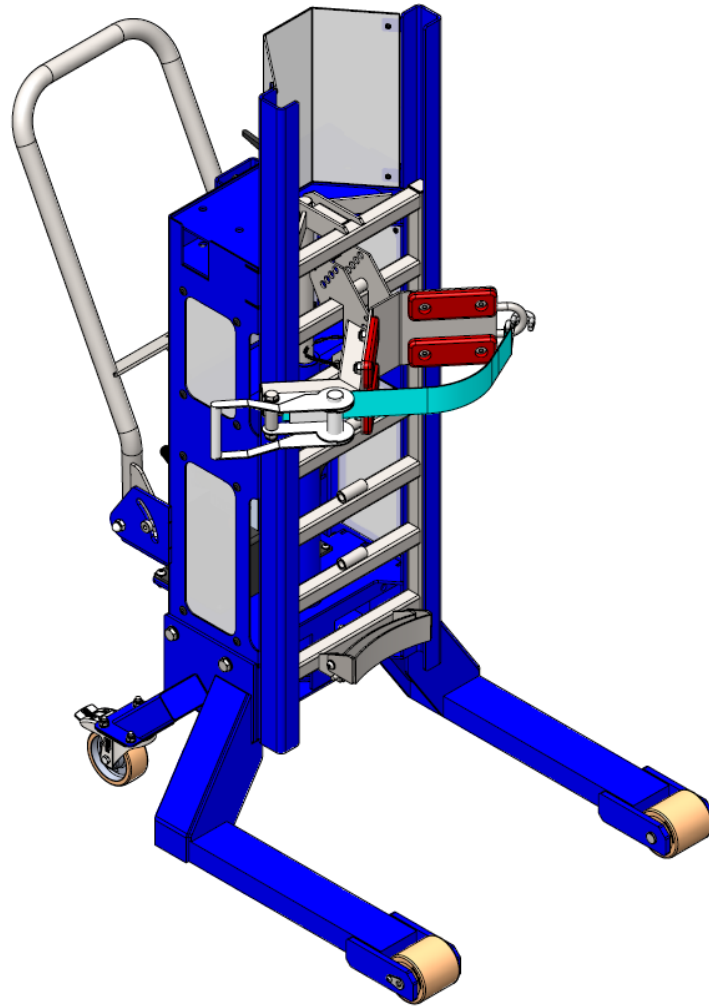


Operating Instructions



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Gas Cylinder Lifter

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Section I – Correct Use and Application

General

The unit described in the present operating instructions must be used, operated and serviced in accordance with the present instructions. Any other type of use is beyond the scope of application and can result in damage or injury to personnel, the unit or property. The unit described in the present operating instructions complies with BS EN ISO 17050-1:2010 and the EC Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC.

Foreseeable Misuse of the Unit

Personnel must take care when operating the unit. The following actions must be adhered to:

- The maximum safe working load (SWL) must not be exceeded.
- Do not travel with a raised load 500mm above the ground unless necessary.
- When manoeuvring the unit, do not exceed a speed of 1m/s (3.6km/h).
- When manoeuvring a raised load above 500mm, do not exceed a speed of 0.1m/s (0.36km/h).
- If applicable, do not over lower the head of the unit onto a platform, such as a mezzanine floor.
- Do not carry or lift other personnel.
- Do not stand or ride on the unit.
- Loads must be undamaged.
- Do not negotiate inclines unless otherwise stated.
- Do not stand underneath a raised load or within the confines of the unit during operation.
- The load must be lifted and/or mixed by the attachment provided.
- Do not alter the unit specification from original supply.
- Do not disable, remove or adjust safety mechanisms or switches.
- Observe all instruction decals applied to the unit.
- Do not leave the unit in direct sunlight.
- The manufacturer shall not be held liable in case of faults or accidents due to negligence, incapacity, installation by unqualified personnel or improper use.

