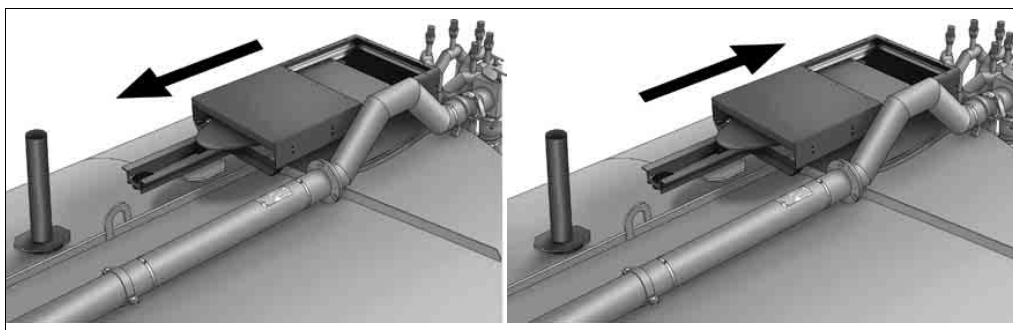
### Attention!

Make sure the opening is not obstructed.



### Note!

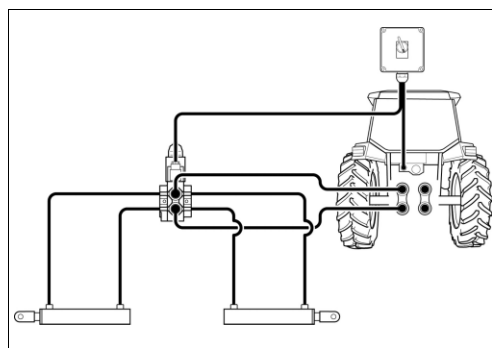
Make sure the ball valve is opened before operating the hydraulic door. The ball valve is located on the door frame.



- Open or close the hydraulic door using the hydraulic control.

## 7.9.5 Solenoid valve

- Connect the solenoid valve kit to the tractor 12 VDC electrical output;
- Connect hydraulic hoses to the tractor;
- Turn the selector switch to proper position to control a specific option;
- Activate the lever to control the hydraulic option.



Refer to section Appendix - Hydraulic diagrams.

## 7.10 Disconnecting

### PTO driveline disconnection (if applicable)

**Warning!**

Turn off the tractor and apply the hand brake before connecting or disconnecting the PTO driveline.

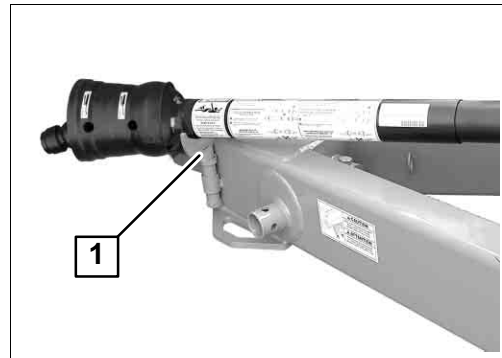
**Attention!**

Keep all hose couplings clear of dirt and sand when disconnected. Always hook them on their supports.

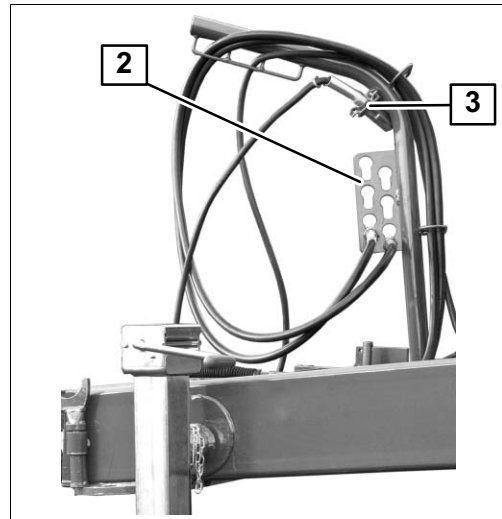
**Note!**

Refer to the PTO driveline instruction manual and follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

- Remove the safety chain, if applicable. (European model not illustrated);
- Disconnect the PTO from the tractor;
- Place the PTO driveline end on the draw bar support (1);



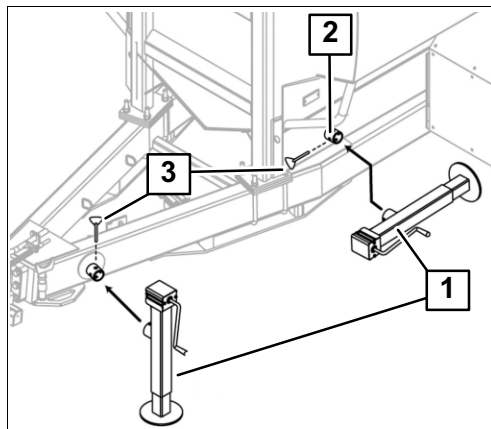
- Disconnect the spreader hydraulic hoses and pneumatic hoses from the tractor, if applicable. Place the connectors in the corresponding support (2);
- Disconnect the electrical outlet and place it in the corresponding support (3);



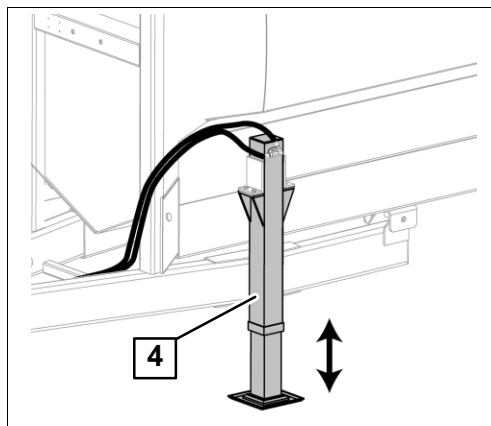


## Unhitching the spreader

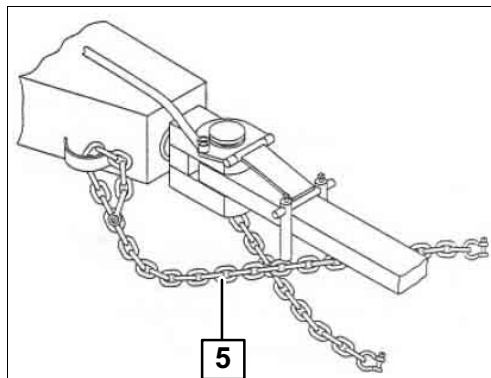
- Keep the spreader on a flat and level surface;
- Place wheel chocks;
- Remove the manual jack (1) from the transportation support (2);
- Place the jack on the draw bar, secure with a safety pin (3);
- Adjust the spreader height;



- If using a hydraulic jack (4), connect the hydraulic hoses to the tractor to extend the jack;

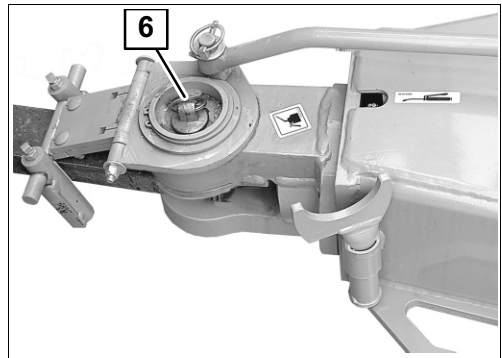


- Remove the safety chains (5) from the tractor;



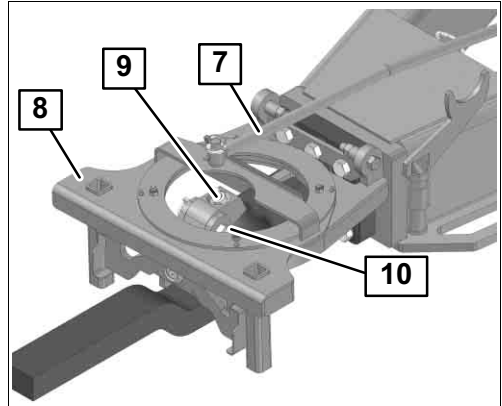
### Single / double hitch

- Remove the pin (6);
- Raise the guiding mechanism using a bungee cord;
- Using the jack, lift the spreader draw bar.



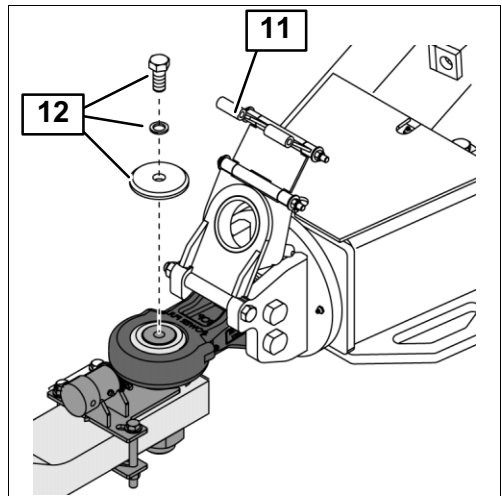
### Ball hitch

- Unlock the power steering rod (7);
- Raise the ball hitch steering system (8);
- Loosen the nut (9);
- Remove the pin (10);
- Using the jack, lift the spreader draw bar.



### PowerHitch

- Unlock the power steering rod;
- Unlock and raise the guiding mechanism (11);
- Remove the dust cover;
- Remove hardware (12);
- Using the jack, lift the spreader draw bar;
- Reinstall the dust cover on the PowerHitch.



## **8 Troubleshooting**

### **8.1 Special personnel qualification required for troubleshooting**

Troubleshooting must be performed by trained personnel in accordance with the safety instructions.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

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### **8.2 Safety instructions for troubleshooting**



Read the section Safety.

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**8.3 Troubleshooting possible faults**

<b>Spreading</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
The spreader does not spread properly or not at all.	The liquid manure is too thick.	Check consistency. Refer to section Appendix - Consistency test.
	The directional valve is not in the proper position.	Set the directional valve in spreading position.
	The self-loading inner valve cylinder is not in the proper position.	Set inner valve cylinder in spreading position.
	Foreign material in the directional valve.	Contact your dealer.
	Obstruction in the discharge pipe.	Contact your dealer.
	Obstruction in the impeller output.	Contact your dealer.
	The PTO is defective.	Refer to the manufacturer's recommendations.
	Worn out impeller or housing.	Contact your dealer.
Liquid manure keeps discharging from the tool bar while the impeller is stopped.	Anti-siphon is not positioned properly.	The anti-siphon must be positioned upward, adjust if necessary. Refer to section Handling and assembly - Anti-siphon assembly.

<b>Hydraulic braking system</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
The spreader partially brakes or does not brake at all.	The hydraulic hoses of the tractor are not connected to the hydraulic braking system.	Connect hydraulic hoses properly. Refer to section Appendix - Hydraulic diagrams. Check tractor hydraulic oil level. Find leak and repair. Add hydraulic oil.
	The brake pads are worn out.	Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic braking system.
	Insufficient oil quantity in the master cylinder.	Find leak and repair. Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic braking system.
	Air or water inside the hydraulic brake lines.	Find infiltration and repair. Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic braking system.
	Defective hose connector (occurs only with manually activated brake system).	Clean restrictor of the hydraulic hose connector.
The spreader does not brake evenly.	A worn out brake pad.	Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic braking system.
	A faulty caliper.	Contact your dealer.
	A distorted brake disk.	

<b>Air braking system</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
The spreader partially brakes or does not brake at all.	The air brake hoses (red and yellow/blue) are not connected to the tractor outlet.	Connect hoses.
	The air brake hose (yellow/blue) is not well connected.	Connect the hose.
	No air pressure in the braking system or the air pressure is below 70 psi [4.83 bar].	Find air leaks and repair. Check hoses, air tank and hose fittings.
	Air leaks from the hoses.	Find damaged, pinched or defective hoses and repair.
	The brake linings are worn out.	Refer to section Maintenance - Change air brake parts.
	A slack adjuster is not properly adjusted.	Refer to section Maintenance - Calibration.
	Oil and water in the braking system.	Purge air tank 3-4 seconds by pulling on the steel wire located under the spreader.
The spreader brakes do not release.	The emergency brake (red) hose is not connected.	Connect the red hose on the proper tractor outlet.
The spreader does not brake evenly.	A slack adjuster is not properly adjusted.	Refer to section Maintenance - Calibration.
	A brake lining is worn out.	Change brake lining.  Refer to section Maintenance - Air brake - Change air brake parts.

<b>Power steering system</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
Unusual wear of the spreader tires.	The minimum turning radius is not followed when turning with the spreader.	Follow the minimum turning radius indicated in section Operating - Moving the spreader - Turning radius.
Wheels turn jerkily.	The power steering control valve is not properly adjusted.	Refer to section Maintenance - Power steering - Adjustments.
Wheels change direction with a delay.		
Wheels are not aligned properly.	Power steering cable misadjusted.	Refer to section Maintenance - Power steering.
	The springs of the power steering safety mechanism are loose.	
Vibration in the steering and wheels.	Power steering spring cylinder does not work properly.	Contact your dealer.
Wheels do not align in a straight position after a turn or do not turn well.	Restrictor clogged or unscrewed.	Remove and unclog the restrictor. Add Teflon tape on the fitting and reinstall.  Refer to section Maintenance - Power steering.
Wheels turn too promptly.	Hydraulic flow rate is too high.	Refer to section Maintenance - Power steering.
Wheels turn too slowly and do not reach their maximum turning angle.	Hydraulic flow rate is too low.	
	Adjustable fingers of the guiding mechanism are not adjusted properly.	
The tractor hydraulic lever returns to neutral position automatically.	Control valve pressure is too high.	
The power steering system overheats.	Misadjustment of the hydraulic flow rate.	
	Misadjustment of the control valve.	

<b>Electrical</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
Signal lights / Halogen lights do not turn on.	Electrical plug is not connected to the tractor.	Connect electrical plug to the tractor.
	Light bulb burned out.	Replace light bulb.
	Electrical wires cut.	Repair the electrical problem.
	Short circuit.	

<b>Options</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
Recirculation system does not recirculate.	Fibrous material can be stuck in the recirculating pipe.	Contact your dealer.
Anti-splash flapper door stays open.	Dried manure located on the door flap and/or on the sides of the opening.	Clean door and/or sides with water.
The suspension is not efficient.	Defective hydraulic cylinder.	Contact your dealer.
	Not enough or too much hydraulic oil in the cylinder.	Refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic suspension.
The solenoid valve does not work.	Electric wires are defective or not connected.	Contact your dealer.

<b>Self-loading option</b>		
<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Possible cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
Hydraulic primer pump of the self-loading kit does not prime.	Suction hose is not well positioned on the hose support or is not air tight.	Reposition the suction hose. Find air leak and repair.
	Foreign object in the check valve or directional valve.	Contact your dealer.
	Rubber seals are worn out.	Replace rubber seals.
	Hydraulic reversing valve pressure is not calibrated.	Refer to section Maintenance - Primer pump reversing valve.
	The self-loading inner valve cylinder is not in proper position.	Refer to section Operating - Operating spreader options - Self-loading.
	The gate valve beside the latch mechanism is closed.	
	The ball valve on the latch mechanism is open.	


**Note!**

For any other faults, contact your dealer.



## **9 Maintenance**

### **9.1 Special personnel qualification required for maintenance work**

Maintenance work must be performed by trained personnel in accordance with the safety instructions.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

### **9.2 Safety instructions for maintenance**



#### **Attention!**

Tractor PTO or hydraulic components must be disconnected unless otherwise specified in the maintenance instructions.



#### **Note!**

Have within reach containers to collect all substances potentially harmful such as oils, coolants, cleaning and disinfecting agents, etc.



Read the section Safety.

### 9.3 Schedule maintenance responsibilities

#### 9.3.1 GEA Farm Technologies Canada Inc. maintenance schedule

Task	Before each use or every 10 hours	After each use	Every 200 hours of use	Once a year	If necessary	Action by
Visual inspection	X					Trained personnel
Lubricate hitch and power steering	X					
Lubricate the equipment	X					
Check oil level of bearing housing	X					
Fill the grease chamber of the bearing housing	X					
Grease the steering knuckles	X					
Check oil level over primer pump piston	X					
Check hydraulic suspension	X					
Check bottom translucent hose of suspension cylinders	X					
Torque wheel nuts	X					
Purge air tank	X					
Check parallel bars springs adjustment	X					
Adjust fingers of the power steering mechanism			X			
Grease wheel hub bearings			X			
Torque bolts			X			
Change the oil of bearing housing			X			
Lubricate the tool bar (option)		X				
Open drains		X				
Open cleaning openings		X				
Grease slack adjuster				X		
Clean the product		X		X		
Change hydraulic brake parts					X	
Calibrate the hydraulic braking system					X	
Change air brake parts					X	
Calibrate the air braking system					X	
Adjust hydraulic suspension					X	
Calibrate the primer pump reversing valve					X	
Adjust power steering					X	

**Attention!**

When operating this GEA product using other manufacturers components and/or products such as a PTO, a tractor, a motor, a pump, etc., ALWAYS perform maintenance of the component and/or product as recommended by its manufacturer.

**9.4 Visual inspection****Before each use**

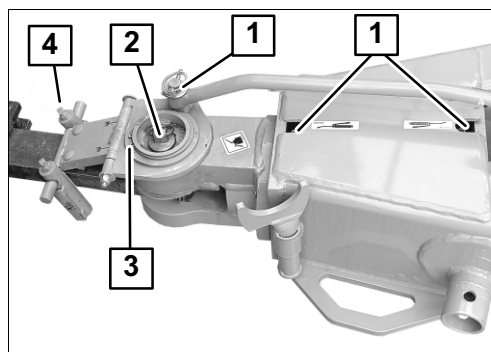
Inspect the spreader to find any defective parts or signs of abnormal wear.

**9.5 Lubricate hitch and power steering****Before each use or every 10 hours****Note!**

Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

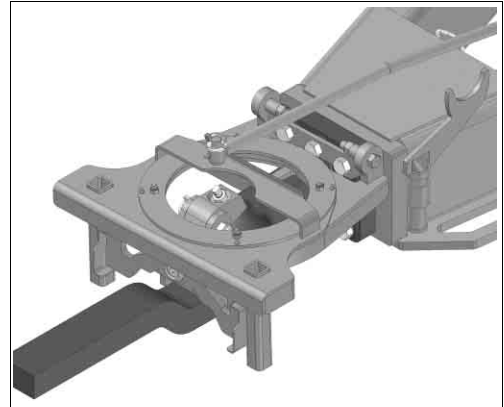
**Single / double hitch**

- Lubricate all points (1);
- Remove the cotter pin and the pin from the hitch. Add grease inside the swivel point (2);
- Lubricate the swivel point (3) of the hitch;
- Tighten the adjustable fingers (4).

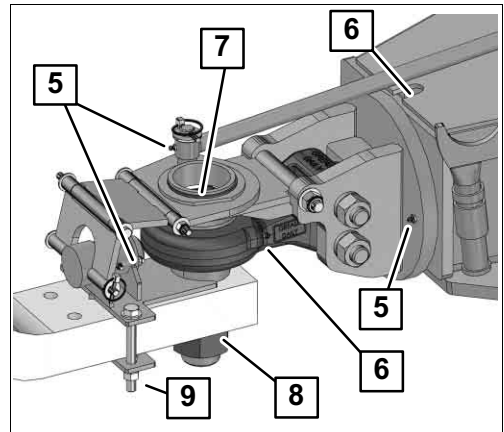


**Ball hitch**

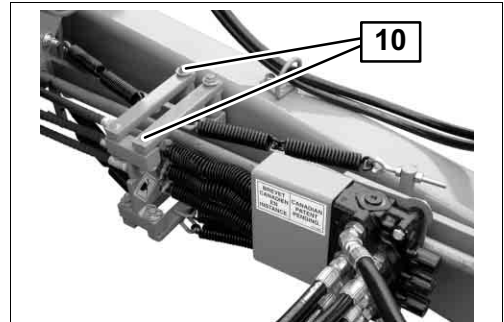
- Lubricate all lubrication points.

**PowerHitch**

- Lubricate all points (5);
- Lubricate the ball (6). To ensure adequate greasing, remove the load on the ball by lifting the draw bar with the jack;
- Torque bolt (7) to 278 ft-lb (376 NM);
- Torque nut (8) to 600 ft-lb (813 NM) minimum;
- Torque nut (9) to 119 ft-lb (161 NM).

**Power steering mechanism**

- Lubricate the pivot points of the power steering mechanism (10);
- Lubricate the rods of the steering cylinders (11);
- Lubricate the pivot point of the steering cylinders (12);
- Lubricate the steering knuckles of the directional wheels (13).



## 9.6 Lubricate the equipment

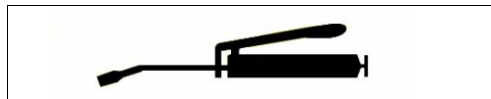
**Before each use or every 10 hours**



**Note!**

Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

- Lubricate all parts labelled with:



Refer to section Appendix - Label position.

## 9.7 Check oil level of bearing housing (if applicable)

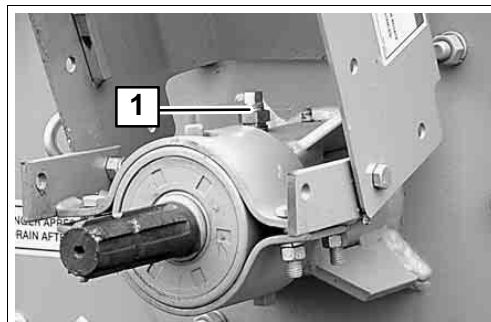
**Before each use or every 10 hours**



**Note!**

Use 80W-90 TRAXON™ gearbox oil (or equivalent).

- Unscrew the filling plug (1);
- Fill with oil until the level reaches the top of the shaft;
- Clean and reinstall the filling plug (1).



## 9.8 Fill the grease chamber of the bearing housing (if applicable)

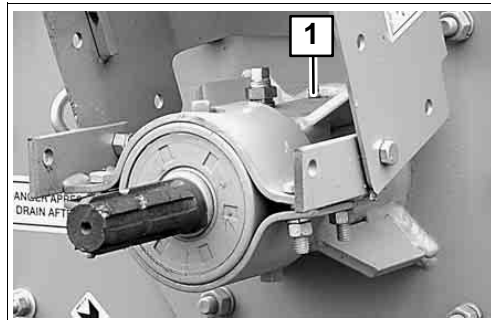
**Before each use or every 10 hours**



**Note!**

Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

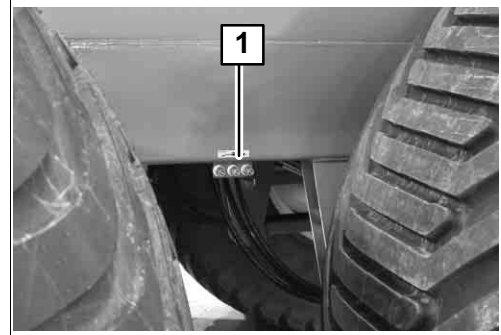
- Add grease in the grease chamber of the bearing housing through the fitting (1).



**9.9 Grease the steering knuckles****Before each use or every 10 hours****Note!**

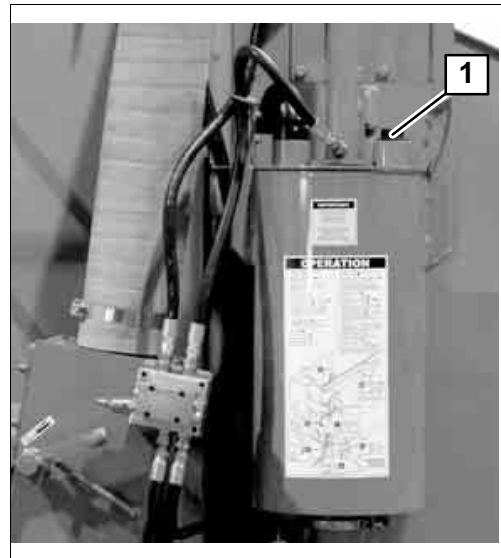
Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

- Add grease in the steering knuckles through the fittings located behind the spreader wheels;
- If equipped with remote grease lines, lubricate through the grease lines (1).

**9.10 Check oil level over primer pump piston (if applicable)****Before each use or every 10 hours****Note!**

Use biodegradable oil.

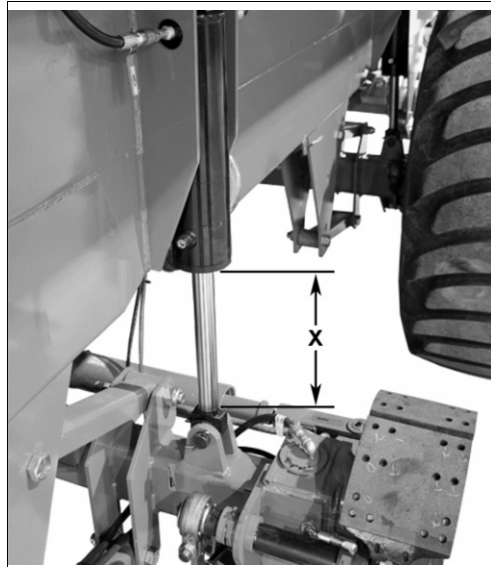
- Remove access cap (1) of the primer pump;
- Insert a 24" [60 cm] rod inside the primer pump opening until it reaches the piston;
- Remove rod from the opening;
- Measure the oil level on the rod. Ensure there is a minimum of  $\frac{5}{8}$ " [15 mm] of biodegradable oil on top of the primer pump piston;
- Do not add too much oil. The oil excess will evacuate through the primer pump air intake and will be wasted.



## 9.11 Check hydraulic suspension

### Before each use or every 10 hours

- Park the spreader on a flat and level surface;
- Measure the length of the suspension rod (X), the dimension must be 6" (15 cm);
- If length is not appropriate, refer to section Maintenance - Hydraulic suspension.

**Note!**

The tire is removed for better understanding.

## 9.12 Check bottom translucent hose of suspension cylinders

### Before each use or every 10 hours

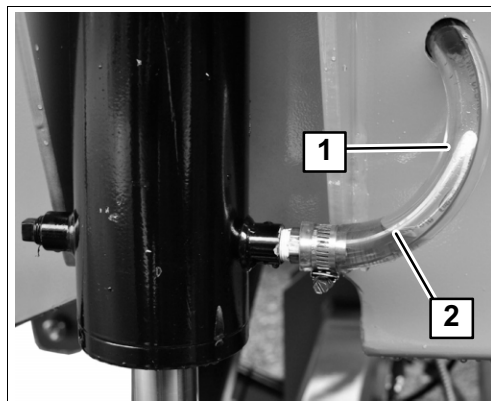
**Note!**

This section concerns a standard suspension with oil on the upper side of pistons. It is not applicable for the optional suspension cylinder with oil on both sides of piston.

**Note!**

Use MV 22 HYDREX™ hydraulic fluid (or equivalent).

