

RC100 Rim Clamp® Tire Changer

For servicing motorcycle and ATV tire/wheel assemblies as well as automotive and most light truck tire/wheel assemblies



READ these instructions before placing unit in service. KEEP these and other materials delivered with the unit in a binder near the machine for ease of reference by supervisors and operators.

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Operator Protective Equipment



Personal protective equipment helps make tire changing safer. However, equipment does not take the place of safe operating practices. Always wear durable work clothing during tire service activity. Shop aprons or shop coats may also be worn. however loose fitting clothing should be avoided. Tight fitting leather gloves are recommended to protect operator's hands when handling worn tires and wheels. Sturdy leather work shoes with steel toes and oil resistant soles should be used by tire service personnel to help prevent injury in typical shop activities. Eye protection is essential during tire service activity. Safety glasses with side shields, goggles, or face shields are acceptable. Back belts provide support during lifting activities and are also helpful in providing operator protection. Consideration should also be given to the use of hearing protection if tire service activity is performed in an enclosed area, or if noise levels are high.



Failure to follow danger, warning, and caution instructions may lead to

serious personal injury or death to operator or bystander or damage to property. Do not operate this machine until you read and understand all the dangers, warnings and cautions in this manual. Download a copy of the manual from our website at www.ammcoats.com, or for further information, contact:

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Definitions of Hazard Levels

Identify the hazard levels used in this manual with the following definitions and signal words:

DANGER

Watch for this symbol:



It Means: Immediate hazards which will result in severe personal injury or death.

WARNING

Watch for this symbol:



It Means: Hazards or unsafe practices which could result in severe personal injury or death.

CAUTION

Watch for this symbol:



It Means: Hazards or unsafe practices which could result in minor personal injury or product or property damage.

Watch for this symbol! It means **BE ALERT!**Your safety, or the safety of others, is involved!



Owner's Responsibility



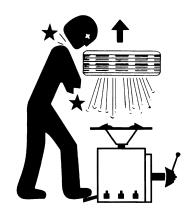
To maintain machine and user safety, the responsibility of the owner is to read and follow these instructions:

- Follow all installation instructions.
- Make sure installation conforms to all applicable Local, State, and Federal Codes, Rules, and Regulations; such as State and Federal OSHA Regulations and Electrical Codes.
- Carefully check the unit for correct initial function.
- Read and follow the safety instructions.
 Keep them readily available for machine operators.
- Make certain all operators are properly trained, know how to safely and correctly operate the unit, and are properly supervised.
- Allow unit operation only with all parts in place and operating safely.
- Carefully inspect the unit on a regular basis and perform all maintenance as required.
- Service and maintain the unit only with authorized or approved replacement parts.
- Keep all instructions permanently with the unit and all decals on the unit clean and visible.



DANGER

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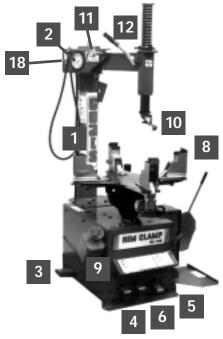


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tire above
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Principal Operating Parts

Know Your Unit

Compare this illustration with the unit before placing it into service. Maximum performance and safety will be obtained only when all persons using the unit are fully trained in its parts and operation. Each user should learn the function and location of all controls. Prevent accidents and injuries by ensuring the unit is properly installed, operated, and maintained.

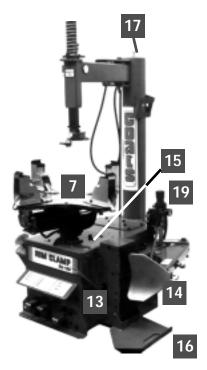


- **Tower** Support for horizontal arm and vertical slides, also air storage tank.
- Air Gauge Registers tire pressure when air chuck is attached to valve stem and inflation pedal is released.
- Inflation Pedal Two position pedal that allows inflation of tires through air hose and clip-on chuck.
- 4 Clamp Control Pedal Three position pedal that opens and closes rim clamps.
- **Table Top Pedal** Three position pedal that controls rotation of table top.
- Bead Loosener Pedal Controls operation of bead loosener shoe.
- **7 Table Top** Rotating chuck for tire changing.
- Motorcycle or ATV Clamp Adapter Secures wheel to table top for tire changing.
- 9 Lube Bottle Dispenser for rubber lubricant.
- **Combination Mount/Demount Head** Mounts and demounts tire from wheel.



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- Swing Arm Adjustment Knob Adjusts swing arm/vertical slide assembly for proper horizontal positioning of mount/demount head.
- Vertical Slide Locking Handle Locks and unlocks vertical slide and sets correct vertical position to maintain head/wheel clearance.
- Bead Lifting Tool Used to lift and position tire bead correctly on mount/demount head.
- **Bead Loosener Shoe** Pivoting shoe for loosening tire beads.
- 15 Oil Check Dipstick For transmission oil level.
- **ATV Riser Plate** Adjusts to raise ATV wheels to centerline of bead loosener..
- Pressure Safety Valve The high pressure safety valve is set to exhaust at pressures above 185 PSI.
- Release Valve Allows the manual release of air pressure from tire.
- **Filter/Regulator/Lubricator** Filters and lubricates air to machine, and adjusts air pressure to prevent wheel damage.