Approved Application Conditions

- Operation in dry industrial and commercial environments.
- Permissible temperature range 5°C to 40°C.
- Lighting of at least 300 Lux.
- Altitudes not exceeding 2000m.
- Operation only on secure, level surfaces with sufficient capacity.
- Operation only on routes that are visible and approved by the proprietor.
- Operation in accordance with guidance stated within the operating instructions.
- The unit must be maintained in accordance with the maintenance schedule stated within the operating instructions.
- Appropriate personal protective equipment, PPE, must be worn at all times.

Proprietor Responsibilities

For the purposes of the present operating instructions the “proprietor” is defined as any natural or legal person who either uses the unit themselves, or on whose behalf it is used. In special cases (e.g. leasing or renting) the proprietor is considered the person who, in accordance with existing contractual agreements between the owner and user of the unit, is charged with operational duties. The proprietor must ensure that the unit is used only for the purpose for which it is intended and that there is no danger to life or limb of the user and third parties. Furthermore, accident prevention regulations, safety regulations and operating, maintenance and repair guidelines must be followed. The proprietor must ensure that all users have read and understood these operating instructions. The proprietor must perform an onsite risk assessment before the unit is put in to service.

IMPORTANT

Failure to comply with the operating instructions shall invalidate the warranty. The same applies if improper work is carried out on the unit by the proprietor or third parties without the permission of the manufacturer.

Adding Attachments and/or Accessories

The mounting or installation of additional equipment which affects or enhances the performance of the unit requires written permission of the manufacturer. Local authority approval may also need to be obtained. Local authority approval does not however constitute the manufacturer’s approval. An onsite risk assessment must then be carried out.

WARNING - ANY UNAUTHORISED MODIFICATIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE UNIT SHALL INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY AND STS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE.

Safety Regulations for the Operation of the Unit

Operator authorisation

The unit may only be used by suitably trained personnel, who have demonstrated to the proprietor, or their representative that they can operate the unit safely and in accordance with the operating instructions.

Operators rights, obligations and responsibilities

The operator must be informed of their duties and responsibilities and be instructed in the operation of the unit and shall be familiar with the operating instructions. Operators must be provided the appropriate PPE as mentioned in the ‘Approved Application Conditions’ section of this manual.

Unauthorised use of unit

The operator is responsible for the unit during the time it is in use. The operator must prevent unauthorised persons from operating the unit.

Damage and faults

The proprietor must be immediately informed of any damage or faults to the unit or attachment. Units which are unsafe for operation must be quarantined until faults have been rectified and the unit deemed safe for operation.

Servicing and repairs

All unit parts and consumables are available from STS. The unit must be fitted with original STS parts and consumables unless otherwise stated. Any deviation from non-original parts and consumables may result in injury to personnel or damage to the unit and will invalidate the warranty. The operator must never disable, remove or adjust safety mechanisms or switches. The unit should only be serviced and repaired by a competent individual as selected by the company the equipment is intended for use with.

Safety devices and warning decals

Safety devices, warning decals and warning instructions in the operating instructions and on the unit must be strictly observed.

Travel routes and operational areas

Only use lanes and routes specifically designated for unit traffic. Unauthorised third parties must stay away from operational areas. The unit must only be operated in operational areas with sufficient lighting to avoid damage or injury to personnel, the unit or property. Additional equipment is necessary to operate the unit in areas of insufficient lighting.

Hazardous area of the unit

The hazardous area is defined as the area in which a person is at risk due to the unit itself or movement of the unit and/or load. This also includes areas which can be reached by falling loads. The operator must:

- Instruct unauthorised personnel to leave the hazardous area.
- Give a warning signal with plenty of time for personnel to leave.
- Stop all operations if unauthorised personnel are within or enter the hazardous area.

Travel conduct

The operator must adapt the travel speed to local conditions. The unit must be driven at slow speed when negotiating bends or narrow passageways, when passing through swing doors and at blind spots. Abrupt stopping (except in emergencies), rapid U turns and overtaking at dangerous or blind spots are not permitted. When not in use, the equipment should be parked in a safe location with the brakes engaged.

Travel visibility

The operator must look in the direction of travel and must always have a clear view of the route ahead. When transporting loads that affect visibility, a second person must safely assist the operator to observe the travel route.

