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Unapproved changes can cause your Murphy bed to NOT WORK CORRECTLY and will VOID your warranty.

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

This kit is engineered to work with ANY mattress that meets these <u>WEIGHT</u> and <u>THICKNESS</u> specifications:

SIZE OF BED	THICKNESS (including any pillow top)	WEIGHT
TWIN	Up to 12 inches	35 to 50 pounds
FULL	Up to 12 inches	50 to 65 pounds
QUEEN	Up to 12 inches	65 to 80 pounds

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## **QUEEN VERTICAL BED**

## using **PLYWOOD** material

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#### **TOOLS NEEDED:**

Power Drill

Drill Bits: 1/8", 1/4", 5/16"

1" Forstner Bit, 5/8" Forstner Bit,

Power Saw, Table Saw or Circular Saw

Jigsaw or Coping Saw

Phillips-Head and Flat-Head Screwdrivers or Driver Bits for Drill

Tape Measure

#4 Allen Wrench

Hammer

Clamps

Straight Edge or Framing Square

Household Iron for Veneer Tape and Utility Knife

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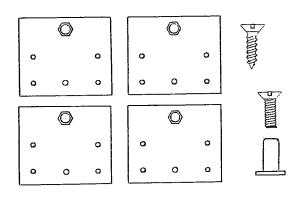
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QUEEN VERTICAL (UPRIGHT) murphy bed mechanism PLYWOOD construction



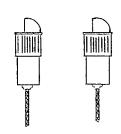
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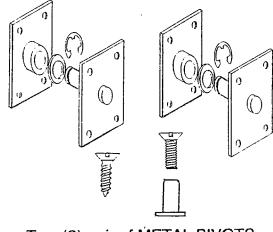
Four (4) BALL STUD PLATES with twelve (12) black #10 x 3/4" screws and eight (8) "T" nuts with machine screws



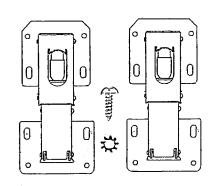
Two (2) BED STOPS with two (2) #8 x 5/8" round head SCREWS



Two (2) LOCKING SPRING LATCHES with CABLES



Two (2) pair of METAL PIVOTS with two (2) WASHERS two (2) "E" CLIPS four (4) "T" nuts with MACHINE SCREWS twelve (12) #12 x 3/4" zinc SCREWS



Two (2) double-acting, fully-concealed LEG HINGES with sixteen (16) #8 x 5/8" round head MOUNTING SCREWS with two (2) LOCK WASHERS



Two (2) ELASTIC MATTRESS RETAINING STRAPS

One (1) yellow PLYWOOD CONSTRUCTION booklet

One (1) white PARTICLE BOARD CONSTRUCTION booklet

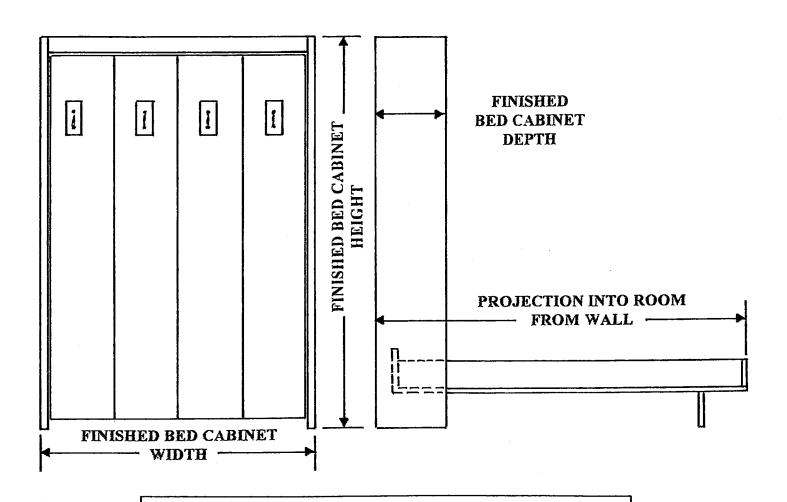
One (1) blue ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION booklet

One (1) VERTICAL bed Construction, Assembly and Installation VIDEO.

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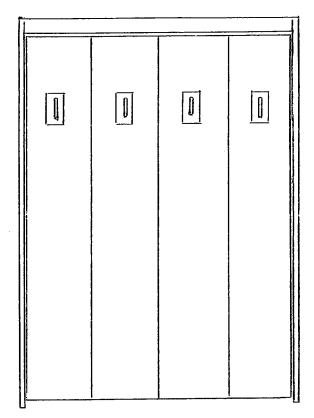
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# Out-to-out dimensions of VERTICAL STYLE murphy bed cabinet constructed using the $Create-A-Bed^{@}$ mechanism

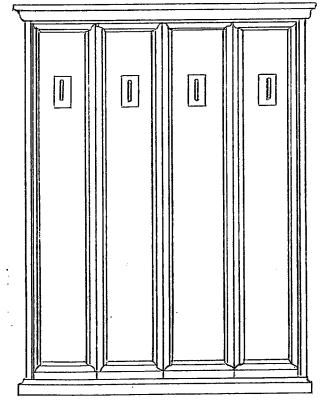


OUTSIDE-EDGE to OUTSIDE EDGE FINISHED VERTICAL BED CABINET DIMENSIONS						
SIZE	HEIGHT	WIDTH	DEPTH	PROJECTION		
Twin	82 1/8"	42 7/8"	15 7/8"	80"		
Fuli	82 1/8"	57 7 <i>1</i> 8"	15 7/8"	80"		
Queen	87 1/8"	63 7/8"	15 7/8"	84"		

