

# 2170T COMMERCIAL TOW BROADCAST SPREADER

## ASSEMBLY and OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

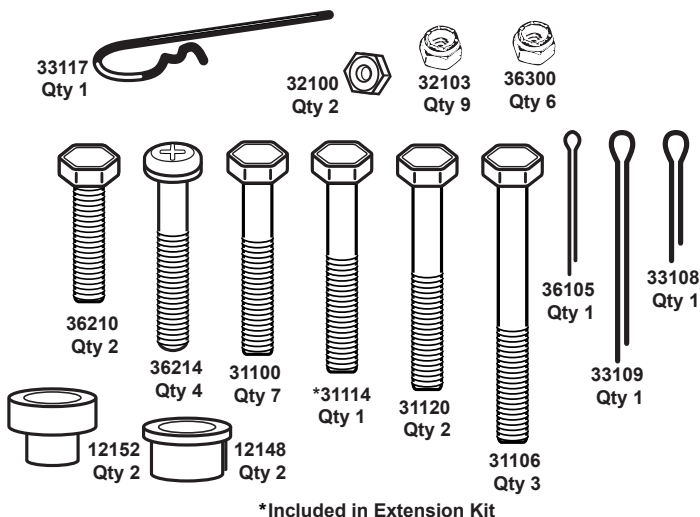
# EarthWay® EV-N-SPRED

PLEASE CALL IF YOU ARE MISSING ANY PARTS, HAVE ANY DIFFICULTY IN ASSEMBLY, OR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SAFE OPERATION OF THIS SPREADER. THIS MODEL INCLUDES *LIFETIME TECHNICAL SUPPORT*  
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### HELPFUL HINTS: READ THE DIRECTIONS BEFORE ASSEMBLY

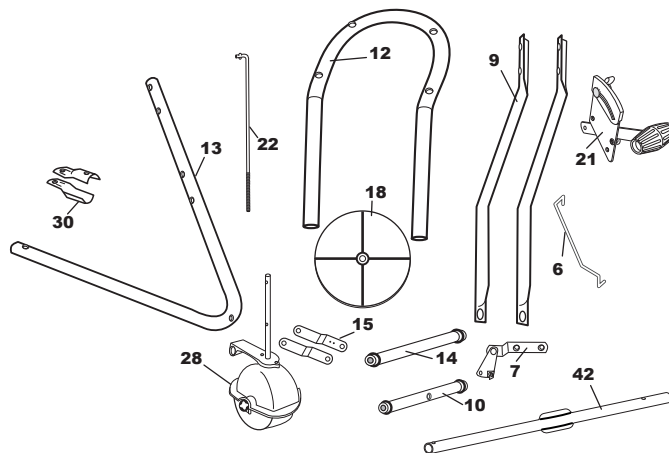
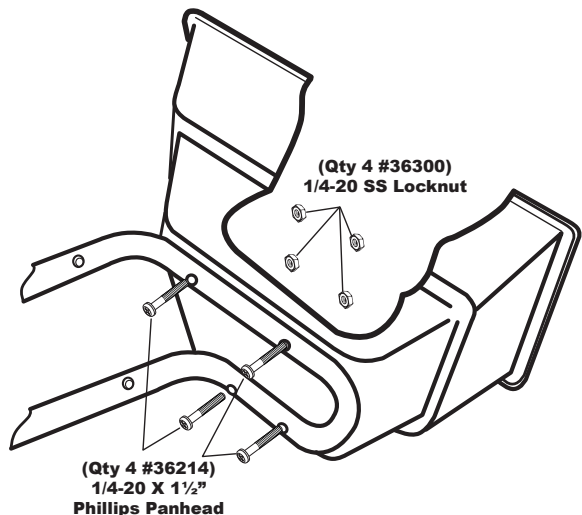
- ☑ If your spreader does not spread evenly, be sure the word "FRONT" on the gear box points toward the tow bar of the spreader. The impeller must turn clockwise. Reversing the gearbox will cause the impeller to turn counter clockwise. Clean the impeller surface after each use. Fertilizer stuck on the impeller blades will cause uneven spreading.
- ☑ Your spreader is designed to be pulled at three miles per hour, which is a brisk walking speed. Slower or faster speeds will change the spread patterns. Wet fertilizer will also change the spread pattern and flow rate. Clean and dry your spreader thoroughly after each use. Coat all metal surfaces (inside & outside of chassis) with light oil or silicon spray to help prevent corrosion. Wash between the shut-off plate and bottom of the hopper.
- ☑ Gears are permanently lubricated at the factory. Do not open the gearbox or dirt may enter.

### IF YOUR SPREADER COMES SEMI ASSEMBLED, SKIP TO STEP #7



**ROCK SALT and POWDERED MATERIALS**  
should not be used in this spreader as it will damage the gearbox and can void the warranty.  
Use only granular materials.

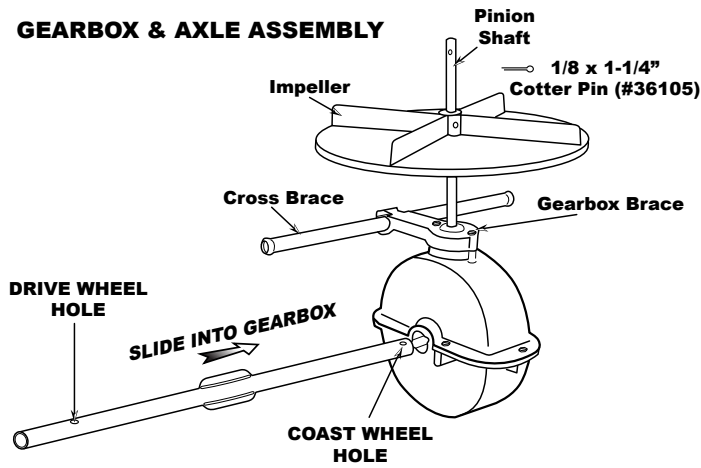
1. Remove and identify all loose parts from carton.