Type of loads

The operator must make sure that the load is in a satisfactory condition. Loads must always be positioned safely and carefully. Use suitable precautions to prevent parts of the load and/or their contents from falling or spilling.

Cleaning

Cleaning of the unit depends on the environment that the unit is used in. It is recommended that the unit be cleaned daily if the unit comes into contact with aggressive substances such as chemicals, fertilizers, salt, etc. It is recommended to use detergent and a damp cloth to clean the body of the unit. Do not use flammable liquids to clean the unit. Do not clean the unit with pressurised water. If the unit is rated for ATEX environments, the unit must be kept clean and dust free.

Personal protective equipment (PPE)

PPE must be worn at all times. A minimum of safety shoes must be worn while operating the unit. Safety shoes, safety glasses, protective gloves, hearing protection and protective overalls are to be worn when carrying out servicing, repairs and maintenance. When operating overhead loads, a hard hat must be worn. End user health and safety procedures and best practices should be followed in addition to the above recommendations.

Consumables and Parts

Environmental hazards

Parts and oils must be disposed of in accordance with the relevant environmental protection regulations.

Hydraulic hoses (if applicable)

Brittle hydraulic hose lines cause accidents. Hairline cracks in the hydraulic lines can cause injury and infection. The hydraulic hoses should only be serviced or replaced by a competent individual as selected by the company the equipment is intended for use with. It is the responsibility of the proprietor to maintain the hydraulic hoses.

Lift chains (if applicable)

Incorrectly cleaned chains can cause accidents. Lift chains are safety-critical parts. They must not contain any serious contamination. Lift chains and pivot pins must always be clean. Never clean chains with high pressure steam jet cleaners, cold or chemical cleaning agents. It is recommended to clean the chains and pivot pins in an unloaded state with a citrus cleaner to remove dirt and grime followed by the application of a PTFE based industrial grade chain lubrication spray or food grade lubrication spray.

NOTE: For more consumable information refer to 'Section IV – Unit Maintenance, Troubleshooting and Consumables'.

ATEX Certified Units (if applicable)

Operational hazards

Processing of liquids or suspensions (mixing or stirring, filling or draining) can give rise to ignition risks due to static electricity including the risk of propagating brush discharges. The processing of liquids or suspensions is the responsibility of the end user.

Environmental hazards

Care should be taken by the end user to ensure collisions do not occur between the unit and its surrounding environments which may create a potential ignition source.

Earthing chains

Ensure earthing chains are securely fitted and are in contact with the ground at all times, wheels should be kept clean and free from debris.

Lifting the Unit

Lifting the unit safely

In order to raise the unit safely, including off a pallet, proceed as follows:

- The unit must be on a level surface to prevent it from moving accidentally.
- The lifting gear must only be secured to the points designated for this purpose.
- Always use lifting gear with sufficient capacity.
- The unit should only be handled by qualified personnel who are trained in using lifting slings and tools.
- Do not walk into or stand under a raised unit.
- If necessary, secure the unit with guide ropes to aid when lifting the unit.

Jacking the unit safely

In order to jack up the unit safely, proceed as follows:

- The unit must be on a level surface to prevent it from moving accidentally.
- Always use a jack with sufficient capacity.
- The unit should only be handled by qualified personnel who are trained in using lifting slings and tools.
- When jacking up the unit, take appropriate measures to prevent it from moving, slipping or tipping over (e.g. wedges, wooden blocks, stops)

WARNING - IMPROPER LIFTING CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS ACCIDENTS

Securing the unit for transport

In order to transport the unit safely, proceed as follows:

- The unit must be securely fastened when transported on a lorry/trailer.
- The lorry/trailer must have fastening rings.
- Use wedges to prevent the unit from moving.
- Use only tension belts or tie-down straps with sufficient strength.

