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5 Troubleshooting Guide
Chapter 1

Introduction and Safety Information

Introduction
The Landoll Model 7431 VT Plus is a quality product designed to give years of trouble free performance. By following each section of this manual, your system will perform as designed for you and your operation.

CHAPTER 1
Gives basic instructions on the use of this manual and understanding the safety statements.

CHAPTER 2
Gives product specifications for the equipment. These specifications supply lengths and measures for your equipment. A Standard Bolt Torque Table is provided to give guidelines for bolt torques to be used when servicing this product.

CHAPTER 3
Contains assembly instructions for your 7431 VT Plus. When these procedures are correctly followed, your equipment should provide you years of trouble-free operation and service.

CHAPTER 4
Instructs how to operate your equipment before using it, and describes adjustments needed. Gives practical advice for the care and maintenance of your Landoll equipment. Drawings in this section locate adjustment points on the equipment.

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CHAPTER 5
Is a troubleshooting guide to aid in diagnosing and solving problems with the VT Plus

PARTS MANUAL
Is a separate manual showing the various assemblies, subassemblies, and systems. Refer to that manual when ordering Landoll replacement parts. Order parts from your Landoll dealer.

WARRANTY
The Warranty Registration form is included with the product documents. Fill it out and mail it within 15 days of purchase.

NOTE: IMPROPER ASSEMBLY, MODIFICATION, OR MAINTENANCE OF YOUR LANDOLL MACHINE CAN VOID YOUR WARRANTY.

COMMENTS
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Understanding Safety Statements

You will find various types of safety information on the following pages and on the machine signs (decals) attached to the vehicle. This section explains their meaning.

The Safety Alert Symbol means ATTENTION! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED!

NOTE
Means that failure to follow these instructions could cause damage to the equipment or cause it to operate improperly.

NOTICE
Special notice - read and thoroughly understand

CAUTION
Caution means serious equipment or other property damage can occur if instructions on this label are not properly followed.

WARNING
Warning means serious injury or death can occur if safety measures or instructions on this label are not properly followed.

DANGER
Danger means a life-threatening situation exists. Death can occur if safety measures or instructions on this label are not properly followed.

NOTE
Make sure you read and understand the information contained in this manual and on the machine signs (decals) before you attempt to operate or maintain this vehicle.

The safety statements contained in this manual relate to the operation of the Model 7431 VT Plus.

Decal Safety

1. Examine safety decals and be sure you have the correct safety decals for the implement.
2. Keep these signs clean so they can be observed readily. It is important to keep these decals cleaned more frequently than the implement. Wash with soap and water or a cleaning solution as required.
3. Replace decals that become damaged or lost. Also, be sure that any new implement components installed during repair include decals which are assigned to them by the manufacturer.
4. When applying decals to the implement, be sure to clean the surface to remove any dirt or residue. Where possible, sign placement should protect the sign from abrasion, damage, or obstruction from mud, dirt, oil etc.

Transporting Safety

IMPORTANT
It is the responsibility of the owner/operator to comply with all state and local laws.
1. When transporting the implement on a road or highway, use adequate warning symbols, reflectors, lights and slow moving vehicle sign as required. Slow moving tractors and towed implements can create a hazard when driven on public roads. They are difficult to see, especially at night.
2. Do not tow an implement that, when fully loaded, weighs more than 1.5 times the weight of the towing vehicle.
3. Carry reflectors or flags to mark the tractor and implement in case of breakdown on the road.
INTRODUCTION AND SAFETY INFORMATION

4. Do not transport at speeds over 20 MPH under good conditions. Never travel at a speed which does not allow adequate control of steering and stopping. Reduce speed if towed load is not equipped with brakes.

5. Avoid sudden stops or turns because the weight of the implement may cause the operator to lose control of the tractor. Use a tractor heavier than the implement.

6. Use caution when towing behind articulated steering tractors; fast or sharp turns may cause the implement to shift sideways.

7. Keep clear of overhead power lines and other obstructions when transporting. Know the transport height and width of your implement.

Attaching, Detaching, and Storage

1. Do not stand between the tractor and implement when attaching or detaching implement unless both are not moving.
2. Block implement so it will not roll when unhitched from the tractor.
3. Store in an area where children normally do not play.

Maintenance Safety

1. Understand the procedure before doing the work. Use proper tools and equipment.
2. Make sure all moving parts have stopped.
3. Do not make adjustments or lubricate implement while it is in motion.
4. Block the implement so it will not roll when working on or under it to prevent injury.

High Pressure Fluid Safety

1. Escaping fluid under pressure can be nearly invisible and have enough force to penetrate the skin causing serious injury. Use a piece of cardboard, rather than hands, to search for suspected leaks.
2. Any fluid injected into the skin must be surgically removed within a few hours or gangrene may result.
3. Avoid the hazard by relieving pressure before disconnecting hydraulic lines.

Protective Equipment

1. Wear protective clothing and equipment.
2. Wear clothing and equipment appropriate for the job. Avoid loose fitting clothing.
3. Because prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause hearing impairment or hearing loss, wear suitable hearing protection, such as earmuffs or earplugs.

Chemical Safety

1. Agricultural chemicals can be dangerous. Improper use can seriously injure persons, animals, plants, soil and property.
2. Read chemical manufacture’s instructions and store or dispose of unused chemicals as specified.
3. Handle chemicals with care and avoid inhaling smoke from any type of chemical fire.
4. Store or dispose of unused chemicals as specified by the chemical manufacturer.

Prepare for Emergencies

1. Keep a First Aid Kit and Fire Extinguisher handy.
2. Keep emergency numbers for doctor, ambulance, hospital and fire department near the phone.

Tire Safety

1. Tire changing can be dangerous and should be performed by trained personnel using correct tools and equipment.
2. When inflating tires, use a clip-on chuck and extension hose long enough to allow you to stand to one side, not in front of or over the tire assembly. Use a safety cage if available.
3. When removing and installing wheels use wheel-handling equipment adequate for the weight involved.
Safety Chain

1. Use a chain with a strength rating equal to or greater than the gross weight of towed machinery, which is 10,100 pounds minimum in accordance with ASAE S338.2 specifications. If two or more implements are pulled in tandem, a larger chain may be required. Chain capacity must be greater than the TOTAL weight of all towed implements.

2. A second chain should be used between each implement.

3. Attach the chain to the tractor drawbar support or specified anchor location. Allow only enough slack in the chain to permit turning. The distance from hitch pin to attachment point or intermediate support point should not exceed 9 inches.

4. Replace the chain if any links or end fittings are broken, stretched or damaged.
## Model Specifications

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**NOTE:** Specifications Are Subject To Change Without Prior Notification

### Tire Inflation

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## Specific Bolt Torques

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<td>5/8-18 (Heavy Duty Disc)</td>
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## General Torque Specifications (rev. 4/97)

**TORQUE SPECIFIED IN FOOT POUNDS** - This chart provides tightening torques for general purpose applications when special torques are not specified on process or drawing. Assembly torques apply to plated nuts and cap screws assembled without supplemental lubrication (as received condition). They do not apply if special graphite moly-disulfide or other extreme pressure lubricants are used. When fasteners are dry (solvent cleaned) add 33% to as received condition torque. Bolt head identification marks indicate grade and may vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Thick nuts must be used on grade 8 capscrews. Use value in [ ] if using prevailing torque nuts.

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### METRIC:

Coarse thread metric class 10.9 fasteners and class 10.0 nuts and through hardened flat washers, phosphate coated, Rockwell “C” 38-45. Use value in [ ] if using prevailing torque nuts.

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Table 2-1: General Torque Specifications
# Hydraulic Fitting Torque Specifications

**TORQUE IS SPECIFIED IN FOOT POUNDS- 37° JIC, ORS, & ORB (REV. 10/97)**

This chart provides tightening torques for general purpose applications when special torques are not specified on process or drawing. Assembly torques apply to plated nuts and capscrews assembled without supplemental lubrication (as received condition). They do not apply if special graphite moly-disulfide or other extreme pressure lubricants are used. When fasteners are dry (solvent cleaned) add 33% to as received condition torque. Bolt head identification marks indicate grade and may vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Thick nuts must be used on grade 8 capscrews. Use value in [ ] if using prevailing torque nuts.

