

***16500 5th Wheel Roller
Installation Instructions
And
Users Guide***

16500 R5 5th Wheel Roller

Unpacking

1. Unpacking

The R5 5th Wheel Roller ships in two boxes as indicated below. Inspect all parts for damage and verify that all items listed are present.

Box 1 Contains:

- (1) CM-16500-RA R5 Roller Assembly DS (Qty 1)
- (2) CM-16500-RA R5 Roller Assembly PS (Qty 1)
- (3) CM-16500-020 Lock Rod Weldment DS (Qty 1)
- (4) CM-16500-019 Lock Rod Weldment PS (Qty 1)
- (5) CM-16500-011 Outer Tube (Qty 1)
- (6) CM-16500-012 Compression Spring (Qty 1)
- (7) CM-16500-014 Handle (Qty 1)
- (8) CM-16500-015 Handle Grip (Qty 1)
- (9) CM-16500-021 Cross Member Weldment (Qty 1)
- (10) CM-16500-BK Bolt Kit (Qty 1)

Box 2 Contains:

- (11) 16200 Mounting Rail Kit (Ordered Separately) (Qty 1)

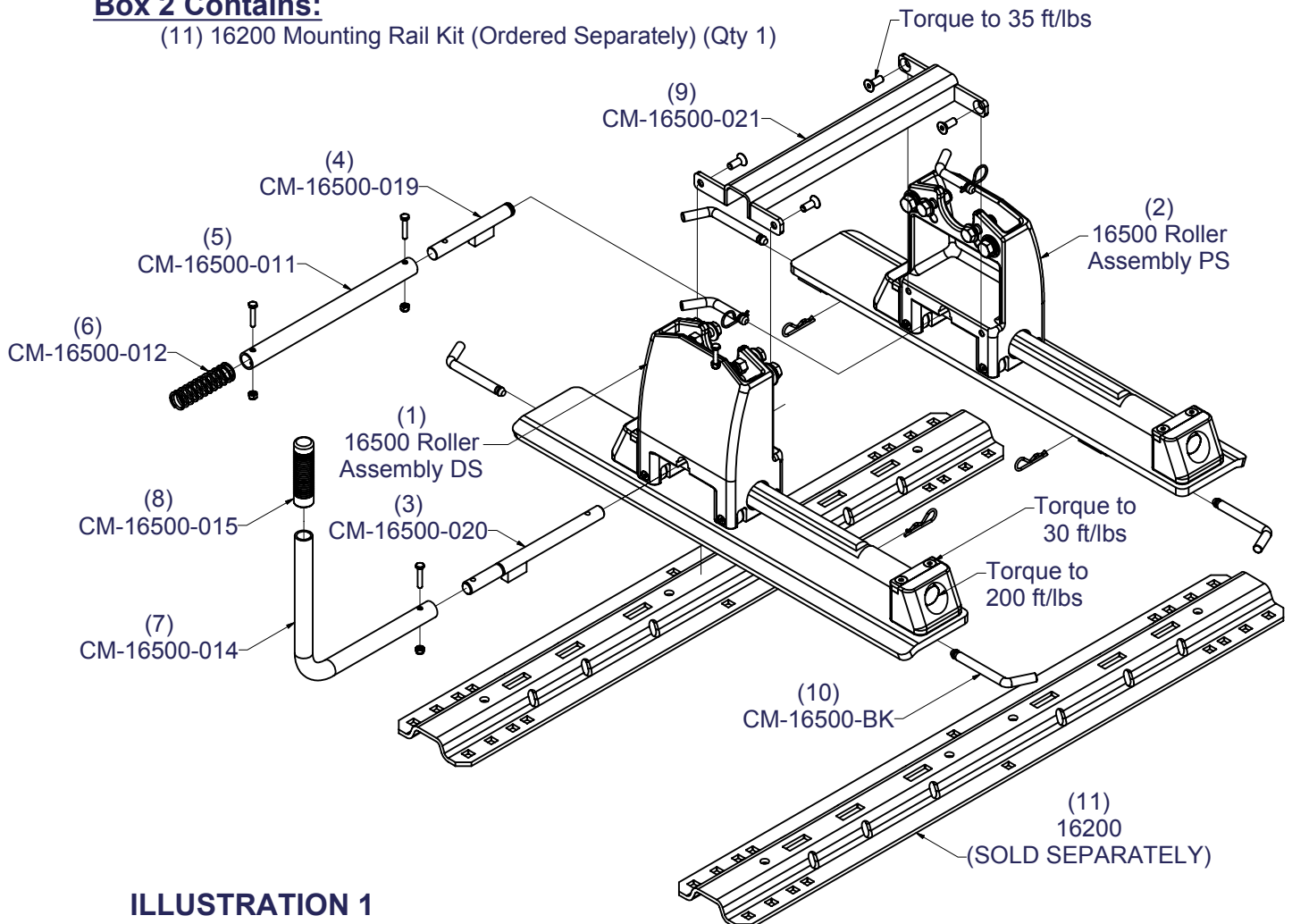
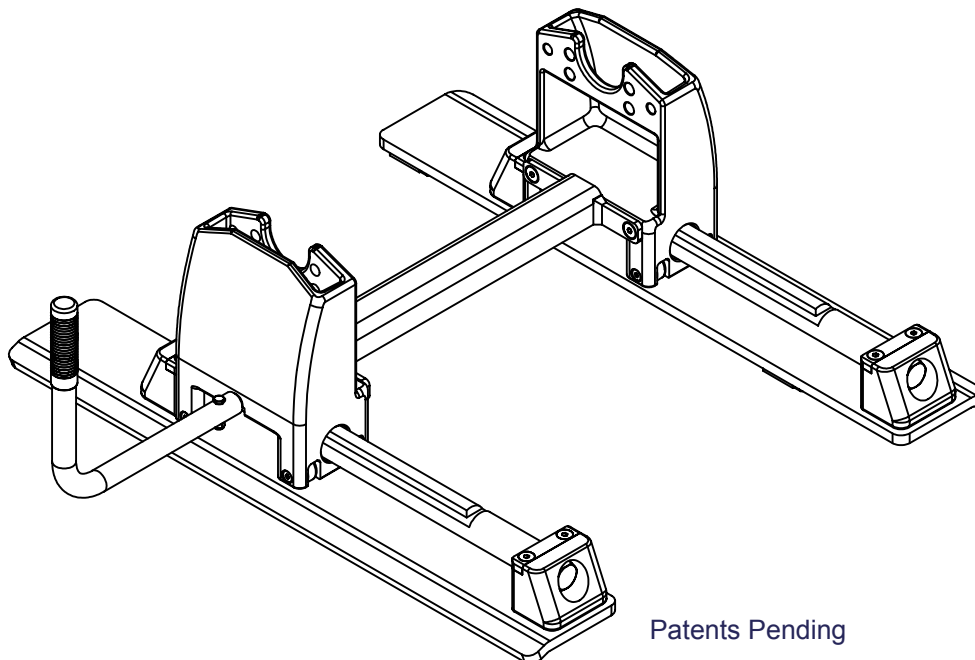