Operating Instructions

The unit must be properly operated and properly maintained to help avoid accidents that could damage the unit and injure the operator or bystanders. This section of the Operating Instructions manual review basic operations and use of controls. These instructions should be reviewed with all employees before they are allowed to work with the machine. Keep these instructions near the machine for easy reference.

Bead Loosening and Demounting

A CAUTION

This machine may operate differently from machines you

have previously operated. Practice with a regular steel wheel and tire combination to familiarize yourself with the machine's operation and function.

Remember to remove all weights from both sides of the wheel. Weights left on back side of wheel may cause the wheel to be clamped unlevel. This may result in the combination mount/demount head contacting the rim causing scratches. On alloy wheels, always rotate the wheel one turn after setting the head to insure proper wheel chucking.

NOTE: Always review nicks and scratches with owners of expensive wheel and tire combinations prior to servicing.

IMPORTANT: Review the performance wheel section of this manual prior to servicing performance tire/wheel combinations.

1. Deflate tire completely by removing the valve core from the valve stem (Figure 1).



Figure 1 - Remove Valve Core to Deflate Tire

NOTE: Loosening the beads on a fully inflated tire is unsafe and causes excess movement and friction against the bumper pads and excessive wear on pivots. Deflate the tire completely to prolong the life of your machine.

ATV NOTE: It may be necessary on ATV wheels to leave 5-10 PSI in some of these wheels to facilitate bead loosening.

NOTE: Always loosen the bead on the narrow side of the wheel's drop center first (motocycle wheels may not have a narrow or long side, and some ATV wheels may may bolt together). See Figure 4 for more information on the drop center.

REMEMBER: The clamps on the table top may extend beyond the table top itself. To avoid damaging the clamps, move them to their full inward position before positioning a tire for bead loosening.

NOTE: Use extra care in positioning the bead loosener shoe on larger wheels/tires, and on alloy wheels. Make sure the shoe rests next to but not on the rim, and not on the tire sidewall. The riser underneath the bead loosener will help properly position ATV wheels.

2. Pull the bead loosener shoe away from the machine and roll wheel into position. The valve stem should be in the 3 o'clock position. Position the bead loosener shoe against the tire next to, but not on, the rim. Depress the bead loosener foot pedal to actuate the shoe and loosen the bead. It may be necessary to loosen the bead in multiple locations around the tire (Figure 2).

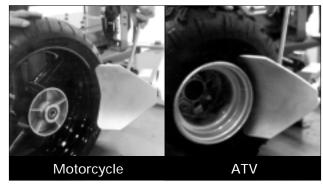


Figure 2 - Position Tire and Bead Loosener Shoe

3. Turn wheel around and repeat loosening procedure on the other side of the wheel. This should be the long side of the drop center.

TIP: It will be easier to clamp the wheel to the table top if the lower bead is loosened last.

4. Apply tire manufacturer's approved rubber lubricant liberally to entire circumference of both tire beads after loosening.

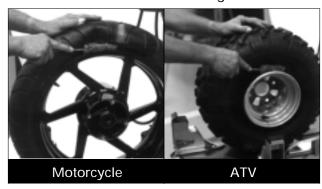


Figure 3 - Apply Rubber Lubricant to Tire Beads

5. Determine the mounting side of the wheel. The mounting side is the narrow side of the drop center. (Tire removed in Figure 4 for clarity.)

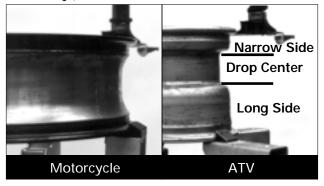


Figure 4 - Determining Mounting Side of Wheel

6. Place tire/wheel assembly on table top with mounting side up (Figure 5). Use the clamp control pedal to move the clamps inwards (push pedal down) or outwards (toggle pedal up). Clamp motorcycle and ATV wheels from the outside (clamps push inwards against the outside rim edge). Place rim flange into rear clamp and slowly move the other clamps inward until they contact the rim. Observe closely to prevent tire/wheel damage.

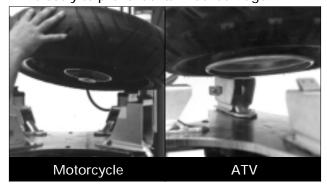


Figure 5 - Place Tire/Wheel Assembly on Table Top

7. Move the swing arm into position. Pull the locking handle forward to release the slide. Push down on the top of the vertical slide to move the demount head into contact with the rim edge. Push the locking handle back to lock the slide into place. As the slide is locked, the mount/demount head will move upward approximately 1/8 inch from the rim edge.



Figure 6 - Position Mount/Demount Tool

8. The mount/demount head roller should be in contact with the rim edge. Turn the swing arm adjusting knob to move the head away from the rim 1/8 to 1/4 inch.