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Figure 2-7: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (29' Model) (Left Half)
Figure 2-8: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (29' Model) (Right Half)
Figure 2-9: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (33' Model) (Left Half) (Prior to July, 2012)
Figure 2-10: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (33' Model) (Right Half) (Prior to July, 2012)
Figure 2-11: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (33’ Model) (Left Half) (After July, 2012)
Figure 2-12: Wing Stabilizer and Light Bracket Placement (33' Model) (Right Half) (After July, 2012)
Figure 2-13: Double Round Reel Placement LH 7431-20’

- Location of Rear Jack Mount: 15-7/8”
- Location of Tube Clamps:
  - 7431-20’ 204412
  - 90”/105” Double Reel

- Reel assemblies are same for spring or hydraulic arm assemblies. See reel installation section in assembly instructions section for arm assembly.
Figure 2-14: Double Round Reel Placement RH 7431-20’

NOTE: REEL ASSEMBLIES ARE SAME FOR SPRING OR HYDRAULIC ARM ASSEMBLIES. SEE REEL INSTALLATION SECTION IN ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR ARM ASSEMBLY

NOTE: LOCATION OF REAR JACK MOUNT

15-7/8”

NOTE: LOCATION OF TUBE CLAMPS

28-7/8”

7431-20’ 204422
75’/75’ DOUBLE REEL
Figure 2-15: Double Round Reel Placement LH 7431-23'/26'/29'

NOTE: LOCATION OF TUBE CLAMPS
7431-23' 204417
90'/90" DOUBLE REEL
7431-26' 204418
105'/105" DOUBLE REEL
7431-29" 204419
120'/120" DOUBLE REEL

NOTE: LOCATION OF REAR JACK MOUNT
7431-23'/26'/29'
105'/120" DOUBLE REEL

NOTE: REEL ASSEMBLIES ARE SAME FOR SPRING OR HYDRAULIC ARM ASSEMBLIES. SEE REEL INSTALLATION SECTION IN ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR ARM ASSEMBLY
Figure 2-16: Double Round Reel Placement RH 7431-23'/26'/29'

NOTE: REEL ASSEMBLIES ARE SAME FOR SPRING OR HYDRAULIC ARM ASSEMBLIES. SEE REEL INSTALLATION SECTION IN ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR ARM ASSEMBLY.
Figure 2-17: Double Round Reel Placement LH 7431-33’

NOTE: LOCATION OF TUBE CLAMPS

7431-33’ 204419
120”/120” DOUBLE REEL

NOTE: LOCATION OF REAR JACK MOUNT

NOTE: REEL ASSEMBLIES ARE SAME FOR SPRING OR HYDRAULIC ARM ASSEMBLIES. SEE REEL INSTALLATION SECTION IN ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR ARM ASSEMBLY
Figure 2-18: Double Round Reel Placement RH 7431-33'

NOTE: REEL ASSEMBLIES ARE SAME FOR SPRING OR HYDRAULIC ARM ASSEMBLIES. SEE REEL INSTALLATION SECTION IN ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS SECTION FOR ARM ASSEMBLY.
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It is very important that your new 7431 VT Plus be properly assembled, adjusted and lubricated before use. Illustrations to assist with the assembly process are provided in Section 2, “Standard Specifications”. They show proper disc gang, wing stabilizer bracket, and light mounting bracket spacing. Illustrations in this section show proper assembly procedures. Remove paint from grease fittings. Replace any grease fittings that are damaged or missing. Be sure to return screws, clips, etc., to their original locations.

To insure alignment of assemblies, leave the nuts loose until completion of final assembly. Use lock washers or flat washers as specified. Spread all cotter pins.

After completion of final assembly, tighten all nuts evenly to prevent misalignment, distortion or binding. Tighten all screws and nuts to the recommended torques (See “General Torque Specifications (rev. 4/97)” on page 2-3.).

Be sure to bleed the hydraulic system of all air in lines after installation. Failure to bleed the system of all air can result in improper machine operation.

Disc blades are extremely sharp. Exercise extreme care when working on or near disc blades. Do not allow discs to roll over or fall onto any bodily part. Do not allow wrenches to slip when working near disc blades. Never push wrenches toward disc blades. Do not climb over machine above disc blades. Failure to stay clear of disc blade edges can cause serious personal injury or death.

Do not attempt to lift heavy parts (such as the frame, disc gangs, rock shaft, and pull hitch) manually. Use a hoist or a fork lift to move these parts into position.

To prevent accidental lowering:
1. All hydraulically elevated equipment must be locked out using the cylinder lockouts:
2. Lower equipment to the ground while servicing or when it is idle.
Failure to take measures to prevent accidental lowering may result in serious personal injury or death.
Figure 3-1: Frame and Hitch Assembly Installation
7431 VT Plus Frame and Hitch Assembly

**IMPORTANT**
Read all safety precautions at the front of the section before attempting any of the following procedures.

1. Place the center frame assembly on stands approximately 36” high. The assembly area should be a large level area of sufficient size to accommodate the disc when fully assembled.

**WARNING**
Do not attempt to lift heavy parts (such as the frame, disc gangs, rock shaft, and pull hitch) manually. Use a hoist or a fork lift to move these parts into position.

2. Attach the hitch weldment to the front of the center frame using 1-1/8-7 x 7-1/2 hex head cap screws, machine bushings, hitch mounting plates, and hex lock nuts. (See Figure 3-1.) Machine bushings are provided to remove the slack on each side of the ball joints and center the hitch. Use bushings as required.

**NOTE**
The hitch may be assembled in the upper or lower position depending on matching tractor drawbar height. See “Hitch Adjustment” on page 4-12 for proper adjustment.

3. Move the tongue jack to the forward mounting tube and rotate to parking position to support the front of the hitch.

4. Insert a 3/4-10 x 7 hex head cap screw into the hose holder tube on the right side of the hitch from the bottom side so the threads point upward. Hold in place with a 3/4 prevailing torque flange nut with the flange pointing upward as well. Do not tighten this cap screw, so the hose holder bracket may pivot freely in this joint.

5. Slide the hose holder bracket over the screw and secure with another 3/4 prevailing torque flange nut.

6. Install a 3/8-16 x 3-1/2 all-thread screw in the front of the hose holder bracket and secure with a 3/8-16 hex nut. Use 3/8-16 x 4-1/2 all-thread screw if installing hydraulic reels.

7. Slide the hose holder clamp over the 3/8” screw and loosely start the wing nut on top of the clamp. Hydraulic hoses will be routed through the clamp after assembly.

8. Install hose holder clamp at rear of hitch with 1/2-13 x 11 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

**NOTE**
The clamp has two sides, so that extend hoses can be located on one side and retract hoses can be located on the other side for reference.
Figure 3-2: Leveler Assembly Installation
Leveler Assembly

1. Install a hardened steel wear bushing in the leveler L link (See Figure 3-2.)

2. Attach the leveler L link to the front mount of the center frame with a 1-8 x 4-1/2 hex head cap screw and hex lock nut.

3. With a 1-8 x 4 hex head cap screw and hex lock nut attach the leveler ball joint link to the leveler L link.

4. Connect the bottom end of the leveler ball joint link to the rear mounting holes of the hitch using a 1-8 x 4-1/2 hex head cap screw and hex lock nut.

[NOTE]

When the hitch is in the upper mounting position, the leveler ball joint link is mounted in the lower holes. When the hitch is in the lower position, the link is mounted in the top mounting holes. See Section 4, “Hitch Adjustment” for proper adjustment.

5. Slide one end of the 13” link over the leveler screw assembly. Slide the large end of the 8” link over the other link and secure with a 1” flat washer and 5/16” x 2-1/2 spring slotted pin. Repeat this for the other side of the leveler screw assembly.

6. Attach the bottom end of the 8” leveler links to center frame mount located in the middle of the frame using 1” x 7-7/8” leveler pin, washers, and 5/16” x 2-1/2 spring slotted pins.