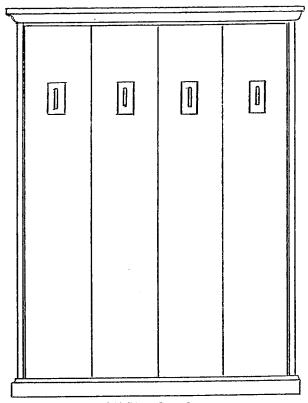
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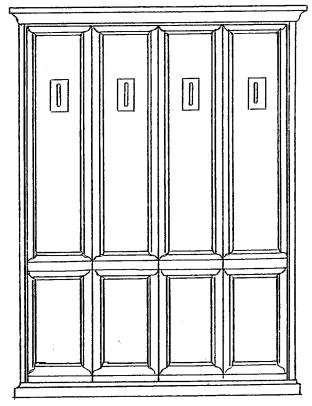
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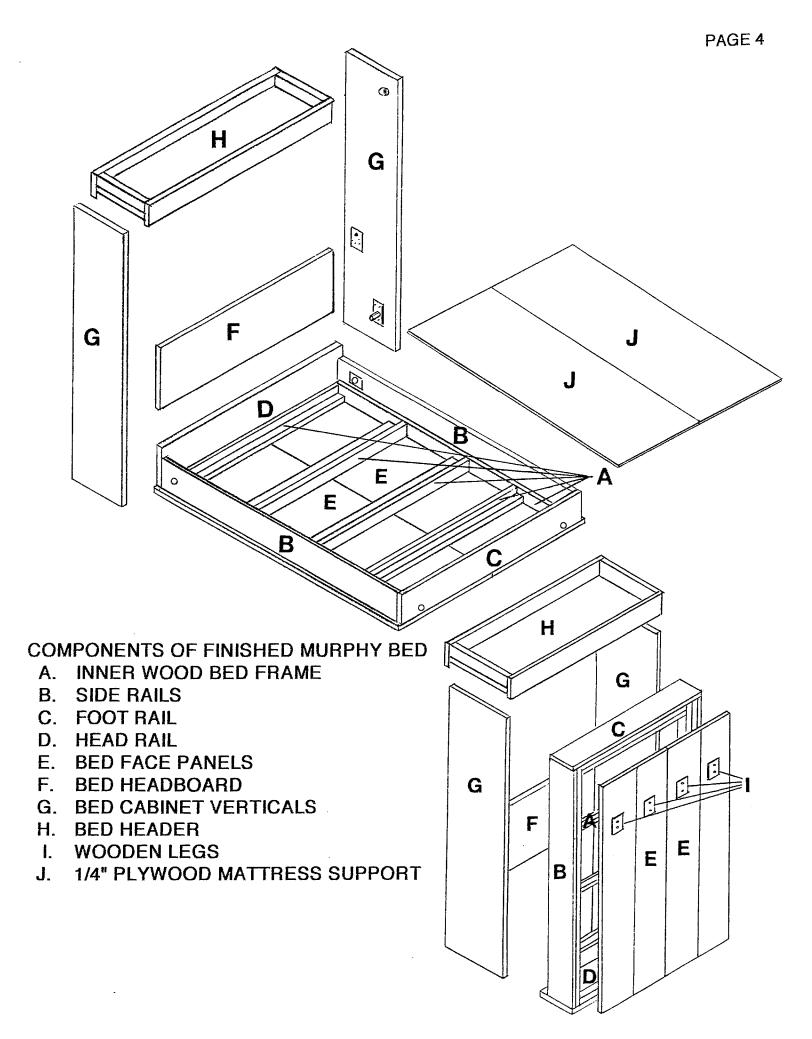
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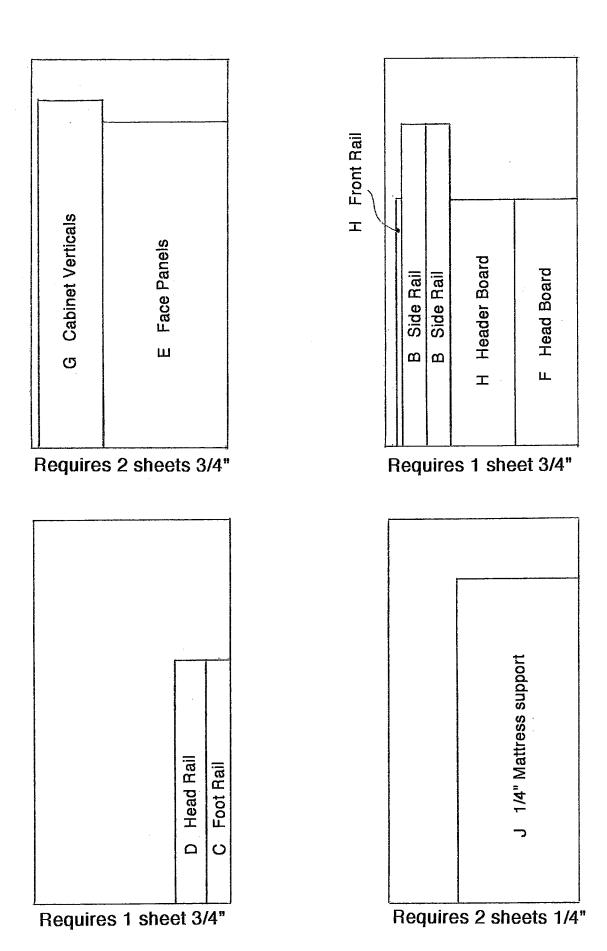
WITH CROWN AND BASE MOLDING



WITH CROWN, BASE AND SPLIT FACE PANEL MOLDING



## Queen Vertical Plywood Cutting Guide Requires 4 sheets of 3/4" x 4' x 8' and 2 sheets of 1/4" x 4' x 8' NOTE: Refer to page 6 for the cutting dimensions.



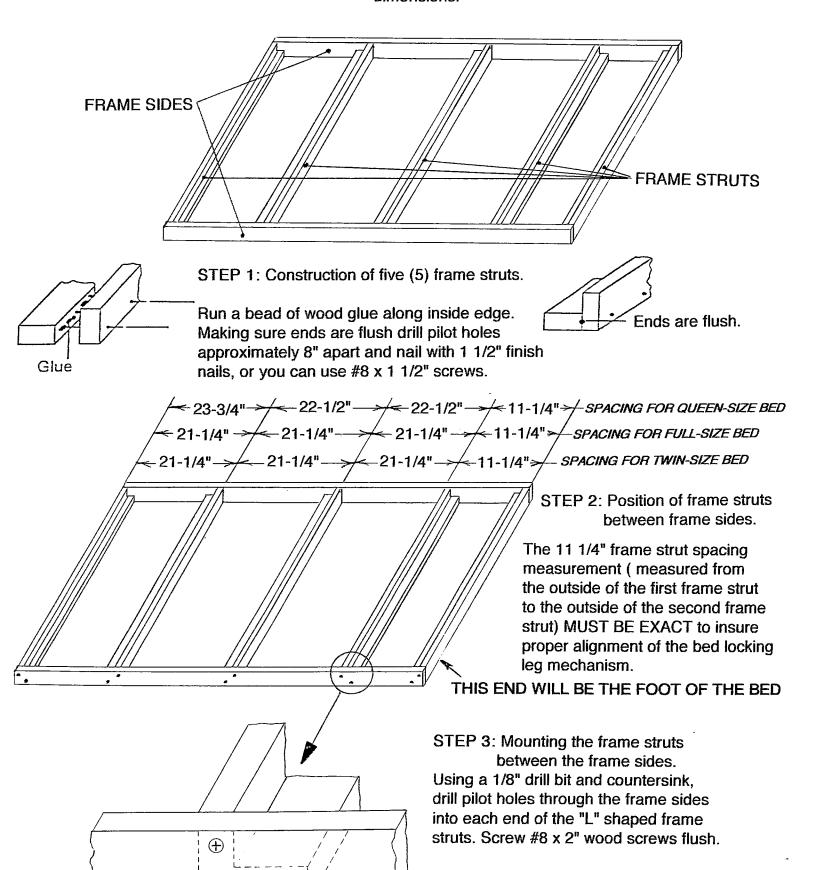
## QUEEN SIZE VERTICAL (upright) BED WITH 3/4" PLYWOOD FACE PANEL BILL OF MATERIALS / CUT SHEET

check off as completedA. INNER WOOD BED FRAME:	*To be constructed of solid wood:					
FRAME STRUTS: *Solid wood: FRAME SIDES: *Solid wood:		10 pieces 2 pieces				
B. SIDE RAILS:	<i>MATERIAL <u>MUST</u> BE USED ON THESE</i> 3/4" X 5-7/8" X 80"	2 pieces				
C. FOOT RAIL:	3/4" X 5-7/8" X 61-1/2"	1 piece				
D. HEAD RAIL:	3/4" X 7-7/8" X 61-1/2"	1 piece				
E. BED FACE PANEL:	3/4" X 31" X 81-3/4"	2 pieces				
F. BED HEADBOARD:	3/4" X 15-7/8" X 62-3/8"	1 piece				
G. BED CABINET VERTICALS:	3/4" X 15-7/8" X 87-1/8"	2 pieces				
H. BED HEADER: HEADERBOARD:	3/4" X 14-3/8" X 62-3/8"	1 piece				
	3/4" X 2-3/4" X 62-3/8"	1 piece				
REAR RAIL: *Solid wood:		1 piece				
MOUNTING CLEATS: *Solid wood		2 pieces				
I. BED LEGS: *Solid wood:	3/4" X 3" X 7"	4 pieces				
J. 1/4" PLYWOOD mattress support:	1/4" X 30" X 80"	2 pieces				
K. VENEER or MELAMINE TAPE:	13/16" X 80 feet					
L. WOOD GLUE:	One 8 ounce bottle					
M. CONSTRUCTION ADHESIVE:	One 10 ounce tube					
N. FINISH NAILS:	One box of 1 1/4" One box of 1 1/2"					
O. SCREWS:	#8 1 1/4" coarse thread Box of 100 #8 1 1/2" coarse thread 30 #8 2" coarse thread 40					
P. INNERSPRING MATTRESS weighing 65 pounds or more						

NOTE: Make sure your mattress dimensions DO NOT exceed 60" x 80"

