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INTRODUCTION

CINCINNATI AUTOFORM®

The AUTOFORM is a hydraulically driven, servo-controlled press brake. Linear encoders constantly monitor the bed-to-ram position, feeding this information to the Control. The Control is a self-contained industrial PC with integrated LCD touchscreen display, keyboard and pointing device, floppy disk drive, CD-ROM drive, Operator Control keyswitch and main drive START/STOP buttons. The program controls the vertical movement of the ram and movement of the backgage. After a program is entered, either the machine can be run or the program stored in internal memory. The AUTOFORM PC Control allows an individual job to be quickly set-up and run as well as complicated, multi-bend parts or long run jobs. After a program is run, the program and related setup information can be saved for future use.

PART QUALITY

The following factors affect part quality:

♦ Press Brake condition and repeatability
♦ Operator ability
♦ Condition of tooling
♦ Quality of material.

CINCINNATI machines are designed to be rugged and durable. However, improper adjustment or lack of maintenance can reduce the quality of parts produced on that machine. These factors may also affect the repeatability of the machine. A machine that will not consistently reverse at the same point or will drift out-of-level will not produce uniform parts.

Operator ability obviously affects part quality and production rate. CINCINNATI INCORPORATED provides many design features in the machine and optional accessories to aid even the most inexperienced operator to produce consistent parts. The operator or setup person must select the best tooling from those available. The type of gaging, material supports or other special equipment will affect how the part is produced. Selecting the proper bend sequence is important to obtain quality parts and for operator safety. CINCINNATI offers both Operator and Maintenance training programs at our factory to address these problems. This training may cover subjects from the basics of forming to the use of the machine’s computer controls.

Worn, damaged or poor quality dies or filler blocks can directly affect part quality. Using good tooling, selecting the correct tooling for the job and setting them up properly can produce good part quality.

Quality of material can affect angular tolerances of the bend. This is due to normal material thickness variations found in commercial steels as well as hard and soft spots in the metal. Using a good grade of material and the proper tooling setup will minimize the variations.
1. LOCATION OF PRESENCE SENSING GUARD
   MUTE ON-OFF LIGHTS (Optional)
2. RAM
3. RIGHT HOUSING
4. RIGHT CYLINDER
5. COUNTERBALANCE VALVES (2)
6. AUTOFORM PC CONTROL
7. CAPACITY PLATE
8. DIE CLAMPS (Standard American Ram Nose)
9. PENDANT ARM
10. PEDESTAL-MOUNTED PALMBUTTON STATION
11. FOOTSWITCH
12. BED
13. BED SHOE (2)
14. OPERATION / MAINTENANCE MANUAL POCKET
15. LEFT CYLINDER
16. LEFT HOUSING
17. LIFTING HOLES (Front Holes Only)

FIGURE 1-1  Front View
1. HOUSING BRACE (2)  
2. DRIVE MOTOR AND PUMP  
3. AIR-COOLED HEAT EXCHANGER  
4. OIL SIGHT GAGE AND THERMOMETER  
5. MAIN DISCONNECT SWITCH  
6. MAIN HYDRAULIC MANIFOLD  
7. HYDRAULIC RESERVOIR  
8. LEVELING SCREW (4)  
9. RESERVOIR DRAIN VALVE  
10. CNC SX BACKGAGE  
11. TILT LIMIT SWITCH  
12. ELECTRICAL ENCLOSURE

FIGURE 1-2  Rear View
SECTION 2 INSTALLATION

UNLOADING

After receiving your 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake, carefully remove the contents of the one or more boxes shipped with the machine. All of the machine’s optional accessories and small parts are in these boxes, such as wrenches and leveling shims. Check all of these parts with the packing list. Claims for shortages should be made within ten days.

Remove all shipping paper from the wrapped parts of the machine. Leave the shipping blocking attached to the machine until it has been moved to its final location.

LOADING AND MOVING

The machine can be handled by a crane or fork truck of sufficient capacity with chains or cables of adequate size (refer to American National Standards Institute B30.9). Shipping weight of the machine is listed on the Bill of Lading for the shipment. Check this weight carefully before lifting or handling. Use chains or cables adjusted to the proper length for even lifting. The chains or cables should be long enough to minimize the side loading on the housings. If short cables are used, fit a spreader beam between the housings near the lifting holes. A typical hitch is shown in Figure 2-1.

If your crane does not have sufficient capacity, or no crane is available, rig the machine into final location. CINCINNATI INCORPORATED recommends that professional riggers be employed to handle the machine. This is to guard against injury to personnel and prevent damage to the machine. If jacks are used to lower the machine over pre-installed foundation bolts, care should be taken to prevent twisting of the machine.

FOUNDATION

A 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake must be provided with a rigid foundation to ensure that alignment of the housings and cross framing members is maintained. The foundation must support the weight of the machine without cracking or settling out-of-level.

For details of the foundation recommended for your machine, refer to the Foundation Plan drawing. It is advisable, particularly in localities where unusual soil conditions may exist, to have your Foundation Plan approved by a local registered civil engineer.
As a final check before locating the 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake on the foundation, see that the anchor bolts in your foundation match the bolt hole spacing in the housing feet, if installed before machine is moved to its final location.

**ERECTION**

Open the shim packages shipped with the machine. Check that the foundation is level and flat in the areas the foot bars of the 60 AUTOFORM will be located (a transit is recommended for this). This includes level with respect to one another. If not, start by placing shims at the locations noted on the Foundation Plan so the top surfaces are about level with one another. Place a 1/8” (3.2mm) thick shim at the front anchor locations to deliberately make the front of machine high. It is easier to raise the rear of the machine to obtain final leveling when the AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake is in position.

Unless anchor bolts have been pre-installed, continue as follows. Keeping note of which shims go where, set the shims aside. Place the 60 AUTOFORM in location. Secure the machine against possible tipping if hit by a fork truck, crane, etc. Using anchor bolt clearance holes to locate, drill and install anchoring system as noted on the Foundation Plan. Making sure to first clean away all concrete dust, raise machine enough to safely place shims back in place.

With the machine placed on the foundation, secure against tipping using a block and tackle. Run one from the housing lifting hole to the rear of the machine and secure to a solid anchor in the building. Run another block and tackle from the other housing lifting hole to the front and secure. Temporarily bolt the machine in place on the foundation. Remove the block and tackle used to secure machine against tipping. Move shipping blocks from bed and ram.

See the following chart for foundation nut seating torques.

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<td>BED BOLT</td>
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* Minimum. If 3/4”-10 Ramset / Redhead anchors supplied by CINCINNATI INCORPORATED are used, torque to 175 ft-lbs. (237 Nm).

**CLEANING**

Thoroughly clean protective grease from all other parts of the machine. Remove the grease with a rag saturated in cleaning solvent (mineral spirits) and wipe with clean rags. A stiff brush will get into the corners. Do not use an air hose. The pressure could drive grit and dirt into bearing surfaces. After cleaning the machine thoroughly, wipe dry. Make sure no dirt or grit is left, lightly oil the bed and ram finished surfaces. Periodic cleaning of the machine after installation is recommended.

**LEVELING**

60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake is leveled by placing flat steel shims (supplied with machine) of proper thickness under the housing foot bars as required. Use a precision level – not a carpenter’s or machinist’s level. Always wipe the level and bed surface clean and remove burrs before positioning the level.

The machine can be raised or lowered by using leveling screws in the housing foot bars. The foundation bolt nuts must be loosened, not removed, before jacking the machine. Before checking the level of the machine, the leveling screws must be free from load and foundation bolt nuts must be securely tightened to the previously specified torque.

Start leveling by checking the setting of machine lengthwise. Place level in the center of bed parallel to edges of the bed. Level the machine lengthwise by placing the required metal shim under the low housing foot bar, both front and back. Lower the machine and recheck level. Repeat until machine is level lengthwise.

Level the AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake front-to-back with level crosswise on the bed as shown in Figure 2-2. Check first with the level at the right end of the machine and then at the left end. Add or remove shims at the front or back anchor locations as required. Level readings on both ends of bed must be alike within .001” (.025mm). Recheck lengthwise level and repeat above procedure until machine is level in all directions.
FIGURE 2-2 Leveling the machine

Check the ram guide and slide alignment to make sure there is no twist in the machine. This is done by loosening the ram clamp bolts until the ram hangs free of the guides. Measure with a feeler gage the clearance between the ram slide liner and the ram guide at the top and bottom. See Figure 2-3. Measure at both left and right guide. The top measurement is always given a plus (+) value and the bottom is always given a minus (-) value.

EXAMPLE #1:

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<tr>
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<td>+.005&quot; (.127mm)</td>
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<td>At bottom</td>
<td>-.015&quot; (.381mm)</td>
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<td>Then total</td>
<td>-.010&quot; (.254mm)</td>
<td>+.020&quot; (.508mm)</td>
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Since the values are equal, the guides are in the same plane and there is no twist in the machine.

EXAMPLE #2:

The amount of clearance is not important. However, the difference between the clearance of the left and right guide/slide indicates the amount of misalignment. The maximum allowable difference is .004" (.102mm). In this example, the difference is .030" (.762mm), which indicates there is twist in the machine.

This condition is corrected by adding or removing shims under one of the housing foot bars at the rear anchor. In Example #2, the excessive clearance was at the right guide and slide. Since this measurement was positive, the clearance was at the top. To bring the alignment into tolerance, shims could be added under the right housing foot bar or removed from under the left housing foot bar at the rear anchor location. The alignment must be corrected even if it causes the bed to be out-of-level.

Retighten foundation bolt nuts securely. Recheck guide and slide alignment.

IMPORTANT: Before running the machine, properly lubricate slide liners with light hydraulic oil and tighten the guide clamp bolts to 60 ft.-lbs. (81.4Nm).

IMPORTANT: After loosening and tightening guide clamp bolts for ram guide and slide alignments, the linear transducers must be reset per “Ram Linear Transducer Adjustment” instructions in SECTION 9.

Alignment may not be permanent. Recheck level in a few weeks. Do not use any grouting around the machine.

HYDRAULIC RESERVOIR

The hydraulic reservoir is equipped with a drain valve. See Figure 1-2. Before starting machine, remove the pipe plug from the end of the valve, then crack this valve open. Water may have collected in the tank during shipment. If no water comes out, or when oil starts coming out, close the valve securely and re-install pipe plug. Repeat this check monthly.
LUBRICATION

1. Hydraulic Reservoir: Before starting machine check for proper fluid level at the oil sight gage. See Figure 1-2. Refer to SECTION 9 for details about proper fluid level.

2. Cylinder Clevis Pins: Lubricate while cycling ram under load, such as obtained with a bumping die. Lubricate once a month. Use a #2 lithium base grease with “moly” additive (C.I. grease H-2M). This must be done after electrical connections are made and the machine is running.

3. Ram Guides and Slide Liners: Wipe clean and flush with light hydraulic oil.

4. Gages: Clean and lubricate all exposed guide rails with a light coating of spray lubricant or #10 oil. The X and R-Axis ballscrews should also be lubricated with a light coating of spray lubricant or #10 oil. These ballscrews are easily accessed by removing the protective covers. Do not use grease on the ballscrews. See SECTION 9, MAINTENANCE & ADJUSTMENTS for more specific details.