7. Secure the rear of the 13” leveler links in the third hole down from the top of the mounting plates located on the center lift using 1” x 7-7/8” leveler pin, washers, and 5/16” x 2-1/2 spring slotted pins.
Figure 3-3: Manual Leveler Installation
Manual Leveler

1. Using the manual leveler, screw the leveler tube onto the leveler screw assembly (See Figure 3-3.) Initially leave approximately 3” of threads visible, further adjustment may be required. Rotate the tube so that the zerk hole in the threaded end is pointing upward.

2. Install the manual leveler handle assembly into the front end of the leveler tube and fasten with two 5/8-11 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts. Insert a plastic wear flange bearing into the flat side of each leveler cross bracket. Slide the brackets over each side of the manual leveler cross and secure with washers and 5/16” x 2-1/2” spring slotted pins.

3. Attach the leveler cross brackets to the top of the leveler L link using 3/4-10 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

4. Install a grease zerk in the threaded end of the leveler tube.
Figure 3-4: Hydraulic Leveler Installation
Hydraulic Leveler (Option)

1. Thread a 1-1/2-6 hex nut onto the leveler screw assembly (See Figure 3-4.) Initially leave approximately 7" of threads visible between the 1-1/2-6 hex nut and the leveler spring nut. Further adjustment may be required.

2. Thread the leveler tube onto the leveler screw assembly until it contacts the 1-1/2-6 hex nut. Rotate the tube so the grease zerk hole in the threaded end points upward.

3. Slide the leveler cross over the front end of the leveler tube.

4. Insert the 3-1/2 x 6 hydraulic leveler cylinder into the front end of the leveler tube and pin using two 5/8" steel leveler pins. Rotate the cylinder so the hydraulic ports point to the left side of the implement.

5. Slide the leveler cylinder cross up to the cylinder and secure with washers and 5/16" x 2-1/2" spring slotted pins.

6. Attach the leveler cross brackets to the top of the leveler L link using 3/4-10 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

7. Install grease zerks in the threaded end of the leveler tube and the leveler cylinder cross.

8. With a 1/2-13 x 2 hex head cap screw and hex lock nut, attach the leveler indicator gauge to the leveler cylinder cross. Do not over tighten this screw, as the indicator gauge must be free to pivot about this joint.

9. Rotate the leveler tube so the cross-hole for the level indicator rod is horizontal. Wrench-flats are provided at the threaded end of the leveler tube to make this adjustment. Secure the 1-1/2-6 hex lock nut to prevent the leveler tube from rotating further.

11. Insert the threaded end of the leveler indicator rod through the leveler tube cross-hole and the other rod end through the bottom leveler indicator hole. Secure the indicator rod with a 3/8-16 hex lock nut.

12. Install 1/32" restrictor fittings in the leveler cylinder.

**NOTE**

These are smaller restrictor fittings than those used in the fold system.

13. Install adapters into each port of check valve (See Figure 3-4.)

14. Install check valve to hose clamp holder on hitch using 3/8-16 x 2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts. Note that ports C1/C2 go to the 3-1/2 x 6 cylinder and ports V1/V2 go to the tractor (See Figure 3-5.)

15. Assemble 56" and 64" hoses from the 3-1/2 x 6 cylinder to the check valve.

16. Attach (2) 140" hoses from the check valve to the tractor.
Figure 3-6: Center Disc Gang Installation (20', 23', 26', 29')
Figure 3-7: Center Disc Gang Installation (33')
Figure 3-8: Wing Frame Installation
Center Frame Tires

1. Install the tire and wheel assemblies on the center section.
2. On 20’ and 23’, models, use 320/70 R15 tire and wheel assemblies. On 26’ and 29’ models, use VF 410/50R 16.5 BKT tire and wheel assemblies. On 33’ models, use 32/1550 x 16.5 Galaxy, 400/60-15.5 Trelleborg, or 380/55R-16.5 Goodyear tire and wheel assemblies.
3. Torque wheels 85 to 100 ft./lbs.

**NOTE**

All tire/wheel assemblies are mounted with the valve stem facing outward.

Wing Frames

1. Place the wing frames on top of the wing gang assemblies and attach using 3/4-10 x 2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts (See Figure 3-8.).
2. Assemble the tire and wheel assemblies to the wing frames. Torque to 85 to 100 ft./lbs.
3. Attach the front gauge wheel assemblies to the wing frames using 1-8 x 6 hex head cap screws, gauge wheel spacers, and hex lock nuts. Securely tighten the mounting screws to eliminate any slack and unnecessary wear.
4. Mount the wing stabilizer brackets to the wing frames using u-bolts and hex lock nuts. See Figures 2-3 thru 2-12 for placement dimensions.

**NOTE**

On 20’, 23’, 26’, and 29’ models, the wing stabilizers mount to the sides of the wing frame. On 33’ models, the wing stabilizers mount to the tops of the wing frames.
5. Install a 1/4 x 3 roll pin in one end of each wing lock pin. Insert the pin in the round hole of the front wing stabilizers and secure with a 3/16 hair pin.

Disc Gangs

1. Attach the disc gang assemblies to the center section using 3/4-10 x 2 grade 8 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts (See Figures 3-6 and 3-7.) Use a 3/4-10 x 2-1/2 grade 8 hex head cap screw, manifold mounting bracket, and hex lock nut on the center front screw of the right front gang for all sizes.
2. Install a 1/2 x 2-1/4 grooved alloy pin in the end of each hinge pin.
3. Assemble each wing gang to the center frame gang using the hinge pin, 1-1/2 thrust washer, 1” washers, and 1-8 hex lock nut.

**NOTE**

The thrust washer is positioned on the rear side of the hinge on the front gangs, and on the front side of the hinge on the rear gangs.
4. Place the outer ends of the gang bars on stands so the wing gangs are level with the center section.
NOTE: RESTRICTOR FITTINGS ARE BLACK IN COLOR FOR A VISUAL CHECK WHEN INSTALLING THE HOSES. ALL FOLD CYLINDERS HAVE A 90 FITTING W/ 1/16 RESTRICTOR FACTORY INSTALLED IN THE ROD END AND A NORMAL 90 FITTING FACTORY INSTALLED IN THE BASE END.

Figure 3-9: Hydraulic Cylinder Fitting Installation
Figure 3-10: Lift Hydraulic Installation (20’ and 23’ Models)
Figure 3-11: Fold Hydraulic Installation (20' and 23' Models)
Figure 3-12: Lift Hydraulic Installation (26' Model)
Figure 3-13: Fold Hydraulic Installation (26' Model (Before 07/01/2012))
Figure 3-14: Lift Hydraulic Installation (29' Model)
Figure 3-15: Fold Hydraulic Installation (26’ (After 07/01/2012) & 29’ Models)
Figure 3-16: Lift Hydraulic Installation (33’ Model)
Figure 3-17: Fold Hydraulic Installation (33' Model)
Figure 3-18: Bolt On Wing Fold Hydraulic Installation (Option) (7431-26')
Figure 3-19: Bolt On Wing Fold Cylinder and Fold Mount Placement (7431-26)

Figure 3-20: Hose Clamp Assembly
Hydraulic Installation

**NOTE**

*Refer to 3-9 for hydraulic cylinder fittings (factory installed and those installed during setup).*

*Refer to Figures 3-10 - 3-11 for lift and fold hydraulic diagrams for 7431-20' and 7431-23' models.*

*Refer to Figures 3-12 - 3-13 for lift and fold hydraulic diagrams for 7431-26' model. See Figures 3-18 - 3-19 for optional bolt on wing fold hydraulic diagram and fold cylinder placement drawing.*

*Refer to Figures 3-14 - 3-15 for lift and fold hydraulic diagrams for 7431-29' model.*

*Refer to Figures 3-16 - 3-17 for lift and fold hydraulic diagrams for 7431-33' model.*

1. Attach the base end of the 4 x 30 fold cylinder to the fold cylinders mounts on the center frame with the pins and roll pins provided. Position the cylinders so the hydraulic ports point forward.

2. Using a 1-1/4 x 6-1/8 fold pin, flat washers, and 5/16 x 2-1/2 roll pins, attach the rod end of the 4” x 30” cylinders to the slotted mounts on the wing frames.