2. Position hopper on side. Install frame using (4) 1/4-20 x 1 1/2" Pan Head Phillips machine screws and (4) 1/4-20 nylon insert locknuts. First put bolts through holes in frame then through the holes in bottom of hopper. Secure with locknuts. **TIGHTEN THESE LOCKNUTS NOW.....TIP: coat stainless steel bolts with wax or grease before tightening to prevent them from seizing.**  
**DO NOT TIGHTEN WITH POWER TOOLS.**

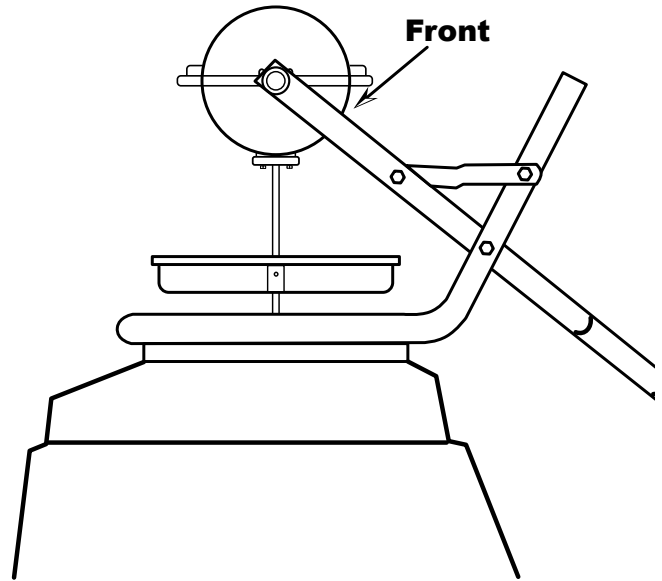


### GEARBOX & AXLE ASSEMBLY

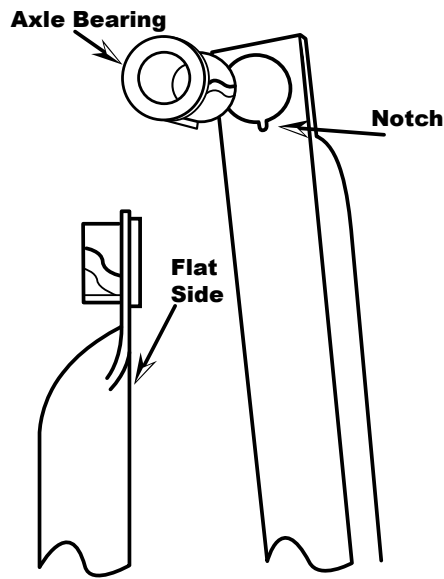


3. Install impeller onto pinion shaft. Insert 1/8" x 1 1/4" cotter pin through impeller then through pinion shaft. Use hole closest to the gear box. Spread cotter pin to prevent from falling out.

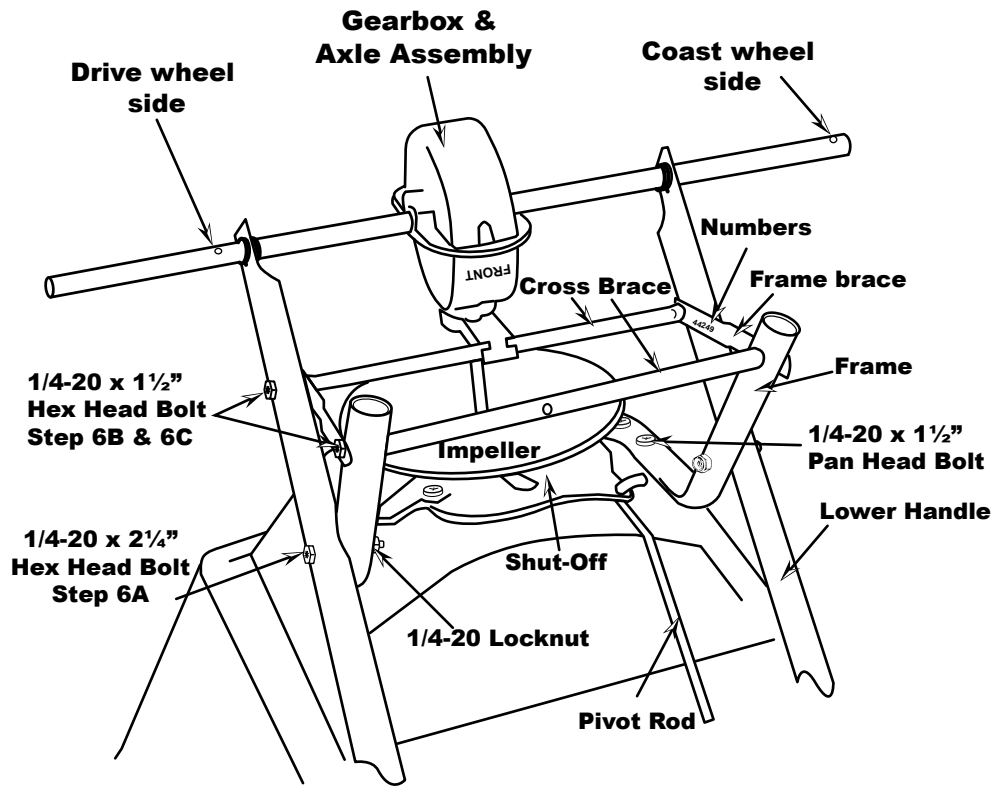
Next insert Cross Brace thru the Gearbox Brace as shown above. Finish by sliding the Axle into the Gearbox as shown above. **NOTE: Ensure that the Axle is exactly as shown above.**



4. Install gear box by inserting the pinion shaft into hole in center of hoppers bottom. The word "FRONT" on the gearbox must point to Front of the hopper. Follow label instructions on hopper.