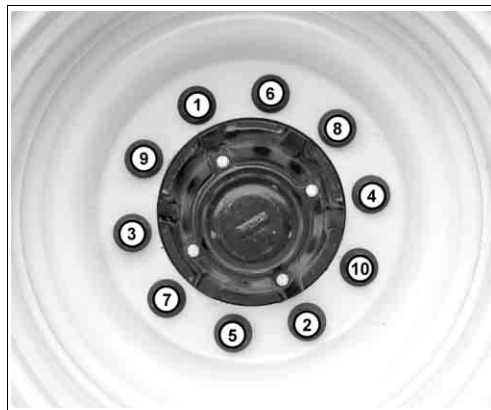
- Remove the hose (1) from the frame;
- Add hydraulic oil in the hose until it is covered with oil (2), as shown hereafter;
- Insert the hose in the frame;
- Repeat these steps for each suspension cylinder.



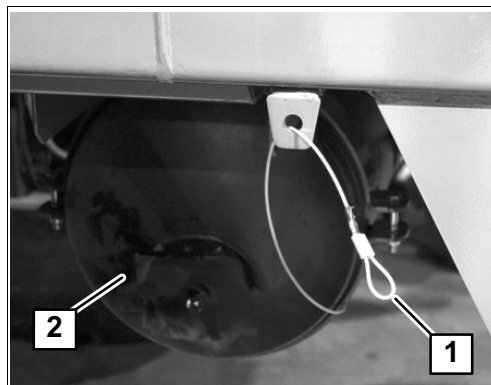
**9.13 Torque wheel nuts****Before each use or every 10 hours****Note!**

It is of prime importance to check the torque of the nuts after the 3 to 5 first trips.

- Ensure wheel nuts are torqued to 375 ft-lb [508 NM];
- To torque wheel nuts, follow the sequence illustrated.

**9.14 Purge air tank (only with air brake option)****Before each use or every 10 hours**

- Find the steel cable (1) located on the side of the spreader;
- Pull cable for 3 seconds to purge oil, water and dust from the air tank (2).

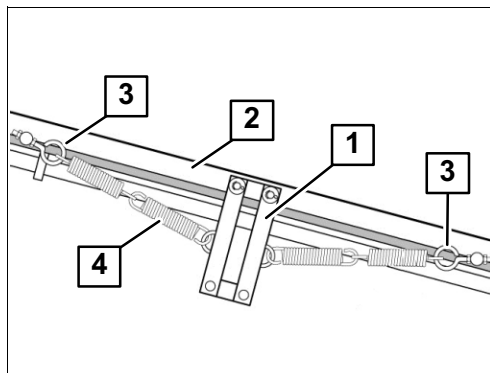




## 9.15 Check parallel bars springs adjustment

### Before each use

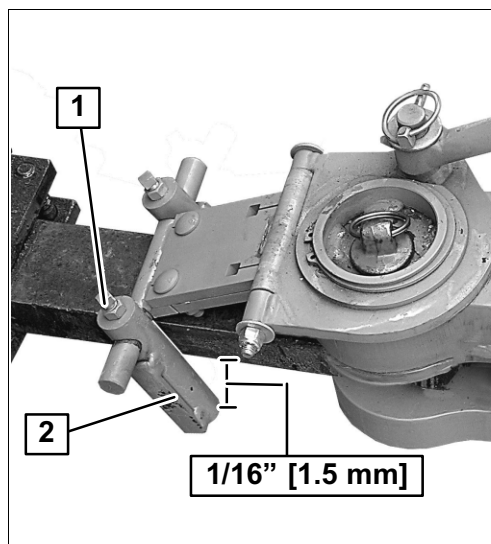
- Pull the spreader in a straight line to align the spreader and the tractor wheels;
- Position the parallel bars (1) perpendicular to the flat bar support (2) by adjusting the eye bolts (3). The springs (4) must be straight, not hanging nor stretched. Make sure the parallel bars remain perpendicular.



## 9.16 Adjust fingers of the power steering mechanism

### Every 200 hours of use

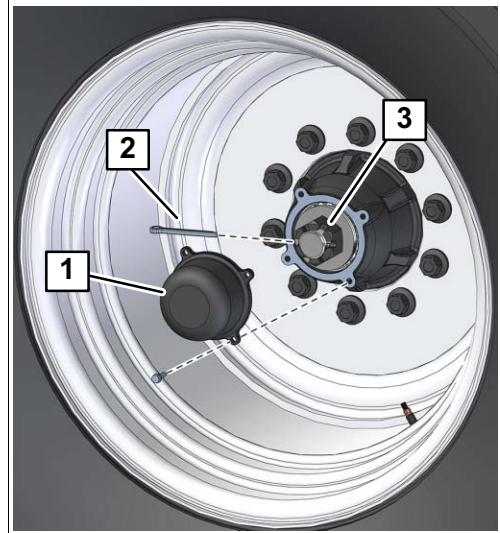
- Align the tractor draw bar with the spreader power steering hitch by moving the tractor in a straight line. Make sure the tractor and the spreader are perfectly aligned;
- Loosen the square head bolts (1) to adjust the fingers (2) properly;
- Place finger to set a space of 1/16" [1.5 mm] between the finger and the draw bar. Secure the finger by tightening the square head bolt (1) and lock it with the jam nut;
- Repeat these steps for the other finger.



**9.17 Grease wheel hub bearings****Every 200 hours of use****Note!**

Use grade 2 - 880 Crown and Chassis grease (or equivalent).

- Using a jack, lift the axle until the tire no longer touches the ground;
- Unscrew the hub dust cap (1);
- Remove the grease by cleaning the cap and the bearing;
- Remove the cotter pin (2);



- Check the torque of the wheel hub assembly as follows:
  - Torque the castle nut (3) to 190 ft-lb [258 NM] to ensure seating of the bearing assembly;
  - Unscrew the castle nut to the next slot to allow the cotter pin installation. This step releases pressure on bearings in order to prevent overheating;
  - Check the assembly. Make sure there is no gap in the bearing assembly by moving the tire. Make sure the wheel can be easily rotated by hand. If checks fail, redo the steps;
- Reinstall the cotter pin (2);
- Cover the bearing with grease. Completely fill the gap with grease between the bearing and the hub;
- Fill the cap with grease and reinstall it.

## 9.18 Torque bolts

### Every 200 hours of use

Check torque of :

- mudguard and fender bolts;
- dust shield bolts;
- transportation support bolts;
- components fastened on the spreader.



Refer to section Technical data - Bolt torque chart.

## 9.19 Change the oil of bearing housing (if applicable)

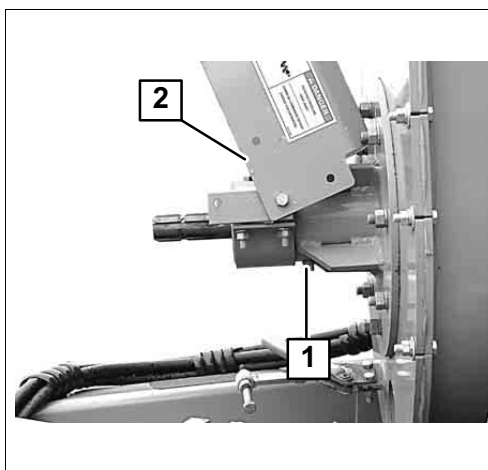
### Every 200 hours of use



#### Note!

Use 80W-90 TRAXON™ gearbox oil (or equivalent).

- Place a container under the drain plug (1) to collect oil;
- Remove the filling plug (2) located between the grease fitting and the air vent;
- Unbolt the drain plug (1);
- Reinstall the drain plug (1) once the housing is drained;
- Fill with oil until the level reaches the top of the shaft;
- Clean and reinstall the filling plug (2).



## 9.20 Lubricate the tool bar (option)

### After each use



#### Note!

Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

- Grease all parts labelled with:



## 9.21 Open drains

### After each use

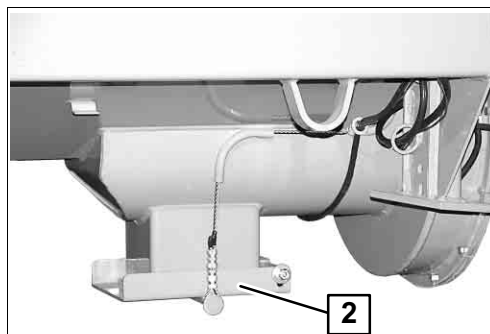
**Attention!**

Make sure the spreader is empty before opening the drains.

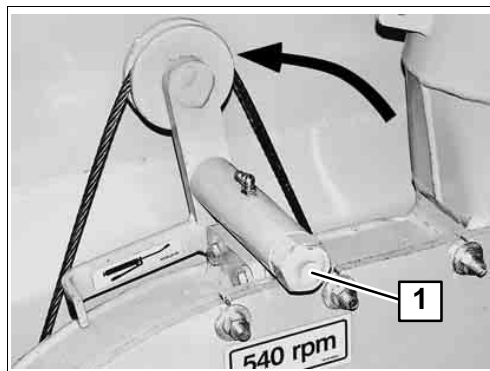
- Use the wheel nut wrench to turn the pivot bolt (1) to open the drain (2);



- Clean the drain (2);

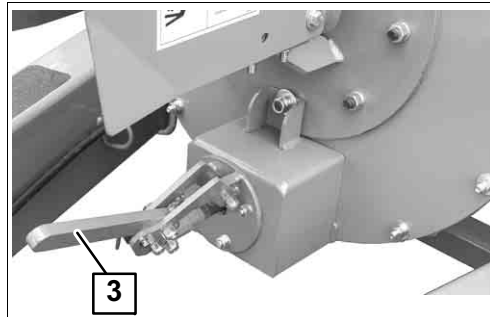


- Use the wheel nut wrench to turn the pivot bolt (1) to close the drain (2).



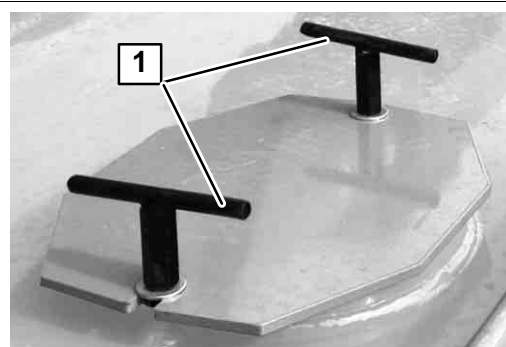
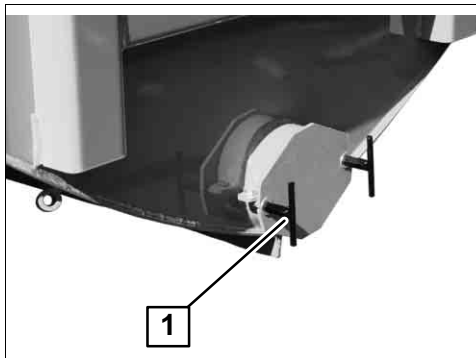
### Impeller housing drain

- To open the drain, unlock the toggle clamp (3). The cap will open to drain the impeller housing;
- To close the drain, place the cap over the impeller housing opening and lock the toggle clamp (3).



**9.22 Open cleaning openings****After each use****Attention!**

Make sure the spreader is empty before opening cleaning openings.



- Unscrew the handles (1);
- Remove the cover.

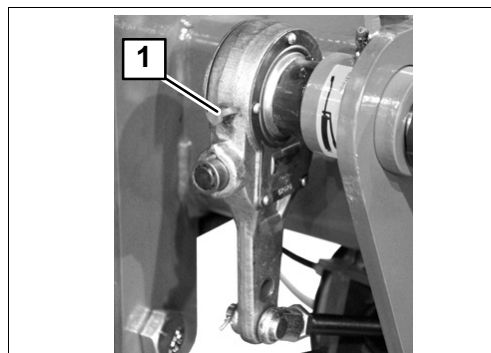
**9.23 Grease slack adjuster (only with air brake option)****Once a year****Attention!**

Do not over grease the slack adjusters, it could damage the seal.

**Note!**

Use grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent).

- Remove the plastic cap (1) and slightly grease.



## 9.24 Clean the product

### After each use and once a year



**Warning!**

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



**Attention!**

Use cold water to clean this product. Do not exceed 2000 psi [105 bar] when using a pressure washer and keep the nozzle at a distance of 1 ft [30 cm] from the surface to clean.

- Make sure all drains and cleaning openings are closed;
- Fill 1/3 of the spreader tank with water;
- Move the tractor back and forth to stir the water inside the tank;
- Move it to a spreading area and spread the wasted water to clean the discharge pipe and hoses;
- When empty, open the drains and cleaning openings. Keep them open to allow ventilation;
- Pressure wash the entire product and equipment;



- Wax the spreader before each spreading season to prevent manure from adhering to the surface.

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**9.25 Change hydraulic brake parts**

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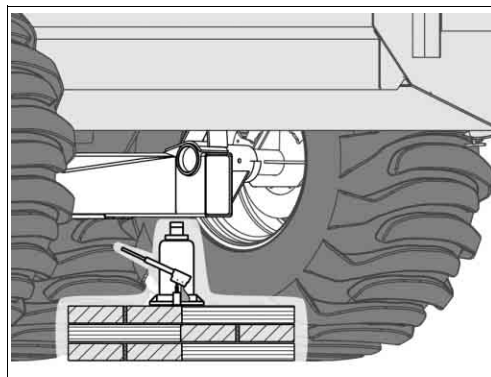
**If necessary**

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**Remove the wheel****Attention!**

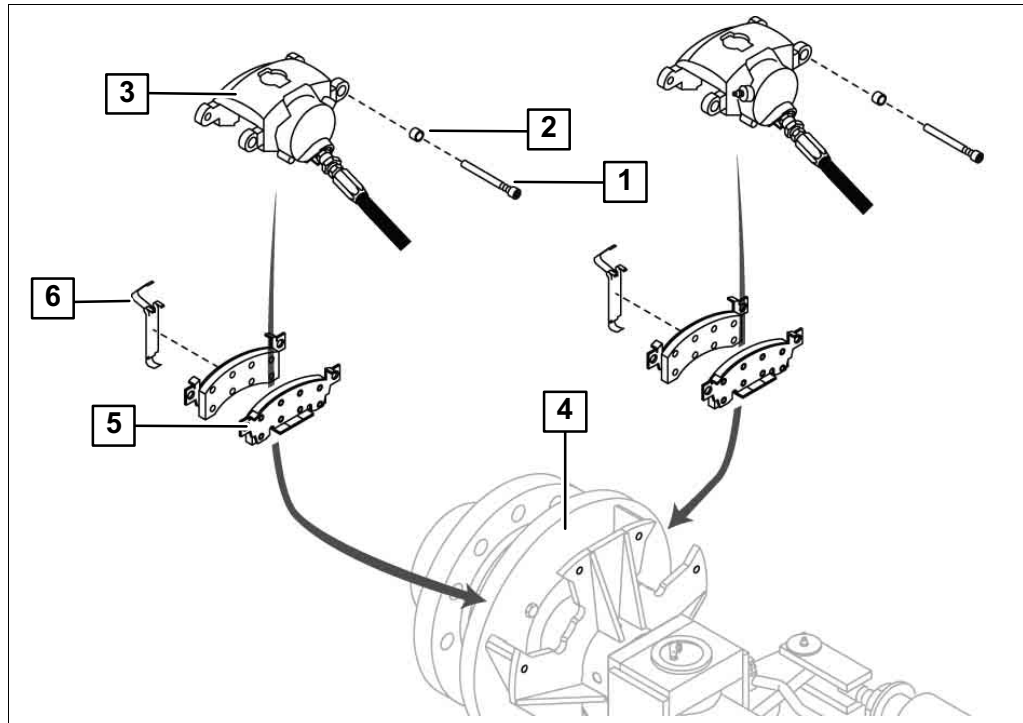
Make sure the spreader is empty.

- Using a jack with a minimum lifting capacity of 4000 lbs (2000 kg), lift the spreader wheel;
- Remove the wheel nuts with an air impact gun;
- Remove the wheel and store it in a safe area using a forklift truck.



Refer to section Handling and assembly - Wheel assembly.

## Remove calipers



- Remove bolts (1) and sleeves (2) from the calipers (3);
- Remove the calipers (3) from the brake disk (4);
- Remove the brake pads (5) from the calipers (3);
- Replace the brake pads (5);
- Reinstall the components;
- Calibrate the brake system.

Part No	Description
2018-4700-170	Kit of four brake pads (5)
2018-4700-180	Kit of six brake pads (5)
2018-4710-200	Brake pad clips (6)



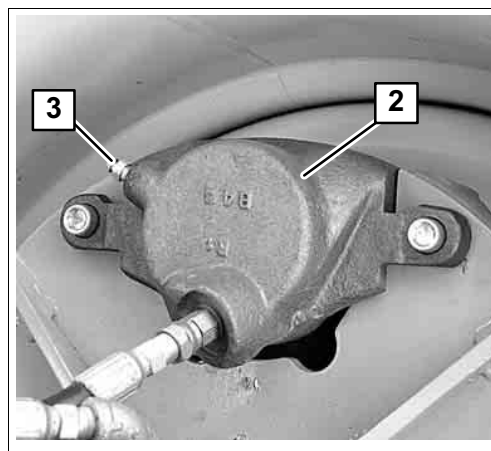
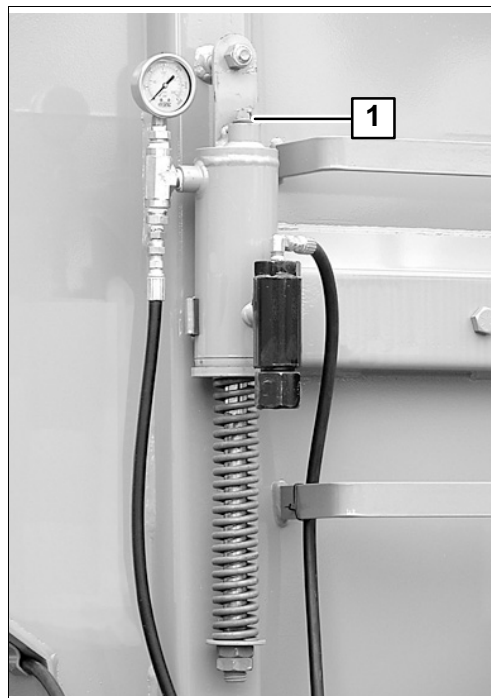
Refer to section Maintenance - Calibrate the hydraulic braking system.



**9.26 Calibrate the hydraulic braking system****If necessary****Bleed brake system****Note!**

Use DOT 3 brake fluid.

- Connect the hydraulic hoses of the spreader braking system to the tractor;
- Start the engine of the tractor;
- Remove the filling plug (1) located on top of the master cylinder;
- Fill the master cylinder with oil;
- Screw the filling plug (1) on the master cylinder;
- Locate the calipers (2) of the first axle;
- Unscrew plug (3) from the calipers to release air;
- Apply the brake pedal or hand brake slowly until oil comes out of the caliper;
- Maintain the brake pedal or hand brake in position;
- Screw the plug (3) on the calipers;
- Release the brakes;
- Repeat these steps until all calipers are purged. Always purge the calipers starting from the first axle to the last;
- Make sure the oil level of the master cylinder is full before and after bleeding the braking system.



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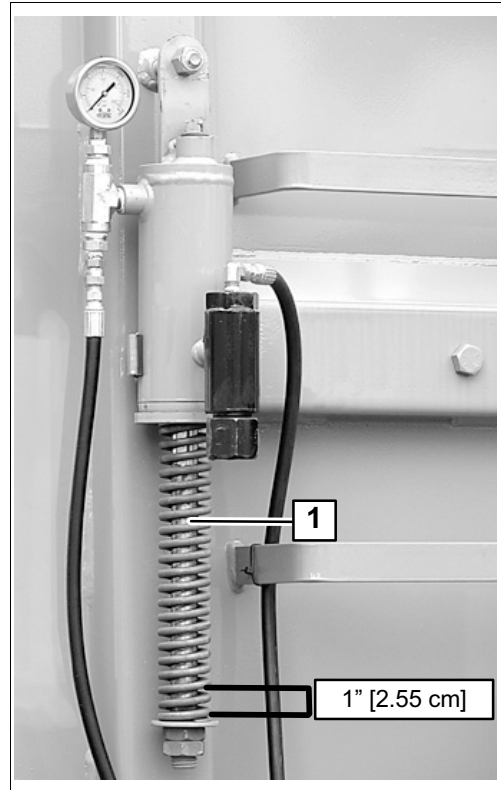
## Adjust master cylinder

**Note!**

Use DOT 3 brake fluid.

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- Connect the hydraulic hoses of the tractor to the spreader braking system;
- Start the engine of the tractor;
- Do not apply the brakes. Measure the length of the master cylinder rod (1);
- Remove the filling plug located on top of the cylinder;
- Partially apply the brake pedal or hand brake until the master cylinder rod retracts of 1" [ 2.55 cm];
- Maintain the brake in position;
- Fill the master cylinder with oil. Make sure the cylinder is completely filled to prevent air infiltration;
- Install and tighten the filling plug;
- Release the brake pedal or hand brake.



## 9.27 Change air brake parts

### If necessary



#### Note!

Connect the emergency line (red hose).

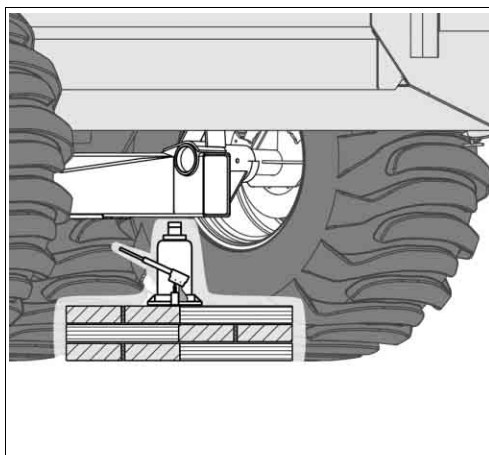
### Remove the wheel



#### Attention!

Make sure the spreader is empty.

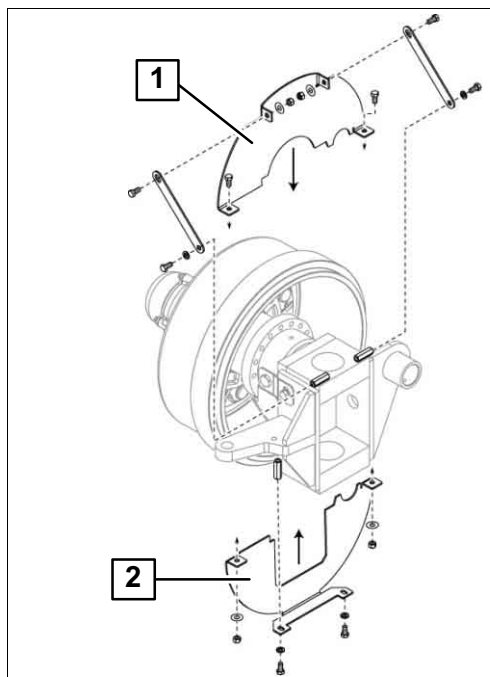
- Do not apply air pressure in the emergency line (red hose);
- Using a jack with a minimum lifting capacity of 4000 lbs (2000 kg), lift the spreader wheel;
- Remove the wheel nuts with an air impact gun;
- Remove the wheel and store it in a safe area using a forklift truck;
- Do not lower the spreader to avoid damaging the brake boosters.



Refer to section Handling and assembly - Wheel assembly.

### Remove dust shields

- Unscrew nuts and locknuts from the upper (1) and lower (2) dust shields;
- Remove flat washers and lock washers from the upper (1) and lower (2) dust shields.

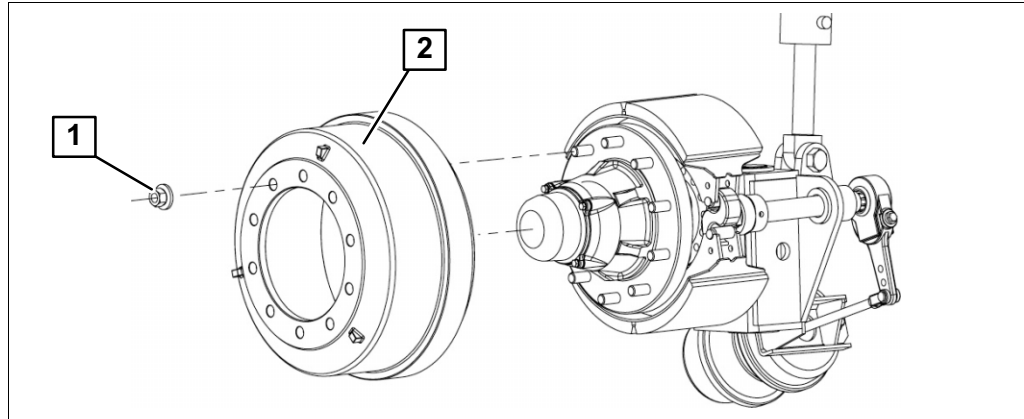


## Remove the brake drum



### Note!

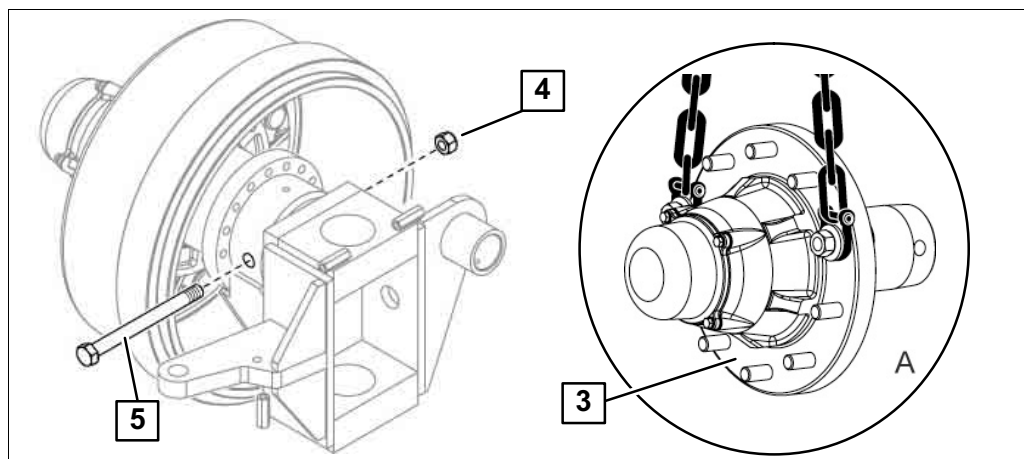
It is strongly recommended to change the brake drum and retaining springs each time the lining is replaced.



