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Keeping your lifter in operating condition requires daily inspections and weekly maintenance. Ignoring the cart lift can lead to serious safety issues and lost revenue.

It is a lifting device and subject to OSHA rules and it is the owner's responsibility to ensure that equipment is maintained and in good condition, see 5-01 and 5-02 in your operation manual that was supplied with your truck.

In the maintenance schedule the cart lift is to be inspected daily, slides lubricated weekly and the chain inspected and lubricated every 3 months. As the truck gets older the cart slides wear down, the lower sprocket bearing starts to wear, the chain stretches and corrodes and may get tight areas in the links. The first indicator that it is time to do repairs on your lift is the lower chain sprocket bearing fails and the gear comes off the bearings. The lower sprocket is a fairly quick and easy replacement and is a great time to have a good look at the chain.

On page 3-20 in your operation manual are the instructions on how to inspect chain tension and make the required adjustments. If your chain is heavily corroded and some of the links look like they are kinked it will be time for a chain replacement. If the chain breaks while the truck is out on the road the carriage assembly will drop to the ground and will require some temporary remedies to get the truck back to your service repair facility. This will put the truck out of service possibly for a few days until it can get repaired. It is a lot easier and cost effective to schedule your truck in for a chain replacement when you have all the parts required and your service shop has time scheduled to do the repair.

Chain replacement is a big job if you want to do it properly, you will need new chain, chain anchor, master links and a new lower sprocket assembly. We recommend that you use Tsubaki chain as that is what your truck was built with and it is one of the best manufacturers of chain worldwide. Alpine Shredders has put together a chain service kit which includes all the parts needed to put your cart lift back into service quickly with the right parts.

The carriage (gripper assembly) is subject to a lot of wear & tear and on the older units it is difficult and costly to keep it repaired. Fortunately Alpine Shredders current carriage assembly is backwards compatible, so most of our older units can easily be converted to the current carriage assembly. Our new carriage can easily be bolted onto an older lift in a few hours along with replacing with chain and related components this will bring your lifting device to safe operating conditions.

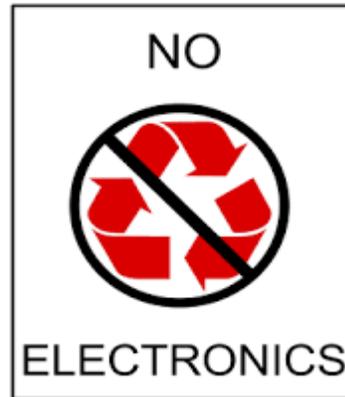
Another upgrade you can do to your older lift assembly is install the new style park pin. This design is used on our current trucks prevents the lift from creeping down over time. The pin is mounted to the lift tunnel door, when closed it is engaged into the lift post and prevents the carriage from coming down. It is a great safety feature and reduces the possibility of the door getting damaged.

We have worked out parts packages and pricing for all of the above and willing to answer any questions you might have.

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We have all had an interesting 2020 so far. Hopefully you, your employees, co-workers and families have stayed healthy during these trying times. Every business manager and owner I've talked with have a different story to tell but the underlying tone is this industry is strong and will continue to thrive as we move forward.

Our success at Alpine is knowing who we are and staying true to our core principals of durable and reliable equipment with maximum efficiency. Alpine original designs have been copied by most every other mobile shredding manufacturer because they work as we continue to produce "simple, solid and reliable" into every product. Our new **VMAX analog** is a prime example of this simple, solid and reliable. Eliminating the computer PLC systems enables any shop to work on Alpine equipment while maintaining maximum shredding capabilities. This also eliminates software & hardware that will become out of date and unsupported with every computer programmed logic control found in our competitors' products. The real world 12,000 lbs./hr. throughput and near 13,000 lbs. payload on this model is a good reason why it is our #1 selling model in 2020. If your business is purge heavy or very high stops/dense routes, then the VMAX could be the right tool for you!

We also have some new faces here at Alpine. Donna Duggan is responsible for keeping our accounting in order and she has a strong background in business. It is great to have her positive attitude and makes our days easier in the office. Also Drew Wakutz (yes, my son) has come aboard to assist with sales/marketing and logistics. Drew has sales/business experience and will be a big asset as we move forward. Please welcome both Donna and Drew to the Alpine Team and as always feel free to call any of us if we can ever help.

Stay safe and healthy and happy shredding!
Guy Wakutz – Sale Manager

IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDER

Since all shred trucks are equipped with a cart lift, a lifting device safety program must be implemented within your organization to comply with OSHA lifting device requirements. A lifting device safety program is the responsibility of the employer, all workplaces that operate lifting devices, may expose workers and pedestrians to potentially serious physical hazards.

Refer to your "CART LIFT SAFETY PROGRAM GUIDE" for more details. If you can not locate your program guide please contact us for a free replacement. Since all shred trucks are equipped with a cart lift, a lifting device safety program must be implemented within your organization to comply with OSHA lifting device requirements. A lifting device safety program is the responsibility of the employer, all workplaces that operate lifting devices, may expose workers and pedestrians to potentially serious physical hazards.

PRODUCT DESTRUCTION

In a response to customer requests for Small Product Destruction (SPD) we have developed and tested an attachment for the 395H Hard Drive Shredder. Target products for shredding include: Solid State Drives, Flash Drives, Cell Phones, Credit Cards, Tapes, CD's, Casino Products etc.

Hard Drive Shredders ordered after March 2020 are available with the SPD attachment option. The new SPD has a cutting chamber that is 4 ½" long x 1 ¾" wide. The cutters are 3/8" wide with minimized hook height, producing a small shred size. The SPD is loaded by hand through the same opening as the Hard Drive Shredder and the shredded product is captured in the same catch bin as the Hard Drive Shredder.

The link below is a short video of our Hard Drive Shredder with the SPD attachment. For more details on the SPD please contact us at 1-866-246-5634



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JlwJcIpTMAU&t=14s>

IMPORTANT SEASONAL REMINDER

If your Alpine truck is equipped with a cooler bypass valve don't forget to **"OPEN IT FOR WINTER"**



WINTER — IN LINE WITH HOSE



SUMMER — 90 DEG TO HOSE