

Operator's Manual
Electric Jack
with Automatic Leveling
Touchpad #140-1226
Control Box #140-1224
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Your coach should be supported at both front and rear axles with jack stands before working underneath, failure to do so may result in personal injury or death.

To prevent movement, use wheel chocks.

Do not use the Power Gear Leveling system (or air suspension) to support the vehicle while changing tires or under the coach for any reason. The leveling system is designed as a "leveling" system only. Tire repairs should only be done by trained professionals. Attempts to change tires while supporting the vehicle with the leveling system could result in damage to your motor home and/or cause serious injury or even death.

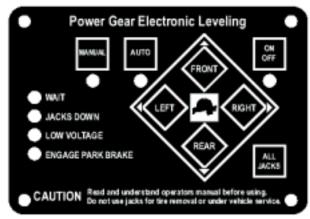
Keep people clear of coach while leveling system is in use.

Never lift the wheels off the ground to level the coach. Doing so may create an unstable condition.



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# Operator's Manual Automatic Electric Jack Leveling



# **Before You Operate The System**

The leveling system shall only be operated under the following conditions:

- 1. Engine is running.
- 2. The coach is parked on a reasonably level surface.
- 3. The coach "PARKING BRAKE" is engaged.
- The coach transmission should be in the NEUTRAL or PARK position.
- 5. 13 volts minimum required before system will turn on.
- 6. Do not extend the slideouts until coach is leveled.



- Park the coach on a reasonably solid surface or the jacks may sink into the ground.
- Check that potential jack contact locations are clear of obstructions or depressions before operation.
- Read and understand the entire operator's manual before using or servicing your leveling system.

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Park the coach on a reasonably solid surface or the jacks may sink into ground. On soft surfaces, use load distribution pads under each jack.

Check that potential jack contact locations are clear of obstructions or depressions before operation.



The system will automatically shut down after 5 minutes of inactivity.

Low voltage will prevent the control from operating.

# **Leveling System Operating Instructions**

#### **Buttons and Operation**

ON/OFF: Turns the Touch Pad ON/OFF.

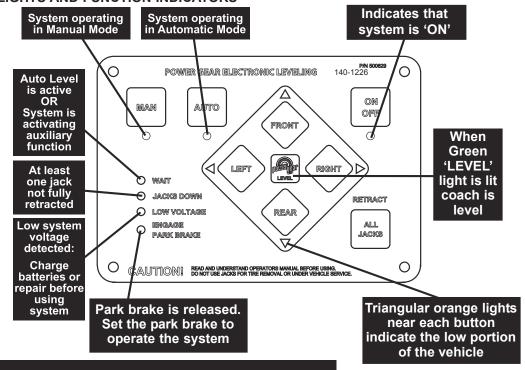
AUTO: Initiates an automatic leveling cycle.

MAN: Initiates a manual leveling cycle.

#### LIGHTS AND FUNCTION INDICATORS

**RETRACT ALL JACKS:** In any mode except Manual mode, pressing and releasing "Retract All Jacks" button retracts all the jacks completely. In Manual mode, the jacks will retract only while the "Retract All Jacks" button is held down.

**FRONT/REAR/LEFT/RIGHT:** Extends that pair of jacks while in manual mode.



# **Selecting A Site**

When the coach is parked on an excessive slope, the leveling requirements may exceed the jack lift stroke capability. When this occurs, the 4 orange jack lights and the green "Power Gear Level" light in the center will blink together. The coach must be moved to a more level surface before the leveling jacks are deployed. On the contrary, if the green "Power Gear level" light in the center is on and/ or blinking by itself, it means the coach is already level. You may, if you wish, operate the jacks anyway to act as a stabilizer.

# **Automatic Leveling**

- 1. Park the coach in a reasonably level area.
- Put the transmission in "Park" if in a gasoline coach or "Neutral" if in a diesel coach.
- 3. Set the parking brake.
- 4. With the Engine Running, turn the control on by pressing the touchpad ON/OFF button. There will be a 10 second wait period for the system to stabilize. Verify that all jacks are fully retracted, "Jacks Down" light is not illuminated. (Auto leveling cannot start if the jacks are not fully retracted)
- Press the AUTO button (Auto light turns on) NOTE: Movements in the vehicle while the system is auto leveling can cause false readings and improper operation. Passengers should remain seated
- Jacks will automatically extend to the ground after you press the AUTO button. After the jacks are on the ground, auto leveling begins.
- 7. The Front/Left/Right/Rear jacks will automatically extend as necessary until the control reaches the pre-programmed level position.