3. Install 90 degree regular adapter fittings in both ends of all lift cylinders.

4. Install the front manifold to the manifold bracket on the front center gang using 1/2-13 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

5. On 33’ models, attach the manifold to the rear manifold brackets on the implement using 1/2-13 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts. Install adapters in the front ports of this manifold.

6. Install lift system hoses per Figures 3-10, 3-12, 3-14, and 3-16. Wrap lift system hoses with blue hose wrap.

7. Attach hose clamp brackets to the scraper bar (See Figure 3-20.) On 33’ units, attach a hose clamp in the ninth hole from the center of the machine on each side of the front gangs. Secure hoses to the brackets with hose clamps, 3/8-16 x 1-3/4 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts.

8. Install fold system hoses per Figures 3-11, 3-13, 3-15, 3-17, and 3-18. Wrap fold system hoses with yellow hose wrap.

9. Install restrictors, hoses and couplers in the optional hydraulic leveler if so equipped (See “Hydraulic Leveler (Option)” on page 3-9.) Wrap hydraulic leveler hoses with black hose wrap.

10. Install plugs from lift cylinders in any remaining open manifold, valve, or cylinder ports.

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**CAUTION**

Restrictors are installed to prevent uncontrolled dropping of wings. Removal of these restrictors, or improper installation can result in serious damage to the implement.
Figure 3-21: Light and SMV Bracket Installation (Prior to August, 2013)
Light and SMV Bracket Installation (Prior to August, 2013)

1. Attach lights and mounting brackets to the center frames using u-bolts, 1/2-13 x 8-1/2 hex head cap screws, flange head serrated nuts, and hex lock nuts (See Figure 3-21.) Refer to pages 2-8 thru 2-17 for light bracket placements.

2. Mount enhanced lighting module on right hand tail light bracket using #8-32 x 1/2 pan head slotted screw and nuts. Connect rear harness to module and connect the right/left side lights accordingly. Route main wire harness through hose holder on hitch, down the left side of the center frame and across the back to the enhanced lighting module plug.

3. Connect light harness to lights.

4. Attach SMV emblem and mounting bracket to rear center frame bar using u-bolt, 1/4-20 x 3/4 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts. The SMV sign should be centered on the back bar of the frame.
Figure 3-22: LED Light and SMV Bracket Installation (After August, 2013)
LED Light and SMV Bracket Installation (After August, 2013)

NOTE
Refer to pages 2-8 thru 2-17 for light bracket placements.

1. Attach left and right light brackets with reflectors to center frame using u-bolts and hex lock nuts (See Figure 3-22.)
2. Attach ag amber single LED lamps to light brackets using 1/4-20 x 1-1/4 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.
3. Attach left tail light mount to frame assembly using u-bolt and 5/8-11 flange head serrated nuts.
4. Attach right tail light mount and ag flasher control module to frame assembly using u-bolt and 5/8-11 flange head serrated nuts. Be sure that the control module is set so that the 6 pin connector faces the right side of the machine.
5. Attach the ag red single LED lamps to tail light mounts using 1/4-20 x 1-1/4 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

IMPORTANT
Make sure lights are positioned for maximum visibility from the rear.

6. Install the rear warning light harness to the frame. Connect 2 pin and 3 pin ends to each of the warning lights. Connect 6 pin to the ag flasher control module. See Figure 3-23 for LED harness wire designations.
7. Attach front warning harness to frame. Connect 4 pin end to the ag flasher control module.
8. Insure that the harnesses are clear of any moving parts and secure the harnesses with tie wraps provided.
9. Install the stor-away holder to hose holder on hitch with 1/4-20 x 3/4 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.
10. Attach SMV emblem and mounting bracket to rear center frame bar using u-bolt, 1/4-20 x 3/4 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts. The SMV sign should be centered on the back bar of the frame.
Conditioner Reel Spring Installation (Option)

**NOTE**

Refer to Conditioner Single Reel Installation shown in Figure 3-24 for single reel installation or Conditioner Double Reel Installation shown in Figure 3-25 for double reel installation.

1. Slide the adjustment pin through the rear plates of center and wing frames, secure with (2) 2-1/2 snap rings.
2. Assemble the 1-8 x 9 adj bolt through adjustment pin on frame, 1" lock washer, (2) 1-8 hex nuts, and 17" heavy spring assembly.
3. Install 1-1/2" flange bearing into reel arm. Slide in 1-1/2" pivot bushing.
4. Attach reel arm to upper hole on rear center or wing frame or double mount using 1-8 x 6-1/2 hex head cap screw and hex lock nut.
5. Assemble 17" heavy spring assembly to reel arm using 1" pivot pin, and 5/16 x 1-1/2" spring slotted pins. Set pin centers to 21" dimension as shown in Figure 3-24.

**WARNING**

Do not attempt to lift heavy parts (such as the frame, disc gangs, lift, pull hitch, or reel/gang bar assembly manually. Use a hoist or a forklift to move these parts into position.

6. Attach single reel/gang bar assembly to reel arms using gang bar mount plate, 3/4-10 x 6 hex head cap screws and double hex lock nuts as shown in Figure 3-24. Refer to pages 2-6 thru 2-17 for single reel gang bar placement locations.
7. Attach double reel/gang bar assembly to reel arms using gang bar mount plate, (2) clamp tubes, (4) spring torsion rubber, secure with 3/4-10 x 8-1/2 hex head cap screws and double hex lock nuts as shown in Figure 3-25. Refer to pages 2-18 thru 2-23 for double reel gang bar placement locations.
8. Install (2) clamp tubes on front and back of double gang bar, secure with 1/2-13 x 5-1/2 hex cap screws and 1-2 lock nuts. Refer to pages 2-18 thru 2-23 for clamp tube locations. Each set (2 total) should be slid against gangbar mount plate on outside of inner wing arm assemblies.
Figure 3-24: Conditioner Single Reel Installation
Figure 3-25: Conditioner Double Reel Installation
Figure 3-26: Finishing Reel Hydraulic Installation (7431-20)
Figure 3-27: Finishing Reel Hydraulic Installation (7431-23)
Figure 3-28: Finishing Reel Hydraulic Installation (7431-26)
Figure 3-29: Finishing Reel Hydraulic Installation (7431-29)
NOTE: CENTER REEL ARM HAS REGULAR SPRING SETUP.

1/4 X 94 HOSE ASSEMBLY
1/4 X 98 HOSE ASSEMBLY
1/4 X 40 HOSE ASSEMBLY
BULKHEAD RUN TEE
1/4 X 120 HOSE ASSEMBLY
ADAPTER
MANIFOLD BRACKET MOUNT
1/2-13 X 3-1/2 HEX HEAD CAP SCREW AND HEX LOCK NUT
90 ELBOW
3/4-16 MALE COUPLER

ADAPTER
3/8 X 330 HOSE ASSEMBLY
1/4 X 125 HOSE ASSEMBLY
BULKHEAD RUN TEE

1/4 X 108 HOSE ASSEMBLY

Figure 3-30: Finishing Reel Hydraulic Installation (7431-33)
Finishing Hydraulic Conditioner
Reel Installation (Option)

NOTES
Refer to Figure 3-26 for hydraulic diagram for the 7431-20 model.
Refer to Figure 3-27 for hydraulic diagram for the 7431-23 model.
Refer to Figure 3-28 for hydraulic diagram for the 7431-26 model.
Refer to Figure 3-29 for hydraulic diagram for the 7431-29 model.
Refer to Figure 3-30 for hydraulic diagram for the 7431-33 model.
Refer to Figures 2-1 - 2-12 for hose clamp locations.

1. Attach reel arm assemblies to rear frame in top hole using 1-8 x 6-1/2 hex head cap screw, pivot bushing, flange bearings, and hex lock nut (See Figure 3-32.) for single reel or (See Figure 3-33.) for double reel.

2. Attach 17" spring assembly and 2-1/2 hydraulic cylinder to lower hole on rear frame using cylinder trunnion, cylinder trunnion stop, 1/2-13 x 1-1/2 hex head cap screw, and split lock washer.

NOTE
On 7431-33 models, center reel arm has regular spring setup.

