

# SERVICE MANUAL Payloader Models BC2 BC3 BC4



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## Foreword

#### **GENERAL**

This service manual has been prepared with two purposes. First, it will introduce the trained maintenance professional to the latest field tested and factory approved major repair methods. Secondly, it will acquaint the reader with the construction of the Columbia ParCar vehicles and assist him/her in performing basic maintenance and repair. We sincerely believe that this manual will make the association with Columbia ParCar vehicles a more pleasant and profitable experience.

In addition to the information given in this manual, Service Bulletins are issued to Columbia ParCar dealers which cover interim engineering changes and supplementary information. Service Bulletins should be consulted for complete information on the models covered by this manual.

To ensure the safety of those servicing our vehicles and to protect the vehicles from possible damage resulting from improper service or maintenance, the procedures in this manual should always be followed exactly as specified. Execution of the procedures and troubleshooting tips as outlined will ensure the best possible service from the vehicle(s). To reduce the chance of personal injury and/or property damage, carefully observe the DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION & NOTICE recommendations throughout this manual. See Section 1Safety for additional details.

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#### PREPARATION FOR SERVICE

Proper preparation is very important for efficient service work. A clean work area at the start of each job will allow you to perform the repair as easily and quickly as possible, and reduce the incidence of misplaced tools and parts. Columbia ParCar vehicles that are excessively dirty should be cleaned before work begins. Cleaning will occasionally uncover trouble sources.

Tools, instruments and parts needed for the job should be gathered before work is started. Interrupting a job to locate tools or parts is a needless delay. Special tools required for a job are listed at the beginning of each section.

#### MODEL IDENTIFICATION

Always give the vehicle identification number (VIN) when ordering parts or making inquiries about the vehicle. Use of ordering parts or making inquiries about the vehicle. Use of the full and complete vehicle identification number will ensure  $\Xi$ 

the full and complete vehicle identification number will ensure that the dealer or service provider is supplying you with the correct parts for the vehicle. See Section 2-General Information for VIN location and additional information. USE GENUINE REPLACEMENT PARTS When replacement parts are required, use only genuine Columbia ParCar parts or parts with equivalent characteristics including type, strength and material. Failure to do so could result in product malfunction and possible injury to the operator and/or passenger. passenger.

To ensure a satisfactory and lasting repair, follow the service manual instructions carefully and use only genuine Columbia ParCar vehicle replacement parts. This is the insurance that the parts you are using will fit right, operate properly and last longer. When you use genuine Columbia ParCar vehicle parts, you use the best.

#### **PRODUCT REFERENCES**

When reference is made in this manual to a specific brand name product, tool or instrument, an equivalent product, tool or instrument may be used in place of the one mentioned.

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DC Controller

CHANGE HISTORY - BC		
DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
3/22/12	Issued	TS
3/24/14	Added AC information	TC

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Section 1 Safety



#### **OVERVIEW**

Statements in this manual preceded by the words DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION or NOTICE and words printed in bold face are very important. We recommend you take special notice of these items.

#### A DANGER

Danger indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

#### AWARNING

Warning indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

### **ACAUTION**

Caution indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

**NOTICE:** Notices are messages not related to personal injury. They will provide key information to prevent property damage and to assure procedures are more easily understood or implemented.

It is important to note that some warnings against the use of specific service methods, which could damage the vehicle or render it unsafe, are stated in this service manual. However, please remember that these warnings are not all inclusive. Since Columbia ParCar Corporation could not possibly know, evaluate and advise servicing personnel of all possible ways in which service might be performed or of the possible hazardous consequences of each way, we have not undertaken any such broad evaluation.

Accordingly, anyone who uses a service procedure or tool which is not recommended by Columbia ParCar must first thoroughly satisfy him/herself that neither their nor the operator's safety will be jeopardized by the service methods selected.

#### SAFETY INFORMATION

It is Columbia ParCar's specific recommendation that the following safety information must be observed at all times. Not all are repeated throughout this manual, but the recommendations included must be observed whenever these subjects (indoor vehicle operation hazards) are encountered.

#### AWARNING

Any modifications or changes to the vehicle that affect the stability or increases vehicle speed beyond factory specifications could result in severe personal injury or death. Always, remove keys and turn the master disconnect switch counterclockwise to the OFF position before servicing or repairing your vehicle. See Section 8-Battery and Charger, for specific details.

All batteries used in electric vehicles can explode! Always wear full face shield when working on or near batteries. Hydrogen fumes are a natural byproduct of charging and discharging and are extremely explosive.

Do not smoke around electric vehicle batteries. Keep sparks and flames away from batteries. Battery charging should only be done in a well-ventilated area. Refer to Section 8-Battery and Charger for details.

Batteries contain acid which can cause severe burns. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. Wear full face shield and rubber gloves when working on or near batteries.

#### **ANTIDOTES:**

- ar batteries. IDOTES: External: Flush with water. Call a physician immediately. Internal: Drink large quantities of milk or water. Follow with milk of magnesia or vegetable oil. Eyes: Flush with water for fifteen minutes. Call a physician immediately.
- physician immediately.

#### AWARNING

When working around batteries, use approved insulated tools, remove jewelry such as rings, watches, chains, etc. and place an insulating material such as wood, plastic, rubber, etc. over batteries covering all connections.

If any problems are found during scheduled maintenance or inspections, do not operate vehicle until repairs are completed. Failure to make necessary repairs could result in fire, property damage, severe personal injury or death.

#### A DANGER

Only trained maintenance professionals should repair or service this vehicle. Persons performing even simple repairs or service should have working knowledge and experience in general electrical and mechanical repair. Follow all procedures exactly and observe all warnings stated in this manual. Use caution and common sense.

Proper service and repair is important for safe, reliable operation of all Columbia vehicles. The service procedures recommended and described in this service manual are effective methods for performing service operations. Some of these service operations require the use of tools specially designed for this purpose. These special tools should be used when and as recommended.

## Section 1 - Safety

#### ICONS IN PROCEDURES

Watch out for icons and symbols in procedures. They are there to help you avoid situations that might expose you to an unnecessary hazard or potential injury.

#### A DANGER

Use insulated tools when working near batteries or electrical connections. Use extreme caution to avoid shorting of components or wiring.

### **ACAUTION**



Moving parts hazard! When operating any vehicle in a stationary position, avoid chains, belts, and wheels which could snag clothing or cause severe injury to body parts. A running vehicle must be worked on with the greatest care. Use caution and common sense.

#### A DANGER

Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry such as rings, watches, chains, etc. when servicing the vehicle. Failure to do so could result in personal injury or death.

#### **AWARNING**

Working on Columbia ParCar vehicles without following proper procedures and using proper lifting equipment may result in vehicle damage or personal injury. See Section 3 Maintenance - Lifting Instructions for detailed instructions.

Always wear safety glasses or approved eye protection while servicing vehicle. Wear a full face shield when working with batteries.

Failure to maintain vehicle properly could result in decreased vehicle performance, reliability or cause severe personal injury.

Exceeding rated vehicle load capacities could result in possible severe injury or property damage.

#### **ACAUTION**

Check the vehicle for proper location and condition of all vehicle safety and operation decals

*NOTICE*: The modification of vehicles for use in other than its intended purpose is not recommended. Any unauthorized modification may void your vehicle warranty.



SSS HOT

HOT! DO NOT attempt to service hot electric motor or resistors. Failure to observe this warning could result in severe burns.

The Payloader is a vehicle built to carry 2 or more people and cargo. It is not designed to be driven on public highways.

This vehicle is designed to conform to requirements for Type E vehicles as described in O.S.H.A. Standard Section 1910.178 (Powered Industrial Trucks) and with all applicable portions of the American National Standard for Personnel and Burden Carriers (ANSI B56.8 1993 Part III).

#### SAFETY PREPARATIONS

A DANGER

Before performing any service on the vehicle, always turn Power keyswitch to OFF and remove. Turn. Directional knob to NEUTRAL. Block tires.

#### DECALS

Safety, Warning and Informational decals should be ordered and replaced as soon as they are discovered to be illegible or missing. Part numbers for the below Stockchaser decals are. 53250-01 (Figure 1-1) and 71527-04 (Figure 1-2).

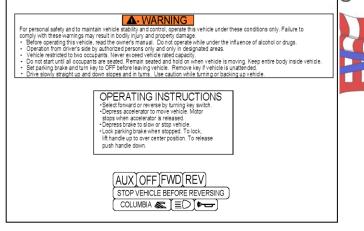


Figure 1-1

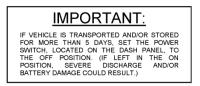


Figure 1-2



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**Section 2 General Information** 



## Section 2 – General Information

#### VEHICLE MODEL INFORMATION

	MODELS				
	BC2-S	BC2-L	BC3-S	BC3-L	BC4
Passenger Capacity	2 (4 with special option)				
Turning Curb to Curb (in)	243 296 243 296				
Turning Intersecting Aisle (In)	72 92 72 92				
Ground Clearance (in)			4.3		
Overall Length (in)	106	121	106	121	121
Overall Width (in)			47		
Overall Height (in)			47.5		
Wheelbase	51	65	51	65	65
Max. Speed 36 Volt (mph)	14	14	10	10	N/A
Max. Speed 48 Volt (mph)	17	17	13	13	12
Bed Size L x W (in)	62 x 45	76 x 45	62 x 45	76 x 45	76 x 45
Bed Height (in)			30		
Motor		36 & 48 V	olt Systems		48 Volt
WOO	Totally enclosed, NEMA Class H temperature rated motor				
Battery	36 & 48 Volt Systems     48 Volt       Totally enclosed, NEMA Class H temperature rated motor     48 Volt       Six 6 Volt or Eight 6 Volt , Heavy Duty, 220 Amp Hour Deep Cycle     48 Volt				
Charger	Built in, micro-processor controlled, fully sealed, anti-drive away interlock, 110-240 VAC, 50/60 HZ				
Controller type	Built in, micro-processor controlled, fully sealed, anti-drive away interlock, 110-240 VAC, 50/60 HZ Programmable, solid state, reduced speed reverse w/ diagnostic LED & calibrator interface Dash-mounted safety directional keyswitch				
Directional Control	Dash-mounted safety directional keyswitch				
Seating	Adjustable bucket seats with arm rests				
Body	Welded heavy duty, 14 gauge diamond plate steel unitized body				
Lighting	Dual recessed head, tail and brake lights				
Instrumentation & Accessories	Battery discharge indicator, horn, reverse warning alarm, driver seat power interlock switch				
Frame	10 Gauge Steel				
Steering	Automotive steering wheel to heavy duty worm and roller gear				
Suspension	Independent leaf springs				
Brakes	Dual, rear hydraulic drum 4 wheel hydraulic disc				
BC2 & BC3 Tires	5.70" x 8", pneumatic, 8 ply rating, load range D 5.70" x 8", foam filled, 8 ply rating, load range D 18.0" x 8", pneumatic, load range C 145 R 12 (5.7x21.3x12) 10 ply rating, load range D				
BC4 Tires	5.70" x 8", pneumatic, 10 ply rating, Super Duty 0.70" x 8", Solid Cushion				
BC2, 3 & 4 Power	DC Controller Ra	ating - 400 – 500 a	mp AC Con	troller Rating – 450	) amp
Motor Braking Mode	Regenerative & pedal proportional braking w/ top speed limiting				

#### **VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)**

Each vehicle has a unique VIN. The VIN describes facts and features of the vehicle and contains thirteen (13) digits.

The VIN number can be found in two locations. Stamped on the left chassis frame beneath the drivers seat (Figure 1) and on a vehicle nameplate (Figure 2) attached to the dash below the horn.

The nameplate has important information such as model, vehicle weights and rated capacity (load, operator and passenger). Do not exceed this capacity. Read carefully.



Figure 1

Figure 2

	B2S (BC2-S)
	B2L (BC2-L)
Digit 1 thru 3	B3S (BC3-S)
= Abbreviation (Model)	B3L (BC3-L)
	B4S (BC4-S)
	B4L (BC4-L)
Digit 4 = Power System	E = ACE <i>plus</i>
Digit E - System Voltage	3 = 36V
Digit 5 = System Voltage	4 = 48V(8 - 6V)
Digit 6 - VIN Spacer	- = normal
Digit 6 = VIN Spacer	# = Special Product
	A = 350 Amp
	B = 450 Amp
Digit 7= Controller Amperage	3 = 300 Amp
, inportage	4 = 400 Amp
	5 = 500 Amp
	Y = Rear Hydraulic
	X = Front & Rear
	Hydraulic
Digit 8 = Axle/Brake System	W = HD Rear Hydraulic
	V = HD F&R Hydraulic
	U = M18 Rear Hydraulic
	T = M18 F&R Hydraulic
Digit 9 = Build Year	I = 2010, J = 2011 etc.
Digit 10 Thru 13 - Sequence	1234

#### **VIN MATRIX**

Always provide the complete VIN when NOTICE: contacting your dealer for technical assistance or parts.

#### SAFETY CONCERNS

- Enforce safe driving and operating rules. .
- Provide driver training for first time operators and review safe operating recommendations regularly.
- Maintain vehicles in a safe operating condition and maintain a schedule for daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually and annual vehicle inspections.
- Determine who, when, and how should pre-operation inspections be conducted.
- Notify operators what should be done if an unsafe condition or operating problem is discovered.

#### **CONTROLS AND OPERATION (Figure 3)**

#### **POWER KEYSWITCH – Arrow A**

Parts With the power keyswitch in the "OFF" position, the Traction System is powered down. This conserves battery energy by reducing the power draw when vehicle is not in use.  $\overline{\bigcirc}$ 

Turning the power keyswitch or selector to OFF is highly recommended whenever vehicle is not in use. Always take the key out of the power keyswitch when leaving the vehicle

DIRECTION SELECTOR – Arrow B When the direction selector is in the vertical position, the vertical position, the vertical position is turned OEE or in neutral. Turned vehicle's direction signal is turned OFF or in neutral. Turn direction selector to the right from vertical position to move the  $\breve{O}$ vehicle in a forward direction (F). Turn direction selector to the left from vertical position to move the vehicle in a reverse direction (R). A warning buzzer sounds when in reverse.

**NOTICE:** Direction selector must be in the N or neutral position prior to turning on the power keyswitch, or a reset of the direction selector to neutral will be required before traction drive is enabled. See Section 4.11 CONTROLLER TROUBLESHOOTING.

#### LIGHT SWITCH – Arrow C

The light switch is a two-position switch. Move switch up to activate headlight and taillights, down to turn off

#### **AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT SWITCH – Arrow D**

A switch for auxiliary equipment will be located in this position.



## Section 2 – General Information



Figure 3

# WARNINGS, OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

Warnings (Arrow E), operating instructions (Arrow F) and information (Arrow G) labels must be read carefully before operating the vehicle. Promptly replace if removed or damaged. Contact Columbia ParCar for replacements.

#### HORN BUTTON – Arrow H

Press button to sound the horn.

#### BRAKE PEDAL – Arrow I

To operate vehicle brakes, press brake pedal. Pressing the brake pedal also activates brake lights.

*NOTICE*: Never rest your foot on brake pedal while operating the vehicle. This wears brake pads, creates drag and causes excess battery discharge.

#### ACCELERATOR PEDAL – Arrow J

The accelerator pedal controls the speed of the vehicle in the same manner as a conventional automobile. The pedal must be fully released when changing directions.

## **ACAUTION**

To avoid injury, speed in reverse should always be kept at a minimum.

#### PARKING BRAKE – Arrow K

All Payloader models are equipped with a parking brake lever. To operate, pull up and back to engage; push forward and down to disengage.

*NOTICE*: Do not operate the vehicle with the hand parking brake applied. Damage to the vehicle could result.

#### FLOOR MOUNTED HORN SWITCH – Figure 4

Some vehicles may have a floor mounted horn switch located to the left of the steering column.



Figure 4

## Section 2 – General Information

#### NAMEPLATE - ARROW L

Nameplate has important information such as model, vehicle weights and rated capacity (load, operator and passenger). Do not exceed this capacity. Read carefully.

#### CONTROLLER LED SYSTEM LIGHT (DC Drive Only)-**ARROW M**

A green LED diagnostic light will indicate a fault in the electrical system.

#### **TURN SIGNAL/HAZARD WARNING SWITCH** - NOT SHOWN

If equipped, the turn signal / hazard warning switch is located on the steering column below the steering wheel. When lever is moved upward right turn signal turns on. When lever is moved downward left turn signal turns on. To turn off a signal move indicator lever back to center position. To operate the hazard warning lights pull outward on hazard bar. Moving the signal indicator lever to either of the turn signal positions will turn off the hazard lights.

#### SEAT SWITCH / TRACTION INTERLOCK - NOT SHOWN

Operator must be present in the driver seat for the vehicle traction drive to operate. A reset of the power system is required if an operator leaves the seat while the accelerator foot pedal is depressed.

#### **WIPER SWITCH - NOT SHOWN**

If equipped, the wiper switch is a 3 position toggle switch located on the wiper motor. Up and down locations are the fast and slow wiper speeds. The middle position is off. When turning wiper to the off position, it auto-positions to the right side of the windshield.

#### **STEERING WHEEL – NOT SHOWN**

The steering wheel controls the path of the vehicle exactly the same as a conventional automobile wheel.

#### HOUR METER INDICATOR - NOT SHOWN

If equipped, the hour meter is located on the support panel in front of the steering wheel column. It indicates the total number of hours the vehicle has been operating.

#### **CHARGER RECEPTACLE – Figure 5**

The charger receptacle (P) is located on the panel by the driver's left leg.

The AC cord is plugged in here for battery charging. The charger is interlocked with the traction control system which powers down the vehicle during charging.

Always apply the parking brake when charging.

Newer vehicle have a remote Delta Q charger status display with a multicolored LED (Figure 5 Q).

NOTICE: Before removing the AC cord, be sure to check the Delta-Q status lights. Section 4.7.1 CHARGER **OPERATING** See INSTRUCTIONS.

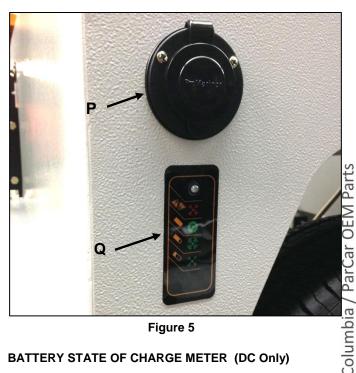


Figure 5

#### BATTERY STATE OF CHARGE METER (DC Only)

This meter (Figure 5) will display the battery state of charge. It is also located on the support panel in front of the steering wheel.

It is an analog gauge meter with an indicating needle and a colored background. lt is а continuously reading meter. At rest with fully charged batteries the meter should read in the right white region.



Figure 6

When accelerating guickly, the needle will move to the left green region near the very far left red region. This is normal. If the needle continues past the green region into the very far left red region, it indicates that the batteries need recharging as soon as possible to avoid a shut-down of the vehicle.

When decreasing speed, the needle will move to the right as electrical energy is being "regenerated" back into the batteries.

## Section 2 – General Information

#### PRE-OPERATION INSPECTIONS

Each vehicle has been inspected and adjusted to factory specifications before delivery. Upon receipt of vehicle, perform an inspection of the vehicle. Also, before using the vehicle, there are checks that must be performed to ensure that it is in safe working order.

#### AWARNING

Only trained maintenance professionals should service or repair this vehicle. Persons performing even simple repairs or service should have a working knowledge and experience in general electrical and mechanical repair. Follow all procedures and observe all warnings stated in this manual. Use caution and common sense.

#### PRE-OPERATION CHECKLIST

**ACAUTION** 

Before operating the vehicle always check the following items. Should any item malfunction or need adjustment. Do not operate vehicle until the problem has been corrected.

ITEM	PROCEDURE	irts				
	Fully charged or adequately charged to provide power for duration of operations.	Parts				
	The AC cord is disconnected from the vehicle.					
Batteries	Electrolyte level in each cell covers the top of cell plates. (See Section 4.12 if vehicle is equipped with a Single Point Battery Watering System.)	olumbia / ParCar OEM				
	Batteries are secure and free of corrosion. All terminals and connections are tight.	arC				
	Battery tray and door are secure.	/ Pa				
Tire Pressure	Inflated to the specifications labeled on the tire sidewall.	ia /				
	Turn lights on and make sure they illuminate.	dm				
Lights, Horn and Reverse Buzzer	Press horn button to sound horn.	olu				
	Reverse buzzer sounds. (Operator seat must be occupied.)					
	Brake pedal has firm pedal pressure with minimal travel.					
Brakes	Parking brake has proper engagement and release.					
Steering	Responsiveness and the absence of excessive free play.					
Cargo	Load is secure, balanced and not top heavy.					
Obstacles	Path of intended travel is free from obstructions.					
Labels	All warning and operation labels in place.					
Accelerator	Check for smooth operation.					

### **ACAUTION**

Do not overload the vehicle. Never exceed Maximum payload as specified on the vehicle nameplate.

Your safety and the safety of others depend on your safe operation and maintenance of this vehicle. Prior to operation, you, the operator, must be thoroughly familiar with this and all other sections of this manual.



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**Section 3 Maintenance** 



## Section 3 - Maintenance

#### **MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES**

A comprehensive maintenance program is important for the safe, reliable operation of all Columbia ParCar vehicles. The recommended procedures described in this service manual are effective methods for performing periodic maintenance and repair.

The maintenance procedures outlined in this manual are recommended when servicing the vehicle. Refer to maintenance checklist for frequency of service. Perform only those maintenance instructions described in this manual. If major repairs are needed, contact the local Columbia Dealer for assistance. Columbia Dealers have the technical experience, training and original Columbia Vehicle parts for the vehicle. Always use original Columbia Vehicle parts when servicing the vehicle.

#### AWARNING

No modifications or additions, which affect the mechanical or electrical integrity and the safe operation of the vehicle, shall be made without the written approval of the manufacturer. If such modifications are approved, the capacity, operation, and maintenance instruction markings shall be changed accordingly. In no case shall the safety factors be reduced below those specified in this manual or the manufacturers design factors, whichever is greater.