Part No	Description
2018-4710-180	Brake drum (2)

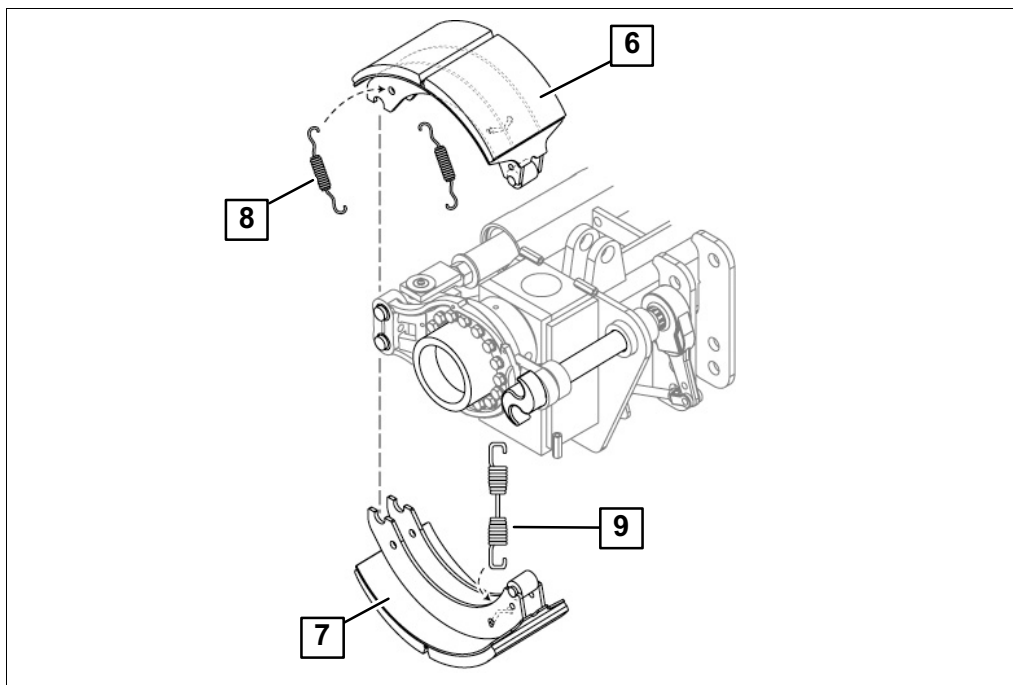
- Apply and maintain air pressure in the emergency line (red hose) to release the braking mechanism;
- Unscrew the nuts (1). Remove the brake drum (2). Use a fiber hammer if it is difficult to remove.

## Remove the hub



- Secure the hub (3) with two wheel nuts and safety chains as illustrated in Detail A;
- Unscrew the locknut (4) and remove the bolt (5) from the steering knuckle;
- Lift the hub.

## Remove the brake linings



Part No	Description
2018-4701-560 (kit)	Upper brake lining (6)
	Lower brake lining (7)
	Two retaining springs (8)
	Blue spring (9)

- Apply and maintain air pressure in the emergency line (red hose) to release tension on the springs;
- Remove the two retaining springs (8) hooked between the upper (6) and the lower (7) brake linings using spring pliers;
- Remove the blue spring (9) to clear the brake linings;
- Remove the upper (6) and the lower (7) brake linings.

## Install new air brake parts



Refer to section Handling and assembly - Air brake assembly.

## 9.28 Calibrate the air braking system

### If necessary



#### Attention!

Do not exceed 120 psi [8.27 bar] when connecting the air supply to the braking system.



#### Note!

The parking brake system is designed to immobilize the spreader mechanically when air pressure in the emergency line (red hose) is low. To release the parking brakes, apply air pressure in the emergency line (red hose).

### Apply air pressure in the braking system

- Connect the tractor air brake outlets to the spreader emergency line (red hose) and service line (yellow/blue hoses). Make sure the pressure is maintained between 70 to 100 psi [4.83 to 6.90 bar].  
NEVER EXCEED 120 psi [8.27 bar];

or

- Connect a compressor to the spreader emergency line (red hose). Make sure the compressed air is filtered and regulated between 70 to 100 psi [4.83 to 6.90 bar].  
NEVER EXCEED 120 psi [8.27 bar].

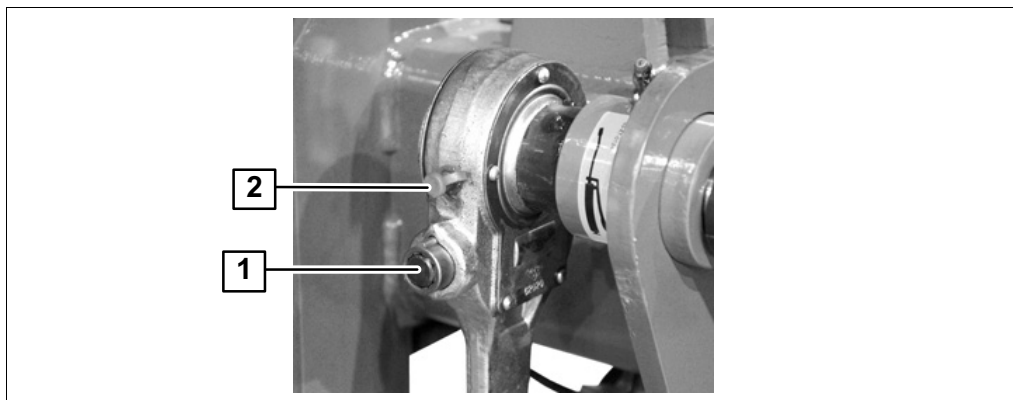
### Release parking brakes

- Connect the spreader emergency line (red hose) to the tractor then release the emergency brake;

or

- Connect a compressor to apply compressed air in the spreader emergency line (red hose).

## Adjust the slack adjuster



- Using a ratchet with a 9/16" socket, turn the adjustment bolt (1) clockwise until the brake linings touch the drum. Then, loosen ½ turn counterclockwise to set clearance. Repeat for each slack adjuster.

## Test the service brakes

- Fully apply and release the service brakes five times using the tractor brake pedal.

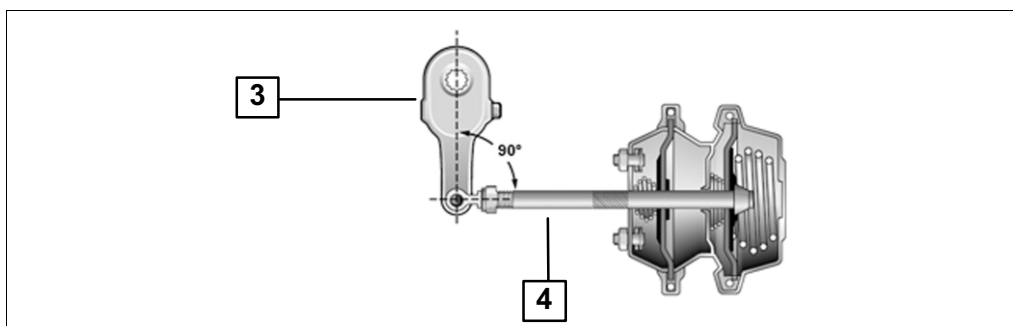
## Check the slack adjuster angle

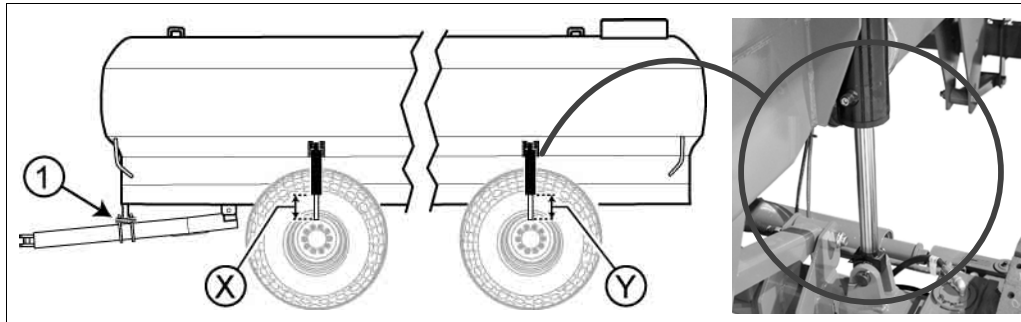


### Note!

Slack adjusters must be adjusted manually. They require periodic adjustments to ensure optimal braking performance. Lubricate slack adjusters with grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent) after the first three months of use, then every six months. Using a grease gun, add a small quantity of grease in the grease fitting (2). DO NOT overfill the grease chamber to avoid damaging the seals.

- Apply parking brakes of the spreader and check the adjustment of each slack adjuster;
- When the brakes are fully applied, the slack adjuster (3) must be perpendicular with the booster rod (4), as illustrated below;
- If it is not perpendicular, repeat all air brake calibration steps.



**9.29 Adjust hydraulic suspension**

- Measure the suspension rod length of the first axle (X) and of the last axle (Y) on one side of the spreader;
- Add the measures (X+Y) to obtain the total length;
- The total length must be equal to 12" [300 mm] and each rod must measure 6" [150 mm].

Length (X)	Length (Y)	Total length	Action required
6" [150 mm]	6" [150 mm]	= 12" [ = 300 mm]	The hydraulic suspension is perfectly adjusted and the spreader inclination is adequate.
More than 6" [150 mm]	Less than 6" [150 mm]		Adjust the inclination of the spreader tank by removing shims (1) between the draw bar and the tank.
Less than 6" [150 mm]	More than 6" [150 mm]		Adjust the inclination of the spreader tank by adding shims (1) between the draw bar and the tank.
X	Y	≠ 12" [ ≠ 300 mm]	When the total length is higher than 12" (300 mm), reduce the volume of oil inside the cylinders. When it is lower than 12" (300 mm), increase the volume of oil inside the cylinders. Refer to the following pages.



## Adjustment for suspension with oil on top of piston



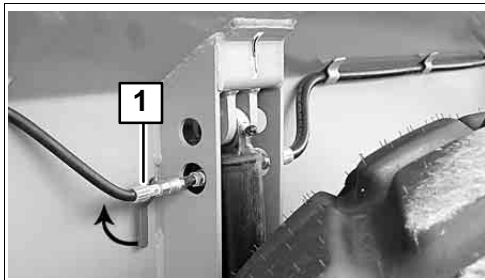
### Note!

Position this product and the tractor on a flat and level surface to proceed with the suspension adjustment. The adjustment must be done on one side of the spreader at a time. Make sure the oil level in the tractor or hydraulic power unit is sufficient.

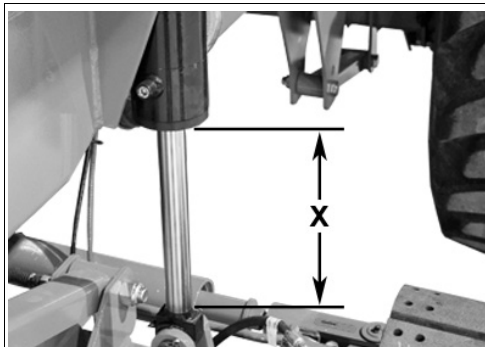
- Remove the suspension hydraulic hose from the frame. The hose is located at the front of the spreader;



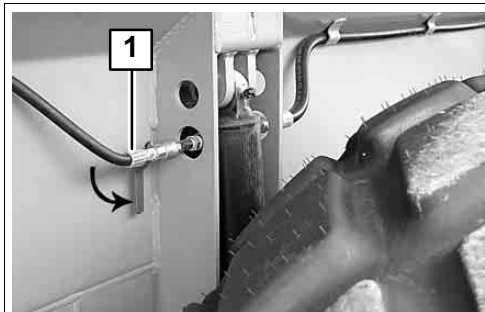
- Connect the suspension hydraulic hose to the tractor;
- Open the ball valve (1) of the suspension hydraulic hose;
- Engage the hydraulics to add or to remove oil in the suspension cylinders;



- To add oil in the cylinders, the cylinders must be filled and fully extended. Engage the hydraulics to remove a small amount of oil in order to remove air inside the cylinders;
- Add oil until the length of the suspension rod (X) reaches 6" (150mm);



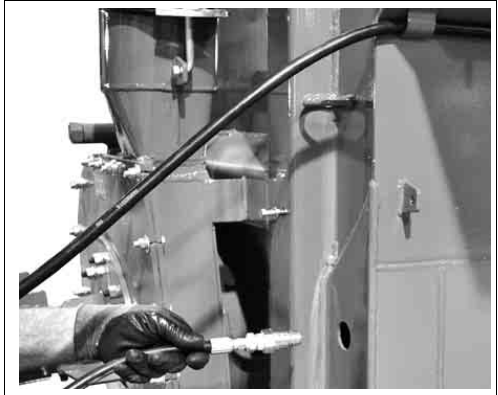
- Disengage the hydraulics;
- Close the ball valve (1) of the suspension hydraulic hose;
- Disconnect the suspension hydraulic hose and place it inside the spreader frame;
- Repeat all steps to adjust the suspension cylinders on the other side of the spreader.



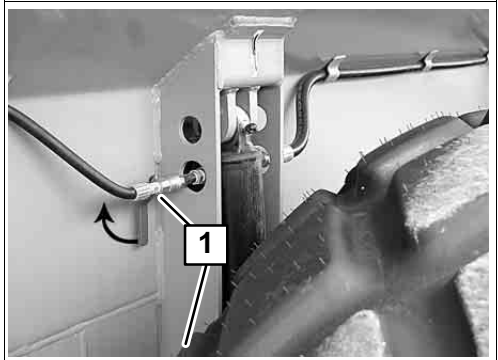
**Adjustment for suspension with oil on each side of piston (optional)****Note!**

Position the spreader and the tractor on a flat and level surface to proceed with the suspension adjustment. The adjustment must be done on one side at a time. Make sure the oil level of the tractor or hydraulic power unit is sufficient.

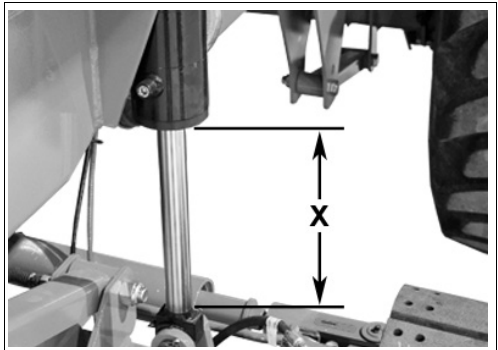
- Remove both suspension hydraulic hoses from the frame. The hoses are located at the front of the spreader;



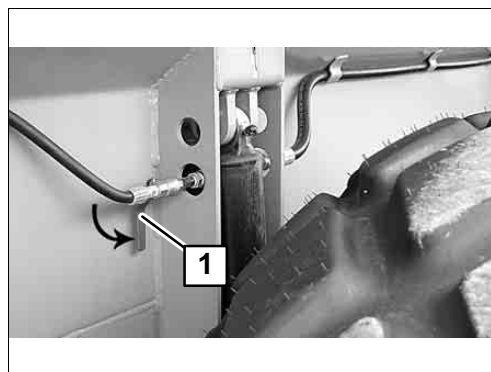
- Connect both suspension hydraulic hoses to the tractor;
- Open the two ball valves (1) of the suspension hydraulic hoses;
- Engage the hydraulics to add or to remove oil in the suspension cylinders. Repeat this step twice;



- To add oil in the cylinders, the cylinders must be filled and fully extended. Engage the hydraulics to remove a small amount of oil in order to remove air inside the cylinders;
- Add oil until the length of the suspension rod (X) reaches 6" (150mm);



- Disengage the hydraulics;
- Close the two ball valves (1) of the suspension hydraulic hoses;
- Disconnect the suspension hydraulic hoses and place them inside the spreader frame;
- Repeat all steps to adjust the suspension cylinders on the other side of the spreader.



### 9.30 Calibrate the primer pump reversing valve

#### If necessary

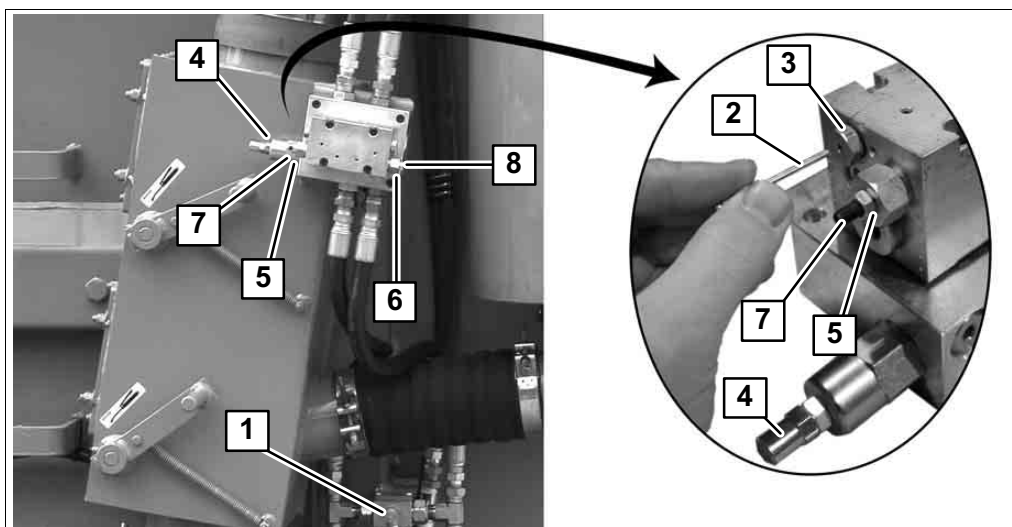


#### Note!

Before attempting to calibrate the reversing valve, manually slide the valve spool in order to remove any particle that could be stuck inside. Refer to the following steps.

#### Valve spool

- Connect the hydraulic circuit of the primer pump to the tractor outlets;
- Activate the tractor hydraulic control;
- Close the ball valve (1) to activate the primer pump;
- Push the valve spool firmly by inserting a nail (2) in the opening (3) of the reversing valve. Repeat this step on the opposite side of the valve. Push the valve spool several times on both sides;
- Open the ball valve (1) and deactivate tractor hydraulic control.



**Adjustment****Note!**

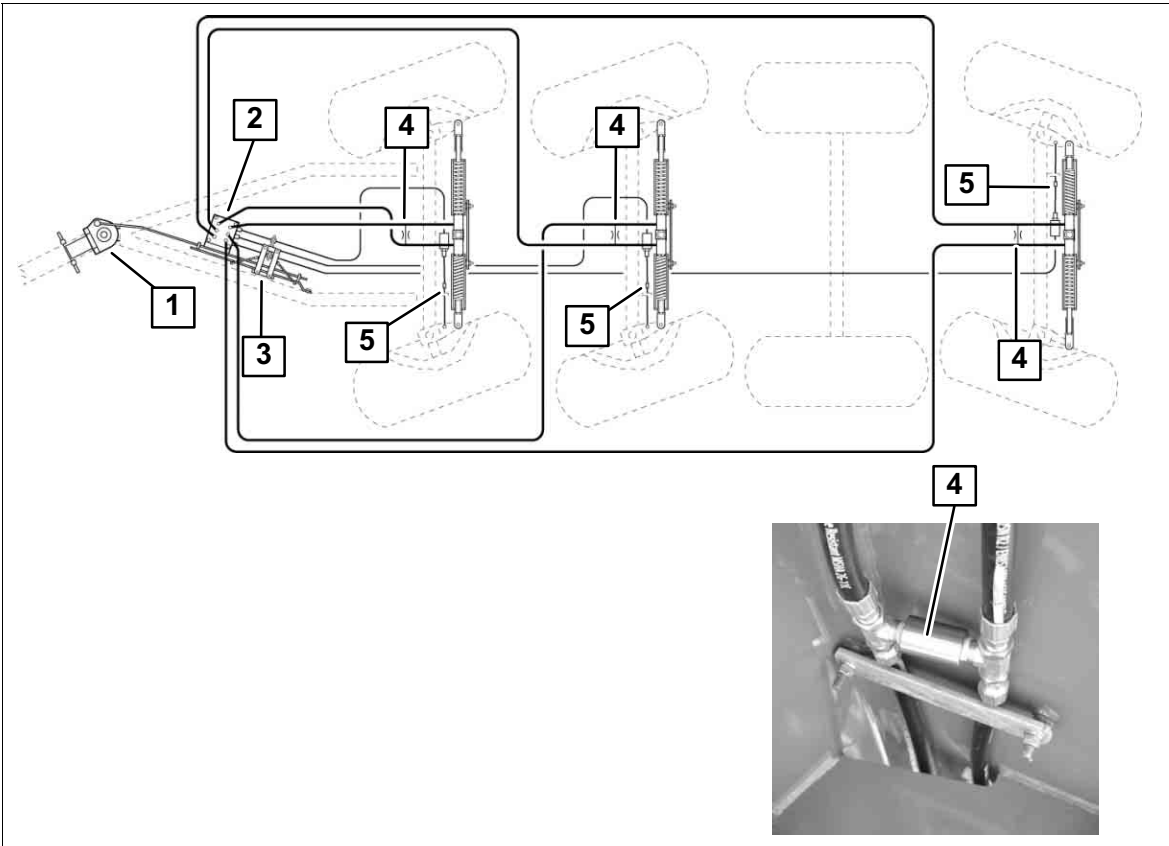
Check the valve spool before calibrating the reversing valve. In many cases, calibration is not necessary.

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- Connect the hydraulic circuit of the primer pump to the tractor outlets;
- Activate the tractor hydraulic control;
- Close the ball valve (1) to activate the primer pump;
- Remove the cap over the relief valve adjustment (4) and loosen three turns;
- Unscrew the adjustment nuts (5 and 6) to unlock the reversing valve adjustments;
- Screw completely the reversing valve adjustment screws (7 and 8). Do not tighten;
- Let the hydraulic oil run inside the valve for at least 30 seconds;
- Screw the relief valve adjustment (4) four turns. The primer pump piston cylinder will reach the end of stroke and stop;
- Gradually unscrew the adjustment screw (7) until the piston cylinder moves toward the opposite end of stroke. Tighten the adjustment nut (5). If the piston cylinder does not move, screw completely the adjustment screw (7) and redo the steps using the adjustment screw (8) and nut (6);
- Gradually unscrew the reversing valve adjustment (8) until the piston cylinder moves toward the opposite end of stroke. Tighten the adjustment nut (6);
- If the reversing valve adjustment (7) is not adjusted, proceed with previous step for the adjustment screw (7) and nut (5);
- When the reversing valves are adjusted, the piston will stroke continuously;
- Finally, slowly unscrew the relief valve adjustment (4) until the primer pump stops, then screw 1/2 a turn to set the valve pressure;
- Open the ball valve (1) and deactivate the tractor hydraulic control.

9.31 Adjust power steering

If necessary

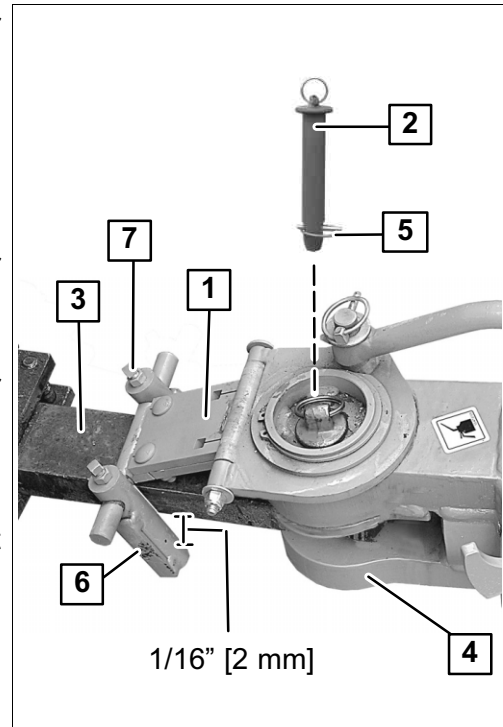


**Legend:**

1	Guiding mechanism	4	Restrictor
2	Power steering control valve	5	End axle cable
3	Safety mechanism		

## Guiding mechanism adjustment

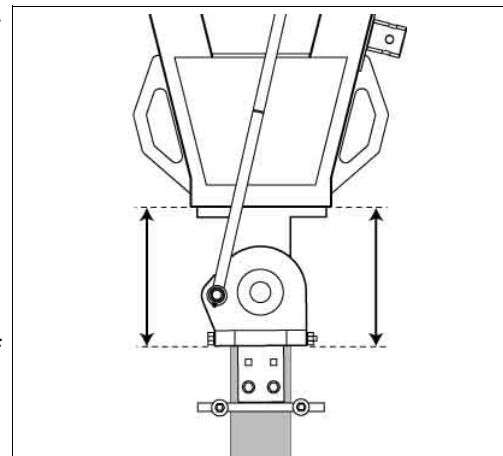
- Remove the bungee cord to lower the guiding mechanism (1) on the tractor draw bar (3);
- Grease the pin (2) using grade 2 PRECISION™ XL5 MOLY EP2 grease (or equivalent);
- Insert the pin (2) through the tractor draw bar (3) and the spreader hitch (4);
- Secure the assembly with a cotter pin (5);
- Pull the spreader in a straight line until all wheels are perfectly aligned. Refer to the Wheels alignment section below;
- Turn off the tractor and apply the hand brake;
- Loosen the square head bolts (7);



- Set a gap of 1/16" [2 mm] between each finger (6) and the draw bar;
- Secure the fingers (6) by tightening the square head bolts (7).

## Wheels alignment

- Align the spreader and the tractor by slowly pulling the spreader in a straight line;
- Keep them aligned and park them on a flat surface;
- Check the alignment by measuring on each side of the guiding mechanism as illustrated;
- Both measures must be identical, if not, repeat all steps.

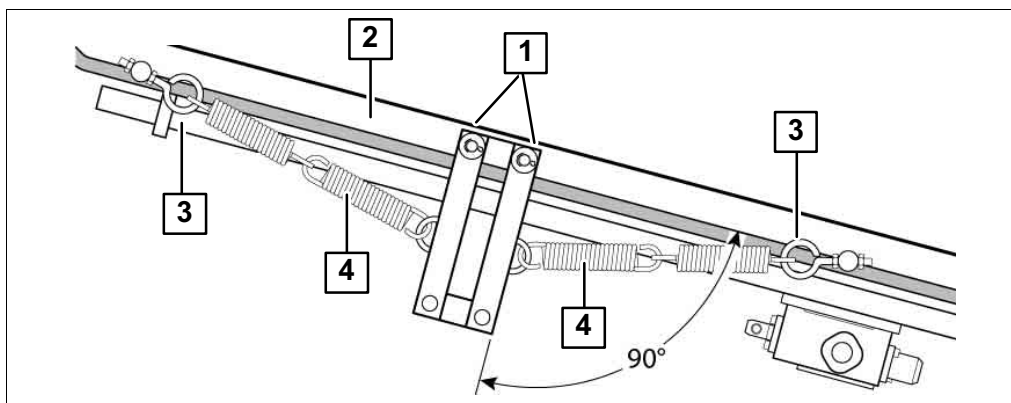


## Safety mechanism adjustment



### Note!

Make sure the spreader and the tractor wheels are perfectly aligned before adjusting the safety mechanism.



- Position the parallel bars (1) perpendicular with the flat bar support (2) by adjusting the eye bolts (3). The springs (4) must be straight, not hanging nor stretched. Make sure the parallel bars remain perpendicular.

## Hydraulic flow rate adjustment



### Note!

Refer to the instruction manual of the tractor to adjust the hydraulic flow rate.

## Adjustment

The tractor supplies the hydraulic flow rate to the spreader power steering system. Depending on the spreader and tractor model, the flow rate must be adjusted as indicated in the following chart.

Spreader model	Hydraulic flow
EL48-4D	3 - 4 US gpm [11 - 15 lpm]
EL48-6D	6 - 8 US gpm [23 - 30 lpm]
EL48-8D	9 - 12 US gpm [34 - 45 lpm]

## Fine tuning

A final adjustment is necessary to ensure proper functioning of the hydraulic system and power steering efficiency.