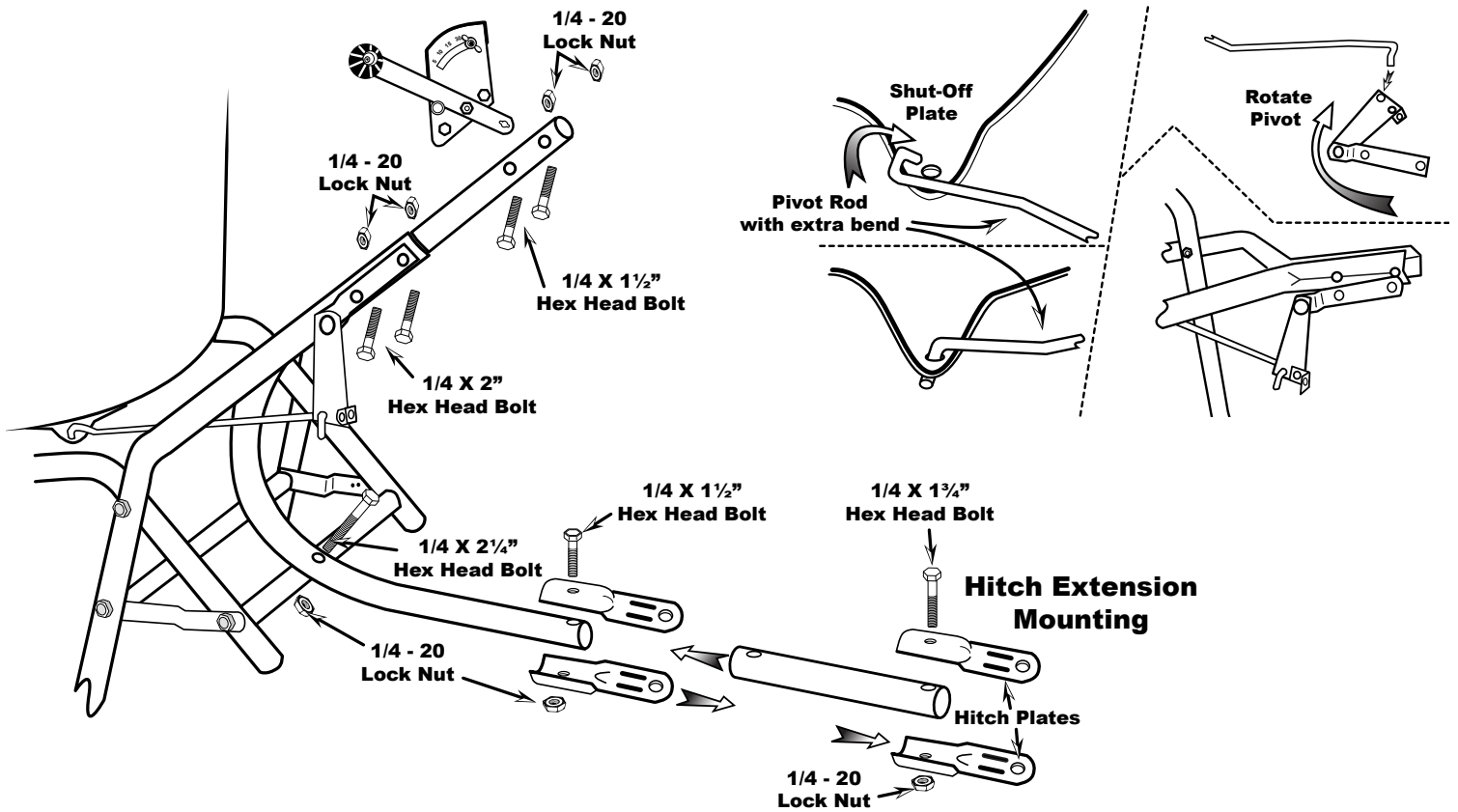
5. Install axle bearings to both lower handles. **NOTE:** Notch on bearings and lower handles. Bearings must go through flat side of lower handle.



6. **A** - Install lower handles onto axle to both sides as shown. Insert 2 1/4" bolt through second hole in lower handle and through first hole in frame install locknut. **DO NOT TIGHTEN.**

**B** - Now insert 1 1/2" bolt through first hole in lower handle. Then through frame brace. **NOTE:** Numbers on frame brace must be facing toward gear box as shown. Next into threaded connector in cross brace. **DO NOT TIGHTEN.**

**C** - Next insert 1 1/2" bolt through other end of frame brace and through second hole in frame install the second cross brace - this one has a cross hole in the center of the tube.



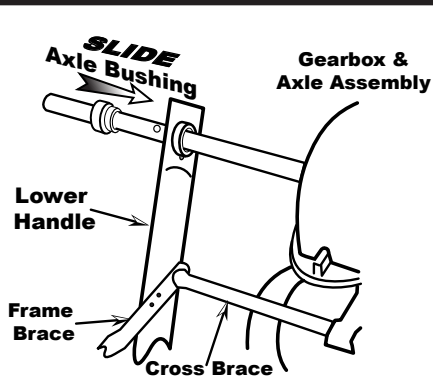
7. Insert pivot rod into shut off plate as shown. Turn to lock in place.

8. Insert other end of pivot rod into pivot and bracket assembly as shown. Turn to lock in place.

9. Install Control Support between lower handles as shown inserting (2) 2" bolts thru the Pivot Bracket and the Lower Handles and secure with (2) lock nuts. Next, line up the hole in the Cross Brace with the hole in the Control Support. Insert 1/4-20 X 2 1/4" bolt through the Control Support and thru the hole in the Cross Brace, secure with a 1/4-20 lock nut. Now determine if you want to add the Hitch Extension to the Control Support. If you do add the Extension, use the 1/4-20 x 1 1/2" bolt & lock nut through the Hitch Extension tube and the Control Support as shown above. And use the 1/4-20 X 1 3/4" bolt to install the Hitch Plates and secure with a 1/4-20 lock nut. If not used, secure the Hitch Plates by using 1/4-20 x 1 1/2" bolt and 1/4-20 lock nut through the Control Support and the Hitch Plate as shown above.