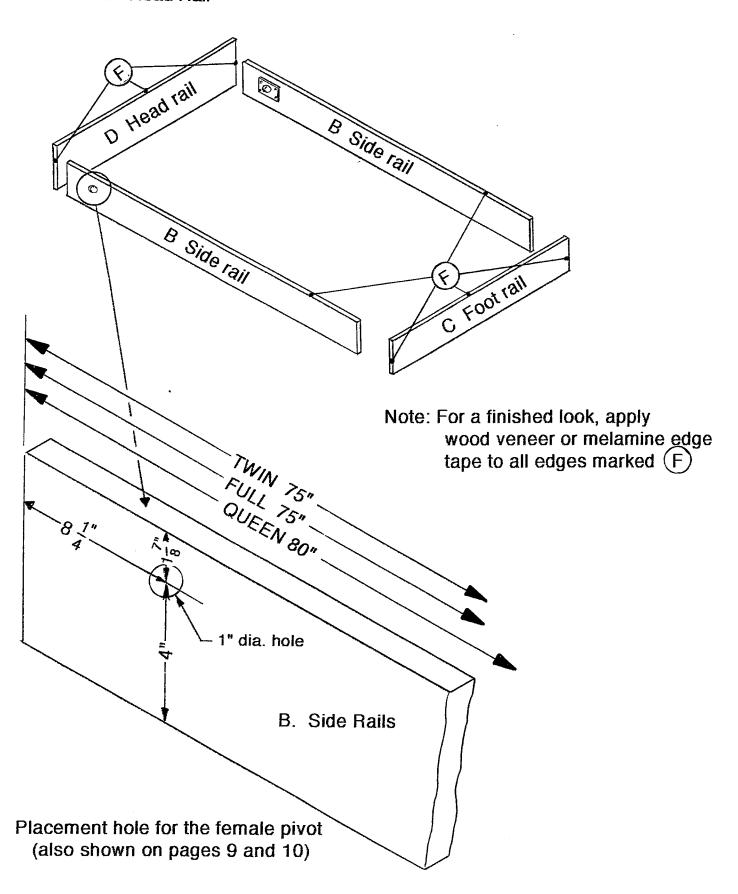
Mattress thickness not to exceed 12"

See Bill of Materials / Cut Sheet (PART A) for twin, full or queen size frame struts and frame sides dimensions.

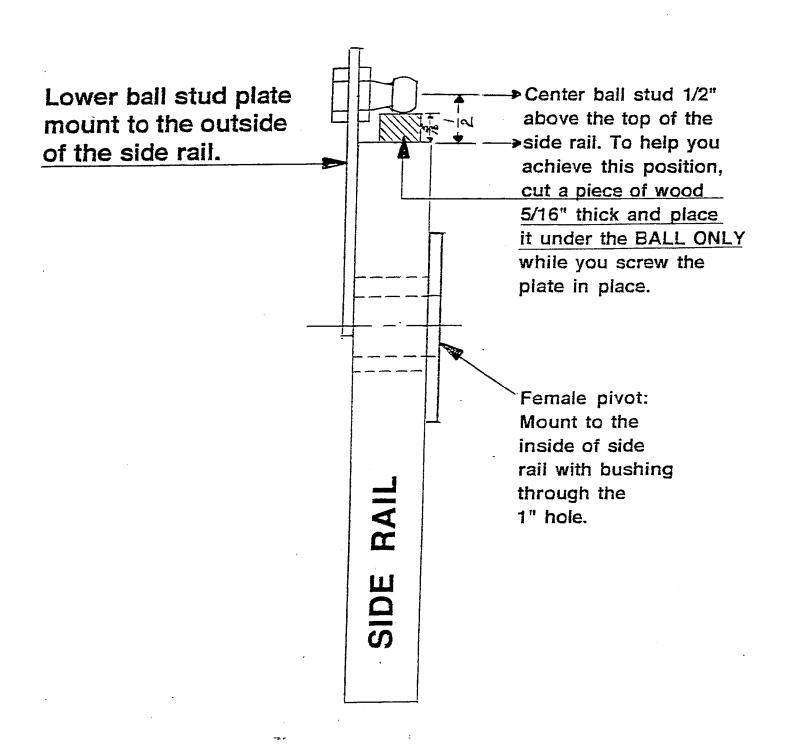


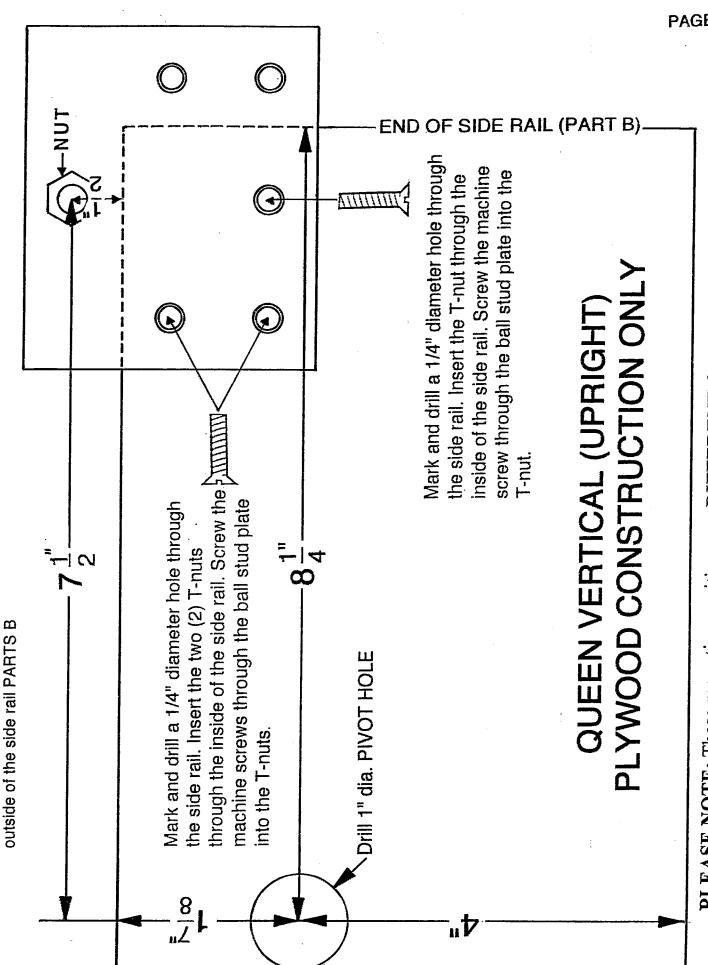
PART B. Side Rails: (must be made of plywood) Why?... This is where the stress takes place, Plywood is stronger than solid wood.

PART C. Foot Rail PART D. Head Rail



This page pertains to the orientation and mounting positions of the lower ball stud plate and female pivot - USE WITH PAGES 9, 10, & 11

