## POWDER RIVER

## 002-51000 M2000 Manual Chute

Owner's Manual



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## Safety Symbols



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



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



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



**NOTICE** is used to address practices not related to physical injury.

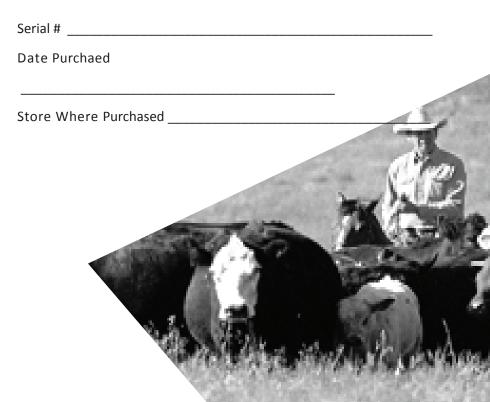


Safety instruction (or equivalent) signs indicate specific safety related instructions or procedures.

## **POWDER RIVER**

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## SAFETY STATEMENT



WARNING Handling livestock can be unpredictable and or dangerous. Using equipment properly may limit the risk of injury; however, be aware of the limitations of equipment. Cattle equipment may provide a safer, more efficient working environment, however, even the best equipment is no replacement for smart and safe livestock handling.

NOTICE

The M2000 Manual Chute is NOT designed for feedlots or other high volume lots.

## **Initial Setup**

The M2000 squeeze chute is packaged for shipping, a few tasks will need to be performed to ready the chute for handling cattle.

#### Setup Overview

- Remove banding, ties and the forklift pockets from the drop fingers. 1.
- Attach the headgate handle. 2.
- Attach the center squeeze handle. 3.
- Use a ¾" wrench to loosen the side exit, safety tab. Loosen tab until it 4. can be maneuvered freely.
- Loosen kickpan bolts. 5.
- Adjust chute floor to desired width. 6.



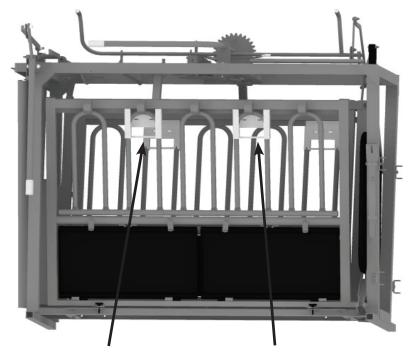
Side-exit, safety tab should be in latched position when not exitng animals through the side exit. Stand clear when the using side exit.

CAUTION

- **NOTICE** Side exit safety tab will need to be in open position to release animals from side exit.
- Additional products may have been banded to the chute for NOTICE shipping; all banding and products should be removed prior to use.
- All bolts are tightened for shipping, some bolts will need to NOTICE be loosened to properly operate the chute.

## **Forklift Pockets**

Forklift pockets are attached to the chute to facilitate shipping. You can use the pockets to move the chute around your ranch, but you will need to remove the forklift pockets before using vour chute.



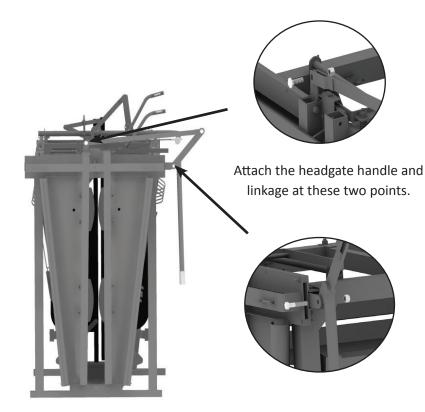
Remove the (4) forklift pockets before operating the chute.



The Fork-Lift Pockets facilitate moving the chutes with a forklift; they should NOT be in place when working animals.

#### Headgate Setup

The headgate handle and linkage will need to be removed from their shipping location on the chute floor. Cut away the banding and packing materals and then bolt them into position.





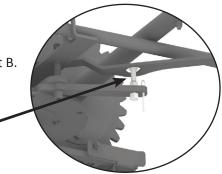
The headgate linkage comes pre-assembled but is packaged in the chute floor for shipping.

**NOTICE** Do not over tighten bolts for the handle or linkage as not to slow movement of headgate.

## Squeeze Setup

#### NOTICE

The spring dangling from point A needs to be attached to the hole at B. (Springs not shown in diagram)



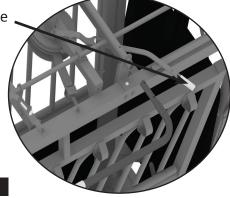
#### NOTICE

The nut at will need to be removed and the bolt placed into the large hole in the linkage. Replace the nut and tighten when the bolt is in place inside the hole.

#### NOTICE

The center squeeze handle is packaged for shipping inside the chute with the headgate handle.

Center Squeeze Actuator Handle





#### NOTICE

To assemble the center squeeze handle slip the handle into its receiving tube (center top of the chute) and bolt in place.