10. Attach Gauge & Lever assembly to Control Support using (2) 1/4-20 X 1 1/2" bolts and (2) 1/4-20 lock nuts and TIGHTEN.

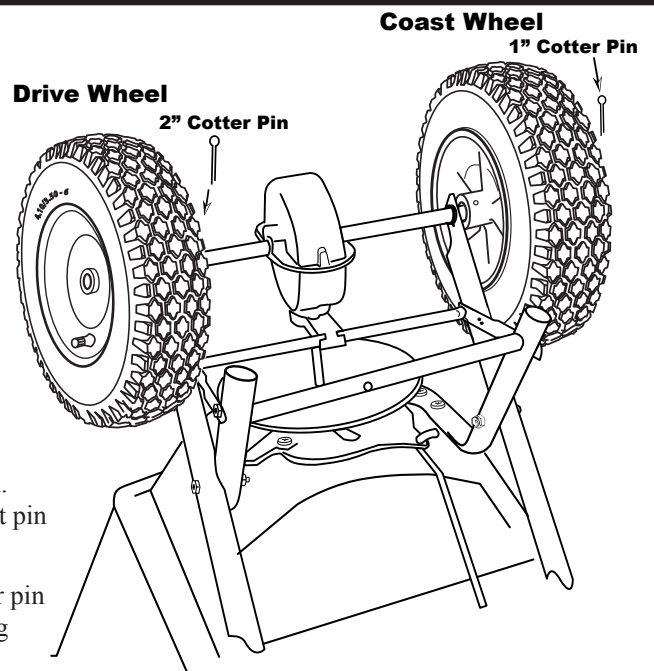
**NOW GO BACK AND TIGHTEN ALL NUTS AND BOLTS STARTING WITH FIRST STEP. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**



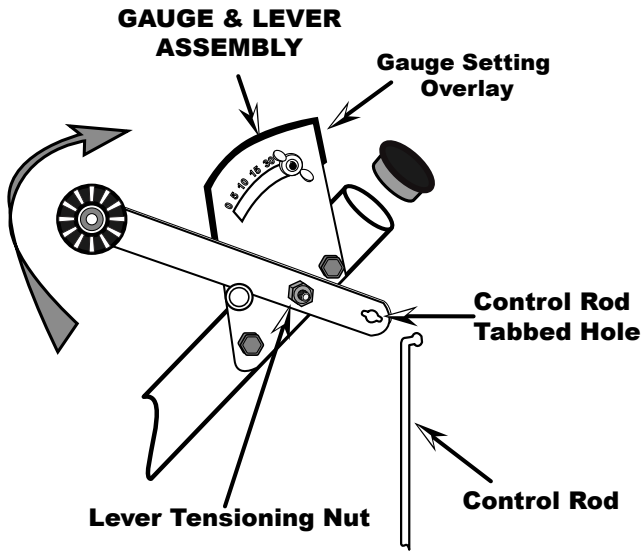
11. Slide axle bushing over axle and into axle bearing to both sides as shown.

12. Install drive wheel to axle using pin hole nearest to lower handles as shown. Insert 2" cotter pin through wheel and through axle. Bend with pliers to prevent pin from falling out.

13. Install coast wheel to axle using outside pin hole. As shown, insert 1" cotter pin through axle (not thru the wheel). Bend with pliers to prevent pin from falling out.



**TURN SPREADER UPRIGHT ON TO WHEELS.**

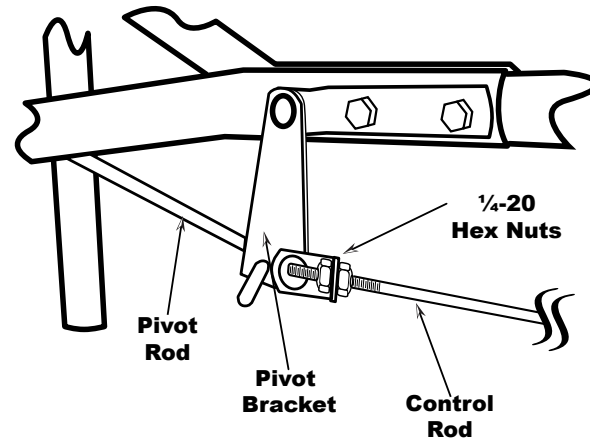


14. Install (1) 1/4-20 regular nut (not a locknut) on to control rod as shown.

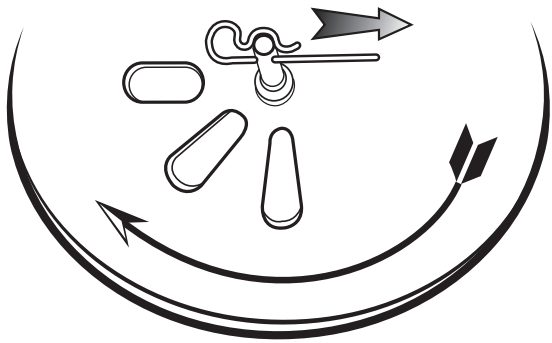


15. Install flattened end of control rod in to lever on gauge as shown. Turn to lock in place. Next push lever forward to setting "0". Align control rod with hole in pivot bracket, pull lever backward to insert control rod through hole in pivot bracket. Now install 1/4-20 regular nut on to control rod.