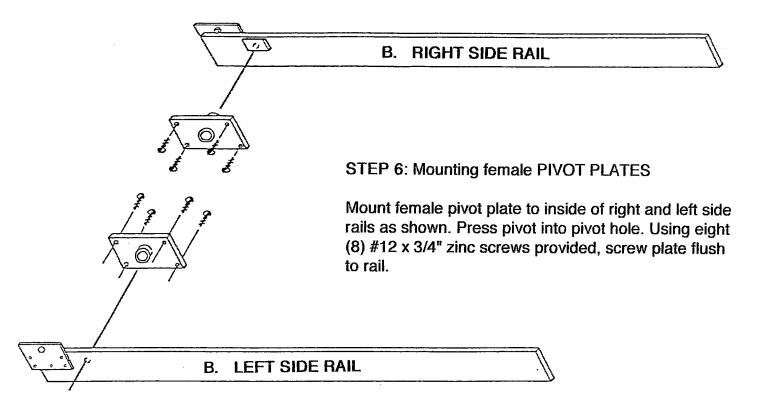


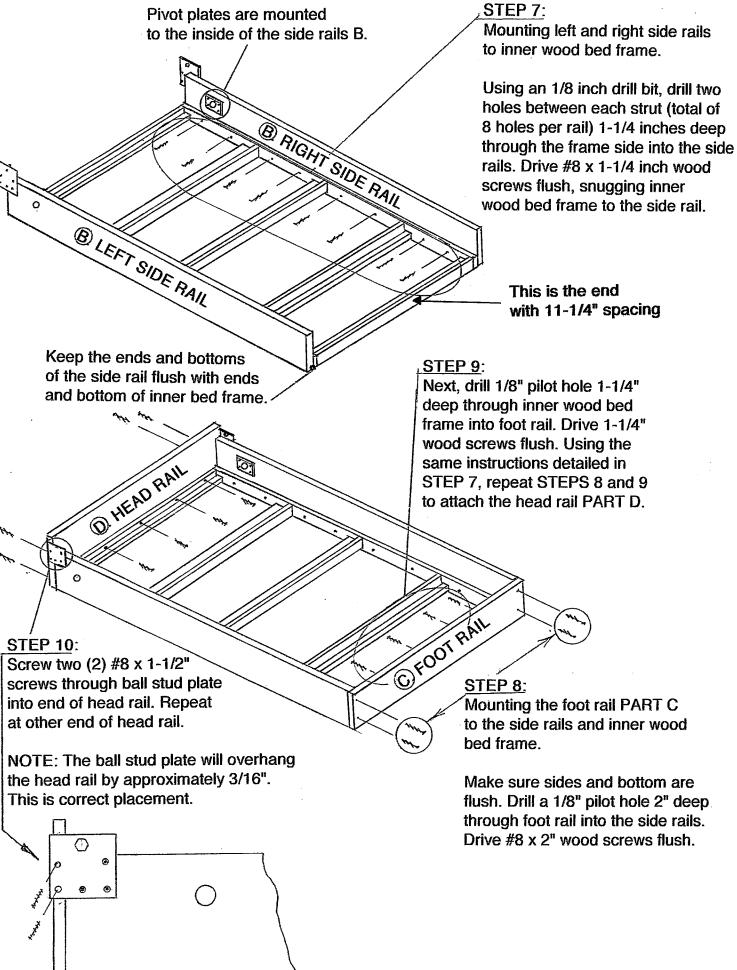


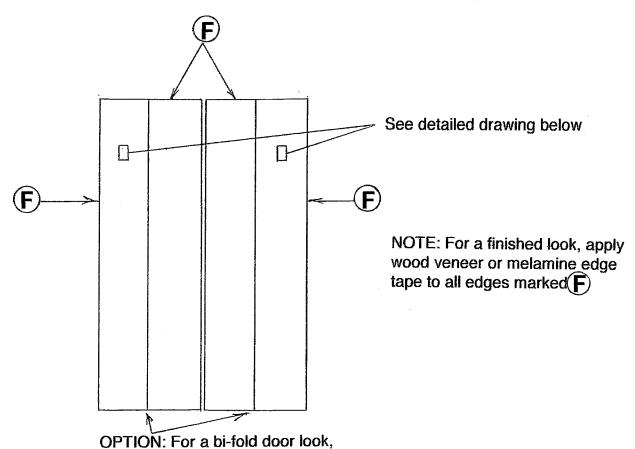
STEP 4: Mounting the lower ball stud plate to the

PLEASE NOTE: These mounting positions are DIFFERENT from those seen in the DVD... Use these Dimensions.

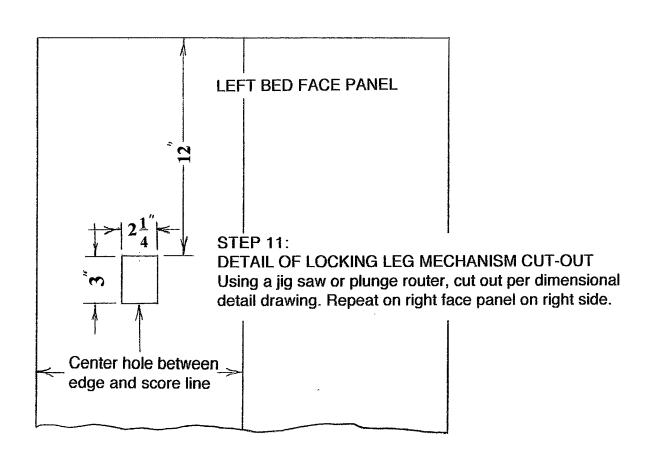
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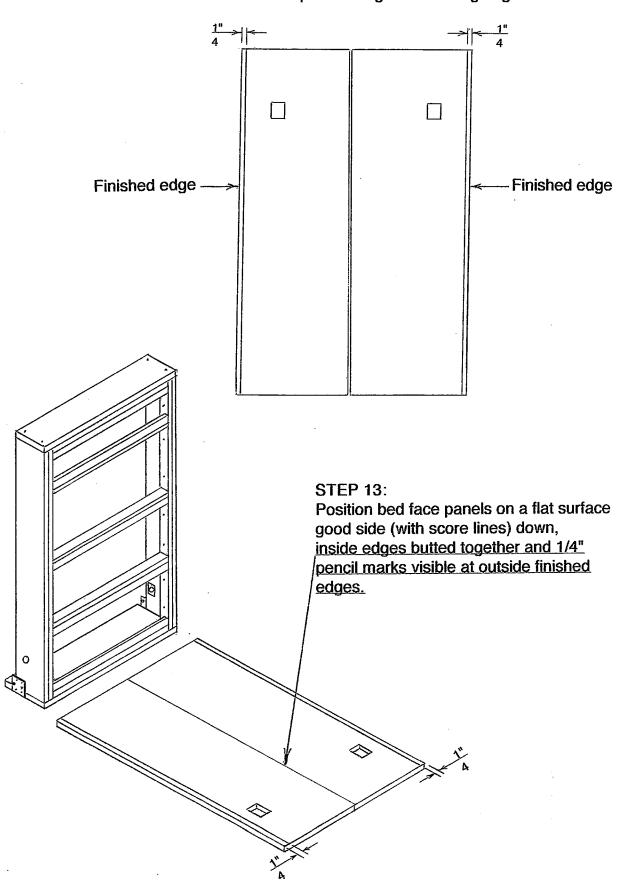


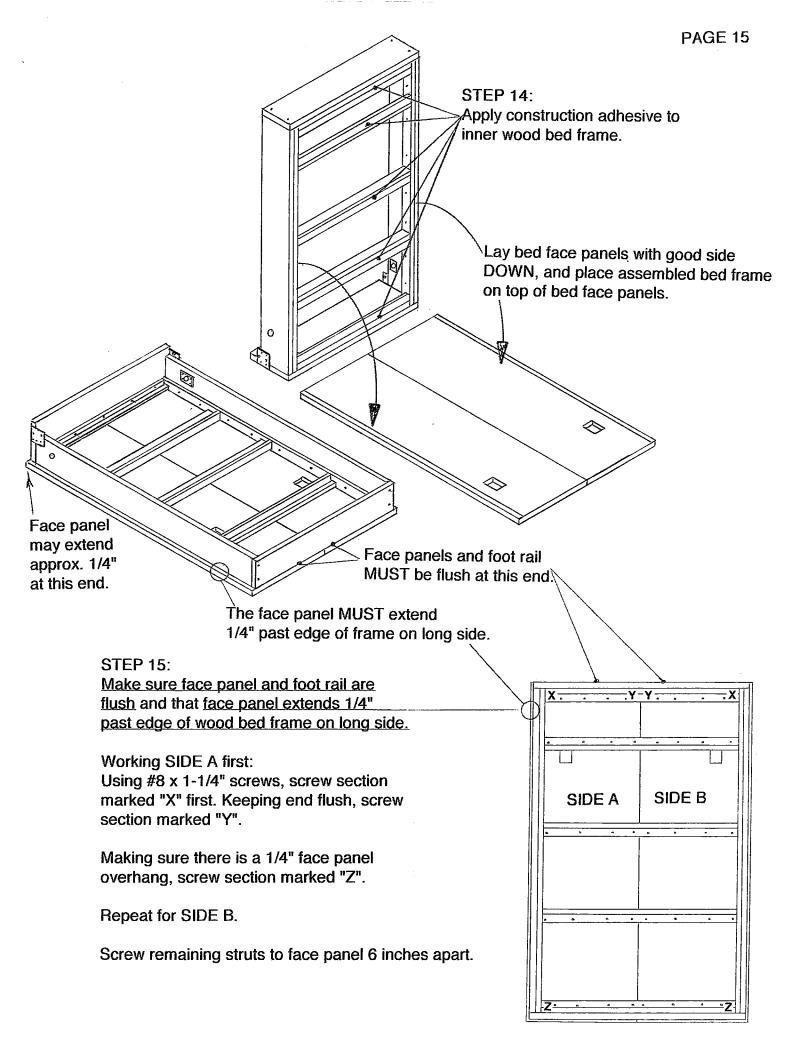


score center of panels 1/8" deep the full length of the panels.