ILLUSTRATION 1

16500 R5 5th Wheel Roller Installation Instructions

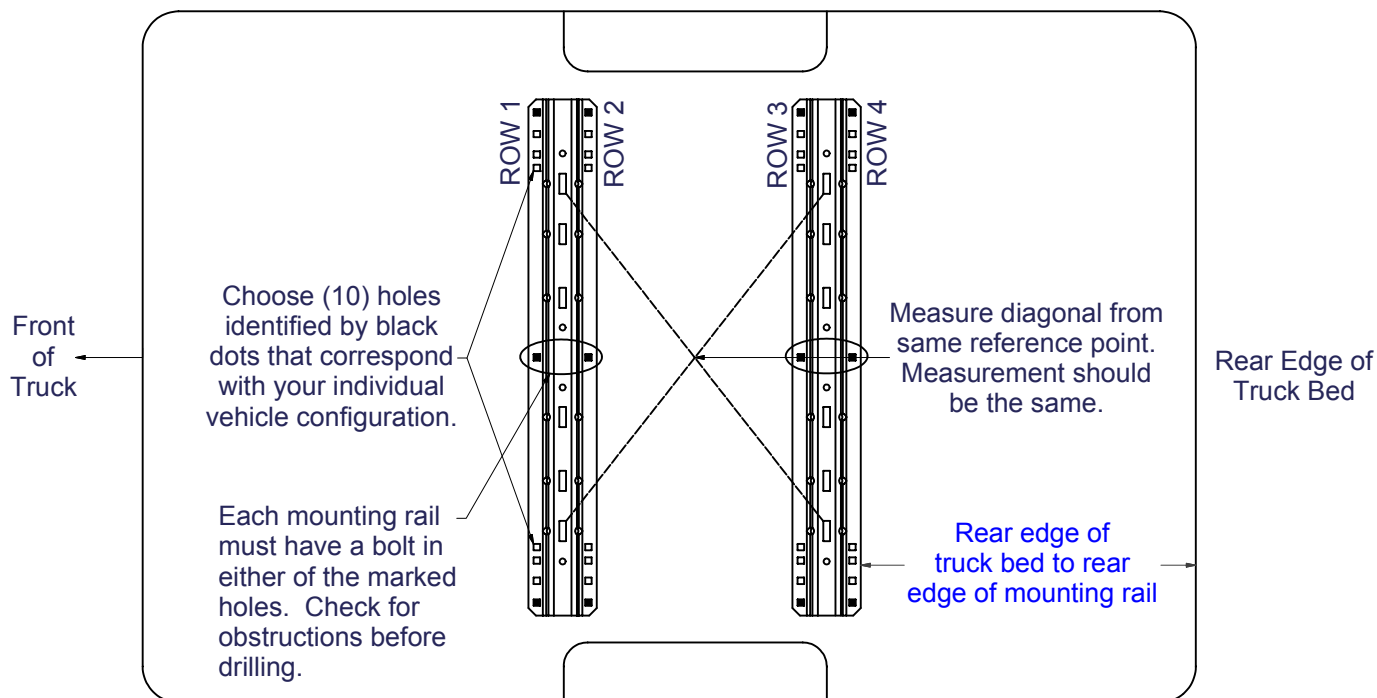


The **R5** roller is to be used with 5th wheel trailers which weigh up to 20,000 lbs. Never use on trailers exceeding 20,000 lbs.

Caution: The **R5** roller will reposition your 5th wheel hitch 12" rearward. HOWEVER this will **NOT** guarantee complete truck cab/trailer clearance when towing.

1. Before beginning assembly of the **R5** roller, check the base rails in your truck to be sure they are properly installed and are parallel with each other. The diagonal dimensions should be the same. See Illustration 2. With the base rails correctly positioned the assembled **R5** will drop into the slots on the top surface of the base rails.