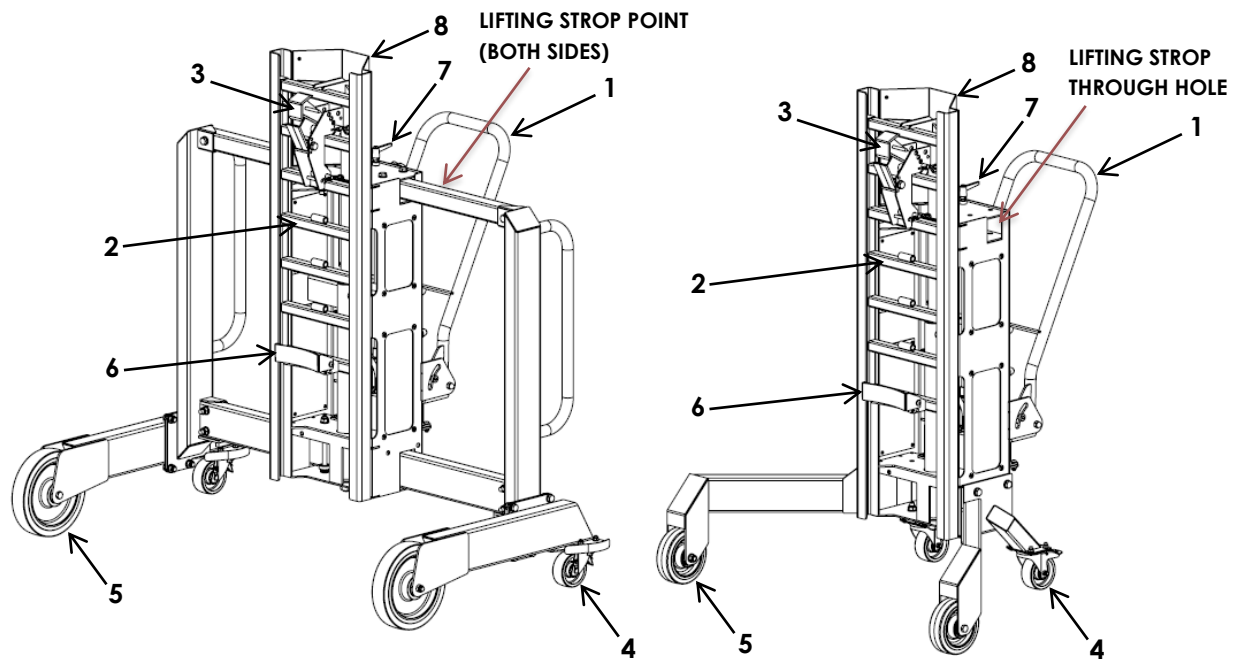
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IMPORTANT

After use, remove supplied lifting strop(s) and/or dee shackles and dispose.

Unit Overview

DTP04(-Ex) AND DTP05(-Ex) UNITS



Note: Generic units shown

No.	Function
1	Steering/Pump Handle
2	Rack
3	Drum/Cylinder Catch
4	Rear Wheel with Brake (x2)
5	Front Wheel (x2)
6	Thrust Pad
7	Lowering Valve
8	Polycarbonate Guard

Section II – Unit Description

The depalletiser is designed for lifting, lowering and transporting cylinders around the workplace. The instructions in this manual should be adhered to at all times, failure to do so could result in minor or serious injury to the operator and/or other personnel.

The unit incorporates enclosed, smooth geometry with rounded edges to ensure safe handling of the unit. The unit is fitted with a fully enclosed ram which is operated from the rear of the unit to keep operator's limbs away from dangerous machinery movement.

