



Model s553



Assembly Notes

- All PANELS are labeled according to their position in the cage (TOP, BOTTOM, etc.).
- Start building with the LEFT PANELS and move toward the right.
- LEFT PANELS have drilled holes, 'through-holes' [Fig. 1] which match up with the RIGHT panel's nutsert [Fig. 2]. This allows you to bolt the LEFT PANEL to the RIGHT PANEL.
- For all PANELS, wherever there is a through-hole for the bolt, there will be a matching threaded nutsert on the adjacent PANELS. When assembling, insert the bolts through the holes of one PANEL and into the nutsert [Fig. 3]. When the PANEL'S bolts are loosely in place, go back and tighten until snug.
- As you assemble, make sure all PANELS have fitting holes facing downward. All PANELS should be assembled with the wire flush with the outside of the cage.
- Assemble with the included Bolts and Allen Wrench [Fig. 4]. You may use a cordless drill with a 4mm hex bit **but you must set the torque to LOW to avoid over-threading the bolts.**
- It is not necessary to over-tighten the Bolts; only tighten until snug.

Fig. 1



Fig. 2

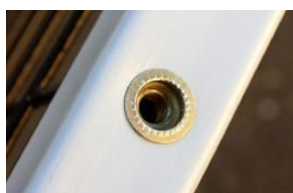


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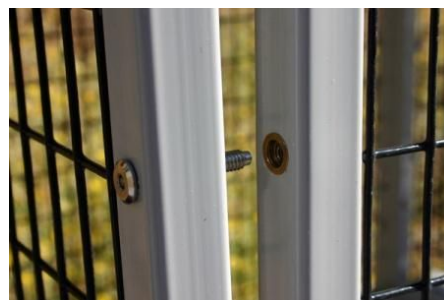


Fig. 4



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- Place the LEFT BACK PANEL against a SIDE PANEL to form an “L” shape, and bolt together.
- Bolt the other SIDE PANEL to the BACK PANEL to form a freestanding “U” shape [Fig 5].
- With the “U” shape, place the FLOOR PANEL onto the ground and slide it into place [Fig 6]. The long side with the protrusion on the edge should be facing the front.
- To install the TOP PANEL, it is helpful to place bolts all the way through the holes in the BACK and SIDE PANELS, then rest the TOP PANEL on them [Fig. 7].
- Take one bolt out at a time and reinsert the bolts on all three sides so that they go loosely into the threads of the TOP PANEL. When all bolts are loosely in place, tighten until snug [Fig 8].
- Follow the same steps with the middle floor.
- Set the FRONT PANEL into position and bolt into place.
- If you ordered Casters, install them at this time. Tip the cage back slightly and insert the Casters into the holes on the bottom. Press firmly to make sure they pop into place.
- To hang Shelves, place the shelf in the cage so that the hooks for the back are positioned at the desired height and the front hooks are next to the floor. Lift the front of the shelf up until you can hang the hooks on the front wire level with the back.

Fig. 5

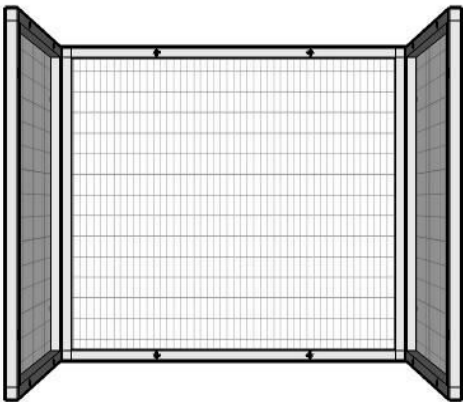


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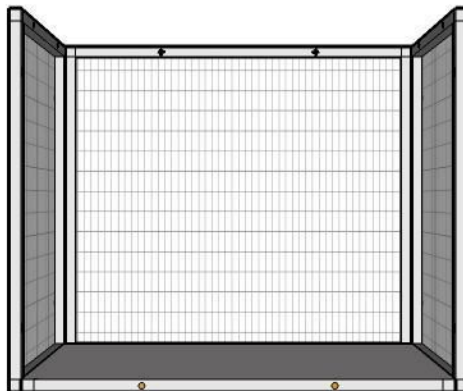


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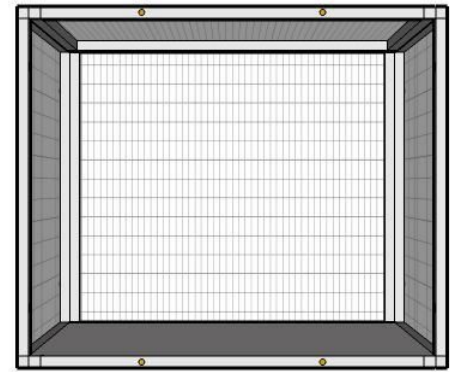


Fig. 7



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