16. Pull lever back to setting "30" as shown. Next push pivot & bracket forward so that the shut off plate in the hopper is in the full open position. **REMEMBER SETTING "30" ON THE FLOW CONTROL LEVER MUST PLACE THE SHUT-OFF PLATE IN THE FULL OPEN POSITION TO BE PROPERLY CALIBRATED.** Now tighten the nuts against the pivot bracket to prevent change in calibration.

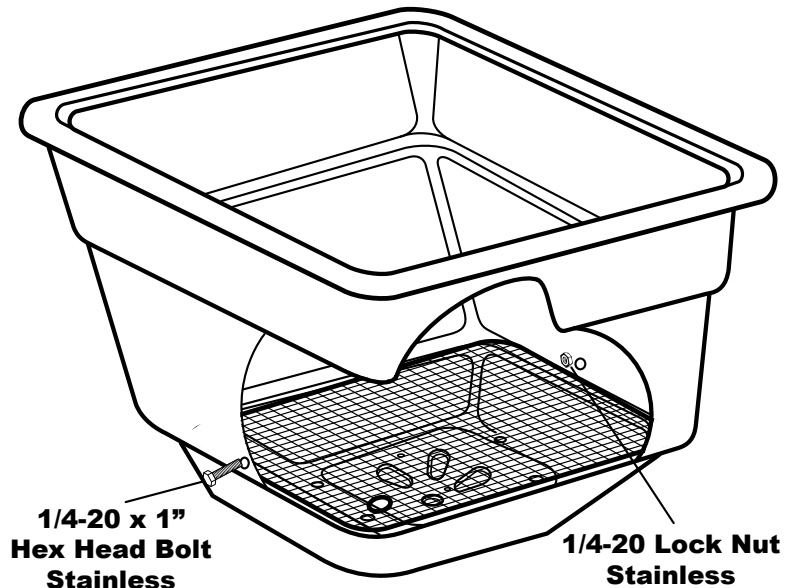


17. Tension on the flow control lever may be adjusted by tightening or loosening the tension nut as shown.



18. Insert agitator to pinion shaft on inside of hopper. **Note:** the position of flat side of the agitator. This pin should be installed as shown.

19. Install debris screen into hopper, then insert 1/4-20 x 1" Stainless Steel Hex Bolt thru the hole in the side wall of the hopper. Secure with Stainless Steel lock nut - **TIGHTEN WITH HAND TOOLS ONLY**



## 5-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

Earthway Products, Inc. warrants this product free of defects in original workmanship and materials for a period of 5-Years to the end user with the original purchase receipt. If a manufacturing non-conformance is found, Earthway Products, Inc. at its discretion will repair or replace the part(s) or product at no charge provided the failure is not the result of incorrect installation, mishandling, misuse, tampering, or normal wear and tear as determined by Earthway. Earthway at its discretion may require that the part(s) or product be returned along with the original purchase receipt at owners' expense for examination and compliance with the terms of this warranty. Do not return any product without first receiving authorization from Earthway Products, Inc. To seek remedy under this warranty, contact Earthway Products, Inc. at 574-848-7491, techsupport@earthway.com or write to Earthway Products, Inc. P.O. Box 547 Bristol, Indiana 46507 and describe the nature of the manufacturing defect. **SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS:** This warranty covers only the part(s) or product; any labor charges associated with repair or replacement of non-conformances are specifically excluded. Due to the corrosive nature of most fertilizers and ice melt products, Earthway Products, Inc. makes no warranty against and specifically excludes part(s) or product degradation or failure due to corrosion or its effects. **Clean and dry** your spreader thoroughly after each use, as a preventative measure, coat all metal parts (inside and outside of the steel tubing) with a light oil or silicon spray.

### HOW TO ORDER SPARE PARTS

All spare parts listed herein may be ordered direct from the manufacturer. Be sure to give the following information when ordering.

- Model Number
- Part Number
- Part Description

Call (574) 848-7491, 800-294-0671, or order online at [www.earthway.com/parts](http://www.earthway.com/parts)

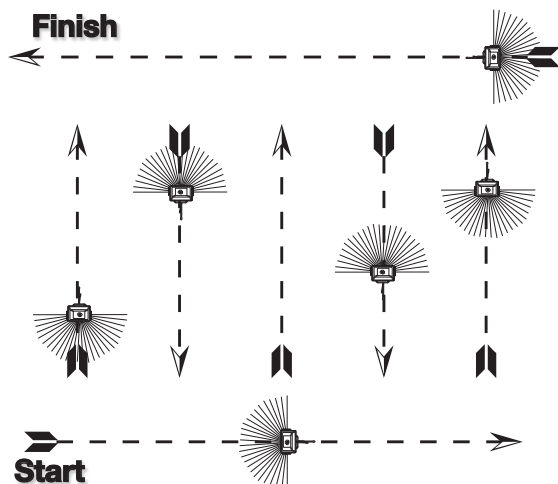
### OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling hopper, become familiar with the operation of this spreader.

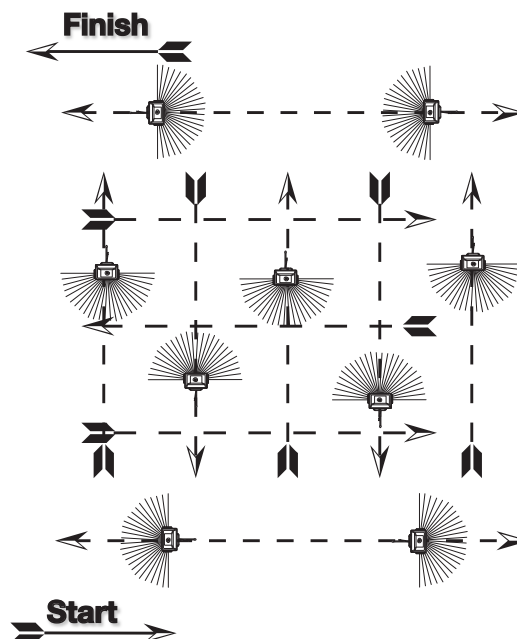
1. Obtain proper setting for material to be used from the RATE SETTING CHART included with this spreader.
2. Move stop bolt on rate gauge assembly to the proper setting.
3. While pushing spreader forward, pull control lever back to stop bolt.
4. To stop, push lever forward to close flow holes before you stop moving.
5. When finished, empty any remaining material from hopper.
6. Thoroughly wash spreader and allow to dry before storing. Light oiling can prevent corrosion.