- 8. The Front/Left/Right/Rear lights show the side or end of the coach being leveled.
- The Auto light will turn off when the system has been leveled and the center green "Power Gear Level" light will turn on.

#### **Manual Air Dump Feature**

Some diesel models are equipped with a manual air bag dump switch. The air bags should be dumped before attempting to level the coach.

#### **Jack Retraction While In Auto Mode**

To properly retract the jacks, press the "All Jacks" retract button.

The jacks will retract to their fully retracted position. The "Jacks Down" light will turn off when all jacks are properly retracted.



#### PRODUCT DAMAGE

- Do not move vehicle until levelers are fully retracted ("Jacks Down" light not illuminated).
- Damage can occur to levelers, coach, surrounding property if the levelers are not fully retracted prior to vehicle being moved.

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# **Manual Leveling**

- 1. Park the coach in a reasonably level area.
- 2. Put the transmission in "Park" if in a gasoline coach or "Neutral" if in a diesel coach.
- 3. Set the parking brake.
- 4. With the **Engine Running**, turn the control on by pressing the touchpad ON/OFF button. There will be a 10 second wait period for the system to stabilize. Verify that all jacks are fully retracted.
- 5. Press the MAN button (Manual light turns on).
- 6. If the jacks are fully retracted, the jacks will begin automatically extending. Jacks will stop when the ground is hit. The "Wait" light will blink while the jacks are automatically extending.
- 7. After the jacks are on the ground, manual features are available.
- 8. The Front/Left/Right/Rear lights show the side or end of the coach that needs to be extended to reach level. Push and hold the button next to the triangular orange light that is on.
- 9. Press the manual button when finished with manual mode. Manual light turns back off.

#### **Full Extension Protection**

If, when operating the control in MANUAL mode, a condition occurs where any one jack of the extending pair reaches full extension, the control will automatically stop the extension of that pair of jacks. Any attempt to further extend that pair will be prevented by the control. The remaining jacks are still operational until they reach full extension.

#### **Manual Air Dump Feature**

Some diesel models are equipped with a manual air bag dump switch. The air bags should be dumped before attempting to level the coach.

#### **Jack Retraction While In Manual Mode**

The "Retract All Jacks" button will manually retract the jacks, but only while the button is held down. Continue to press the ALL JACKS retract button until the "Jacks Down" light turns off, indicating that all jacks have retracted

## **Manual Override**

WARNING

Before overriding an electric jack, keep all body parts clear of any

pinch points, such as between the wheel well opening and the top of the tire or the bottom of the luggage compartment and the ground. Anytime you are under the coach proper caution must be taken to keep clear of these pinch points. Failure to be aware of this could result in serious injury or death.

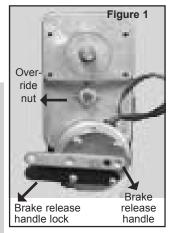
In case of loss of power or communication to the jacks, an Emergency Manual Retract Procedure can be used to retract the jacks. To perform this procedure, READ ALL STEPS BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO MANUALLY RETRACT THE JACKS.

- 1. Turn off the ignition of the vehicle, engage parking brake, put transmission in "Park" for gas chassis applications and in "Neutral" for diesel chassis applications. Reinflate the airbags, if so equipped.
- 2. Verify that all personnel and tools are clear of the coach. Make sure that all personnel are out of the coach. Retract any slideout room that may be extended.
- 3. In the event that only communication has been lost with the jack, attempt to manually retract the jack by first applying 12 volts directly to the motor connections.
- 4. Disconnect the jack motor power plug at the motor. Connect extension power leads to the motor power plug so that the operator can stay out from underneath the coach during manual retract.
- 5. Apply 12 volts to the extension leads to retract the jack. 12 volt power can be supplied by either the coach or chassis 12 volt batteries. If a battery charger is available, this can be used to supply 12 volts to the leads. Ensure that the jack is retracting after applying power. If the jack is extending, reverse the power extension leads to retract the jack.

- 6. Retract each jack partially until all jacks have cleared the ground, then retract each jack completely.
- 7. If the motor does not function after applying 12 volts, the jack can be retracted manually using a rachet, 16mm socket and extension (an electric drill may be used, if available).
- 8. Remove the rubber boot from the jack motor.
- 9. Depress the release handle lock and rotate the brake release handle counter-clockwise approximately 10 degrees. See fig.1.
- 10. Rotate the override nut located on the underside of the jack clockwise (looking from bottom or underneath). See figure 1.
- 11. Repeat for any other jack not retracted. Retract each jack partially until all jacks have cleared the ground, then retract each jack completely.
- 12. Make sure that all jacks are in the fully stowed position (jack foot pad all the way up to the bottom of the outside tube of the jack).