- Slowly move the spreader;
- Engage the power steering;
- While respecting the minimum turning radius, turn left and right with the spreader;
- If the wheels turn too promptly, lower the hydraulic flow rate. If they turn too slowly, increase the hydraulic flow rate;
- Test drive the power steering again until the wheels turn smoothly.

## Cables adjustment



### Note!

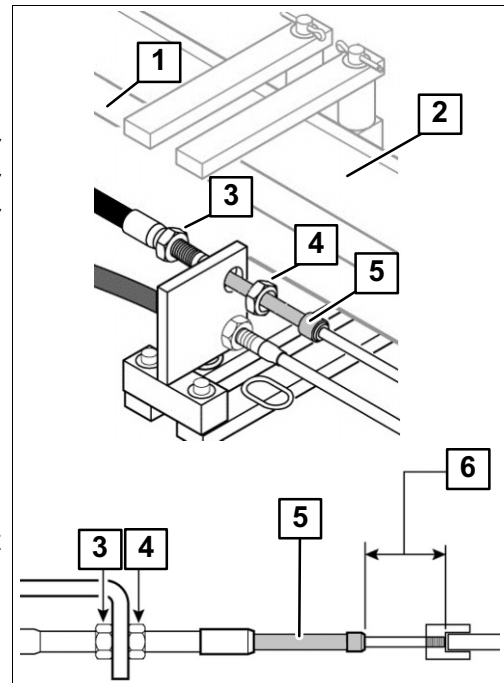
Make sure the spreader and the tractor wheels are perfectly aligned before adjusting the cables.



### Note!

The power steering rubber seals are not shown in the following illustrations.

- All previous adjustments must be performed before proceeding with the cables adjustment;
- Use a vise grip to lock the power steering rod (1) on the flat bar support (2) to hold the power steering in neutral position;
- Adjust one cable at a time;
- Unscrew the adjustment nut (3) and the cable nut (4) located within the parallel bars for the corresponding axle end;
- Move the protective envelope (5) to obtain the same cable length (6) at both ends of the cable;
- Secure both adjustment nuts (3);



- Tighten the cable nuts (4) to keep the protective envelope in place;
- Remove the vise grip;
- Test the adjustment. Move slowly the spreader and engage the hydraulics of the power steering. Turn left and right to determine if the axles respond to the command. When an axle responds too quickly while turning left, readjust to extend the cable length at the axle end. If the axle responds too quickly while turning right, readjust to shorten the cable length at the axle end.



## Relief valve adjustment

The control valve is equipped with a relief valve to release the excess pressure inside the power steering hydraulic system.


**Note!**

Do not unscrew the relief valve needlessly to ensure maximum efficiency of the power steering.


**Note!**

Adjust the control valve only when all the previous steps have been performed.

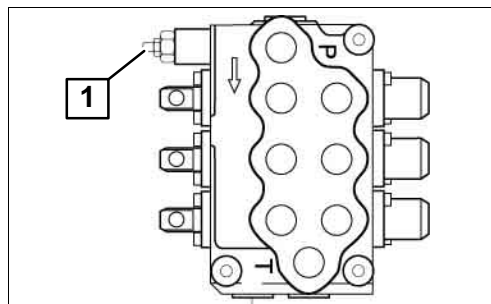

**Note!**

Adjust the release point of the tractor hydraulic lever prior to adjust the control valve.


**Note!**

The tractor hydraulic lever will return to neutral position when the relief valve is set too high.

- Set the tractor oil flow to minimum.
- Slowly unscrew the relief valve (1) until the lever of the tractor stops returning to neutral position automatically.



## 9.32 Shear bolts replacement kit

Tractor PTO	Part No.	Dimensions	SAE Steel Grade	Quantity
1 $\frac{3}{8}$ "-6 splines	2010-7505-710	$\frac{3}{8}$ "-16NC x 1	8	2
1 $\frac{3}{8}$ "-21 splines	2010-7505-720	$\frac{3}{8}$ "-16NC x 1	2	2
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " - 20 splines	2010-7505-710	$\frac{3}{8}$ "-16NC x 1	8	2

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## 10 Decommissioning

### 10.1 Special personnel qualification required for decommissioning

Decommissioning may only be performed by qualified personnel in accordance with the safety instructions.



Read the section Safety - Personnel qualifications.

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### 10.2 Safety instructions for decommissioning



#### Attention!

Keep all hose couplings clear of dirt and sand when disconnected from the tractor. Always hook them on their supports.

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Read the section Safety.

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## 10.3 Temporary decommissioning

### Cleaning



#### Warning!

Beware of potential falls: always walk on the nonslip band installed on the product.



#### Attention!

Use cold water to clean this product. Do not exceed 2000 psi [105 bar] when using a pressure washer and keep the nozzle at a distance of 1 ft [30 cm] from the surface to clean.

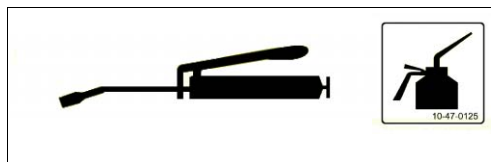
- Make sure the spreader is empty;
- Make sure all drains and cleaning openings are closed;
- Fill 1/3 of the spreader tank with water;
- Move the tractor back and forth to stir water inside the tank;
- Move it to a spreading area and spread the wasted water to clean the discharge pipe and hoses;
- Pressure wash the entire product and equipment;



- Move to a storage area;
- Open the drains and cleaning openings. Keep them open to allow ventilation.

### Lubricate

- Grease parts labelled with:
- Spray the entire product with a thin layer of biodegradable oil to protect from corrosion.



Refer to section Appendix - Label position.

## Store



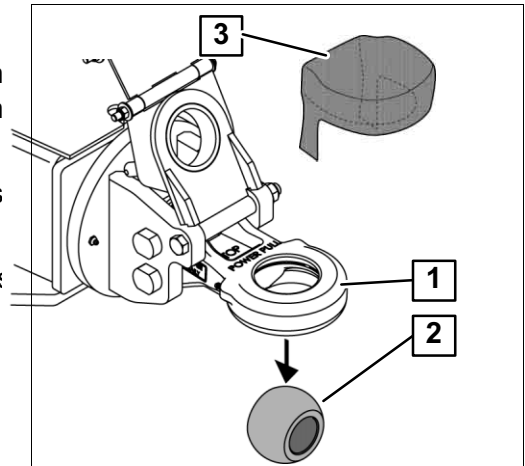
### Note!

If using a PTO driveline, refer to the instruction manual and follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

- Place the product in a storehouse after cleaning to protect it against the elements and prevent premature corrosion;
- Turn off the tractor engine;
- Place wheel chocks, one at the front and one behind a wheel of the spreader;
- Raise the spreader draw bar using a jack;
- Disconnect the PTO driveline (if applicable);
- Disconnect all hydraulic and pneumatic hoses and hook them on the support;
- Disconnect the spreader from the tractor draw bar;



- Remove the ball from the hitch;
- Clean the grease chamber (1) on the ball (2) using a clean cloth and gasoline;
- Apply grease in the grease chamber;
- Reinstall the ball (2) and the dust cover (3).



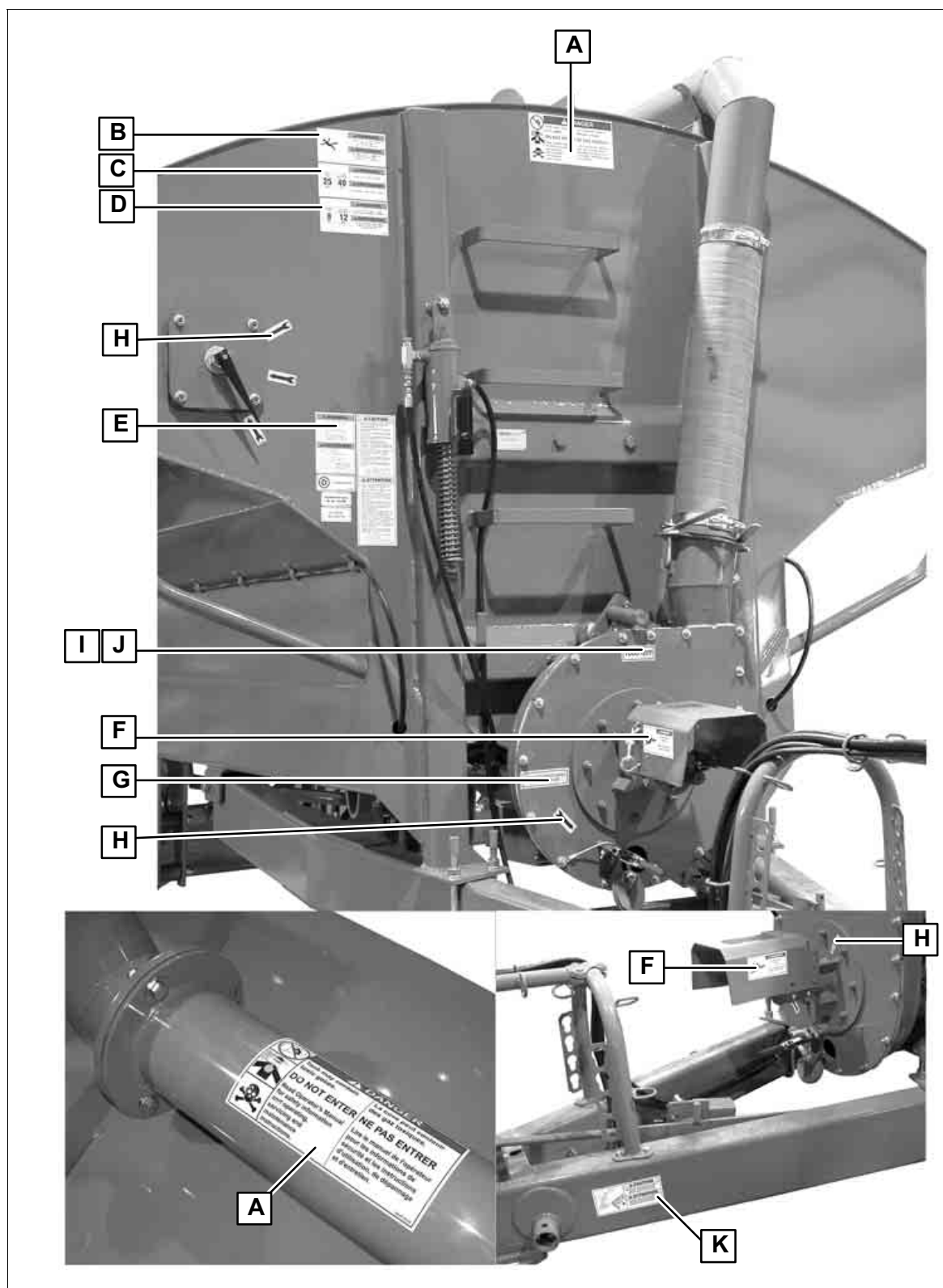
## 10.4 Final decommissioning/disposal

After final decommissioning, handle all components properly and dispose of them in accordance with your valid local rules and regulations on waste disposal. Recycle if possible.

## 11 Appendix

### 11.1 Label position

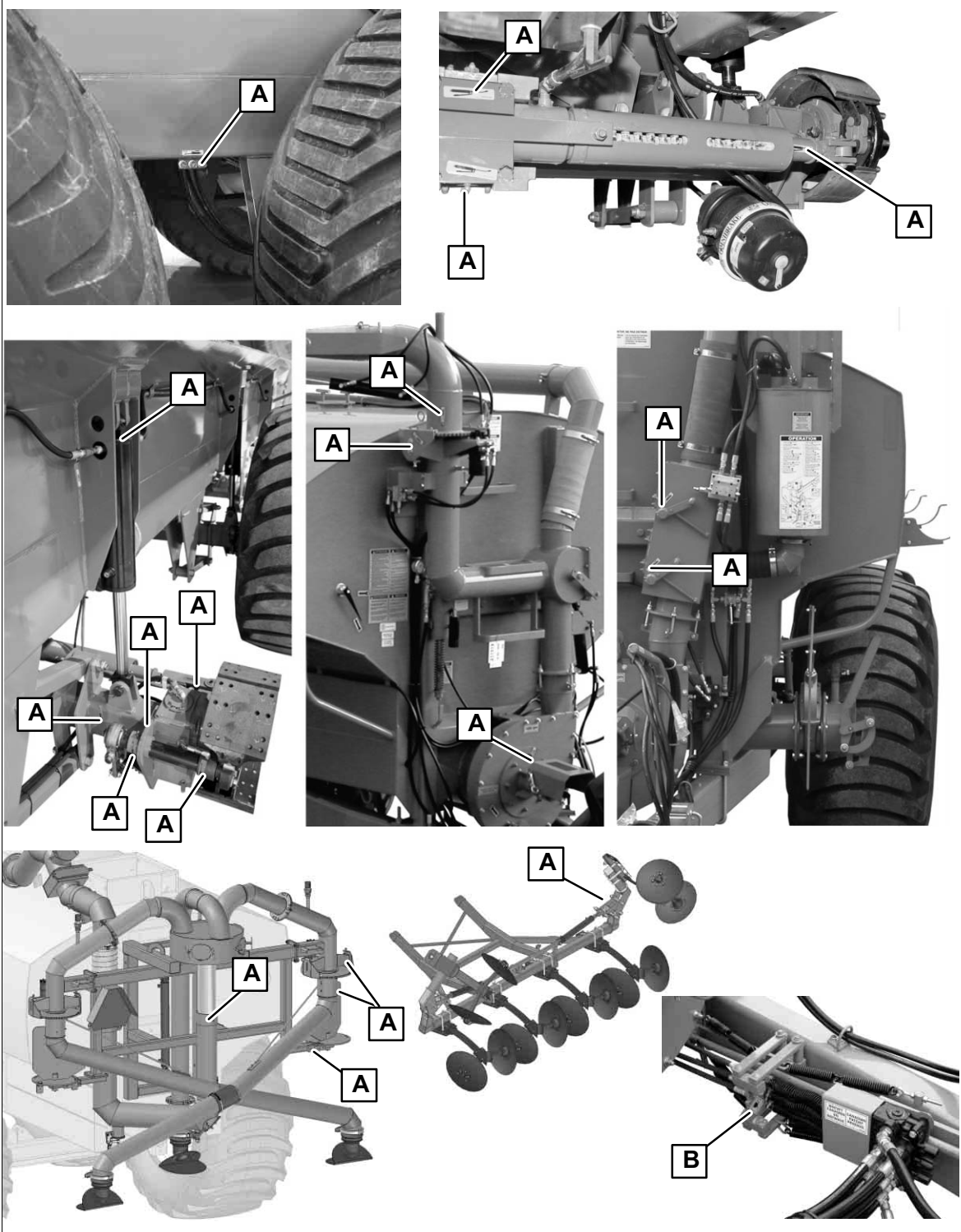
#### 11.1.1 Safety labels







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<p><b>D</b></p> <p>2099-4721-060</p>	<p><b>E</b></p> <p>2099-4721-020</p>	<p><b>F</b></p> <p>2099-4720-020</p>
<p><b>G</b></p> <p>2010-4701-590</p>	<p><b>H</b></p> <p>2007-4700-390</p>	<p><b>I</b></p> <p>2010-4703-430</p>
<p><b>J</b></p> <p>2010-4703-440</p>	<p><b>K</b></p> <p>2099-4722-040</p>	<p><b>L</b></p> <p>2018-4701-840</p>