The settings furnished on the Rate Setting Matrix are intended as a guide only. Variations in physical characteristics of material applied, towing speed, and roughness of ground surface may require slightly different spreader settings. Due to the above conditions, the manufacturer makes no warranty as to the uniformity of coverage actually obtained from the settings listed.

## Full Rate Path



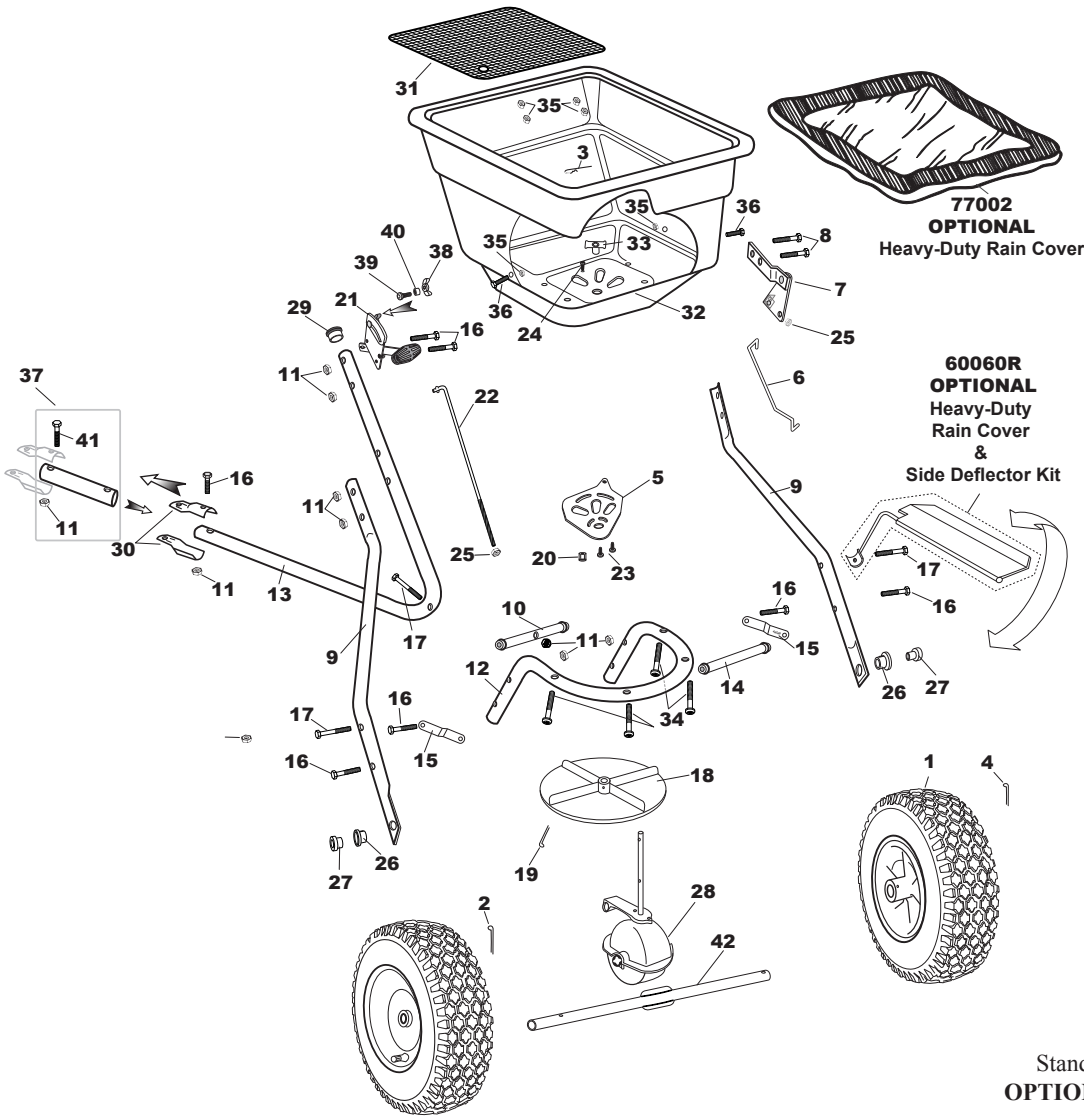
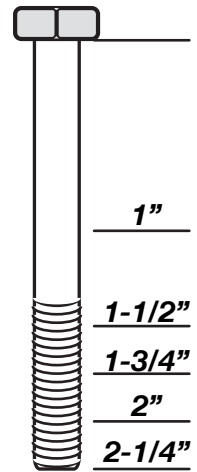
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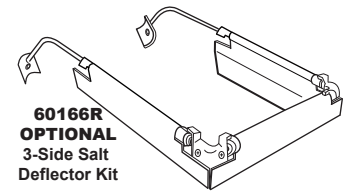
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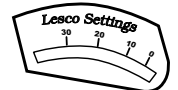


**77002**  
**OPTIONAL**  
Heavy-Duty Rain Cover

**60060R**  
**OPTIONAL**  
Heavy-Duty Rain Cover  
&  
Side Deflector Kit



**60166R**  
**OPTIONAL**  
3-Side Salt  
Deflector Kit



Standard Settings Gauge Overlay #12196 and  
**OPTIONAL** Lesco Settings Gauge Overlay #12195

You can find replacement nuts & bolts at your local hardware store.