This section explains how to perform maintenance procedures and use the maintenance checklist to determine how often you should perform each procedure. Follow the guidelines below to assure proper maintenance of your Payloader.

- Allow only trained maintenance personnel to maintain, repair, and inspect the vehicle.
- Before starting any repairs or maintenance, immobilize the vehicle by turning the key switch off, removing the key and setting the park brake.
- Disconnect both of the main battery leads before working on or disconnecting any electrical component or wire.
- Block the chassis with jack stands before working under a raised vehicle.
- Conduct vehicle performance checks in an authorized area where a safe clearance exists.
- Before starting the vehicle, follow the recommended safety procedures in Section 1.
- Avoid fire hazards and have fire protection equipment present in the work area.
- DO NOT use an open flame to check level or leakage of battery electrolyte.
- DO NOT use open fuel or flammable fluids for cleaning parts.
- Work in a properly ventilated work area.
- Regularly inspect and maintain in safe working condition the brakes, steering mechanisms, speed and directional control mechanisms, warning devices, guards and safety devices.

- Inspect and maintain battery limit switches, protective devices, electrical conductors and connections in conformance with the manufacturer's recommended procedures.
- Keep the vehicle in a clean condition to minimize fire hazards and facilitate detection of loose or defective parts.

Before operating the vehicle inspect vehicle for damage, check operating controls including Reverse Warning Alarm., Check tires for proper inflation and test drive.

**NOTICE:** Some procedures require the use of special tools. These special tools must be used when and where specified.

When performing Monthly, Quarterly, Semi-Annual or Annual maintenance, ensure that Daily and Weekly inspections are included.

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*NOTICE*: Daily maintenance is performed daily before operation of vehicle by owner or operator. Weekly maintenance is performed on a weekly basis to include all daily maintenance and is performed by the owner, operator or trained maintenance personnel.

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#### MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Component	Procedure	Daily*	Weekly*	Monthly*	Quarterly <sub>†</sub> (25 hours)	Semi-Annual <sub>†</sub> (50 hours)	Annual <sub>t</sub> (100 hours)
Body, Seat & Frame	Visually inspect for damage or tears	x					
Hardware	Tighten as needed		х				
Vehicle and undercarriage	Wash as needed		x				
Clean Body and Seat	Wash as needed		x				
	Grease steering gear						x
Lubricate	Grease Tie rod ends (4) and front axle (2)					x	
Warning and operating labels	Ensure labels in place and readable	x					
Windshield	Check for visibility and tightness	x					
* Service performed	by Owner	† Service p	erformed by t	rained mainten	ance personnel		

Component	Procedure	Daily*	Weekly*	Monthly*	Quarterly <sub>†</sub> (25 hours)	Semi-Annual <sub>†</sub> (50 hours)	Annual <sub>t</sub> (100 hours)
	Check for wear and damage	х					,
Tires	Pressure – per tire side wall	х					
	Damaged rims			х			
Front wheel alignment	Check & adjust as needed.					x	
	Check lug nuts	х					
Wheels	Wheel bearing, repack, replace as needed.						х
	Check axle nuts for tightness & torque					х	
Steering linkage	Check for excessive movement & that hardware is secure		х				

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	MAINTENANC	E SCHED	ULE CHECI	KLIST – OPE	ERATING CON	TROLS	
Component	Procedure	Daily*	Weekly*	Monthly*	Quarterly <sub>†</sub> (25 hours)	Semi-Annual <sub>t</sub> (50 hours)	Annual <sub>t</sub> (100 hours)
Steering & linkages	Check for free movement	х					
Assolution	Check for free movement and return	х					
Accelerator	Check micro switch adjustment, if equipped						x
	Firm pedal pressure with minimum travel	х					
	Check parking brake adjustment	x	х				
Brakes	Check brake cables for damage			x			
	Clean & adjust brakes					x	
	Check brake fluid				х		
Directional Keyswitch	Check for smooth forward & reverse operation	х					
Lights, turn signals/flasher, horn, wiper	Operate properly	х					
Reverse Buzzer	Buzzer sounds	х					
* Service performed	by Owner	† Service p	erformed by tr	ained mainten	ance personnel		

Component	Procedure	Daily*	Weekly*	Monthly*	Quarterly <sub>†</sub> (25 hours)	Semi- Annual <sub>†</sub> (50 hours)	Annual <sub>t</sub> (100 hours)
	Check charge (fill cells prior to charging)	х					
	Check electrolyte level		x				
Batteries	Apply equalization charge to battery pack		x				
	Clean terminals and wash battery case		х				
	Test batteries					Х	
Electrical wires	Check for tightness or damage		x				
Reverse warning buzzer	Check for operation (use keyswitch)	х					

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Component	Procedure	Daily*	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly <sub>t</sub> (25 hours)	Semi-Annual <sub>†</sub> (50 hours)	Annual <sub>t</sub> (100 hours)
Operation	Test drive for proper operation	х					
Motor	Inspect brush length and remove carbon dust. Inspect & apply anti-seize to splines						x
Chain/Belt	Check tension					x	

**MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE CHECKLIST - FLUIDS** Semi-Annual<sub>t</sub> Quarterly<sup>+</sup> 

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 Y</ Component Procedure Daily\* Weekly Monthly<sub>†</sub> Annual<sub>†</sub> (25 hours) (100 hours) Check for leaks Differential Check fluid level Add water х Single Point Check condition of Watering System tubing, couplers etc. Clean filter screen

\* Service done by Owner

*†* Service done by trained maintenance personnel

#### BATTERIES

Batteries may be recharged if vehicle has been driven 15 minutes or more since the previous charge. Before charging, be sure master power switch is OFF and the key is removed from the switch.

Refer to Chapter 8 for all procedures related to the batteries.

#### **GREASE FITTINGS**

There are 6 lubrication points with grease fittings on the front end of the vehicle - one on each of the four tie rod ends and one on each side of the front axle (kingpin pivot). Under normal conditions, these points should be greased every 6 months with chassis lube.

#### DIFFERENTIAL

The differential should be checked upon receipt and monthly for leakage.

For BC2 use SAE HD30 gear oil for differential fluid replacement. For BC3 and 4 vehicles use SAE 80/90 gear oil.

Do not overfill. Lubricant should not go above the bottom of the filler plug hole when the vehicle is level.

CHAIN/BELT ADJUSTMENT

NOTICE: This will require replacing the steering cover gasket. Part Number 83113-02.



#### **CLEANING**

Wash underside to remove all dirt and debris. Do not direct high pressure water at the controller, speed switches, or tops of the batteries.

Wash cab (if equipped), body, and seats with a mild detergent. Do not use abrasives (bodies are painted).

Frequent washings with mild soap will preserve the finish of your vehicle. For stubborn and imbedded dirt, a soft bristle brush may be used. Tar, asphalt, creosote and the like should be removed immediately to prevent staining of paint.

#### **BRAKE FLUID**

Check the brake fluid in the master cylinder periodically (under normal conditions, every 3 months). The master cylinder is located under the front deckboard and seat assembly. Use DOT 3 Motor Vehicle Brake Fluid. Maintain fluid level within 1/4" of master cylinder filler opening.

#### BRAKES

Rear brakes are self aligning and require no adjustment. They should be checked for wear every 6 months along with front brakes if equipped..

#### PARKING BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

As the brake pads wear thinner, the parking brake must be adjusted to preserve proper parking brake operation. Be very cautious when performing this adjustment or doing any work on your brakes. The parking brake adjustment is made to hold the vehicle, load capacity and driver on 15% grade for 15 minutes (ASME B56.8).

See Figure 5.1. To adjust the parking brake, loosen the lock screw (Arrow A) on the parking brake selector (Arrow B). Rotate the selector clockwise to loosen brake or counter clockwise to tighten braking.

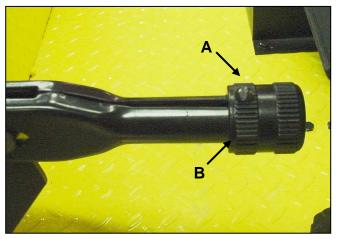


Figure 3-1

#### LIFTING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **AWARNING**

Use extreme caution lifting or working on or around lifted vehicle. Vehicle should be lifted only when on a flat, hard and level surface.

DO NOT work under your vehicle unless it is firmly secured on jack stands.

When lifting the vehicle for service, use a sturdy lifting device such as a hoist, floor jack or hydraulic lift. ALWAYS block wheels and set parking brake of the vehicle to keep it from

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rolling. When using a lifting device, lift only on sturdy underbody parts, an example being the frame. When using a floor jack, lift only on sturdy underbody parts, an example being the frame or axle housing. Place jack stands under vehicle frame to support vehicle weight for added safety.

NOTICE: Be careful and watch for cables, linkages or wire harness.

#### **ACAUTION**

If any vehicle is raised while loaded, check that the load is secured before lifting vehicle. Failure to do so could cause damage to vehicle, load or cause personal injury.

Before lifting, always chock tires. Use care to prevent tipping or rolling over.

Floor jacks, jack stands or hoists should be of sufficient rated weight capacity to hold the vehicle safely
Hoist Lifts
Lift the vehicle sufficiently from the floor, 10° to 25° angle, to allow the placement of jack stands and to support the weight of the vehicle during service.

To lift the front or rear, connect the lifting eyes/hooks to the ro right and left sides of the frame. Place jack stands under the 5 frame at the right and left sides to allow working on the E vehicle. When work is completed again lift and then remove 0 jack stands and lower vehicle to the floor.

#### Floor Jack

Lift the vehicle sufficiently from the floor,  $10^{\circ}$  to  $25^{\circ}$  angle, to allow the placement of jack stands and hold the weight of the vehicle during service.

To lift the rear, place the floor jack under the rear axle housing and lift vehicle until jack stands can be placed under the frame at the right and left sides to allow working on the vehicle. Lower vehicle onto stands and remove floor jack. When work is completed reuse floor jack, lift and then remove jack stands and lower vehicle to the floor.

To lift the front, place the floor jack under the leaf spring retainer plate and lift. Place jack stands under the frame at the right and left sides to allow working on the vehicle. Lower vehicle onto stands and remove floor jack. When work is completed reuse floor jack, lift and then remove jack stands and lower vehicle to the floor.

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#### VEHICLE STORAGE

#### AWARNING

Turn key switch "OFF" and remove key during storage to prevent unintentional starting of vehicle.

DO NOT attempt to charge a battery that is frozen or if battery case is excessively bulged. Properly dispose of battery, because frozen batteries can explode.

### **ACAUTION**

Batteries in a low state of charge will freeze at higher temperatures than fully charged batteries.

Electric vehicles stored over six (6) to eight (8) weeks must be protected to maintain battery life. Several guidelines should be observed when storing your electric vehicle.

- Fully charge batteries. With electrolyte full in all cells, . store batteries in as cool a place as possible. If stored above 50 degrees F (10<sup>°</sup> C), check state of charge every four (4) to six (6) weeks and charge as necessary to maintain 1.250 to 1.270 specific gravity. If vehicles are stored in temperatures below 40° F check state of charge every fifteen (15) to eighteen (18) weeks. Use the table below to determine freezing point of battery and maximum recommended storage temperature. Refer to Section 9 – Batteries in this manual for a charging procedure. Remove battery pack negative cable.
- Wash off any corrosion around the terminals with a solution of baking soda and water. Do not allow this solution to enter batteries.
- Store vehicle in a cool dry place to prevent battery discharge.
- Maintain tire pressure at manufacturer's recommendation imprinted on tire sidewall.
- Grease front suspension and continue quarterly lubrication during storage period. Refer to periodic maintenance in the beginning of this section.
- Clean vehicle body, seats, battery compartment and vehicle underside.
- Do not engage park brake. Block wheels to prevent movement.

SP	SPECIFIC GRAVITY & FREEZE POINTS									
Specific Gravity	1.:	250	1.2	225	1.2	200	1.	117	1.1	10
Electrolyte Freeze Point	F 65	C -54	F -39	C -39	F -18	C -28	F -2	C -19	F +17	C -8

#### **RETURNING VEHICLE TO SERVICE:**

- Reconnect battery negative terminal.
- Fully recharge batteries.
- Check tire pressure and readjust if necessary. .
- . Perform initial maintenance per periodic maintenance in the beginning of this section.

For vehicles with a single point watering system:

- After the batteries have been fully charged, connect the system to its water supply for 3-5 seconds, then disconnect regardless of whether or not the batteries are completely full.
- Return the vehicle to its regular service. .
- Place the vehicle back into its regular watering schedule steed (waiting at least 1 week until next watering).
   TOWING AND TRANSPORTING
   NOTICE: If equipped with proper hitch and towing equipment observe these safety rules.
   When using this vehicle as a tow vehicle to pull trailers or a dependent of the property equipped other vehicle. observe the following:

properly equipped other vehicle, observe the following:

- The maximum tongue weight on this vehicle is limited to re 600 pounds Secure vehicle to the trailer following trailer manufacturer's instruction. The maximum towing capacity of this vehicle is 1500 O
- pounds for a trailer without additional electric brakes.
- The maximum towing capacity of this vehicle is 3500 pounds for a trailer equipped with operational electric brakes
- The towing capacities are reduced by the weight of any load carried on vehicle.

#### **Towing This Vehicle If Non-Operational**

#### NOTICE: This vehicle may be towed with the following precautions.

- **T** Turn off key.
- O Occupants and or cargo must be unloaded.
- w Walk around vehicle to inspect for any loose or dragging items.
- I Inspect lift mechanism or tow straps/chains for secure fit.
- N No parking brake, service brake, or wheel chocks should be in place.
- **G** Go no faster than 5 mph while towing vehicle.

#### **Transporting This Vehicle**

NOTICE. To transport this vehicle behind an auto or truck it must be on an approved trailer

When trailering a vehicle over long distances or on the highway observe the following:

- Use trailers specifically designed to carry your Columbia ParCar vehicle that meets all federal, state and local requirements.
- Secure vehicle to the trailer following trailer manufacturer's instruction.
- The key should be removed from the vehicle, the parking brake firmly locked, and the wheels blocked.
- On vehicles equipped with high or wide additions or accessories be certain they are secured properly to prevent loss or damage while trailering.

### **ACAUTION**

Increased transporting speed adds undo stress to windshield, cab or suntop and will increases chance of loss, damage, accident or injury.

Use care when transporting on windy days. Example: A 60 MPH speed into a 40 MPH head wind is equal to traveling at 100 MPH. Golf and Industrial vehicles are not rated to withstand this level of stress and parts could be blown from top or cab, causing accident or injury.

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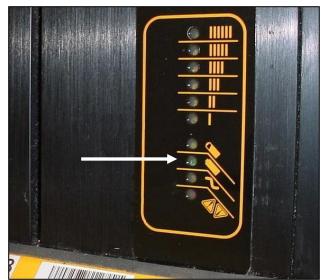
#### AWARNING

Always turn Power keyswitch to OFF, Directional keyswitch to Neutral, remove Power keyswitch, block tires and disconnect the battery negative (-) cable before performing any vehicle service to avoid accidental startup of vehicle and possible injury.

#### PRE-TROUBLESHOOTING STEPS

Before troubleshooting a vehicle for any problem or symptoms, certain steps must be followed.

- Ensure the vehicle is safe for service. Visually inspect for any obvious signs of hazards such as sharp edges in the body or other parts, open wire insulation or wire connections, or discolored parts of the vehicle indicating heat or chemical presence.





Record the VIN. This number is necessary to obtain technical help or support, submit warranty, and is essential in order to understand completely the vehicle that is being serviced.
 BATTERY TESTING
 The first step in servicing any electric vehicle that is not operating properly is to completely test the batteries. The batteries are the source of power for the vehicle drive and auxiliary systems, therefore are the most integral part of the electric vehicle troubleshooting. Battery testing should be done as follows

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Inspect/Test Condition	Corrective Action	3
Perform a visual examination of batteries and connections. Examine for signs of corrosion and clean/or replace any affected terminals or cables.	The batteries can be cleaned by hose washing with a standard garden hose or with a soft bristle brush (ensure battery caps are present and tight before washing batteries).	Colui
Examine the battery hold-down. If the material from the hold-down has been dissolved by the sulfuric acid in the batteries, the hold down can act as a drain on the battery pack.	Replace the hold-down if it appears damaged.	
Test each battery with a VOM (volt-ohm meter). With VOM set to a scale able to read DC volts at up to 100 volts (or greater), check each battery individually, and test the entire pack together.	Place the VOM probes on the battery positive and negative post of each battery. Write down the reading from each battery. Each should contain at least 6.0 volts and no battery should be more than .5 volts lower than the highest reading. If any battery tests low on charge, change the battery individually with an auxiliary charger or the entire pack with the onboard Delta Q charger (allow vehicle to charge until the green charger light is illuminated, indicating full charge. See Figure 4.1). If one or more batteries still test low, the battery should be tested individually and replaced as necessary. <i>NOTE: If is recommended that all batteries in a system be changed together to ensure the batteries are the same brand, vintage, and service life.</i>	
Test each battery cell with a battery hydrometer.	Any battery or battery cell that tests low should be fully charged and then rechecked. If the cell continues to test low with a hydrometer, the battery should be replaced. See note above.	
A battery may test good with a voltage or hydrometer test when no load is being drawn from it. Test using a battery load tester.	A battery must be able to produce 45 minutes of capacity when tested at 55 amp draw after a complete recharge cycle. A battery that is not able to produce this capacity should be replaced. See note above.	

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#### TROUBLESHOOTING SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS

Troubleshooting is a matter of investigation and deduction based on the symptoms and the possible causes. Recording every possible solution to every possible cause would be impossible, but this troubleshooting section is designed to assist in solving issues that may arise in the service life of an electric vehicle.

The main key problems encountered with the vehicle(s) are:

- Vehicle will not move; forward or reverse
- Vehicle operates slowly
- Vehicle drives in forward or reverse only
- Vehicle drives but operation is jerky or inconsistent
- Vehicle power cuts out



NOTICE: Always follow troubleshooting guide in exact sequence as listed. Performing tests out of sequence will cause inaccurate results and lost time in diagnosing electrical system problems-

#### VEHICLE WILL NOT MOVE; FORWARD OR REVERSE

ar OEM Parts Before attempting to service a vehicle, complete the pre-service inspection and fully test the batteries as described on the previous page. Set the vehicle power keyswitch to "ON". The green status light (Figure 4-2) on the controller will show one of three conditions; steady off, steady on, or flashing.

In some lighting situations it is difficult to determine the condition of the fault light. Ensure an accurate reading of the light by shading it.

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Fault Code	Condition	Corrective Action	arC
Fault code light steady OFF.	The controller is not getting the proper voltage or the controller has failed internally.	protection and the contract of the protection of	
		3. If there is no voltage present between the #1 pin and the B- terminal, and B- terminal has a good connection to battery pack negative, the red #1 wire circuit is not energizing properly. Make sure the charger positive (red) wire is connected to the main battery pack positive terminal, and then check the table below.	

VOM Black Lead	VOM Red Lead	Pass	Fail	<b>Correction Action - Check</b>
Main battery	Green charger interlock	Full system	Low or no voltage	Charger red lead to battery positive connection.
negative post	wire	voltage		Charger output wires for damage
Main battery `	Red wire #15 side of 1	Full system	Low or no voltage	Red wire #15 connection to green charger
negative post	amp fuse connector	voltage		interlock wire Red wire #15 for damage
Main battery negative post	Red wire #16 side of 1 amp fuse connector	Full system voltage	Low or no voltage	1 amp fuse or fuse connections
Main battery	Red wire #28 at power	Full system	Low or no voltage	Red wire #18 for damage Red wire #28 to red wire
negative post	key switch	voltage		#16 connection (at optional low/run connection)
Main battery negative post	Red wire #17 at solenoid positive tab	Full system voltage	Low or no voltage	Wiring from power key switch for damage/poor connections
Main battery	Red wire #1 at 16 pin	Full system	Low or no	Wiring from power key switch for damage/poor connections
negative post	connector	voltage	voltage	

#### VEHICLE WILL NOT MOVE; FORWARD OR REVERSE (continued)

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Fault Code		Condition	Corrective Action		
Fault cc steady ON	ode light	Indicates the controller is powered up and ready to perform. If the vehicle fails to operate with the fault code light in the steady on condition, it is likely the controller is not receiving the correct input from the drive system, or a mechanical fault has occurred.	<ol> <li>Check to make sure the parking brake is releasing and the vehicle will not roll when pushed on a level surface.</li> <li>Check for other mechanical failures such as stripped hubs or anything that would prevent the vehicle from being able to operate. Make sure a direction of travel is selected (the vehicle will not attempt to drive while set to Neutral). Check the inputs of the electrical system by using the Computer Diagnostics Utilities (Columbia Part No. 30001-04) or the handheld calibrator (Columbia Part No. 30003-04).See the following procedures.</li> </ol>		

#### **TROUBLESHOOTING WITH PCPAK (DC)**

With the vehicle power system off, connect the PCPak (computer diagnostic utility) and then turn the vehicle power on.

1. Open the connection between the controller and the PCPaK utility. On the left side of the screen, select the "test" section under the "traction" pull down. This screen will display the inputs the controller is observing at that time (Figure 4-3).

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	Reverse Switch	Open	Τ
Motor Setup	FS1 Switch	Open	
	Seat Switch	Closed	
	Speed Cutback 1 Switch	Open	
	Speed Cutback 2 Switch	Open	
	Handbrake Switch	Open	
	Power Steer Trigger Switch	Open	
	Pump Switch	Open	
	Motor Over Temperature	Open	
	Footbrake Switch	Open	T

Figure 4.3

2. With the Forward / Reverse knob set to Neutral, slowly press the accelerator pedal. The "Accelerator Push" value should rise in value from 0-100% smoothly as you press the pedal (Figure 4-4). If the value does not change, the controller is not receiving input from the accelerator control device (potentiometer or linear accelerator device). Check all cable and wire connections regarding the accelerator control device. If the value does rise, but not to 100%, adjust the accelerator cable that attaches to the accelerator device.

