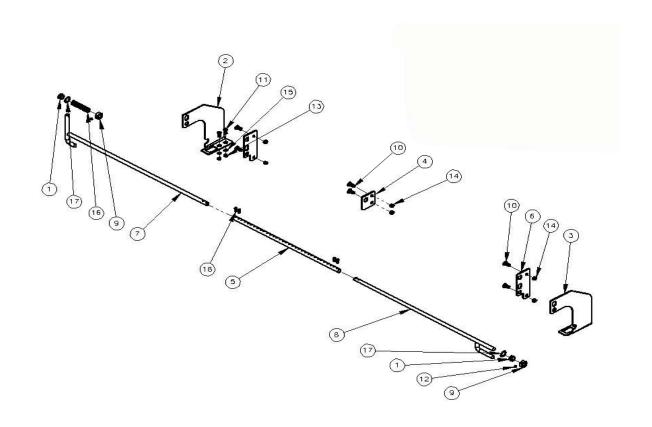


RAPID LATCH ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

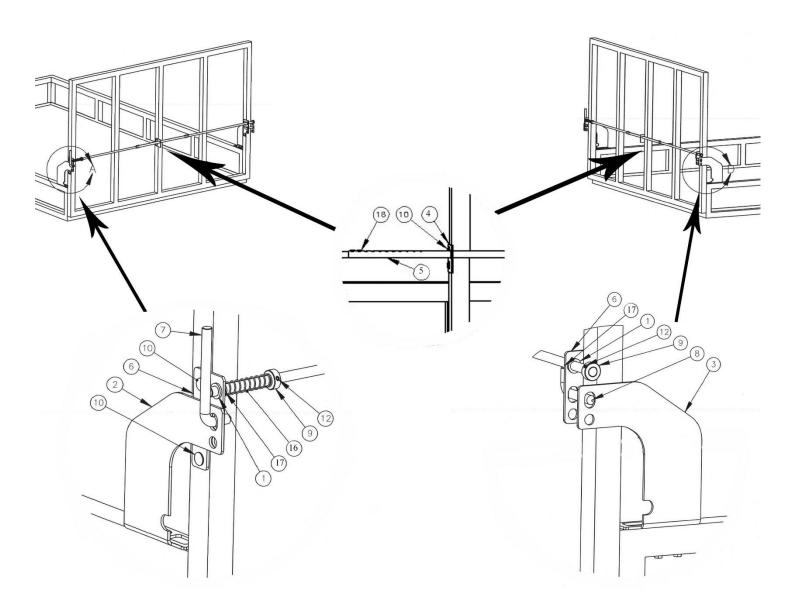
HARDWARE

ITEM #	QTY	PART #	DESCRIPTION
1	2	RL-BUSH	5/8" Flange bushing
2	1	RL-SP1	Striker Plate
3	1	MirrorRL- SP1	Striker Plate Mirror
4	1	RL-MB	Mid Bracket
5	1	RL-AB2	Adjustment Tube
6	2	RL-SGB	Side Guide Bar
7	1	RL-HRW	Handle Rod Weldment
8	1	RL-LPRW	Latch Pin Rod Weldment
9	2	RL-COL	5/8" Shaft Collar
10	6	108	3/8" – 16 x 1 Carriage Bolt
11	4	221	5/16"-18 x 1 Flat Head Socket Screw
12	2	223	5/16" – 18 x ¼" Socket Set Screw
13	4	304	5/16" – 18 Lock Nut
14	6	307	3/8" – 16 Hex Flange Nut
15	4	413	5/16" Washer
16	1	503	¾" x 3 ½" Compression Spring
17	2	602	7/8" Self-Locking Retaining Ring
18	4	249	¼" – 20 x .75" 100° Flat Head LG



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ASSEMBLY

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Step 1

If the trailer tailgate closes to the inside of the rails, mount striker plate # 2 (RL-SP1) on the right (passenger) side of the trailer and the striker plate mirror # 3 (MirrorRL-SP1) on the left (driver) side. If the tailgate closes on the outside of the rails, then the striker plate will be mounted on the left (driver) side and striker plate mirror on the right (passenger) side.

Step 2

Close the tailgate and support it in the vertical position. Position the striker plate on the left (driver) side rail. Align back edge of striker plate with the back edge of the trailer rail. There should be approximately ¼" clearance between the side of the striker plate and side of tailgate when gate is closed.

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Step 3

Mark the location of the two holes in the striker plate on the trailer rail and drill 5/16" holes through the rail. Secure the striker plate to the trailer rail using two socket screws # 11 (221), two washers # 15 (413) and two lock nuts # 14 (307). Repeat steps 2-3 to mount the striker plate on the right (passenger) side of the trailer.

Step 4

With the tailgate closed, position the side guide bar # 6 (RL-SGB) on the outside left edge of the tailgate. Adjust the height of the side guide bar so that the two holes below the top hole align with the two holes in the striker plate. The handle rod can be installed on either side of the trailer. Make sure the holes in the bracket will not interfere with any cross supports on the tailgate, then mark and drill two 3/8" holes in the tailgate rail. Attach using two carriage bolts # 10 (108) and two hex flange nuts # 14 (307). Repeat steps for the other side guide bar # 6 (RL-SGB).

<u>Step 5</u>

Insert #1 (RL-BUSH) bushing on the side guide bar. Then slide one retaining ring # 17 (602). Repeat for other side guide bar. Take one socket set screw # 12 (223) and insert into the opening of the shaft collar 9 (RL-COL) and hand tighten with an allen wrench. Repeat with the other shaft collar that you will use later on the other end of the rod.

Step 6

Slide the handle rod # 7 (RL-HRW) through the side guide bar # 6 (RL-SGB) followed by the compression spring # 16 (503) and one shaft collar # 9 (RL-COL) onto the rod. Slide the adjustment tube #5 over the rod then the mid bracket #4 over the adjustment tube. Then slide the latch pin rod #8 into the adjustment tube #5 and insert the ends into the side guide bar #6 and striker mirror plate #3

Step 7

Position mid bracket # 4 (RL-MB) so that it is flat against the center gate support rail and aligned with both left and right side rods, then mark and drill two 3/8" holes in the center gate support. Secure using two carriage bolts # 10 (108) and two flange nuts # 14 (307).

Step 8

Secure the adjustment tube # 5 (RL-AB2) onto the handle rod #7 and latch pin rod #8 with four flat heads # 18 (249).

Step 9

With the rod assembly in the closed position, slide the spring #16 and shaft collar #9 on the handle rod against the gate bracket. Slide the collar ¾" further to add tension and secure the collar using one socket set screw # 12 (223). There should be enough tension in the spring to cause the rod to return to the closed position once the handle is released. Attach the other shaft collar #9 on the end of the Latch Pin Rod #8 and tighten.

**Note: Wider tailgates may need the shaft collar to be slightly over the end of the Latch Pin Rod #8. If your tailgate is narrow and the Handle and Latch Rod overlap you will also need to shorten one of them. To do so,

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just cut the desired length. Drill new hole with drill bit size #7 or $13/64^{th}$. You will need a $\frac{1}{2}$ "-20 tap to retap the new hole.

Locking

The tailgate can be locked by installing a pad lock through the striker plate and side bracket on either side.

Note about removable tailgates: Some tailgates are designed to be easily removable by sliding them off the hinge. If your tailgate is removable, it may be necessary to install a bolt through the trailer frame to prevent tailgate from sliding side to side. If tailgate slides from side to side, it may prevent the Rapid Latch from working properly.

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