**2170T Broadcast Tow Spreader ~ Parts List**

Key #	Part #	Description	Key #	Part #	Description
1	70138	PNEUMATIC DRIVE WHEEL STUD	22	42263	CONTROL ROD
2	33109	3/16" X 2" COTTER PIN ZINC	23	31138	#8 X 3/8" PMT #8 HD COARSE BLACK
3	33117	AGITATOR	24	36208	#6 X 3/8" TYPE 25 PHPS S.S.
4	33108	3/16" X 1" COTTER PIN ZINC	25	32100	1/4-20 HEX NUT ZINC
5	12317	SHUT OFF PLATE	26	12148	AXLE BEARING
6	44251	PIVOT ROD	27	12152	AXLE BUSHING
7	60300	PIVOT & BRACKET ASSEMBLY	28	60331	GEAR BOX
8	31120	1/4-20 X 2" HHCS ZINC	29	19113	1.0" OD HOLE PLUG BLACK
9	25207	LOWER HANDLE	30	44215	HITCH PLATE (PULL)
10	22601	UPPER CROSS BRACE	31	40003	SQUARE SCREEN
11	32103	1/4-20 NYLON INS LOCKNUT ZINC	32	60335	HOPPER ASSEMBLY
12	25108	FRAME	33	12209	HOPPER BUSHING
13	25603	CONTROL SUPPORT	34	36214	1/4-20 X 1 1/2" PHPMS S.S.
14	25228	CROSS BRACE 11.25"	35	36300	1/4-20 NYLON INSERT LOCKNUT S.S.
15	44249	FRAME BRACE (2150/2170)	36	36210	1/4-20 X 1" HHMS S.S.
16	31100	1/4-20 X 1 1/2 HHMS ZINC	37	77051	HITCH EXTENSION KIT includes (1 each) #41, 11, and 25703
17	31106	1/4-20 X 2 1/4" HHCS ZINC	38	60027	WING NUT ASSEMBLY BLACK
18	12109	IMPELLER (9" DIA)	39	37100	1/4-20 X 1" CARRIAGE BOLT ZINC
19	36105	1/8" X 1 1/4" COTTER PIN S.S.	40	12147	SPACER (PIVOT LINK)
20	11927	SHUTOFF SUPPORT- LARGE	41	31114	1/4-20 X 1 3/4" HHCS ZINC
21	60298	GAUGE & LEVER ASSEMBLY	42	24500	AXLE

# Broadcast Setting Matrix

## EV-N-SPRED® Calibration Techniques

### How to ensure your spreader is properly calibrated

Make sure the drop holes in the bottom of the hopper are fully open when the Rate Control handle is on #30. If not, please adjust control cable or control rod to allow for a full open hopper position at #30.

#### Rod Type Adjustment

1. Open the shut-off so that the drop holes are completely open as illustrated to the right.
2. Review the Control Lever position - if it is set so that the forward edge is at #30, you are calibrated. If not, you need to adjust the control rod at the pivot bracket shown in Fig 1.
  - A. If your shut-off is not able to open fully as in step #1. Loosen the top nut a few turns, then loosen the lower nut so that it allows you to push the shut-off open fully. Next tighten each nut so that they contact the pivot bracket without moving it, and then carefully tighten each nut fully so they do not loosen during use. Recheck adjustment as outlined in #1 above.
  - B. If your shut-off is able to open fully as in step #1, but the Control Lever is not at #30. Loosen the top nut a few turns, then loosen the lower nut so that it allows you to push the Control Lever to #30. Next tighten each nut so that they contact the pivot bracket without moving it. Carefully tighten each nut fully so they do not loosen during use. Recheck adjust as outlined in #1 above.

#### Cable Type Adjustment

1. Open the Control Lever so that the shut-off and drop holes are completely open as illustrated above right.
2. Review the Control Lever position so that the indicator is pointed to #30, if it is your calibration is correct. If not you need to adjust the control cable at the cable clamp on the underside of the hopper as shown in Fig 2.
  - A. If your shut-off is not able to open fully as in step #1. Loosen the cable clamp screw slightly so that you can slide the outer cable out so that the shut-off is fully open. Next tighten the cable clamp screw securely. Recheck adjustment as outlined in #1 above.
  - B. If your shut-off is able to open fully as in step #1, but the Control Lever is not at #30. Loosen the cable clamp screw slightly so that you can slide the outer cable in so that the Control Lever opens to #30. Next tighten the cable clamp screw securely. Recheck adjustment as outlined in #1 above.

If you have any questions regarding the operation or assembly of your spreader please call us at 800-294-0671 or 574-848-7491 Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm Eastern. **Accessories and Repair Parts** are also available at these numbers, or online at [www.earthway.com/parts](http://www.earthway.com/parts)