Figure 7 - Adjust Swing Arm to Position Head Roller

9. Check head positioning. Mount/demount head should be positioned with 1/8 to 3/16" clearance between the top of the rim edge and the bottom of the head, and 1/8 to 1/4 inch clearance between the rim edge and the head. This clearance will be maintained as long as the locking handle and adjustment knob are not changed. The operator may swing the arm out of the way and back into place again without needing to reposition the head (when changing a set of the same wheels).

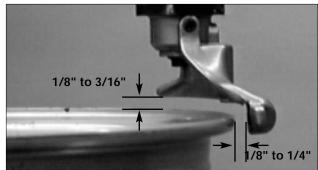


Figure 8 - Proper Mount/Demount Head Position

IMPORTANT: The vertical tool clearance may change with machine use and should be inspected often. Failure to maintain the proper clearance may result in damage to the wheel rim and/or tire.

10. Insert the smooth curved end of the bead lifting tool over the forward end of the demount head and below the top bead of the tire. Use your free hand to press down on the tire opposite the head to help with tool insertion (Figure 9).

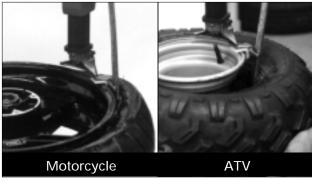


Figure 9 - Insert Bead Lifting Tool

11. Push the bead lifting tool down towards the wheel to lift the tire bead up and over the knob portion of the demount head. The tool may be removed if desired (Figure 10).

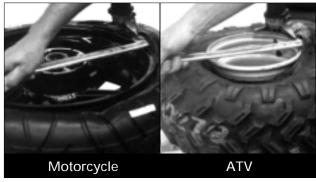


Figure 10 - Lift Bead Over Demount Head

12. Depress the table top pedal to rotate the wheel clockwise. The demount head will guide the upper bead up and over the edge of the wheel.

NOTE: Push down on the tire across from the demount head during table top rotation to utilize the drop center area of the wheel. This reduces the tensional force on the bead during demount.

13. Lift and hold the tire at an angle so that the lower bead is resting in the drop center directly across from the demount head, and is loose below the demount head (Figure 11). Insert the smooth curved end of the bead lifting tool down over the forward end of the mount/demount tool and below the lower bead. Lift the bead up and over the knob on the demount head (Figure 11).

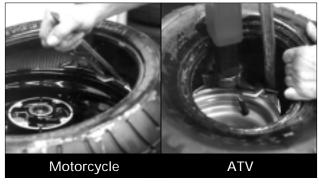


Figure 11 - Demounting Lower Bead

14. Depress the table top pedal to rotate the wheel. The demount head will guide the bead up and over the edge of the wheel. Continue rotation until lower bead is demounted.

NOTE: With tube-type tires, demount the upper bead and remove the tube before demounting the lower bead.

NOTE: Table top rotation can be stopped at any time by removing your foot from the pedal.

NOTE: Normal table top rotation for demounting is clockwise. Depress the table top pedal to rotate this direction. To rotate the table top counterclockwise, lift the pedal up with your toe.

A CAUTION

At times during the mounting and demounting and

procedure, the bead lifting tool may encounter resistance or come under load. Keep one hand firmly on the tool to avoid possible tool disconnect. Use the reversing feature to back out or jam ups.



After successfully completing the demount process, proceed to Mounting (page 6).

Operator Protective Equipment

Always wear durable work clothing during tire service activity. Shop aprons or shop coats may also be worn, however, loose fitting clothing should be avoided. Tight fitting leather gloves are recommended to protect the operator's hands when handling worn tires and wheels. Sturdy leather work shoes with steel toes and oil resistant soles should be used by tire service personnel to help prevent injury in typical shop activities. Eye protection is essential during tire service activity. Safety glasses with side shields, goggles, or face shields are acceptable. Back belts provide support during lifting activities and are also helpful in providing operator protection.

Mounting

This information must be read and followed carefully to prevent accidents and injuries during mounting.



Check tire and wheel carefully before mounting. Make sure

the tire bead diameter and wheel diameter match exactly. Consult the Rubber Manufacturer's Association for approved rim widths for tire sizes. Mis-matched tires and wheels explode.

A CAUTION

Never Mount a tire and wheel handed to you by anyone

without checking both tire and wheel for damage and compatibility. Be extra cautious of persons without knowledge of tire service. Keep by-standers out of service area.

WARNING

Never mount a damaged tire. Never mount a tire on a

rusty or damaged wheel. Damaged tires and/or wheels may explode.



If you damage the tire bead during mounting, STOP!,

remove the tire and mark it as damaged. Do not mount a damaged tire.

 Inspect the wheel closely for damage. Clean the wheel and remove any light corrosion or rubber residue (Figure 12). Do not attempt to service heavily corroded wheels.