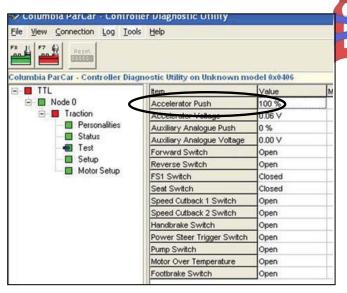


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#### **TROUBLESHOOTING WITH PCPAK (continued)**

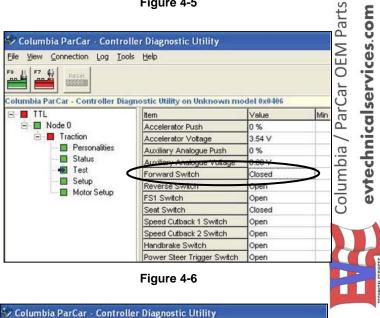
- Check the FS1 Switch input on the same screen. With the 3. accelerator at rest, the value for the FS1 Switch should read "open". When the accelerator pedal is pressed, the value should change to "closed" (Figure 4-5). If the value fails to close, check the FS1 wiring circuit and test the switch with a VOM. Check the wiring back to the controller (Pin 4).
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  - Figure 4-5

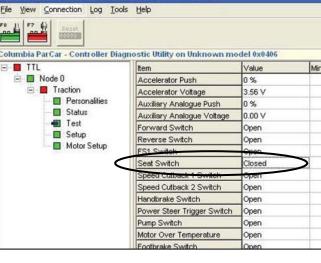
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4 Check the direction input to the controller. Observe the value of the "Forward Switch" item while turning the direction selection knob to "Forward" and to "Neutral". The switch should read "open" when the knob is in neutral and "closed" when in forward (Figure 4-5). Do the same in reverse by monitoring the "Reverse Switch" item and value. If the switch fails to close in either direction, check the switch with a VOM and the wiring back to the controller (Pin 2 for Forward and Pin 3 for Reverse).

Check the "Seat Switch" item and value (Figure 4-6). For 5. vehicles equipped with a seat switch, the value should read "open" when the operator seat is not occupied, and "closed" when the operator seat is occupied. If the switch fails to close, check the wiring from the B- post of the controller to the seat switch, test the seat switch with a VOM, and check the wiring back to the controller (pin 5). For vehicles without a seat switch, the value should read "Closed". If the switch does not register as closed, check the black 5 wiring from the B- post of the controller to controller plug (pin 5).

If the vehicle is receiving the correct inputs and fails to operate, contact Columbia tech support for further assistance.







#### TROUBLESHOOTING WITH THE HANDHELD CALIBRATOR (DC)

- Connect the handheld calibrator to the vehicle and enter the "Read-Only" mode (RON). Scroll down by pressing "Select" button until you reach the "19" menu (location 19.01). The "Test" light on the left side of the calibrator will illuminate when the "19" menu is selected. This menu shows the inputs the controller is observing at that time. At 19.01, the calibrator displays the "Accelerator Push" in percentage.
- With the Forward / Reverse knob set to Neutral, slowly press the accelerator pedal. The "Accelerator Push" value should rise in value from 0-100% smoothly as you press the pedal. If the value does not change, the controller is not receiving input from the accelerator control device (potentiometer or linear accelerator device). Check all cable and wire connections regarding the accelerator control device. If the value does rise, but not to 100%, adjust the accelerator cable attached to the accelerator device.
- Next, check the FS1 Switch input by scrolling to the 19.07 location. At rest, the value for the FS1 Switch should read open, or (3.OP). When the accelerator pedal is pressed, the value should change to closed, or (3.CL).

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If the value fails to close, check the FS1 wiring circuit and test the switch with a VOM. Check the wiring back to the controller (Pin 4).

- Check the direction input to the controller. Observe the value of the "Forward Switch" item at location 19.05 while turning the direction selection switch to "Forward" and to "Neutral". The switch should read open (1.OP) when the switch is in neutral and closed (1.CL) when in forward. Do the same in reverse by monitoring the Reverse Switch at location 19.06 and value. If the switch fails to close in either direction, check the switch with a VOM and the wiring back to the controller (Pin 2 for Forward and Pin 3 for Reverse).
- Check the Seat Switch at location 19.09. For vehicles equipped with a seat switch, the value should read open (5.OP) when the operator seat is not occupied, and closed (5.CL) when the operator seat is occupied. If the switch fails to close, check the wiring from the B- post of the controller to the seat switch, test the seat switch with a VOM, and check the wiring back to the controller (pin 5). For vehicles without a seat switch, the value should read closed (5.CL). If the switch does not register as closed, check the black wire #5 wiring from the B- post of the controller to controller plug (pin 5).

the controller to controller plug (pin 5). If the vehicle is receiving the correct inputs and fails to operate, contact Columbia tech support for further assistance.

VEHICLE WILL NOT MOVE; FORWARD OR REVERSE - LED DIAGNOSTIC GUIDE					
Green LED Flashes	Check/Test				
1 Flash	Check all wire connections for good connection and free of corrosion. Call Columbia Technical Support if problem persists.	Co			
2 Flash	Perform steps 1 - 5 under Troubleshooting with Handheld Calibrator above.				
3 Flash	Check all wire connections. Disconnect all electrical accessories (strobe lights, heaters, etc.) External or internal wiring faults will cause controller 3 Flash. Eliminate all "non-controller" sources first. Plug in calibrator and read location 13.10 fault code for more precise fault cause(s). Call Columbia Technical Support if problem persists.				
4 Flash	Bench test 24 volt main solenoid. Check all wiring. Plug in Calibrator and read location 13.01 for more precise fault cause(s).				
5 Flash	Motor stall fault. Check motor for damage. Plug in Calibrator and read location 13.10 for more precise fault cause(s).				
6 Flash	Accelerator fault. Check all wiring pertaining to the accelerator (pot box) switch. Perform steps 1, 3 and 4 under <i>Troubleshooting with Handheld Calibrator</i> above. Check the Pot box with an analog ohmmeter.				
7 Flash	Low or high battery voltage. Check battery voltage with a voltmeter. If battery voltage drops below 15 volts (24 volt system) or 32 volts (48 volt system), the controller will shut down. Read pack voltage both stationary and under hard acceleration if possible. If voltage is good while static, but drops significantly while accelerating, weak or damaged batteries may be the cause.				
8 Flash	Over temperature cutout. Call Columbia Technical Support.				
9 Flash	Out of range. Call Columbia Technical Support.				
10 Flash	Bench test 24 volt main solenoid. Check all wiring. Plug in Calibrator and read location 13.01 for more precise fault cause(s).				

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#### VEHICLE DRIVES SLOWLY

- Check for all physical/visual signs of damage, low tire pressure or jammed linkages.
- Check for brake drag by turning vehicle power off, releasing parking brake, and attempting to roll vehicle a short distance.
- Plug in the Handheld Calibrator and check 5.01, 6.01 and 7.01 for appropriate values (maximum speed settings).
- Perform step 2 in *Troubleshooting with Handheld Calibrator.*
- Check for weak, discharged or damaged batteries, or poor connections.

# VEHICLE DRIVES IN FORWARD OR REVERSE ONLY

 Perform step 4 in Troubleshooting with Handheld Calibrator.

# VEHICLE DRIVES BUT OPERATION IS JERKY OR INCONSISTENT

- Check speed switch carefully with analog ohmmeter for gradual, smooth resistance sweep.
- Check motor brushes. Replace if bad or worn (Figure 4-8).
- Call Columbia Technical Support if problem persists. Have the following information ready:
  - VIN
  - Vehicle Checksum (19.15)
  - Direction of travel where the operation is "jerky"
  - Speeds at which vehicle jerks.

#### **VEHICLE POWER CUTS OUT**

The fault for a vehicle that exhibits a cut out symptom can only be diagnosed while the vehicle is in a fault condition.

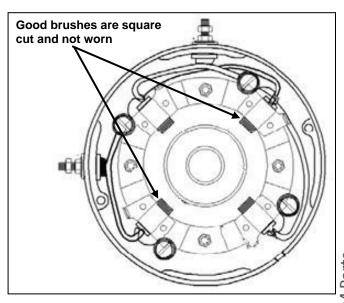


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#### FLASH CODES AND CORRECTIVE / INVESTIGATIVE ACTION (DC)

Flash Code	Description	Action	Handset ID fault number	Calibrator reference loc	Correction – If fault does not clear
0 Flash (Light does not	Internal Mosfet failure	Disconnect any electrical accessories and retry	25 / 26	13.01	Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
illuminate or light turns on	Pin 1 Circuit Fault	Trace current from battery positive to Pin 1	-	-	Replace failed connection, component, or wiring.
and then back off.)	Contactor Circuit fault	Trace current to solenoid and contact connections	-	-	Replace failed connection, component, or wiring.
Flash 1	Personality out of range	Check personality Checksum	81 /71	51.91	Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
	Seat Switch Fault	Check seat switch & seat switch circuit	7	80.91	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Accelerator not at rest when direction selected	Ensure Accelerator Pedal returns to 0 (rest) position	8 or 9	19.01/19.07	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Two directions selected	Ensure Direction Key switch is functioning properly	10	19.05/19.06	Repair or replace failed connection or component
Flash 2	Forward or reverse selected at power up	Ensure Direction Key switch is functioning properly	11	19.05/19.06	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Speed Switch out of range	Check speed switch range	11	19.01/19.02	Repair or replace failed
	FS1 not open with pedal up	Ensure Pedal returns to 0 and microswitch is functioning properly	11	19.07	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Controller pins are cross - shorted	Check wire harness connector pins for good connections	Various	19.01 - 19.09	Repair any faulty connections Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
	Auxiliary wiring short	Disconnect auxiliary electrical components and retry	-	13.01	Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
Flash 3	Armature Short Detected	Clean and Check motor and wiring for faults	23	13.01	Motor replacement may be required, contact Tech Support
	Internal controller fault	Disconnect auxiliary electrical components and retry	27	13.01	Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
	Contactor failed or stuck	Bench test contactor	91	13.01	Replace Solenoid, If good - Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support
Flash 4	Contactor Failed or contactor wiring fault	Bench test contactor and test contactor wiring	20	13.01	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Motor open circuit or brushes fault	Clean and Check motor and wiring for faults	22	13.01	Motor replacement may be required, contact Tech Support
Flash 5	Motor stall detected Clean and Check motor and wiring for faults - review application		15	13.01	Motor replacement may be required, contact Tech Support
	Input wire disconnected	Check wiring to speed switch & FS1	4	13.01/19.01/10.91	Repair or replace failed connection or component
Flash 6	Speed switch out of adjustment	Check speed switch range	11	13.01/19.01/19.02	Repair or replace failed connection or component
	Pedal depressed at start up	Ensure Accelerator Pedal returns to 0 (rest) position	8 or 9	13.01/19.01/19.07	Repair or replace failed connection or component

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#### Flash Codes and Corrective / Investigative Action (continued)

Flash Code	Description	Action	Handset ID fault number	Calibrator reference loc	Correction – If fault does not clear	
	Battery voltage low	Check Static battery voltage and voltage while operating	12 / 13 or 16	13.01/15.01	Check to see if voltage drops below 32 volts, charge / replace batteries	
Flash 7	Battery voltage high fault	Check Static battery voltage and voltage while operating	12 / 13 or 16	13.01/15.01	Check to see if voltage rises above 63 volts in while operating, see SB - 12-07	
	Capacitor voltage is too high	Voltade and Voltade		13.01/15.02	Contact tech support with reading from 15.02	
8 Flash	Over Temperature cut - out	Review application and allow vehicle to cool	1	13.01/18.01	Contact Tech Support	
	Current Cut - Back	Review application and allow vehicle to cool	3	13.01/18.01	Contact Tech Support	
Flash 9	Disconnect any electrical accessorie and retry		2	-	Controller replacement required, contact Tech Support	
	Contactor Coil Disconnected	Bench test contactor and test contactor wiring	-	13.01	Contactor or Controller replacement may be required, contact Tech Support	
10 Flash	Value out of range	Check personality Checksum	43	13.01/51.91	Controller replacement may be required, contact Tech Support	
	Internal controller fault	Disconnect any electrical accessories and retry	34	13.01	Controller replacement may be required, contact Tech Support	

#### COMPONENT TROUBLESHOOTING

Columbia / ParCar OEM Parts In addition to the problems/cause/solutions listed in this section, individual sections also contain some testing and problem solution for individual components. Check the appropriate section first, and if the information is not found, check the following when a component is causing a problem:

#### **Battery Discharge Indicator (BDI)**

- Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.
- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Inoperable BDI gauge. Replace gauge.
- Weak or failed batteries. Test batteries and charge as necessary.

#### **Brake Lights and Auxiliary Switch**

- Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.
- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Bulb failed. Replace bulb.
- Misadjusted or inoperable brake light switch. Check switch adjustment, replace switch if necessary.

#### **Reverse Beeper**

Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.

- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Inoperable reverse buzzer. Replace buzzer.
- Weak or failed batteries. Test batteries and charge as necessary.
- Controller set wrong. Check controller setting using hand held. Reset if necessary.

#### Head Light & Tail Light

- Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.
- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Bulb burnt out. Replace bulb (Headlight only source locally).
- Failed power key switch. Test and replace contactor as necessary.
- Inoperable switch. Replace switch.

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#### **Power Outlet**

- Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.
- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Inoperable power outlet. Replace power outlet.

#### **Brake Light**

- Fuse failed. Check fuse and replace if failed.
- Open wiring or failed connection. Check wiring and connections.
- Bulb burnt out. Replace bulb.
- Failed power key switch. Test and replace contactor as necessary.

#### BRAKES

#### Slow or incomplete release of brakes.

- Shoes and linings. Shoes improperly adjusted. Shoes are self-adjusting; check parts for wear. Shoes distorted or incorrect. Replace with new parts.
- Mechanical parts. Damaged or weak return springsreplace.
- Cables and linkage sticking, dirty or corroded. Lubricate with a commercial solvent like WD40, PB Blaster, etc. Make sure not to contaminate brake pads with solvent.

#### Wheel bearings.

- Damaged or contaminated-replace.
- Grabbing or pulling-replace.

#### Air in hydraulic lines (hydraulic brakes)

Bleed hydraulic lines.

#### Severe reaction to pedal pressure and uneven stopping.

- Shoes and linings. Shoes improperly adjusted. Shoes are self-adjusting; check parts for wear. Shoes distorted or incorrect. Replace with new parts.
- Mechanical parts. Damaged or weak return springsreplace. Cables and linkage sticking, dirty or corroded. Lubricate with a commercial solvent like WD40, PB Blaster, etc.
- Drums. Drums are thin (expanding when hot); oversize (beyond .030") of original specification – replace. Scored, out-of-round – replace.

## Squealing, clicking or scraping noises upon application of brakes.

- Shoes and linings. Shoes twisted, distorted, incorrect or broken – replace. Linings worn out, glazed, loose or contaminated – replace.
- Mechanical parts. Damaged or weak return springsreplace. Backing plate loose or failed – replace.
- Drums. Drums are thin (expanding when hot); oversize (beyond .030") of original specification – replace. Scored, out-of-round – replace.

#### TILT BED

Before performing maintenance or repairs disconnect the actuators.

#### **CAB HEATER**

The optional cab heater is equipped with a three position toggle switch. The CENTER position is off. To activate the heater and fan, move the switch to the UP position. To activate the fan only place the switch in the DOWN position.

*NOTICE:* If the toggle switch is in the Fan/Heat position and no heat is occurring a circuit reset is required On a side panel there is a 3/8" hole. Inside is a reset tab. Using a non-conductive device push the tab to reset the circuit.



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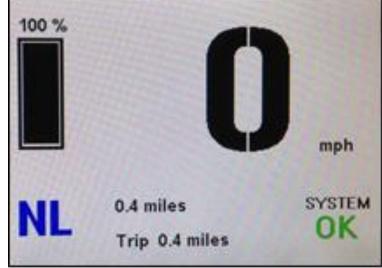
# MULTI-FUNCTION CLEARVIEW DISPLAY PANEL (SEVCON) AC Drive Vehicles only

Located on the support panel in front of the steering wheel. This meter will display the battery state of charge as a percentage of full charge, the system status, the operating speed, odometer, and direction selected.



At power on, the display will perform a self test and load the controller data. You will see the Columbia ParCar Corp logo indicating the system is preparing for operation.

When ready the display will indicate system OK (Lower right corner). For ease of reading the display lighting may be reversed by pressing the top "Up Arrow" in the upper right corner. There are no other user programmable functions available.



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In addition to standard operations, the display can also be utilized as a vehicle monitoring system. By pressing and holding the right center "Enter" button, a menu will appear with access to vehicle data, status and fault codes, should any be present. To toggle through the menu system, use the "Up" or "Down" arrows. To return to the previous screen, press and hold the right center "Enter" button again.



The Main 2 Menu will show the key "on" hours, the hours the motor has been used, the current, speed in RPM's if operating, the battery current draw during operation and the percentage the throttle pedal is depressed. This information is helpful in the event of any operational concerns.



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The Vehicle Status selection displays the current state of vehicle data collected at the controller.

Battery Traction Drive State	50.3 V 0 A OFF
	AC Left
Cap. Volts	4.3 V
Cont. Temp.	64 °F
Mtr. Volts	0.0 V
Mtr. Amps	2 A
Mtr. RPM	0 RPM
Mtr. Temp.	73 °F
Mtr. Torque	0.0 Nm

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#### **AC SEVCON CONTROLLER**

#### Faults and warnings

In the event of a fault Gen4 controller takes the following action:

- 1 Protects the operator and vehicle where possible (e.g. inhibits drive).
- 2 Sends out an EMCY message on the CANbus.
- 3 Flashes the LED in a pattern determined by the fault type and severity.
- 4 Logs the fault for later retrieval.

#### **Fault identification**

You can identify a fault as follows:

- Check the number of LED flashes and use Table 7 below to determine what action can be taken. A complete and ٠ comprehensive fault identification table will be available from Sevcon in due course.
- Pick up the EMCY on the CANbus and read the fault condition using configuration software
- Interrogate the fault on the node directly using DriveWizard or other configuration software. •

#### **LED** flashes

rCar OEM Parts Use the table below to determine the type of fault from the number of LED flashes. The LED flashes a preset number of times in repetitive sequence (e.g. 3 flashes - off - 3 flashes - off - and so on). Only the faulty node in a multi-node system flashes its LED. Possible operator action is listed in the right hand column of the table.

LED FLASHES	FAULT	LEVEL	SET CONDITIONS	
Internal hardware				
0 (off)	failure	RTB	Hardware circuitry not operating.	lia
	Hardware failsafe			iq mr
0 (off)	checks	RTB	Hardware failsafe circuitry not operating.	nr
	Configuration item out		At least one configuration items is	0
1	of range	VS	outside its allowable range.	0
	Corrupt configuration			
1	data	VS	Configuration data has been corrupted.	
2	Sequence fault	DI	Any drive switch active at power up.	Reset drive switches
			FS1 active for user configurable delay	Deselect FS1 and select
2	SRO fault	DI	without a direction selected.	drive
2	FS1 recycle	DI	FS1 active after a direction change	Reset FS1
			Valid direction selected with operator not	
			seated or operator is not seated for a	Must be seated with
2	Seat fault	DI	user configurable time in drive.	switches inactive
2	Belly fault	DI	Set after belly function has activated.	
			Inch switch active along with any drive	
			switch active (excluding inch switches),	
			seat switch indicating operator present or	
2	Inch sequence fault	DI	handbrake switch active.	
			Inch forward and inch reverse switches	Both inch switches
2	Invalid inch switches	DI	active simultaneously.	inactive.
			Both the forward and reverse switches	
			have been active simultaneously for	
2	Two direction fault	DI	greater than 200 ms.	Reset switches
	Fault in electronic		Fault in electronic power switching circuit	
3	power switching circuit	VS	(e.g. MOSFET s/c).	
	Short circuits on power			
3	outputs	VS	Short circuit detected on power outputs	
			Line contactor closed at power up or	
4	Line contactor welded	S	after coil is de-energized.	
4	Line contactor did not	S	Line contactor did not close when coil is	

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	close		energized.	
6	Steering pot wire-off	VS	Steering pot wire-off is detected.	Check pot. wiring
6	Steering switch wire-off	VS	Steering switch wire-off is detected.	Check switch wiring
6	Speed measurement wire-off	VS	Speed measurement input wire-off is detected.	Check encoder wiring
6	Belly switch wire-off	VS	Belly switch wire-off is detected.	Check switch wiring
6	Throttle wire-off	DI	Throttle wire-off is detected.	Check throttle wiring
6	Throttle pressed at power up	DI	Throttle demand is greater than 20% at power up.	Reduce demand
7	Controller high voltage protection with line contactor open.	S	Battery voltage or capacitor voltage is above the maximum level allowed for the controller with line contactor open.	Isolate controller and investigate high battery voltage
7	Battery low voltage protection	DI	Battery voltage or capacitor voltage is below a user definable minimum battery level for a user definable time.	Increase battery voltage above user defined level
7	Controller low voltage protection	DI	Battery voltage or capacitor voltage is below the minimum level allowed for the controller.	Increase battery voltage above minimum level
7	Controller high voltage protection with line contactor closed.	DI	Battery voltage or capacitor voltage is above the maximum level allowed for the controller with line contactor closed.	Investigate and reduce battery voltage below maximum level.
7	Battery high voltage	DI	Battery voltage or capacitor voltage is above a user definable maximum battery level for a user definable time.	Investigate and reduce battery voltage below user defined maximum level.
8	Controller too hot	1	Controller has reduced power to motor(s) below maximum specified by user settings due to controller over temperature.	Remove loading to allow
8	Controller too cold	I	Controller has reduced power to motor(s) below maximum specified by user settings due to controller under temperature.	Allow controller to warm up to normal operating o temperature.
8	Motor over temperature	I	Controller has reduced power to motor(s) below maximum specified by user settings due to motor over temperature.	Reduce load to motor to allow it to cool down.
12	Communication error	S	Unrecoverable network communication error has been detected.	
13	Internal software fault	RTB	Software run time error captured	

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#### **VEHICLE SERVICE**

When servicing the electric Columbia Industrial/Commercial vehicle always observe the following:

#### AWARNING

Always turn Power keyswitch to OFF, Directional knob to Neutral, remove Power keyswitch, block tires and disconnect the battery negative (-) cable before performing any vehicle service to avoid accidental startup of vehicle and possible injury.