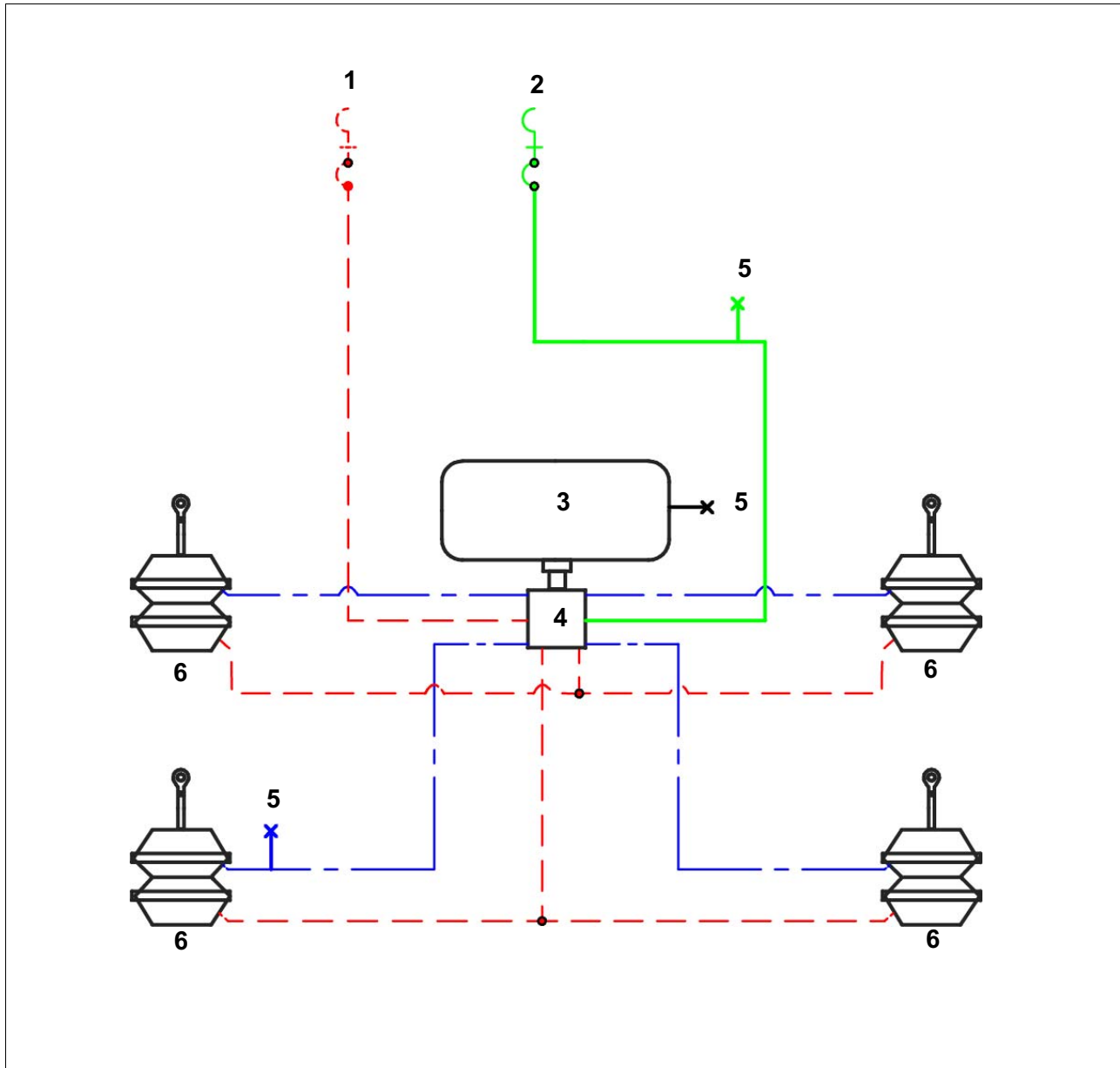
11.1.2 Lubrication labels



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## 11.2 Pneumatic diagrams

### 11.2.1 EL48-4D air braking system

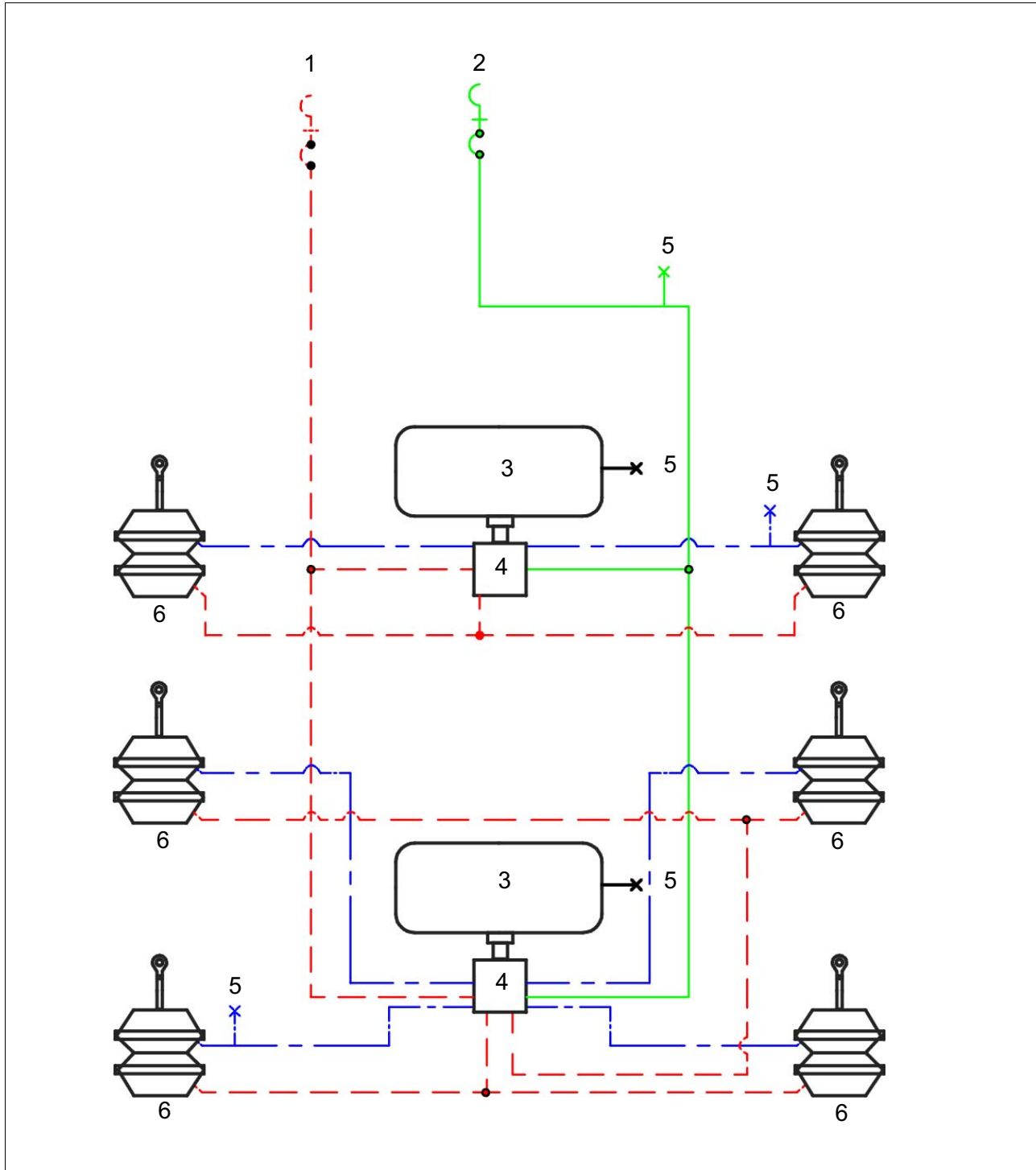


**Legend:**

1	Supply line	4	Control valve
2	Service line	5	Test connection
3	Air tank	6	Air chamber (booster)



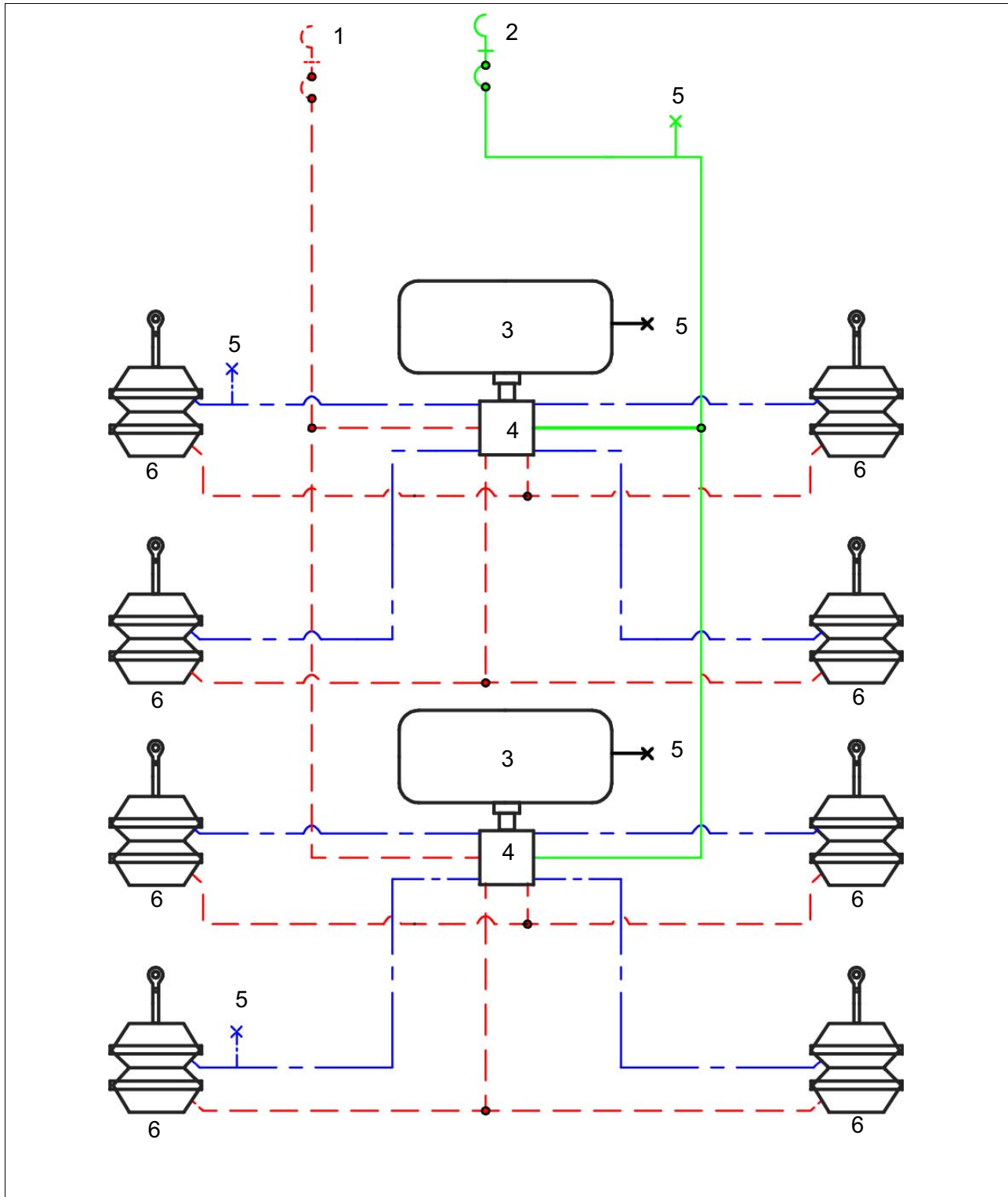
### 11.2.2 EL48-6D air braking system



**Legend:**

1	Supply line	4	Control valve
2	Service line	5	Test connection
3	Air tank	6	Air chamber (booster)

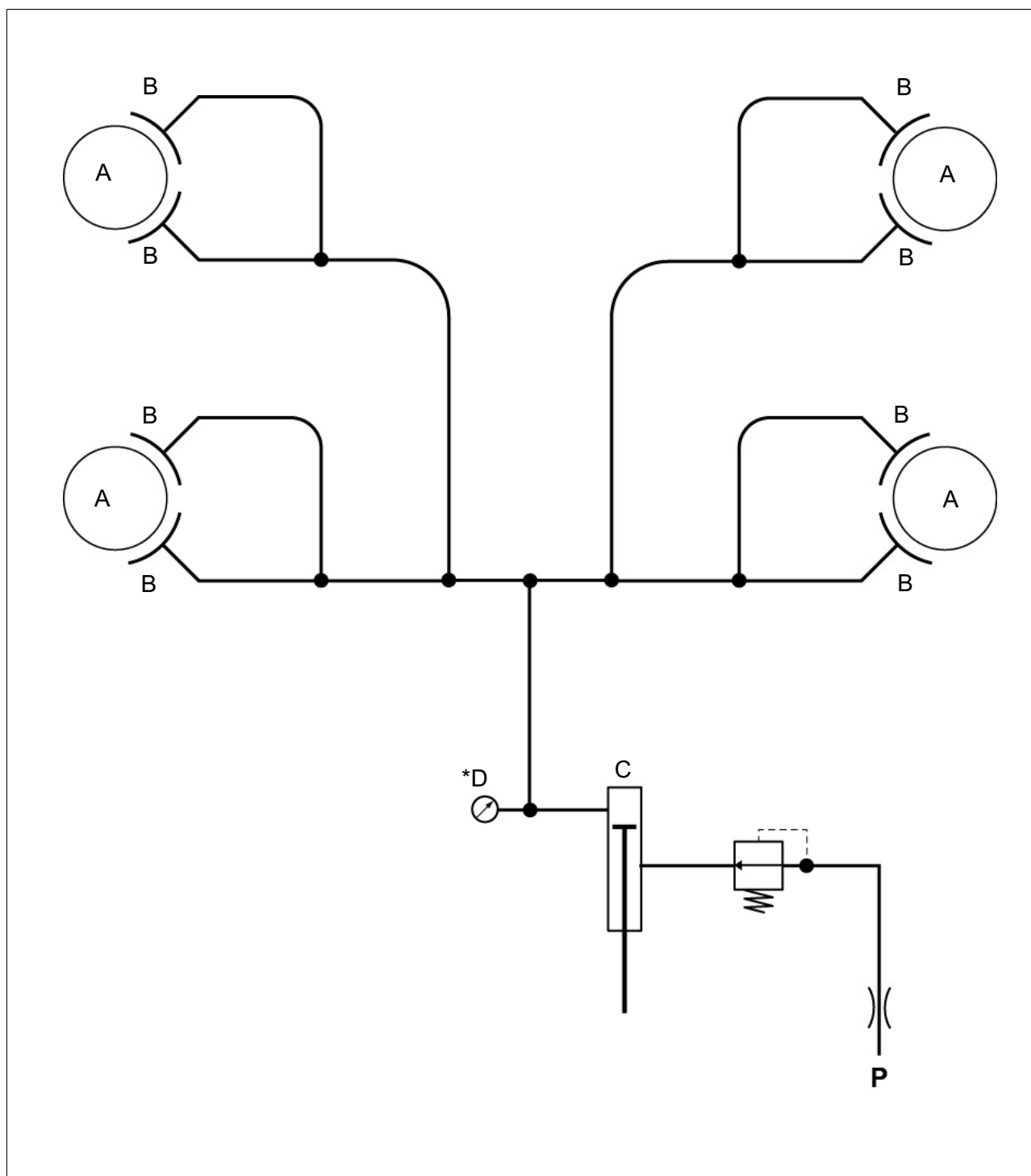
### 11.2.3 EL48-8D air braking system



**Legend:**

1	Supply line	4	Control valve
2	Service line	5	Test connection
3	Air tank	6	Air chamber (booster)

### 11.3 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-4D hydraulic braking system

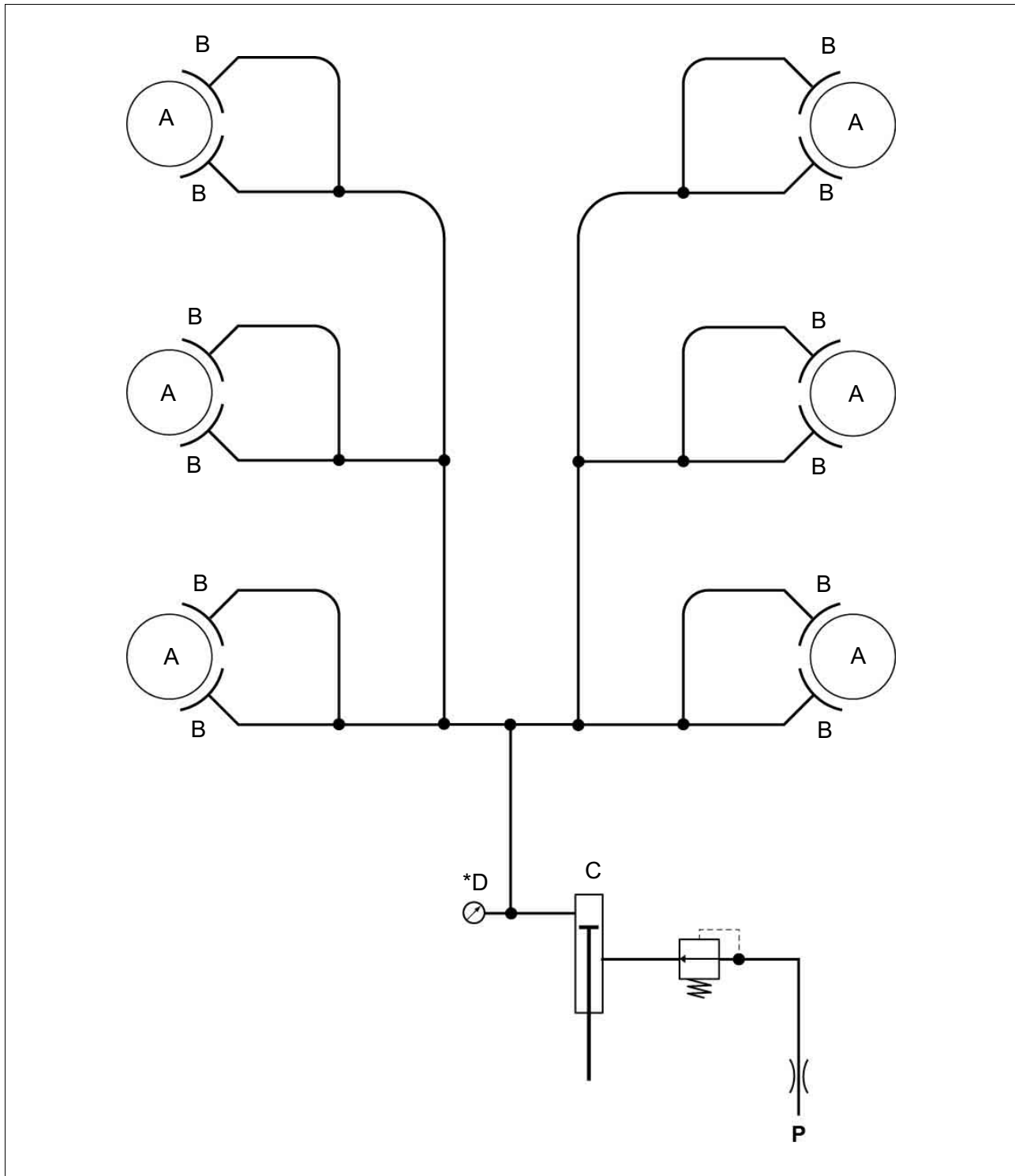


\* supplied only for manually activated brakes

#### Legend:

A	Disk brakes	C	Master cylinder
B	Calipers	D	Pressure gauge

### 11.4 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-6D hydraulic braking system

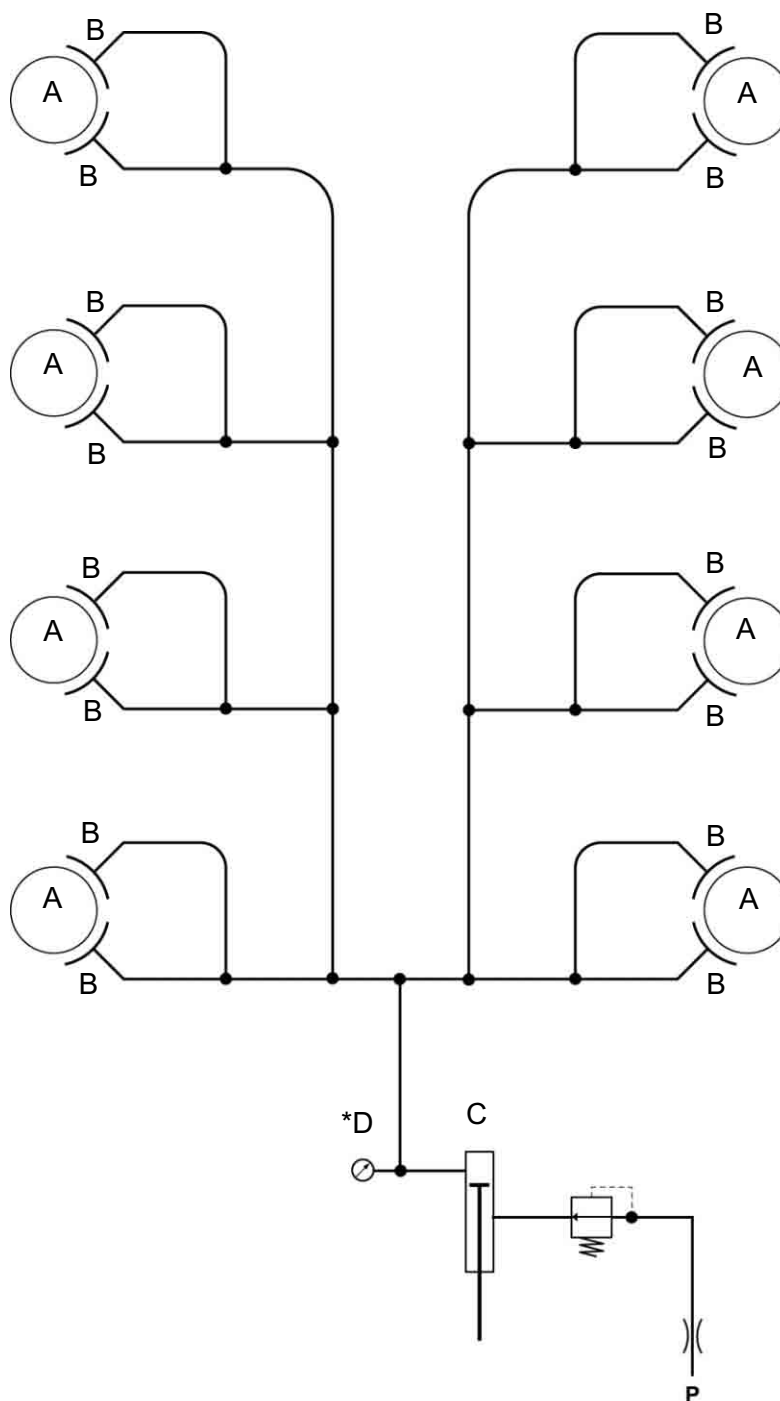


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#### Legend:

A	Disk brakes	C	Master cylinder
B	Calipers	D	Pressure gauge

## 11.5 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-8D hydraulic braking system

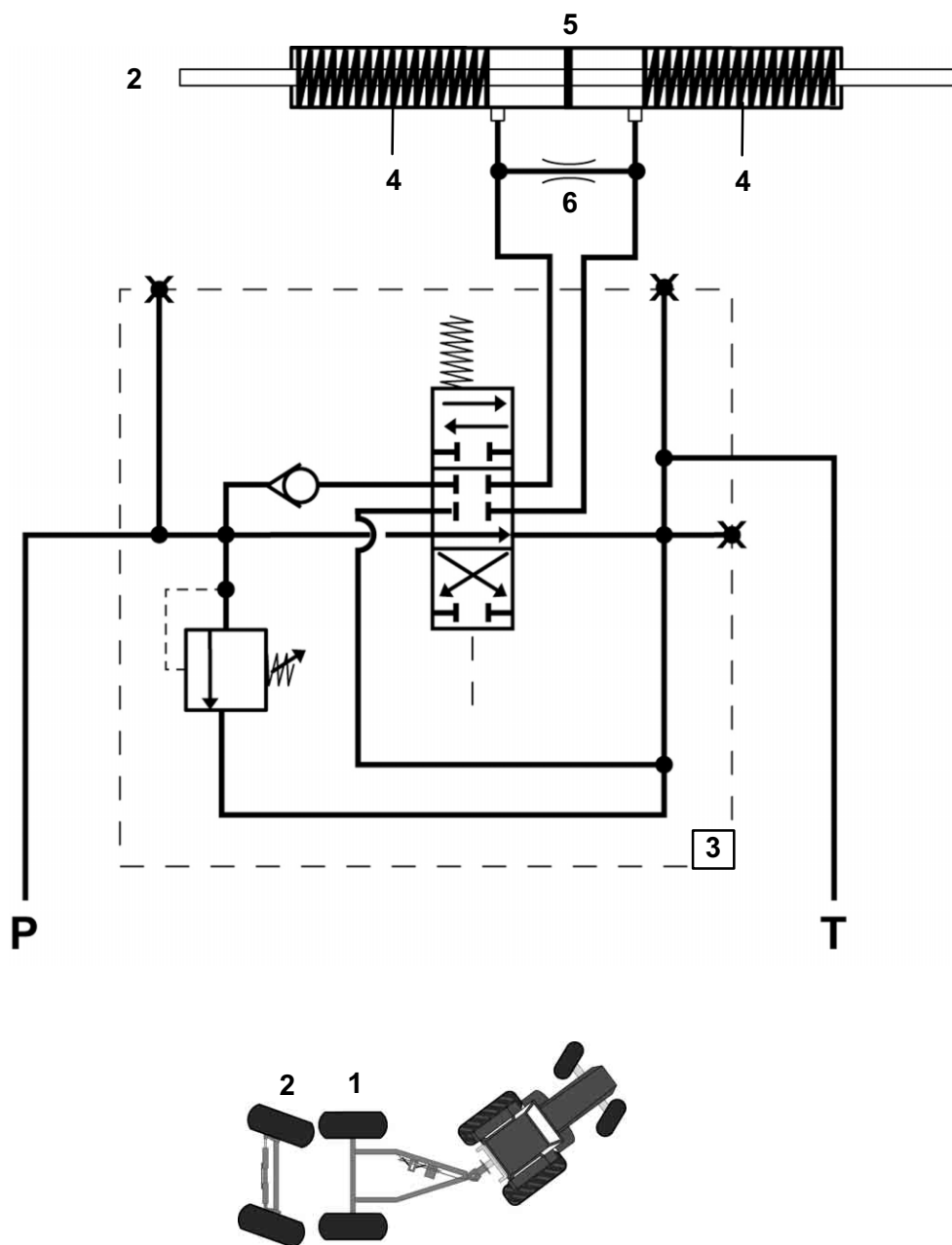


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### Legend:

A	Disk brakes	C	Master cylinder
B	Calipers	D	Pressure gauge

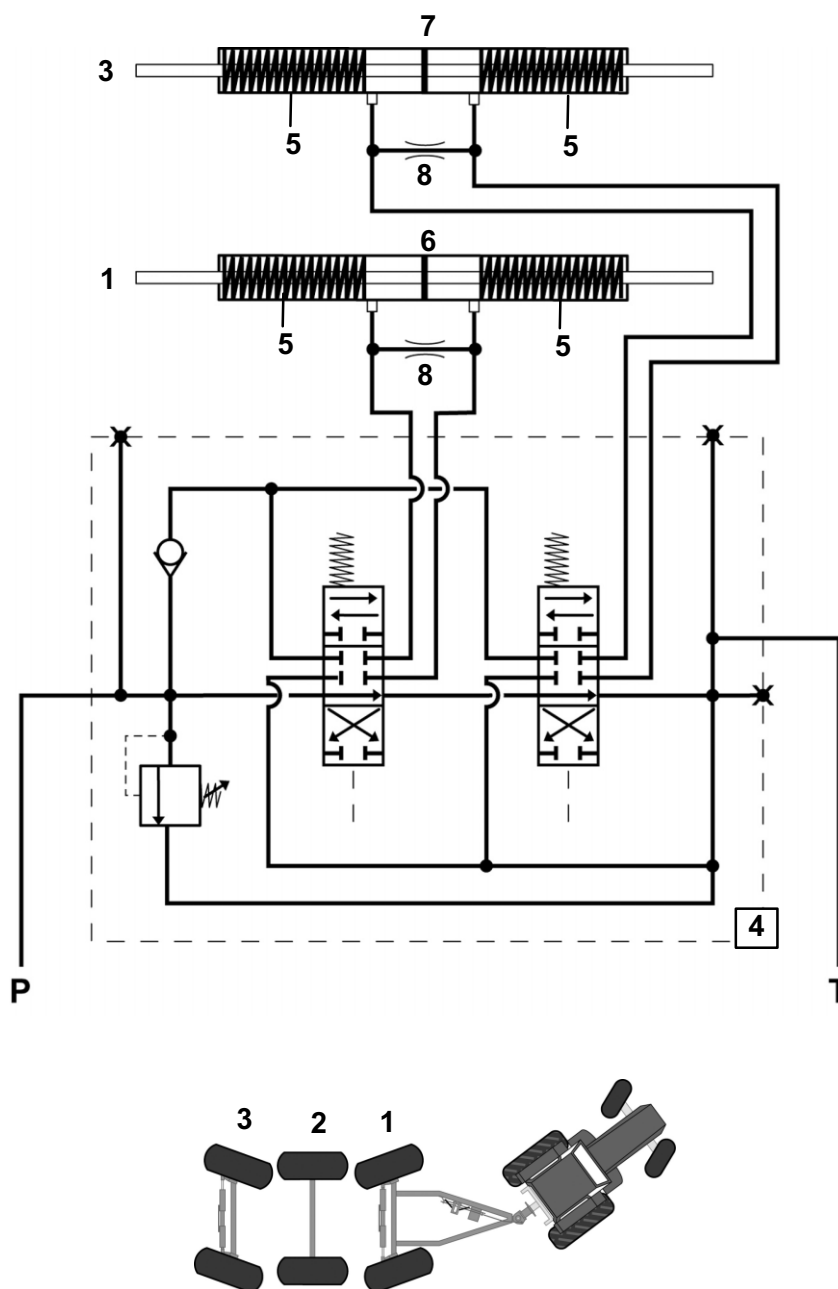
## 11.6 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-4D hydraulic power steering



### Legend:

1	Axle #1 (non-steerable)	4	Compression spring
2	Axle #2 (steerable)	5	Power steering cylinder
3	Power steering control valve	6	Restrictor

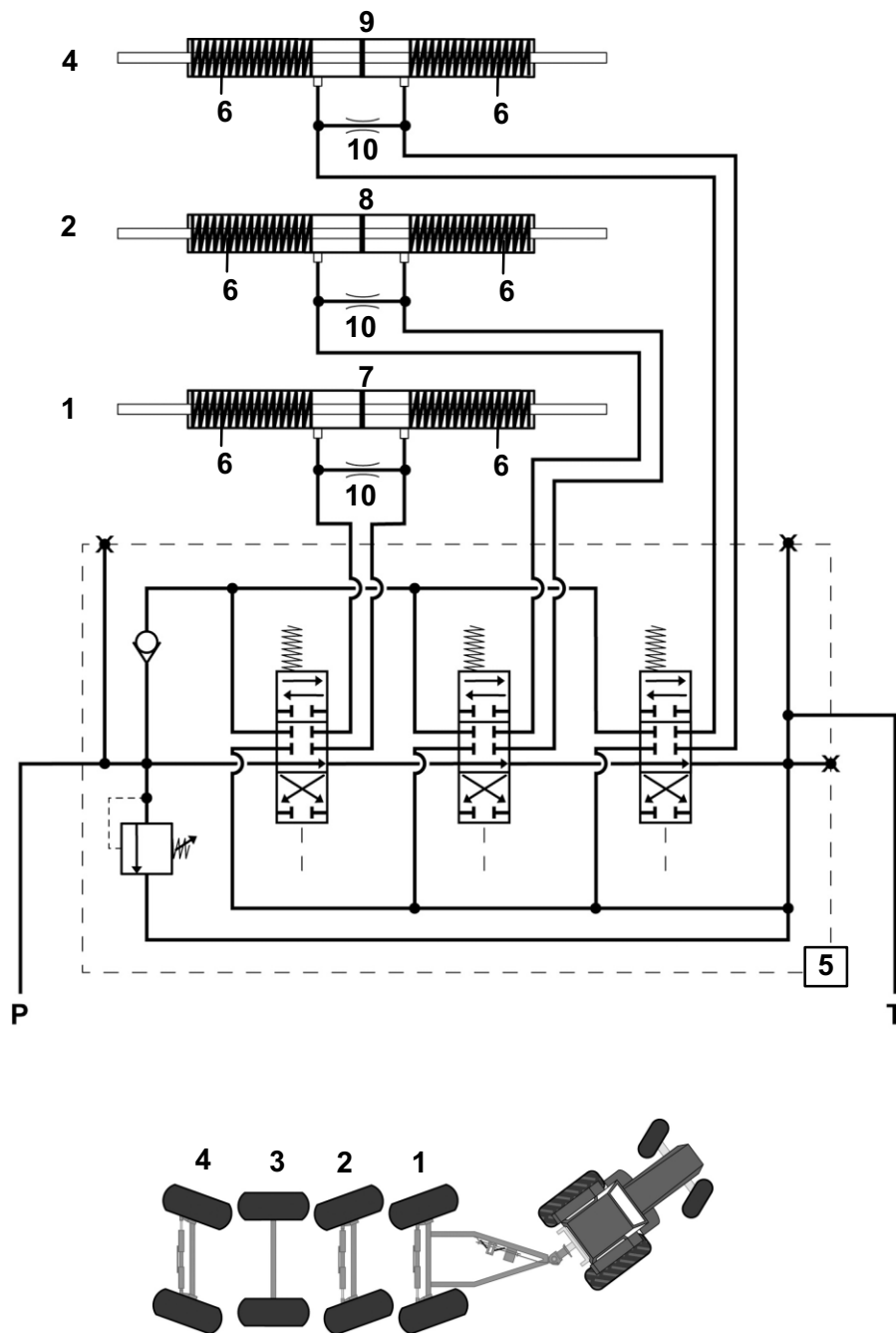
### 11.7 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-6D hydraulic power steering



#### Legend:

1	Axle #1 (steerable)	5	Compression spring
2	Axle #2 (non-steerable)	6	Power steering cylinder (Axle #1)
3	Axle #3 (steerable)	7	Power steering cylinder (Axle #3)
4	Power steering control valve	8	Restrictor

## 11.8 Hydraulic diagram - EL48-8D hydraulic power steering

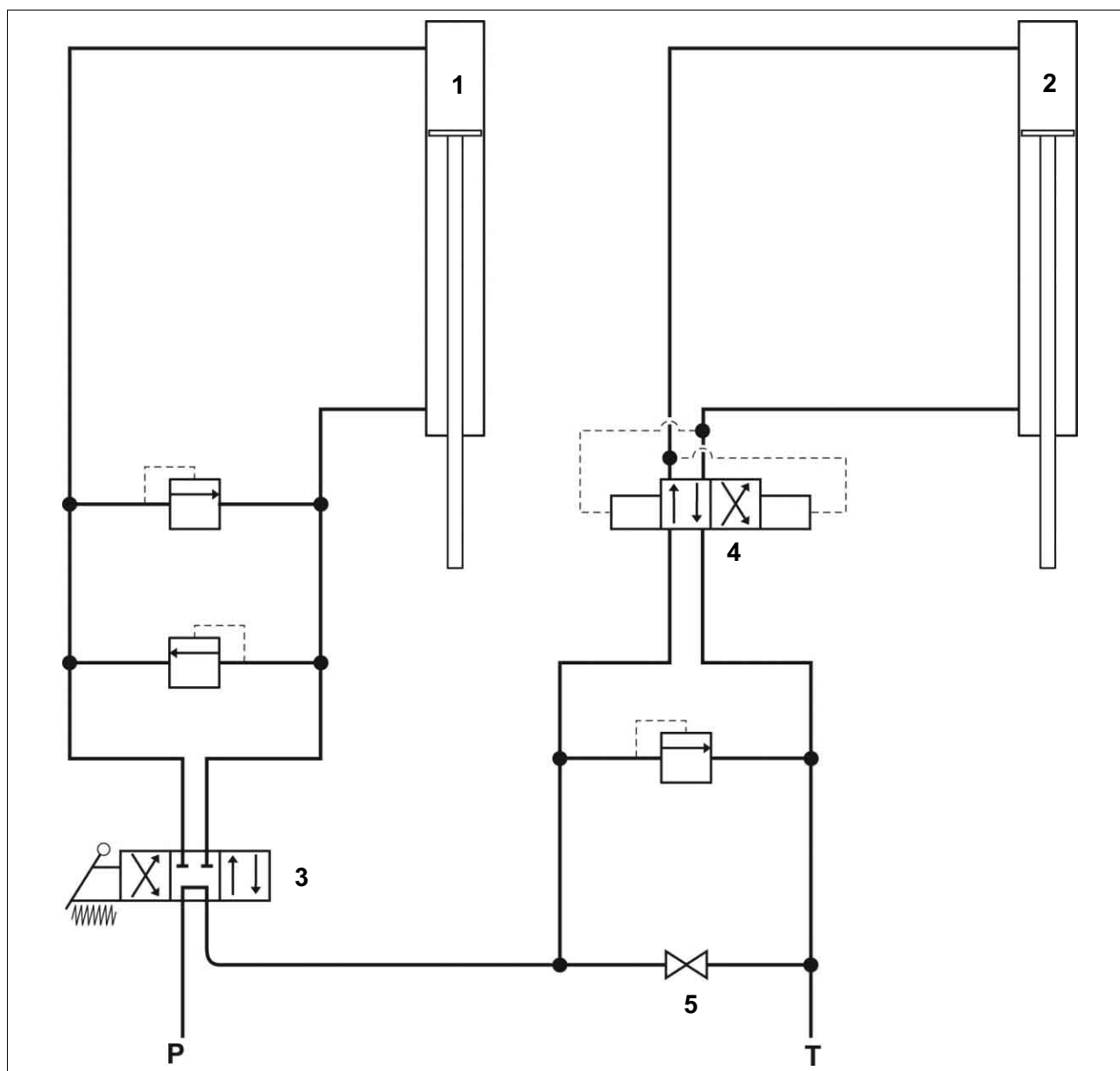


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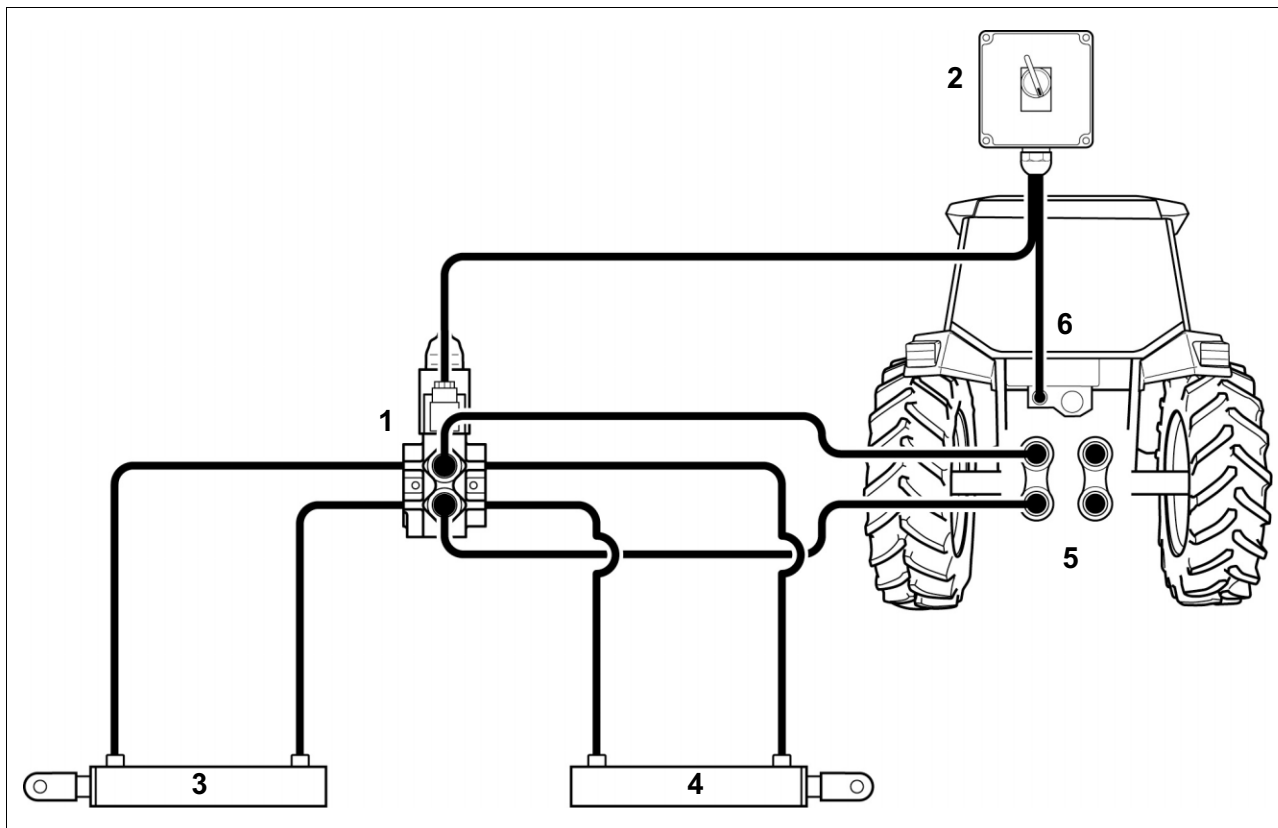
1	Axle #1 (steerable)	6	Compression spring
2	Axle #2 (steerable)	7	Power steering cylinder (Axle #1)
3	Axle #3 (non-steerable)	8	Power steering cylinder (Axle #2)
4	Axle #4 (steerable)	9	Power steering cylinder (Axle #4)
5	Power steering control valve	10	Restrictor