THE SAFE WORKING LOAD (SWL) OF THIS UNIT IS 150KG

THIS UNIT IS DESIGNED FOR USE ON FLAT AND LEVEL FLOORS ONLY

Section III – Unit Operation

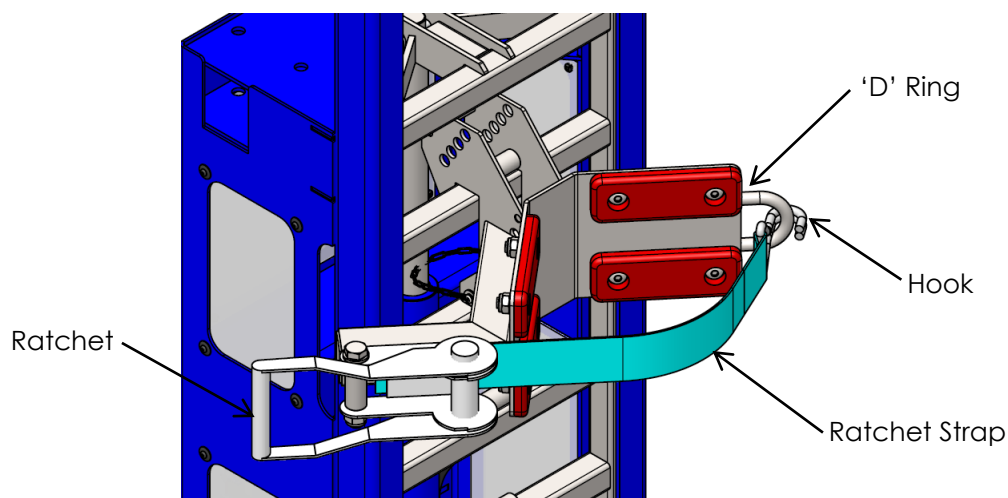
IMPORTANT

Before using this unit, operators must read and understand this instruction manual. Failure to observe the instructions in this manual will invalidate the warranty.

NOTE: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be worn at all times, see 'Section I – Correct Use and Application' for more information.

Initial Setup and Connecting to Cylinders

The depalletiser is fitted with a cylinder ratchet clamp catch which is height adjustable. This unique adjustability means that each lifter can handle a range of different height cylinders.



- Ensure the rack is lowered fully so that all the vertical lift stroke is available; this is done by turning the lowering lever anticlockwise.

WARNING – DO NOT ROTATE THE LOWERING LEVER CLOCKWISE AS THIS MAY DAMAGE THE UNIT.

- There are multiple rungs to which the cylinder ratchet clamp catch can be secured, removing the lowest pin allows removal of the catch from the rack. It can then be relocated and the pin reinserted on a rung so that the catch is positioned to suit the cylinder height.
- Manoeuvre the depalletiser using the handle, being sure to keep good posture. Operators should move gently while manoeuvring, whilst planning ahead in good time. Ensure that when not in use, the unit is parked on flat and level ground with the brakes engaged.
- Line up the lifter with the centreline of the cylinder.
- Push the unit forward so that the rubber pads touch the face of the cylinder.
- Attach the hook that is on the end of the blue ratchet strap onto the 'D' ring, which is located on the right-hand side of the clamp catch and pull on the tail of the blue ratchet strap to take out the slack. Then use the ratchet to tension the strap.
- The cylinder is now ready to be lifted.

Section IV – Unit Maintenance, Troubleshooting and Consumables

Maintenance Checklist

The following servicing checklist indicates the operations to be performed and the respective intervals to be observed. Maintenance intervals are defined as:

- W = Every 50 service hours, at least weekly
- A = Every 1000 service hours, at least annually
- = Standard maintenance interval

During the run-in period – after approx. 100 service hours – the owner must check the wheel nuts/bolts and re-tighten if necessary.

NOTE: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be worn at all times, see 'SECTION 1 – Correct Use and Application' for more information.

NOTE: Maintenance must only be performed by a suitably competent individual as decided by the company the equipment is intended for use with. All electrical maintenance must only be performed by qualified personnel.

	Weekly	Annually
Brakes and Toggle		
Test brakes and adjust if applicable/necessary	●	●
Check side-shift toggle grips cross beam (DTP04 only)	●	●
Chassis and Superstructure		
Inspect labels are legible and complete	●	●
Inspect all components for wear and damage		●
Check chassis and fixing connections for damage		●
Check guarding for damage and visibility, replace if necessary (see 'Consumables' for instructions)	●	●
If the unit is ATEX rated ensure that the earthing chains are in contact with the floor and that the wheels are clean and free from dirt and grime	●	●
Check unit for any damaged painted surfaces, touch up, if necessary, with approved touch up paint	●	●
Hydraulic Operations		
Test hydraulic lift and lower function for correct operation	●	●
Check hydraulic oil level via sight glass, top up if below half sight glass		●
Inspect hydraulic seals for damage and leaks		●
Replace hydraulic oil (see 'Consumables' for instructions)		●
Check hydraulic oil for condensed water, replace if necessary (see 'Consumables' for oil type and instructions)		●

Troubleshooting

When trying to locate a fault, proceed in the order shown in the table.