#### ACCELERATOR PEDAL

Accelerator pedal maintenance consists of periodic inspection. No lubrication or adjustment is necessary.

The accelerator pedal works in conjunction with the linear accelerator and the Sevcon controller to adjust and control vehicle direction and speed.

All adjustments are made using the handheld Calibrator. See Section 4-Troubleshooting.

#### HYDRAULIC BRAKE SYSTEM

#### General

The hydraulic brake system utilizes a combination of mechanical and hydraulic components and is equipped with 4 wheel disc (BC4) or dual wheel rear drum brakes (BC2, BC3).

A mechanical brake pedal/linkage assembly is utilized to actuate a master cylinder. The master cylinder creates hydraulic pressure which operates the brakes. Hydraulic brake systems require a separate mechanical parking brake. A hand operated parking brake, mechanical linkage and cables are utilized to mechanically lock the rear brakes for parking.

#### **ACAUTION**

Do not handle hydraulic system parts with greasy hands or permit parts to come in contact with oil or grease. Grease or oil will damage the rubber parts.

#### **Periodic Brake Inspection**

Intervals between brake service and inspection may vary depending on driving habits, type of driving, road and climate conditions, and vehicle load.

#### **ACAUTION**

Periodic brake inspection is required to prevent potential accident or injury and vehicle damage.

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Periodic inspection should always include the following:

- With vehicle stationary, depress the brake pedal. Pedal 1. should not travel in excess of 2-1/2" as measured from floor board. If pedal travels in excess of 2-1/2" before resistance is felt, or if pedal feels spongy and soft, repair or maintenance is required.
- Inspect brake master cylinder and adjoining brake lines 2. for signs of fluid leakage. Remove master cylinder cover. Fluid must be clear and fluid level should be within 1/4" of cylinder top (with vehicle on level ground).
- 3. Check parking brake operation. Parking brake hand lever should travel no more than 3-1/2" upward when engaged. Check that ratchet mechanism automatically holds parking brake handle in up position. Make sure release button on handle frees the parking brake lever and that lever returns to full down (released) position.
- Operate vehicle on level ground, applying brakes to to 4. ensure that both rear brakes apply equally. Check that excessive force is not required to apply brakes. ≥ Excessive force required to apply brakes could indicate malfunctioning brake system or excessive wear to brake Columbia / ParCar shoes.

#### Annual Brake Inspection - (BC2 & 3)

See Figures 5-1& 5-2 -Rear Hydraulic Brake Assembly.

#### AWARNING

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame tubes. See Section 3 Maintenance -Lifting Instructions.

- Perform steps 1 & 2 under Hydraulic Rear Drum Brake 1. Disassembly.
- Inspect drum for excessive or uneven wear. Refer to 2. Brake Drum Service. Look for cracks radiating from stud holes.
- Inspect wheel cylinder area for fluid leakage. Also inspect 3. the axle and axle tube area for leakage from the axle bearing
- 4. Inspect brake shoes for fluid contamination, damage or excessive wear. Measure brake lining thickness at the narrowest point. Lining should measure no less than 1/16" (1.6 mm). If worn beyond this, brake shoes must be replaced. See Hydraulic Rear Drum Brake Disassembly.
- 5. Wash brake assemblies removing mud, brake shoe debris, and dirt. Apply white lithium grease to contact points between brake shoe and brake back plate. Remove excess grease to prevent brake shoe contamination.

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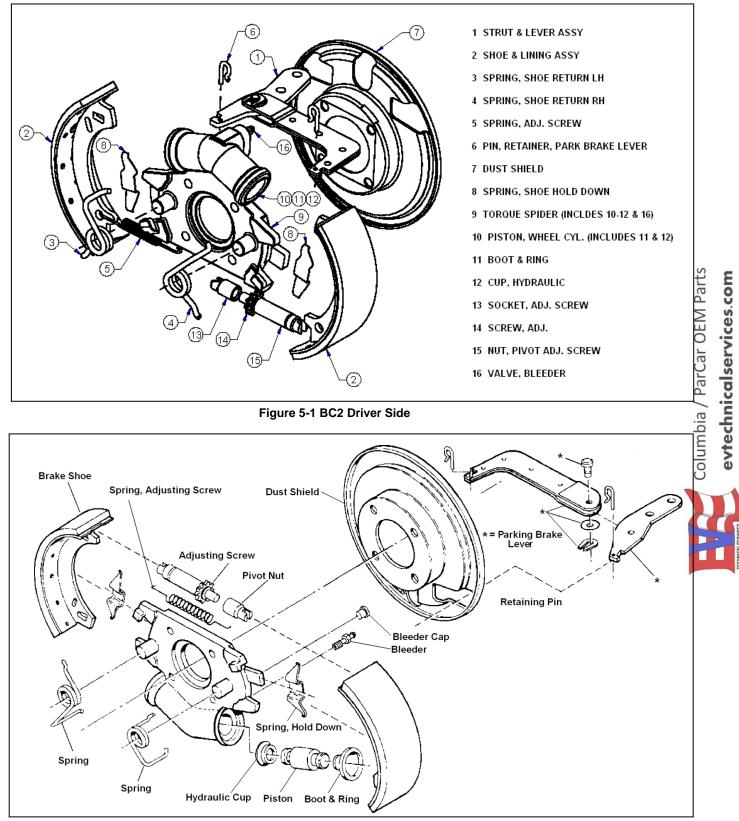


Figure 5-2 BC3 Driver Side

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### **ACAUTION**

Do not use compressed air to blow dust from brake assembly. Brake dust contains potentially harmful contaminants.

6. Perform steps 5-8 under Rear Drum Brake Reassembly.

#### Hydraulic Rear Drum Brake Disassembly

NOTICE: It is not recommended to remove the hydraulic brake assembly from the axle for repair or service.

- Before removal of existing parts, note location of springs and other parts for correct reassembly.
- Always use a brake spring tool to remove and install springs.
- Always lay out brake shoes and other parts in order removed. Reinstall in same order.
- Always replace brake shoes that have been contaminated with oils or lubricants.
- Always replace any springs that appear stretched or deformed.
- Never use petroleum based cleaners or lubricants on hydraulic brake parts as they will contaminate the brake fluid.

NOTICE: Do not mix parts from left and right brake assemblies as they may differ.

- Engage the parking brake. Remove rear wheel/tire 1. assembly and wheel spacer. Repeat for other rear wheel.
- 2. Release parking brake and remove brake drum.
- 3. Use a brake spring tool and remove the shoe return springs. Carefully pry the top of each spring from behind its tab on the torgue spider. Unhook each spring from the torgue spider and brake shoe and set it aside.
- 4. Remove the spring holding the top of each brake shoe together against the adjuster. Remove the adjuster screw and nut.
- 5. Gently remove each clip securing the brake shoes to the park actuating lever. Remove the brake shoes.
- Use a brake spring tool and remove the shoe return 4. springs (short and long). Unhook each spring from the brake shoes and set it aside.
- 5. Remove the spring clips and remove the brake shoes.

### **ACAUTION**

Do not depress brake pedal while shoes and drum are removed from the vehicle. Pistons will be forced from the wheel cylinders causing fluid leakage and damage.

- 6. Clean the brake assembly to remove brake debris, dust, dirt and mud.
- 7. See Brake Drum Service and rebore/replace drum as necessary.
- See Wheel Cylinder and replace as necessary. 8.

### **ACAUTION**

Do not use solvents or other chemical cleaners unless formulated for cleaning brake parts.

o not use solvents or other chemical cleaners unless prmulated for cleaning brake parts. o not use compressed air to blow dust from brake ssembly. Brake dust contains potentially harmful ontaminants. Mee Drum Service Rebore or replace drum: if rubbing surface is rough or ragged, or if depth of scoring exceeds .010". if inside diameter of drum at open end exceeds inside diameter at closed end by more than .010". Do not use compressed air to blow dust from brake assembly. Brake dust contains potentially harmful contaminants.

#### **Brake Drum Service**

- 1.

- if surface variance exceeds .005" on the side. .
- if hard spots cause noticeable effects such as pedal pulsations or brake roughness. If spots are severe replace drum.
- if heat checking is plainly visible or can be felt with a fingernail. If checks are severe, replace drum.
- if out-of-round condition exceeds .006" total indicator reading or if pedal pulsations or brake roughness is noticeable.
- 2. To measure a drum diameter, place gauge in drum so contact points are at greatest diameter. Be careful to hold both contact points at same depth (distance from outside edge of drum).
- 3. Rebore limit is .060" over original drum diameter.
- 4. Difference in diameter of drums on opposite ends of the same axle must not exceed .010", or when turning drums turn them in pairs to same oversize (within .010") to ensure equal braking effort on all wheels.

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### **ACAUTION**

Never rebore a drum to maximum wear or discard diameter.

5. When re-boring a drum, remove only enough metal to obtain a smooth braking surface. If drum does not clean up when turned to maximum rebore diameter, replace it. Removal of more metal will affect ability of drum to dissipate heat and may cause drum distortion.

### Wheel Cylinder Service

The wheel cylinder is a one piece cast assembly and is part of the torque spider. When servicing the wheel cylinder, it is not necessary to remove it from the vehicle. Removal of the torque spider and wheel cylinder is recommended only when replacement is required. To remove, see *Section 7 - Rear Axle and Rear Wheel Assemblies*.

Rebuild or replace wheel cylinder/torque spider whenever brake shoes are replaced, or more often when required to correct a leaking cylinder.

#### Cleaning and Inspection:

- Whenever a wheel cylinder is disassembled, always inspect the cylinder bore for scoring, pitting and corrosion. A hard, crystal-like substance sometimes forms a ring in the cylinder bore near the place where the piston stops, when brakes are released.
- Fine grade crocus cloth (or an approved cylinder hone) may be used to remove light roughness or deposits from the bore. Hone lightly and use brake fluid as a lubricant while honing. If the bore does not clean up readily, replace the cylinder.
- 3. After using crocus cloth or a hone, flush inside of cylinder with clean alcohol or brake fluid, and wipe dry with a lint-free cloth. Be sure all dust and grit are removed and bleeder valve and brake tube passages are clean.
- 4. The clearance between cylinder bore wall and pistons must be checked after the cylinder is cleaned up. If a narrow (1/8"- 1/4" wide) .006" feeler gauge can be inserted between the bore wall and a new piston, the clearance is excessive and the wheel cylinder must be replaced.

*NOTICE*: If the clearance between the pistons and the bore wall exceeds .005", a condition known as heel drag may exist. This causes rapid cup wear and may cause the pistons to retract very slowly when the brakes are released.

Tips for assembly:

1. Always use new wheel cylinder repair parts to rebuild wheel cylinder.

- 2. Dip the pistons and cups in clean brake fluid. Coat the cylinder bore with clean brake fluid.
- 3. Refer to Figure 5-1 for reassembly
- 4. After reassembly is complete, hydraulic system must be bled of air. See *Bleeding the Hydraulic System*.

#### **Rear Drum Brake Reassembly**

1. Place brake shoes into position on brake actuating lever tabs. Insert retaining pins.

Brake shoes may not be equal in length. The shoe with the shorter lining should be installed on the brake assembly side closest to the front of the vehicle. Shoe with longer lining installs to the rear.

- 2. Screw adjuster assembly into minimum length position sand insert between the tops of each brake shoe. Install blue spring under adjuster.
- 3. Insert the red spring into the left show (facing the brake assembly) onto its mounting post on the brake spider, and pry the top end of the red spring into position behind the torque spider retaining tab. Repeat with green spring mounted on the right side.
- 5. Install the brake drum 3/4 over the brake assembly and using a brake spoon or brake adjusting tool, rotate the brake adjuster until drag is felt against the brake drum. Push the drum fully onto the assembly.
- Apply pressure to the brake pedal, pumping 2-3 times and releasing, then check to see if additional adjustment is required to create drag on the drum. Adjust as necessary to achieve slight drag on the drum.
- 7. When adequate drag is achieved (very slight drag), install drum fully onto brake assembly and install four new Tinnerman nuts.
- 8. Reinstall rear wheel/tire assembly and four lug nuts. Engage brake and tighten lug nuts in a crisscross pattern to a maximum 65-70 ft. lbs. Repeat for other rear wheel. Recheck lug nut torque with vehicle on the ground.

### **Brake Fluid Maintenance**

The master cylinder is located beneath the seat deck.

1. Maintain fluid level within 1/4" of master cylinder filler opening.

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2. Changing brake fluid:

> As a result of use, brake fluid loses some of its original qualities and may become contaminated. When performing major brake work to the hydraulic system, remove old fluid and replace it with clean brake fluid.

> Brake fluid must be changed following extended usage or contamination. Anytime fluid looks milky or dark, there are contaminants in the fluid.

> If any of the hydraulic system parts are corroded, or the fluid is discolored, flush the hydraulic system to remove old fluid, then fill with clean brake fluid.

3 Contamination. Soft or swollen rubber parts, or milky or discolored fluid indicate the brake fluid is contaminated.

Drain old fluid from the system.

Replace cups and seals.

Flush hydraulic system with clean brake fluid.

Refill system with clean brake fluid.

4. Handling and storing brake fluid:

> Keep brake fluid clean. Do not allow any foreign material in the fluid.

> Prevent any petroleum product (gasoline, kerosene, oil, grease, etc.) from contaminating the brake fluid.

> Use only clean containers for dispensing brake fluid.; Do not use containers contaminated with dirt, grease, etc.

> Always cover or cap brake fluid containers when not actually dispensing the fluid. If containers are left open or uncovered, the fluid absorbs moisture from the air.

> Never reuse old brake fluid drained from the system. Used brake fluid is contaminated to some extent.

Store brake fluid containers in a clean, dry place.

#### **Bleeding The Hydraulic Brake System**

### AWARNING

Brake fluid can cause irritation of eyes and skin, and may be harmful if swallowed. If fluid is swallowed, induce vomiting by administering two tablespoons of salt in a glass of warm water.

Call a doctor. In case of contact with skin or eyes, flush with plenty of water. Get medical attention for eves.

KEEP BRAKE FLUID OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN!

If any line or cylinder has been opened when servicing the brake system, or when satisfactory brake adjustment is unobtainable, or pedal is spongy, bleed air from the hydraulic system as follows:

1. Install a length of appropriate size plastic tubing over the brake assembly bleeder valve (Figure 5-1).

NOTICE: On vehicles equipped with only rear hydraulic brakes, bleed the right side wheel first. On vehicles equipped with both front and rear hydraulic brakes, bleed both right side wheels first, then both left side wheels.

- 2. Place the other end of tubing in any clear glass jar containing about 1/2" of brake fluid.
- Open bleeder valve (Figure 5-3)by rotating it 3. counterclockwise about 1/2 turn. With master cylinder full of fluid at all times, slowly depress the brake pedal repeatedly until fluid flows from bleeder valve free of air bubbles.

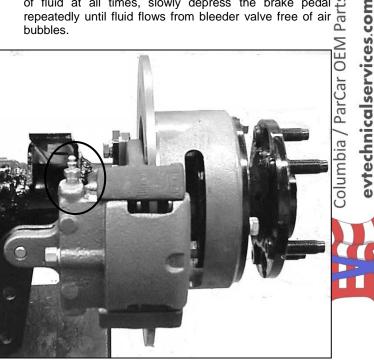


Figure 5-3

- Add fluid to master cylinder to bring 1/4" from cover. 4. Close bleeder valve. Repeat procedure on left wheel.
- 5. Do not reuse fluid unless it is clear and free of sediment. If it is impossible to bleed all air from system, master cylinder is faulty and a master cylinder repair kit should be installed.

### **DISC BRAKE**

Disc brakes are not adjustable and rarely cause problems. If problems are encountered, refer to the following service and inspections procedures for possible causes and solutions.

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#### **Replacing Brake Pads**

NOTICE: Do not depress brake pedal while shoes and drum are removed from the vehicle. Pistons will be forced from the wheel cylinders causing fluid leakage and damage.

- 1. With vehicle on the ground, depress the brake pedal to engage the brakes. Loosen wheel assembly mounting nuts.
- Raise and secure vehicle as described in Section 3-2. Lifting Instructions.
- 3. Remove lug nuts and all wheel/tire assembly. Front axle has an axle nut.
- Disengage the brakes and remove brake caliper 4. mounting hardware (Figure 5-4 & 5-5).

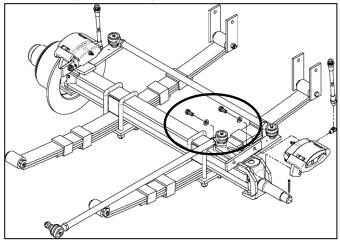


Figure 5-4- Front

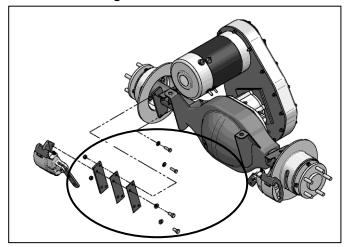


Figure 5-5- Rear

- 5. Remove old pads and replace with new pads.
- 6 Reinstall brake pad mounting hardware and tighten to 20 ft. lbs.

7. Reinstall wheel/tire assembly and lug nuts. Engage brake and tighten lug nuts in a crisscross pattern to a maximum 65 ft. lbs. Recheck lug nut torque with vehicle on the ground.

#### **BRAKE CALIPER SERVICE**

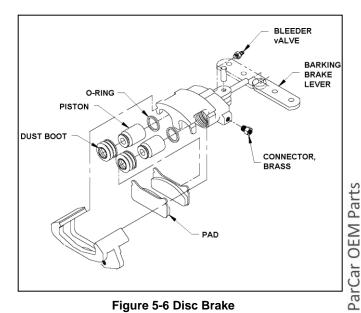


Figure 5-6 Disc Brake

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- The pistons must be removed from the bores. Using the easiest method. 1.
- Remove brake pads as described above. 2.
- 3. Rotate the caliper off the rotor. With caliper still bolted to the vehicle and hydraulic lines connected, press brake pedal until both pistons slide out of the bores. Push one side out, then remove piston from the other side. To prevent brake fluid from squirting out, cover the calipers with a cloth.
- Remove the seals and boots. Rubber dust boots and 4. seals should be replaced whenever the caliper is disassembled.
- Clean pistons in alcohol, then wipe dry with a clean lint-5. free cloth.
- Blow out all drilled passages with compressed air. 6.
- 7. Inspect cylinder bores in both sides of the caliper housing for scoring and pitting. Bores that show light corrosion can be cleaned with fine grit crocus cloth. Caliper bores with deep scratches or scoring should be honed with a 1/4" electric drill. The same attachment is used for honing wheel cylinders on drum brakes.
- The caliper cylinder must not be honed out larger than 8. the manufacturer's specifications-not more than .002" oversize.

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9 Black stains on the bore caused by piston seals are not harmful and need not be removed.

- 10. After honing, take care in cleaning the caliper parts. Flush them with alcohol, wipe dry with a clean lint-free cloth, then flush and dry them again. Clean mating surfaces with No. 400 wet or dry sandpaper, never use a file.
- 11. Lubricate internal areas, pistons and piston O-rings with new brake fluid. Install parts into caliper.
- 12. Install brake pads and secure with mounting bolts.
- 13. Rotate caliper with rotor centered in brake pads and install caliper mounting hardware (Figures 5-4 & 5-5).
- 14. Reinstall rear wheel/tire assembly and four lug nuts. Engage brake and tighten lug nuts in a crisscross pattern to a maximum 65 ft. lbs.
- 15. Perform all steps in Bleeding the Hydraulic System.
- 16. Recheck lug nut torque with vehicle on the ground.

### **BRAKE ROTOR SERVICE**

Disc must be flat with no warping or hot spots. Runout in a disc brake rotor is like out-of-roundness in a drum brake. It causes a loss of brake pedal height because of extra lining clearances. Runout wears the caliper pistons and seats rapidly due to the high speed pulsations created whenever the brakes are applied.

Runout tolerances are critical, usually only about .002".

NOTICE: .As much as .015" of metal can be removed from each side of the rotor without exceeding specifications. If removing the maximum specified amount will not clean up a rotor's problems, install new rotors.

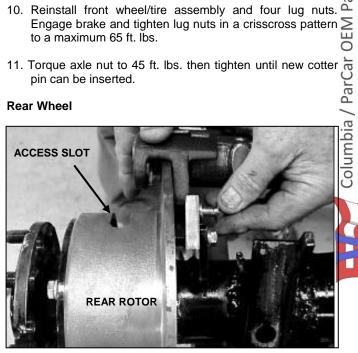
## **ACAUTION**

Do not depress brake pedal while brake calipers are removed from the vehicle. Pistons will be forced from the wheel cylinders causing fluid leakage and damage.

### Front Wheel

- 1. With vehicle on the ground, depress the brake pedal to engage the brakes. Loosen wheel assembly mounting nuts and axle nut.
- 2. Raise and secure vehicle as described in Section 3-Lifting Instructions.
- Remove wheel/tire assembly. Remove axle nut and 3 washer.
- 4. Remove brake caliper mounting hardware (Figure 5-4 from the brake caliper mounting bracket.

- 5. Remove caliper assembly by sliding off rotor. Do not disconnect hydraulic line from caliper.
- 6. The rotor may now be removed from the spindle by removing the dust cover, cotter pin and spindle nut.
- 7. At this point the rotor may be either resurfaced or replaced with a new rotor.
- Complete reassembly by reversing Steps 1-6. 8.
- 9. Reinstall brake caliper with mounting hardware (Figure 5-4. Use caution when remounting the brake calipers. Tighten each of the 5/16" bolts gradually alternating from one to the other. As you tighten the bolts be certain that the pads are parallel to the disk-if they are not, a "spongy" brake pedal may result. Also be sure that the caliper can still move back and forth in the caliper
- 10. Reinstall front wheel/tire assembly and four lug nuts.
  Engage brake and tighten lug nuts in a crises.