### 11.9 Hydraulic diagram - Self-loading option

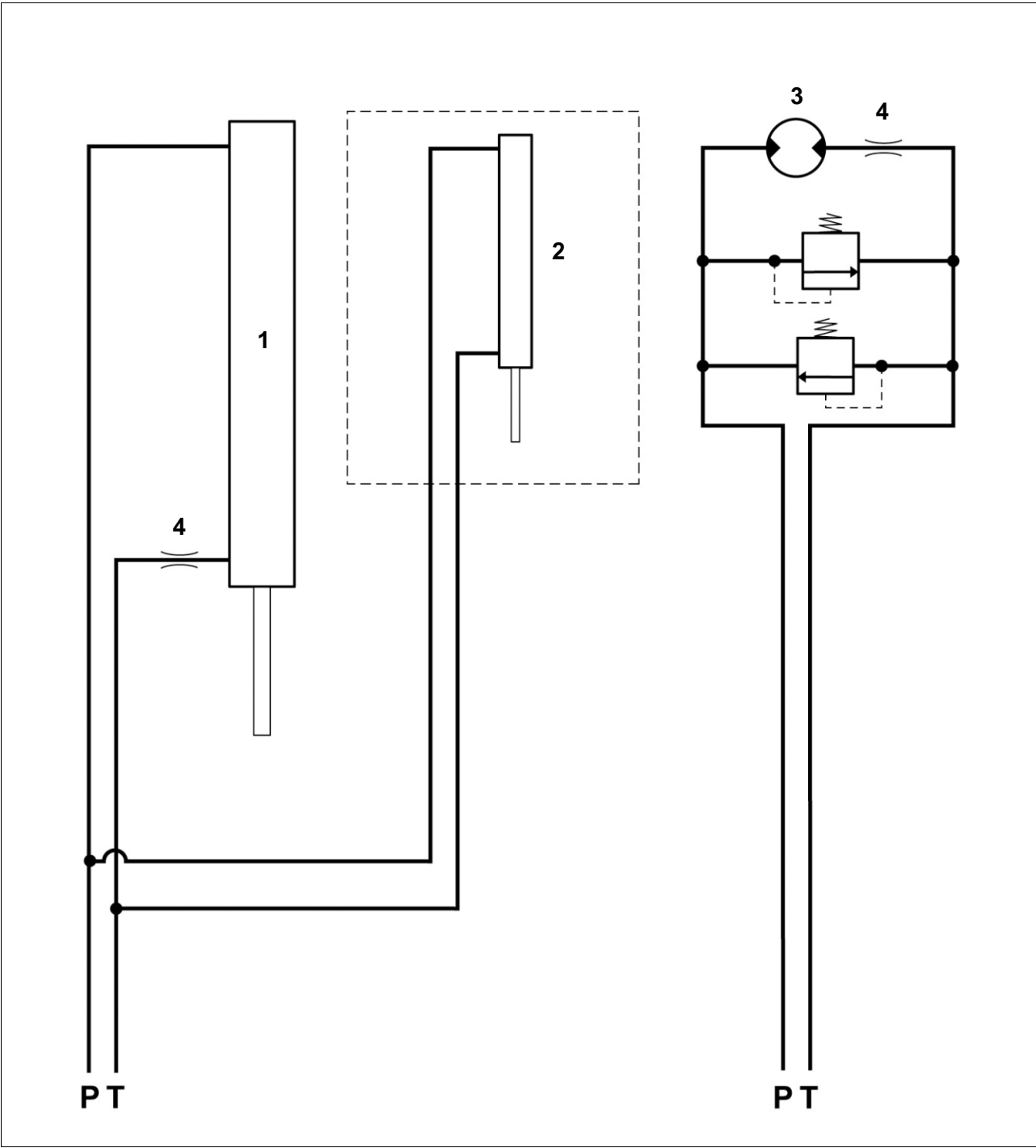

**Legend:**

1	Inner valve cylinder	4	Reversing valve
2	Primer pump cylinder	5	Ball valve
3	Inner valve control lever		

**11.10 Hydraulic diagram - Solenoid valves control option****Legend:**

1	Solenoid valve	4	Hydraulic component #2
2	Selector switch	5	Tractor hydraulic outlets
3	Hydraulic component #1	6	Tractor electric connection (12VDC)

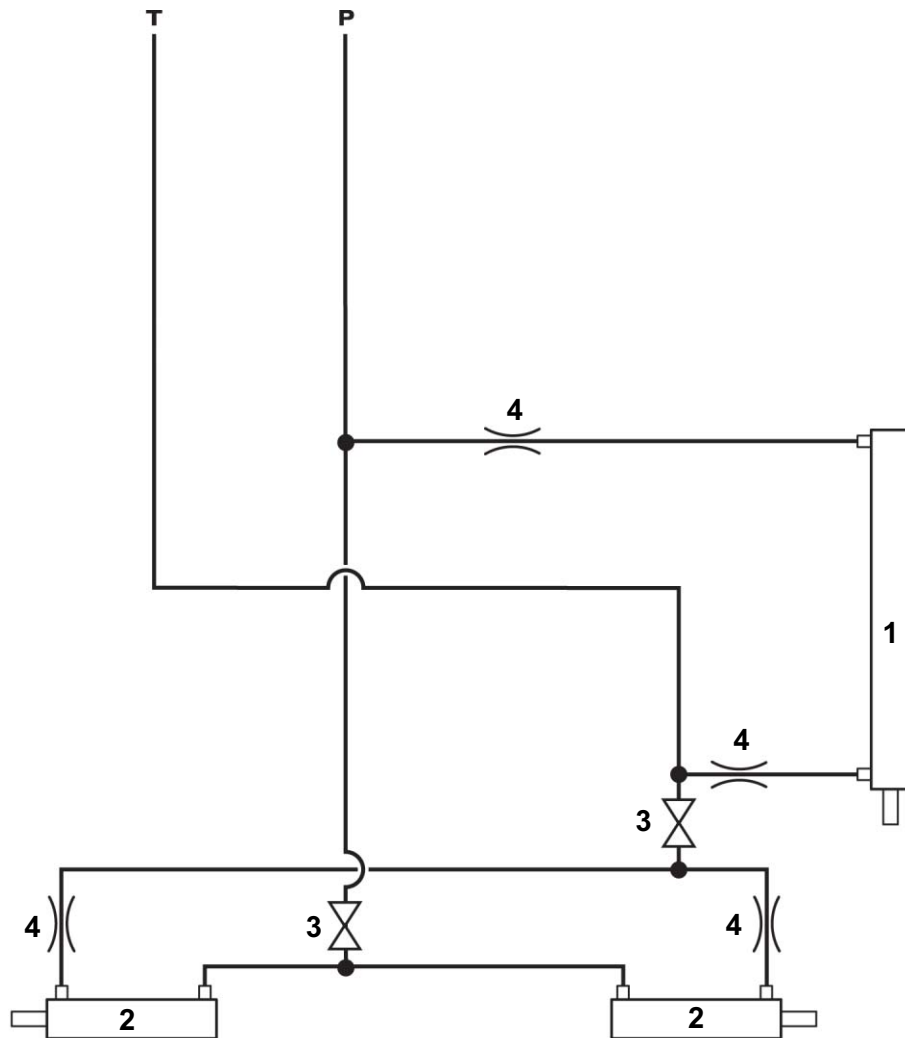
11.11 Hydraulic diagram - Nursing kit option



Legend:			
1	Hydraulic cylinder	3	Hydraulic motor
2	Optional hydraulic cylinder	4	Restrictor

## 11.12 Hydraulic Diagrams - Flex drop hoses or Low pressure deflectors

### 11.12.1 Flex Drop Hoses or Low Pressure Deflectors (with Folding Ends)



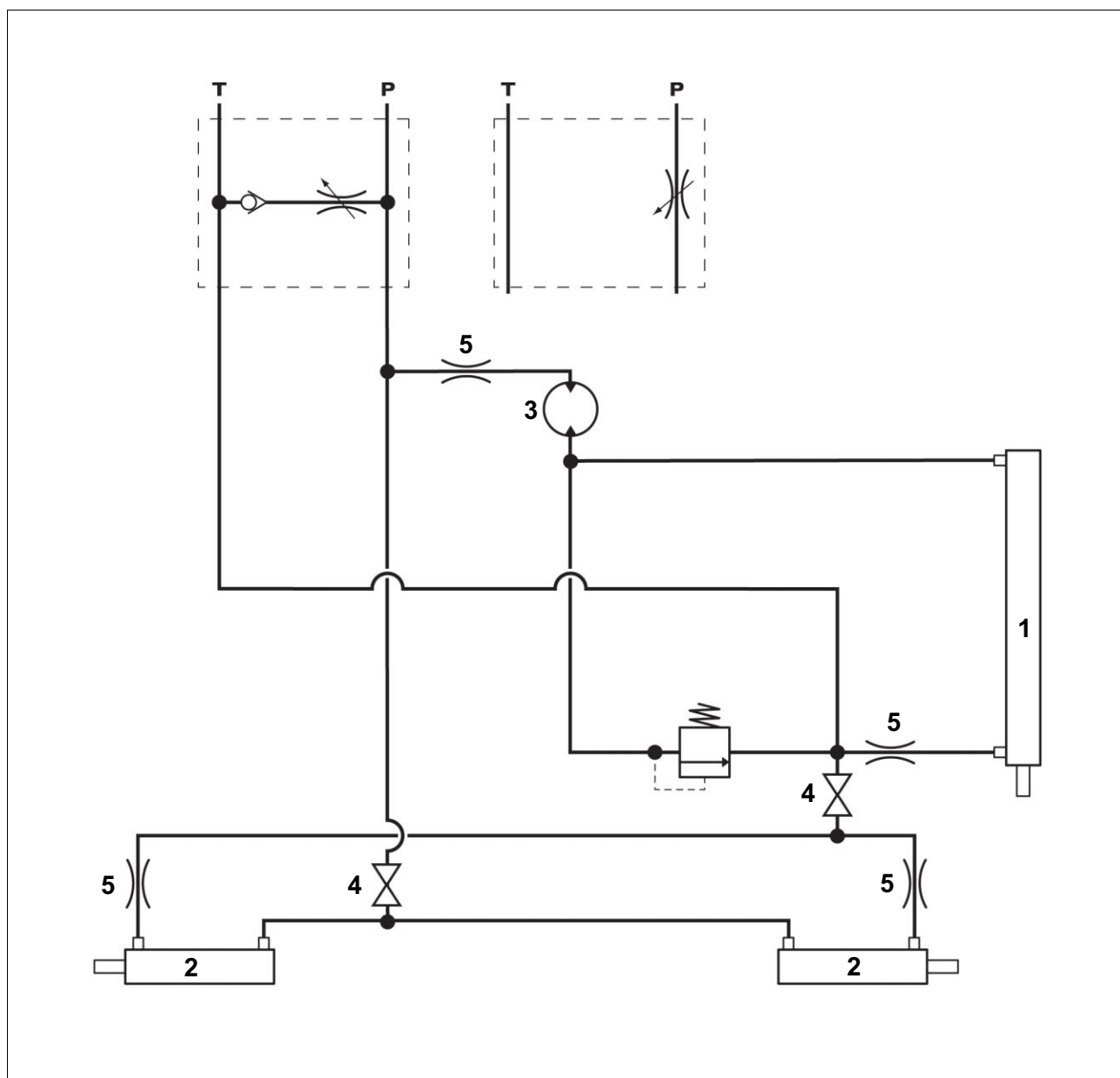
#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	3	Ball valve
2	Folding end hydraulic cylinder	4	Restrictor

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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### 11.12.2 Flex Drop Hoses or Low Pressure Deflectors (with Folding Ends and Hydraulic Shredder)

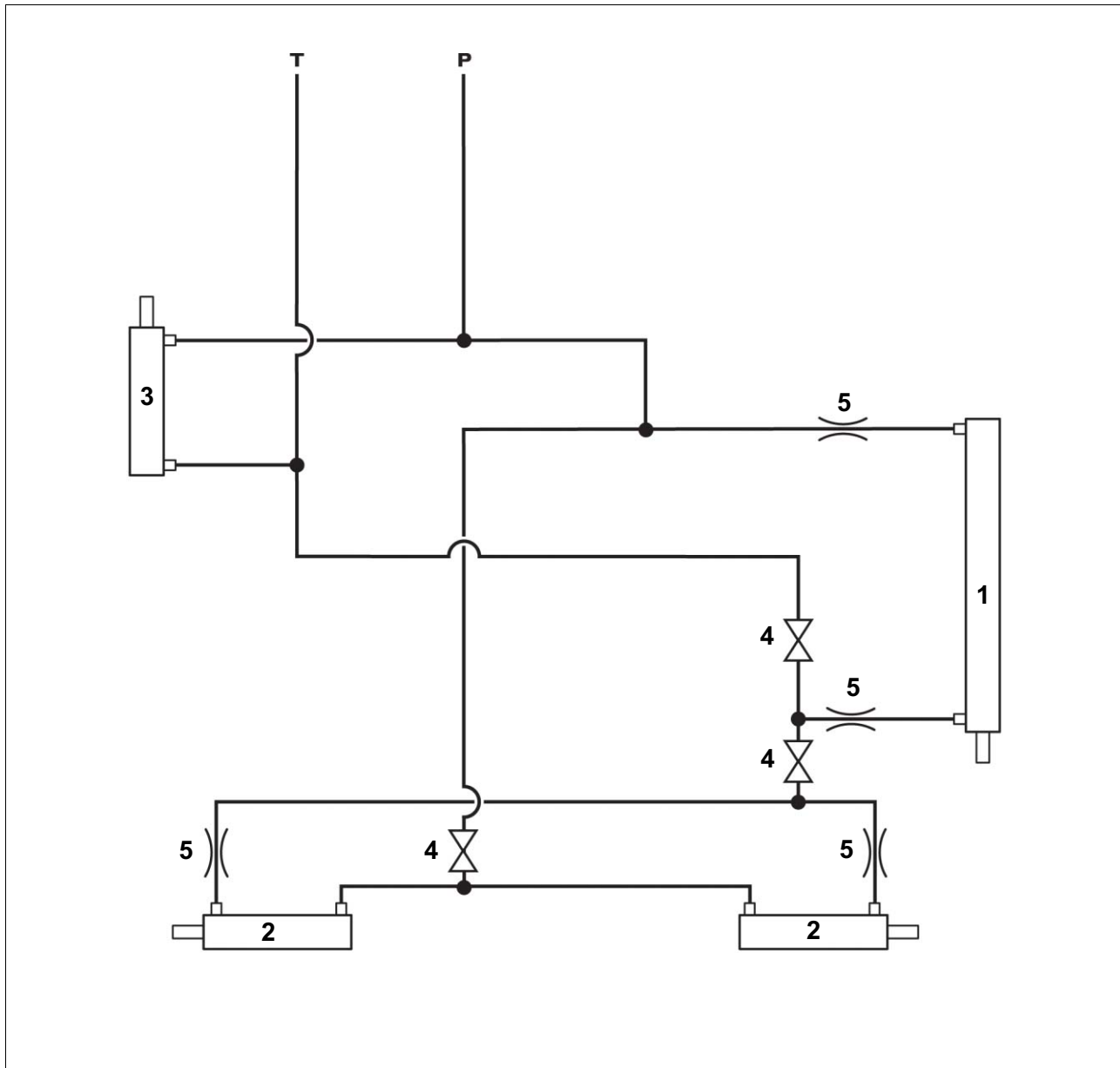


#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	4	Ball valve
2	Folding end hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
3	Shredder hydraulic motor	6	Pressure relief valve

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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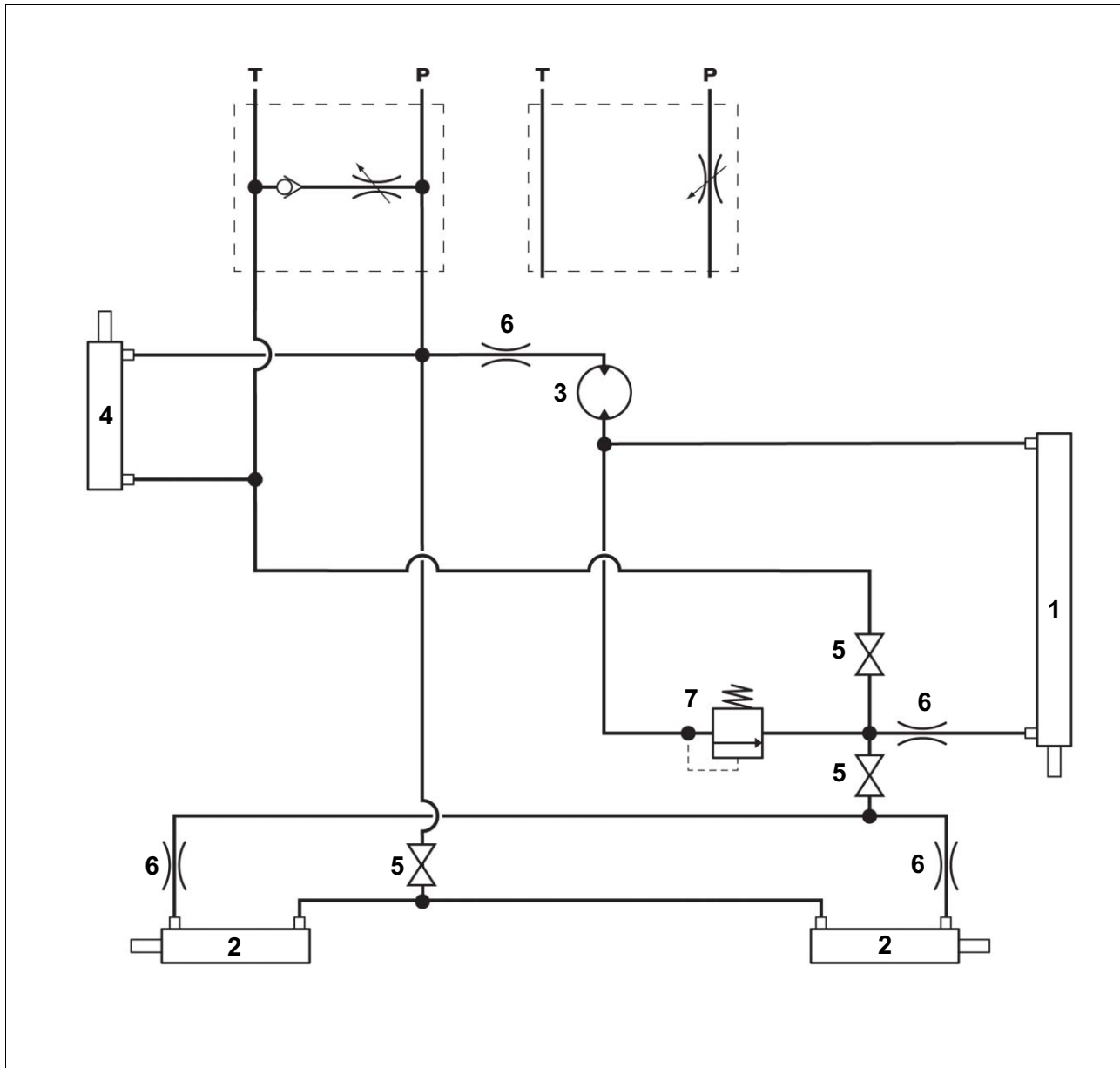
### 11.12.3 Flex Drop Hoses or Low Pressure Deflectors (with Folding Ends and Recirculation Kit)


**Legend:**

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	4	Ball valve
2	Folding end hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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### 11.12.4 Flex Drop Hoses or Low Pressure Deflectors (with Folding Ends, Recirculation Kit and Hydraulic Shredder)



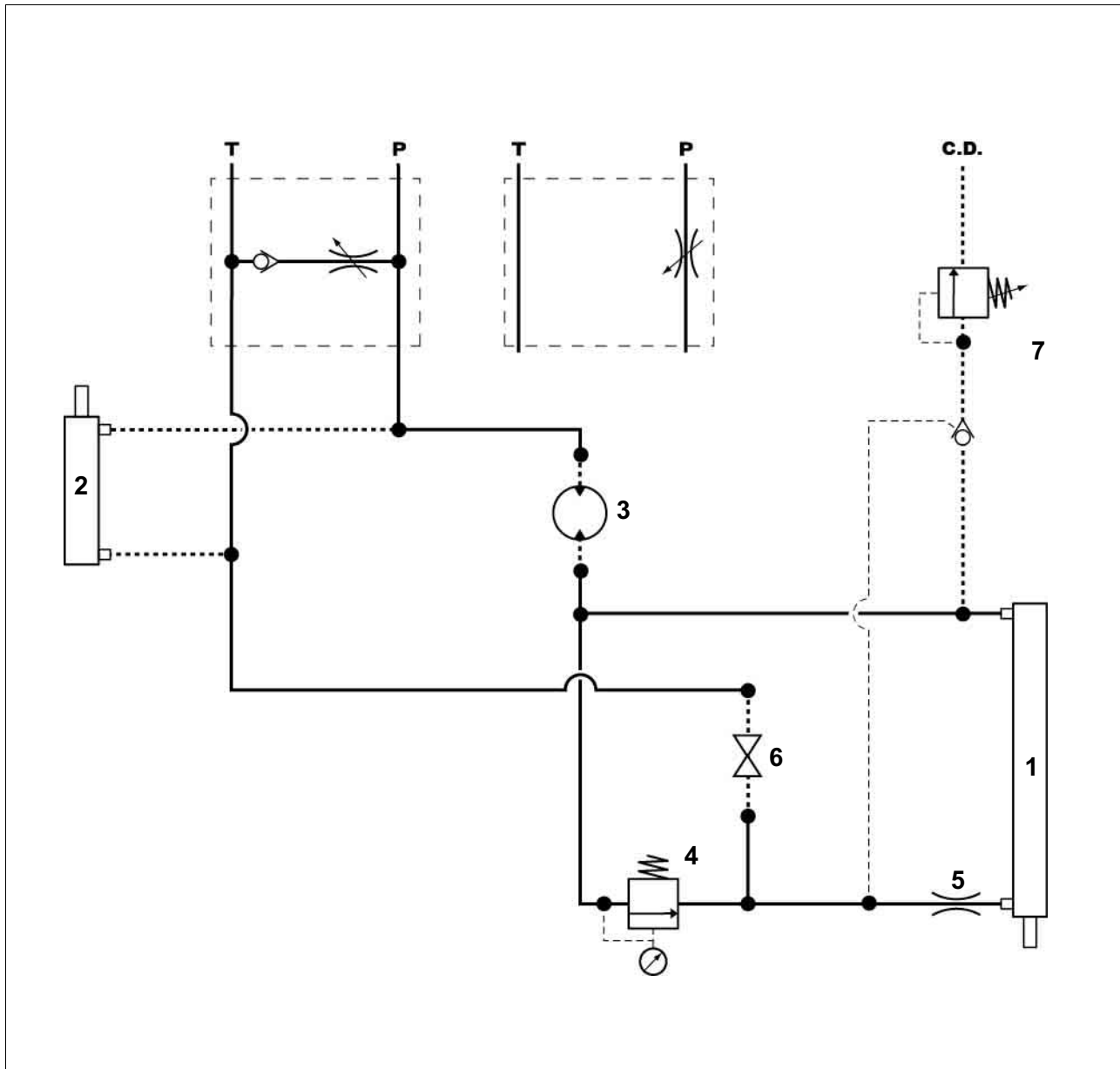
#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	5	Ball valve
2	Folding end hydraulic cylinder	6	Restrictor
3	Shredder hydraulic motor	7	Pressure relief valve
4	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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### 11.13 Hydraulic Diagrams - 22" Concave disc incorporators