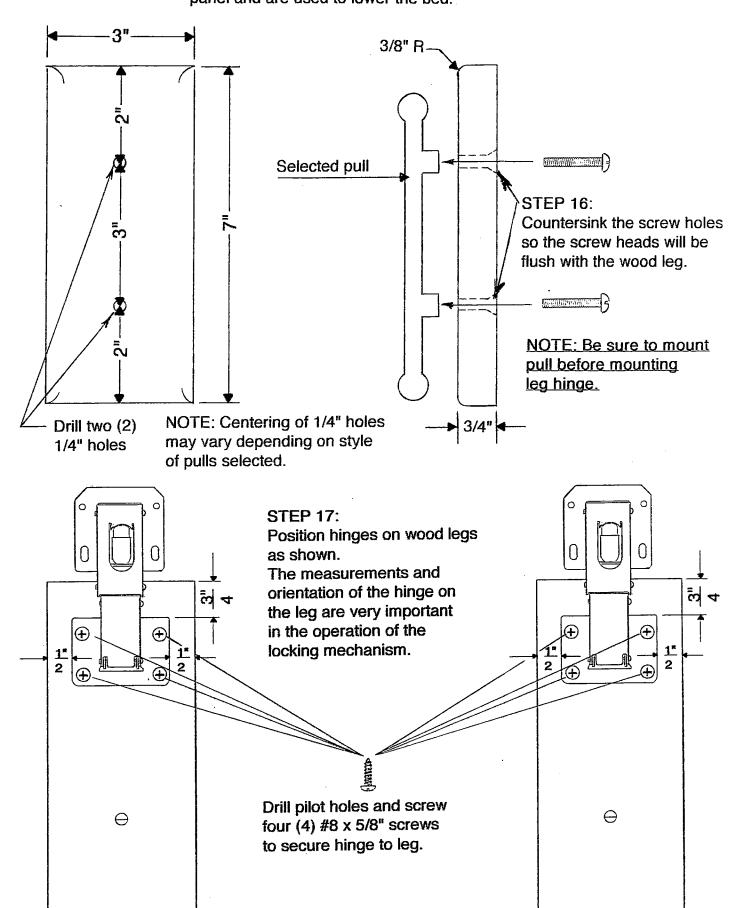
STEP 12: Turn face panels over. On back side, mark a 1/4" line the full length of each panel along finished long edge.

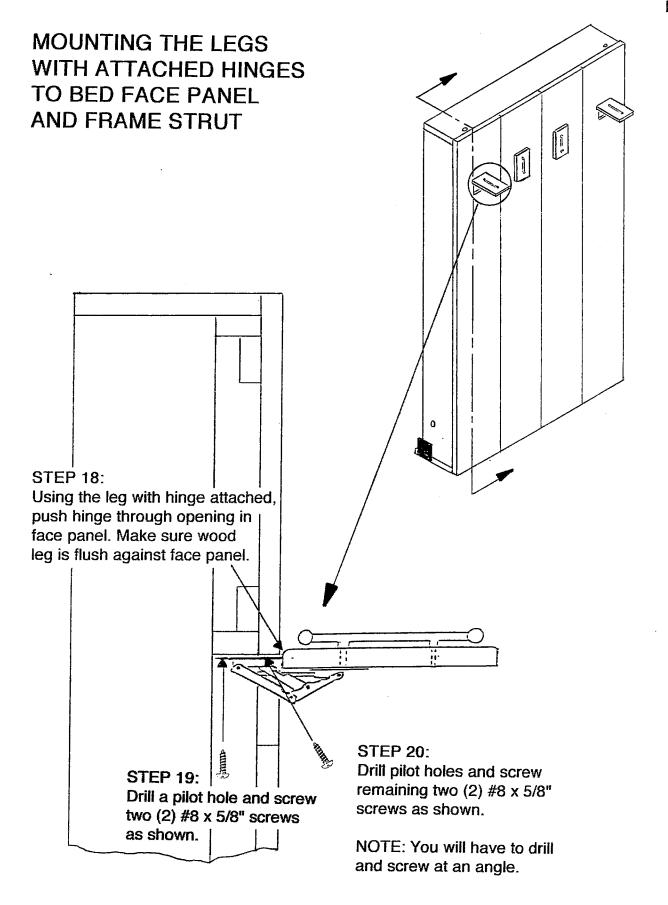




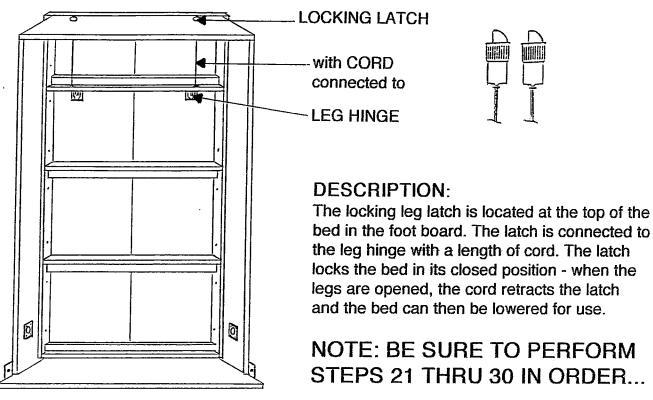
I. WOOD LEGS

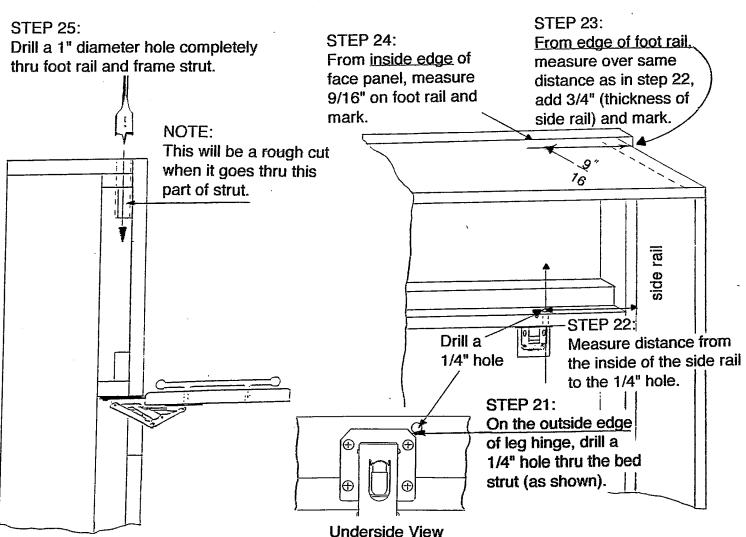
NOTE: Make four (4) wood legs, 3/4" x 3" x 7". ONLY two (2) legs will use the leg hinges. The other two (2) legs are fixed to the face panel and are used to lower the bed.