ELECTRICAL CONNECTION

Suitable electrical leads must be brought to the machine as shown on Foundation Plan drawing. These leads are connected to the incoming side of electrical disconnect switch in the main electrical enclosure. Be certain that leads are the correct size and that proper voltage is fed to the machine. CINCINNATI INCORPORATED equipment requires that the incoming line supply at the machine does not vary more than plus or minus 10% from the nominal. Some installations may require additional line conditioning other than supplied with the machine controls. Contact CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Department for further information.

Machine must be connected to a good earth ground. A ground lug on the line side of the machine main disconnect is provided for this purpose. Refer to local and state codes for acceptable grounding methods.

Note: If a CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Representative is not present, call before proceeding any further or starting machine. Our Service Representative will complete all electrical connections and check motor rotation.
SECTION 3

SAFETY

SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PRESS BRAKE OPERATION

Press brakes manufactured by CINCINNATI INCORPORATED comply with the construction requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the National Safety Standards of the American National Standards Institute.

The 60 AUTOFORM is a hydraulic press brake with advanced microprocessor controls and an optional backgage. The press brake is a versatile and multi-purpose machine. We recommend evaluating each press brake operation in order to determine the method of point-of-operation safeguarding which best meets that operation. The press brake, tooling, piece part and method of feed and removal must be evaluated for each job before deciding on the safeguarding to be used. See CINCINNATI Safeguarding Bulletin PI-50686 for ideas on types of safeguarding available.

CINCINNATI INCORPORATED recommends that you read and understand the safeguarding, use and care requirements of the American National Standard for Press Brakes, ANSI B11.3. This is available from the American National Standards Institute, 11 West 42nd Street, New York, New York 10036 and is included with the complete machine manual.

For additional safety information we recommend:

♦ securing applicable safety data sheets from the National Safety Council, 1121 Spring Lake Drive, Itasca, Illinois 60143-3201,

♦ determining your responsibilities under your state and local safety codes,

♦ requesting assistance from the loss prevention department of your workmen’s compensation carrier.

Personnel responsible for your press brake operator training program, tooling setup, maintenance, and operations must read and understand this Operation, Safety and Maintenance manual. No one should set up, operate or maintain this press brake until they thoroughly understand it and know how to do their job safely. Read this manual in its entirety.

LOCKOUT / TAGOUT – POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS ENERGY

Lockout / Tagout is a term used to address practices and procedures that are necessary to disable machinery or equipment and to prevent the release of potentially hazardous energy while maintenance and servicing activities are being performed. These practices and procedures usually involve the devices on or near machinery or equipment that is used to turn the machinery completely off or drain down stored energy to a safe level. Some examples are a lockable electrical disconnect, which can shut down all electrical energy to a machine, or a lockable air valve that prevents shop air pressure from reaching the machines’ air cylinders. Examples of hazardous energy sources on machinery are rotating flywheels, springs being compressed or stretched, hydraulic pressure (accumulators), air pressure (tanks), and machine rams that are up in their stroke and unblocked.

Your employer will have a Lockout / Tagout Program that you will learn about while being trained to run and work around this and other machines in your shop. In general, Lockout / Tagout requirements do not apply to daily checks during normal production operations (i.e., lubrication, cleaning, minor adjustments or simple tooling changes) as long as measures are taken to provide effective protection to workers.

Reading the “OPERATION” section of this OPERATION, SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE Manual will tell you what devices were furnished with the machine to protect you and your fellow workers from uncontrolled releases of energy. You should also check with your supervisor to learn about any other equipment or machinery placed at or near your machine which you may come in contact with. Make sure you know where these energy sources and protective devices are and how to use them.

Follow the instructions given in this manual closely while installing or removing tooling from this AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake. Some energy sources cannot be completely shut down when this type of activity is being performed.
FOR SAFE OPERATION OF YOUR CINCINNATI PRESS BRAKE

KEEP CLEAR OF THE POINT-OF-OPERATION

The purpose of a press brake is to bend metal, and it is obvious that this same capacity will sever arms, hands, fingers or any other part of the body that is in the point-of-operation when the ram is activated.

During operation, all parts of your body must be completely clear of the work area. NEVER PLACE ANY PART OF YOUR BODY IN THE POINT-OF-OPERATION (Die area).

If operation by more than one person is required, operator controls must be furnished for each person. If foot controls are used, and your evaluation of that specific operation indicates safeguarding is necessary, provide the necessary safeguarding before any work is performed. (See ANSI B11.3 and CINCINNATI Safeguarding Bulletin PI-50686.)

If you use two-hand operator control station(s) as point-of-operation safeguarding, be certain that they comply with ANSI B11.3.

If operation by more than one person is required, one person should be responsible to see that not only his own body is clear of the point-of-operation and all moving parts, but also that his co-workers are clear and entirely visible in a safe location, before the press brake is operated.

During setup, maintenance or other work on the machine which necessitates manipulation within the point-of-operation, either the ram should be at the bottom of the stroke or it should be blocked so the dies cannot close. The power supply should be disconnected and locked-out.

CONCENTRATE ON YOUR JOB

Improper operation of a machine, whether caused by daydreaming or worrying about other problems, could cripple you for life. Operating a press brake requires your complete attention. Talking, joking, participating in horseplay could result in physical injury to you . . . and that is nothing to joke about. So watch what you are doing and concentrate on your job.

NEATNESS IS IMPORTANT

Keep the floor of your work area clear of scrap and trash that could cause you to stumble. Put scrap in the proper containers and keep stock and finished work neatly arranged. Be sure slippery surfaces are cleaned up properly. Stumbling and slipping can result in painful and perhaps even fatal injuries.

Put all tools and equipment away when you are not using them. Only the part you are working with should be on the machine when it is operating. Even a screwdriver can be deadly if left on the press brake or lower die.

PROPER TOOLS ARE IMPORTANT

Use proper tools when working on the press brake. An improper tool might slip and cause lacerations. When making repairs on the machine, disconnect the power source and lock it out. Be sure the ram is at the bottom of the stroke or blocked in place.

ELIMINATE LOOSE AND FLOWING CLOTHING

Loose or flowing clothes may be comfortable, but if they are caught on the machine, it could result in an injury to you. Keep jewelry to a minimum. That link I.D. bracelet you got for Christmas could cost you your hand or finger.

LOOK THINGS OVER CAREFULLY

Before operating your CINCINNATI AUTOFORM Press Brake, look to see if your machine is in proper condition. Are the dies worn? Are the machine’s covers and guards securely in place? Is the machine securely anchored to the floor? Are all nuts, bolts and screws tight? Is everything in proper operating condition? If not, report any unsafe condition or needed repair to your supervisor and be sure the problem is corrected before beginning operations. The CINCINNATI AUTOFORM Press Brake you are operating will not produce a tonnage much greater than the maximum rated machine capacity (see capacity plate). However, when using short or small area dies, the tonnage must be reduced to avoid damage to the tooling or the bed and ram of the machine. Too much tonnage may also cause a die to rupture and cause injury. Consult the Press Brake Capacities bulletin for the load required to do the job. If this is less than maximum machine capacity, program the control not to exceed the required force by more than 10%.

RULES FOR SAFE OPERATION

1. Never place any part of your body in the point-of-operation (Die area). Placing your hands or any part of your body in the point-of-operation may result in serious injury or amputation.

2. Evaluate each operation to determine the point-of-operation safeguarding to be used.

3. Use the point-of-operation safeguarding selected, or method of operation selected to minimize the
exposure to potential hazards at the point-of-operation.

4. For small part insertion and removal, use a hand tool. **DO NOT** place your hands in the point-of-operation.

5. Know how to safely operate and adjust your CINCINNATI AUTOFORM Press Brake. Review the Operation and Maintenance sections of this manual.

6. Maintain proper lighting levels and eliminate light glare to prevent eye strain and eye fatigue.

7. Protect your eyes from flying pieces of metal by always wearing your safety glasses.

8. Always wear safety shoes. A heavy or pointed piece of stock could fall and cause serious injury to your foot.

9. Wear snug fitting hand and arm protection when handling rough or sharp edged stock.

10. Keep the die area free of loose tools and materials. When placing stock in the machine for forming, be certain the gages and stops are correctly set and the edge of the stock is against the gages.

11. Stand clear of the workpiece with your arms slightly extended to avoid being hit if the stock whips up or down as the bend is made. Be sure you know how the workpiece will react to the bend being made. If the workpiece whips-up, place your thumbs and fingers below the material. If the workpiece whips down, use the clamp/stop feature of the machine control so your hands can be removed from the workpiece when the bend is made. Set the forming speed to avoid excessive part “whip”.

12. When you leave the machine, place the ram at the bottom of the stroke or place safety blocks in position under the ram. Turn OPERATOR CONTROL selector to “OFF” and remove the key, even if you will be away for only a few minutes.

13. Have the routine scheduled maintenance and adjustments performed as shown on the Maintenance Checklist in **SECTION 9**.

14. Check the alignment of the dies before operating the machine after the dies have been changed or if the machine has been idle overnight. Improper alignment could cause chipping and flying chips can cause lacerations and eye injuries.

15. Report any cuts, bruises and all other injuries to your supervisor or the medical department immediately. They are the best judges of the seriousness of your injury.

**INSTALLING, REMOVING, AND TRANSFERRING TOOLING (DIES)**

Installing, removing and transferring tooling can be hazardous and should be done with proper supervision by experienced setup men. Improper handling techniques can cause muscle strains, hernias or serious disabling injuries.

1. Transfer dies using the proper techniques for the weight of the die(s) being handled:
   a. Very light dies, up to 50 pounds (23kg), can be carried manually or transferred on a die truck.
   b. Dies weighing over 50 pounds (23kg), or those that are awkward to move should be handled by a hoist.

   If the punch or die has tapped holes for lifting attachments, be sure the proper size bolts are used. A bolt smaller in diameter than the tapped hole will slip out and cause serious injury. If no lifting attachments are provided, use only approved rope slings so the dies will not be nicked or scratched.

   Lift the dies high enough to clear any obstructions, but no higher.
2. When installing and setting up dies:
   a. Clean machine and filler block surfaces to which the dies will be fastened. Always turn the machine OFF when working in this area.
   b. Inspect the dies for chips, cracks or other hazardous conditions. Wipe them off with a clean cloth.
   c. Always place the machine control MODE selector in the “SETUP” position so the ram can only be moved by the use of palmbuttons or RAM UP button.
   d. Never reach into or through the die area when aligning the dies or setting the gaging.

3. When removing dies from the press brake:
   a. Clear the work areas of all stock, containers, tools and other equipment.
   b. After placing safety blocks between the dies and turning OFF the machine, clean both upper and lower dies using a bench brush and finally wipe clean with a cloth.
   c. Place machine control MODE selector in the “SETUP” position so the ram can only be moved by use of the palmbuttons or RAM UP button.
   d. Never loosen the ram clamp bolts unless the dies are in a closed position and the OPERATOR CONTROL selector is in the “OFF” position.

Detailed step-by-step instructions for installing and removing tooling are provided in the SETUP AND USE section of this manual. These instructions should be followed for safe installation and removal of tooling from your CINCINNATI Press Brake.