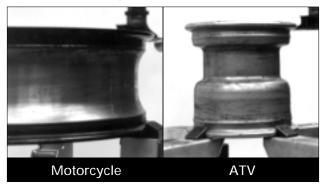


Figure 12 - Inspect and Clean the Wheel

- Inspect tire for damage, paying close attention to the beads. Verify size match between tire and wheel (Figure 12).
- 3. Lubricate tire beads liberally with tire manufacturer approved lubricant (Figure 13).

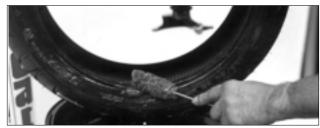


Figure 13 - Lubricate Beads

 Place tire over wheel and move swing arm into position. Position the tire so that the lower bead is above the rear extension of the mount/demount head and below the front knob (Figure 14).

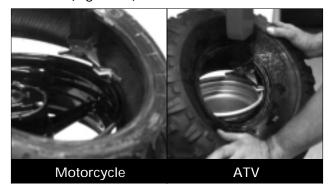


Figure 14 - Position Tire Against Mount/Demount Head

- 5. Depress table top pedal and rotate the wheel to mount the lower bead. Use the drop center of the wheel to reduce the tensional force on the bead by pressing down on the tire directly across from the mount head.Rotate table top until lower bead is fully mounted.
- 6. For top bead, rotate the table top until the valve stem is directly across from the mount head. Lift the upper bead up and over the rear of the mount head. With your left hand press down on the tire between the mount head and the valve stem to hold the tire in the drop center. Depress the table top pedal and rotate the tire until the bead is mounted. Continue to press down on the tire during the remaining mounting process.

WARNING

Do not force the tire onto the rim. Bead damage could result

making the tire unsafe and/or creating the risk of injury.

NOTE: If table top rotation stalls, reverse the table top momentarily until the tire bead is again loose on the wheel. Reposition the mount head, make sure the bead is correctly positioned in the drop center of the wheel, then attempt mounting again.

NOTE: For low profile or stiff sidewall tires, it may be advantageous to use the bead lifting tool to initially hold the upper bead down in the drop center, or use drop center tools as shown in Figure 30, page 11.

NOTE: For tube type tires, mount the lower bead first, move swing arm out, install the tube, and then mount the upper bead.



When you have completed the mounting process, proceed to Inflation, page 7.

Inflation

On the RC100, tire inflation is performed in two steps: Bead Seat and Inflation. These steps are explained in detail on page 13. Read the explanation of each step and understand them thoroughly before proceeding.



Check for proper inflation gauge operation. Accurate

pressure readings are important to safe tire inflation. Refer to the Operating Maintenance section of this manual for instructions.

A CAUTION

If the rim has been clamped from the outside for tire

mounting, release the clamps, lift the tire, and move the clamps to the center of the table top.

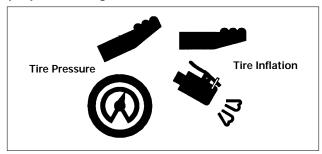
A DANGER

Tire failure under pressure is hazardous. This tire

changer is not intended to be a safety device to contain exploding tires, tubes, wheels, or bead sealing equipment. Inspect tire and wheel carefully for match, wear, or defects before mounting. Always use approved tire bead lubricant during mounting and inflation.

The inflation pedal, located at the rear of the left side of the machine, controls the flow of air through the inflation hose.

NOTE: The clip-on chuck on the end of the hose should always be an open style with all parts in proper working order.



Position 1 - At Rest - With the inflation hose attached to the tire valve and the pedal in this position, the air gauge will register the air pressure in the tire. Whenever your foot is removed from the pedal, it will return to this position.

Position 2 - Tire Inflation - This is the first activated position. With the inflation hose attached to the tire valve and the pedal in this position, line pressure is allowed to flow through the valve and into the tire for inflation. Tire pressure is **not** indicated on the gauge in this position.

Bead Seating



Operator should keep hands, arms, and entire body

away from the tire during the remaining bead seat and inflation procedures. Do not stand over tire, as personal injury could result.

A WARNING

NEVER increase air pressure to exceed 40 PSI when

attempting Bead Seat. If operator is unable to obtain Bead Seat, something is wrong. Deflate tire completely, inspect both the tire and wheel, correct any problems found, relubricate both tire beads, and reattempt Bead Seal and Bead Seat procedures. Follow all safety instructions in this manual and on machine.

 Once tire pressure is indicated on the air gauge (inflation pedal in position 1; foot removed from pedal), continue to inject air into the tire in short intervals. Check the pressure frequently.

Stand back during bead seat. Keep hands, arms, and entire body away from tire during this procedure.

Tire beads should move outward and "pop" into their bead seat position as pressure inside the tire increases. If this does not happen, a problem exists. Investigate carefully.

A WARNING

Check tire pressure frequently. Never exceed 40 PSI while

seating beads. Once seated, never exceed tire manufacturer's recommended air pressure. Tires can explode, especially if they are inflated beyond their limits. At all pressure levels when inflating through the valve stem, keep hands, arms, and entire body away from inflating tire. An exploding tire, wheel, or bead sealing equipment may propel upward and outward with sufficient force to cause serious injury or death to operator or bystander.