## Instructions for Use

#### **Pre-Operation Checklist**

- Begin with the tailgate closed.
- Adjust the width of the chute floor to the size of the animal (see Floor Adjustment), use a narrower setting for smaller animals and a wider setting for larger animals.
- Open the center squeeze to its widest position.
- Adjust headgate to deisred width.



Make sure chute is on level ground.

**NOTICE** Minimize or eliminate all gaps between the lead-up alley and the chute.

#### Operation

- 1. Open the tailgate to allow animal to enter chute.
- 2. Catch the head of the animal in the headgate.
- 3. Close tailgate.
- 4. Apply the center squeeze.
- 5. To release, open center sqeeze then headgate. Alternately utilize the side exit.

## Floor Adjustment

1. Remove retention pin, when you have achieved the desired width, replace the retention pin.

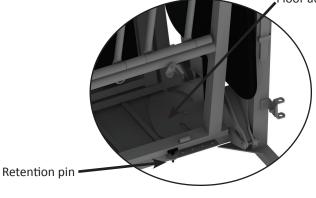


2. Rotate floor adjustment plate utilizing the floor adjustment lever. The adjustment lever is fastened to the side of the chute with a nylon thumb screw.



- **NOTICE** When transporting the chute, replace the adjustment lever on the side of the chute with the nylon thumb screw.
- **NOTICE** The chute floor is easier to adjust when the sides are in the vertical position.
- **NOTICE** Over time the plate may become difficult to move by hand; it may become necessary to use the floor adjustment lever.
- **NOTICE** The front or back width of the floor can be set independent of each other.

Floor adjustment plate



#### **Manual Controls**

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#### NOTICE

To release the center squeeze pull the center squeeze release handle.

#### NOTICE

To actuate the center squeeze push down the center squeeze handle.

#### NOTICE

Maintain side exit safety tab in closed position (shown); when the animal is exiting through the side exit place the latch in the open position.



# NOTICE

The drop fingers on the chute are utilized by pushing up the slam latch and dropping the tube.

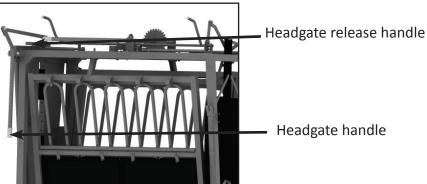
#### NOTICE

Lower the kick pans by moving both tabs to a horzontal position and pulling out on the pan.

#### NOTICE

Kick pans can be completely removed if desired by sliding the pan to the side (keep hinges lubricated).





Headgate handle

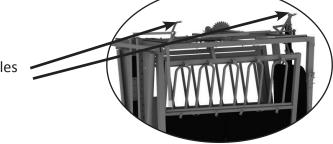


Pull the headgate handle downward to close the headgate; to release the headgate handle, pull the headgate release handle while pulling up on the headgate handle.



When operating the chute with livestock, the headgate handle may rotate up unexepectedly if the headgate handle release is being pulled.

**Tailgate handles** 





Tailgate handles are located on the side of the chute and are actuated by pulling down.

#### NOTICE

The tailgate height can be adjusted.

## Replacement Parts

## **Recommended Products**

Part Number	Description	Image
001-00170	Urethane Yoke	
002-40135	Adjustment Handle	
319-10080	Floor Adjustment Retainer Pin	

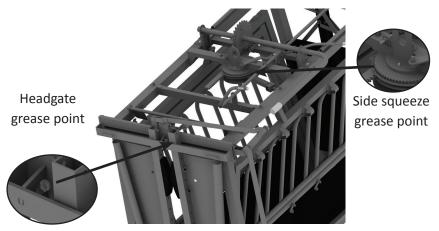
**NOTICE** For information on additional replacement parts please call 800-453-5318.

Part Number	Description	Image
002-20000	Neck Extender	
004-00040	Sheeted Pregnancy Test Gate	
002-59100 <b>NOTICE</b> 002	H2000 Compatible Chute Trailer -59110 Trailer Stirrup Set must	be ordered with trailer
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## Maintenance Schedule

Before Every Working Session		
Lubrication	The M2000 Manual Chute requires lubrication for a long service life; there are two lubrication points (see image).	
Inspection	Inspect chute for broken, worn or damaged parts. Ensure that the headgate, tailgate, squeeze, and side exit operate smoothly. Check bolts and springs to make sure the chute is in good working order.	
Before AND After Every Working Session		
Clean	Clean the chute floor, headgate and tailgate from dirt, manure or any other debris to keep chute in good work- ing order.	
As Needed		
Inspection	Check for damage that may have been caused by transit, livestock, and/or weather. Inspect the chute for any damage that may cause harm to operator or animal.	

#### **Grease Fitting Lubrication Points**



#### If you need assistance or have any questions regarding your Powder River equipment please contact us at:

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