Also included in the SETUP AND USE section of this manual are instructions for making bends, gaging, blank development and use of the machine controls.

SAFETY SIGNS

In order that press brake operators and maintenance personnel may be warned of certain potential hazards that may exist - unless specified procedures are followed - a number of warning signs are attached to CINCINNATI Hydraulic Press Brakes. Warning signs are not intended to be a substitute for reading and understanding this SAFETY section and machine Operation and Maintenance manual.

The warning signs are placed at strategic points on the press brake for the most effective use. It is intended that they become a permanent part of the equipment and, therefore, must not be removed, covered, hidden or defaced. All signs installed on the machine by CINCINNATI INCORPORATED are identified by a small six-digit part number in the lower right corner. If any of these plates become damaged or defaced, new ones should be ordered by contacting the factory or the nearest CINCINNATI Sales and Service Office.

The following illustrations are warning signs most commonly used on the hydraulic press brakes. Some other signs may be furnished to cover possible hazards due to special equipment or machine features. The user management should also include additional warning signs to cover any hazards that may be presented by customer-added auxiliary equipment.

HAZARDOUS AREA (232913)

This sign warns of a hazardous area between the machine housings at the rear of the press brake. The sign is attached to a steel restraining cable which spans the space between the housings. No one should enter this area while the machine drive motor is running or the control is energized.

DIE AREA (153725)

This DANGER sign warns the operator to keep his hands out of the die area (point-of-operation). The sign
is usually attached to one end of CINCINNATI dies and not on the press brake. These adhesive backed signs have been furnished in safety update packages and are available from CINCINNATI INCORPORATED.

DANGER (428232)
This warning sign is attached to the press brake ram, which is the most visible location on the machine. The sign is a reminder to operators or maintenance personnel that certain procedures must be followed to prevent serious bodily injury.

SAFETY GUIDELINES (240003)
This sign is attached to the outside of the left housing. It provides a checklist of safety considerations that should be observed before, during and after operation of the press brake.

GUARD AGAINST TIPPING (416875)
The design of the 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake is such that much of the weight is concentrated toward the front of the machine. This sign warns that the machine should be guarded against tipping until it is anchored to the floor. The sign refers to the Operator’s manual for complete installation instructions.

PRESS BRAKE OPERATOR SAFETY GUIDELINES
♦ Be sure you know your press brake - capacity, controls, operating modes, safeguarding
♦ Know and understand the job you are about to perform - material placement, feeding, movement of material being formed
♦ Never place your hands in the die area
♦ Make sure no one is in backgage area at rear of machine
♦ Tooling, press brake and gaging properly set for the job
♦ Always cycle the press brake at least twice without a part in dies before each shift and each job
♦ Keep die area free of all unnecessary material and tools
♦ Do not hang tools on the ram
♦ Adequate safeguarding available and used
♦ Keep your body clear of workpiece
♦ Keep work area clean and orderly
♦ Keep alert - Keep your mind on the job
♦ Hand tools - personal protective devices available and used
♦ Make certain all persons are clear of machine and material before operating
♦ When you leave your press brake:
  ◊ Place ram at bottom of stroke or block
  ◊ Turn OPERATOR CONTROL to “OFF” and remove key
  ◊ Turn MAIN DRIVE to “OFF”

FAILURE TO FOLLOW SAFE PRESS BRAKE OPERATING PROCEDURES MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY TO YOU OR ANOTHER EMPLOYEE.

SAFETY MAINTENANCE CHECK
♦ SAFEGUARDING at point-of-operation in proper adjustment and operating properly
♦ PINCH POINT guarding properly installed
♦ OPERATOR CONTROLS working O.K.
♦ OPERATING MODES functioning properly
♦ RAM starting and stopping properly
♦ WARNING PLATES clean and easily read
♦ ELECTRICAL WIRING in good condition
♦ CAUTION PAINTING in good condition
♦ AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT checked - working properly
♦ HAND TOOLS and personal protective equipment in good order - readily available
♦ SAFETY MANUALS and OPERATOR MANUALS attached to machine
♦ SCHEDULED NORMAL MAINTENANCE work completed

SAFETY IS PART OF YOUR JOB... THE MORE ATTENTION YOU PAY TO DEVELOPING SAFE HABITS, THE LESS THE CHANCES OF INJURY TO YOU AND YOUR FELLOW EMPLOYEES.
SECTION 4  SPECIFICATIONS

PERFORMANCE AND RATINGS

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<th>TOTAL OVERALL DIE SURFACE Ft.-In. (m)</th>
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<th>BED TOP ABOVE FLOOR In. (mm)</th>
<th>BED TOP WIDTH In. (mm)</th>
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(1) SHIPPING WEIGHTS DO NOT INCLUDE SPECIAL OPTIONS, SUCH AS, POWER CLAMPS, ETC.
(2) BENDING CAPACITIES ALLOW FOR 15% RESERVE OF RATED TONNAGE TO COVER POSSIBLE INCREASES IN MATERIAL THICKNESS, TENSILE STRENGTH AND YIELD STRENGTH.
(3) STROKE ADJUSTS FROM .50" (13mm) TO ANY LENGTH UP TO MAXIMUM SHOWN.
(4) DIE SPACE IS FOR STANDARD AMERICAN RAM NOSE.
(5) RAM SPEEDS ARE APPROXIMATE (± 15%) AND BASED ON 1800 RPM MOTOR @ 60 Hz.
(6) RAM SPEEDS ARE DETERMINED WHILE RUNNING IN A “NO-LOAD” CONDITION.

SPECIFICATIONS

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<th>STD. STROKE LENGTH</th>
<th>THROAT CLEARANCE FROM CENTER OF DIES</th>
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PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The AUTOFORM Press Brake is a hydraulically driven, servo-controlled machine. A simplified diagram, Figure 4-1, shows the basic operating logic and components.

![Simplified machine diagram](image)

DEFINITION OF TERMS

PUMP: A motor driven, variable volume, hydraulic piston pump provides the flow and pressure for advancing, retracting and loading the power cylinders. This pump is equipped with a “load sensing” control that precisely matches pump flow and pressure to load demands. This precise match provides maximum system efficiency.

SERVO VALVES: These are variable orifice valves with spool position feedback. The valves control both the direction and amount of flow from the pump to the cylinders. They provide precise flow/speed control of the cylinders.

LINEAR ENCODERS: Each end of the machine is equipped with a bed referenced, high resolution .0001” (.00254mm) linear encoder. These encoders continually monitor ram-to-bed position and speed at each cylinder and feed this information to the control. The encoders are shock-resistant and allow normal punching capacity on these machines.
CONTROL: The machine control provides the high speed processing logic for the servo-controlled ram position loop. The control is a self-contained industrial PC with an integrated LCD touchscreen display, keyboard and pointing device, floppy disk drive, CD-ROM drive, Operator Control keyswitch and MAIN DRIVE START/STOP buttons.

RAM STROKE: Hydraulic pressure from the pump forces the cylinder pistons down or up to move the ram. The stroke length is adjustable. The maximum standard stroke length is shown in the preceding Specifications chart.

TONNAGE CAPACITY: The tonnage on 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake is adjustable from approximately 1% of full tonnage to full tonnage. The maximum full tonnage is determined by the cylinders, pistons and the limits of the frame design. The machine capacity plate and the preceding chart show the maximum tonnage capacity. Also, see the CINCINNATI Press Brake Capacities booklet PT-50691 included with the complete machine manual.

DIE SPACE: The AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake has a fixed amount of die space to accommodate the dies or tooling and filler block. OPEN HEIGHT is the maximum die space available. It is the distance from the bed top to the ram nose when the ram is at maximum UP stroke position. CLOSED HEIGHT is the minimum die space available. It is the distance from bed top to ram nose when the ram is at bottom of the stroke. See Figure 4-2.

THROAT: Most forming on press brakes is done between the housings. However, when long materials or forming at one end of the machine is required, the housing throat provides space for the material. This space is limited by the depth of throat. Details of the throat are found on the Throat detail drawing.

CLOSED POSITION: This is the overall height of the dies when ram is at the bottom of the stroke and is adjusted to make the proper bend. See Figure 4-3.

DIE PENETRATION: This is the distance the upper die penetrates the lower die. For a 90° air bend die the penetration is about 40% of the vee die opening.

The combined height of the dies and filler block when in the closed position must be more than the closed height but less than the open height dimensions. The difference between this combined height and the open
height is the maximum amount of stroke that can be used for a particular setup.

**FILLER BLOCKS:** Various types of filler blocks are available to hold the lower die. They provide a means of adjusting and clamping the lower die in position. Filler blocks are optional and should be selected to suit the machine tooling and type of bending.

**CAPACITIES**

**PUNCHING CAPACITY**

CINCINNATI Hydraulic Press Brakes are rated to perform punching loads up to 66% of the maximum machine capacity at the center of the machine when punching mild steel using self-contained units on an occasional basis. When punching is to be performed on a continuous production basis, with dedicated die sets or high tensile - 70,000 PSI (482636 kPa) - material is to be processed, the punching capacity is reduced to 50% of the maximum machine capacity, Figure 4-4. Additional punching capacity can be obtained by stepping the punches (Figure 4-5) on multiple levels. For special punching applications, where die sets or special machine features (for example, wide bed, deep throat, etc.) are required, consult CINCINNATI INCORPORATED.

When punching, the POSITION or Abs. POSITION mode of operation must be used with sufficient tonnage entered to allow punch through.

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**FIGURE 4-4 Maximum punching capacity.**

**MAXIMUM PUNCHING CAPACITY**

**MAXIMUM STRIPPING LOAD**

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**FIGURE 4-6 Stripping load**

**ECCENTRIC LOAD CAPACITY**

(FRONT-TO-BACK)

Occasionally special forming or punching setups are made which do not have their load centers located on the bed and ram centerlines. When this condition exists, care must be taken not to exceed the maximum eccentric (front-to-back) load capacity of the machine. See Figure 4-7.

**FIGURE 4-7 Eccentric load capacity**

**FIGURE 4-5 Multiple level punching**

**STRIPPING CAPACITY**

A stripping load is a force which occurs on the UP stroke of the ram. The direction of this type of load is down on the ram and up on the bed (the reverse of forming and punching loads). Figure 4-6 shows the maximum stripping load available at the center of the machine.
OFF-CENTER LOAD CAPACITY
(LEFT-TO-RIGHT)

Most forming and punching jobs are located on the centerline of the machine where full rated machine capacity is available. When the load is not located at the center of the machine, only a portion of the total capacity is available as shown in Figure 4-8.

For example, a 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake has 100% - 60 tons (534kN) of its rating available for bending at the centerline of the machine. At either housing, regardless of length, only 50% of the tonnage - 30 tons (266.9kN) is available.

To determine the available tonnage at a point between the centerline and either housing, the ratios shown in Figure 4-7 can be used. For example, a 60 AUTOFORM x 4' Press Brake is approximately 55” (1397mm) from housing to housing (L). A point at .3 of this length is 16.5” (419.1mm) (.3 x 55”/1397mm). Then at 16.5” (419.1mm) from the centerline of the machine 62% (37.2 tons/331kN) of the tonnage is available.
PRESS BRAKE TOOLING

A hydraulic press brake is a very versatile bending machine. It is capable of exerting high forces between its bed and ram. These forces are applied and directed into the material to be formed by the use of tooling (dies).