#### 11.13.1 22" Concave disc incorporators without folding ends



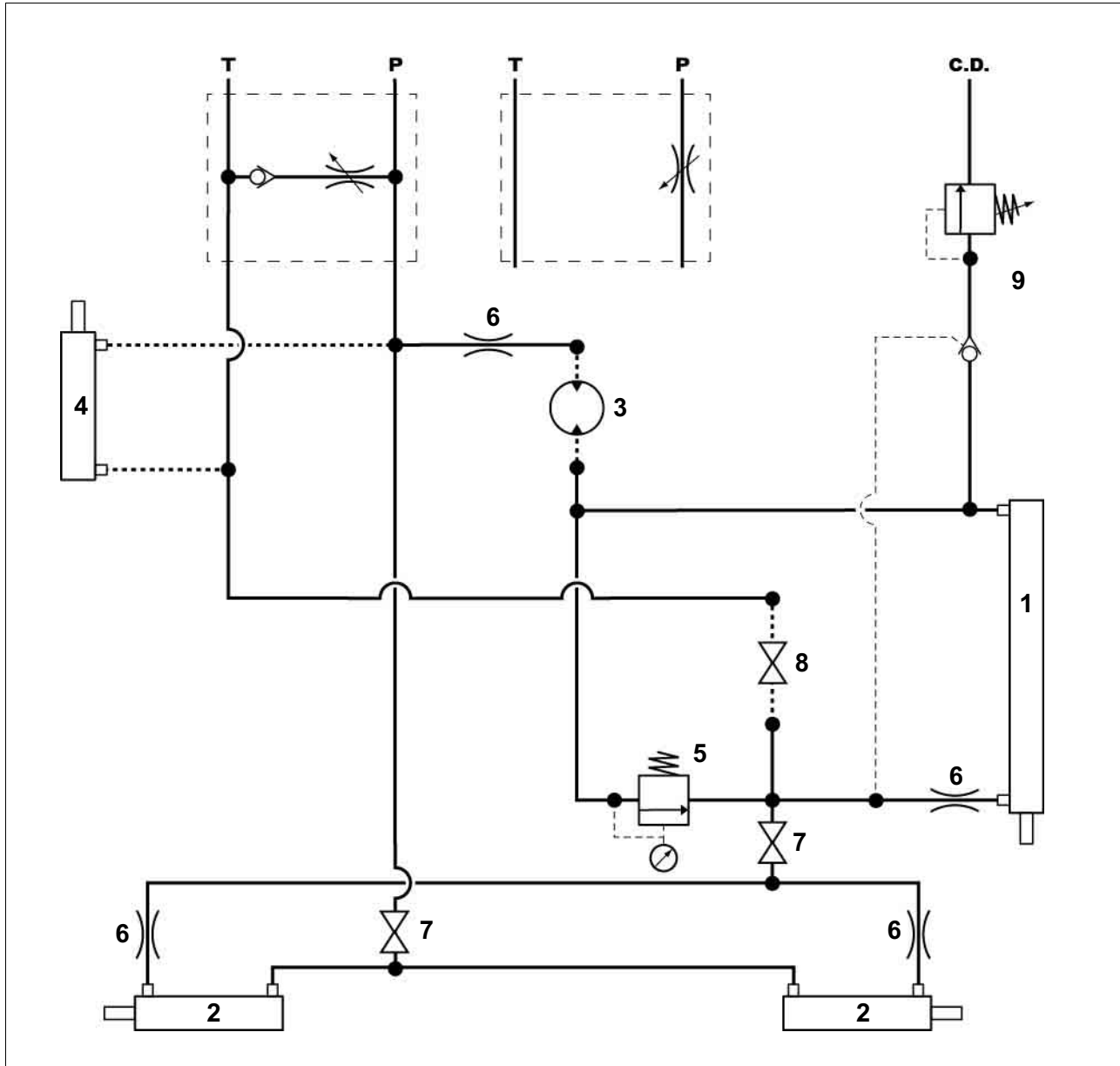
#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Shredder hydraulic motor	7	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
4	Pressure relief valve		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
C.D.	Case Drain		



## 11.13.2 22" Concave disc incorporators with folding ends

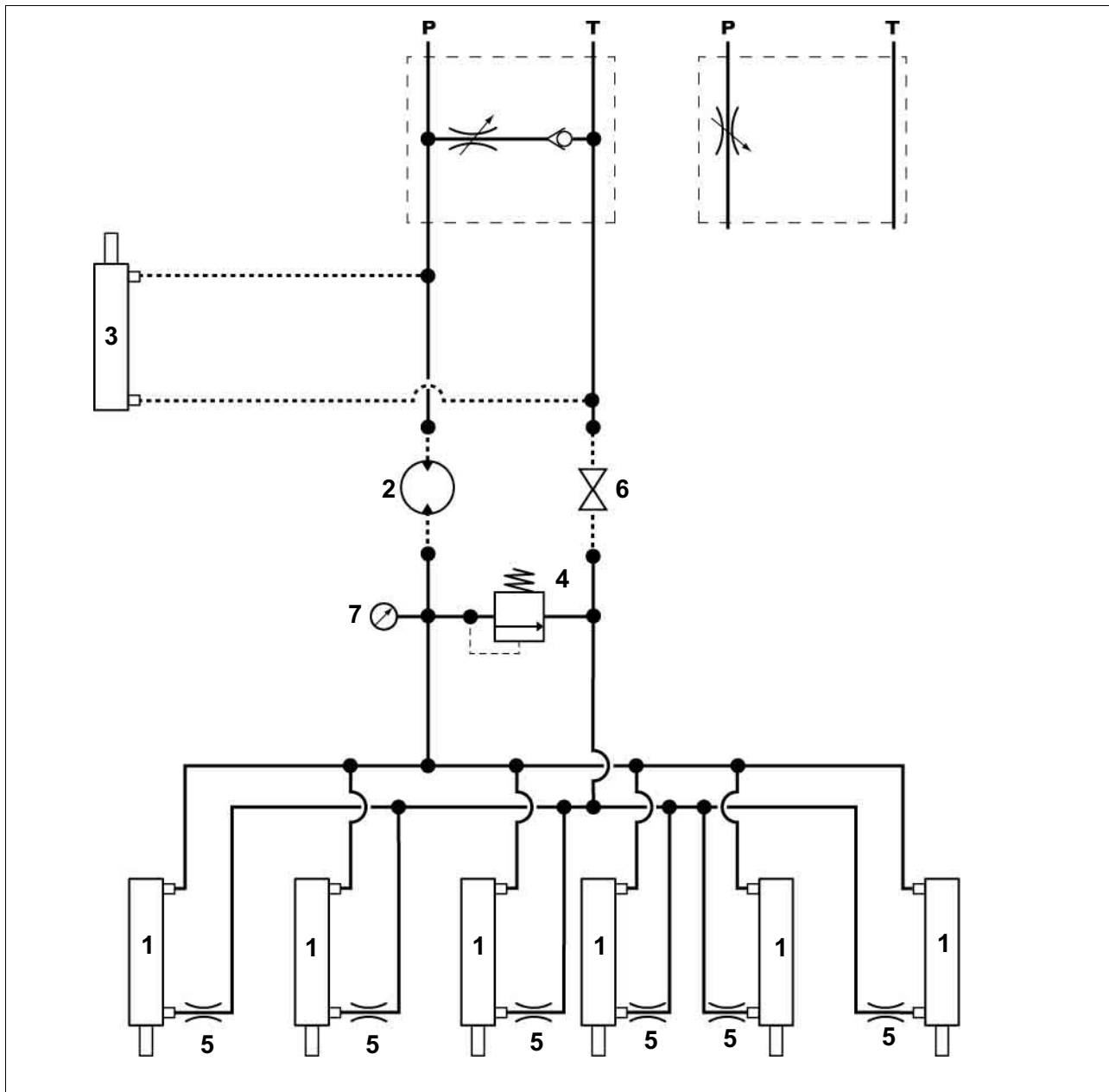
**Legend:**

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	6	Restrictor
2	Folding end hydraulic cylinder	7	Ball valve
3	Shredder hydraulic motor	8	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
4	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder	9	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
5	Pressure relief valve		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
C.D.	Case Drain		

## 11.14 Hydraulic Diagrams - 24" Hydraulic Disc Injectors

### 11.14.1 24" Hydraulic Disc Injectors (6 Injectors without tool bar cylinders)

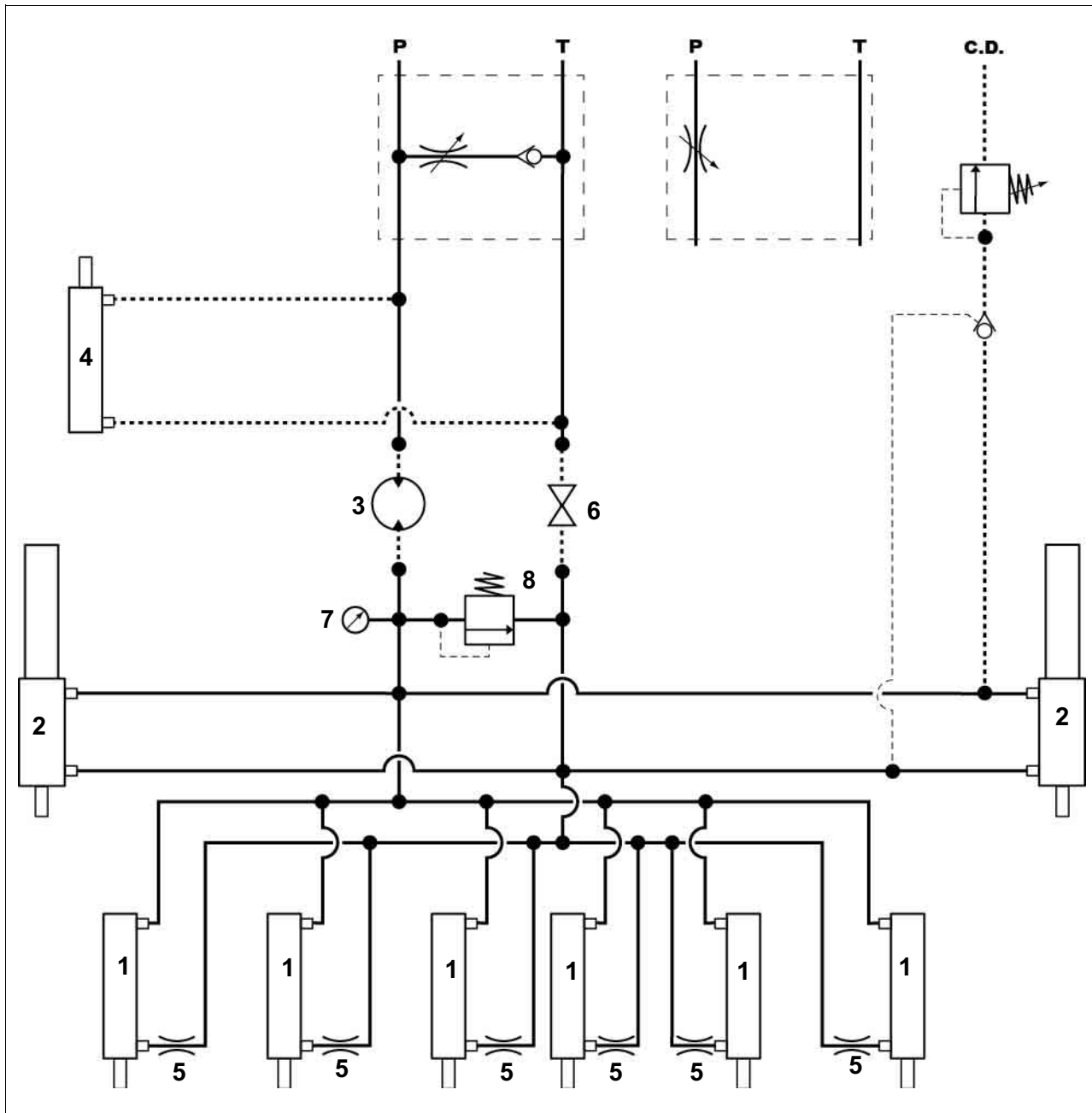


#### Legend:

1	Disc hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	7	Pressure gauge
4	Pressure relief valve		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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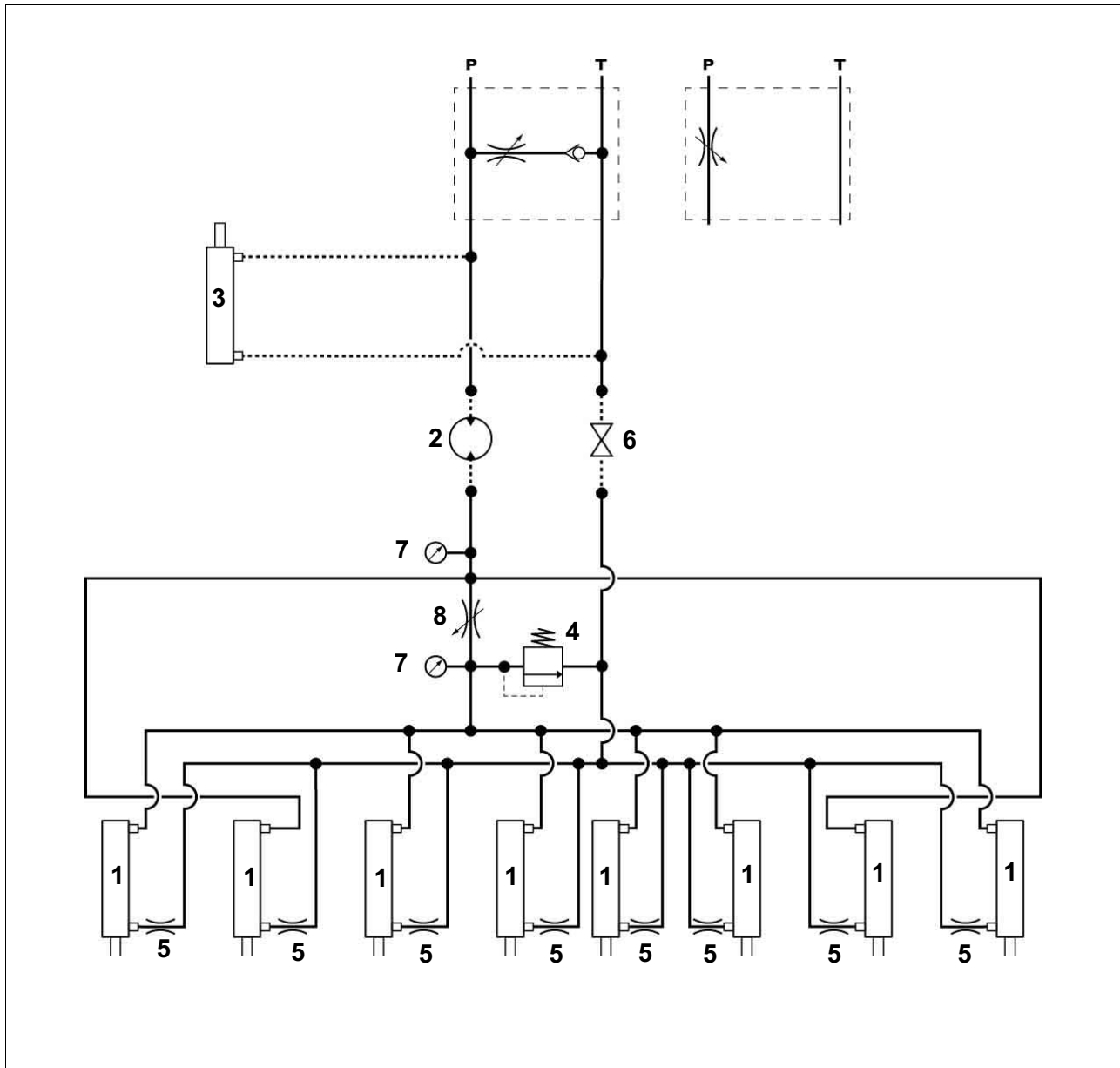
## 11.14.2 24" Hydraulic Disc Injectors (6 Injectors with tool bar cylinders)

**Legend:**

1	Disc hydraulic cylinder	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
2	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	7	Pressure gauge
3	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	8	Pressure relief valve
4	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	9	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
5	Restrictor		

<b>P</b>	Pressure	<b>T</b>	Tank
<b>C.D.</b>	Case Drain		

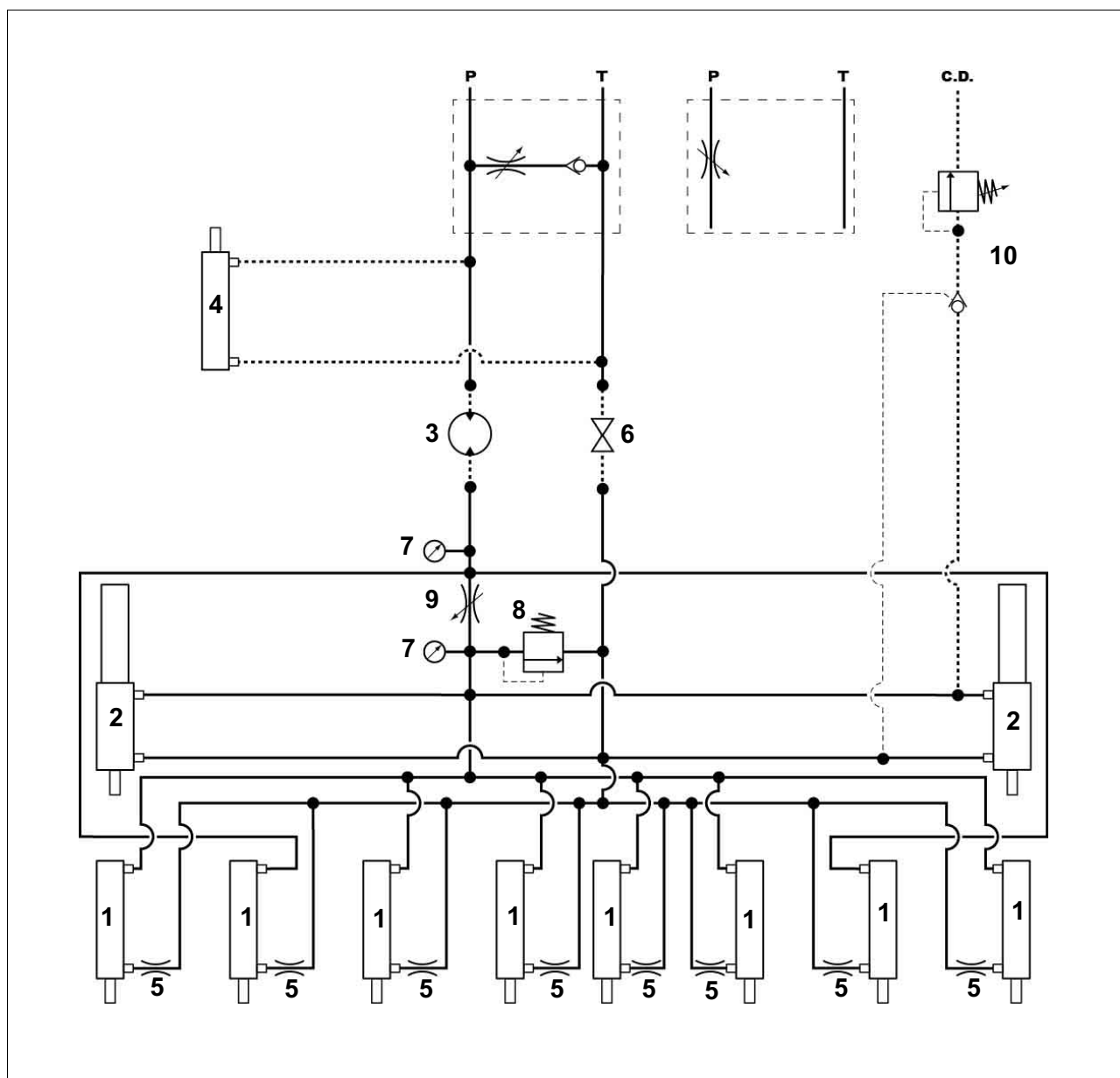
### 11.14.3 24" Hydraulic Disc Injectors (8 Injectors without tool bar cylinders)


**Legend:**

1	Disc hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	7	Pressure gauge
4	Pressure relief valve	8	Needle valve

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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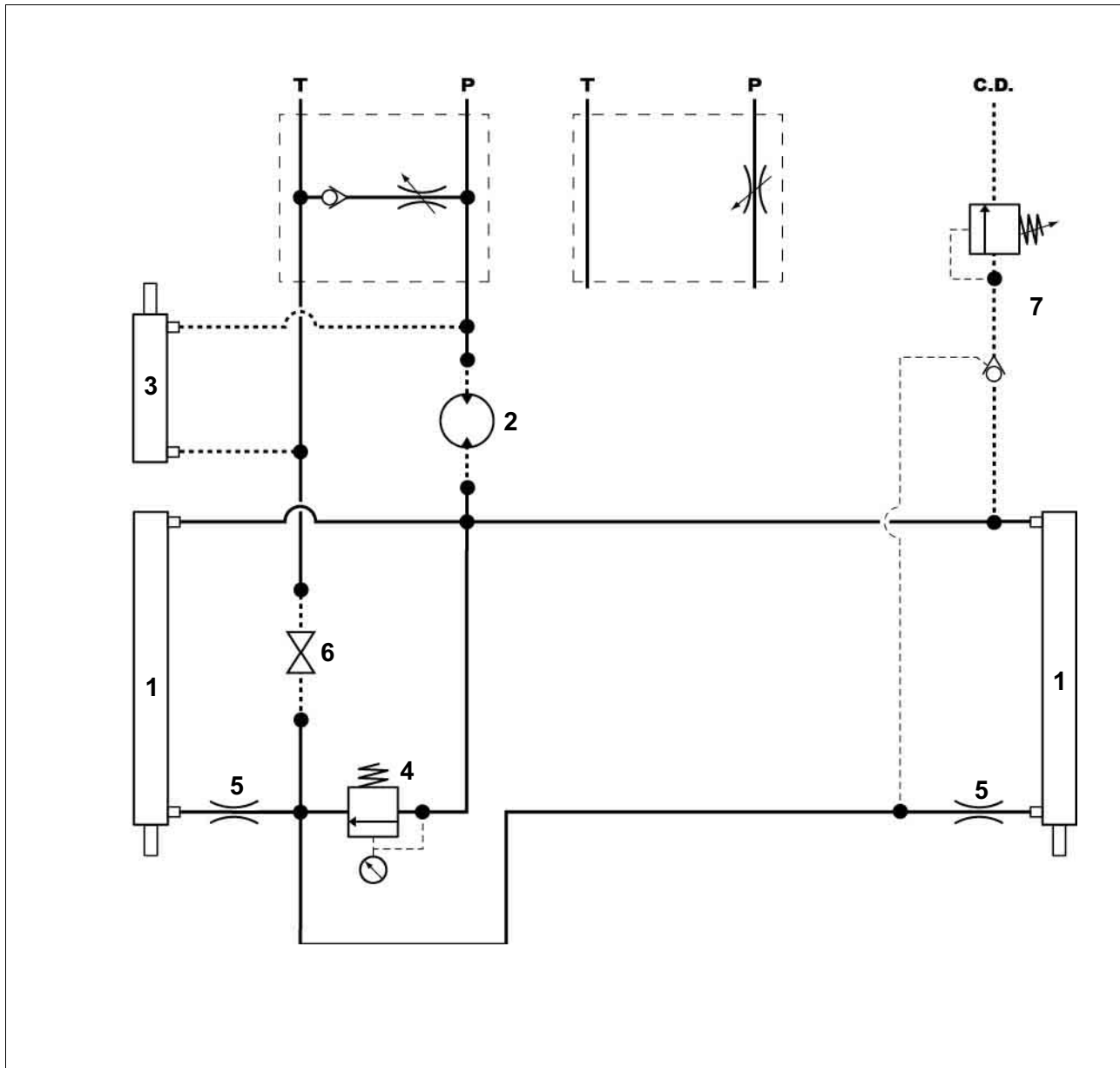
## 11.14.4 24" Hydraulic Disc Injectors (8 Injectors with tool bar cylinders)

**Legend:**

1	Disc hydraulic cylinder	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
2	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	7	Pressure gauge
3	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	8	Pressure relief valve
4	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	9	Needle valve
5	Restrictor	10	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)

<b>P</b>	Pressure	<b>T</b>	Tank
<b>C.D.</b>	Case Drain		

### 11.15 Hydraulic Diagram - DMI or Yetter Injectors

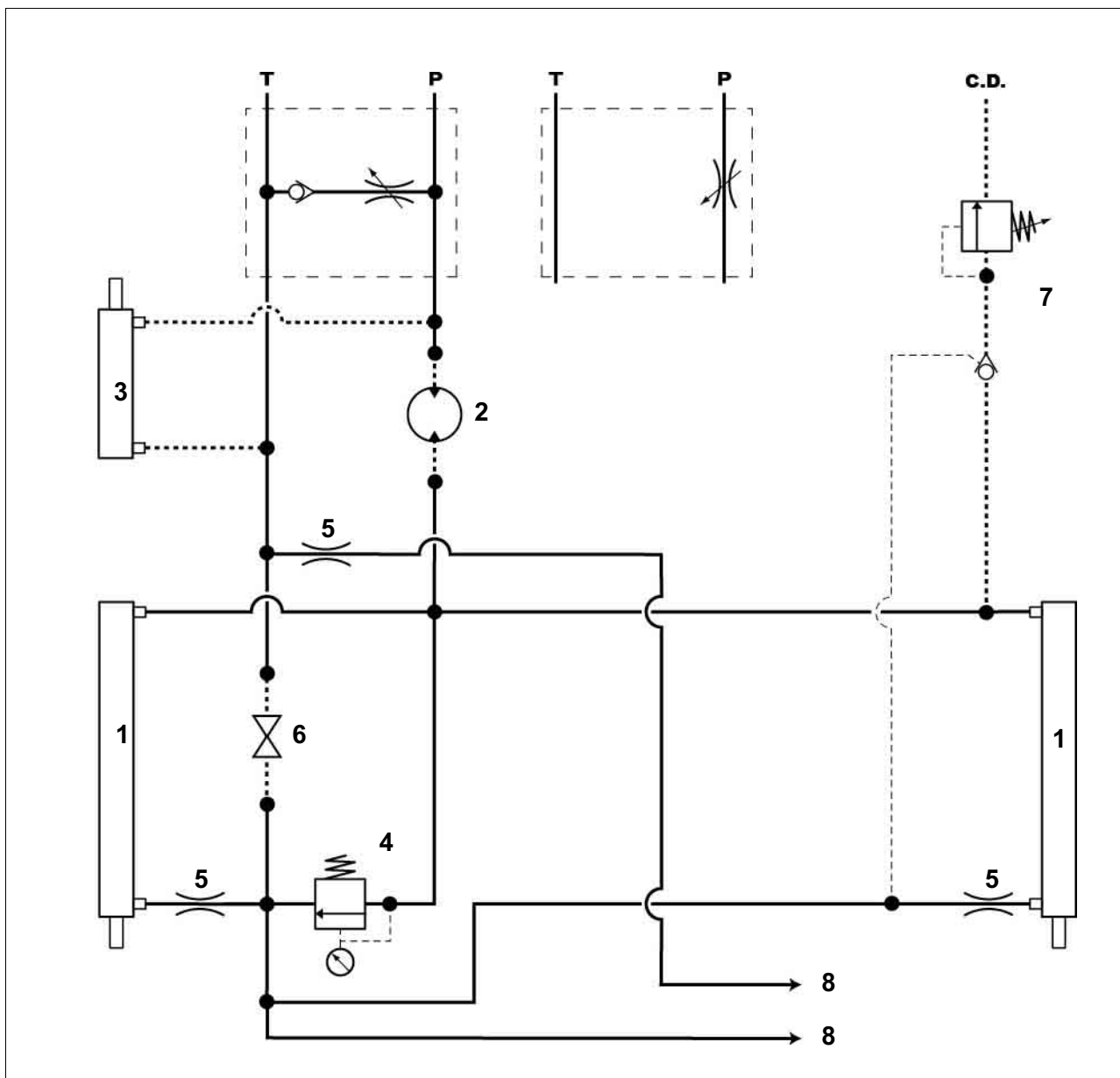


#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	7	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
4	Pressure relief valve		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
C.D.	Case Drain		