NEVER exceed tire manufacturer's recommended air

pressure. Tires can explode, especially if inflated beyond these limits. Keep hands, arms, and entire body back from inflating tire. Avoid distraction during inflation. Check tire pressure frequently to avoid over inflation. Excessive pressure can cause tires to explode, causing serious injury or death to operator or bystander.

- 1. Make sure both beads are seated. When both beads are seated, the tire is ready for inflation.
- 2. Replace the valve core if it was removed.
- 3. Depress the inflation pedal to position 2 to inflate the tire. Check tire pressure frequently by removing foot from pedal and checking the gauge onthe tower. Avoid overinflation.

NOTE: Release air pressure from the tire by pressing the manual release valve button (inflation hose must be attached to the valve stem).

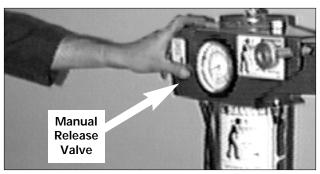
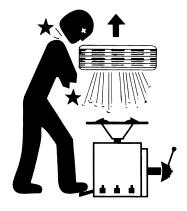


Figure 15 - Stand Back During Beat Seat and Inflation



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tire above
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Automobile Performance, Custom, and Aluminum Wheels



Only tire technicians with experience and training on custom

wheels should attempt to service expensive custom alloy or aluminum wheels and high-performance low-profile tires.

Pre-Operation Notes:

- Ensure all weights have been removed.
- Assistance will be required on wide wheels.
- · Clamp wheel from the outside.
- Use ample lubricant for mount and demounting
- Always review wheel nicks and/or scratches with the owner before servicing.

Aluminum and Custom Wheels

Follow instructions provided for standard steel wheels, except:

A. After loosening and lubricating both beads, rotate the table top until the clamps are in the 12, 3, 6, and 9 o'clock positions.



Figure 16 - Rotate Table Top to 12 O'clock

B. Clamp wheel from the outside. Position rim edge into clamp at 12 o'clock position. Lower the wheel and depress the clamp control pedal. Slowly move the clamps inward until they securely contact the outside edge of the rim.

TIP: This is usually accomplished by crouching down in front of the tire changer, holding the wheel with the right hand, and operating the clamp control pedal with the left hand. This allows the operator to watch the clamps as they move to ensure proper, damage-free clamping.

Performance Tires and Wheels • Demounting

Follow these instructions for performance type tires and wheels, including run-flat tires and their associated wheels, and asymmetrical hump wheels.

1. Remove the valve core and completely deflate the tire.

2. Pull the bead loosener shoe away from the machine and roll the tire into position against the bumper pad. Position the tire with the valve stem in the 3 o'clock position (in direct line with the bead loosener shoe). Always loosen the bead on the narrow/mounting side of the wheel first (Figures 4 and 17).

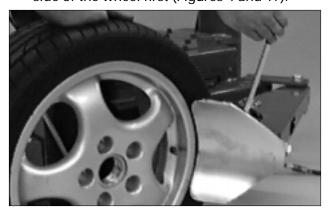


Figure 17 - Position Tire for Bead Loosening

NOTE: Wheels with an asymmetrical hump have a larger "ledge" type hump around the wheel except at the valve hole making them more difficult to mount/demount (Figure 18).

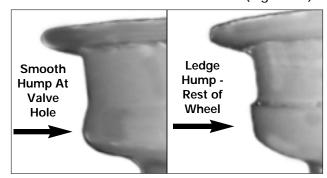


Figure 18 - Asymmetrical Hump Wheel

NOTE: Some wheels have a low pressure sensor/transmitter strapped to the wheel. This is especially true on run-flat tire/wheel systems. The sensor is positioned directly opposite from the valve stem. To avoid damaging the sensor, always loosen the top bead at the valve stem first, then loosen the bottom bead at the valve stem, and then continue to loosen the remaining circumference of the beads as necessary (Figure 19).



Figure 19- Wheel with Low Pressure Sensor/Transmitter

Loosen bottom bead, starting with valve stem positioned directly next to the loosener shoe (Figure 20).



Figure 20 - Loosen Bottom Bead

4. Liberally lubricate the bottom bead of the tire (Figure 21).



Figure 21 - Lubricate Bottom Bead

- 5. Clamp the wheel to the table top as described in item B on page 9. Always clamp custom wheels from the outside.
- 6. Lubricate upper bead liberally. Use the bead lifting tool to help push the tire bead down so the bead area is easier to reach.



Figure 22 - Lubricate Upper Bead

7. Move swing arm into place and adjust as described on page 4, steps 7, 8, and 9. Increase the distance between the demount head and the wheel an <u>additional</u> 1/16 to 1/8 inch with the adjustment knob. Locate the valve stem directly under the demount tool before proceeding.



Figure 23 - Position Valve Stem Under Demount Head

8. Insert bead lifting tool between knob on demount tool and tire bead. Pull lifting tool down over wheel to lift bead up and over the knob.