The type and shape of the dies are the principle factors in establishing the shape of the part to be formed. There are many different types and shapes of press brake dies. Some have a very special and unique shape. However, most dies are members of a family of tooling called Vee Dies. See Figure 5-1.

These dies, being the most common and widely used, will be referred to in the following instructions.

TYPES OF DIES

AIR BEND DIES: These dies are made with sharper angles than the angle to be formed. The metal being formed contacts only the nose of the upper die and the two radii of the lower vee die opening. See Figure 5-2. Thus, all of the ram force is used in forming and none in squeezing the metal. Any angle greater than the die angle can be formed by adjusting the stroke reversal position as required. See the Press Brake Capacities booklet, PT-50691, included with this manual for further air bending information.

BOTTOMING DIES: The primary purpose of bottoming dies is to provide greater part accuracy and special shapes. They can also be used to obtain a relatively sharp inside corner. They are made in matched pairs, according to the thickness of the stock to be formed and radius required. See Figure 5-3. These dies require three to ten times as much force as air bend dies. Other types ofbottoming dies are coining dies (used to obtain a sharp inside radius), multiple bend and channel dies, and radius bend dies. Do not use ANGLE mode when bottoming. Use POSITION or TONNAGE Reversal.
CINCINNATI INCORPORATED can provide many other types of standard and special dies, some of which are shown in Figure 5-4.

**DIE SETS:** Special care and precautions should be taken when operating die sets with guide pins and bushings.

Depending on the working height of the die set, the full stroke return may cause the die set guide pins and bushings to separate. Re-entry of the guide pins into the bushings may be difficult, if not impossible. Each die set application should be reviewed for this condition.

CINCINNATI INCORPORATED recommends that the working height of all die sets be such that the bushings never leave the guide pins when the ram makes a full up stroke.

**TOOL INSTALLATION**

To install the tooling, use the following procedure:

1. If the AUTOFORM is not already powered-up, turn ON the main disconnect switch on the electrical enclosure.

2. Depress the Main Drive START button on the AUTOFORM PC Control. Hold the button until the motor starts.

3. Log on to the AUTOFORM PC Control and verify that the palmbuttons are enabled for SETUP mode. To do this, press the OP STATION button in the toolbar.

   ![OP STATION Button](image)

   Click on the SETUP mode tab of the Operator Stations dialog.

   ![Operator Controls Dialog](image)

   Ensure that the Station 1 checkbox is checked. If it is not already checked, click on the white box to the left of the “Station 1” label to enable it. Then press
the OK button to accept the changes and close the dialog.

4. Set the STROKE MODE SELECT button to SETUP mode.

In SETUP mode, use the Palmbutton Operator Station to move the ram down and use the RAM UP button to move the ram up.

5. Though SETUP mode is independent of which page is displayed on the AUTOFORM PC Control, the Job Setup page should be referred to first. Then many users prefer to set the control to the Run/Edit page or to Quick Bend. In addition to displaying the ram position, like the Run/Edit page, Quick Bend also allows quick retracting of the gages if necessary.

To view other diagnostic information, such as independent left and right ram position or actual gage position, use the Maintenance | Diagnostics | Encoders/Tonnage or Maintenance | Diagnostics | Gage Positions menu items.

6. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”.

7. Depress the RAM UP button on the Palmbutton Operator Station to raise the ram. The ram will move to the maximum up position and stop. When the ram stops, continue with the next step.

8. Depress the palmbuttons and lower the ram to its maximum down position, and stop.

9. If the gages are in the way, either use the RETRACT button to the right of the X-Axis label on the Quick Bend page or force a gage calibration using the Maintenance | Diagnostics | Calibrate Gages menu item.

10. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to the “OFF” position and remove the key. Then actuating an Operator Station will not cause movement of the ram or backgage.

11. If the filler block has not already been installed, deburr, clean and lightly oil bed top. Place nuts for filler block screws in proper bed cross-slots. Place filler block (die holder) on bed and lightly bolt in place. At this time, also install die aligners (3 front and 3 back) to the front and back of the bed. In some cases, a filler block may not be required and die may be placed directly on the bed. Deburr, clean and lightly oil the top of filler block. Loosen all of the filler block set screws. If machine is equipped with optional Power Clamps, turn LOWER selector switch to “UNCLAMP” position. See Figure 5-5.

If additional die space is required to install the filler block or lower die, turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”, use the RAM UP button to raise the ram so there is just enough space, turn the
CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “OFF” and remove the key.

12. Insert lower die on the filler block. Leave it extended past end of bed several inches. Visually center filler block so lower die is aligned with slot in the ram nose.

13. Loosen all ram die clamps nuts about .125” (3.2mm). If the machine is equipped with optional Power Clamps for the upper die, use CLAMP/UNCLAMP selector switch located on main electrical enclosure (Figure 5-5) to open upper die clamp. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”. Depress pushbutton while turning key to the “UNCLAMP” position. A red light will indicate the unclamped position.

14. Move ram as necessary so there is just enough space for the upper die. Use palmbuttons to move ram down or the RAM UP button to move ram up. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “OFF” and remove the key.

15. Rest the upper die on extended portion of lower die. Make sure tongue of upper die is in the ram nose slot and that the upper die is trapped by the lower die and ram die slot. See Figure 5-6. Then slide upper die into lengthwise position with the lower die. Slide the set of dies into a centered position on the machine. Tighten the filler block set screws or clamp the lower power die clamp to lock the lower die.

Note: Short, lightweight dies may be installed as a set and slid into position.

16. Moderately tighten ram die clamp nuts or clamp optional upper power clamp to prevent the upper die from falling when the ram is raised. Turn CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”.

17. Use the RAM UP button to raise the ram .125” to .25” (3.2 to 6.4mm). Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “OFF” and remove key.

18. Visually align the upper and lower dies. Shift the filler block front-to-back using die aligners to obtain rough die alignment.

19. Turn CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”.

20. Inch the ram down using palmbuttons until the upper die is seated. When seating dies, machine tonnage is limited to 10% of the machine’s capacity. For example, for a 60 ton (534kN) AUTOFORM the tonnage is limited to 6 tons (53.4kN).

IMPORTANT: When seating dies it may be advisable to place wood blocks or soft metal between the dies to prevent damage to the dies. Short dies must have sufficient shoulder area to prevent sinking into the ram, bed or filler block.

The hydraulic components and machine frame members are safeguarded against overload by both load cells and a relief valve in the hydraulic circuit. However, care must be taken to provide enough area under upper and lower dies to prevent them from sinking into the ram nose or bed top due to highly concentrated loads. This is the shaded area shown in Figure 5-7. The minimum area (sq. in.) for each die to prevent sinking may be calculated by this formula:

Die Area = MAXIMUM TONNAGE / 15
An example for a 60 ton (534 kN) machine, the minimum die area for a capacity load is 60 divided by 15, or 4 square inches (2581 square mm).

21. Turn CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “OFF” and remove key.

22. Fully tighten the die clamp nuts after seating the upper die. Check the shoulders of the die with a .002” (.05mm) feeler gage to make sure it is seated tightly. Turn CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”.

23. Run the ram upwards to provide clearance between dies. This clearance should be equal to at least the metal thickness. Turn CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “OFF” and remove key. Check the front-to-back die alignment over the full length of the dies. Realign if necessary by moving the filler block with die aligners. For Adaptive Bending or other precision bending requirements, a more accurate alignment is required. Feeler gages should be used to measure front-to-back die clearances between the upper and lower dies at both ends and at the center of the dies.

24. Tighten the filler block to the bed.

GAGING – STANDARD BACKGAGE

There is one type of backgage available on the 60 AUTOFORM. The CNC SX Backgage has a 24” powered X-Axis (front-to-back) and an 8” manual R-Axis (vertical) adjustment. The CNC SX Backgage has an optional programmable powered R-axis available.

CAPACITY

The CNC SX Backgage is designed for sheets, 3/16” (4.8mm) maximum thickness, that weigh less than 100 lbs. (45 kg).

IMPORTANT: Heavy shock loads could damage parts of the gage.

The horizontal (front-to-back) travel is 24” (610mm). It is power driven at 1200 in/min. The gage is positioned and sequenced by the program entry in the AUTOFORM control. The gage fingers are manually positioned along the length of the gage bar.

GAGE ASSEMBLY

Two gage assemblies are furnished with each backgage and are mounted on the backgage gage bar. The gage assemblies (Figure 5-8) are manually positioned along the length of the gage bar, usually centered on the tooling and spaced apart a distance less than the length of the workpiece.

Two pairs of gage fingers are furnished with each backgage. The 1” (25mm) gage finger or the 1/4” (6.4mm) gage finger is installed into the gage assembly as shown in Figure 5-9. The 1” (25mm) gage finger should be used wherever possible, as it provides the largest target and contact area. The 1/4” (6.4mm) gage finger can be rotated in the gage assembly to provide either a 1” (25mm) or a 1/4” (6.4mm) high surface for short flanges. An optional 1/8” (3.2mm) gage finger can be furnished for smaller flanges. 1”, 1/4”, and 1/8” optional flip fingers are also available.

The face of the gage fingers is the contact surface and gaging surface for the workpiece when it is pushed through the dies for gaging. The distance from the face
of the gage finger to the centerline of the dies is the gage distance.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not gage from the front surface of the aluminum gage bar due to wear and possible damage of this surface.

It is generally recommended that two-point gaging be used. This minimizes sheet edge camber effect and allows greater flexibility in positioning gage contact points. See Figure 5-10.

To select the gage finger for the forming job to be run, refer to Figure 5-11. This chart provides the minimum flange size it is possible to form with a given size vee die.

**IMPORTANT:** The selected gage surface should be analyzed carefully to avoid interference with the tooling and yet provide a large enough target to ensure part contact.

![FIGURE 5-9 Standard gaging surfaces](image)

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![FIGURE 5-10 Two-point gaging](image)

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![FIGURE 5-11 Minimum flange size](image)

**FIGURE 5-11 Minimum flange size**

### ADJUST GAGE FINGER POSITION

Vertical position of the gage surfaces with manual “R” are adjusted by loosening the screw clamp, turning the hand crank on the gage carriage (Figure 5-12), and tightening the screw clamp.

Vertical position of the gage surfaces with power “R” axis is adjusted with the program or they can be adjusted with the gage jog softkeys. The best height for the gages will depend upon the shape of the part being formed. Standard adjustment limits are shown in Figure 5-13.

**CAUTION**

If the gage bar of fingers are to be positioned over the top of the lower die, care should be taken to make this height adjustment before moving the gage forward. This will avoid a collision between the gage and the tooling.
accurate gaging. The gage finger assemblies are moved along the gage bar by using the gage positioning tool (Figure 5-14). This tool releases the gage assembly clamp and holds the assembly while it is being moved. The gage positioning tool is used to position the gage assemblies from the front of the machine. The gage finger assemblies are installed or remounted by using the gage positioning tool.

Minor part flange differences (end-to-end) can be corrected by adjusting the individual gage fingers either forward (to shorten flange) or backward (to lengthen flange). First remove the gage assembly from the backgage bar. Loosen the finger by pulling out the locking knob (Figure 5-8) and turning knob counterclockwise. The adjusting collar has a total range of .060” (1.5mm) adjustment.

