



# GRAIN CART HITCH RETROFIT FROM 2-7/8" TO 3-3/4" SCALE BAR 3 2 Series Grain Carts

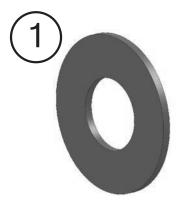


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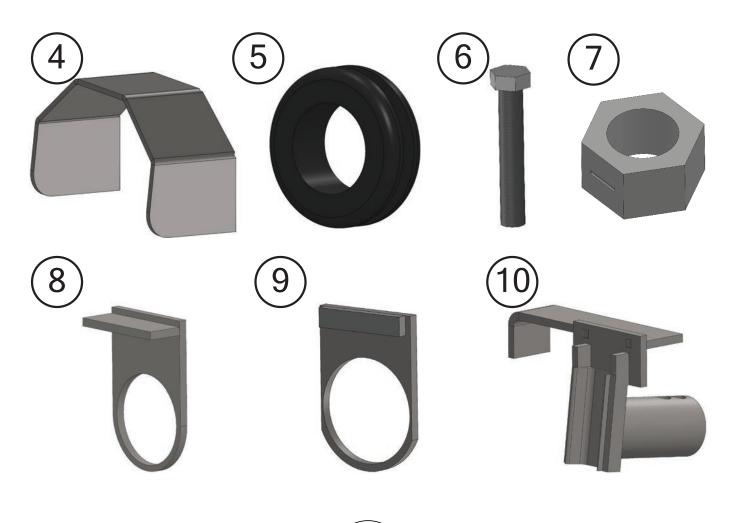
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# **Required Parts**

	Description	Part No.	Qty
1	Frame Washer	JM0030408	1
2	Spool – for 3-3/4" Neck Down to 2-7/8" Scale Bar	JM0073393	1
3	Fill Ring	JM0074120	2
4	Hitch Guard	JM0062833	1
5	1" ID x 3/16" GW x 1-3/8" GD Rubber Grommet	JM0016784	1
6	1"-8 x 6" Gr8 YZ Hex Bolt	JM0074245	2
7	1"-8 Gr 2 Z Centerlock Hex Nut	JM0002149	2
8	Front Torch Template	JM0074188	1
9	Rear Torch Template	JM0074119	1
10	Spool Weld Jig	JM0074122	1









#### Step 1 – Disconnect and Remove Scale Bar

- 1. Locate the scale wire junction box (circled in yellow in *Figure 1*) located behind the auger rest throw arm.
- 2. Remove its cover and locate the hitch scale bar wire (middle of the 3 wires closest to the cover).
  - Take note of the hitch scale bar wire installation locations as you will need to install the new scale bar wires in the same locations.
- 3. Remove the hitch scale bar wire from the junction box.
- 4. Unbolt and remove the hitch.
- 5. Unbolt the hitch scale bar (the bolt is circled in yellow in *Figure 5*).
- 6. Remove the scale bar out the front & pull its wire out of the frame.
  - If you do not have a snake long enough to reach from the junction box to the hitch, be sure to connect a pull wire to the scale bar wire prior to removing the scale bar wire (pull wire to be used for routing the new scale bar wire).



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

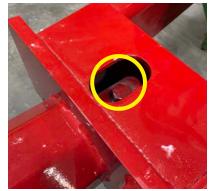


Figure 5



#### Step 2 – Create New Scale Bar Wire Routing Hole

- 1. Ensure the PTO shaft and hydraulic hoses are positioned out of the way to prevent heat damage from the torch and welding processes.
- 2. Identify the tube that had the hitch scale bar wire in it.
  - Located on the right side when standing at the hitch and looking back at the cart.
- 3. Cut approximately a 2" circle on the lower portion of the tube 2-3 inches behind the scale bar spool (shown in *Figure 6*).
  - Washer to be welded onto cover this hole is a 3" OD x 1-3/8" ID, so a perfect circle isn't needed.
- 4. Pull through the pull wire, if used (rather than a snake).
- 5. Cover the hole with the frame washer (JM0030408) and weld it in place (shown in *Figure 7*).



Figure 6



Figure 7



#### Step 3 – Remove Current Hitch Guard and Wire Guard

- 1. Remove the hitch and wire guards by cutting the welds (*Figures 8 and 9*).
- 2. Grind the remainder of the welds flush with the front plate (*Figure 10*).

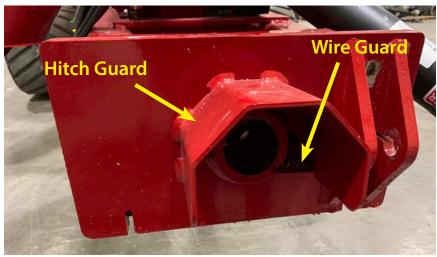


Figure 8



Figure 9



Figure 10



#### Step 4 – Remove Current Spool

- 1. Cut out the front of the spool using the front torch template (JM0074188).
  - Clamp (as shown in *Figure 11*) with template flush with the face and top of the front plate of the grain cart and visually centered on the spool.
- 2. Cut out the back of the spool using the rear torch template (JM0074119).
  - Clamp (as shown in *Figure 13*) after visually centering the template hole with the current spool's outer welds.
- 3. Remove the spool out the front. Using a sledge hammer is recommended.