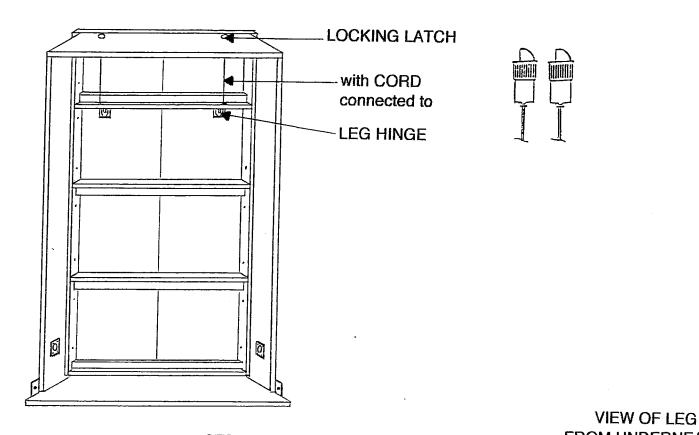


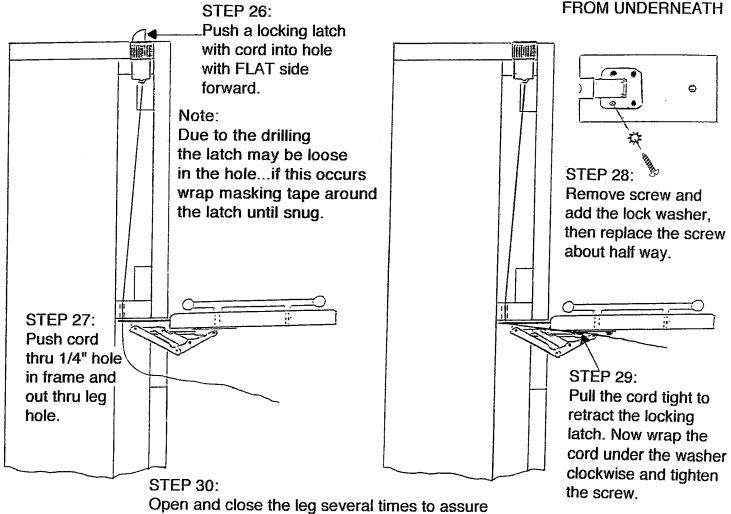


## **INSTALLING THE LOCKING LATCHES**

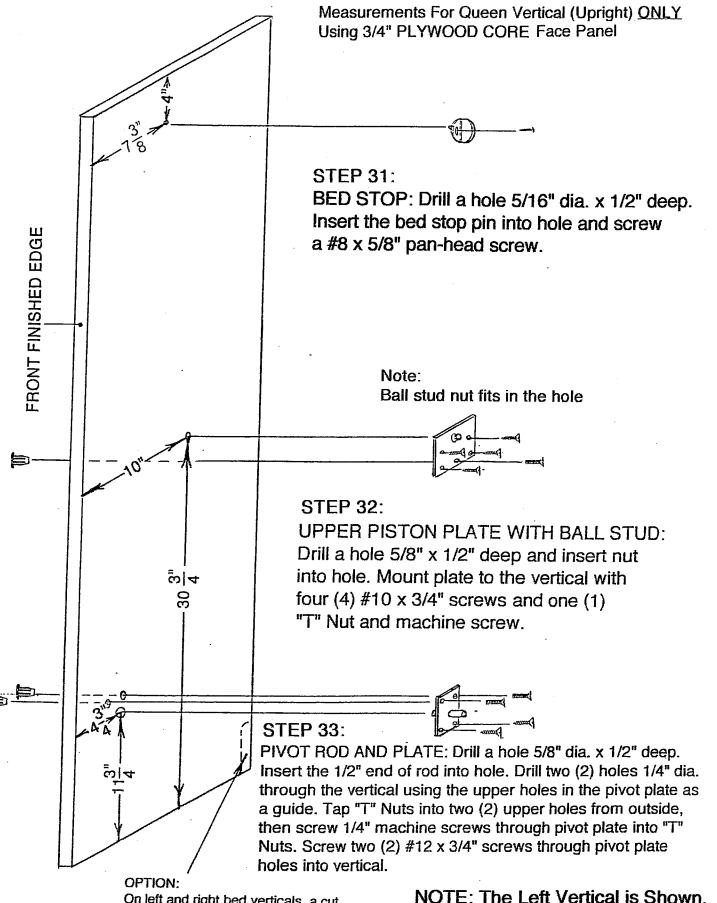








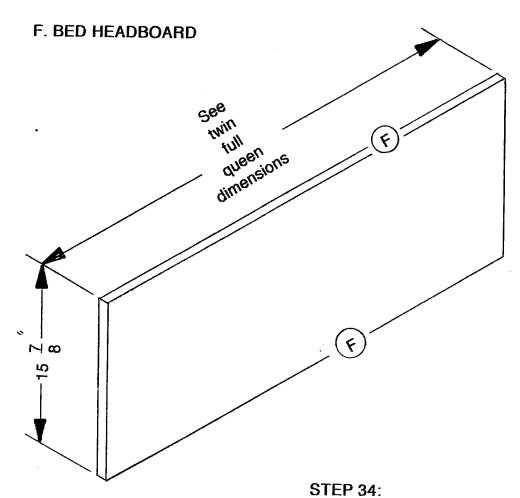
correct operation of the locking latch.



PART G: BED CABINET VERTICALS

On left and right bed verticals, a cut can be made to accommodate existing base molding so cabinet will fit flush against the wall.

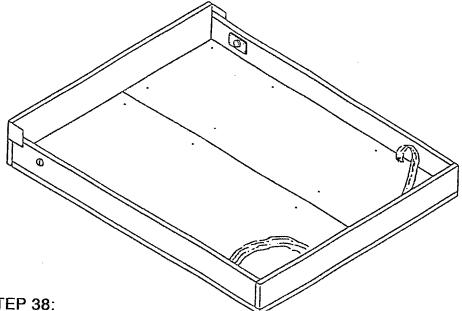
NOTE: The Left Vertical is Shown, Repeat Steps 31, 32, and 33 For The Right Vertical.



NOTE: For a finished look, apply wood veneer or melamine edge tape to all edges marked F.

STEP 37:

Using #8 x 2" screws, glue and screw mounting cleats to header board between front and rear rails as shown. NOTE: Be sure to drill pilot holes and counter-sink screws flush with the wood.

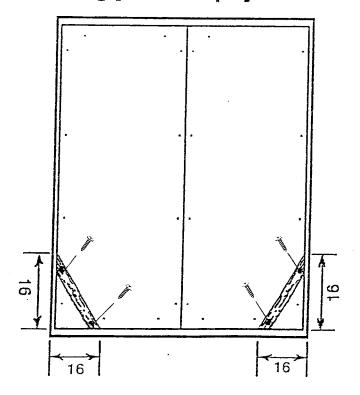


**STEP 38:** 

Lay 1/4" plywood mattress support (PART J) on inner bed frame and attach with finish nails or screws. Screw ends of both mattress retaining straps thru 1/4" plywood (PART J) into inner wood bed frame, 16 (sixteen) inches from front corners of face panel as shown. Place innerspring mattress on plywood, and slip both straps over front corners of mattress, checking length to assure mattress is secure.

#### NOTE:

Now refer to the BLUE ASSEMBLY BOOKLET and VIDEO for instructions for assembling and installing your murphy bed.



## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE **VERTICAL** (upright)

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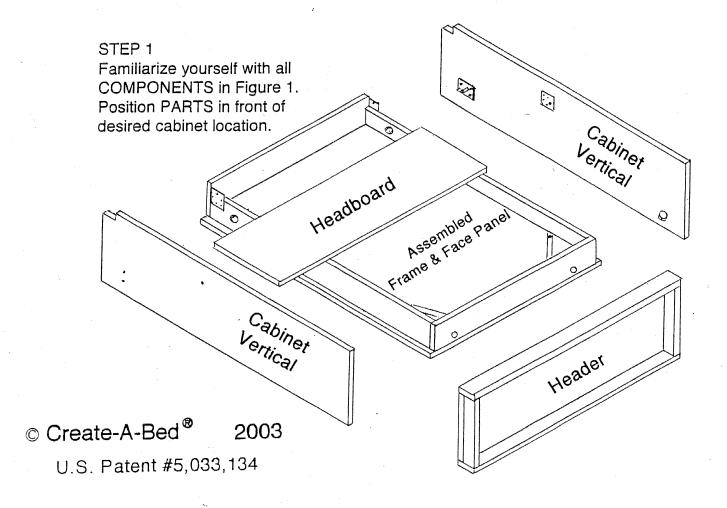
**MURPHY BED** 