Adjust the collar either forward or backwards the desired amount. Reseat finger shoulder tightly against adjusting collar and tighten the locking knob. All gages are shipped from the factory zeroed from the centerline of the ram with the gage assembly at .00” position.

Note: The locking screw knob spins freely unless it is pulled out. This allows the knob to rest against the backgage face, thus preventing the finger from being unlocked while the assembly is in position on the gage bar.

The gage finger assemblies should be positioned left-to-right to contact the part being formed at the desired gage points. Normally the two gage finger assemblies should be spread as wide as possible to provide the most
PROGRAM GAGE POSITIONS

Now that the gage assemblies and the gage fingers have been positioned left-to-right and vertically, the backgage can be programmed for its front-to-back positions.

The actual position of the gage in relation to the tooling is selected when entering a program into the Control. This procedure is described under in SECTION 7, "GAGE PAGE". The actual gage dimension from the centerline of the tooling to the gage surface is determined by two program inputs, flange dimension and gage allowance. The actual gage dimension input is the sum of gage allowance and flange dimension. See Figure 5-15.

![Figure 5-15 Figuring actual gage dimension](image)

Normally the control will position the gage bar relative to the ram centerline for a gage surface that is 4.000" (102mm) in front of the face of the gage bar. This is correct when using standard gage finger assemblies with 3.000" (76mm) long fingers, along with tooling that is centered on ram centerline. Shorter gage assemblies require negative offset and longer assemblies require positive offset values. *(Note: Put this offset in the finger offset value.)*

The 1/4" (6.4mm) gage finger can also be used as a sheet support as shown in Figure 5-16, for lightweight sheets.

![Figure 5-16 Gage finger used as sheet support](image)

WORK SUPPORTS

Work supports for light gauge material are available as optional equipment. They are intended to be used in the rear of the bed when long backpieces (which droop away from the gage surface) are formed. These supports attach to rear dovetail slots in the bed and should be positioned at same height as the top of lower die. Figure 5-17 shows a typical work support setup. Make sure backgage bar and gage finger assemblies clear the work supports.

![Figure 5-17 Typical work support setup](image)
OPERATING TECHNIQUES

The following guidelines will help the operator avoid operating problems, producing bad parts, causing injury to himself or damage to the tooling or machine.

TOOLING AND SETUP

♦ **DO** inspect the tooling carefully before starting any job. It may be impossible to compensate for badly worn dies and they could create a safety hazard.

♦ **DO** select tooling which is correct for the job and compatible with machine capacity. It is especially important to have the exact tooling when recalling a previously run program from storage.

♦ **DO** ensure that tooling shoulders are tightly seated against ram and filler block, and that upper and lower dies are aligned front-to-back.

♦ **DO NOT** attempt to air bend a part to the same angle as the die. Dies must have sufficient allowance for springback so the part does not bottom in the dies. It may be necessary to use 75° (or less) dies when 90° air bending for certain materials with large “springback”. See Figure 5-18.

♦ **DO NOT** attempt to air bend a part using TONNAGE REVERSAL mode (refer to SECTION 7). Bottoming dies must be used when reversing on tonnage. See Figure 5-19.

**Note:** Either air bend or bottoming dies can be used when using REVERSAL POSITION mode (refer to SECTION 7). However, sufficient clearance in the dies is necessary to avoid excessive tonnage build-up.

♦ **DO NOT** use TONNAGE reversal when punching. POSITION or Abs. POSITION reversal should be used for punching.

♦ **DO** use as large a vee die opening as possible when air bending. Larger vee openings are less sensitive to material thickness variations, deflections and tooling height variations.

♦ **DO** make ram tilt and die shimming adjustments as soon as possible when setting up a program as they may affect program inputs.

RUNNING

♦ **DO NOT** start running a job until the proper methods and safeguards to protect the operator and others from injury are understood and are in place.

♦ **DO NOT** jog through the bend.

♦ **DO** remove burrs or keep burrs up on material for more consistent bends.

♦ **DO NOT** make angle corrections in the middle of a production run unless two or more consecutive bends are out-of-tolerance.

♦ **DO** store the changes that are made to a new or old program. The latest program must be stored to save the changes.

♦ **ALWAYS** block the ram or position the ram at bottom of the stroke and turn “OFF” OPERATOR CONTROLS switch and remove the key whenever leaving the machine.

SPEED CHANGE/FORMING SPEED

♦ **DO** ensure that the forming speed selected is appropriate for the part being formed. Too high a speed may cause “whip-up”, which could be hazardous to the operator or cause part damage.

♦ **DO** ensure that the speed change position is compatible with the forming speed selected. If a high forming speed is programmed and the speed change point is close to the material (less than
.50”/12.7mm), then inconsistent part forming motion and bend angle may occur.

**IMPORTANT:** When using Hand / Foot Sequence, the speed change point should be no higher than 0.25” above the material.

When using high forming speeds and short approach strokes, it is advisable to eliminate speed change by raising the speed change point above the top stop. In many instances, this will provide more strokes per minute and smoother motion.

**GAGES**

♦ **DO** ensure that gaging surfaces will not interfere with the tooling or ram when setting up or running a job.

♦ **DO** use the gaging surface that provides the largest possible gaging target.

♦ **DO** spread gage fingers as far as possible to achieve the best gaging accuracy.

♦ **DO** support workpiece in the gaging position, both in front and rear of the bed.

**REMOVING TOOLING**

To remove the tooling:

1. If the AUTOFORM is not already powered-up, turn ON the main disconnect switch.

2. Depress the Main Drive START button on the AUTOFORM PC Control. Hold the button until the motor starts.

3. Log on to the AUTOFORM PC Control and verify that the palmbuttons are enabled for SETUP mode. To do this, press the OP STATION button in the toolbar.

4. Set the STROKE MODE SELECT button to SETUP mode.

5. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to “ON”.

Ensure that the Station 1 checkbox is checked. If it is not already checked, click on the white box to the left of the 'Station 1' label to enable it. Then press the OK button to accept the changes and close the dialog.

6. Click on the SETUP mode tab of the Operator Stations dialog.
6. Depress the palmbuttons and lower the ram to a position where there is .06" to .12" (1.5mm to 3.1mm) clearance between the upper and lower dies.

7. Loosen the ram die clamp nuts or unclamp the upper power clamps to release the upper die. Loosen the filler block set screws or unclamp the lower power clamp to release the lower die.

8. Turn the CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch to the "OFF" position and remove the key.

**IMPORTANT:** When loosening the clamps for upper die, be sure upper die will remain trapped between the lower die and the slot in ram nose. See Figure 5-20.

9. The dies can now be removed from the end of the machine. They may be removed either together or individually, depending on their size and weight.

Use proper material handling equipment and methods.
SECTION 6  MACHINE CONTROLS

PC CONTROL

The AUTOFORM PC Control is an industrial PC control with a integrated LCD touchscreen display, keyboard and pointing device, floppy disk drive, CD-ROM drive, CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch and MAIN DRIVE START / STOP buttons.

Figure 6-1  Pendant

LCD TOUCHSCREEN DISPLAY

The LCD Touchscreen display is the main user interface point of the AUTOFORM PC Control. Information is displayed on the flat LCD and user interaction is primarily accomplished with the touchscreen that is integrated with the LCD. Special controls have been added to the software to make user input quick and intuitive with the touchscreen.

KEYBOARD / POINTING DEVICE

A full-size keyboard with integrated pointing device is included as part of the AUTOFORM PC Control for use outside of the AUTOFORM application (i.e.: logging in to Windows) or for those who prefer to use a keyboard or track-point device.

FLOPPY DISK DRIVE

The AUTOFORM PC Control contains one 3.5" floppy disk drive. This floppy drive can be accessed by opening the cover that protects the floppy drive and CD-ROM drive.

Files can be copied to or from the floppy drive using the Windows operating system using Windows Explorer or the “My Computer” icon.

IMPORTANT: The cover over the floppy disk and CD-ROM drive is provided to prevent contamination and should be kept closed except for changing floppy disks or CDs. Failure to keep the cover closed could result in damage to the drive assembly and/or loss of data.

Figure 6-2  Floppy disk & CD-ROM drives

CD-ROM DRIVE

A CD-ROM drive is included for easy updating of software. The CD-ROM drive can be accessed by opening the cover that protects the floppy drive and CD-ROM drive.

To insert or eject a CD-ROM, press the button on the lower right-hand corner of the drive. The CD drawer will slide out, allowing the removal of the CD inside or the insertion of a different CD.

! WARNING !

NEVER REMOVE A DISK FROM THE DRIVE WHILE THE DISK ASSESS LIGHT IS "ON". THIS WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF DATA ON THE DISK. ALWAYS MAINTAIN PROPER BACKUP COPIES OF IMPORTANT DATA.
SWITCHES AND BUTTONS

The CONTROL ON-OFF keyswitch and the MAIN DRIVE START / STOP pushbuttons are located on the left side of the AUTOFORM PC Control Pendant.

CONTROL ON-OFF KEYSWITCH

This keylock switch must be turned ON to allow the active Operator Stations to cycle the ram.

In the “OFF” position, the Operator Stations are prevented from cycling the ram even though the main drive motors may be running. The ram cannot be moved with the RAM UP button on the Palmbutton Operator Station.

MAIN DRIVE START AND STOP PUSHBUTTONS

To start the main drive motor, the START pushbutton is held depressed. If the internal check indicates all components are operating properly, the motor will start. The START pushbutton will illuminate to indicate the drive motor is running.

When the STOP pushbutton is depressed, all power to main drive motor and valves is turned off. The main drive motor and hydraulic pumps will stop.

Note: If a machine fault should occur during operation, it is recommended that power is turned off by pressing the EMERGENCY STOP button on the Operator Station or the Main Drive Stop Button on the Pendant.

PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION

The standard Operator Station is a pedestal-mounted dual palmbutton station.

PALMBUTTON SWITCHES

Two guarded palmbutton switches are located on the either end of the pedestal-mounted Palmbutton Operator Station. As a safety feature, they must be pressed at about the same time to start ram motion. The palmbutton switches will cycle the ram in all modes of operation except “FOOTSWITCH ONLY”. Releasing either palmbutton switch will stop the ram. Both palmbutton switches must be released and then depressed again to start ram motion.

Note: The above description refers to the individual palmbutton switches on a single Palmbutton Operator Station.

PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION LIGHTS

When the Palmbutton Operator Station is made active from the AUTOFORM PC Control, the amber “ON” light is illuminated. The ram can then be cycled with the palmbutton switches. When the Palmbutton Operator Station is turned “OFF” on the AUTOFORM PC Control, the red OFF light on the Palmbutton Operator Station is illuminated and the ram cannot be cycled with the palmbutton switches.

Note: One light should always be lit when the machine is powered. If neither or both lights are lit, the Palmbutton Operator Station should be checked by a qualified electrician.
RAM UP BUTTON

Depressing this pushbutton will cause the ram to go up, regardless of the motion or position of the ram. As long as the button is depressed, the ram will go up until it reaches full top of stroke position. The ram will stop if the RAM UP button is released. The active Operator Station must be released and depressed again to resume ram motion.