Figure 11

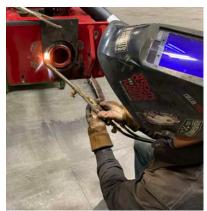


Figure 12



Figure 13



Figure 14



Figure 15



## Step 5 – Cut Inner Tube

1. The tube on the right side has a semi-circular cut-out on the inside (circled in yellow in *Figure 16*) that was previously used for routing the scale bar wire. Copy this cut-out on the left side (location shown with yellow arrow in *Figure 17*) in order for the new spool to fit in.



Figure 16



Figure 17



#### Step 6 – Tack New Spool In Place

- 1. Insert the new spool (JM0073393) onto the weld jig (JM0074122) and insert both into the torched hole (as shown in *Figure 18*).
- 2. Clamp (as shown in *Figure 19*) with the welding jig flush with the top, side, and front of the grain cart front plate.
- 3. Insert the 1" bolt used in your original spool through both the new spool & the weld jig to properly align the new spool (as shown in *Figure 20*).
- 4. Tack weld the new spool to both the front and rear plates
  - Only tack weld on the inside between the front & rear plates (need outside of front and rear plates to be flat for next step).



Figure 18



Figure 19



Figure 20



Figure 21



#### Step 7 – Weld New Spool

- 1. Insert the fill ring (JM0074120) onto the spool front (*as shown in Figures 22-24*) and weld it in place using a recommended weld bead size of 3/8" 1/2".
- 2. Insert the fill ring (JM0074120) onto the spool rear (*as shown in Figure 25*) and weld it in place using a recommended weld bead size of 3/8" 1/2".
- 3. Where possible, weld the inside (between the front & rear plates) where the tack welds were placed in Step 5 on page 7 (as shown in *Figure 26*).



Figure 22



Figure 23





Figure 25



Figure 26



## Step 8 – Weld New Hitch Guard

- 1. Visually center the new hitch guard (JM0062833) on the front plate over the welded spool.
- 2. Tack weld the guard in place.
- 3. Stitch weld the outside of the guard.



Figure 27



Figure 28



# Step 9 – Paint New Parts

1. Touch up the hitch area with matching paint.



Figure 29



Figure 30



#### Step 10 – Install New Scale Bar

- 1. Install the rubber grommet (JM0016784) onto the washer that was installed in Step 2 on page 4 (as shown in *Figure 31*).
- 2. Insert the new scale bar into the spool from the back (as shown in *Figure 32*).
  - Ensure the bending direction arrow on the front of the scale bar is pointing up.
- 3. Align the scale bar hole with the new spool hole (as shown in *Figure 33*) and bolt the new scale bar in place using the new 1"-8 x 6" bolt (JM0074245) and 1"-8 centerlock hex nut (JM0002149).
- 4. Route the scale bar wire through the rubber grommet, into the frame, up the frame leg, and out the frame by the junction box from Step 1 on page 3 (as shown in *Figure 34*).

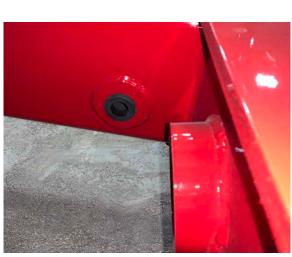


Figure 31



Figure 32



Figure 33



Figure 34



#### Step 11 – Install Scale Bar Wires

- 1. Install the scale bar wire ends the same way the previous scale bar wire ends were installed (circled in yellow in Figure 35).
  - Previous scale calibration should be acccurate within 1%. It is recommend to verify accuracy with the first 3-5 loads. If scales are not accurate, re-calibrate the scales system.

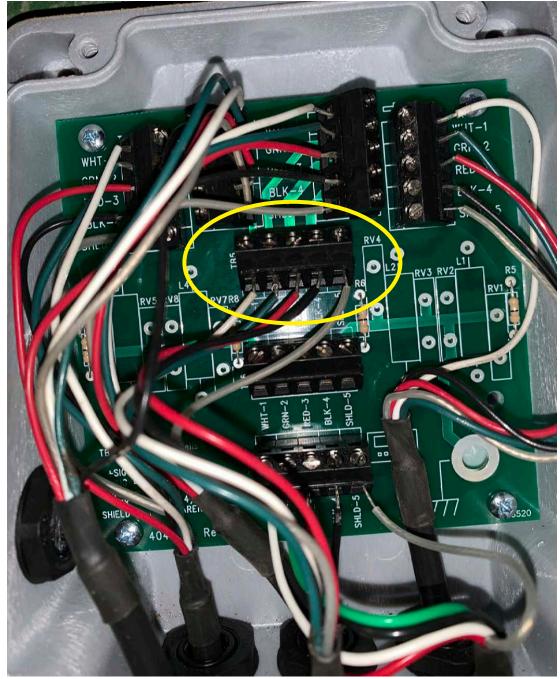


Figure 35



# Step 12 – Install Hitch

1. Install the original hitch onto the new scale bar using the 1"-8 x 6" bolt (JM0074245) and 1"-8 centerlock hex nut (JM0002149).

Note: Hitches made prior to 2021 will need the below modification made or a new hitch purchased in order to fit on the Digistar 3-3/4" Neck Down to 2-7/8" scale bar (JM0062691).