NOTE: Troubleshooting must only be performed by a suitably competent individual as decided by the company the equipment is intended for use with.

If, after carrying out the following remedial actions, the unit cannot be restored to operation, contact the manufacturer's technical helpline. In order for customer services to react quickly and specifically to the fault, the following information is essential:

- Unit serial number
- Description of error
- Unit product name
- Current location / Company

Fault	Reason/Action
Unit does not lift	Unit overloaded, note safe working load of unit
Unit does not lift to full stroke	Pump is short of oil. Ensure rod is at bottom of stroke and top-up/refill with hydraulic oil. Shell Tellus 22 or equivalent, half sight glass
Oil leaking from top of hydraulic cylinder, around chromed rod	Replace hydraulic cylinder seals
Oil leaking from tank filler point	Filler bung damaged or unit over filled with oil
Unit lowering unintentionally	Ensure lowering lever is in the closed position

Consumables

All unit consumables are available from STS. The unit must be fitted with original STS consumables unless otherwise stated. Any deviation from non-original consumables may result in injury to personnel or damage to the unit and will invalidate the warranty.

Polycarbonate Guarding Replacement

The polycarbonate guarding should be replaced if damaged, cracked or visibility is reduced. These are available from STS.

To replace the polycarbonate guard, isolate the unit in a safe area, then proceed as follows:

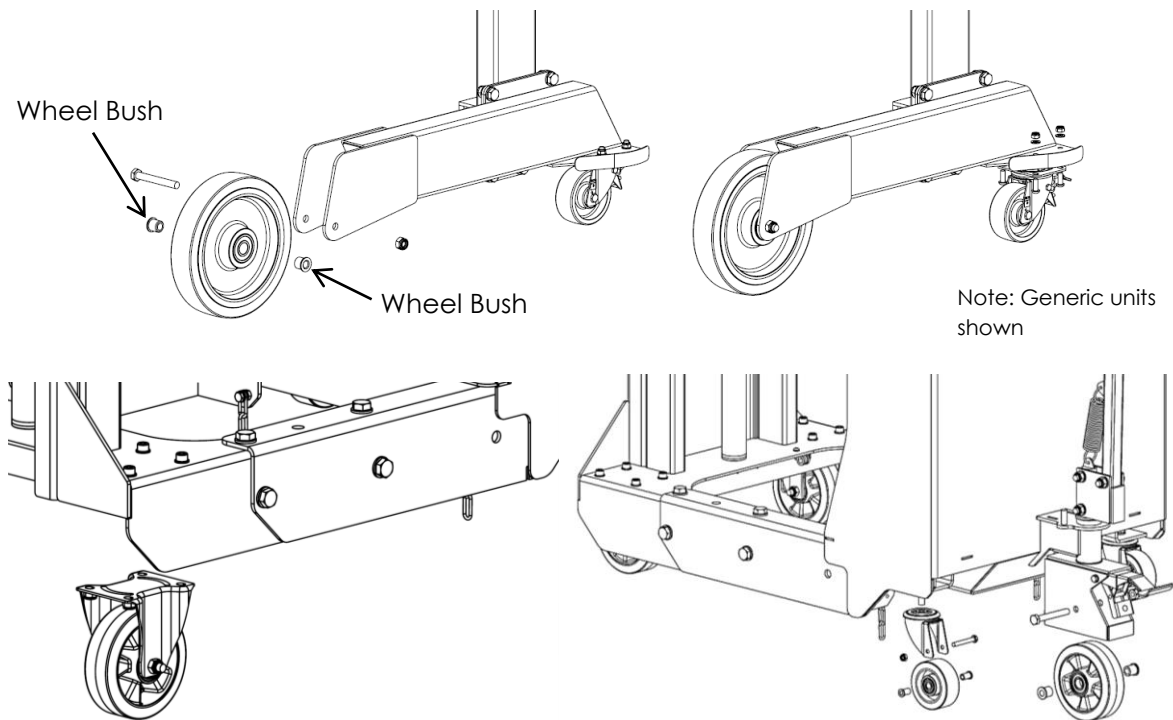
- Remove the four rivets located in each corner and remove the old guard.
- On the new polycarbonate guard, peel back the protective film along all long edges.
- Position the new polycarbonate guard so that it fits inside the four tabs and use the existing holes to drill through with a 6mm drill bit.
- Reinsert the screw rivets to secure the new polycarbonate guard in place.