EMERGENCY STOP (E-STOP) BUTTON

When this red button is pressed, power is removed from the main drive motor and gages. The ram will stop on the down or up stroke.

NEXT RAM MOVEMENT LIGHTS

These lights indicate the direction of movement that the ram is moving, or will move when an active Operator Station is depressed. Red indicates down movement and green indicates up movement, except in the case of the RAM UP button, which overrides these lights.

FOOTSWITCH

A cable-connected Footswitch is provided to actuate ram movement. This is a guarded, three-position Operator Station that controls ram motion. A handle is included for ease of positioning.

When the Footswitch is made active on the AUTOFORM PC Control, an amber light on the Footswitch will indicate that it is turned ON and the ram can be cycled with the Footswitch.

If the Footswitch is not active on the AUTOFORM PC Control, a red light on the Footswitch will indicate that it is turned OFF and the ram cannot be cycled with the Footswitch.

Note: One light should always be lit when the machine is powered. If neither or both lights are lit, the Footswitch should be checked by a qualified electrician.

HAND-HELD PENDANT

The hand-held pendant allows easy positioning of the ram and any installed gage axes. The Manual Ram Positioning wheel is used to precisely position the ram and MANUAL GAGE CONTROL pushbuttons are used to command the individual gage axes, if installed.

MANUAL RAM POSITIONING WHEEL

The wheel on the upper half of the hand-held pendant can be used to manually jog the ram up or down. The wheel is turned clockwise to move the ram up, counterclockwise to move the ram down.

Note: To use the positioning wheel, the Mode must be set to "Setup" and the footswitch must be held down.
MANUAL GAGE CONTROL PUSHBUTTONS

If the machine has power gages installed, the lower half of the hand-held pendant will have two pushbuttons and one rotary switch.

The two pushbuttons control whether the selected axis moves in one direction or the other. For example, if the X-Axis is selected, the left button will move the gage “in” toward the ram and the right button will move the gage “out” away from the ram. If the R-Axis is selected, the left button will move the gage “up” and the right button will move the gage “down”.

For machines with more than one gage axis, a rotary switch will be present to select which of these axes to move. For example, for a SX Backgage with powered R-Axis, the rotary switch will allow either “X-Axis” or “R-Axis”. The motion caused by pushing the pushbuttons will correspond to the selected axis.

ELECTRICAL ENCLOSURE

MAIN DISCONNECT SWITCH

This switch controls the incoming electrical supply to the machine. When turning the main disconnect switch from "ON" to "OFF" and then back to "ON", wait 10-15 seconds before switching back to "ON".

IMPORTANT: This 10-15 second delay is required to allow machine functions to reset properly.

FIGURE 6-7  Main Disconnect Switch

FIGURE 6-8  Electrical Enclosure

! WARNING !

THE CONTROL CONTAINS AN UNINTERRUPT-ABLE POWER SUPPLY (UPS). VOLTAGE MAY BE PRESENT IN SOME CIRCUITS EVEN THOUGH THE MAIN DISCONNECT IS OFF.
GROUND CONNECTED LIGHT

The low voltage circuit is a grounded circuit. The illuminated light indicates that the ground is connected. This is an internal chassis ground - it does not indicate that the machine is grounded.

![Figure 6-9 Ground connection light](image)

POWER SUPPLIES OPERATIONAL LIGHT

This indicates that the 24 volt power supply is operating correctly when lit.

![Figure 6-10 24 Volt Power Supply operational light](image)

ETHERNET CONNECTION

This connector on the side of the electrical enclosure is provided to allow easy connection of an Ethernet cable to add the AUTOFORM PC Control to a network. Cabling is provided internally which connects the external Ethernet connection to the pendant enclosure. See Figure 6-11.

![Figure 6-11 Ethernet connection](image)

UPS (UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY)

The UPS provides protection against sudden loss of power to the control and allows for an orderly shutdown of the AUTOFORM application and the Windows operating system.

In case of a power loss, including the normal shutdown of the machine with the Main Disconnect Switch, the UPS will begin beeping and the software will notify the user of the loss of power with a pop-up window.

![Power Failure](image)

After about one minute, if power has not been returned in that time, the control will begin shutting down any running applications and the Windows operating system.

If power is restored within the first minute after power loss, shutdown will be aborted. A dialog will appear notifying the user of this event.

![Power Restored](image)

About two minutes after the actual shutdown procedure starts (or about three minutes after loss of power) the UPS will shut off power to the control.

**Note:** Windows should be running when the Main Disconnect Switch is turned Off in order for the UPS to perform its shutdown procedure.
If Windows is not running when power is lost, the UPS will attempt to keep power supplied to the system as long as possible. If this is the case, the UPS should be shut off manually using its power OFF button. At the next power-on following a manual power-off, the UPS will have to be manually turned ON before the control will power up.

! WARNING !

THE CONTROL CONTAINS AN UNINTERRUPT-ABLE POWER SUPPLY (UPS). VOLTAGE MAY BE PRESENT IN SOME CIRCUITS EVEN THOUGH THE MAIN DISCONNECT IS OFF.
SECTION 7  OPERATION

SEE SUPPLEMENT MANUAL EM-499
OR ONLINE HELP

FOR ADDITIONAL SETUP AND OPERATIONAL
INFORMATION FOR THIS MACHINE, REFER
TO EITHER THE ONLINE HELP INFORMATION
THAT CAME WITH THE MACHINE SOFTWARE
OR TO EM-499, "SECTION 7, OPERATION – A
SUPPLEMENT TO THE OPERATION MANUAL
FOR THE CINCINNATI AUTOFORM CNC
FORMING CENTER PC CONTROL", INCLUDED
WITH THIS MANUAL.
SECTION 8 OPTIONS

ADDITIONAL OPERATOR CONTROLS

One additional Palmbutton Operator Station and/or footswitch can be installed on the AUTOFORM. See previous description of AUTOFORM CONTROL STATION in SECTION 6 for the operation of these controls.

GAGE INSTALLATION

The CINCINNATI INCORPORATED CNC SX Backgage is typically shipped assembled to the machine and requires no installation.

IMPORTANT: Do not make any electrical connections or final adjustments until a CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Representative is present.

In the event that the gage is not already assembled to the machine, remove the gage assembly from its packing container(s). Remove any protective wrapping and clean the parts.

IMPORTANT: Do not install the gage or make electrical connections until a CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Representative is present.

For the final adjustments and installation of the gage, see the MAINTENANCE & ADJUSTMENTS, SECTION 9, of this manual.

BACKGAGE

Setup and operating techniques for the standard backgage are described in SECTION 5. Also described are the gage assemblies and fingers used with this backgage. Programming is described in SECTION 7.

CNC SX BACKGAGE (STANDARD)

This backgage has a 24” (610mm) powered X-axis (front-to-back) whose position can be programmed by entering numerical data into the AUTOFORM Control. The horizontal positioning speed is 1200 in/min. (508 mm/sec). Vertical adjustments up to 8” (203mm) either manually using a handwheel on the guide assembly or by a programmable powered adjustment with a positioning speed of 300 IPM. The CNC SX Backgage is designed for sheets up to 3/16” (3.8mm) maximum thickness that weigh less than 100 lbs. (45.4kg). See Figure 8-1.

FIGURE 8-1 CNC SX Backgage (Standard)

MANUAL FRONT GAGES

Fixed front gaging and material supports are available for the AUTOFORM. Gage brackets and gage stops are manually set to position material for forming. Front gage brackets without gage stops can also be used to support material. See Figure 8-2.

CINCINNATI Standard Gage brackets without stops can be used for work supports.

Adjustable Flip Finger Gages provide multiple gaging positions with complete flexibility in vertical and horizontal positioning. These gages are easy to set-up, are accurate, and save many hours of work handling. Flip Finger gage stop assemblies are located on either side of heavy duty gage bars. Any number of stops may be used.

FIGURE 8-2 Front gage supports
RAM NOSES

The 60 AUTOFORM ram nose is removable from the main section of the ram. It can be ordered as an American style or European style. See Figure 8-3.

OIL HEATER

An oil heater is recommended for cold start ups and cold running conditions. It is an immersion-type and is thermostatically controlled. It will only maintain the oil temperature in the tank to permit machine start up, it is not for heating up the oil. The thermostat is set to start the heater if the temperature falls below approximately 60°F.

PRESENCE SENSING SAFE-GUARDING INTERFACE

This is a hardware/software package to interface the AUTOFORM PC Control with a customer supplied presence sensing device. The interface allows the customer’s installed presence sensing device to interrupt a down stroke in STROKE mode when a person or an object is detected in the protected area, until the Guard Mute Position is reached. See EM-499, SECTION 7, “SOFTWARE - RAM PAGE, GUARD MUTE POSITION” and “SOFTWARE - TOOLBAR BUTTON DESCRIPTION, QUICK BEND”.

The Guard Mute Position is the position in the ram’s down stroke at which the presence sensing device is muted. At that point, the presence sensing device is no longer providing the point-of-operation guarding. When the device is muted (disabled), the operator can enter the guarded area to position or hold the workpiece.

The Interface option for presence sensing device includes a mute indicator light. When the red GUARD OFF lights are illuminated, the presence sensing device is muted. See Figure 8-4.

Some presence sensing devices are programmable and allow a blanking window of variable size to be programmed from step-to-step. The AUTOFORM has an output available that can be configured as a step advance output to a programmable presence sensing device to take advantage of this feature.
POWER CLAMP

Power Clamp eliminates the need to loosen and retighten die clamp nuts when changing dies. Hydraulic power is used to unclamp the die holders. Once the dies are installed and POWER CLAMP is deactivated, powerful springs hold the dies in place. Power Clamps are available for the bed and ram or both. See Figure 8-5. Operation is described in SECTION 5 - SETUP & USE.

PROGRAMMABLE FOOTSWITCH

The Programmable Footswitch feature is used to select which footswitch must be pressed to cycle the ram when two or more footswitches are installed and turned on (active).

As opposed to selecting multiple footswitches in the Operator Stations dialog, the Programmable Footswitch option makes footswitch selection step-wise programmable. Any combination of footswitches may be selected for each step. See EM-499, SECTION 7, “SOFTWARE - RAM PAGE, PROGRAMMABLE FOOTSWITCH” for details on use and programming.

CONTINUOUS STROKE MODE

The STROKE MODE SELECT button may have an optional fourth position - CONT. This is operator maintained CONTINUOUS Run mode, a production mode that will continue to cycle through the program as long as the active Operator Station is depressed. The ram will not stop, even at the top of the stroke, until the active Operator Station is released.

FIGURE 8-5 Ram Power Clamp
SECTION 9 MAINTENANCE & ADJUSTMENTS

To maintain the accurate performance of your CINCINNATI 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake, there are maintenance practices that should be followed. This section deals with the maintenance and adjustments of the Press Brake.

LOCKOUT / TAGOUT PROCEDURE

Note: This procedure only covers the typical energies of a 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake. Special options, tooling and add-ons may have energy states that this procedure does not cover. It is the responsibility of your supervision to verify and establish the appropriate Lockout / Tagout Procedure for your specific machine.