ILLUSTRATION 2



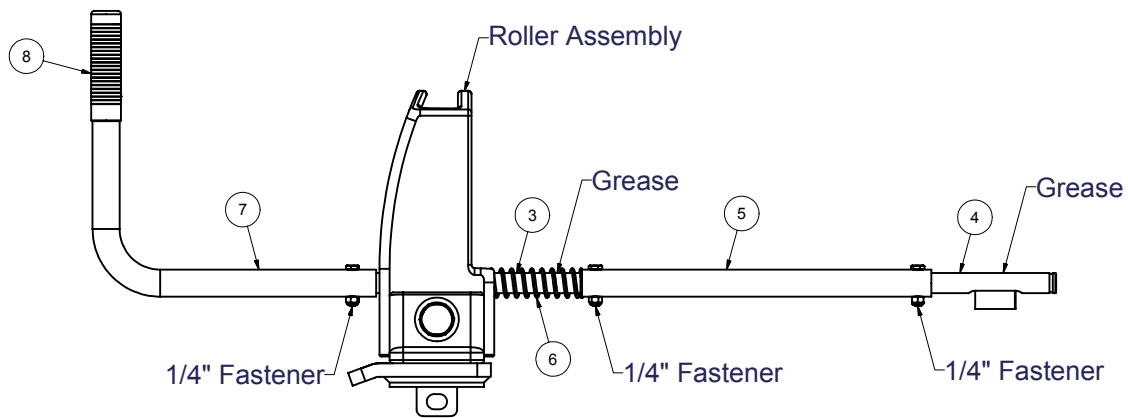


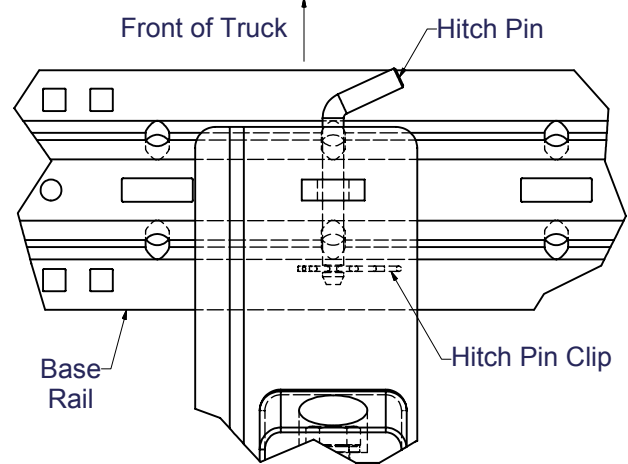
ILLUSTRATION 3

2. Grease the ends of the Lock Rod Weldments (3) and (4) as shown in illustration 3.
3. Slide Lock Rod Weldment (3) into the DS Roller Assembly and slide Lock Rod Weldment (4) into the PS Roller Assembly.
4. Slide the Outer Tube (5) over Lock Rod Weldment (4) until holes line up and secure with 1/4" fastener. Tighten until snug and nylock nuts are fully engaged.
5. Slide Compression Spring (6) over Lock Rod Weldment (3).
6. Slide Lock Rod Weldment (3) with Compression Spring (6) into Outer Tube (5) until the holes line up and secure with 1/4" fastener. Tighten until snug and nylock nuts are fully engaged.
7. Slide Handle (7) over Lock Rod Weldment (3) until the holes line up and secure with 1/4" fastener. Tighten until snug and nylock nuts are fully engaged.
8. Slide Cross Member Weldment (9) between Roller Assembly DS (1), Roller Assembly PS (2) and over the Lock Rod assembly as shown in illustration 1. Secure with 3/8" flat head bolts and torque to 35 ft/lbs.
9. Place the assembled **R5** roller into the base rails and pin in place with the supplied hitch pins and clips.