Wheel Replacement

Wheels should be replaced if damaged, cracked or delaminated. These are available from STS.

For safety instructions refer to 'Lifting the Unit' in 'Section I – Correct Use and Application'

To replace the front wheels, jack up the leg or front of the unit for DTP08 models by 10mm so that one wheel is clear of the floor. Unbolt the wheel and remove it from the unit. Replace the wheel ensuring that the wheel bushes are re-fitted into the wheel prior to re-bolting. Repeat this process for the other leg or side. If removing the front castor for DTP08 models as well as the wheel, the unit will need to be jacked up high enough to allow the castor to be removed from underneath the lifter body. When low level legs are fitted with pallet roller wheels, the 20mm diameter wheel pin will need to be removed. To do this, remove the button head bolt and hammer out the pin.

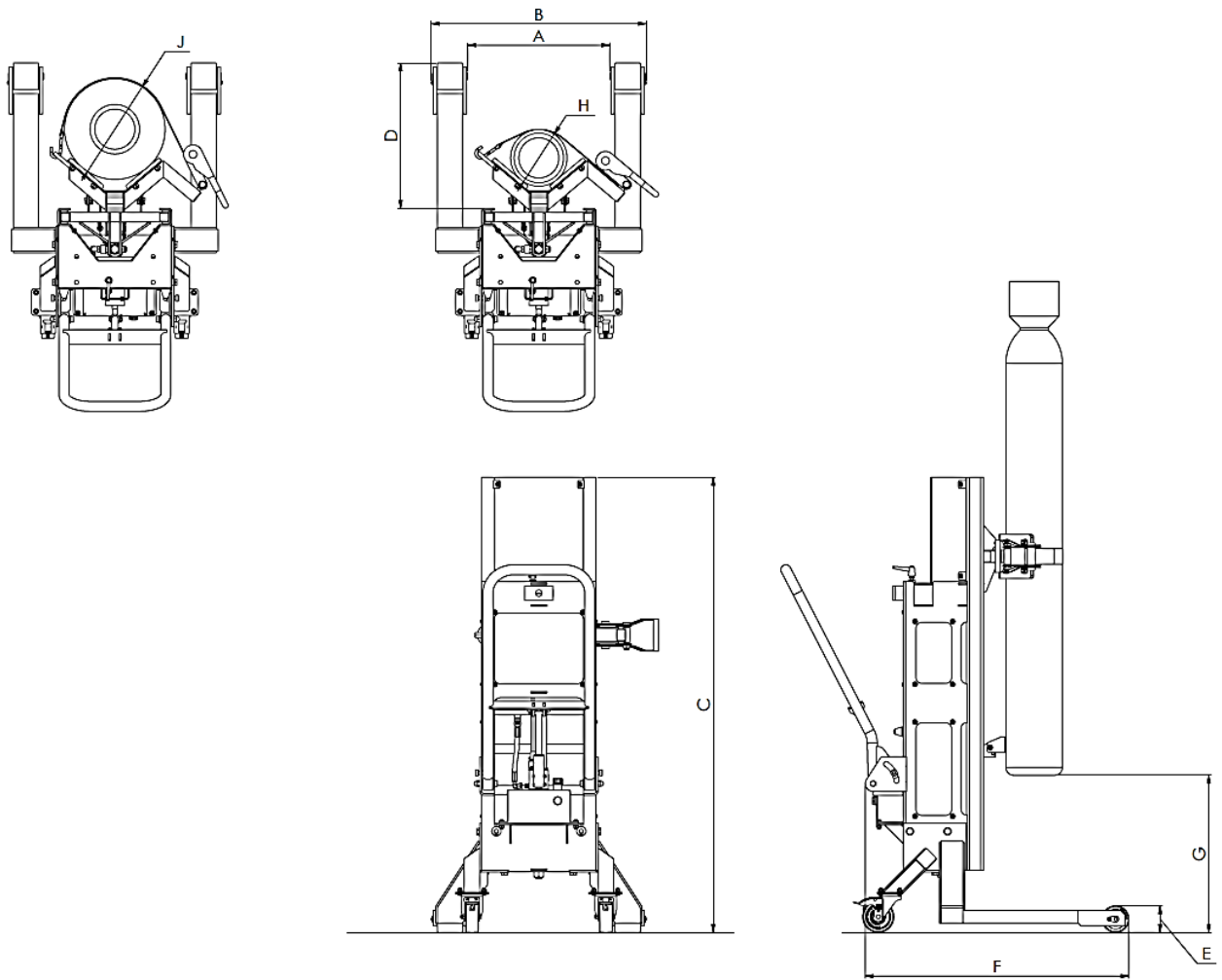


Use the same procedure as previously mentioned to replace the rear castors, ensuring that the wheel bushes are re-fitted in the wheel prior to re-bolting. For DTP08 models, the rear wheel used for steering will need to be jacked up high enough to allow it to be removed from the castor.

WARNING – DO NOT JACK THE UNIT MORE THAN NECESSARY AS UNIT MAY BECOME UNSTABLE

Section V - Technical Specification

General Arrangement



NOTE: ALL DIMENSIONS +/- 5MM.

Designation	Description	Dimension (mm)
A	Straddle	450
B	Maximum Width	685
C	Maximum Height	1448
D	Leg Length	463
E	Leg Height	85
F	Unit Length	840
G	Max Lift Height	450
H	Small Cylinder	190
J	Large Cylinder	320

SWL 150kg

Max Noise Level 79dBa

Net Mass 127kg

Section VI - Decommissioning the Unit

If the unit is to be out of service for more than a month, e.g. for commercial reasons, it must be stored in a frost-free and dry room. All necessary measures must be taken before, during and after decommissioning as described hereafter. Decommissioning and recommissioning must only be performed by a suitably competent individual as decided by the company the equipment is intended for use with.