3. Install the manifold to the manifold bracket on the frame using 1/2-13 x 3-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

4. Install fittings into manifold according to Figures 3-26 thru 3-30.

5. Install hoses per Figures 3-26 thru 3-30.

6. Install hose clamps onto frame (See Figures 3-31 and 3-34.)

7. Install steel plugs in any remaining open manifold or valve ports.

8. Attach conditioner reel/gallery bar assembly to reel arm assemblies using gang bar mount plates, 3/4-10 x 6 hex head cap screws, and double hex lock nuts.

Figure 3-31: Finishing Hydraulic Conditioner Reel Hose Clamp Installation (Option)
Figure 3-32: Finishing Hydraulic Conditioner Single Reel Installation (Option)
Figure 3-33: Finishing Hydraulic Conditioner Double Reel Installation (Option)
Figure 3-34: Finishing Hydraulic Conditioner Reel Hose and Clamp Installation (Option)
Rear Tow Hitch Installation

A rear tow hitch assembly is available for use on the rear of the VT Plus.

1. Attach front clamp tow hitch plates to frame using rear tow hitch clamps, 3/4-10 x 8 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts (See Figure 3-35.) Leave all hardware loose until rear tow hitch is completely assembled.

NOTE

Place front clamp tow hitch plates in front of frame tube on 20', 23', 26', and 29' models. Place front clamp tow hitch plates on the back side of frame tube on the 33' model.

2. Attach rear clamp tow hitch plates to frame using rear tow hitch clamps, hitch stabilizer plates, 3/4-10 x 9 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts. Leave all hardware loose until rear tow hitch is completely assembled.

NOTE

Place rear clamp tow hitch plates on same frame tube as the front clamp plates at rear of the frame. Adjust rear clamp tow hitch and hitch stabilizer plates to fit up next to rear frame tube.

3. Attach rear tow hitch arms to clamp tow hitch plates using rear tow hitch clamp, 3/4-10 x 5-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

4. Attach rear tow hitch to rear tow hitch arms using 5/8-11 x 2-1/2 hex head cap screws and hex lock nuts.

5. Attach coupler mount bracket to rear tow hitch using coupler plate, 3/8-16 x 2-1/2 hex head cap screws, and hex lock nuts.

6. Tighten all hardware once rear tow hitch assembly is adjusted appropriately.

7. Route hydraulic hoses on left side of hitch, through tube and follow hose loops to front.

8. Route tandem adapter harness through right rear tow hitch arm. Disconnect main harness from extension harness and hook up the tandem adapter harness connectors to proper end of the extension and main harnesses. The ends cannot be reversed due to their configuration (See Figure 3-21 on page 3-26 for disconnect location).
Figure 3-35: Rear Tow Hitch Installation (Option)
Rear Jack Installation

A rear jack assembly is available for use on the rear of the VT Plus.

**IMPORTANT**

The rear jack tube should be located to the rear of the VT Plus near the center of the frame, but not interfering with the visibility of the SMV sign.

1. Slide rear jack assembly over rear frame of the VT Plus near the center of the frame (See Figure 3-36.)
2. Slide rear plate onto 3/4-10 x 4 hex head cap screws beneath rear frame tube and hold in place with 3/4-10 hex lock nuts.

![Figure 3-36: Rear Jack Installation](image)

Final Assembly

1. Attach a tractor to the implement and charge the lift system hydraulics as described in “Hydraulic Lift System” on page 4-3.
2. Install the transport locks on both 4 x 10 master cylinders on the center frame.
3. Connect the hydraulic hoses on the optional hydraulic leveler to the tractor (if equipped). Fully extend and retract the hydraulic leveler several times to remove any air. See “Hydraulic Leveler Adjustment” on page 4-11 for any further adjustments.
4. The fold system must be purged of air and filled with oil BEFORE attempting to fold the implement. Air in the system will allow the wings to fall uncontrollably and may result in implement damage. Follow instructions for charging the hydraulic fold system as described in “Hydraulic Fold System” on page 4-5.
5. Connect lights to the tractor and verify operation.
6. Check tires for proper inflation.
7. Level the disc from side to side as described in “Leveling (Side to Side)” on page 4-8.
8. Inspect the final implement assembly, and verify that all bolts have been tightened, cotter pins spread, and that there are no leaking hydraulic connections.
9. Rotate each disc gang to verify that each gang rotates freely. Adjust any scrapers that may have shifted during shipment or assembly.
10. Lubricate the disc at all locations (See “Lubrication Maintenance” on page 4-21.)
11. Touch up with paint any areas that may have been scratched during moving, handling, or assembly.
12. Thoroughly read and understand the operating section before using the disc.
Chapter 4
Operation and Maintenance

**DANGER**
Never allow anyone to ride on the 7431 VT Plus at any time. Allowing a person to ride on the machine can inflict serious personal injury or death to that person.

**DANGER**
Disc blades are extremely sharp. Exercise extreme care when working on or near disc blades. Do not allow discs to roll over or fall onto any bodily part. Do not allow wrenches to slip when working near disc blades. Never push wrenches toward disc blades. Do not climb over machine above disc blades. Failure to stay clear of disc blade edges can cause serious personal injury or death.

**DANGER**
Always lock the tractor drawbar in the center position when transporting the unit. Failure to do so can result in serious injury or death and cause damage to the equipment.

**DANGER**
When transporting the unit, place cylinder lockouts in the transport lock position after fully extending the cylinders. Insert the lockout pins to secure the cylinder lockouts. Failure to lockout the cylinders can cause the unit to settle during transport, which can result in serious injury or death and cause damage to the equipment.

**WARNING**
All hydraulically elevated equipment must have cylinder lockouts installed or be lowered to the ground, when servicing or when equipment is idle. Failure to take preventive measures against accidental lowering can result in serious personal injury.

**WARNING**
7431-33 VT Plus models have two wheel and tire sizes available. Do not install a tire made for a standard 15” rim diameter on a 15.5” rim diameter. Mixing wheel and tire sizes can result in serious damage to the machine or serious personal injury.

**CAUTION**
When transporting farm implements on public roads, it is the responsibility of the operator to abide by state and local laws concerning wide loads, speed, safety emblems and safety lighting equipment. Drive at safe speeds. Particularly when rounding corners, crossing rough ground or driving on hillsides, to prevent tipping the tractor.
Tractor Preparation

The Landoll 7431 VT Plus is designed to be pulled by tractor equipped with a double lip or clevis type hitch. If your tractor is not equipped as such, you need to purchase the hitch from your local tractor dealer. If your VT Plus is equipped with the clevis option, this should be removed. The clevis option is only for transport use.

Before attaching the VT Plus, prepare the tractor as follows:

1. Inflate the rear tractor tires equally and add ballast according to the tractor operator’s manual.
2. Lock the tractor drawbar in the center position.

VT Plus Preparation

Figure 4-1: Disc Scraper to Disc Blade

1. Prior to operating the 7431 VT Plus, inspect it thoroughly for good operating condition.
2. Replace worn or missing parts.
3. When the machine is new, check the bolt tightness after a few hours of operation. Tighten any loose nuts or bolts. Check the lift wheel lug bolts daily.
4. Check the lift wheel tire inflation. Inflate all tires equally to avoid side draft. Follow the tire manufacturer’s recommended pressures listed on the sidewall of the tires.
5. Check disc scrapers for proper adjustment to the disc blade (See Figure 4-1.)
6. Lubricate the machine as shown in “Lubrication Maintenance” on page 4-21 (See Figure 4-22.)
Attaching to the Tractor

1. Align the tractor drawbar with the machine. Raise or lower the disc ring hitch, as needed, using the swivel jack. Attach the unit with proper size hitch pin.
2. Always place the swivel jack on the interior mount before setting the machine in motion.
3. Clean all hydraulic couplings and attach to the tractor.
4. Attach safety chain to tractor allowing plenty of movement for turning both directions. The safety chain should latch securely to prevent it coming loose.
5. Plug in the 7-pin connector for the lights.
   a. The tractor should have a good clean receptacle, free of dirt and corrosion.
   b. Make sure the 7-pin connector is inserted all the way in, and allows the cover to latch over the keyway to secure it in place.