NOTE: On asymmetrical hump wheels and stiff sidewall performance tires, it may be necessary to use 2 optional drop center tools (part #435685) to hold tire in the drop center so that the bead can be lifted over the demount tool.



Figure 24 - Insert Bead Lifting Tool (Optional Drop Center Tools Shown)

9. Hold lifting tool in place and depress the table top control pedal momentarily to jog the wheel a short distance.



Figure 25 - Pull Lifting Tool Down and Rotate Wheel

10. The lifting tool can usually be removed after jogging the wheel a short distance. Continue to jog the wheel to allow tire to flex where it crosses the rim edge. Continue short rotations until top bead is completely demounted.



Figure 26 - Remove Drop Center Tools

11. Demount lower bead. In most cases when demounting performance tires, the lower bead will be less difficult. Use help to lift, position, and hold tire. Pay close attention to sensor/transmitter location, and position it directly below the demount tool when starting the lower bead demount procedure.

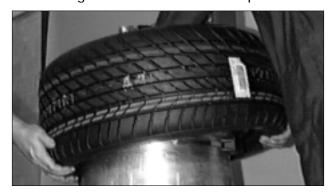


Figure 27 - Use Help on Lower Bead, Watch Sensor

Performance Tires and Wheels - Mounting

- Lubricate both tire beads liberally. Performance tires will require more lubrication than standard passenger car tires.
- 2. Mount the lower bead. In most cases, the lower bead will mount easily.



Figure 28 - Mount Lower Bead, Use Lifting Tool

3. Position the valve stem directly across from the mount/demount tool for top bead mounting. Lift the top bead over the rear of the mount head. Use the lifting tool to help push and keep the top bead in the drop center during mounting, or use an optional drop center tool to help hold the bead in the drop center (Figure 28 & 29). Rotate the wheel in short steps to mount lower bead.

NOTE: Mounting the top bead can be very difficult when mounting new tires on many performance and custom wheels.



Figure 29 - Mount Top Bead

4. Mount the top bead using short rotations of the wheel. As the wheel progresses, a second drop center tool should be added to keep the bead in the drop center.



Figure 30 - Add Second Drop Center Tool

5. On extremely tight tire and wheel combinations, it may be necessary to use the hooked end of the bead lifting tool to flip the tire over the rim flange (Figure 31).



Figure 31 - Use Hooked End of Bead Lifting Tool

6. After beads are mounted, unclamp wheel, lift it slightly, and move the clamps to the center of the table top. With the tire/wheel loose on the table top, follow the detailed instructions provided in the Inflation section of this manual for bead sealing, bead seating, and inflation.

Custom and Special Wheels

Alloy Wheels

Some manufacturers offer wheels with little or no drop center. These are not DOT approved. The tire or wheel - or both - can be damaged and the tire could explode under pressure, resulting in serious in jury or death. If you attempt to mount/demount this type of wheel, use extreme caution.

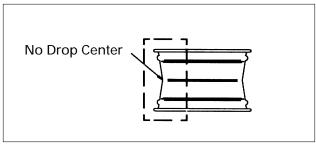


Figure 32 - No Drop Center

European Performance Wheels (Asymmetrical Hump)

Some European wheels have very large humps except near the valve hole. On these wheel, the beads should be loosened at the valve hole on both the upper and lower sides first.

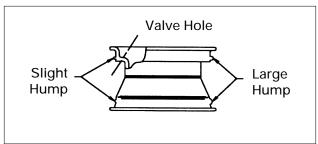


Figure 33 - Asymmetrical Hump on European Wheels

Wheels with Low Pressure Warning System Sensors

Performance wheels on some vehicles (including Corvette, BMW, Lamborghini Diablo) have a pressure sensor strapped to the rim opposite the valve hole. On these wheels, the beads should be loosened at the valve hole on both upper and lower sides first.

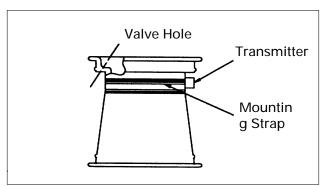


Figure 34 - Wheels with Low Pressure Sensor

Tube-Type Tires

Mounting

- 1. Avoid pinching or forcing the tube.
- 2. Apply rubber lubricant to the beads of the tire.
- Mount the bottom bead.
- 4. Put a small amount of air into the tube to round it out.
- 5. Apply rubber lubricant to the tube.
- 6. Insert the tube into the tire.
- 7. Mount the top bead.

Demounting

- 1. After tire beads are loosened, lubricate the beads and rim liberally.
- Position the demount head and bead lifting tool as described in steps 7 through 11 on pages 4 and 5. Depress the table top pedal and rotate only a short distance at a time. This allows you to stop the process should the tube get pinched.
- 3. After the upper bead is demounted, remove the tube and demount the lower bead.