### Figure 5-7

- Remove wheel/tire assembly. Remove axle nut and 1. washer.
- 2. Remove brake caliper mounting hardware (Figure 5-5 from the brake caliper mounting bracket.
- 3. Remove caliper assembly by sliding off rotor. Do not disconnect hydraulic line from caliper.
- 4. Remove the four 3/8" lock nuts from the inside face of the axle housing flange accessible through slots in the brake rotor. See Figure 5-7.

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- 5. The axle shaft may now be removed with a slide hammer puller.
- 6. Remove the four 5/16" bolts from the brake rotor mounting flange and remove rotor.
- 7. At this point the rotor may be either resurfaced or replaced with a new rotor.
- 8. Complete reassembly by reversing Steps 1-6.
- 9. Reinstall brake caliper with mounting hardware (Figure 5-5. Use caution when remounting the brake calipers. Tighten each of the 5/16" bolts gradually alternating from one to the other. As you tighten the bolts be certain that the pads are parallel to the disk—if they are not, a "spongy" brake pedal may result. Also be sure that the caliper can still move back and forth in the caliper housing mounting —if it can't, uneven pad wear will result.
- Reinstall rear wheel/tire assembly and four lug nuts. Engage brake and tighten lug nuts in a crisscross pattern to a maximum 65 ft. lbs.
- 11. Torque axle nut to 45 ft. lbs. then tighten until new cotter pin can be inserted.
- 12. Lower vehicle to the ground as described in *Section 3-Lifting Instructions*.
- 13. Recheck lug nut torques and axle nut torques with vehicle on the ground.

#### HYDRAULIC BRAKE ADJUSTMENTS

#### Hydraulic Brake Linkage Adjustment

Gently depress brake pedal and check for free movement before master cylinder piston is depressed. If there is no free travel in the pedal before the master cylinder plunger begins to move, or if the free travel of the pedal exceeds 3/8", adjustment of the brake rod will be required.

- 1. Remove hair pin clip and clevis pin from master cylinder push rod at the brake pedal.
- 2. Rotate push rod clevis accordingly to decrease or increase free play as required.
- 3. Reconnect push rod clevis with clevis pin and hair pin clip.
- 4. Recheck brake pedal for correct free movement.

#### **Parking Brake Adjustment**

See Section 3-Parking Brake Adjustment.

#### MASTER CYLINDER W/PROPORTIONING VALVE

If equipped with four wheel brakes, this unit is also equipped with an adjustable proportioning valve. The valve is mounted near the master cylinder, under the front seat assembly. Installed in series with the rear brake hydraulic fluid line, the adjustment allows a bias towards increased pressure in the front brakes, to prevent rear wheel skidding during hard braking, downhill braking, or inclement weather braking.



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Section 6 Front Wheels, Suspension & Steering



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### GENERAL

The steering system is operated by rotating the steering wheel. The steering wheel rotates the steering shaft connected to the steering gearbox. The assembly pushes and pulls on tie rod ends to control front wheel steering.

*NOTICE*: Always inspect the condition of vehicle steering components before making adjustments. Worn, broken or damaged parts must be replaced before proper adjustment can be performed.

### WHEELS

#### **Removing Wheels**

1. Before raising vehicle, with wheels on the ground, break loose the lug nuts.

### AWARNING

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame. See Section 3 - Lifting Instructions.

2. Remove lug nuts and wheel assembly from the hub.

### **Installing Wheels**

- 1. Place wheel assembly on the hub studs.
- 2. Tighten lug nuts by hand and wrench until snug using a crisscross pattern.
- 3. Lower the vehicle as instructed in Section 3 Maintenance -Lifting Instructions.
- 4. Torque the lug nuts to 65 ft. lbs. (89 Nm) using the same crisscrossing pattern.

### TIRES

In the event of a flat tire, remove wheel assembly from vehicle and follow standard tire repair procedures.

## **AWARNING**

Use care when inflating a tire with a high pressure air supply. Due to low pressure requirements of a small tire, over inflation may be reached in a matter of seconds. Over inflation could cause the tire to explode resulting in possible personal injury.

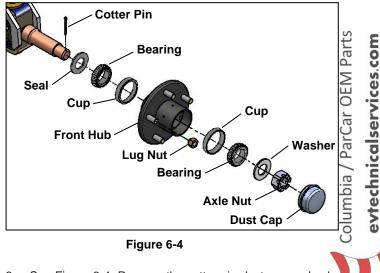
#### FRONT WHEEL HUB ASSEMBLY - NO BRAKES

Removal

### AWARNING

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame. See Section 3 Maintenance- Lifting Instructions.

- 1. Before raising vehicle, with wheels on the ground, break loose the lug nuts.
- 2. For each wheel, remove lug nuts and wheel assemblies from the hubs.



- 3. See Figure 6-4. Remove the cotter pin dust cap and axle nut. Remove washer, bearings, cups, seal and the hub.
- Inspect hub assemble components for abnormal wear, damage etc. Replace as necessary.
- 5. Pack bearings with lithium wheel bearing grease before installing.

#### Installing

- 1. Clean spindle. Apply a thin coating of grease and install hub onto the spindle.
- 2. As shown in Figure 6-4 reassemble the wheel hub and place on spindle.
- 3. Tighten axle nut until resistance is felt when turning the wheel hub, then back off slightly, then back off until a new cotter pin can be inserted.
- 4. Replace dust cover and place wheel assembly on the hub studs.
- 5. Tighten lug nuts by hand and wrench until snug using a crisscross pattern.

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Lower the vehicle to the ground and torque the lug nuts to 6. 65 ft. lbs. (23 Nm) using the same crisscrossing pattern.

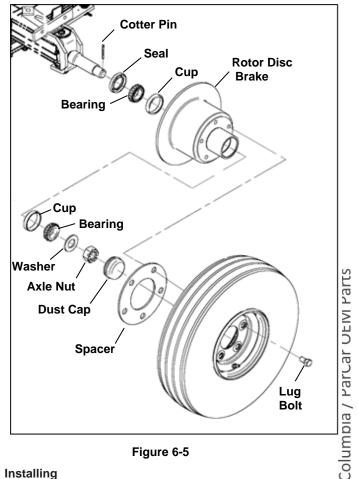
### FRONT WHEEL ROTOR/DISC BRAKE ASSEMBLY

### Removal

### **AWARNING**

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame. See Section 3 - Lifting Instructions.

- Before raising vehicle, with wheels on the ground, break 1. loose the lug bolts.
- For each wheel, remove lug bolts, wheel spacer and 2. wheel assemblies from the rotor/brake assembly.
- 3. Remove brake caliper mounting hardware. See Figure 5-4, Section 5 Accelerator and Brake System.
- 4. See Figure 6-5. Remove the cotter pin dust cap and axle nut. Remove washer, bearings, cups, seal and the rotor/brake assembly.
- Inspect components for abnormal wear, damage etc. 4. Replace as necessary.
- Pack bearings with lithium wheel bearing grease before 5. installing.



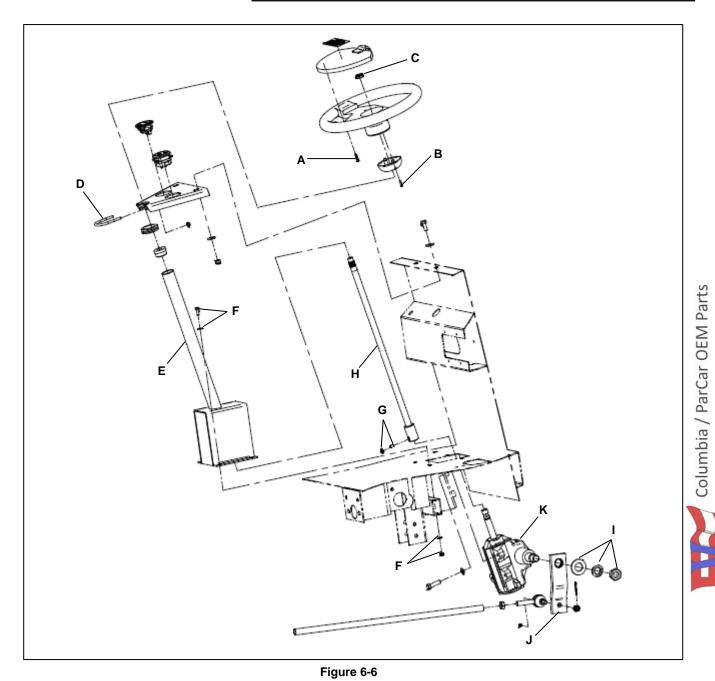
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### Figure 6-5

### Installing

- Clean spindle and apply a thin coating of grease. 1.
- 2. As shown in Figure 6-4 reassemble the components and place on spindle.
- Tighten axle nut until resistance is felt when turning the 3. rotor/brake assembly, then back off slightly, then back off until a new cotter pin can be inserted.
- Attach the wheel assembly to the rotor/brake assembly 4. using lug bolts.
- Tighten lug bolts by hand and wrench until snug using a 5. crisscross pattern.
- Lower the vehicle to the ground and torque the lug bolts 6. to 65 ft. lbs. (23 Nm) using the same crisscrossing pattern.





### STEERING

### Steering Shaft – See Figure 6-6

- 1. Remove the steering wheel by removing the 3 screws (A) attaching the steering wheel cover and the 2 screws attaching the steering hub cover (B).
- 2. Remove the steering shaft nut (C).
- 3. Loosen the clamp (D) that holds the steering column cover (E).

4. Remove the screws, washers, and nuts (F) attaching the steering column cover.

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- 5. Slide the steering column cover up and remove the set screw and nylock nut (G) which will allow the steering shaft (H) to be pulled from the steering column cover.
- 6. Reassembly by reversing the above steps.

Do not reuse the nylock nut (G).

Torque the steering shaft nut (C) to 22 – 25 ft. lbs.

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### Steering Box – See Figure 6-6

1. Complete Steering Shaft Steps 1-5.

### **AWARNING**

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame. See Section 3 - Lifting Instructions.

- Remove the nut, lock washer and spacer (I) which attached the Pitman Arm (J) to the steering box (K). Remove the steering box.
- 3. Reassembly by reversing the above steps.

### STEERING ADJUSTMENTS

#### Alignment

1. Raise vehicle and remove front wheel assemblies.

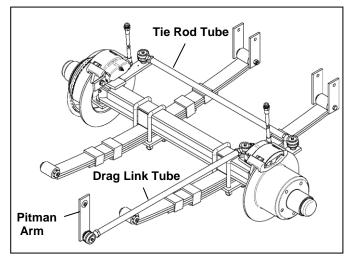


Figure 6-7

2. Depending on the vehicle, measure the distance between the front hub assemblies or the front rotor/brake assemblies.

As shown in Figure 6-7, measurements are to be made in the middle front and rear edges of the assemblies. Difference between the two measurements should not exceed 1/16".

3. If adjustment is required, loosen the jam nuts on the front tie rod tube and rotate the tube to achieve the correct measurement. Apply blue Locktite to the threads and retighten jam nuts when complete.

#### **Turning Radius**

- 1. With the vehicle raised, rotate the tires fully to the left. In this position the Pitman Arm is to be 1 1/2" from the front bumper.
- 2. If adjustment is required, loosen the jam nuts on the Drag Link tube and rotate the tube to achieve the correct measurement. Apply blue Locktite to the threads and retighten jam nuts when complete.





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### REAR AXLE WHEEL BEARINGS

Rear axle wheel bearings are sealed type bearings and cannot be repacked. Bearings must be replaced if worn or damaged. Refer to *Disassembling Rear Axle* for bearing replacement procedures.

### REAR AXLE ASSEMBLY

#### **Removing Rear Axle**

- 1. Before raising vehicle, with wheels on the ground, break loose the lug nuts.
- 2. Raise the vehicle and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame.. See Section 3 Lifting Instructions.
- 3. Remove lug nuts and remove rear wheel/tire assemblies.
- 4. Place a floor jack under the axle.

### **AWARNING**

Rear axle is heavy and awkward to move. Get help lifting and removing axle to prevent possible personal injury.

 For the BC2, remove the rear axle by: See Figure 7-1. Disconnect hydraulic brake lines and parking brake from brake assemblies and the nut/bolt attaching the controller plate to the axle (arrow). Remove the U-bolts securing the axle to the leaf springs.

This will now allow the axle to be lowered.

6. For BC3 & 4 the rear axle sits on top of the leaf springs. To remove Disconnect hydraulic brake lines and parking brake from brake assemblies and the nut/bolt attaching the controller plate to the axle.

See Figure 7-2. Disconnect the leaf springs from the vehicle body and lower axle. Remove the U-bolts securing the axle to the leaf springs.

### **Disassembling Rear Axle**

#### **General Information**

The rear axle is a precision assembly and any repair or replacement of parts must be done with great care in a clean environment. Before attempting to perform any axle service, read and understand all the procedures in this section.

- Handle all gears with extreme care.
- The axle assembly should be degreased prior to disassembly.

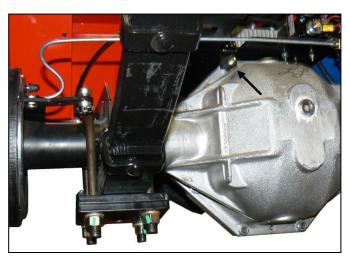


Figure 7-1



Figure 7-2

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- Dirt is an abrasive and will cause premature wear of bearings and other parts. A small wash tank for cleaning parts should be close by when disassembling the axle assembly.
- Use soft, clean, lint-free towels to dry components before cleaning.
- Parts should be cleaned with emulsion cleaners or petroleum based cleaners.

### A DANGER

Do not use gasoline as a cleaner.

*NOTICE*: Bearings should not be dried by spinning with compressed air. This can damage mating surfaces due to lack of lubrication.

- After drying, parts should be lightly coated with SAE 30 weight oil to prevent corrosion damage. If parts are to be stored for a prolonged period of time, they should be wrapped in newspaper and plastic.
- Bearings, seals and O-rings should be replaced with new parts whenever they are removed. Always wipe seals and O-rings with SAE 30 oil before installing.

- Snap rings must be removed/installed with care to prevent damage to bearings, seals and bearing bores.
- Remove all residual gasket material from sealing surfaces.
- Use soft, clean, lint-free towels to dry components before cleaning.
- Parts should be cleaned with emulsion cleaners or petroleum based cleaners. Inspect all parts for signs of wear or damage and replace if necessary.

### TORQUES

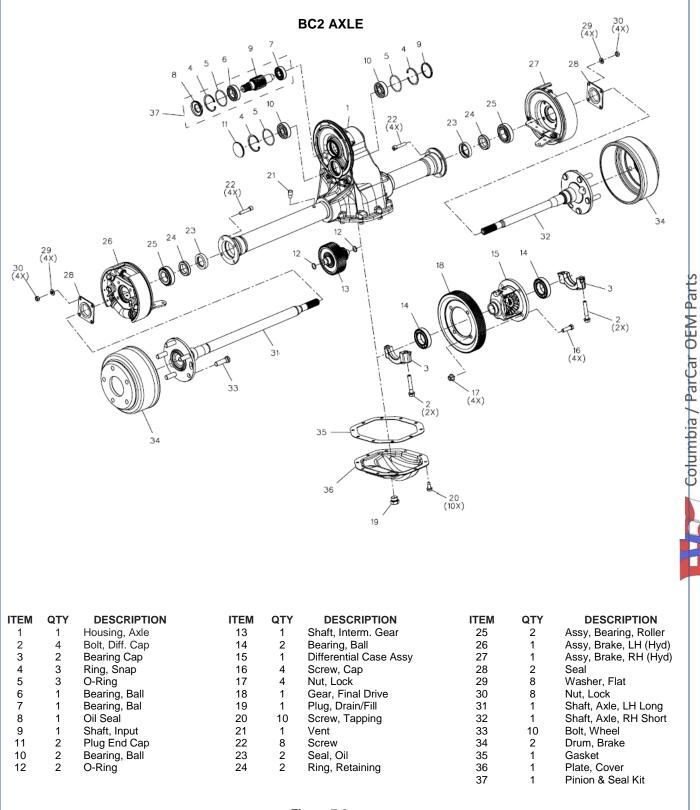
Differential bearing cap	35-45 ft. lbs
Ring gear bolts	35-45 ft. lbs.
Cover plate screws	16-24 ft .lbs.
Fill plug	25-40 ft. lbs.
Brake bolts - 160 mm brakes	15-19 ft. lbs.



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### Figure 7-3

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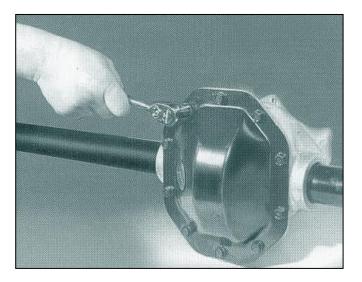
### **DISASSEMBLING BC 2 REAR AXLE**

### A DANGER

Safety glasses should be worn at all times when disassembling and assembling the axle.

All callout numbers in steps refer to Figure 7-3.

- 1. Remove drum (34).
- 2. Remove the 4 screws (22) holding the seal (28).
- Remove brake assembly (26), bearing (25), ring (24), oil 3. seal (23) and axle shaft (31).
- Repeat above to remove and disassemble the other 4. shaft.
- 5. See Figure 7-4. Remove ten cover plate (36) screws (20).



### Figure 7-4

- See Figure 7-5. Position the axle housing (1) over a drain 6. pan. Using a putty knife, separate the cover plate from the housing. Use care to not damage the housing sealing surfaces or to deform the cover plate.
- 7. Remove four bearing cap bolts (2) and both bearing caps (3). See Figure 7-6.
- 8. Remove the differential case assembly from housing.

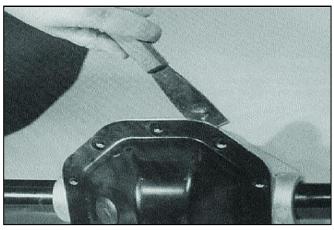


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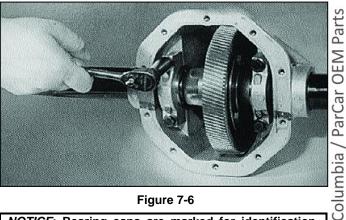


Figure 7-6

NOTICE: Bearing caps are marked for identification. Letters or numbers are stamped in horizontal and vertical position. When reassembling, install caps back in their original positions, using these stamps as a guide.

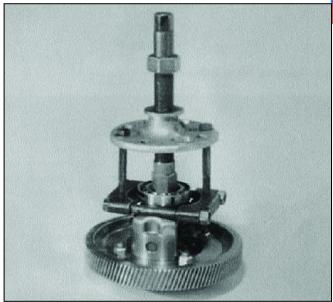


Figure 7-6

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- 9. Using a bearing puller, remove differential bearings (14) from each side of the differential case. See Figure 7-7.
- 10. See Figure 7-8. Remove four bolts (16) and nuts (17) from the final drive output gear (18). Remove gear from differential case. Use care not to damage gear teeth.



Figure 7-8

11. See Figure 7-9. Punch or drill a 1/8" diameter hole near the center of each intermediate cup plug (11). Insert a suitably sized sheet metal screw until the metal bore plug is forced out of the bearing bore.

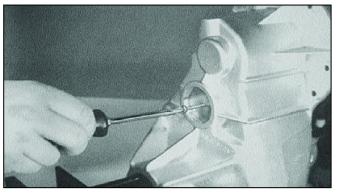


Figure 7-9

12. See Figure 7-10.Remove snap rings (16) from each intermediate bore.



Figure 7-10

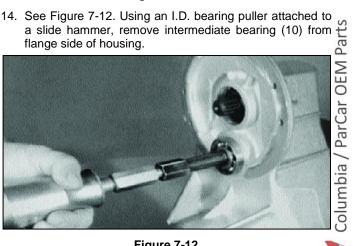
13. See Figure 7-11. Using a brass drift pin, drive the intermediate shaft (9) from the flange side of housing. Shaft should travel far enough to allow engagement of I.D. bearing puller.

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Figure 7-11

14. See Figure 7-12. Using an I.D. bearing puller attached to





15. Repeat steps 12-15 for intermediate bearing on opposite side.

NOTICE: Shaft and gear assembly must be supported by hand as not to damage gear teeth.

NOTICE: Small end of intermediate shaft and gear assembly must be tilted toward opening in bottom of housing for removal.

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16. See Figure 7-13. Remove snap ring (4) from input shaft bore (9).

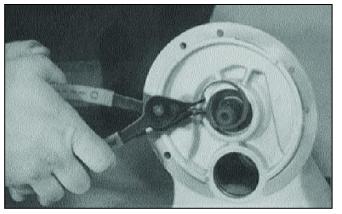


Figure 7-13

17. See Figure 7-14. Pull input shaft assembly (9) from housing. The input shaft assembly should slide out easily. If resistance is encountered, a slide hammer may be required.

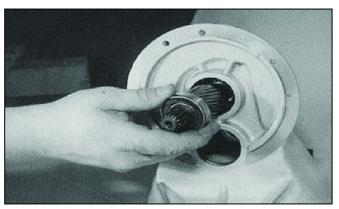


Figure 7-14

18. See Figure 7-15. Remove O-rings from outer input bearing bore and both intermediate bores.

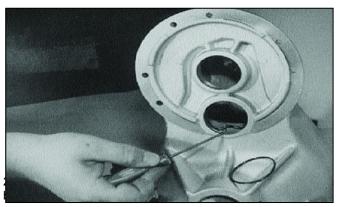


Figure 7-15

19. See Figure 7-16. Remove O-rings (12) at each end of intermediate shaft (13) on bearing shoulders. See Figure 7-16.

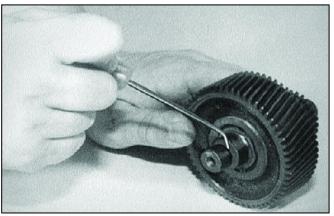




 Figure 7-16
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 20. Clean the axle housing and carrier cover (36) with lint-free rags. Remove all traces of old silicone sealant from sealing surface of cover and housing.
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 All callout numbers in steps refer to Figure 7-3.
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- Prior to installing, wipe new O-rings with SAE 30 weight r 1. oil. Install one O-ring (5) into outer input bearing bore.. Install two O-rings (5) into intermediate shaft bearing bores and two O-rings (12) onto intermediate shaft and gear assembly (13). 0
- Press inner and outer bearings (6, 7) on input shaft (9) 2. until seated against bearing shoulders. See Figure 7-17.