**NOTE**

*The lighting system requires a good ground connection and if the lights do not seem to work right check the installation of the 7-pin connector and the condition of the pins.*

Hydraulic Lift System

The VT Plus is equipped with a rephasing hydraulic lift system to raise and lower the unit in the field.

**WARNING**

Escaping hydraulic fluid can cause serious personnel injury. Relieve system pressure before repairing, adjusting, or disconnecting. Wear proper hand and eye protection when searching for leaks. Use cardboard instead of hands (See Figure 4-2.) Keep all components (cylinders, hoses, fittings, etc.) in good repair.

1. The rephasing hydraulic lift system contains smaller wing frame cylinders plumbed in series with larger center frame cylinders. It is important that the cylinders be connected in the proper series for the lift system to operate correctly. When the cylinders are fully extended and held in this position, oil is able to flow through the cylinders (or rephase) and allow the cylinders to operate in sync. This also allows the system to purge any air that may enter the system without having to loosen or crack hydraulic lines.
2. The hydraulic system is not filled with oil and should be purged of air before transporting and field operations. Carefully hitch the VT Plus to the tractor and connect the hydraulic lift hoses. Check to make sure the tractor hydraulic reservoir is full of the manufacturer’s recommended oil. Slowly raise the machine, and continue to hold the hydraulic lever until all lift cylinders are fully extended. Lower and raise the unit to verify that all cylinders are working simultaneously throughout the stroke. If the cylinders are not working evenly or together, fully extend the lift cylinders and continue to hold the lever to purge any remaining air. Do not loosen any hoses or fittings. Recheck tractor reservoir to make sure it is within operating limits. With all cylinders fully extended, install the 1-3/8 X 10 transport lockouts (See Figure 4-3.) Storage location for lockouts (See Figure 4-4.)

3. Always fully extend the cylinders and hold the lever to ensure the cylinders are rephased before starting any field operation. This will keep all cylinders in time and frame sections level when operating.
Hydraulic Fold System

1. The VT Plus is equipped with a hydraulic fold system to raise and lower the wing frames for narrow transport.
2. Be sure the system is fully charged with hydraulic oil before attempting to fold/unfold the unit. Air in the system can allow uncontrolled dropping of the wing frames causing serious personal injury or machine damage. The system needs to be charged with oil initially and any time the system has been opened for repair such as cylinder, hose, or fitting replacement/repair.

3. To charge the system, carefully hitch the VT Plus to the tractor. Unpin the end(s) of the fold cylinders, and position them so they can extend and retract without contacting any frames or other parts. Check the tractor hydraulic fluid level to make sure it is full of the manufacturer’s recommended hydraulic fluid. Connect the cylinder hoses to the tractor and fully extend and retract the cylinders several times. The cylinder rod travel should be smooth and positive when all air has been purged from the system. Due to large amounts of hydraulic oil required, recheck the tractor fluid level to make sure it is within proper operating limits.

4. The hydraulic fold system is equipped with restrictors in the rod end of cylinders to prevent uncontrolled falling of wing frames when unfolding. Removal or improper assembly of these restrictors can cause the machine to fold improperly and result in serious machine damage.

WARNING

Escaping hydraulic fluid can cause serious personal injury. Relieve system pressure before repairing, adjusting, or disconnecting. Wear proper hand and eye protection when searching for leaks. Use cardboard instead of hands (See Figure 4-5.) Keep all components (cylinders, hoses, fittings, etc.) in good repair.
5. To fold/unfold the VT Plus, find a level area large enough to accommodate the VT Plus when it is fully unfolded. The tractor should be stopped and not moving with the unit fully raised. Remove the wing lock pins from the mounts and install them in the storage locations (See Figures 4-6 and 4-7).

**IMPORTANT**
Failure to remove the lock pins when unfolding will result in serious damage to the implement. Be sure other people and pets are a safe distance away.

6. Slowly engage the tractor lever and fold/unfold the wing frames. When the wings are unfolded, continue holding the tractor lever to fully extend all fold cylinders. This will allow the wings to fully flex in the field.

7. When the unit is fully folded, remove the wing lock pins from the storage location and install in the mounts provided on each side of the machine.

8. If wing lock pin or plates are bent or deformed during unfolding procedure, replacement parts may be ordered (wing lock pin p/n 2-557-010409 and wing lock plate p/n 171026).
General Operation

1. The horsepower requirements are typically 8-10 horsepower per foot of cut. This will vary widely due to speed, depth, moisture, residue and types of soils. Local dealers can help in making recommendations for your areas.

2. Operating speed is typically 6 - 9 mph. Excessive speed can cause the unit to bounce, uneven depth, and create a ridge on the outside edges. Too low of speed may not allow the unit to properly fill in the center furrow.

3. Lift wheels must always be in contact with the ground and carrying some implement weight. Lift wheels are used to gauge the depth of each frame section and to control the leveling feature. Maximum discing depth cannot be achieved by raising the lift wheels off the ground. Little or no weight on the lift wheels will cause the frame sections to gouge, side-draft, and buckle producing inconsistent cutting depth.

4. Do not turn with the VT Plus in the ground, this can put excessive side load on the gangs and hitch. Raise the unit slightly when making turns to prevent gouging and pushing a ridge.

Field Operation

1. Raise the unit to take the weight off of the transport locks. Remove the transport locks from the lift cylinders (on the main frame only). Store the transport locks on the retainers above the main lift (See Figure 4-4.)

2. Remove the wing lock pins and store in the extra hole in the hinge bracket. Unfold the wings and extend the fold cylinders completely (See Figure 4-6.)

CAUTION

Failure to remove wing lock pins before unfolding wings will cause permanent equipment damage.
Leveling (Side to Side)

1. An adjustable radius rod connects the center frame lifts together to keep them operating in unison. The radius rod does not level the center frame lift. The radius rod length is determined initially by fully retracting the lift cylinders and adjusting the radius rod until it is loose and tightening the jam nuts.

2. To level the center frame:
   a. Verify that all of the tires are properly inflated.
   b. With the unit unfolded, raise it to fully extend the lift cylinders and continue holding the tractor lever 30-60 seconds to insure the cylinders are fully extended and the rephrasing lift system has been purged of air.
   c. Lower the unit so the disc blades are 1” off the ground.
   d. Measure the distance from the walking beam spindle to the top of the frame on both sides. If there is a difference, it needs to be adjusted by turning the cylinder rods with the wrench flats provided at the clevis end (See Figure 4-8.)
   e. Let the machine down onto the ground to relieve any pressure, but do not fully retract the cylinders. Remove 1-8 x 4 hex head cap screws from the radius rod assembly and remove from frame.
   f. Loosen the cross bolt on the clevis. If the difference is 1/4" this requires turning the rod of the short side one full revolution to lengthen the cylinder. If the difference is 1/2" this requires turning the rod of the short side out one full turn and the rod of the tall side in one full revolution. Any differences of less than a 1/4” are acceptable for operating.
3. After adjusting the cylinder rod or rods, the radius rod needs to be adjusted back to a neutral position. This is accomplished by fully retracting the lift cylinders and adjusting the radius rod until it fits between the lifts. Reinstall 1-8 x 4 hex head cap screw, tighten jam nuts, and 1/2 x 1-1/4 square head cup point set screw to prevent radius rod from turning.

4. Leveling the VT Plus side-to-side involves leveling the wing frame to the center frame. The unit should be level side-to-side when operating in the field.

5. To level the unit:
   a. Verify that all tires are properly inflated, and that the center radius rod adjustment has been properly set.
   b. With the implement unfolded, raise the unit to fully extend the lift cylinders. Continue to hold the tractor lever 30-60 seconds to insure that the cylinders are fully extended and the rephasing lift system has been purged of air.
   c. Lower the unit until the disc blades are approximately 1” off the ground.
   d. On the center frame, measure the distance from the welded washer to the top side of the frame (See Figure 4-9.)
   e. Measure the same distance on the wing frame. The wing frames are generally set to the same distance or slightly higher than the center frame. The 7431-20 requires adding 3/4” to the measurement shown in Figure 4-9 and measuring to the top of the spindle tube on the wing lift as shown in Figure 4-11. The 7431-23 should measure the same all the way across the machine. The 7431-26/29 requires adding 5/16” to the center frame measurement for the wings if equipped with 380/55R-16.5 tires. The 7431-33 requires adding 5/8” to the center frame measurement for the wings due to the larger tires.
   f. Adjusting the anchor at the base end of each wing lift cylinder sets wing frame height (See Figure 4-10.)