Releasing the brake will result in the jack retracting while under load. The coach may immediately begin to lower. Make certain that you are clear of any pinch points before rotating the brake release handle. Failure to be aware of this condition could result in serious bodily injury or death.



Error Codes An "Error Code" is indicated by certain lights on the touch pad blinking in a given pattern. Note the pattern indicated below and then find the corresponding mode, which explains the type of error encountered.

BLINKING LIGHT(S) PATTERN	MODE (ERROR)	BLINKING LIGHT(S) PATTERN	MODE (ERROR)
Front, right, rear and left blink in a clockwise pattern	Diagnostic Check (internal - occurs each time system is turned on and will shut off after a few seconds)	Wait	Wait until light turns off
		Low Voltage	Low Input Voltage (check battery)
"Power Gear" logo (green)	Level Achieved	All Lights Blinking & Buzzer	Jacks Down while traveling (jacks not fully retracted, drive-away mode will
Park Brake Wait & On/Off			automatically retract all jacks)
		All Lights Blinking	Zeroing Mode
		Front, right, rear, left & Power Gear logo	Excessive Slope

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# **Error Mode - Troubleshooting**

If any problem is detected with the leveling system electronics or motors, the system will enter error mode.

If the AUTO and MAN lights are blinking together, the system is in Error Mode.

- Press the ON/OFF button to disable the buzzer. Make sure the light underneath the ON/OFF button is ON.
- To reset the system, press and hold the ON/OFF button for 3 seconds.
- The Front/Left/Right/Rear lights will tell you which jack is seeing an error. For example, if the Front and Left lights are blinking, the

Left Front jack has the error. If the Right and Rear lights are blinking, the Right Rear jack has the error, etc.

When the error is first detected, the buzzer will sound alerting the user of the problem.

There are several things that can cause the control to go into Error Mode:

- · Jack motor drawing too much current short circuit.
- · Jack motor drawing too little current-open circuit.
- · Jack extending too long-sensor circuit.
- · Jack retracting too long-sensor circuit.

If the buzzer continues to sound, the control is in "Emergency

Retract Mode". Verify that the coach is in park (neutral for a diesel engine) and the parking brake is engaged. The light and buzzer

## **Preventive Maintenance**

- 1. Inspect and clean all electrical connections every 12 months
- 2. Remove dirt and road debris from jacks as needed.
- 3. Battery condition is important to the leveling system. Keep batteries fully charged when possible.

should stop once the jacks are fully retracted.

ALL NORMAL FEATURES ARE DISABLED IN ERROR MODE. The intent of this mode is to allow the user or service technician to individually drive the jacks, in order to isolate the error. Please note that all additional error detection is disabled in this mode.

To assist in identifying and correcting jack problems you can operate the jacks independently while in error mode.

- To operate the left front jack, hold down the Left + Front buttons
- + "AUTO" to extend, OR "MAN" to retract the jack.
- To operate the right front jack, hold down the Right + Front buttons + "AUTO" to extend, OR "MAN" to retract the jack.
- To operate the left rear jack, hold down the Left + Rear buttons + "AUTO" to extend, OR "MAN" to retract the jack.
- To operate the right rear jack, hold down the Right + Rear buttons + "AUTO" to extend, OR "MAN" to retract the jack.

Once the cause of the error has been eliminated, you can exit error mode by pressing and holding the ON/OFF button for 3 seconds, then to retract the jacks by pressing the ALL JACKS RETRACT button. If all the jacks retract and all lights stop blinking then the system has been successfully reset.

- If the error has been eliminated, the jacks will fully retract and the Touch Pad will return back to normal.
- If the error has not been eliminated, the system will return back to error mode.

# **Drive Away Protection**

If the ignition is in the "Run" position, the jacks are down, and the operator takes the transmission out of neutral or park, or releases the parking brake, all of the LEDs will flash and the alarm beeper will activate. The system will then automatically retract the jacks until they are fully retracted. During this time the touch pad cannot be turned off.

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- Failure due to misapplication of product.



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- · Living or travel expenses.
- · Overtime labor.
- Failures created by improper installation of leveling systems, including final adjustments made at the plant, or low fluid level, wiring or ground problems.
- · Replacement of normal maintenance items.

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