CAUTION

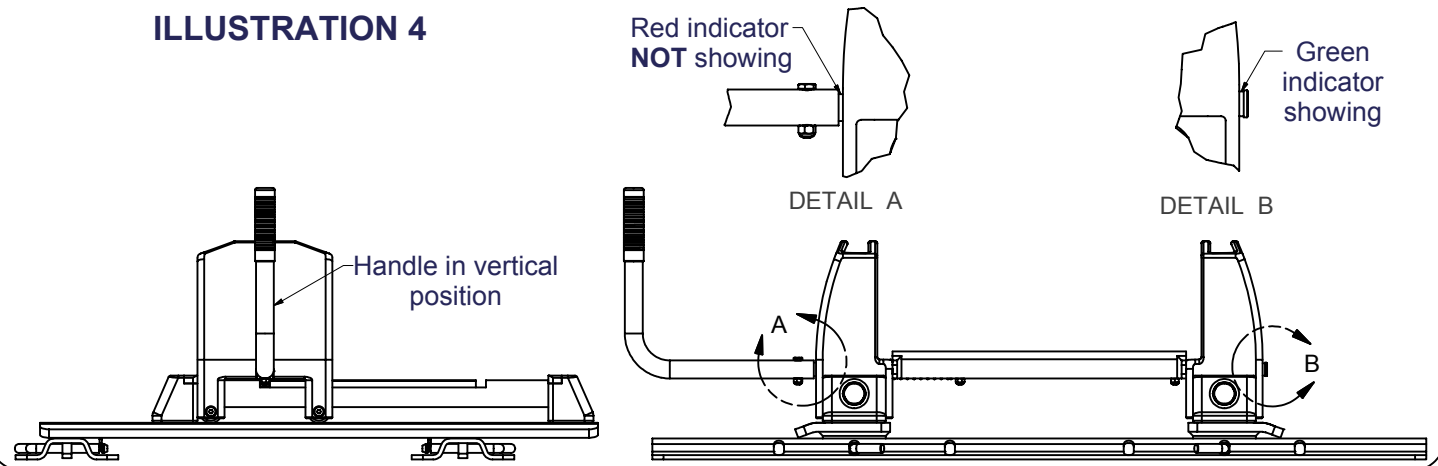
Be sure that all base rail hitch pins are positioned as shown in the illustration to the right and that all hitch pin clips are secured before towing.

BASE RAIL HITCH PIN ILLUSTRATION



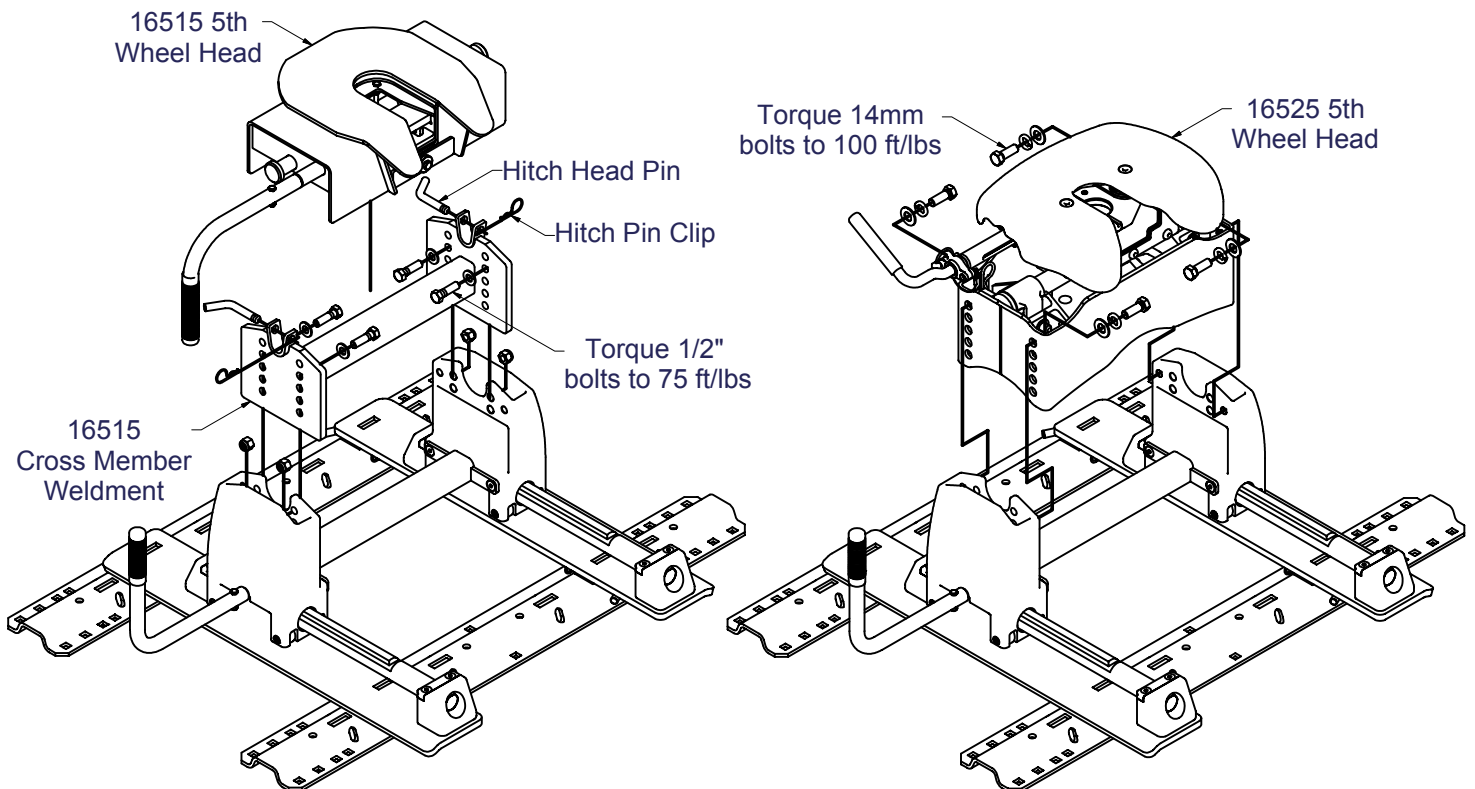
10. Pull handle out and rotate as shown on the operation decal on the roller. Roller should move smoothly fore and aft on the rails. **Note:** When the **R5** roller is locked in its fore and aft positions the lock bar handle should be vertical, the red indicator **WILL NOT** be showing and the green indicator **WILL** be showing. See illustration 4.
11. If unit binds, make sure all bolts are torqued to the proper specifications. Make sure the base rails are square and parallel as shown in illustration 2.