6. An adjusting wrench is provided to make this adjustment. It may be necessary to lower the wing to the ground and relieve weight on the cylinder anchor to make this adjustment. If required, fully raise the implement, lower to just above the ground, and re-verify measurements. Repeat as necessary and securely tighten the cylinder anchor when complete.
Leveling (Front-to-Rear)

1. The leveling feature on the VT Plus is used to keep the machine level when raising the unit from a working position to a transport position. The leveling feature is also used to level the unit from front-to-rear to perform a level discing operation in the field.

2. The unit should be level from front to rear and the soil behind the disc should be level without furrows or ridges. If there is a presence of a center ridge from the rear gangs, the rear gangs are too deep. If there is a furrow left from the rear gangs the front gangs are too deep.

3. On machines with manual leveler adjustment, turn the leveler handle in or out to adjust the front-to-rear level (See Figure 4-12.) By turning the leveler handle in (clockwise) will lower the rear gangs in deeper. By turning the leveler screw out (counter-clockwise) will raise the rear gangs.

**NOTE**

On the 7431, the variable link option is not available and should not be adjusted. See Figure 4-13 for proper location of leveler link. Set in 3rd hole down from top.

4. Implements with the optional hydraulic leveler, can make adjustments on-the-go from the tractor. A reference gauge is provided on the implement for a guide.

**IMPORTANT**

Improperly set gauge wheels can prevent the leveler from functioning properly. Large adjustments, either manually or hydraulically will require adjustment of gauge wheels.

![Figure 4-12: Manual Leveler Adjustment](image1)

![Figure 4-13: Variable Link Non-Adjustment](image2)
Hydraulic Leveler Adjustment

If a unit is equipped with an optional hydraulic leveler, adjust to the following dimensions for most field conditions.

1. Lower the disc to the ground to remove the load on the leveler assembly.
2. Remove the level indicator rod from the leveler tube (See Figure 4-14.)
3. Loosen the 1-1/2-6 hex lock nut at the rear of the leveler tube (an adjustment wrench is provided for this).
4. Screw the leveler tube out to approximately 7” for all models.
5. Install the level indicator rod in the leveler tube and level indicator gauge.
6. The check valve is not adjustable. It prevents movement of the leveler assembly unless the tractor remote is activated.
Hitch Adjustment

1. It is important for the VT Plus to maintain a proper draft line with the tractor to do a level job of discing. The draft line will vary depending on soil conditions and tractor drawbar height. The VT Plus is equipped with an adjustable hitch to help insure a proper draft line with the tractor.

2. Generally tractor drawbars greater than 17” tall will require the hitch to be in the upper position. 17” drawbars and below should be in the lower position. Operating conditions may also influence the hitch adjustment. The hitch is most commonly located in the upper position.

3. A hitch adjustment that is too high will leave a center furrow, as the front of the VT Plus will operate too deep. A low hitch adjustment can cause a center ridge, regardless of leveler setting.

**IMPORTANT**

Excessive down pressure with gauge wheels can also create a center ridge regardless of hitch and leveler settings.

4. To adjust the hitch (See Figure 4-15.):
   a. Lower the VT Plus to the ground.
   b. Adjust the leveler screw (manual or hydraulic) in or out until the pressure is relieved on the leveling system (See “Leveling (Side to Side)” on page 4-8 and “Leveling (Front-to-Rear)” on page 4-10).
   c. Remove the 1-8 X 4 hex head cap screw and hardware from the leveler ball joint link at the center rear of the hitch weldment.
   d. Loosen, but do not remove the bolts that pass through the ball joint connections at the outer rear connections of the hitch.
   e. Remove the bolt through the two hole clamp plates (above or below) the rear connections of the hitch ball joint.
   f. Vertically raise or lower the hitch to the desired operating position.
   g. Reinstall the bolt through the two-hole clamp plates to secure the hitch in the new position.
   h. Retighten all hitch bolts.
   i. Install the bolt in the leveler ball joint link in the new position at the rear of the hitch and retighten.

**IMPORTANT**

When the hitch is in the lower position, the leveler ball joint link will be in the upper mounting hole at the rear of the tongue. If the hitch is in the raised mounting position, the leveler ball joint link will be in the lower hole at the rear of the tongue.

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**Figure 4-15: Hitch Adjustment**
Scraper Adjustment

The VT Plus is equipped with rigid scrapers at regular spools with dual scrapers at the disc bearings.

1. Rigid scrapers should be set initially as close to the disc blade as possible without rubbing (approximately 1/8") (See Figure 4-16.) A slotted hole at the top of each scraper is provided for individual adjustment. Adjustments may be made for entire gangs, by loosening the u-bolts around the angle-iron scraper bars and sliding the whole bar. Scraper arms are made of spring steel. In wet conditions, the scraper may be set against the disc blade and will function as a spring-loaded scraper.

2. Scraper blades have two positions and are reversible. The blades are initially set in the front position to position scraper closer to the spool. This position will perform better in wet and heavier residue conditions. The blade may be moved back for dryer conditions and climates where less scraper action is needed.

3. Dual scrapers are provided at the bearing locations to scrape the disc blade and to limit the amount of soil and residue carried into the bearing hanger. Scrapers can be individually adjusted in or out from the concave side of the disc blade.

**CAUTION**

Tighten all 1-3/4" nuts to 1,250 foot-pounds of torque (See Figure 4-17.)
Front Gauge Wheels

1. The VT Plus is equipped with castering gauge wheels at the outer front corners of each wing. These gauge wheels are used to limit depth of the wings, and prevent gouging and buckling of wing frames.

2. Gauge wheels are not intended to carry the wing, but prevent excessive depth. Adjust the wheels to carry some weight, but not enough to hold the wing from reaching operating depth set with the main lift hydraulics.

   **IMPORTANT**
  
   Excessive down pressure can cause the implement to throw a center ridge.

3. To adjust the gauge wheel depth, loosen and adjust the nuts on each side of the gauge wheel cross. A wrench is provided on the implement for this adjustment. All other connections should remain tight. Securely tighten the adjusting nuts when complete. Both gauge wheel assemblies should be set the same. Verify adjustment by measuring the length of the bolt centers of the gauge wheel adjustment rod.
Disc Blades

1. The 7431 VT Plus is equipped with 22” -6 ga. (.197”), 22” -4 ga. (.256), or 22” -4 ga. (.256) rollable low concavity disc blades on both front and rear. The use of other concavity blades can give unpredictable results and is not recommended.

2. Sharpening – In some cases there is a desire to sharpen disc blades for improved cutting. There are several people who roll-sharpen disc blades. Most disc blades used today are made of chrome-boron steel. The chrome-boron steel has a higher hardness than traditional carbon-steel blades for increased wear. Higher hardness makes roll sharpening more difficult often with mixed results, and is not covered by warranty. Disc blade manufacturers will not cover any alterations to blades other than the place of manufacture. Results from roll-sharpening damage may not be immediate, and may take more than a season to be noticeable. If you choose to sharpen disc blades, check with local dealers for reputable experienced sharpeners that will stand behind their work.

DANGER

Disc blades are extremely sharp. Exercise extreme care when working on or near disc blades. Do not allow discs to roll over or fall onto any bodily part. Do not allow wrenches to slip when working near disc blades. Never push wrenches toward disc blades. Do not climb over machine above disc blades. Failure to stay clear of disc blade edges can cause serious personal injury or death.
Depth Stop Adjustment (Manual)

The operating depth of the VT Plus is controlled by a single-point depth stop. The stop is located at the center front of the machine.

1. Adjust the depth stop by turning the handle in (clockwise) to increase operating depth (See Figure 4-18.) Turn the handle out (counter-clockwise) to decrease operating depth. One turn will equal approximately 3/16” adjustment in depth.

2. The gauge on the side of the depth stop tube gives a reference for depth setting. The “A” setting refers to maximum operating depth.