Before maintaining the machine, read and understand this OPERATION, SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE Manual. Refer to “SECTION 1 - IDENTIFICATION”, Figure 1-1 and 1-2, and this section, “MAINTENANCE & ADJUSTMENTS”, Figure 9-4 and 9-8, for item callouts.

1. Using SETUP mode of operation, carefully run the ram down until the dies are closed or until the ram is resting on support blocks. The ram supports must be able to withstand a minimum of 10% of the machine capacity (6 ton) without damaging the machine bed or ram.

2. Turn OFF the main drive motor by depressing the MAIN DRIVE STOP pushbutton on the PROFORM Control Pendant (Figure 1-1, Item 7).

3. Turn OFF and padlock the main disconnect switch (Figure 1-2, Item 13).

4. Locate Test Port #4 on the main manifold (Figure 9-4). Install a 0-5000 PSI range pressure gage with a female quick-disconnect and check for any hydraulic pressure trapped in the main manifold. Locate bleed valves on the counterbalance manifolds (Figure 9-8). Loosen locking nuts and open bleed valves for 5 seconds. Close bleed valves and tighten locking nuts. Allow the machine to sit for five minutes to let any internally trapped pressure bleed down.

5. After maintenance is complete, make certain that all pressure gages are removed from test ports (Figure 9-4 and 9-8). Check that the manual bleed needle valves are closed and the locking nuts are tightened.

6. Remove the padlock and turn the main disconnect switch ON (Figure 1-2, Item 13).

7. Turn ON the main drive motor by depressing the MAIN DRIVE START pushbutton on the PROFORM Control Pendant (Figure 1-1, Item 7).

8. Using the RAM UP button on the palmbutton operator station (Figure 1-1, Item 10), carefully run the ram up until any ram supports can be removed from the machine.

LUBRICATION

Refer to Figure 9-1 for machine lube point locations.

1. Cylinder Head Clevis Pins: Lubricate grease fittings while cycling the ram under light load, such as obtained with a bumping die. Use No. 2 Lithium base grease with “moly” additive (C.I. grease H-2M). Lubricate once a month.

2. Ram Guides: Wipe clean and flush with light hydraulic oil once a month.
CNC SX BACKGAGE (OPTIONAL)

Note: The references to "spray lubricant" means to use "LPS #1" aerosol spray (C. I. #420924) or to spray SAE #10 oil. All grease applications use No. 1 EP grease (C. I. grease H-1EP).

The following lubrication and cleaning should be performed every 200 hours of usage:

♦ Clean and apply spray lubricant to the X and R-axis guide rods. See Figure 9-2 or Figure 9-3.

♦ Grease the X and R-axis guide bearings using the fittings on the side of the carriage. See Figure 9-2 or Figure 9-3.

HYDRAULIC OIL

The hydraulic reservoir should be filled to the center of the oil sight gage located at the rear of the reservoir. The ram should be at the top of its maximum stroke (open height). The filler breather cap is located on motor/pump mounting plate. Use a light hydraulic oil, viscosity 150 seconds at 100°F (37.8°C) with anti-rust, anti-oxidation and anti-wear additives (C. I. oil B-150).

The Lubrication Recommendation chart furnished with this manual lists brand names and numbers that meet CINCINNATI specifications. Extreme shop temperatures may require lighter or heavier oil than shipped with the machine and normally recommended. The allowable range of oil temperatures for different viscosity oils are shown in the following chart. Whenever the ambient room temperature is below 40°F
(4.4°C), we recommend installing an oil heater in the reservoir to enable the oil pump to start up in cold weather. Extremely cold environments below 32°F (0°C) will require additional measures to protect the hydraulic system.

Contact CINCINNATI INCORPORATED.

The reservoir capacity of the CINCINNATI 60AF4 Hydraulic Press Brake is 68 gallons (257 liters).

It is very important to keep the oil clean. All precautions must be taken to keep the oil clean, free of chips, grit, water, sludge, etc. The oil should be drained and replaced after one year of service. Replace the oil sooner if sludge or other contamination is present. The drain valve is located in the bottom of the reservoir. This valve should be cracked once a month to remove any accumulated moisture. Check the oil level daily.

New oil stored in drums is usually not as clean as the filtered oil shipped with the machine. Oil should be pumped through a three-micron filter. After the oil is changed, the display should be checked periodically to see if a dirty filter error message appears. Change the filter element if required.

**OIL FILTER**

The high pressure oil filter is located on the top surface of the main manifold, which is on top of the main reservoir. See Figure 9-4. When the ram is moving, oil flows from the variable volume pump through the high pressure filter.

When the filter has reached its dirt holding capacity, an error message will appear on the display. The message will remain until the dirty element is replaced. The filter has a three-micron (absolute) disposable element. To replace the filter, place the ram at the bottom of the stroke and block the ram, turn OFF the main drive motor and the disconnect switch on the main electrical enclosure and install a Safety Lockout. Remove the cylindrical filter housing on the filter assembly and the dirty filter element. Install a new element and replace the cylindrical filter housing.

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**CHECKING & SETTING HYDRAULIC PRESSURES**

The hydraulic system is equipped with male quick-disconnect fittings at the most frequently checked pressure test ports. Identification of the hydraulic system components is shown on Figures 9-4 and 9-8.

**MAIN RELIEF PRESSURE**

This pressure is controlled by a preset valve and cannot be adjusted. Contact a CINCINNATI Service Representative if this pressure must be checked.
1. MOTOR
2. HIGH PRESSURE FILTER
3. AIR BREATHER / FILTER / RESERVOIR OIL FILLER
4. AIR-COOLED HEAT EXCHANGER
5. RIGHT HAND PROPORTIONAL VALVE #1 SOLENOID
6. LEFT HAND PROPORTIONAL VALVE #2 SOLENOID
7. #4 SOLENOID – SAFETY DUMP VALVE
8. DUMPING VALVE SAFETY SWITCH
9. #6 SOLENOID – DECOMPRESSION VALVE
10. PUMP
11. #8 SOLENOID – LEFT HAND LOAD SENSE
12. #7 SOLENOID – RIGHT HAND LOAD SENSE
13. #5 SOLENOID – PILOT OPERATED CHECK VALVE CONTROL VALVE

14. TEST PORT #4 (SEE FIGURE 9-4)

15. #3 SOLENOID – REGEN. CONTROL VALVE

16. MAIN RELIEF VALVE

17. REGEN. VALVE (2)

18. LEVEL / TEMPERATURE SWITCH

COUNTERBALANCE PRESSURE

CAUTION
All dies must be removed from press brake

Two test ports (#3) are provided in the circuit for checking counterbalance pressure. See Figure 9-8. No dies should be installed in the machine during this check.

1. Install 0-600 PSI range pressure gage with a female quick-disconnect into either left or right test port #3. Both must be checked.

2. Set the machine controls:

| PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION 1 | ON |
| PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION 2 | OFF |
| FOOTSWITCH STATION 1 | OFF |
| FOOTSWITCH STATION 2 | OFF |
| MODE SELECT Selector | STROKE |
| OPERATOR CONTROL Selector | ON |

3. Start machine by turning main disconnect ON and pressing MAIN DRIVE “START” button.

4. Select QUICK BEND by selecting the "Quick Bend" button.

5. Enter a program in QUICK BEND as follows:

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6. To cycle the machine, press the “Cycle Start” button. “CYCLE ACTIVE” will be displayed on the display.

7. The counterbalance pressure is checked while running the ram down. The proper pressure can be found in Figure 9-7. If the machine has a wide ram, extension(s) or very heavy upper dies, consult CINCINNATI INCORPORATED for information to set the counterbalance pressure.

8. To adjust the pressure, loosen the locknut and turn adjusting screw on counterbalance valve. Turn adjusting screw clockwise to increase and counterclockwise to decrease pressure. Tighten the locknut.

9. After setting the pressure, cycle ram a number of strokes and then recheck both counterbalance pressures.

10. Turn OFF motor/pump and remove pressure gage.

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FIGURE 9-7 Counterbalance pressure
AIR FILTER / BREATHER

See Item 3 in Figure 9-6. The disposable, canister-type air breather/filter should be replaced about every 2000 hours of machine operation.

OIL COOLER

The oil cooler is an air-type heat exchanger. The heat exchanger is equipped with a thermostatically controlled electric fan, which is operable only when the motor/pump is running. The thermostat is set to start the heat exchanger motor at approximately 135°F oil temperature. See Item 4 in Figure 9-6.

OIL LEVEL/TEMPERATURE SWITCH

See Item 18 in Figure 9-6. If the oil level drops below the minimum allowable level, an error message will appear in the status area of the display and will cause the main drive to shut down. The cause for the low oil level should be found and corrected. Fill reservoir to the proper level.

If the operating temperature reaches 140°, an error message will appear in the status portion of the LCD screen. Stop machine operation as soon as possible and locate the cause of the excessive heat. If the oil temperature continues to climb and reaches 150°, the main drive will shut down.

OIL HEATER (OPTIONAL)

Oil heater is recommended for cold start-ups and cold running conditions (See temperature chart under “HYDRAULIC OIL” of this Section). It is an immersion-type, thermostatically controlled, and is used independently of the motor drive.

CYLINDERS

Cylinders on the CINCINNATI 60 AUTOFORM Hydraulic Press Brake are shown in Figure 9-9. For information to replace piston rod seals, contact CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Department.
MOTOR / PUMP

See Item 1 in Figure 9-6. The motor/pump combination is horizontally mounted on the reservoir top. The pump is a variable volume, pressure compensated piston pump with a load sensor control. The compensating and load sensor pressures are factory set and no adjustments are required.

VALVES

The hydraulic control valves are manifold mounted on the reservoir (Figure 9-5 and Figure 9-6) and on both cylinders (Figure 9-8). The valves can be easily removed for service or replacement.

IMPORTANT: Whenever servicing these valves, the ram should be blocked, all power to the machine turned OFF, and the electrical disconnect locked-out.

SWIVEL-END GUIDE BEARING

To adjust for wear in the swivel-end guide bearings, loosen the locking screws. Adjust ram shoe clamp by tightening the adjusting screws evenly until they are snug. Back off to obtain a .003” (.076mm) clearance between the bearing and the ram guide. Then tighten the locknuts and the locking screws. See Figure 9-10.

FIGURE 9-10 Swivel-end guide bearing

RAM ENCODER ADJUSTMENT

IMPORTANT: This procedure must be done whenever the ram clamp bolts are loosened.

1. Set the machine controls:

   PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION 1   ON
   PALMBUTTON OPERATOR STATION 2   OFF
   FOOTSWITCH STATION 1   OFF
   FOOTSWITCH STATION 2   OFF
   MODE SELECT Selector   SETUP
   OPERATOR CONTROL Selector   ON

2. Start machine by turning main disconnect ON and pressing MAIN DRIVE START button.

3. Clean the bed top and place a 10.000” - 16.000” steel spacer (or any two identical length spacers taller than the minimum closed height of the machine) between the bed and ram at each end, in line with the transducer rods. Do not place the spacer under the ram die clamp. Both ends must be checked. See Figure 9-11.

   CAUTION

   All tooling, including filler block and lower power clamp (if so equipped) must be removed from the press brake.

