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# **Rolling Sheet Door Maintenance and Performance Evaluation**

WARNING: DASMA recommends that all adjustments be made by a trained door systems technician. Attempting to perform services of any kind without proper tools and training could result in serious injury or death.

### Introduction

This Technical Data Sheet is intended as a reference for maintenance and performance evaluation. In no way does it replace the regular maintenance recommended in the door manufacturer's instructions. Contact the door manufacturer to obtain information regarding a trained service provider and maintenance intervals.

## Brackets

WARNING: Brackets and counterbalance assemblies are under extreme spring tension, and tampering with or modifying could result in death or serious injury.

- 1. Do NOT try to adjust the spring tension. Call for service if springs need adjusting.
- 2. Brackets should be oriented in the vertical plane and perpendicular to the wall; sway bracing may be necessary.
- 3. Brackets must be securely fastened to the wall or to the guide wall angles.
- 4. Call for service when fasteners appear loose in walls or jamb construction.
- 5. Call for service when bearing looks or sounds worn or damaged.
- 6. Inspect product safety label.

- 1. Guide assembly fasteners must be secure in each hole/slot using proper fasteners that are supplied by the manufacturer.
- 2. Damaged/bent guide angles must not bind the curtain and bottom bar.
- 3. The stops at the top of guides must be in place and secured properly to stop the bottom bar at the top of each guide.
- 4. Inspect product safety labels.

#### Hood

- 1. Hood, if provided, must be properly secured so it will not fall.
- 2. Hood must not bind against the curtain.

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# **Door Operation**

- 1. Door should stay in the open position when fully opened; call for service if door must be propped open.
- 2. Door should be easy to operate near the open and closed positions. Door may require more force to open through the middle.
- 3. Force required to operate the door should not exceed 35 lbs. on hand chain, 30 lbs. on manual push-up, or 25 lbs. on crank operation. Significant deviations from these values may indicate a counterbalance problem requiring service by a trained door systems technician.
- 4. Evaluate the performance of electric doors quarterly. If the electric operator sounds like it is laboring/straining to open the door, then do the following:
  - Close the door using the operator, engage manual operation, and open the door.
  - Call for service if the force required to operate the door is significantly more difficult. A spring counterbalance evaluation should be considered.
  - Operator limits must be set so 1) bottom bar is not tight against guide stops and 2) curtain does not sag when closed.
- 5. The operation of the door MUST be viewable / visible from the door control switch location.
- 6. Per the requirements of UL 325, constant pressure is required on the "close" or "down" button/switch for doors with no sensing edge on door bottom bar, or with no photoelectric eyes, or when sensing devices are not functioning properly.
- 7. Test the door sensing devices at least weekly:
  - Be sure to test at both ends of sensing edge for proper operation.
  - See DASMA Technical Data Sheet #368 for more information.
- 8. Gear operated doors:
  - If applicable, check that keystock is properly set in keyway.
  - Look for broken teeth and debris.
  - Clean and lubricate gears.
  - Tighten set screws.
- 9. Sprocket and roller chain drive:
  - If applicable, check that keystock is properly set in keyway.
  - Align sprockets as required and tighten set screws.
  - Inspect roller chain for damage or wear
  - Clean and lubricate the roller chain.

# Curtain

- 1. Close and open the door.
- 2. The curtain and bottom bar must move freely in the guides and not rub against the header or ceiling.
- 3. Call for service if curtain (or wind locks, when provided) bind against mounting plates, brackets or any other object that hinders smooth operation.
- 4. Wind locks (when provided) must be securely fastened to the curtain. Wind locks should never be removed from the curtain.

#### **Product Safety Labels**

- 1. Product safety labels should be periodically inspected and cleaned by the product user.
- 2. Replacement labels should be ordered from the door manufacturer.

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