MANUAL HOOD TARP OPERATION

To operate a Hood tarp system correctly, the following steps are to be taken: -

- 1. Check the rail and tarp for any debris or obstructions prior to use.
- 2. Release the handle from the bracket and lock into the open winding position.
- 3. Wind out at a steady rate until the unit is fully extended and/or hits the rear stops.
- 4. Rotate the handle back into the locked position to the finish the operation.

ELECTRIC HOOD TARP OPERATION

Alternatively, if using a tarp with a Roll Rite drive system: -

- 1. Check the rail and tarp for any debris or obstructions prior to use.
- 2. To close the tarp, press button 1 momentarily and the tarp will automatically extend out to the closed position with no need for holding the button.
- 3. To open the tarp, briefly depress button one in the same fashion to engage the automatic rollup procedure.

HOOD TARP SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

When operating a Hood Tarp system, the following precautions are required: -

- Always operate the system from the front of the body.
- Refrain from jerking/sudden movements when winding the tarp to its full extension.
- Only use the manual handle when retracting or extending the tarp, do not grab the belt or chain.
- Stand clear of the sides of the body when unit is retracting.
- Be aware of the bow height with respect to the surroundings.
- Be sure to lock the handle into its closed position when not in use, as to avoid any unwanted movement in the tarp or handle itself.
- If the system is electric, allow adequate cooldown time between each operation.
- Avoid disassembling the controller and gearmotor assemblies as it could cause electrical shock and potentially void the warranty of the component.
- Always secure PVC and Canvas tarp systems with ropes and/or provided locking plates
- Do not tip material with the load covered.
- Always store in the front position prior to loading.
- Avoid levelling of loads by using the tarping system.
- When washing do not use acidic detergents.

Failure to comply with these precautions can result in injury and/or damage to the hood tarp assembly. For further information on operating and installation procedures, contact our sales team at sales@retractabletarps.com.au or call (07) 3889 8611.

MAINTENANCE GUIDE FOR WIND-OUT HOOD TARP SYSTEM

Each wind-out hood tarp system is manufactured to a high standard, thus minimising any ongoing maintenance costs. However, lack of basic preventative maintenance may lead to premature wear and improper function of the tarping system and components. To ensure that your system operates correctly, the following basic maintenance is required.

On an average day shift operation, the following procedures are to be performed: -

Monthly

- Grease front shaft bearings
- Check belt tension or condition of chain
- Lubricate handle spring
- Inspect system for damaged tarp, damaged bows and blocks
- Check cables for fraying and tension
- Check all cable clamps are fastened

For electric systems, additional maintenance to be performed as per the following: -

Monthly

- Inspect connecting plugs for damage
- Inspect all terminals and lugs for corrosion, tighten and clean accordingly
- Inspect wire condition at high risk areas eg. draw-bar or turn-table
- Inspect gear motor for oil leaks
- Test system to ensure electronic controller is functioning with the tarp fully
- extended.
- Test remote control range and replace batteries if required.

Annually

- Grease bearings and lubricate all moving parts, i.e. handle winder, chain, etc.
- Check all bolts and fasteners for correct tension
- Inspect front wire pulleys for excessive wear in the wire groove
- Inspect cables for wear and replace as required

General Warning for All Systems

- Do not tip material with the load covered
- Always store in the front position prior to loading
- Avoid levelling of loads by using the tarping system
- When washing do not use acidic detergents

If under heavy operation, the frequency of the maintenance schedule may have to be adjusted to suit.

We've got you covered.