Figure 7-17

NOTICE: Input shaft assembly must be supported by hand as not to damage gear teeth. Use care if using a hammer to coax shaft and gear into correct position.

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3. See Figure 7-18. Install input shaft (9). Bearings (6, 7) and shaft should slide easily into housing. If resistance is encountered, use a plastic or leather mallet to tap shaft into position.

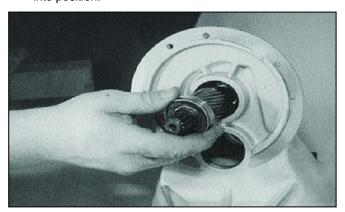


Figure 7-18

4. See Figure 7-19. Install outer snap ring (4) at input shaft bore.

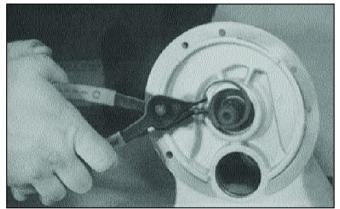
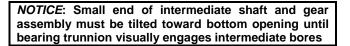


Figure 7-19

5. After O-rings (12) are installed on shaft (9) and housing (1), install intermediate shaft and gear assembly (9) through bottom opening in housing.



- 6. Align both bearing trunnions with intermediate bore. Continue supporting intermediate shaft and gear assembly with one hand and insert the flanged side bearing (10) into opening. To seat the bearing past the O ring a leather or plastic mallet may be required. After flanged side bearing is seated past snap ring groove, install snap ring (4). Repeat procedure for opposite side bearing and snap ring. Use caution as not
- 7. See Figure 7-20. Position differential case assembly (15) with flanged side trunnion face down on work surface. Align final drive gear (18) mounting holes with differential case. Install four bolts (16) and nuts (17).

Bolts should be installed from differential flange side. Torque nuts to 35-45 ft. lbs.

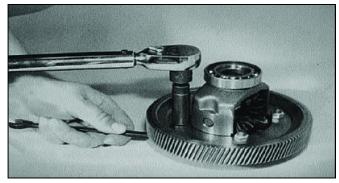


Figure 7-20

- Differential bearings (14) can be installed on differential case (15) before or after installing ring gear. Use care not to damage differential bearings or final gear (18) when the installing the opposite component.
- See Figure 7-21. Position housing (1) with opening facing up. Insert differential case, final drive gear (18) and bearing (14) assembly into housing. Make sure teeth of gear (18) mesh with teeth of small gear on intermediate shaft (13) and that both turn freely.

*NOTICE*: Bearing caps are marked for identification. Letters or numbers are stamped in horizontal and vertical position. When reassembling, install caps back in their original positions, using these stamps as a guide.

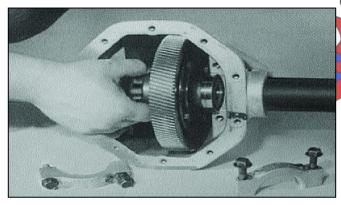


Figure 7-21

- 9. Install differential bearing caps (2) with bolts (3). Torque bolts to 35-45 ft. lbs.
- 10. See Figure 7-22.Place a small bead of RTV (non-acidic) silicone sealant to flange of cover plate (36). Sealant should be applied to inside of cover plate mounting holes
- 11. Install cover plate (36) with ten bolts (20). Torque bolts to 16-24 ft. lbs.

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Figure 7-22

12. See Figure 7-23. Install new intermediate cup plug (11) to both sides of housing (1). Use Loctite Safety Solvent #75559 to clean bores, then apply Loctite RC 609 to housing bores. Cup plugs can be installed by using a properly sized driver and hammer. Cup plugs should be firmly seated against snap rings (4).

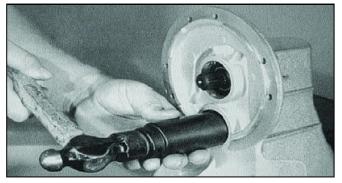


Figure 7-23

- 13. Replace the brake assembly (26), bearing (25), ring (24), oil seal (23) on the axle shaft (31) and insert into the housing tube. Shaft may have to be rotated to engage differential splines during installation.
- 14. Using the 4 screws (22) attach the seal (28) to the housing tube.
- 15. Repeat above to assemble the other shaft.
- 16. Remove fill plug (19) in cover plate (36). Fill axle assembly with 12 ounces (360 ml) of Light Weight Gear Lubricant, SAE 30. Install fill plug. If it is a threaded plug, torque to 25-40 ft. lbs.

### **INSTALLING REAR AXLE**

### AWARNING

Rear axle is heavy and awkward to move. Get help lifting and removing axle to prevent possible personal injury.

NOTICE: Make sure rear axle has oil in the differential before installing.

- 1. Carefully position axle into place.
- 2. Secure axle to springs with four U-bolts, washers and nuts. Torque nuts to 65 ft. lbs.
- Connect hydraulic and parking brake lines. 3.

NOTICE: After installation is complete, bleed the Install brake drum and wheel assemblies. Drive the vehicle and test axle operation. hydraulic brake system. See Section 5-Accelerator & Brake System.

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**REAR AXLE DIFFERENTIAL OIL** 

### **Changing Differential Oil**

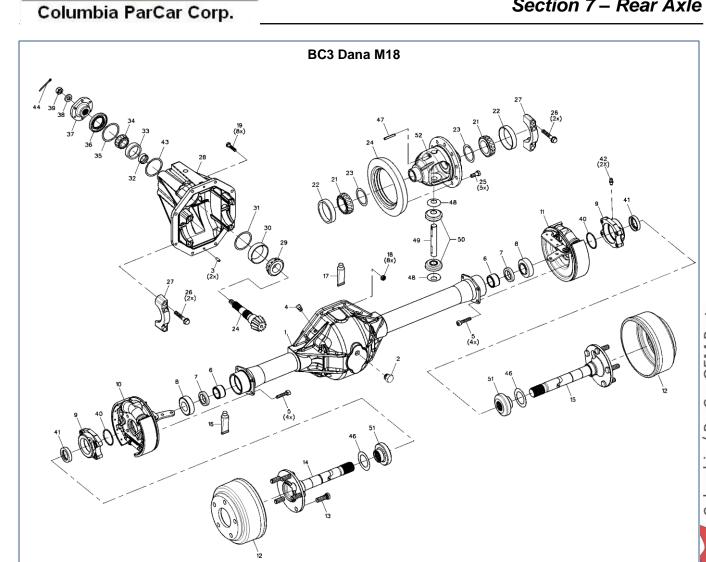
Differential oil must be changed at least once a year under o normal vehicle usage. If vehicle is operated under extreme conditions, or for more than 8 hours a day, oil should be changed twice a year. It is not necessary to remove the axle to change the differential oil. 0

### AWARNING

To perform this service, raise vehicle using floor jack and safely support it with jack stands positioned under main frame tubes. See Section 3 - Maintenance Lifting Instructions.

- Remove ten cover plate bolts (Figure 7-4). Remove cover 1. and drain oil into drain pan.
- Clean carrier cover with lint-free rag. 2.
- 3. Place a small bead of RTV (non-acidic) silicone sealant to flange of cover plate (36). Sealant should be applied to inside of cover plate mounting holes (Figure 7-22).
- 4. Install cover plate (36) with ten bolts (20). Torque bolts to 16-24 ft. lbs.
- 5. Remove fill plug (19) in cover plate (36). Fill axle assembly with 12 ounces (360 ml) of Light Weight Gear Lubricant, SAE 30.
- 6. Install drain/fill plug. Torque to 25-40 ft. lbs.



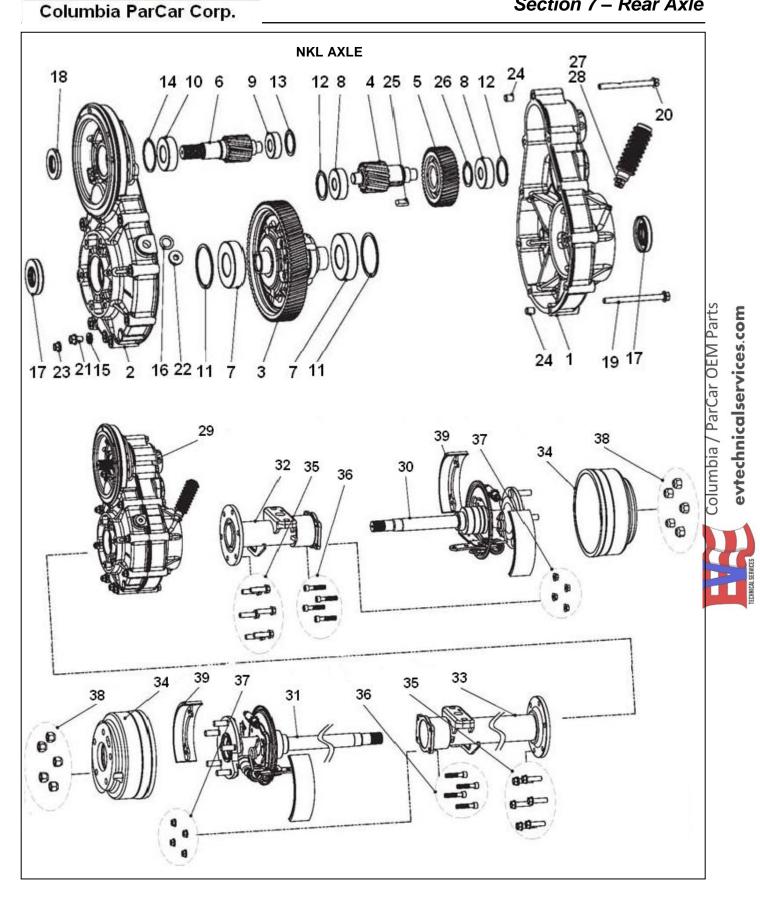


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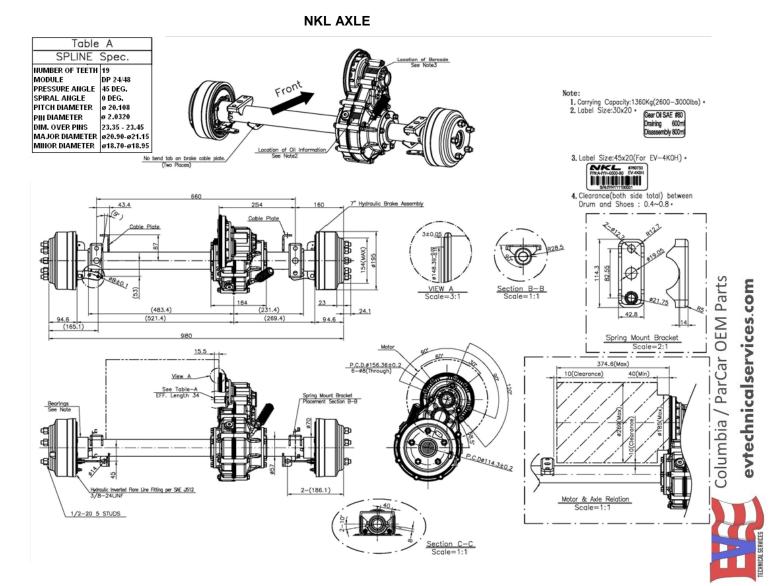
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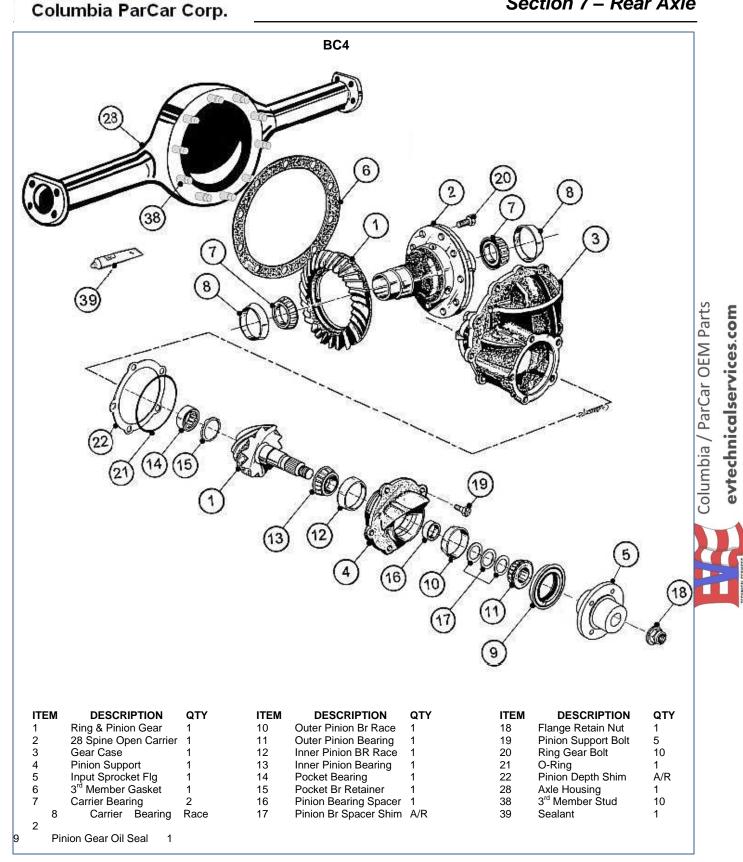
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3	Carrier Gear Assy	1	15	Washer	1	28	Ring	1
4	Gear 15T	1	16	Washer	1	29	Gear Box Assy	1
5	Gear 40T	1	17	Seal	2	30	Shaft Assy R	1
6	Gear 18T	1	18	Seal	1	31	Shaft Assy L	1
7	Ball Bearing	2	19	Bolt	7	32	Tube Assy R	1
8	Ball Bearing	2	20	Bolt	3	33	Tube Assy R	1
9	Ball Bearing	1	21	Bolt	1	34	Drum	2
10	Ball Bearing	1	22	Bolt	1	35	Bolt	12
11	Shim	2	23	Nut	10	36	Bolt	8
12	Shim	2	24	Location Pin	2	37	Nut Shrapnel	8
13	Shim	1	25	Machine Key	1	38	Nut	10
			26	Circlip	1	39	Brake Shoe	4

### *NOTICE* Additional information on this axle is being developed. NKL is replacing Dana.





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### NKL AXLE OIL SEAL REPLACEMENT

1. See Figure 7-24. Take off drum and use it as a stand to position axle on its end.



Figure 7-24

2. See Figure 7-25. Using a power wrench, remove the bolts. When replacing the bolts, torque to 36.2 ft.lbs. (Range 32.5 – 39.8 ft. lbs.)

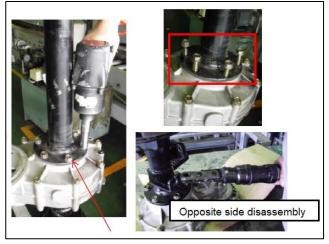


Figure 7-25

3. See Figure 7-26. Separate the half shaft and gear box.





Figure 7-26



Figure 7-27

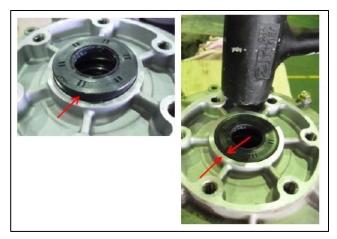
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5. See Figure 7-28. Apply gearbox oil (SAE 80 – 90 weight) to the outside of the new seal to aid in assembly. Use a mallet to knock the new seal in. Make sure the seal is flush with the edge of the gearbox rim.



### Figure 7-28

6. See Figure 7-29. Using a nylon mating fixture, hammer the seal into the cylinder. The seal must seat to the gap shown below. If a fixture is not available, the seal can be gently tapped into place using the mallet. The fixture is a shaft with a smaller diameter tip that centers in the seals center hole and a larger diameter that centers in the gearbox wall

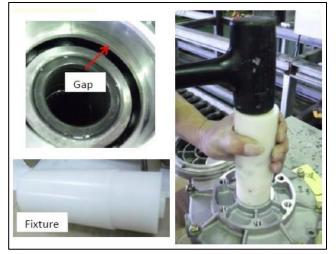


Figure 7-29

7. See Figure 7-30. When the seal is properly assembled, there will be a small distance between the seal surface and the gearbox rim surface as shown.

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Figure 7-30





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### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The type of battery used in a Columbia vehicle has a service requirement which is guite different from that of an automotive battery.

The electric vehicle battery supplies all of the power to drive the vehicle. During operation the power stored in the batteries is expended. While the amperage drain rate can vary greatly depending on the type of service, the duration of use and the number of "starts" and "stops" made during a day, the batteries nevertheless progress through each duty cycle from "fully charged" to an almost depleted state. This type of service is known as "deep cycle" service and electric vehicle batteries are specifically designed to handle this type of service.

Proper performance of your Columbia Vehicle can only be obtained from specified deep cycle, electric vehicle batteries.

### SAFETY INFORMATION

### A DANGER

All batteries used in electric vehicles can explode! Always wear full face shield when working on or near batteries. Hydrogen fumes are a natural byproduct of charging and discharging and are extremely explosive.

Do not smoke around electric vehicle batteries. Keep sparks and flames away from batteries. Battery charging should only be done in a well-ventilated area. Refer to Section 9-Batteries for details.

Batteries contain acid which can cause severe burns. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. Wear full face shield and rubber gloves when working on or near batteries.

Do not attempt to charge a battery if it is frozen or if the case is bulged excessively. Frozen batteries can explode. Dispose of battery.

### AWARNING

When working around batteries, use approved insulated tools, remove jewelry such as rings, watches, chains, etc. and place an insulating material such as wood, plastic, rubber, etc. over batteries covering all connections.

If any problems are found during scheduled maintenance or inspections, do not operate vehicle until repairs are completed. Failure to make necessary repairs could result in fire, property damage, severe personal injury or death.

NOTICE: Automotive batteries should never be used for "deep cycle" application, as their useful life will be very short.

Install surge arrestors on incoming AC power lines. Surge arrestors will help protect electrical/electronic components in the charger and vehicle from all but direct or "close proximity" lightning strikes.

### **ANTIDOTES:**

- External: Flush with water. Call a physician immediately.
- Internal: Drink large quantities of milk or water. Follow with milk of magnesia or vegetable oil.
- Eyes: Flush with water for fifteen minutes. Call a . physician immediately.

### **BATTERY INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE**

Batteries and connections must be clean and dry. See BATTERY CLEANING.

Be sure battery hold downs are properly tightened. A loose hold down may allow the battery to become damaged from vibration or jarring. A hold down that is too tight may buckle or crack the battery case.

Weekly inspect battery posts, clamps and cables for to breakage, loose connections and corrosion. Replace any that to are damaged. are damaged.

Check to see that battery cap vent holes are clear. Plugged up vent holes will not permit gas to escape from the cell and could result in battery damage. ParCar

### **BATTERY CLEANING**

Battery terminal connections should be individually cleaned and maintained annually. More frequent cleaning may be required under heavy use, or as batteries age.

connections before disconnecting batteries. Refer to wiring diagrams for proper connection.

- 1. Remove battery cables and wire connections from al battery terminals.
- 2. Brush battery cable and wire connections clean using soft brass wire brush.
- 3. Replace battery cable terminals that are damaged or corroded.
- 4. Keep the batteries clean, fully charged, properly secured and terminal connections tight. Do not over tighten connections. Acid soaked dirt on the battery tops causes current leakage, reduced battery efficiency and promotes rapid self-discharge during storage.
- Hose wash battery tops periodically with clean, low-5. pressure water to keep them free of acid spillage, dirt and other debris. If vented batteries are used, make sure vent caps are secure before washing. Do not hose wash electronic controllers, switches, solenoids, and other electrical control devices. Direct water away from these components, covering them if necessary.

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- 6. Wash battery tops with a baking soda mixture (1/2 cup per quart) of water) and a stiff non-metallic bristle brush if a low-pressure hose does not remove the direct. Rinse with clean water. Take care to ensure that the baking soda mixture does not enter the vent opening in the battery caps.
- 7. Make sure that the battery tops are clean and dry before putting the batteries into storage.

### **BATTERY SERVICE (WATER)**

The operating environment of the electric vehicle could vary widely. Severe service operations will require that periodic maintenance recommendations be adjusted to shorter time intervals.

Use only distilled water in your batteries. Vehicle batteries may use up to 16 quarts of water during their useful life and non-distilled water may contain harmful minerals which will have a cumulative adverse effect on battery performance and life.

Watering intervals are dependent on the local climate, charging methods, application, and age of batteries. After the initial watering of new batteries, it is recommended that batteries be checked once a month until you get a feel for your water consumption rate.

Typically for a heavy use application, recommend watering is maximum of once per week, and for light use applications once per month

### Adding Water To Battery (See Figure 8-1)

- Check the electrolyte level on brand new batteries before putting them into service, and at least weekly on batteries in service. Water use increases as batteries age.
- Never allow the electrolyte level to fall below the top of the plates (A). If the plates are exposed, add only enough distilled water to cover the plates before charging.
- Do not overfill batteries. Do not fill the water level up into the well of the filler tube of the cell. Electrolyte expands and can overflow during charging (B). Water added to replace the spillage dilutes the electrolyte and reduces its specific gravity. Cells with lower specific gravity have lower charging capacity.
- Make sure the electrolyte covers the plates before charging (C). Fill cells to the markers only after batteries are charged.

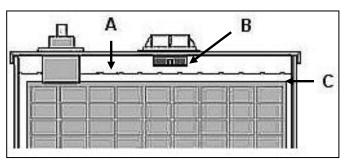
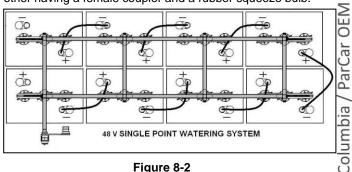


Figure 8-1

### SINGLE POINT WATERING SYSTEM

NOTICE: The following information does not apply to sealed batteries.