Do it Now

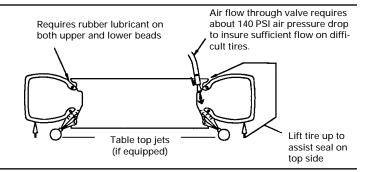
Make sure the instruction and warning decal is clean and clearly visible to operator.



Stages of Inflation

Review these descriptions and diagrams carefully. Refer to them as necessary during bead sealing, bead seating, and inflation to verify that you are proceeding properly and safely.

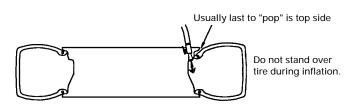
Bead Sealing (machines equipped with Air Blast) A 140 PSI air blast from the table top jets creates an air curtain to aid in bead sealing. Never exceed 10 PSI in the tire during bead sealing. The tire will contain about 1/2 to 2 PSI when bead seal is obtained.



Bead Seating

Bead seating usually occurs on the long tapered side of the wheel first and the shorter side last. Bead seating will usually require at least 7 PSI in the tire. 40 PSI is the maximum safe pressure at this stage regardless of operating pressure.

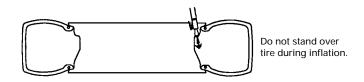
Most European import cars and many aftermarket alloy wheels are very tight and can be difficult to bead seat. Also note that asymmetrical hump and run-flat tires are extremely difficult to bead seat. Follow tire manufacturer's recommended procedure for bead seating.



Requires visual confirmation of bead seat

Inflation

After the beads are seated, the tire is inflated. Do not inflate the tire above the manufacturer's recommended pressure as stamped on the tire sidewall. The typical inflation pressure for automobile tires is between 24 and 45 PSI. Light truck inflation pressure typically covers a wider range.



MIS-MATCHED TIRES AND WHEELS

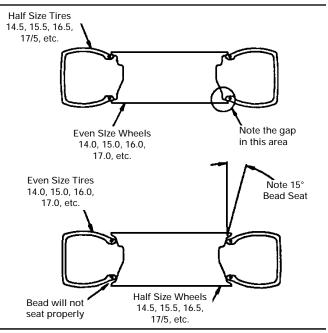
Never attempt to mount and inflate mis-matched tires and wheels.



Mis-matched tire and wheel combinations explode, causing

personal injury or death to operator and bystanders.

For safety, do not attempt to mount and inflate mis-matched tires and wheels.



Maintenance Instructions

Read and follow all the maintenance instructions provided in this manual to keep the machine in good operating condition. Refer to the other materials received with the unit and to the service bulletins from the manufacturer for additional instructions on proper maintenance and service. Regular inspections and proper maintenance are essential to preventing accidents and injuries.

▲ WARNING

Before making any i n s p e c t i o n , adjustment, or repair,

disconnect the power source and block out all moving parts to prevent injury.

▲ WARNING

Keep the machine and the immediate work are clean. Do

not use compressed air to remove dirt and debris from the machine. Foreign material may be propelled into the air and into operator or bystander causing personal injury.

A CAUTION

Wear protective clothing and use eye protection when

making any adjustments or repairs to the machine.

- A. The vertical slide should be cleaned with a vaporizing solvent and then lubricated with chassis grease once a month.
- B. Check the adjustment of the mount/demount head once a month. See instructions this page.
- C. Check the fluid level in the table top transmission once every 3 months. If fluid shows on dipstick, level is satisfactory. If no fluid shows, add an SAE 80 gear lubricant until fluid shows on dipstick.
- D. The table top, clamps, mount/demount head, and other working surfaces should be cleaned with a vaporizing solvent every month.
- E. The clamps should be inspected and metal chips and dirt removed from the serrations once a month.
- F. Check the tire pressure gauge function daily, and check the accuracy monthly. Use a pressurized tire and a high quality stick-type pressure gauge. If necessary, adjust the dial of the machine gauge. If the gauge is defective, replace it immediately (part number 107985). Contact COATS at (615) 641-7533. Check function of the pressure limiter weekly.
- G. Make sure all fasteners are securely tightened.
- H. make certain that all guards and covers are in place.

- Check for worn, damaged or missing parts including grips and protective covers. Replace them before allowing the unit to be used.
- J. On a daily basis, inspect the unit and check to be certain that all systems are operating normally. Detailed inspection and testing procedures are specified for various components at regular intervals. Set up a chart and assign responsibility for these items.

Replace any damaged or missing safety decals. They are available from COATS, (615) 641-7533.

IMPORTANT: These instructions will help you service the unit. Instructions are for a person with some mechanical ability and training. No attempt has been made to describe all basic steps. For example, how to loosen or tighten fasteners. Also basic procedures such as cycling systems and checking operation of the equipment are not fully described since they are known to anyone who does mechanical and service work. Do not attempt to perform work beyond your ability or at which you have no experience. If you need assistance, call an authorized service center or contact COATS directly.