4. Use the Palmbutton Operator Station to cycle the ram down and the RAM UP button to cycle the ram upwards.

FIGURE 9-11 Setting Linear Encoders
5. Jog the ram down until it is about .50" (12.7mm) away from the spacers.

6. Turn OFF main drive.

7. Use the bleed valves located on the cylinder manifolds (Figure 9-8) to allow the ram to drift down and rest on the spacers.

8. On LCD display menu bar, select "Maintenance". On pull down menus select "Diagnostics, Encoder/Tonnage". This will display left and right ram positions.

9. If adjustment is required, remove the encoder guard and loosen adjusting screw locknuts. See Figure 9-12. Adjust threaded stud up or down until the ram position shows spacer height on the machine control.

10. Tighten the adjusting screw locknuts.

11. Close the bleed valves.

12. Start the Main Drive.

13. Use the RAM UP button to raise the ram off the spacers.

14. Remove the spacers.

15. Re-install the guard removed in Step 9.

Note: It is important that both ends are the same (+/- .0005")

MACHINE LEVEL

The level of the machine should be checked every three months and adjusted if necessary. See SECTION 2 for details of this adjustment.

TILT LIMIT SWITCHES

Two limit switches shown in Figure 9-13 are mounted on the left ram slide (back side of ram) for limiting the ram tilt to .25" maximum. Should the ram exceed its allowable tilt, these switches will shut off the drive motor. To set the tilt limit switches, the bed and ram should be parallel (plus or minus 1/16" / 1.6mm) to one another. Refer to Assembly Drawing 431163-E for switch setting instructions. This drawing can be found inside of the red covered OPERATION, SAFETY AND MAINTENANCE Manual found in the manual pouch on the outside of the left housing. See Item 8 in Figure 1-2.
RELEVEL RAM

If the ram goes out-of-level enough to actuate the tilt limit switches, the main drive motor will turn OFF and an error message appears on the status line of the display.

IMPORTANT: The Tilt Limit Switches must not be bypassed or readjusted to restore electrical circuits.
If machine is operated with excessive tilt, the slides and guides may be damaged.

There are two methods to relevel the ram. One is by using the RAM UP button and the other is to relevel the ram mechanically using jacks and bleed valves.

RELEVEL RAM USING RAM UP BUTTON

Clear faults displayed on the machine control. Start main drive motor. Push RAM UP button.

IMPORTANT: Do not try to raise low end of ram with a jack or hoist. Damage could result to bed, ram or hydraulic system.

RELEVELING RAM MECHANICALLY

1. Turn OFF all power to machine and lock disconnect switch on main electrical enclosure.

2. Place a jack between bed and ram at each housing. Protect bed and ram nose with wood or soft metal. Do not place jack under ram die clamps. Apply enough pressure to support weight of ram, ram slides and pistons.

3. Lower the high side of the ram by gradually lowering its respective jack and opening the counterbalance bleeder valve. See Figure 9-8 for appropriate valve location. When ram is parallel to the bed, close valve. The tilt limit switches will no longer deactivate the electrical circuits and the main drive motor can be started. DO NOT remove jacks. The cause for out-of-level condition may allow ram to continue to drop.

   Note: Special care must be taken to ensure that the bleed valve is completely closed before the jam locknut is tightened.

4. Find cause for machine going out-of-level. Possible causes are incorrect counterbalance pressure, damaged or broken linear encoder(s). Make necessary repairs or adjustments. When troubleshooting it may be necessary to relevel ram several times.

CLOSED HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT

Closed height, which is the distance from the bed top to the ram nose at the maximum down position of the stroke, is controlled by two adjustments. The reference limit switches provide coarse adjustment and the linear encoder provides fine adjustment.

The closed height can be measured by programming a stroke reversal position of 12.0000” in QUICK BEND mode. Cycle the ram for one complete stroke with a forming speed of 7 inches per minute and 3.0 dwell at reversal point. This measurement should be within plus or minus .0005”. See linear encoder adjustment for procedure to measure and adjust.

Note: When cycling the ram, the Operator Control must be held down when in dwell.

ELECTRICAL

There are no customer serviceable parts in the main electrical enclosure. Contact a CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service Representative for detailed information.

BACKGAGE ADJUSTMENTS

CNC SX BACKGAGE

This gage is usually shipped assembled to the machine. If not, remove the major components from their crates and clean.

IMPORTANT: Do not install the gage or make electrical connections until a Service Representative of CINCINNATI INCORPORATED is present.

Install the backgage drive assembly to the rear dovetail slots of the press brake bed. Install the gage bar to R-axis arm assembly. Center the gage bar between the housings by sliding the backgage drive assembly along the bed.

This backgage consists of two gage fingers attached to a gage bar positioned by a drive assembly. The drive assembly can be programmed and/or positioned in two directions: X = front-to-back, R = up and down. Each axis can be powered by a DC motor/ballscrew drive. Only “X” is powered as standard. See Figure 8-1.

After the startup of the machine, the CNC SX Backgage final alignment should be made. Gage finger positions and control readouts should be checked and adjusted as follows:
1. Set Gage Bar Parallel to Ram Die Slot – Assemble the 1” fingers into the two gage finger holders. Check that they are both exactly set and locked to 4.000” (see Figure 5-8). Install one finger assembly at each end of the gage bar (see Figure 5-13). Install .50” x 1.00” (min.) x 4.00” (min.) truly flat cold rolled (preferably ground bars) vertically in the ram die slot at the same horizontal locations as the finger assemblies. Run the ram down to its closed height. Make sure no tooling was installed or special height filler block that will get in the way.

If the SX Backgage has programmable R-axis, jog the R-axis up or down to where the gage fingers will be able to contact the .50” bars near but fully above the bottom edge. Turn the machine and main disconnect off and lockout disconnect. Carefully push the X-axis carriage toward the ram nose to where the closest finger nearly but does not touch the .50” bar. Use a set of feeler gages to determine if the fingers are the same distance away from their respective .50” bars. If they are not, on the side of the R-axis carriage nearest the end with the larger clearance, loosen the top and bottom gage bar attachment screws no more than 1/4 turn (see Figure 9-2). Turn in the top and bottom pusher screws the same amount. Recheck the finger clearances. Repeat the adjustment procedure on the same side of the R-axis carriage as the original adjustment, adjusting forward or back as necessary.

2. Set Gage Bar Level with Bed Top (or Filler Block Top) – Remove finger assemblies and .50” bars used in Step 1. Clean the top of the bed or filler block and the top surface of the gage bar that the gage assemblies contact. Check and remove any burrs or raised area on either surface. Carefully push the X-axis carriage toward the bed until it stops. Set up an indicator to check top of gage bar with respect to bed top (or filler block top). Set indicator to zero at one end of the gage bar and check the other end. If the ends are within ±.010” of one another, no adjustment is required. Otherwise, on the side of the R-axis carriage closest to the lower end, loosen the top and bottom attachment screws and the top attachment screw (only) on the other side of the R-axis carriage. Loosen only 1/8 turn. Carefully tap the low end upward and recheck both ends with the indicator. Continue tapping upward or downward until ends are within tolerance. Retighten attachment screws and check level of ends again. If, while tightening screws, the gage bar went out-of-level, repeat this procedure until properly leveled. Finally, recheck that Step 1 is still within tolerance.

3. X-axis (see Figure 8-1) – Front edge of fingers are 3.000” (76mm) ±.001” (.025mm) from the centerline of the ram die slot (with American ram nose installed) when the control displays 3.000” (76mm). Adjust X-axis position by loosening carriage drive bolts (4) (as shown in Figure 9-14). Position the gage finger against the 3.000” (76mm) gage block as shown in Figure 9-15. Holding this position, retighten the carriage drive bolts. (Tighten bolts nearest the R-axis guide rods first.)
4. Optional Powered R-axis (see Figure 9-16) – Bottom of the fingers are 10.500" (267mm) ±.005" (.13mm) above the bed at the center of the machine, when control displays 10.500" (267mm). R-axis position can be adjusted by loosening the 3/8"-16 hex bolts which attach the R-axis carriage to the ballscrew nut. These bolts are accessible through the 7/8" (22mm) diameter holes near the top of the R-axis housings. Using the R-axis adjustment tool (#430100-C), rotate the handle until the proper height is determined; retighten the drive bracket hex bolts.

CARRIAGE ADJUSTMENT

The R-axis carriage ball bushings on the CNC SX Backgage should be checked periodically for looseness. Each ball bushing has a preload adjusting screw (Figure 9-17). These screws should be snug, never tight.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Effective troubleshooting is usually acquired with experience and by a thorough knowledge of your machine and its operation. The assembly drawings, including hydraulic and electrical schematics (included with this manual), should be used as troubleshooting aids. Most problems, however, can be more efficiently diagnosed by contacting your local CINCINNATI Field Service Representative or through telephone support with a Technical Service Specialist. Having the following information ready before making contact with a CINCINNATI Representative will help to diagnose the problem faster.

♦ Company Name
♦ Machine Model
♦ Machine Serial Number
♦ All error messages (exactly as displayed)
♦ Have this manual and prints available for reference
♦ Describe the symptoms of the problem from the following list. Problem diagnosis will go quickly if you can answer the questions associated with each symptom.

LCD DISPLAY ERROR MESSAGES

Note: Refer to either the online help information that came with the machine or to EM-499, "SECTION 7, OPERATION - A SUPPLEMENT TO THE OPERATION MANUAL FOR THE CINCINNATI AUTOFORM PC CONTROL", included with this manual.
## MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST - 60 AUTOFORM PRESS BRAKE

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### Above intervals are based on one shift and normal press brake operation. Detailed instructions for servicing the machine can be found in this manual.
SECTION 10

ORDERING REPAIR PARTS

When ordering repair parts be sure to give this information:

1. Serial number of the AUTOFORM Press Brake. This is located on the machine’s capacity plate and on the right end of the bed.

2. The part number and part name, obtained from assembly drawings included with this manual.

3. As complete a description of the part as possible.

4. Delivery required.

5. It is sometimes necessary to furnish subassemblies instead of single parts. In such cases, we reserve the right to ship and to invoice accordingly.

RETURNING PARTS FOR CREDIT

1. No item is to be returned without prior authorization. Please write or call (513-367-7100) the factory for instructions and the returned goods authorization number.

2. Returned goods authorization number must be shown on the outside of the package being returned. Unauthorized shipments will be returned to the sender freight collect.

SERVICE

CINCINNATI INCORPORATED Service includes:

1. Established field service having numerous local offices for prompt service assistance. Factory trained servicemen are available to assist you with any service problems you might be having. This includes service ranging from minor repairs and adjustments to major reconditioning jobs.

2. Planned Maintenance Service (PMS). This is a program designed to give you comprehensive inspections and recommendations concerning the condition of your equipment. PMS is specifically tailored to your needs to give you timely inspections, qualified recommendations and expert field assistance with repairs to your equipment.

TECHNICAL TRAINING

CINCINNATI INCORPORATED offers a variety of Operator and Maintenance Training Programs to assist our customers in obtaining maximum value from your investment in metal fabricating equipment. With today’s sophisticated CNC controls, operator knowledge and proficiency have a significant effect on overall productivity. These training programs also review many of the basics of metal fabricating, which may enhance the abilities of your newer employees. Please contact our customer Technical Training Department for further information.