ILLUSTRATION 4



Fifth Wheel Head Installation

1. Installing the 16515 5th Wheel Head. Slide the 16515 cross member weldment into the **R5** roller as shown. Select desired height using the adjustment holes in the cross member weldment. From the inside, insert four supplied 1/2" x 1 3/4" bolts into the four holes of the cross member weldment into the **R5** roller. Place 1/2" nylock nuts on each bolt. **Torque to 75 ft/lbs.** Place the 16515 5th wheel head into the cross member weldment saddles, insert supplied 3/8" hitch head pins and secure with hitch pin clips.
2. Installing the 16525 5th Wheel Head. Slide the 16525 5th wheel into the **R5** roller as shown. Select desired height using the adjustment holes in the mid section of the 16525 5th wheel. From inside, insert four supplied 14mm bolts into the four holes of the mid section into the **R5** roller. **Torque to 100 ft/lbs.**
3. Your **R5** roller is now ready for operation. See **OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS**.



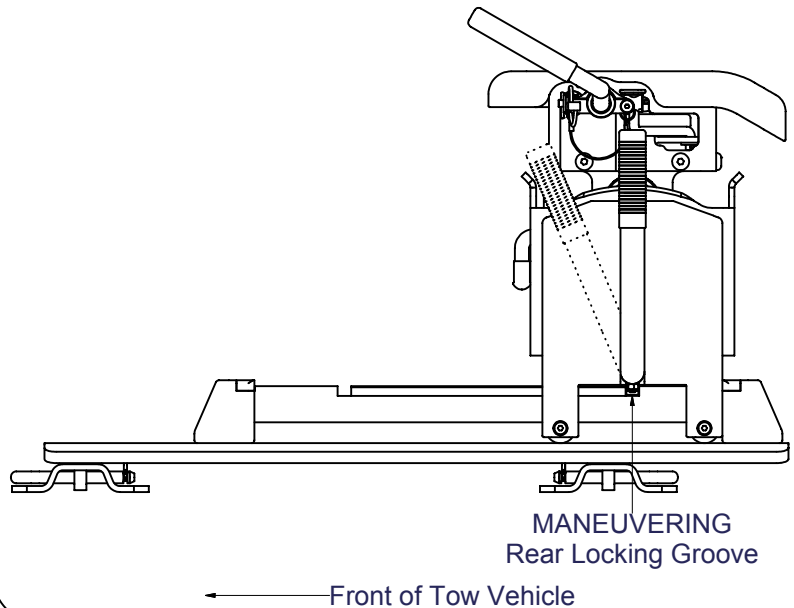
OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