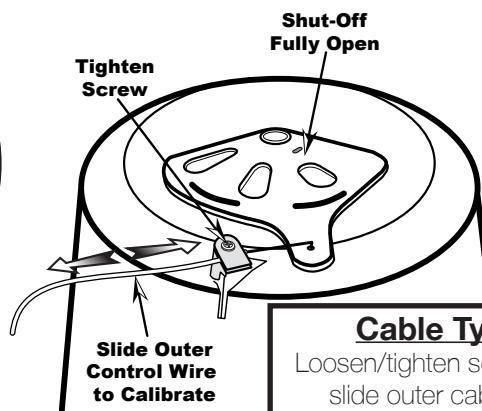
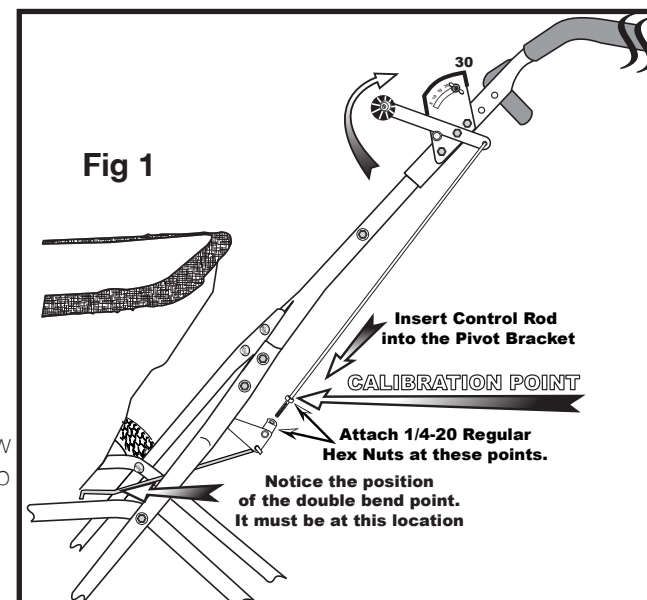
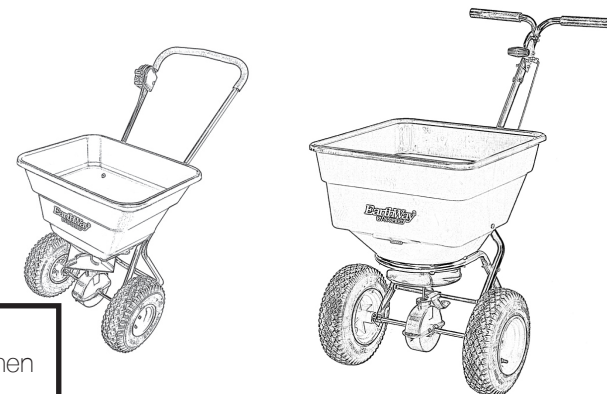


Fig 2

**Cable Type Adjustment**  
Loosen/tighten screw on cable clamp then slide outer cable in/out for calibration



## ESTABLISHING A SETTING RATE

**Step 1:** Use **Chart 1** to estimate the number of LBS/1,000 square feet of coverage  
(Example: 20 LB. bag with 10,000 square foot coverage = 2.0 LBS/1,000 square feet)

**Step 2:** Find the closest LBS/1,000 square feet in **Chart 2** that you estimated using **Chart 1** (Example: 2.0 LBS/1,000 square feet = Spreader Setting of 13)

**Step 3:** Determine the Spread Width by evaluating the particle or seed size in **Chart 3** to determine the Spread Width between Spread Paths

## METRIC RATE SETTING




### Determining a Setting Rate



Use chart below to determine the **Setting Rate** based on **Grams/Square Meter** of coverage as directed on the bag.

**All spread widths are determined by particle size and weight.**

CHART 1		BAG COVERAGE IN SQUARE FEET		
		5,000	10,000	15,000
		LBS/1,000 SQ FT		
B A G  W E I G H T	5 LBS.	1.0	0.5	0.3
	10 LBS.	2.0	1.0	0.7
	15 LBS.	3.0	1.5	1.0
	18 LBS.	3.6	1.8	1.2
	20 LBS.	4.0	2.0	1.3
	25 LBS.	5.0	2.5	1.7
	30 LBS.	6.0	3.0	2.0
	35 LBS.	7.0	3.5	2.3
	40 LBS.	8.0	4.0	2.7
	45 LBS.	9.0	4.5	3.0
50 LBS.	10.0	5.0	3.3	

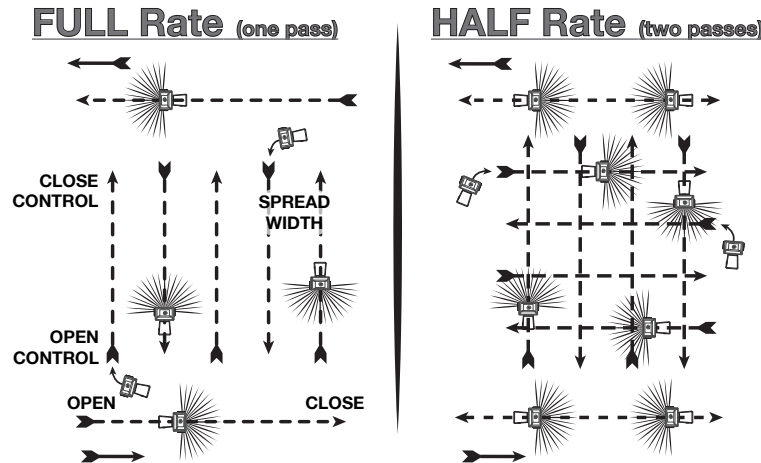
CHART 2		
GRAMS/SQ METER	LBS./1,000 SQ FT	SPREADER SETTING
5 Grams	1.0 LBS.	11
10 Grams	2.0 LBS.	13
15 Grams	3.0 LBS.	14
20 Grams	4.0 LBS.	16
25 Grams	5.0 LBS.	17
30 Grams	6.0 LBS.	18
35 Grams	7.0 LBS.	19
40 Grams	8.0 LBS.	20
45 Grams	9.0 LBS.	22
50 Grams	10.0 LBS.	23

CHART 3			
SPREAD WIDTHS FOR DIFFERENT PARTICLE SIZES			
Particle Size	English	Metric	
 Small/Fine (Sand)	5-7ft.	1.5-2.1m	
 Medium (Half BB)	7-9ft.	2.1-2.7m	
 Large (Full BB)	9-12ft.	2.7-3.7m	

SPREAD WIDTH FOR DIFFERENT SIZE GRASS SEED			
Seed Size	English	Metric	
Fine 	5-7ft.	1.5-2.1m	
Coarse 	7-10ft.	2.1-3.1m	



## SPREAD PATH



**Maintain a consistent walking speed of 2-3mph or the application rate will change.**

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