36 & 48 volt vehicles can have a Single Point Watering System (Figure 8-2) used for adding water to the battery pack. other having a female coupler and a rubber squeeze bulb.



#### Figure 8-2



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NOTICE: To avoid overfilling of the Single Point Watering System do not operate this system on brand new batteries. New batteries should be in service 1 to 2 weeks with heavy use or 3 to 4 weeks with light use. System is to be used only after fully charging the batteries and batteries are warm.

When using this system, check the battery pack water level weekly by:

- Inserting the fill tube filter end in a distilled water supply.
- Attaching the female coupler to the battery pack male coupler.
- Squeeze the rubber ball until firm which indicates that filling is complete. Immediately disconnect the couplers by depressing the push button on the female coupler. If the water supply is left connected after the filling process is finished it could lead to an overfill.

US Batteries features SpeedCap™ battery cell caps. See Figure 8-3. To open SpeedCap<sup>™</sup> locate the two tabs on either side of the center cell of the battery. Move these tabs in the directions shown in Figure 8-3.



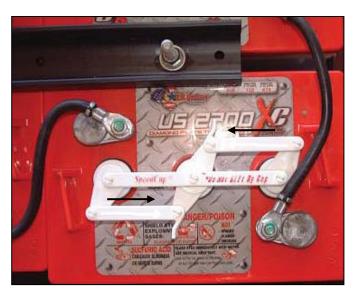


Figure 8-3

NOTICE: Do not use SpeedCaps™ as handles to lift or move battery.

### BATTERY CHARGING

### A DANGER

Observe all safety information in this section, safety information listed at the beginning of this section, and safety information in Section 1 of this manual.

Columbia electric vehicles are equipped with a solid state, onboard, fully automatic, Delta-Q Battery Charger as standard equipment. See Figure 8-3.

It is important to be aware of the differences and improvements over prior chargers, which are explained in the Delta-Q Charger Operating Instructions that accompany every vehicle.

Correct charging methods extend battery life and vehicle range between charges. Before the first new vehicle use, completely charge new batteries. Charging time is affected by age of battery, condition of battery, state of discharge, temperature of electrolyte, AC line voltage level, and other variables. Charging time usually takes 12 hours. New batteries need up to four hours more charging time than "mature" batteries.

Always schedule enough charging time so that the charger completes a full charge cycle. Opportunity charging is an acceptable practice for use during a shift to extend the range, but always allow for a full charge cycle at end of shift.

Limit the use of new batteries between charges for the first 15 - 20 cycles. New batteries have less capacity than batteries which have been cycled.

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Recharge batteries immediately after use. Leaving batteries in a state of discharge will reduce there capacity and useful life. Battery chargers are voltage specific; 24, 36 or 48 volts. However, chargers can be programmed at the factory for different types of batteries, as well as different brands and capacities of batteries. Refer to Battery Brand Algorithms for Charger Programming, See Table 1.

The lead-acid storage battery supplies electrical power through the chemical action. This action is reversible, which means the battery must be connected to a charger and have an electrical current passed through it in the direction opposite to the direction of discharge in order to restore the battery's active chemicals.

The Delta-Q Charger will not over charge batteries if left plugged in.

### **Charger Safety Information**

### AWARNING

ParCar OEM Parts Do not attempt to charge a battery if it is frozen or if the case is bulged excessively. Frozen batteries can explode. Dispose of battery.

- Charge batteries in well ventilated area.
- Ventilation fans should be located at the highest point in charging area. These fans should be able to exchange charging area. These fans should be able to exchange the air 5x per hour. Consult a local HVAC engineer. Remove rings and watches prior to service. Only trained
- technicians should repair or service the charger. Contact Columbia for assistance.
- Replace worn, cut or damaged power cords or wires.
- Do not connect the power cord near fuels, grain dust solvents, thinners, or other flammables.
- Install surge arrestors on incoming AC power lines. This protects from all but direct or close proximity lightening strikes.
- Do not cover charger cabinet cooling fins. This protects the charger from overheating.
- Make sure all battery and charger connections are clean and tight. This prevents overheating and arcing at the terminal. Replace as necessary.
- Disconnect negative (-) cable first to avoid crossing terminals that would create a spark.

NOTICE: When using ordinary automotive chargers, there is the possibility of overcharging and damaging the cells.

### **BATTERY BRAND ALGORITHMS**

ALGORITHM #	BATTERY TYPE
126	Full River or Equivalent 85ah-145Ah AGM (DC115-12)
125	Full River or Equivalent 160ah-220ah AGM (DC180-6/DC224-6)
72	US Battery or Equivalent 250ah-335Ah Flooded Constant Power dv/dt (USB 305HC)
43	Discover or Equivalent 200ah-400ah AGM (EVL16A/EVGC6A/EV185A)
42	Discover or Equivalent 80ah-150ah AGM (EV31A)
11	US Battery or Equivalent 200ah-255ah flooded Constant Power dv/dt (USB2200/USB145)
5	Trojan or Equivalent 85ah-150ah Group 31 12v Flooded
1	Trojan or Equivalent 150ah-260ah 6v/8v/12v Flooded (T105)

### Table 1

### **DELTA-Q CHARGER OPERATION**

Newer vehicles are equipped with a remote panel (Fig. 8-4 A) with a single LED which indicates the Delta Q status. For each Delta Q the remote panel will be located on the cab side next to the drivers position. See SINGLE LED DISPLAY.

1. Connect power cord at charger receptacle to properly grounded wall outlet.

**NOTICE:** Connect the charger AC cord to a source capable of supplying 15 amperes minimum per charge (20 amperes recommended). The charger is equipped with an equipment-grounding AC electric cord, and a grounding type plug.

 Connect the cord to an appropriately installed receptacle grounded in accordance with the National Electric Code ANSI/NFPA 70, and all local codes and ordinances.

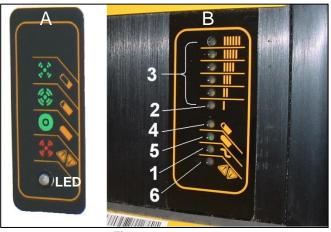


Figure 8-1

 The Yellow AC power LED (No. 1, Fig. 8-4B) should remain illuminated while the Charger is plugged into an AC source. If Yellow LED is not lit, before replacing Charger, recheck the AC connection and the AC source fuse or breaker. If this fails to correct the problem, contact your Columbia Dealer for assistance.

- 4. Charger will automatically turn on and conduct a short self-test and battery pack test. All LED's will flash in sequence and then a trickle current will be applied to batteries until a minimum voltage is reached. In Figure 8-4B No. 3 indicates the Bar Graph and No. 2 indicates the lowest LED. Three (3) amperes is displayed as the lowest LED on the Bar Graph
- 5. If the batteries meet the minimum voltage requirements of the Charger, signifying they are serviceable (chargeable), the Charger enters the bulk charging (higher amperage- constant current) stage. The Bar Graph LED's indicate the electrical current being delivered to the batteries as the Charger moves through its automatic charge profile. The length of charge time at each level will vary due to battery size and battery charge depletion.

*NOTICE*: If the batteries are excessively discharged, the Delta-Q will not be able to charge the complete set of batteries. The Delta-Q will have the RED FAULT LED (No. 6, Fig. 8-4B) flashing red (see RED LIGHT CHARGER ERROR CODES). It will then be necessary to follow the instructions in EXCESSIVELY DISCHARGED BATTERIES.

6. When the Yellow LED (No. 4, Fig 8-4B) is lit, the Charger has completed the bulk stage and the batteries are at approximately 80% state of charge. The 80% LED remains on as the last 20% of charge is returned to the batteries in the second phase (constant voltage phase).

*NOTICE:* You can terminate charging at this point if necessary. The vehicle can be used, but completing the charge cycle is highly recommended.

- Charge completion is when the 100% Green LED is lit, (No. 5, Fig. 8-4B). Repeated "Short Charging" leaving the charge short of 100% will shorten operating cycle distance and reduced battery life.
- 8. A low current "finish-charge" phase returns and maintains batteries to maximum capacity. The 100% Green LED will blink until "finish charge" phase is complete.

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- A 100% Green LED continuously lit indicates the 9 batteries are completely charged. The Charger may now be unplugged from the AC source. If the batteries will not be used for a length of time, check monthly for the charge level. It is also acceptable to leave the Charger plugged in. The Delta-Q has the capability to test and recharge if necessary.
- 10. A fault occurring while charging causes the RED FAULT LED to flash with a code relaying the error. Some errors may require repair by a gualified technician and others may be simply transient and will automatically recover when the fault condition is eliminated and the Delta-Q cycled by disconnecting the AC source for a minimum of 11 seconds.

NOTICE: A Yellow (Amber) blinking LED in the upper Bar Graph (No. 3, Fig. 8-4B) usually indicates the thermostatic control has limited the Charger output due to ambient temperature conditions. It is still charging, but at a reduced rate.

### SINGLE LED DISPLAY (Figure 8-4A)

SOLID GREEN - Charging complete, in maintenance mode

FLASHING GREEN - Short < 80% charge Long > 80% charge

GREEN when battery not connected - Algorithm number

FLASHING YELLOW - Reduced power mode: low AC voltage or high internal charger temperature.

FLASHING RED - Charger error. Reset charger power and see RED LIGHT CHARGER ERROR CODES.

NOTICE: Do not disassemble the charger. There are no serviceable parts.

### **RED LIGHT CHARGER ERROR CODES**

### 1 Flash

Battery Voltage High: Auto-recover. May be temporary condition, or wrong charger installed, i.e. 36 volt charger on 48 volt battery pack.

### 2 Flash

Battery Voltage Low: Auto-recover. Confirm each individual batteries minimum voltage with a volt meter. Two or more 6 volt batteries register less than 5.85 volts, or accumulative total pack voltage has been discharged to less than 20% remaining. Vehicle operation will cease until batteries are recharged. See Special Procedure for Excessively Discharged Batteries in this section.

### 3 Flash

Charge Timeout: The charging did not complete in allowed time, 12-14 hours. This may indicate a battery problem, or that the charger output was reduced due to high ambient temperatures. Disconnect AC supply, confirm sufficient ventilation, allow cool down time, and restart charger.

### 4 Flash

Check Battery: The batteries could not be trickle charged up to a minimum level to start charger. This may be the result of badly discharged batteries, or one (or more) damaged cells. See Special Procedure in this section.

#### 5 Flash

Over-Temperature: The charger shut down due to high internal temperature. May require reset (AC unplugged) and a cool down to restart charging cycle. This fault may indicate inadequate cooling airflow or high ambient air temperatures. Check for debris or blockage at cooling fins. Move the vehicle Check for debris or blockage at cooling fins. Move the vehicle to a cooler better ventilated area, or adjust time of day when charging. 6 Flash Delta-Q Charger Fault: An internal fault was detected and O

charger may need to be checked/replaced by a qualified und dealer technician. It may also be the result of badly discharged batteries, or one (or more) damaged cells. A RED 6 FAULT flash must be validated first by testing individual batteries with a voltmeter, and see Special Procedures, before Columbia deciding charger has failed.

### A Steady Red Fault LED

Confirms an internal electrical fault of the Delta-Q and also requires charger replacement and return.

### Yellow (amber) Blinking LED in the Bar Graph Area

Usually indicates a thermostatic control has limited the charger output due to ambient temperature conditions. It is still charging, but at a reduced rate.

### **CHARGING PROCEDURE**

- 1. Check electrolyte level in all cells. Add distilled water as necessary to cover tops of plates. Do not over fill, as electrolyte expands during charging.
- Be sure charger is turned OFF. Insert electrical plug into 2 vehicle's charger receptacle.
- Charger will start automatically. Check that amp meter 3. rises fully when charger starts. If charger needle only rises to half scale or does not rise at all, check AC outlet for proper power supply or check charger owner's manual for testing and repair information.

### **TESTING BATTERIES**

### **Specific Gravity Test**

NOTICE: Specific Gravity Test information does not apply to sealed batteries.



It is possible to determine a battery's ability to perform by measuring the specific gravity of each cell with a hydrometer. The hydrometer readings indicate two things:

- State of Charge The amount of electrical power stored in the battery.
- Condition The ability of battery to store and deliver power.

NOTICE :Batteries should be fully charged before performing specific gravity tests to determine battery condition. Hydrometer tests of batteries not fully charged are misleading and inconclusive.

#### **Hydrometer Test**

- 1. Squeeze rubber bulb and insert nozzle in cell, release bulb, slowly drawing electrolyte up into barrel.
- 2. Adjust electrolyte level in barrel so float rides free of bottom but is not striking top of barrel.
- Hold hydrometer vertically, making sure float moves 3. freely and is not contacting sides of barrel. Read scale at the level of electrolyte in the barrel. Record the reading.
- 4. Return electrolyte to cell from which it was removed.
- 5. Repeat these steps on all battery cells.

Hydrometer readings are affected by the temperature of the electrolyte being tested. Measure the temperature of the electrolyte, and correct the readings as follows:

Above 80°F: Add .004 to the specific gravity readings for each 10° above 80°F (26°C).

Below 80°F: Subtract .004 from the specific gravity readings for each 10° below 80°F (26°C).

#### Interpretation Of Hydrometer Readings

State of charge. Check specific gravity of each cell. See Table 2&3.

Specific Gravity vs, State of Charge				
SG Reading at 80° F.	State of Charge			
1.250 – 1.270	100%			
1.220 – 1.240	75%			
1.190 – 1.210	50%			
1.160 – 1.180	25%			

Table 2

Specific Gravity vs. Action Required							
	S	G Readir	Action				
Battery	Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3				
1	1.100	1.100	1.100	Charge & recheck			
2	1.260	1.180	1.250	Cell 2 bad – replace battery			
3	1.250	1.260	1.250	Good			
4	1.190	1.170	1.120	Charge & recheck Suspect cell 3			
Table 3							

If the difference between the highest and lowest cell is 0.050 (50 points) or more, the battery is nearing the end of its useful still life and should be replaced.

determining battery condition because it simulates electric to vehicle operation under controlled conditions. A 75 amp draw is applied to the battery bank with a Load Tester. The time it takes the battery bank to drop to 315 volts, along with takes the battery bank to drop to 31.5 volts, along with individual battery voltages, is used to determine battery σ condition. amnlo

NOTICE: Use of automotive type of load tester is not recommended and will offer inaccurate results.

Use an appropriate volt tester that gives voltage and minutes of discharge.

### **Preparation for Discharge Test**

The following preparations must be verified before discharged load testing. Should any of the following recommendations not be performed, results of testing will be inaccurate and misleading.

- Batteries must receive a full charge before conducting Discharge (Load) Test.
- Discharge (Load) Test must be performed within 18 hours . of charging.
- Vehicle must not be used, even for short runs, prior to Discharge (Load) Test.
- Electrolyte level must be correct in all cells.

### **Discharge (Load) Test Procedure**

### Discharge Load Test must be performed in well ventilated area.

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- 1. Connect tester leads to battery bank.
- 2. Check and record electrolyte temperature of center cell of each battery.
- 3. Turn tester on.
- 4. After 20-30 minutes, with tester on, check and record individual battery voltages to the nearest 0.1 (1/10) volt.

All six individual battery voltage readings must be made as rapidly as possible to be accurate.

5. Allow tester to shut off automatically, and record time elapsed from start of discharge.

Tester shutoff should occur at a battery voltage of 42v +/-0.2v (48 volt system) or 21v +/-0.2v (24 volt system). Check tester shutoff voltage periodically. This setting must be accurate for a valid test.

### Interpreting Discharge (Load) Test Results

- 1. Compare individual battery voltages recorded in step 4 of *Discharge (Load) Test Procedure* and discard any battery that is 0.2 (2/10) volt lower than the highest battery in bank. If defective battery is found, recharge the entire bank for 12 hours. Then, replace the defective battery with a good fully charged battery of the same brand and date code, if possible. Equalize the bank by placing it on charge for an additional three hours, then retest.
- 2. If all battery voltages are within 0.2 volts of each other, compare discharge time from step 4 of *Discharge (Load) Test Procedure* with minimum times in Temperature and Time Table. Even if individual battery voltages are satisfactory, but the discharge time fails to meet minimums in Temperature and Time table, the entire battery bank should be replaced.

DISCHARGE LOAD TEST: Temperature & Time					
Electrolyte Temperature	Minimum Discharge Time				
(Step 2)	(Step 5)				
40-49° F (4-9° C)	40 Minutes				
50-59° F (10-15° C)	45 Minutes				
60-64° F (16-17° C)	50 Minutes				
65-69° F (18-20° C)	54 Minutes				
70-74° F (21-23° C)	57 Minutes				
75-79° F (24-25° C)	60 Minutes				
80-84° F (26-29° C)	62 Minutes				
85-89° F (30-32° C)	64 Minutes				
90-99° F (33-37° C)	66 Minutes				
100-109° F (38-43° C)	68 Minutes				
110-119° F (44-48° C)	70 Minutes				
120-129° F (49-54° C)	72 Minutes				
130-150° F (55-66° C	74 Minutes				

Table 4

### **STORING BATTERIES**

- Batteries can remain in vehicle.
- Batteries should be fully charged.

- Clean battery tops and connections.
- Fully charged batteries should be stored in as cold of an environment as possible. Batteries "self discharge" when not in use. The colder the temperature, the slower batteries self discharge.

### **ACAUTION**

Batteries in low state of charge (low specific gravity readings) will freeze at higher temperatures than those fully charged.

Check specific gravity periodically, and recharge batteries as necessary. Batteries stored in temperatures above 80°F (26°C), will discharge faster and require recharge every few weeks. Batteries stored at or below 0°F (-12°C) may not require recharge for periods up to 4 months. When recharging, bring batteries to 1.250-1.270 specific gravity to prevent freezing. See Table 5.

State of Charge	Specific Gravity	F° Freezin	g point C°	Risk of Sulfation	
100%	1.260	-70	-57	Low	(
75%	1.230	-39	-38	Low	
50%	1.200	-16	-26	Low	-
25%	1.170	-2	-19	Moderate	
Discharged	1.110	+17	-8	High	(
		Table 5		8	1

As ice forms in a freezing battery, the electrolyte expands and can crack the case, ruining the battery. If a battery is allowed to stand or is operated in a discharged condition for a long period of time, lead sulfate may develop on the plates, which is dense, hard and crystalline, and which cannot be electrochemically converted to normal active material again. Lead sulfate formed on the plates during discharge is relatively insoluble as long as the specific gravity of electrolyte is kept above 1.125 specific gravity, but if allowed to drop below this value, the lead sulfate becomes increasingly soluble and may migrate into the pores of the separators and deposit as a white crystalline mass.

Subsequent charging may convert these deposits into stringy metallic lead which may short the positive and negative plates through the areas affected. These small shorts may cause a condition of low cell voltage when battery is allowed to stand idle in less than 25% charged condition.

### **REPLACING BATTERIES**

The batteries are located under the rear deck.

### **Removing Batteries**

- 1. Remove nuts, washers and cables, positive lead and negative lead interconnecting batteries.
- 2. Remove nuts, flat washers, hold down plates and rods.
- 3. Remove batteries.

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### **Installing Batteries**

- 1. Install batteries.
- 2. Install rods and hold down plates.
- 3. Install flat washers, nylock nuts.
- 4. Install nuts, washers and cables, positive lead and negative lead interconnecting batteries.

### EXCESSIVELY DISCHARGED BATTERIES

**NOTICE:** The Delta-Q Automatic Battery Charger will not charge a dead battery. Each battery will need to be brought up to an acceptable state of charge, and establish that it does not have an internal fault or bad cell. If a battery has remained too long in a discharged state, it may be internally damaged and not capable of accepting a charge. It must be replaced.

If the Delta-Q Battery Charger does not reach the full charging mode, identified by a steady LED in the upper region of the Bar Graph display (18/15/12...), or the RED Fault Light is lit, it may indicate that the minimum voltage is not present to allow the charger to control the charging of the complete set of batteries.

If the electrolyte specific gravity is low (less than 1.140 SG), or the individual battery voltage is less than 10.50 volts for 6 cells, it will need to be recharged with an ordinary automotive style trickle charger at a rate of 3 to 6 amps for several hours each. Follow specific charger instructions. It is not necessary to disconnect the battery cables, as the alligator style clips can be connected to each positive and negative battery post.

### AWARNING

Always disconnect the AC power first when moving the positive/negative alligator clips to prevent a spark from igniting the gas emitted from the batteries.

Be sure to charge all of the batteries in the set. Each battery may require 2-3 hours of charging to bring it back to serviceable condition. Measure the Specific Gravity (SG) of each cell after this charging procedure is completed, to verify that the battery is OK for use. Replace any batteries that can not be re-charged (no change or improvement in SG). After all batteries have been individually charged, and with the temporary automotive charger removed, try operating the Delta-Q Charger again to verify operation. Allow the Delta-Q Charger to complete a full charge cycle for proper equalization of batteries. If the 6 Flash Fault persists; an internal fault may be present and the charger will need to be replaced by a qualified dealer technician. A STEADY RED FAULT LED confirms an internal electrical fault of the Delta-Q, and also requires charger replacement and return.



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### DC TRACTION MOTOR

#### Maintenance

A good planned maintenance program will save many hours of future down time and prevent catastrophic failure of major motor components. Maintenance schedules consist of periodic routine inspections of motors, battery and wiring circuitry.

Since operation of equipment varies widely, the following recommendations are suggested for periodic maintenance inspection:

Normal service - 8 hours per day operation

Routine inspection every 1,000 hours

Severe service - 24 hours of daily operation

Routine inspection every 500 hours

NOTICE: Severe service would include; Dusty or sandy locations such as cement plant, lumber or flour mills, coal dust or stone crushing areas. High temperature areas such as steel mills, foundries, etc. Sudden temperature changes such as continuous indoor-outdoor movement, as in refrigeration plants.

#### **External Motor Inspection**

- Check for clean, tight, terminal studs and mounting bolts. 1.
- 2. Internal and external spline drives, between motor and final drive axle, must be periodically lubricated with a thin layer of quality, anti-seize compound.
- Check for any signs of oil leaks from final drive axle, 3. which might cause oil to enter traction motor.