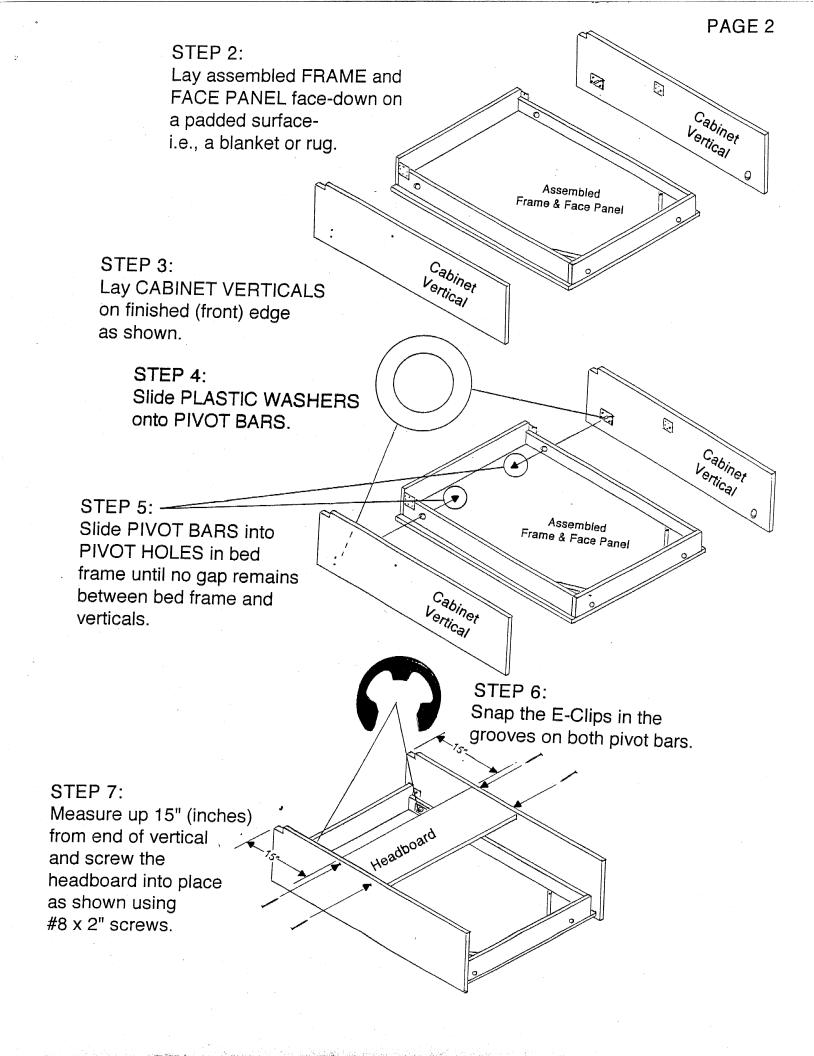
## **WARNING!**

This bed contains stored mechanical energy which can cause serious injury if improperly handled. Your bed MUST! MUST! be securely anchored to the wall! READ INSTRUCTIONS AND WATCH VIDEO THOROUGHLY BEFORE ASSEMBLY AND DISASSEMBLY!

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Tools needed: Power drill, Stud Finder, Tape Measure, Phillips-head sdrewdriver, Flat-head screwdriver, clamps and drill bits appropriate for your mounting surface see step 15 on page 7.

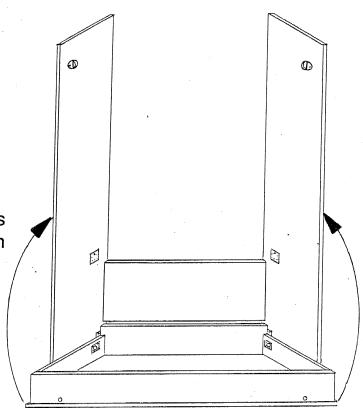




#### STEP 8:

With the BED FACE PANEL remaining face-down on padding, slowly and carefully rotate the CABINET VERTICALS & the HEADBOARD assembly into its upright position.

NOTE: To prevent damage to the legs be sure they are in the closed position when rotating the bed into the upright position.



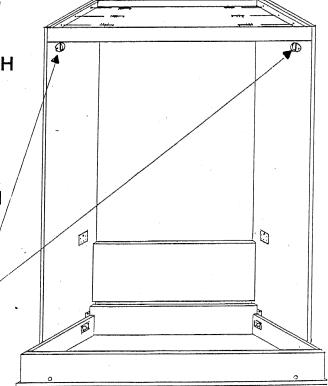
#### STEP 9:

Place the header between the bed verticals, making sure the nailed rail is in front, and the screwed rail is in the rear. Be sure top front and top rear of the header is FLUSH with the top front and top rear of the bed verticals. Using #8 x 1-1/4" screws, drill and screw through mounting cleats into the bed verticals, four (4) on each side.

NOTE: Clamps may be very helpful to hold the bed header between the bed verticals.

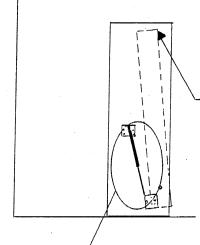
#### STEP 10:

Remove the two (2) bed stops from inside of bed cabinet.



#### **STEP 11:**

Place bed cabinet 2 to 3 feet away from the wall, allowing enough room to comfortably work behind the bed cabinet.

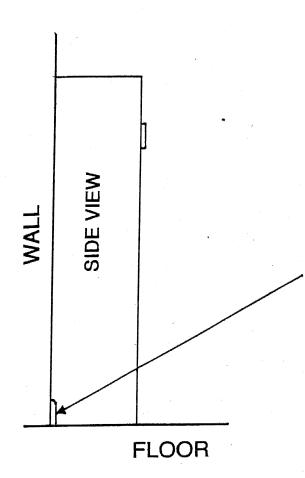


#### **STEP 12:**

With a helper holding the bed cabinet, allow the bed to recess back into the cabinet about three (3) inches.

At this point, the piston can be installed. Simply snap the piston on the bottom (bed frame) end first - then the top (bed cabinet) end.

BE SURE TO ORIENT PISTON CORRECTLY by referring to the label on each piston. ("MOUNT THIS END UP")



#### **STEP 13:**

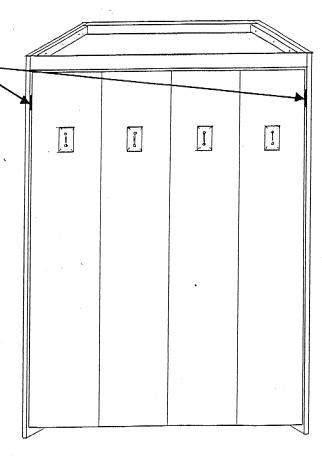
If the room has existing base molding, make a cut at the bottom rear of the cabinet verticals to accommodate the existing base molding.

If room does not have base molding, simply place cabinet flush against wall.

#### **STEP 14:**

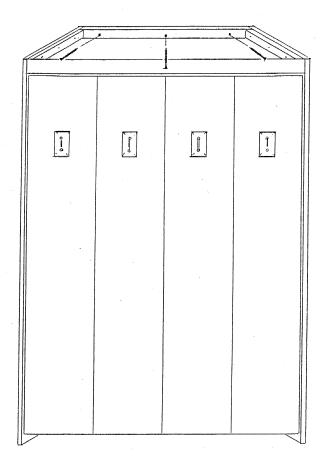
After assuring that the top and bottom of the bed cabinet are against the wall, center the face panel between the verticals by placing a piece of folded cardboard between the face panel and each of the two verticals as illustrated.

NOTE: The face panel is still recessed inside the cabinet.



STEP 15 IS <u>VERY, VERY IMPORTANT!!!</u> YOUR BED <u>MUST</u> BE SECURELY AND CORRECTLY ANCHORED TO THE WALL to assure proper operation and to avoid possible injury.

NOTE: When the bed is lowered, it wants to pull the bed cabinet down with it, so the bed cabinet MUST be securely anchored to the wall using the correct fasteners for your type of wall.