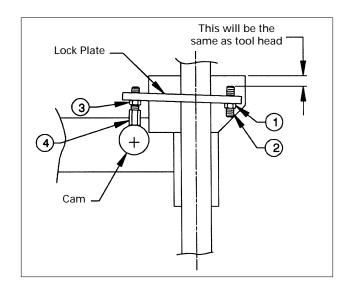
Mount/Demount Tool Head Adjustment

To Adjust Tool Head Lift

Loosen jam nut (ref. 1) and adjust screw (ref. 2) until lift clearance is 1/8" to 3/16". Tighten jam nut and check.

To Adjust Lock Tightness

With lock handle unlocked, loosen jam nut (ref. 3) and adjust pin (ref. 4) until a slight firmness is obtained, then tighten jam nut and check. Also recheck tool head lift at this time.



Installation Instructions



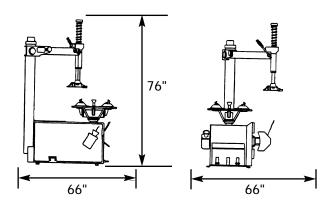
Proper unit installation is necessary for safe

use and efficient operation. Proper installation also helps protect the unit from damage and makes service easier. Always place safety poster and instructions near the unit.

Location

Select a location using the drawings below. The area should provide the operator with enough space to use the equipment in a safe manner. The area selected should be well lit, easy to clean and should be away from oil, grease, brake lathe chips, etc. Avoid areas where bystanders and customers may be present.

Workspace Requirements



Air Source

The RC100 requires a 5 CFM air source at 150 PSI. The safe operating pressure range is between 110 PSI and 175 PSI at the machine. For motorcycle and ATV tires, this pressure should be regulated to 90-100 PSI at the machine.

The unit is furnished with a 1/4" pipe thread male fitting for easy connection. This connection is located on the right side of the rear of the machine. A 1/4" ID hose (or pipe) for connection to the machine is satisfactory. Sufficient air pressure assures good performance.

Floor Mounting

The machine may be mounted to the floor if desired. Use suitable anchors in the mounting holes at each corner of the machine.

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ONE WORD FOR SAFETY

R.I.M.

READ INSPECT MOUNT

READ...

Mounting and inflating the wrong size tire can get you hurt. *Read* the size on the tire and make sure it matches the rim. Be especially careful about putting a smaller tire on a larger rim, such as a 16-inch tire on a 16.5-inch rim.

Inflation of a mismatched tire and rim can cause an explosion.

INSPECT...

Before you put any tire on a rim, *inspect* the rim for rust, tough spots, bent edges, or cracks that could prevent the tire from seating right. If you spot any of these problems, don't mount the tire until the rim has been checked by your shop foreman.

Inspect the tire for bead damage.

MOUNT...

Once you've made sure the tire is OK and the right size and the rim is OK, mount the tire safely. NEVER, ever lean over the tire when you're inflating it. If a tire does explode, it will go straight up. You don't want to be over the tire if that happens. Also, never over-inflate the tire, even if the bead doesn't seat. Never inflate over 40 PSI. If the tire hasn't seated, something is wrong. Deflate the tire and check it and the rim again. If it doesn't work the second time, try another tire.

BE CAREFUL OF THESE SITUATIONS:

- 1. Damaged Bead or Beads.
- **2. Rusty Wheels.** (particularly in the bead seat area)
- 3. Bent or Cracked Wheels.
- **4 A. Mismatched.** (A mis-match of a 16-inch tire to a 16.5-inch rim causing an explosion)
- **4 B. Mismatched.** (16.5-inch tire on a 16-inch rim)
- 5. Walk-In Tire and Rim.
- 6. Back Injuries.
- 7. Hand or Finger Injuries.
 (Hands or fingers too class to inflating tire)

(Hands or fingers too close to inflating tire or bead seats which may cause injury.)

- **8. Standing Clear.** (Never put any part of your body over the tire changer during inflation.)
- 9. Beads will not Seat at 40 PSI.
- 10. Improper Inflation.

Remember R.I.M. (Read, Inspect, Mount) for every tire.

A DANGER

FAILURE TO READ AND FOLLOW ALL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL CAN LEAD TO SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH TO OPERATOR OR BYSTANDER.

THE OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS AND DECALS FOR OPERATOR REFERENCE. FOR ADDITIONAL COPIES, CONTACT THE COATS* COMPANY, 1601 J.P. HENNESSY DRIVE, LAVERGNE, TENNESSEE, 37086 - (800) 688-6359.

TIRE FAILURE UNDER PRESSURE IS HAZ-ARDOUS! This tire changer Will Not Restrain Exploding Tires, rims or other related equipment.

TIRES CAN EXPLODE, ESPECIALLY IF INFLATED BEYOND SPECIFIED LIMITS. DO NOT EXCEED TIRE MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDED AIR PRESSURE.

AN EXPLODING TIRE, RIM, OR BEAD SEATING EQUIPMENT MAY PROPEL UPWARD AND OUTWARD WITH SUFFICIENT ENERGY TO CAUSE <u>SERIOUS INJURY</u> OR <u>DEATH</u> TO OPERATOR AND/OR BYSTANDERS.