### **Internal Motor Inspection**

The brush and commutator inspection is the most important part of motor maintenance. By recognizing undesirable commutator and/or brush conditions, internal repairs can be performed before major component damage or failure occurs.

Brush and commutator inspection can be accomplished by removing the motor head. The brushes and commutator should be inspected for even wear and good commutation.

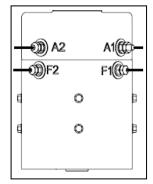
Good commutation will be indicated by a dark brownish, polished commutator and an evenly polished brush wearing surface. If the commutator appears rough, pitted, scored or has signs of burning or heavy arcing between the commutator bars, the motor should be removed for servicing.

### **Traction Motor Removal**

NOTICE: Studs and jam nuts on the electric motor can be damaged when attaching or removing electrical leads. Hold a thin open end wrench on the electrical stud connector jam nut while loosening or tightening attaching nuts.

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- Mark traction motor cables (if not already marked), with 1. motor terminal identification Figure 9-1.
- F1 and F2 terminals are 1/4-20, A1 and A2 terminals are 2. 5/16-18. Hold terminal jam nut with a thin open end wrench when loosening and removing hex nuts, lock washers and flat washers securing electrical cables to traction motor.



- 3.
- Figure 9-1 Carefully support motor to prevent it from falling. BC2. Loosen and remove the three 1/4" bolts, lock washers and flat washers securing motor to rear axle/differential housing. 4. axle/differential housing.

BC3 & 4. Remove the belt/chain cover. This will allow belt/chain removal and removal of the 3/8" bolts, lock washers and flat washers securing motor to rear axle/differential housing. 0

Pull motor away from rear axle housing and clear of the 5 vehicle.

### **ACAUTION**

Traction motor is heavy and awkward to move. Get help stabilizing and removal to prevent possible personal injury.

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### Traction Motor Disassembly

- 1. Remove long bolts. Remove motor head hole plug. See Figure 9-3.
- 2. Pull on motor head to remove armature from frame. A light tap may be required to loosen motor head from frame. Motor head and armature come out together.
- 3. Place puller around the motor head. Use the center of the shaft to locate puller. See Figure 9-4.
- 4. Pull motor head assembly off of armature assembly maintaining equal pressure on all sides of head.
- 5. Move brush springs behind spring hooks shown in Figure 9-5.
- 6. Remove 1 hex nut, 1 lock washer, 1 hex nut, 1 flat washer and 1 insulator at each brush terminal, A1 and A2. Figure 9-6.
- Remove 4 brush plate screws (Figure 9-7). Push brush terminal studs through, into the center of the head as the brush box, brushes and terminal assemblies are removed. (See exploded view Figure 9-9).
- 8. Remove bearing retainer (snap ring) shown in Figure 9-5. Carefully press out the bearing from motor head. Replace the bearing.
- 9. Remove all the brush dust from motor frame, brush box, and motor head.

#### **Armature Inspection**

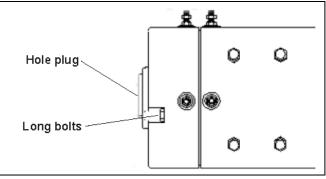
1. Measure the diameter of the armature (Figure 9-8).

Max dia. when new 2.92-2.93" (74 mm)

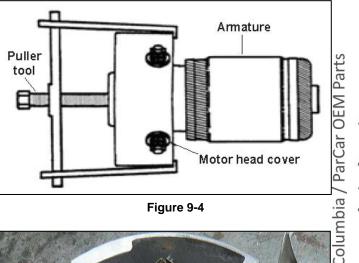
Min dia. for re-slotting 2.81" (71 mm)

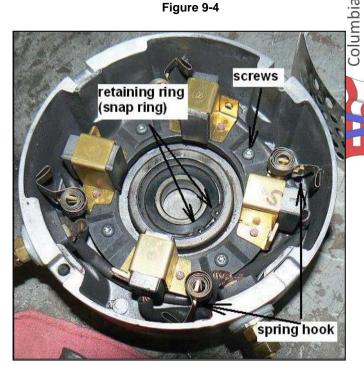
Replacement dia. 2.76" (70 mm)

- 2. Support the armature at both bearing journals. Check runout of commutator with a dial indicator. Total indicated runout should not exceed 0.005" (0.12 mm). If the readings fall outside this limit, commutator must be turned and undercut. Figure 9-10.
- 3. After the commutator has been undercut, if required, the armature should be placed in lathe and the commutator lightly sanded with no. 00 sandpaper. This will remove any burrs left from the undercutting operation.
- 4. Clean commutator with dry, compressed air. Recheck commutator runout.











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### **Armature Testing**

Before the armature is reassembled into the motor, the following test should be performed.

- 1. Check armature for grounded circuits by placing one test lead of a Dielectric Breakdown Tester, also referred to as a "growler", on the commutator and other lead at armature shaft. The ground test light should not f ash. A flash indicates failed insulation between core and armature wiring. See Figure 9-11.
- For short circuit connection, use a hacksaw blade to locate any shorted windings. Rotate armature slowly in growler jaws and hold a hacksaw blade in parallel against top of armature. The steel blade will be attached to the core and will vibrate when two shorted armature coils are located. See Figure 9-12.

#### Brushes

Brushes should be inspected for uneven wear and signs of overheating, such as discolored brush leads and brush springs. Check brush box for physical damage. Make sure brush holders are not loose on the brush box assembly. See Figure 9-9.

Check brush for correct clearance and freedom of movement in the holder.

New brush length: 1.20" (30.5 mm) Minimum brush length: 0.60" (15.2 mm)

Replacement brush length: less than 0.60" (15.2 mm) If any brushes are worn to the point that replacement is necessary, the complete brush set should be replaced. Never replace just one pair of brushes.

Do not substitute brushes. The brushes are matched to the motor type and application to provide the best service. Substituting brushes of the wrong grade can cause commutator damage or excessive brush wear.

### **Brush Springs**

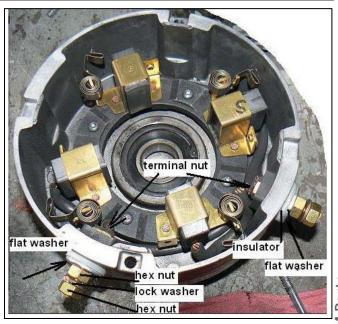
Check the brush springs for correct alignment on the brush. A brush spring that does not apply equal pressure on the center of the brush will cause the brush to wear unevenly.

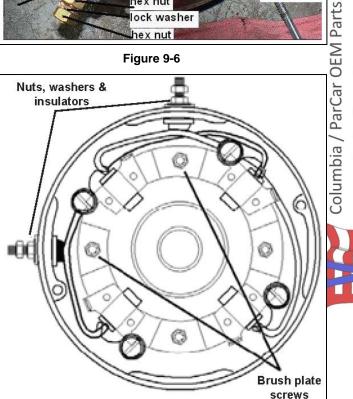
Use the following procedure for checking brushes for proper tension. See Figure 9-13.

- 1. Place paper strip between brush face and commutator.
- 2. Hook a commercial spring scale as shown.
- 3. Pull spring scale on a line directly opposite the spring force. When paper strip can be moved freely, read spring tension on scale.

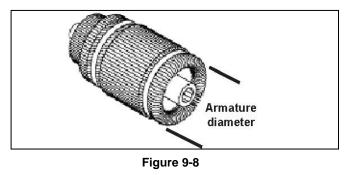
Brush spring tension

New 64 ounces (1792 grams) Worn 40 ounces (1120 grams)











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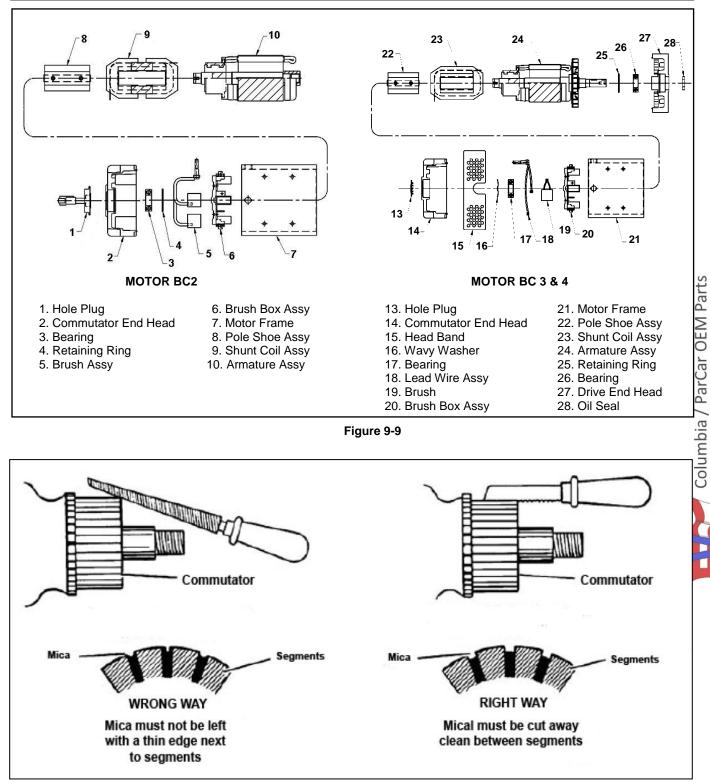


Figure 9-10

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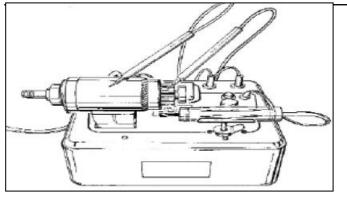


Figure 9-11

### Bearing

After the motor has been disassembled, it is recommended that a new bearing be installed. Bearing may appear and feel ok, however, bearing may have been damaged during removal.

### Frame and Field Coils

*NOTICE*: Do not remove the field coils (9 & 23, Figure 9-9), from the motor frame unless it is absolutely necessary for repair. Removal and re-installation could shorten field coil life.

There should be no continuity between the frame of the motor and field coil (Figure 9-9). Set the volt ohm meter (VOM) to measure Ohms. See Figure 9-14.

Field Coil Maintenance NOT recommended by Columbia.

### Inspection

Motors that have been disassembled for servicing should also include a complete inspection of the frame and field assembly. It is not uncommon for the frame and field assembly of a motor to become exceptionally dirty after many hours of operation. This may result in a grounding condition due to dirt, grease and other foreign materials.

### **Traction Motor Reassembly**

- 1. Always use a new bearing when reassembling a motor. Press bearing into motor head. Press only against the outer race. See Figure 9-15. Install snap ring to retain bearing. Figure 9-16.
- 2. Assemble brush assemblies into brush box assembly.
- Position brush holder into motor head as shown in Figure 9-16. Make sure that the terminals for the brushes are loose and free.
- 4. Install insulators and brush leads into motor head. See Figure 9-17. Brush motor terminals, A1 and A2, should be torqued to 140 in. lbs. (15.8 Nm).

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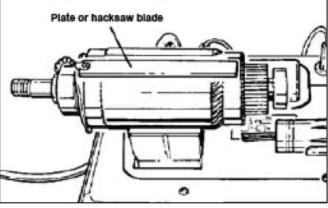


Figure 9-12

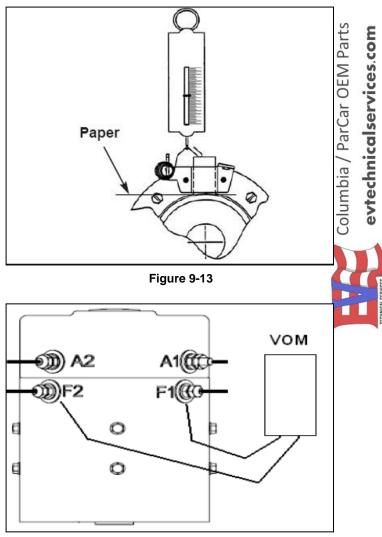


Figure 9-14



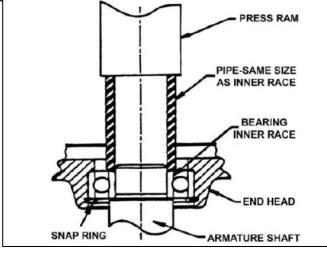


Figure 9-15

- 5. Pull back each brush in it's holder, allowing the spring to rest against the side of each brush. This will hold each brush in place, preventing interference and damage to commutator and brushes during armature installation.
- 6. Press motor head and bearing onto armature, pressing only against inner race of the bearing. See Figure 9-15.
- 7. Check that head and bearing rotates freely, without noise or irregular interference. Press brushes inward against armature commutator. Relocate the springs to push on the brushes. Check that brushes ride smoothly on the commutator.
- 8. Install motor head and armature assembly into field coil and frame assembly, aligning armature terminals to field coil terminals.
- 9. Install two bolts securing motor head to frame. Make certain motor head is completely seated to the frame before tightening. Torque bolts to 156 in. Ib. (17.6 Nm).

### **Traction Motor Installation**

- Coat open end of the armature and rear axle input shaft with Anti-Seize compound. Insert a new rubber bumper into open end of armature. Place motor into vehicle and onto input shaft.
- Rotate motor to align mounting bolt holes to axle/differential housing. Install 3 bolts securing motor to rear axle/differential housing, while carefully supporting motor to prevent it from falling. Loosely tighten screws A and B, then loosely tighten screw C to draw face of motor up to flange on axle evenly (Figure 9-18). Torque screws A and B to 100 in. lbs. (11.3 Nm) Then tighten screw C to 100 in. lbs. (11.3 Nm).
- Inspect electrical system cables for terminal identification (A-1, A-2, etc.). Position cables to traction motor, double checking wiring diagram to motor cable installation to ensure connections are correct.

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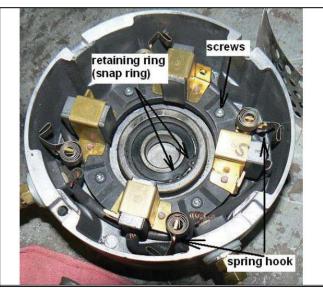


Figure 9-16

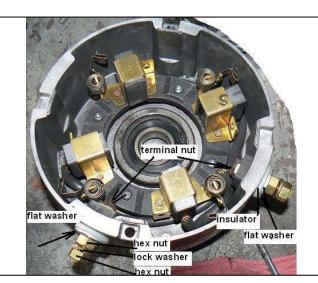


Figure 9-17

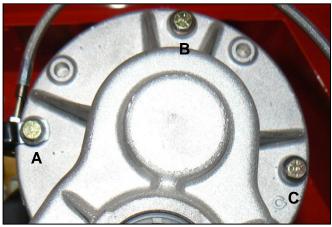


Figure 9-18



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- 4. F1 and F2 terminals are 1/4-20 while A1 and A2 terminals are 5/16-18. Attach cables with flat washers, lock washers and hex nuts. Torque A1 & A2 cable attaching nuts to 110 in. lbs. (12.4 N m), while holding the bottom nut, with a thin open-end wrench. Torque F1 & F2 cable attaching nuts to 50 in. lbs. (5.7 Nm), while holding the bottom nut, with a thin open end wrench.
- 5. Place vehicle on the ground or onto dynamometer to test motor operation.



Do not run motor at full voltage without a load.

### DC CONTROLLER

### **DC Traction Motor System**

The ACE*plus* System is an advanced traction drive system that uses a fully integrated, solid state Sevcon Controller for speed regulation and forward/reverse control. Combined with a separately excited DC motor, the system provides optimized power efficiency through pedal proportional speed control and regenerative braking. This control system is ideal for hilly terrain or areas with multiple ramps. It is also used for towed loads and high braking demands. The ACE*plus* system is distinguished by a 6 post controller. See Figure 9-19.

### **Controller Testing**

Do not remove the controller. It can be tested while still in the vehicle. It is accessed from under the vehicle.

- 1. Look for the steady green light on the controller. If it is on, the system is OK and ready (Figure 9-19A).
- 2. If it is flashing, count the number the flashes in each sequence. Refer to Section 4 Troubleshooting for controller flash troubleshooting info, and for info on testing controller with Sevcontrol Calibrator or PC Pak computer interface.
- 3. If the tests indicate that the controller has failed, replace it.

### **Removing the Controller**

- 1. Disconnect battery negative cable. Remove Power key.
- 2. Label/mark controller cables with controller terminal identification, if not already labeled.

*NOTICE*: The controller terminal bolts and washers are Metric. Metric wrenches are required to remove the controller cable fasteners. The fasteners that attach the controller to the vehicle frame are SAE U.S.

- 3. Remove six metric bolts, lock washers, flat washers and all the cables and wires connected to the controller.
- 4. Remove 16 pin controller connector (Figure 9-19B).

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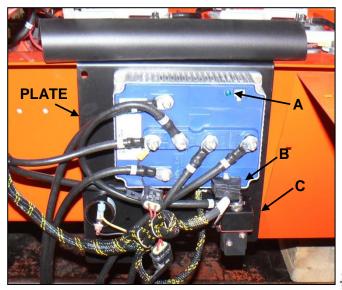


Figure 9-19

See Columbia Service Bulletin 010-06 if the wiring harness or connector are damaged.

5. Remove four nuts, washers and bolts securing controller to mounting plate.

*NOTICE*: Do not attempt to disassemble the controller. There are no repairable parts inside.

### Installing the Controller

- 1. Position controller mounting plate and secure with four bolts, washers and nuts.
- 2. Install cables to controller terminals according to cable identification labels. Make sure there is a flat washer under the terminal ends of the cables. This will spread the load and help prevent the terminal ends from folding over
- 3. Torque controller cable attaching bolts to 50 60 in. lbs. (5.7 6.8 Nm).
- 4. Reconnect battery negative cable. Insert Power key in switch and check for steady green light on controller.
- 5. Perform an operational check of the vehicle's driving abilities

### DC CONTACTOR

This contactor is an electro-magnetic switch that energizes when current is applied to the small control circuit terminals. When energized, the solenoid core moves up from magnetism created by the coil and internal contacts, creating a connection between two large terminals, allowing current to pass through.

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When control circuit voltage is removed from the small terminals, the magnetic field collapses and a spring returns the core to its rest position. A single contact solenoid in the normal position has an open circuit between the large terminals, preventing current from passing through it.

The contactor is located on the mounting plate below the controller (Figure 9-19C).

#### **Removing the Contactor**

- Label contactor cables with terminal identification. Refer 1 to schematic for correct wire numbers.
- Remove two nuts, washers and cables from stud 2. terminals.
- 3. Remove control circuit wires from spade terminals.
- 4. Remove two nuts, washers, bolts and contactor.

### Installing the Contactor

- 1. Position new contactor to mounting bracket.
- Secure contactor to mounting plate with two bolts, nuts 2. and washers.
- 3. Install heavy cables to stud terminals. Install control circuit wires to spade terminals. Double check wiring diagram to ensure connections are correct.
- 4. Operational Check: Contactor should emit an audible click when the power key switch is set to ON position.

### **AC POWER SYSTEM**

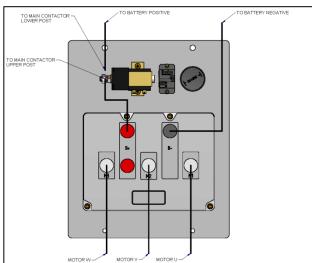
- Columbia ParCar vehicles utilize brushless motors with 1. an AC controller.
- 2. These vehicles will have a Multifunction ClearView Display located on the support panel in front of the steering wheel. This meter will display the battery state of charge as a percentage of full charge, the system status, the operating speed, odometer, and direction selected.
- See Section 4 for details on the panel. 3.
- Figure 9-20 show the AC controller and contactor 4. connections.

### **AC CONTROLLER**

### **AC Controller Testing**

Do not remove the controller. It can be tested while still in the Vehicle. It is accessed from under rear deck.

1. With the key on, if the ClearView panel shows an "OK" in the lower right, the system is "OK" and ready.



- Figure 9-20 Figure 9-20 If the "OK" has been replaced with an exclamation point (!) go to the fault log to determine the error. If the tests indicate that the controller has failed, replace it. moving the Controller Disconnect battery negative cable. Remove Power key. Label/mark controller cables with controller terminal identification, if not already labeled. 2.
- 3.

#### **Removing the Controller**

- 1.
- 2.

NOTICE: The controller terminal bolts and washers are Metric. Metric wrenches are required to remove the controller cable fasteners. The fasteners that attach the controller to the vehicle frame are SAE U.S.

- 3. Remove six metric bolts, lock washers, flat washers and all the cables and wires connected to the controller.
- Remove multipin controller connector. 4

#### Installing the Controller

- 1. Position controller mounting plate and secure with four bolts, washers and nuts.
- Install cables to controller terminals according to cable 2. identification labels. Make sure there is a flat washer under the terminal ends of the cables. This will spread the load and help prevent the terminal ends from folding over.
- Torque controller cable attaching bolts to 50 60 in. lbs. 3. (5.7 – 6.8 Nm).
- Reconnect battery negative cable. Insert Power key in 4. switch and check for an OK on the ClearView panel.
- Perform an operational check of the vehicle's driving 5. abilities

### AC CONTACTOR

This contactor is an electro-magnetic switch that energizes when current is applied to the small control circuit terminals. When energized, the solenoid core moves up from magnetism created by the coil and internal contacts, creating a connection between two large terminals, allowing current to pass through. When control circuit voltage is removed from the small terminals, the magnetic field collapses and a spring returns the core to its rest position. A single contact solenoid in the normal position has an open circuit between the large terminals, preventing current from passing through it.

The contactor is located next to the controller.

#### **Removing the Contactor**

- 1. Label contactor cables with terminal identification. Refer to schematic for correct wire numbers.
- 2. Remove two nuts, washers and cables from stud terminals.
- 3. Remove control circuit wires from spade terminals.
- 4. Remove two nuts, washers, bolts and contactor.

#### Installing the Contactor

- 1. Position new contactor to mounting bracket.
- 2. Secure contactor to mounting plate with two bolts, nuts and washers.
- 3. Install heavy cables to stud terminals. Install control circuit wires to spade terminals. Double check wiring diagram to ensure connections are correct.
- 4. Operational Check: Contactor should emit an audible click when the power key switch is set to ON position.

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