TO MANEUVER

1. Align trailer and tow vehicle in a straight line on a level surface.
2. Pull handle out and rotate counter clockwise to place lock bar in the ready to lock position.
3. Set trailer brakes and slowly drive the tow vehicle forward until R5 roller stops. Locking bars will automatically engage in the Rear Locking Groove. **NOTE: Visually check that lock bar handle is vertical and both lock bars are fully engaged and that the green indicator is visible.**

MANEUVER POSITION

Roller and Hitch will move 12" REARWARD

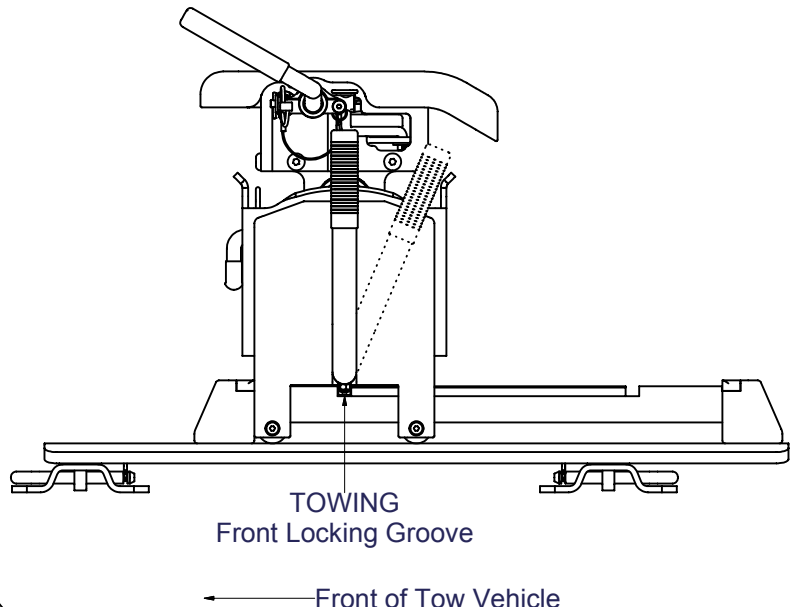


TO TOW

1. Align trailer and tow vehicle in a straight line on a level surface.
2. Pull handle out and rotate clockwise to place lock bar in the ready to lock position.
3. Set trailer brakes and slowly back up the tow vehicle until R5 roller stops. Lock bars will automatically engage in the Forward Locking Groove.
4. **NOTE:** Visually check that lock bar handle is vertical and both lock bars are fully engaged and that the green indicator is visible. Set trailer brakes and move the tow vehicle forward slightly to be sure both lock bars are fully engaged.
5. You are now ready to tow.

TOWING POSITION

Roller and Hitch will move 12" FORWARD



This product complies with **V-5** regulations and safety requirements for connecting devices and towing systems of the State of Wisconsin.

16515 / 16525 / 16500 REMOVAL

1. For removal of the **16515** or **16525** fifth wheel head from the 16500 R5 Roller, reverse the steps found under the Fifth Wheel Head Installation on **page 5**. See Illustrations on **page 5**.
2. For removal of the **16500** R5 Roller, reverse steps 3-9 found under the 16500 R5 5th Wheel Roller Installation Instructions on **page 4**. See Base Rail Hitch Pin Illustration & Illustration 3 found on **page 4**.

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