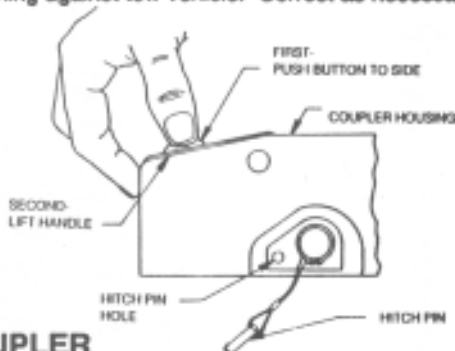


COUPLER OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Coupler is rated for 5,000 pounds maximum gross trailer weight and 750 pounds maximum tongue load. Minimum tongue load should be 5%-10% of gross trailer weight.

TO OPEN COUPLER

Remove hitch pin from hole in the side of the coupler. Push button on top of handle to the side. While holding button to the side, raise handle by lifting front with two fingers. The coupler should unlatch easily. If not, the ball may be oversized or eggshaped, foreign matter could be lodged in coupler ball socket, or there is excessive upward or forward force on the coupler with respect to tow vehicle. Examples include tongue jack forcing front of trailer up or trailer pushing against tow vehicle. Correct as necessary.



TO CLOSE COUPLER

Place coupler over the ball, lower coupler and close handle. You will hear a distinct "click". Handle should close with finger pressure. If handle will not close freely, ball is not fully inserted into socket, is oversized or eggshaped. **DO NOT FORCE HANDLE.** As a unique safety feature, the coupler latch should not close unless the ball is properly seated into the coupler socket. If necessary, replace ball with a quality unit that meets SAE specifications. Insert hitch pin into side hole of coupler before towing.

Check before towing to see if coupler is locked by lifting up on latch handle without pushing button to side. If handle opens, latch mechanism has been damaged. **DO NOT TOW TRAILER.** Contact factory for replacement parts. **DO NOT** move trailer if latch handle will not remain closed or with the handle open. Failure to follow these instructions could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

COUPLER CHECK PROCEDURE

To make certain the coupler is securely latched onto the ball, take a moment, look under the coupler and make a visual check. An alternate check is to extend the trailer tongue jack to the ground and lift the tow vehicle and trailer combination 2" to 4". If the ball does not disengage, the coupler is securely attached. If ball does disengage, reset ball in coupler and recheck.



WARNING

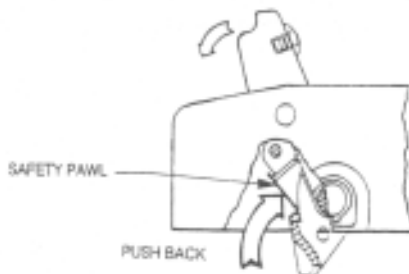
If ball disengages from coupler, or latch opens without pushing button first,
DO NOT TOW TRAILER - CONTACT FACTORY.



WARNING

It is mandatory to install either the hitch pin (supplied) or a padlock (1/4" or 5/16" shank) into the coupler side hole before towing. This will prevent any accidental opening of the coupler latch. If latch inadvertently opens, the trailer could jump off the hitch ball. Serious bodily injury and/or equipment damage could occur. Hitch pin should fit easily into hole. If not, coupler latch is not completely closed. If hitch pin is damaged or lost, contact UFP for a free replacement.

To close handle without ball, if necessary for storage, first push back safety pawl inside coupler and then slowly close handle.



CHECKS BEFORE TOWING

The tow vehicle hitch ball must have a rating equal to or greater than the trailer GVWR. The trailer coupler will only accept 2" diameter balls. Make certain a 2" diameter ball of the correct load rating is used. Balls must be within the limits of 1.970" - 2.000" diameter when measured in all directions. Balls larger than 2.000" or out of round will not fit the coupler socket. Balls smaller than 1.970" can cause shock loading and a sudden disconnection could result. Hitch balls may be purchased from your dealer.

For proper tow vehicle and trailer hookup and towing performance, the tow vehicle and trailer are to be level with respect to the ground after hitching up. If your trailer is not level, products are available to raise or lower the hitch ball. A weight equalizing hitch or load support suspension equipment may also be required to keep the tow vehicle level and to properly load each axle.

The hitch on the tow vehicle must be of the proper load rating and in sound condition. If hitch is of the receiver type, make certain receiver pull pin is in place and safety pin is installed.

Two safety chains **must** be used and the strength rating of **each** length of safety chain shall be equal in minimum break test load to the gross weight of the trailer including its load.

Make sure that your safety chains are properly attached to the frame of the trailer and to the hitch or tow vehicle frame. Safety chains fastened directly to mounting bolts, the hitch ball or to the bumper are not acceptable and will not pass vehicle inspections. Connect safety chains using a crossed pattern under the tongue.

PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

Check for wear on hitch ball. Ball diameter must be in the range of 1.970" - 2.000" when measured in all directions. If ball is worn, it is **UNSAFE** and must be replaced. It could cause improper performance, separation of ball and coupler, or noisy and jerky operation.

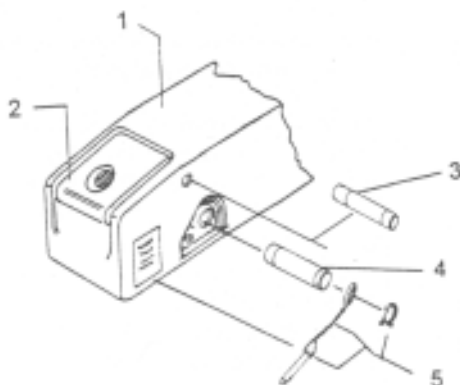
If coupler is bolted to trailer tongue, check mounting bolts for tightness after first 100 miles and at least annually thereafter. Tighten nuts to 60-70 foot pounds torque.

A film of grease on hitch ball will extend ball and coupler life and eliminate squeaking.

Lubricate all links and pivot points of coupler at least annually to minimize rusting.

Rinse off coupler after trailer immersion in salt water.

PARTS LIST



If you have questions or require any replacement parts, please contact our customer service department at 619-744-1610.

ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
1	*	Coupler Housing	1
2	34055	Latch/Ball Lock Assembly	1
3	34078	Latch Support Pin	1
4	34077	Ball Lock Pivot Pin	1
5	34545	Hitch Pin Kit	1
*	34142	Latch Replacement Kit (Includes Items 2-4 above with retaining rings and clips)	1

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CS-50 and CA-50 COUPLERS**

The coupler is guaranteed against defects in materials and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of two years after the date of trailer purchase by the first owner.

Limitations of Coverage

This warranty does not cover:

Normal wear and tear, including corrosion.

Damage caused by accidents, overload, abuse, modification or improper use of product.

This warranty is limited to defective parts replacement only. Charges for installing replacement parts, damage incurred to other equipment as well as incidental or consequential damages connected therewith are excluded.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

Repair or Replacement Procedure

If a failure or defect occurs during the warranty period, promptly contact Warrantor's (UFP) customer service department. Until such notice is received, Warrantor will not be responsible for any repair or replacement costs. UFP, at its option, may require return of the component in question to the factory, transportation charges prepaid. UFP will replace, FREE OF CHARGE, either the entire coupler assembly or the part that proves defective, at its option. Any part found not to be defective will be returned freight collect with an explanation.

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)

The VIN is a 17 digit number located on the trailer identification label. The label is located on the left side of the trailer. Be sure to include the VIN number in all communications with Warrantor.

Purchaser's Rights

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Product Improvement

UFP has a policy of continuous product improvement. We reserve the right to change or improve the design of our products without assuming an obligation to modify any product previously manufactured.