

# **OPERATOR'S MANUAL**

## **RETRACTABLE AIR HOSE REELS – STANDARD DUTY**

**PROD NO. 391723, 391728**



Prod. No.	Mod. No.	Description	Capacity	PSI Max. Pressure
391723	A3850	Air	3/8" x 50'	300
391728	A1250	Air	1/2" x 50'	300

## WARNING

Read the following precautions and instructions before you begin assembly or using. Failure to comply with these instructions could result in personal injury or property damage. Keep these instructions in a convenient location for future reference.

## Hose Reel Safety Precautions

1. Make sure incoming line pressure does not exceed rated operating pressure for your model hose reel.
2. Use proper eye protection when assembling and using the hose reel.
3. Assemble the hose reel on a clean workbench.
4. Use soap and water when checking for leaks.
5. Keep children away from the work area.
6. Exposure of skin directly to pressurized air, or fluid could result in severe bodily injury.

## Installation of Reel

**Note:** Mounting hardware is not included and must be purchased separately. Decide first where reel will be mounted before purchasing hardware. Different mounting positions require different types of hardware. Reel can be mounted on the floor, ceiling, or wall, wherever it is convenient. When choosing a location, remember that you can only mount reel to a load-bearing structural member capable of supporting combined weight of reel, hose, and forces caused by pulling or maneuvering hose. Generally, mounting reel near air compressor is best since you can connect the two with a shorter, less expensive length of hose. Also, air compressor controls will be nearby for convenient adjusting. Once you have located a mounting spot, consult the "Typical Mounting Positions" *Figure 1*

If necessary, adjust guide arm position to match diagram.

For overhead ceiling mounting: Install reels at least 10 feet above the floor.

1. The reel base has four 1/2" (or 12.7 mm) drilled holes for mounting on a suitable flat surface. *Figure 2* is a template showing the correct location of the 4 mounting holes in the base.
2. The reel is supplied with a hose guide roller bracket. The bracket position may be changed depending on the reel mounting position. *Figure 1* shows "Typical Mounting Positions." If bracket position needs to be changed, do the following:
  - (a) Pull out some hose and let reel latch.
  - (b) Remove the bolts that attach the guide roller bracket to the support post.
  - (c) Rotate guide roller bracket to correct position, replace bolts and tighten.
3. Using the four holes in the base, mount the reel in the desired location. Be sure to use appropriate hardware and tighten securely.
4. Apply Teflon tape or pipe sealant to supply line threads, attach to reel inlet and tighten. The other end of incoming line can now be connected to desired supply source.
5. If hose has been supplied with reel: Apply Teflon tape or pipe sealant to outlet fitting on reel hose, then attach to desired tool, or nozzle.
6. Check connection for leakage, also check hose reel for correct operation. (Refer to Operation Section.)

7. If hose stopper adjustment is required, pull hose from reel and allow to latch at desired length. Loosen stopper bolts and slide stopper to a position close to the hose guide. Tighten stopper bolts, and unlatch the reel.

## Installation of Hose

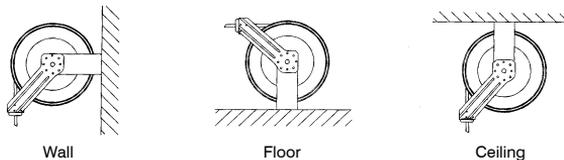
1. Securely stabilize the reel.
2. Facing the swivel fitting side of reel: Turn the drum clockwise by hand, until the rewind spring is tight, and drum has latched. As an extra precaution while installing new hose, secure drum in the latched position.
3. Insert end of the hose through guide roller bracket, and feed through opening in the drum flange.
4. Use Teflon tape or pipe sealant on hose fitting threads, screw fitting into swivel and tighten.
 

**Note:** To avoid damage to the swivel, use a wrench to support the swivel fitting while tightening the hose.
5. Attach hose stopper on the other end of hose, near the outlet fitting.
6. Carefully release drum latch, and slowly allow hose to wind onto the reel.

**Note:** Final spring tension adjustment is accomplished by adding wraps of hose around the drum (to increase tension) or taking off wraps of hose (to decrease tension).