## 11.16 Hydraulic diagram - 7 DMI Injectors

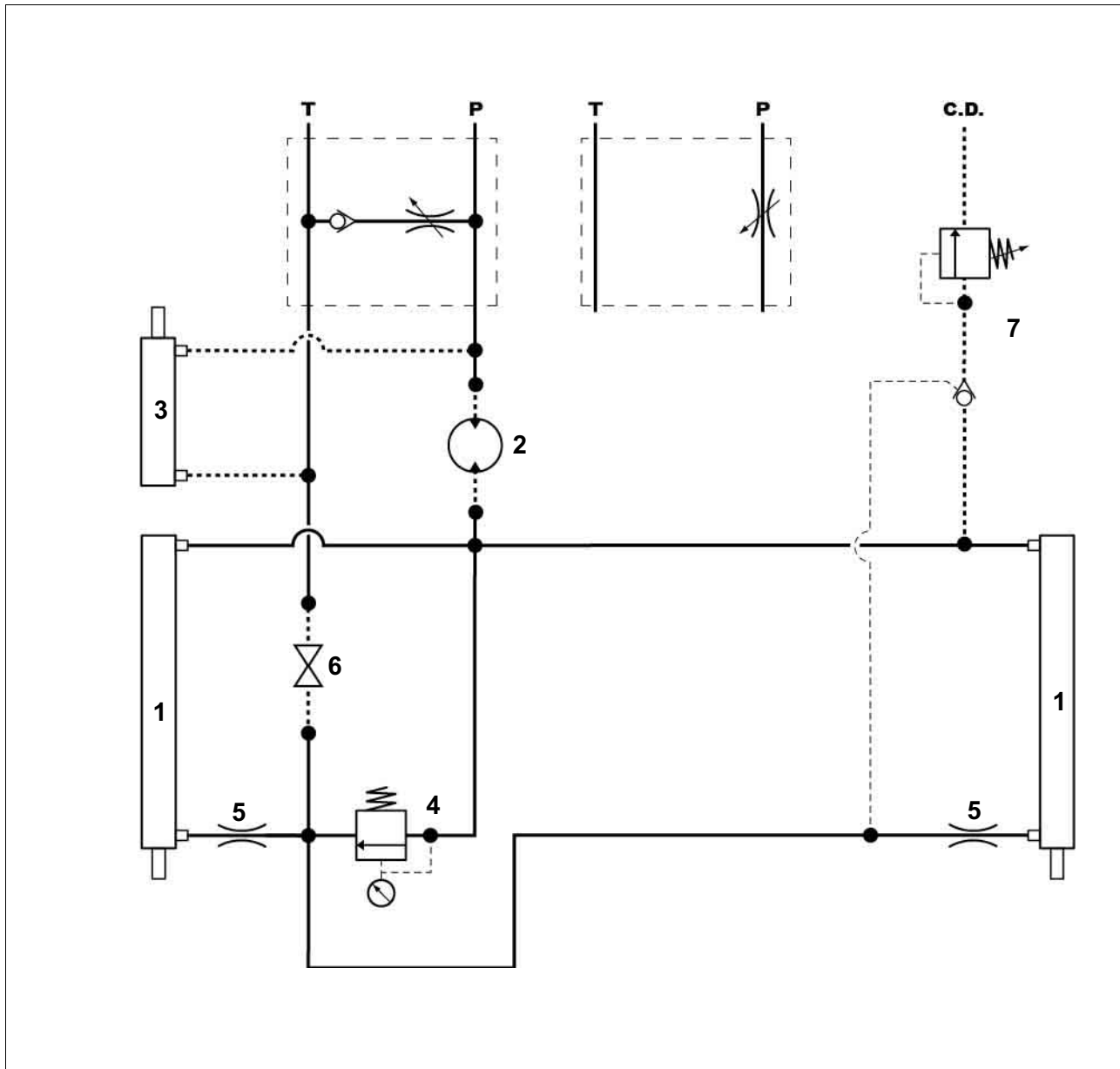


### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	7	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
4	Pressure relief valve	8	To the folding end cylinder

P	Pressure	T	Tank
C.D.	Case Drain		

### 11.17 Hydraulic Diagram - Bourgeault Disc Injectors



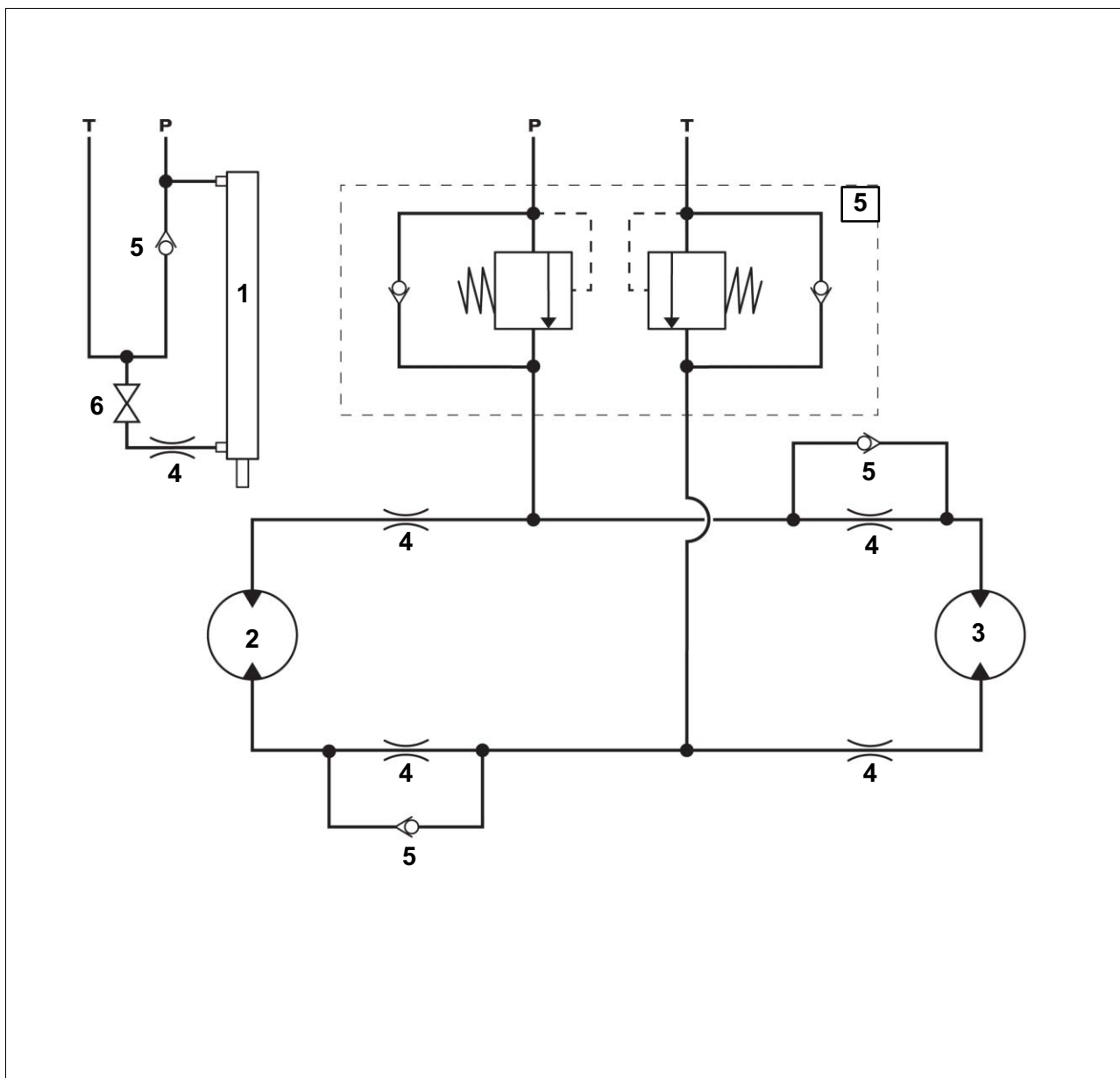
#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	5	Restrictor
2	Shredder hydraulic motor (optional)	6	Ball valve (included with recirculation kit)
3	Recirculation valve hydraulic cylinder (optional)	7	Relief valve kit for pressurized tool bar (optional)
4	Pressure relief valve		

P	Pressure	T	Tank
C.D.	Case Drain		



### 11.18 Hydraulic diagram - 38 FT Wide Tool Bar with 3 Deflectors



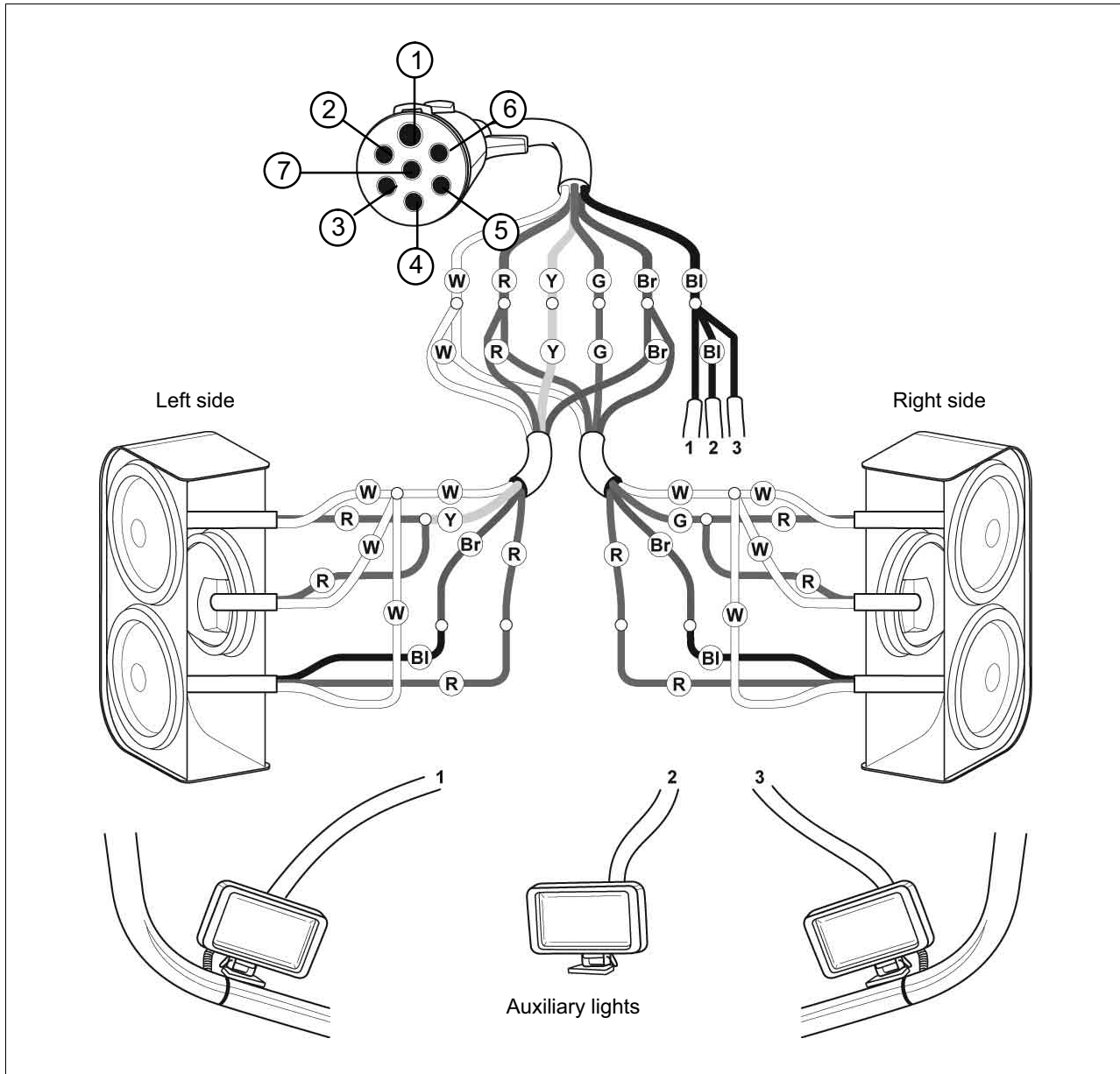
#### Legend:

1	Tool bar hydraulic cylinder	4	Pressure relief valve
2	Folding arm hydraulic motor (left side)	5	Restrictor
3	Folding arm hydraulic motor (right side)	6	Ball valve

P	Pressure	T	Tank
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## 11.19 Electric diagram

### 11.19.1 Signal lights

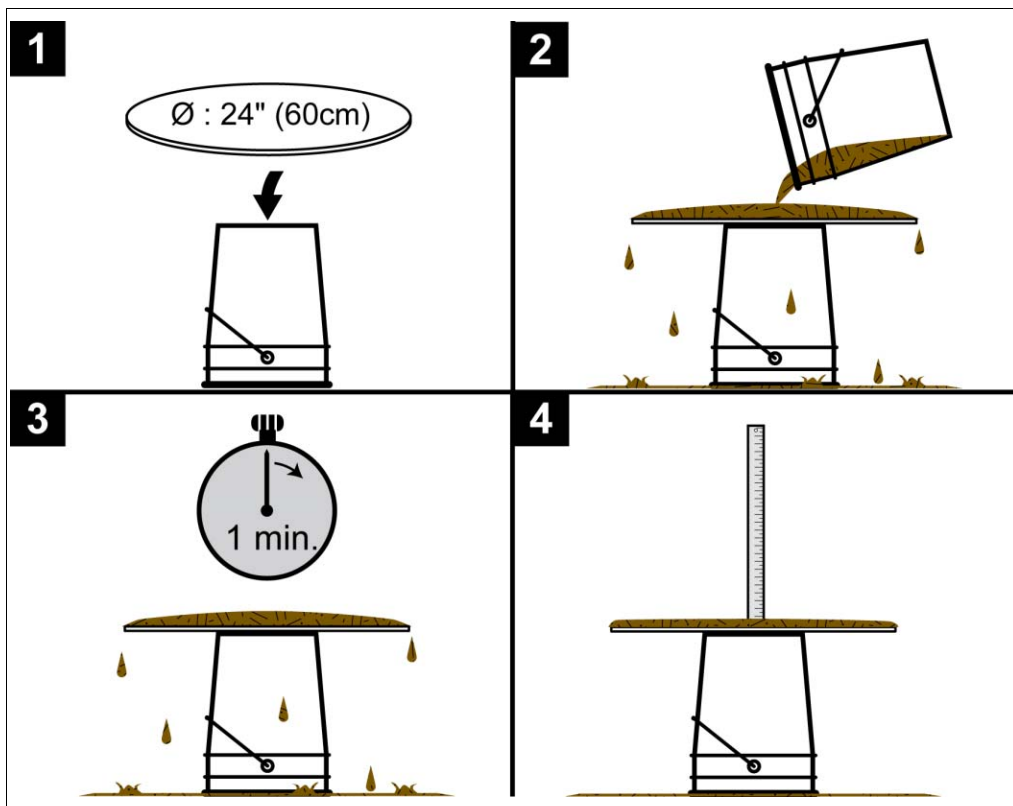


#### Legend:

1	White (W)	Ground
2	Black (Bl)	Auxiliary lights
3	Yellow (Y)	Left flasher
4	Red (R)	Brakes
5	Green (G)	Right flasher
6	Brown (Br)	Parking light
7	Not used	

## 11.20 Consistency test

GEA Houle determined the following method to verify if the viscosity of the liquid manure is suitable for this product.



1. Set a pail on a level surface and install a 24" [60 cm] round plate at the center of the pail.
2. Fill a second pail with homogenized liquid manure and slowly pour it in the center of the plate until it overflows all around the plate. Remain close to the plate when pouring the liquid manure.
3. Wait for one minute.
4. Measure the thickness of the liquid manure at the center of the plate.

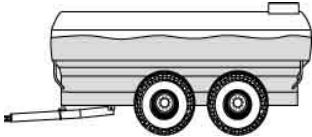

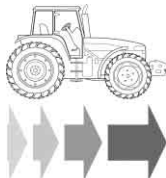
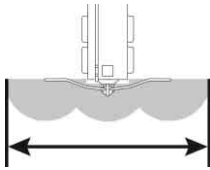
## 11.21 Spreading rate calculation

Four parameters are needed to determine a spreading rate: the volume of manure, the time needed to spread the manure, the tractor speed and the spreading width.

Determine the type of measurement unit (imperial or metric) and follow the instructions.

Before calculating the spreading rate, test the product and note the parameters described below:

- Fill the spreader tank with liquid manure;
- Note the volume of manure inside the spreader tank;
- Move to a spreading area;
- Position the tool bar to spread;
- Move the spreader at a constant speed;
- Spread the manure and monitor the time it takes for the spreader to be empty;
- Note time and speed;
- Measure and note the width of the spreading pattern.

	<b>Spreader volume</b>	Result: _____ litres or gal (UK)
	<b>Spreading time</b>	Result: _____ minutes
	<b>Tractor speed</b>	Result: _____ km/h or mph
	<b>Spreading width</b>	Result: _____ meters or feet

Apply results previously obtained to the following formulas. Calculate the flow rate then the spreading rate.

### Flow rate formula:

#### Metric unit

<b>Spreader volume ÷ spreading time = litres/minute</b>
Example: 14550 litres ÷ 3 minutes = 4850 litres/minute

#### Imperial unit

<b>Spreader volume ÷ spreading time = gal (UK)/minute</b>
Example: 3200 gal (UK) ÷ 3 minutes = 1067 gal (UK)/min

### Spreading rate formula:

#### Metric unit

<b>Flow rate x 600 ÷ spreading width ÷ tractor speed = litres/hectare</b>
Example: 4850 litres/minute x 600 ÷ 11.5 meters ÷ 9.6 km/h = 26359 litres/hectare

#### Imperial unit

<b>Flow rate x 495 ÷ spreading width ÷ tractor speed = gal (UK)/acre</b>
Example: 1067 gal (UK)/minute x 495 ÷ 38 feet ÷ 6 mph = 2316 gal (UK)/acre

### Spreading rate versus spreading speed:

- Determine the proper spreading rate according to your application in order to define the tractor speed;
- Apply the rule of three as follows;

<b>Tractor speed x required spreading rate ÷ monitored spreading rate = new speed</b>
Example: 9.6 km/h x 20000 litres/hectare ÷ 26359 litres/hectare = 7.28 km/h

To spread 20 000 litres/hectare of manure, the driver must maintain the tractor speed to 7.28 km/h.



#### **Note!**

Also read section Flow rate adjustment.

**11.22 Flow rate adjustment**

The spreading rate takes the flow rate into account;

If the flow rate is reduced, the spreading rate is proportionally reduced;

When the maximum spreading speed is reached and the spreading rate is too high for the needs and as per the local regulations, flow rate must be reduced;

To adjust the flow rate, proceed with the steps below. If the first adjustment step is insufficient to obtain the desired spreading rate, proceed with the second adjustment step and so on.

**11.22.1 Spreader with PTO**

1. reduce the speed of the PTO;
2. adjust the flow regulator;
3. add a restriction plate in the housing;
4. add a restrictor in the directional valve;
5. finally, insert restrictors in the deflectors.

**Step 1: PTO**

Start by reducing the PTO speed to decrease the impeller revolution therefore limiting the amount of manure inside the spreading pipe.

## Step 2: Flow regulator (if applicable)

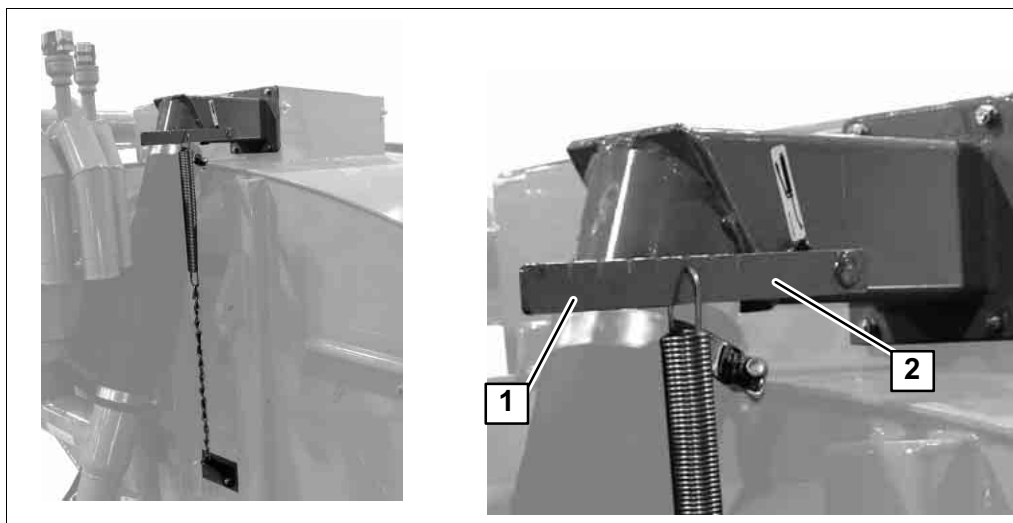
A spreader can be equipped with a spreading tool bar using a distributor to provide an equal amount of manure to each spreading nozzle.

The flow regulator connected to the distributor is used to direct liquid manure inside the spreader tank therefore limiting the amount of manure inside the distributor.



### Note!

Always restrain flow rate using the flow regulator before adding a restrictor inside the manual directional valve.

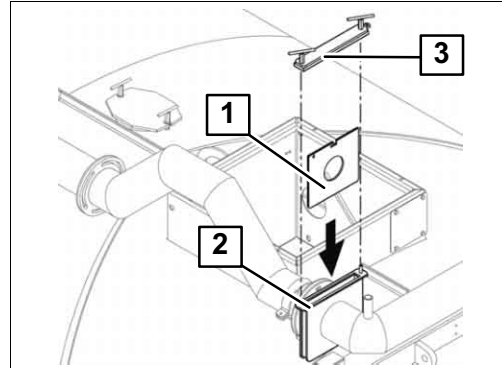


- To maximize manure flow inside the distributor, position the tension spring near the edge of the lever (1). The tension on the spring will increase and close the flapper inside the return pipe;
- To limit manure flow to the distributor, position the tension spring on the opposite end (2). The tension on the spring will decrease and open the flapper inside the return pipe.

**Step 3: Restriction plate (if applicable)**

A spreader discharge pipe can be equipped with a housing designed to insert a restriction plate to limit flow rate.

- Slide a restriction plate (1) in the housing (2);
- Close the opening with the cover (3).

**Step 4: Directional valve restrictor (if applicable)**

A spreader can be equipped with more than one spreading tool at a time.

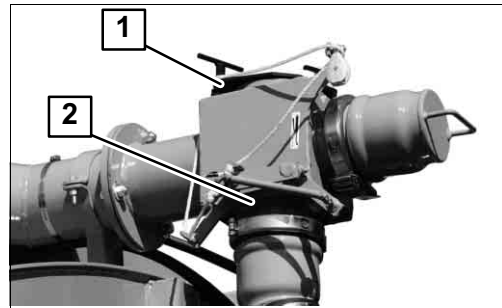
A directional valve is installed on the discharge pipe allowing the user to select a spreading tool.

Flow rate can be reduced only inside the lower spreading tool by placing a restrictor in the lower opening of the directional valve.

**Note!**

Always restrain flow rate using the flow regulator before adding a restrictor inside the manual directional valve.

- Remove the cleaning opening (1);
- Place a restrictor in the lower opening (2) of the directional valve to reduce the flow rate of the tool connected.



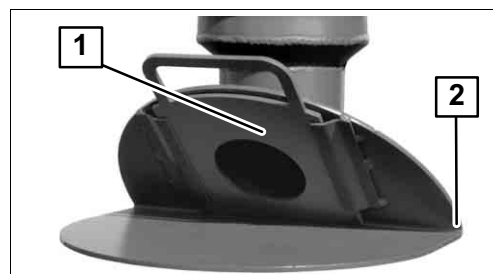


### Step 5: Deflector restrictor (if applicable)

When using a tool bar to spread manure, a restrictor is inserted in each deflector to limit the opening and to reduce the flow rate.

Pressure is increased to allow larger spreading width.

- Insert a restrictor (1) in each tool bar deflector (2).



### 11.22.2 Spreader with hydraulic HE impeller drive

1. adjust the flow control;
2. insert restrictors in the deflectors.

#### Step 1: Flow control (if applicable)

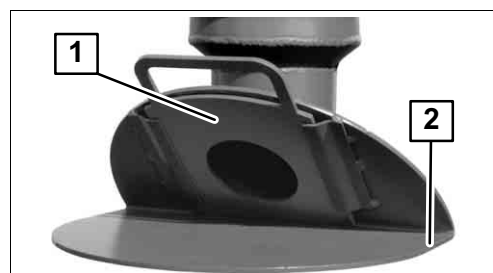
A spreader can be equipped with a manual flow control to set the flow rate. The control range can be set from 0 to 100%.

#### Step 2: Deflector restrictor (if applicable)

When using a tool bar to spread manure, a restrictor is inserted in each deflector to limit the opening and to reduce the flow rate.

Pressure is increased to allow larger spreading width.

- Insert a restrictor (1) in each tool bar deflector (2).



### 11.23 Abbreviations

Terms	Explanation	Terms	Explanation
@	at	Ø	diameter
EC	European Community	CW	clockwise
CCW	counterclockwise	fax	facsimile
I.D.	inside diameter	Inc.	Incorporated
NC	national coarse	O.D.	outside diameter
PTO	power take off	PVC	polyvinyl chloride
QC	Quebec	SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers
USA	United States of America	WWW	World Wide Web

Units	Explanation	Units	Explanation
A	ampere	kg	kilogram
AC	alternative current	kPa	kilopascal
cm	centimeter	kW	kilowatt
°	degree	km/h	kilometers per hour
°C	degree Celsius	lpm	liter per minute
°F	degree Fahrenheit	lb	pound
DC	direct current	m	meter
ft	foot	min	minute
ft-lb	foot-pound	mph	miles per hour
gal	gallon	mm	millimeter
gpm	gallons per minute	NM	newton meter
HP	horsepower	psi	pounds per square inch
hr	hour	RPM	revolutions per minute
Hz	hertz	s	second
in.	inch	v	volt





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