NOTE: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be worn at all times, see 'Section I – Correct Use and Application' for more information.

Prior to Decommissioning

- Thoroughly clean the unit.
- Test the brakes (if applicable).
- Check the hydraulic oil and replenish if necessary (if applicable).
- Fully charge then disconnect the battery. Charge the battery every 2 months to protect from long term "non-use" damage (if applicable).
- Apply a thin layer of oil or grease to any non-painted mechanical components.

Final Decommissioning and Disposal

Final decommissioning or disposal of the unit must be performed in accordance with the regulations of the country of use. In particular, regulations governing the disposal of batteries, fuels and electronic and electrical systems must be observed. The unit must only be disassembled by trained personnel.

Recommissioning

- Reconnect the battery, first ensuring that the battery undamaged (if applicable).
- Follow the annual servicing check list located in 'Maintenance Checklist'.
- Follow the pre-start checklist located in 'Pre-start Inspections'.

Safety Tests to be Performed at Intervals and After Unusual Incidents.

Perform a safety check in accordance with national regulations. The unit must be inspected at least annually or after any unusual event by a qualified inspector. The inspector shall assess the condition of the unit from purely a safety viewpoint, without regard to operational or economic circumstances.

For further help contact STS:

Technical Support Line: +44 (0) 1736 851050

In the interest of all concerned it is essential that equipment of our manufacture is used only for the purposes for which it has been designed and it must be used in accordance with the instructions which are supplied.