**Refer to: Adjustment of Spring Tension.**

**FIGURE 1**



## Operation

1. Check reel for correct operation by slowly pulling out the hose. A “clicking” noise will be heard every half revolution of the drum.
2. To latch the reel, pull out the hose and allow it to retract after hearing the first, second or third “click”
3. To unlatch, slowly pull out the hose until the “clicking” noise stops, then let the hose retract until the hose stop rests against the hose guide.
 

**Note:** To avoid damage to the reel, always hold on to the hose while it is rewinding.
4. Periodically check the hose condition for wear or damage, and check the swivel fitting for leakage. Replace any worn, damaged, or leaking parts.

## Adjustment of Spring Tension

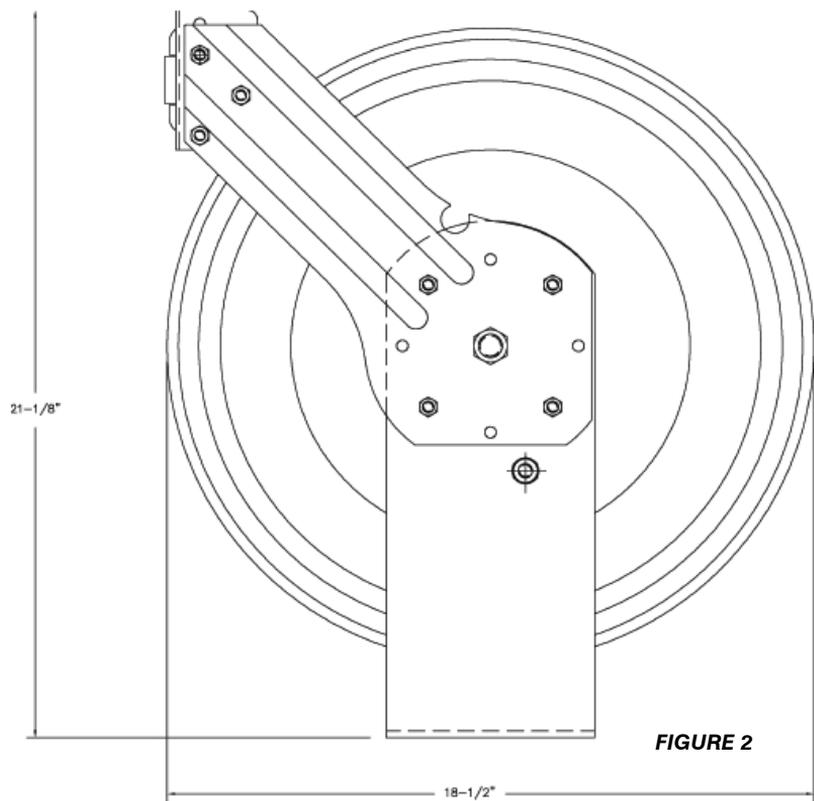
1. Pull out approximately 6ft or 2m of hose and allow the drum to latch.
2. Remove hose stopper from hose, and feed hose back through guide.
3. Wrap the pulled hose one time around the drum to increase tension or unwrap hose one time from drum to decrease tension.
4. Re-insert hose through guide: and install stopper onto hose end.
5. Unlatch the drum and check tension. Pull hose from reel and adjust stopper position if necessary.

## Replacement of Swivel Seal

1. Turn off and disconnect supply line from swivel inlet.
2. Remove swivel assembly from reel axle.
3. Remove circlip from swivel, and take apart.  
**Note:** You may want to remove swivel from reel hose end, but this is not necessary unless a new swivel is being installed.
4. Replace the seals and reassemble swivel.
5. Use Teflon tape or thread sealant on swivel thread fitting, reconnect the swivel thread fitting with axle.
6. Re-connect inlet supply line.

## Replacement of Hose

1. Turn off supply to reel.
2. Pull out all the old hose and lock the reel in this position.  
**Caution:** Make sure reel drum is securely locked and cannot rotate back.
3. Remove two hose clamps from hose.
4. Carefully disconnect hose from swivel joint on side of reel and remove old hose.
5. Feed hose through guide and opening in drum, and connect to swivel.  
Re-install two hose clamps, on inside and outside of drum flange.  
Install stopper on other end of hose in the same position as before.
6. Carefully release the drum latch, and slowly allow the hose to wind onto the reel.  
**Note:** Final spring adjustment is accomplished by adding or removing wraps of hose around the drum. (Refer to Spring Tension Adjustment)



**FIGURE 2**