See STEP 15 on PAGE 7 for Anchoring Instructions

#### STEP 15: MOUNTING THE BED CABINET TO THE WALL

If the wall has WOOD studs, use 3" COARSE THREAD drywall screws or 3" lag screws:

Locate and mark the centers of the studs in desired wall location using a good studfinder.

Drill three (3) pilot holes through the rear rail of the Bed Header into the wall for a twin or full size bed and four (4) for a queen size bed. Drive three (3) 3" drywall screws or lag screws through the rear rail of the Bed Header into the studs for a twin or full, and drive four (4) screws for a queen size bed.

If the wall is CONCRETE, MORTAR OR BRICK construction, use masonry screws :

Drill three (3) pilot holes through the rear rail of the Bed Header into the wall for a twin or full size bed and four (4) for a queen size bed. Using a 5/32" 4" concrete drill bit, drill through the pilot holes into the wall two (2) inches deep. Anchor the bed by screwing 3/16" x 2 1/4" masonry screws through the rear rail of the Bed Header into the wall.

If the wall has METAL studs, use 3/16" x 4" toggle bolts: Locate and mark the centers of the studs in desired wall location using a good studfinder.

Drill three (3) pilot holes through the back rail of the Bed Header into the wall for a twin or full size bed and four (4) for a queen size bed. Using a 9/16" drill bit, drill holes at the pilot holes through the metal studs. Be sure you drill through the studs. Insert the toggle bolt screws through the pilot holes in the rear rail of the Bed Header. Now thread the toggle wings on the screws. Fold the wings back completely and push the wings through the metal studs until the wings spring open. Pull the Header Rail back to hold the wings against the inside of the stud and tighten the screws with a screwdriver.

#### **STEP 16:**

Holding the BED FACE PANEL in the down position, place the innerspring mattress on the bed and secure with ELASTIC RETAINING STRAPS.

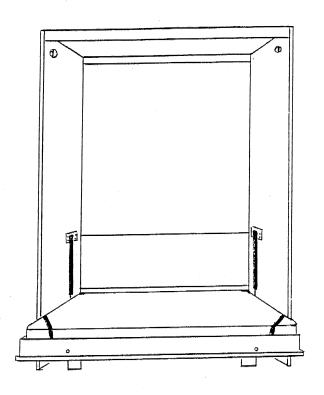
NOTE: When lowering the bed without the counter balance of the mattress it may seem very difficult... do not be concerned, once the mattress is placed on the bed it will function easily.

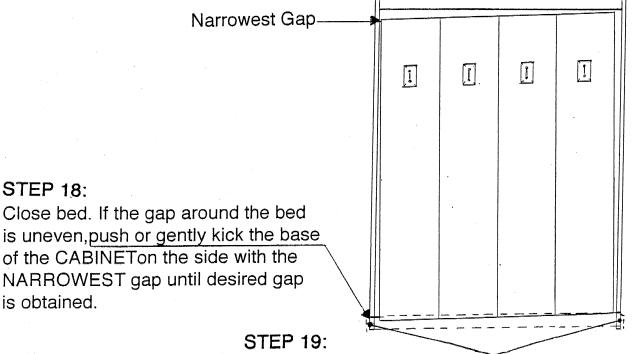
If the mattress is lightweight and the bed has a tendency to float off the floor, simply add some weight-i.e.- a piece of particle board, wood, etc. inside the bed frame at the end of the bed to counter-balance.

**STEP 18:** 

is obtained.

#### **STEP 17:** Replace the bed stops and screws.





Close the bed. Apply base molding (if applicable) from outside of vertical to outside of vertical.

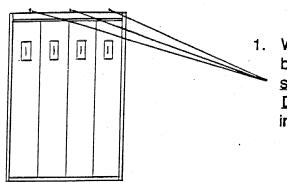
## PROBLEM SOLVING

- Q: The piston won't hand-compress... has it "frozen up?"
- A: The design and construction of the piston's internal parts won't allow it to "freeze up." Each piston contains as much as 240 pounds of pressure, so they CANNOT be compressed by hand. Please refer to the ASSEMBLY BOOKLET, page 4 step 12.
- Q: The bed is very hard to open and it wants to spring closed.
- A: Your mechanism is designed to have the optimum mechanical leverage to comfortably raise and lower the bed.

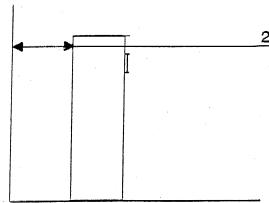
  Place the mattress on the bed. The mattress is the counter-balance, i.e., This is what offsets the force of the piston.
- Q: I've assembled the bed and attached it to the wall, but the bed face panel sags out of the cabinet... what do I do now?
- A: The mounting positions of the upper or the lower ball stud plates are incorrect. Check your measurements on PAGES 9, 10 and 20. Remember... the the measurements in the white (particle board) book ARE DIFFERENT from the measurements in the yellow (plywood) book. IF the face panel sags out of the cabinet and you FORCE it closed you will damage the head of the piston.

### REPLACING THE COUNTER BALANCE PISTON

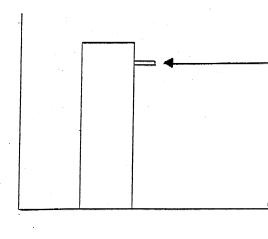
DO NOT ATTEMPT To Compress the piston by any other means than the one described in the steps below.



 With the bed in the upright, closed position with both legs closed and locked, remove the anchor screws from the top of the bed cabinet.
 Do not remove the anchor screws with the bed in the open position.



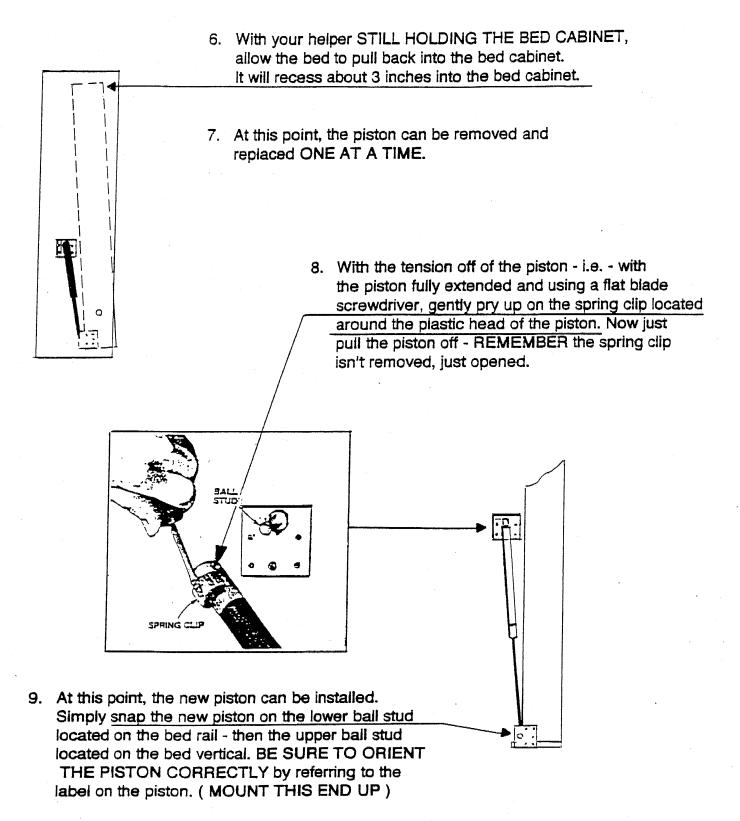
 Place the bed cabinet 2 to 3 feet away from the wall, allowing enough room to comfortably work behind the bed cabinet.



3. With a helper SECURELY holding the bed cabinet, lift both locking legs to unlock the bed from the cabinet.

4. With the helper CONTINUING TO HOLD the bed cabinet, lower the bed 4 to 5 inches out of the cabinet.

5. Working from the back of the bed, remove the screws and brass bed stops.



- 10. Repeat on the other side of the bed.
- 11. Replace both bed stops and screws.
- 12. Place the bed cabinet back against the wall and replace the screws, MAKING SURE THE BED IS SECURELY FASTENED TO THE WALL.