**IMPORTANT**

For maximum operating depth, the lift wheels must be in contact with the ground and carry some of the machine weight. Raising the lift wheels off the ground, permits uncontrolled depth of each frame section and does not allow the leveler to function properly.

![Figure 4-18: Depth Stop Adjustment (Manual)](image)
Wheel Bearing Maintenance

Wheel bearing maintenance should be performed at the beginning of every season of use. Check the wheel bearings periodically for excessive end play. If needed, adjust or replace them using the following procedure:
1. Place the frame on blocks or stands sufficient to lift the tire clear of the ground.
2. Remove the tire.
3. Remove the hub cap, cotter pin, slotted nut and washer.
4. Remove the hub. Clean and inspect the bearings and hub cavity. Replace any worn or defective parts.
5. Repack the bearings using a high-quality wheel bearing grease.
6. Slide the seal onto the spindle. Do not install the seal into the hub.
7. Slide the inner bearing cone and hub onto the spindle.
8. Install the outer bearing cone, washer and slotted nut.
9. Torque spindle nut to 50 ft. lbs. Rotate hub both directions a minimum of one quarter turn to set bearings. Back off spindle nut until loose and torque to 27 ft. lbs. on the 2-1/4" spindle or 45 ft. lbs. on the 3" spindle. If necessary, back off spindle nut until the nut slot is lined up with the cotter pin hole. Do not back off more than one flat of nut. Install new cotter pin. Bend cotter pin to secure spindle nut.
10. Install a new hub cap. Coat inside of cap with grease.

NOTE
The seals should point away from the hub to keep contaminants out and allow grease to pass.

11. Position seal over seal bore. Rotate seal in an inward motion to ensure sealing surfaces are facing away from the hub. Install seal flush with seal bore casting surface.
12. When greasing hubs, fill hub until grease is purged from seal.

Hydraulic Maintenance

1. Check the tractor hydraulic fluid level per tractor owner's manual and after any leakage. Check fluid level with the cylinders in the retracted position.
2. If a cylinder or valve leaks, disassemble the parts to determine the cause of the leak. Any time a cylinder is opened up, or whenever any seal replacement is necessary, it is advisable to clean all parts and replace all seals. Seal kits are available from your Landoll dealer.
3. Check all hydraulic hoses weekly. Look for binding or cracking. Replace all worn or defective parts immediately.

IMPORTANT
Unfold, lower the unit to the ground, and relieve hydraulic pressure before attempting to service any hydraulic component.

4. Transport locks are provided to hold the implement in a raised position. Do not attempt to perform any service work under the implement without first installing the transport locks. Before servicing any hydraulic component, lower the implement to the ground and relieve all system pressure. If a hydraulic component is disconnected, repaired, or replaced, it will be necessary to purge the system of air before operation. See “Hydraulic Lift System” on page 4-3 and “Hydraulic Fold System” on page 4-5 on how to purge the hydraulic systems.
Transport

1. Check and follow all federal, state, and local requirements before transporting the VT Plus.

2. The 7431 should be transported only by tractor required for field operation. The implement weight should not exceed more than 1.5 times the tractor weight. Maximum transport speed for the 7431 is 20 mph for the implement and is designated on the speed identification symbol located on the front of the implement (See Figure 4-19.)

6. A safety chain is provided with the implement to insure safe transport.

   a. The safety chain should have a tensile strength equal to or greater than the gross weight of the implement. The chain is attached to the lower hitch clevis hole with two flat washers between the clamp plates to assure a tight connection. Always use a 1" diameter Grade 8 bolt for this connection.

   b. Attach the safety chain to the tractor drawbar (See Figure 4-19.) Provide only enough slack in the chain for turning. Do not use an intermediate chain support as the attaching point for the chain on the tractor. Do not pull the implement by the safety chain.

   c. When unhitching from the tractor attach the hook end of the chain to a free link close to the hitch clevis for storage. This will keep the hook off the ground, reducing corrosion and keep the hook functioning properly.

   d. Regularly inspect the safety chain for worn, stretched, or broken links and ends. Replace the safety chain if it is damaged or deformed in any way.

3. When towing equipment in combination, the maximum equipment ground speed shall be limited to the lowest specified ground speed of any of the towed implements.

4. Maximum transport speed shall be the lesser of travel speed specified in the operator's manual, speed identification symbol, information sign of towed equipment, or limit of road conditions.

5. Slow down when driving on rough roads. Reduce speed when turning, or on curves and slopes to avoid tipping. Equipment altered other than the place of manufacture may reduce the maximum transport speed. Additional weight, added tanks, harrowing attachments, etc. may reduce implement load carrying capabilities.
7. Check that tires are of proper size, load rating, and inflated to manufacture specifications before transporting. Check wheel lug bolts to insure tightness.

8. Know the transport heights and widths of the unit before transporting. Attachments such as leveling harrows can increase the transport dimensions of the implement. Use caution when transporting near bridges and power lines.

**WARNING**

Electrocution can occur without direct contact.

9. Raise the unit to full transport height.

10. Install transport locks on both lift and fold systems. Do not depend solely on implement hydraulics for transport. *(See Figure 4-20.)*

**WARNING**

Failure to use transport lock pins during transport may result in permanent equipment damage, serious injury, or death.

11. Transport during daylight hours whenever possible. Always use flashing warning lights, except where such use is prohibited by law. Make sure lights, reflectors and SMV emblem are clearly visible and operating. Remove any obstructions such as dirt, mud, stalks or residue that restricts view before transporting.

12. Be sure to disassemble rear jack assembly and move into transport position. *(See Figure 4-21)* before moving machine.

13. To increase stability and reel clearance on center frame, use hydraulic leveler to roll the unit forward.
Figure 4-22: Lubrication Schedule

### LUBRICATION TABLE

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Table 4-1: Lubrication Table
Lubrication Maintenance

1. Table 4-1 specifies the number and the period of lubrication points on the 7431 VT Plus. Proper maintenance of your machine will, under normal operating conditions, help to keep it operating at or near its peak performance for an extended period of time. Proper maintenance is also a condition of keeping your warranty in good status (See Figure 4-22.)

2. When lubricating the VT Plus, SAE multi-purpose EP grease, or EP grease with 3-5% molybdenum sulfide is recommended. Wipe soil from fittings before greasing. Replace any lost or broken fittings immediately.

3. Disc gang and conditioner reel bearings are equipped with seals that will let grease pass and not harm the seal. Regular lubrication will maintain a full grease cavity and help purge any contaminants. Grease the bearings before long periods of storage to prevent moisture buildup within the bearing cavity.

4. Wheel seals and walking tandem seals, when properly installed, will allow grease to pass without harm to seals. Regular lubrication will extend service life, particularly in severe operating conditions.

5. The VT Plus is equipped with maintenance-free bearings in the lifts, leveler, wing hinges and gauge wheel casters. These areas require no lubrication.
Storage

1. The service life of the VT Plus will be extended by proper off-season storage practices. Prior to storing the unit, complete the following procedures:
   a. Completely clean the unit.
   b. Inspect the machine for worn or defective parts. Replace as needed.
   c. Repaint all areas where the original paint is worn off.
   d. Grease all exposed metal surfaces of shanks, points and discs.
   e. Apply a light coating of oil or grease to exposed cylinder rods to prevent them from rusting.
   f. Lubricate each point of the machine as stated in “Lubrication Maintenance” on page 4-21.

2. Store the unit in a shed or under a tarpaulin to protect it from the weather. The ground tools and tires should rest on boards, or some other object, to keep them out of the soil.

3. If the unit must be stored outside, unfold the VT Plus to prevent moisture buildup in the disc gang and wheel bearings.

4. If the unit is stored in the folded position, make sure the transport lock pins are installed to prevent wing frames settling.

5. Slide the rear jack tube from transport position and into slot from bottom of rear jack mount. Pin jack tube in position. Attach jack to rear jack tube and pin in position. Crank jack until the rear of the machine is supported (See Figure 4-23.)
The Troubleshooting Guide, shown below, is included to help you quickly locate problems that can happen using your 7431 VT Plus. Follow all safety precautions stated in the previous sections when making any adjustments to your machine.

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