

MODEL 2008AF STEP ENTRY SYSTEM c/w GATE

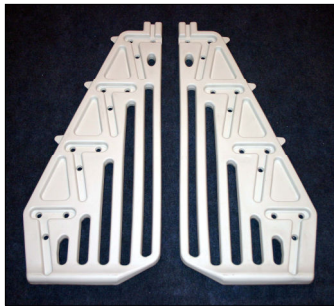


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TOOLS REQUIRED: 7/16" socket - nut driver or wrench, measuring tape, Phillips (star) screwdriver, utility knife (trimming knife), 1/4" drill bit, drill & pad lock

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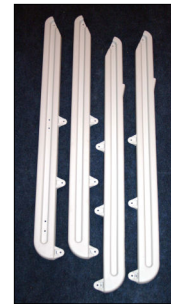
Stringers - 2 Left & 2 Right



Tread-Riser - 6 pcs
(* 2 SPECIAL *)



Top Tread - 2 pcs
Bottom Riser - 2 pcs

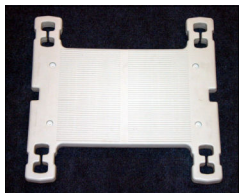


Lower Handrails
2-Right & 2-Left



Upper Handrails
2-Right & 2-Left

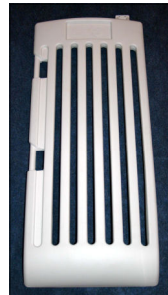
Step 1 - Identify Parts



Top Platform - 1 pc



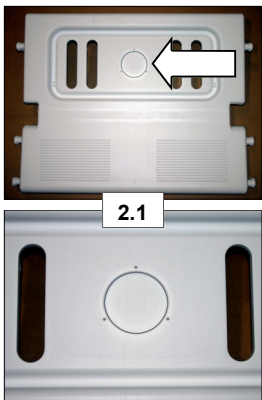
Gate Stop - 1 pc
Gate Hinges - 2 sets
(outer - larger)(inner - smaller)



Gate - 1 pc

Familiarize yourself with all parts before starting assembly of the entry system. If you notice any parts damaged or missing, contact our customer service for help (877-VINYL WK)

Hardware Measurement Guide		
3/4"	1"	
3 3/4"		



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2.2

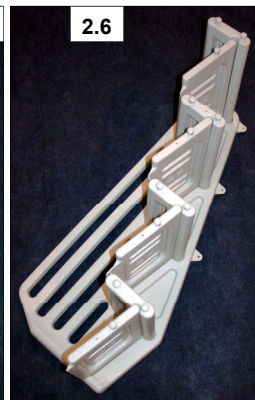
Fit Treads & Risers



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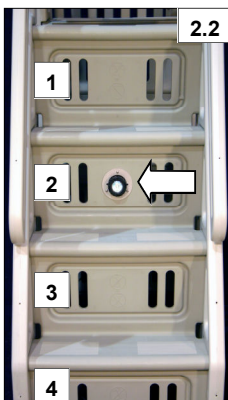
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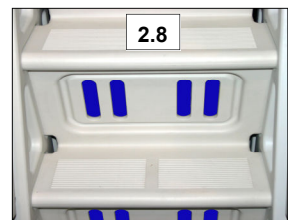


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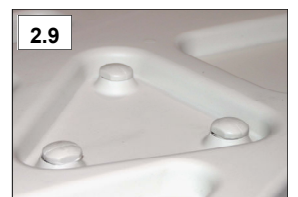


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Identify the tread-riser (2 pc) with round pinch-off for in-pool light (2.1 - light is optional). If using the OPT12V optional light with this step note proper positioning / location of this special tread-riser (2.2). The light should be placed in the second riser down from the top of the step, **below** the surface of the water. Lay stringer on flat surface with indentations to accept treads/risers facing up (as shown above in "Parts"). Fit single bottom riser, with warning signs facing forward, into bottom indentation (2.3) & snap into place making certain the button lock tab of the riser passes through hole in stringer. Fit top tread, with anti-skid surface facing upwards, into top indentation (2.4) & snap into place. Fold tread-riser & fit into indentations above single riser (2.5). Make certain when folding that the anti-skid surface is facing upwards (2.8). Repeat for remaining two tread-risers - remember position of special tread (2.6 & 2.2) making certain all button lock tabs protrude & lock in place (2.9). Place opposite stringer on top of treads- risers (2.7) aligning indentations in stringer & button lock tabs with holes in stringer. Snap stringer in place locking all tabs. **Repeat for both sides of entry**



2.8



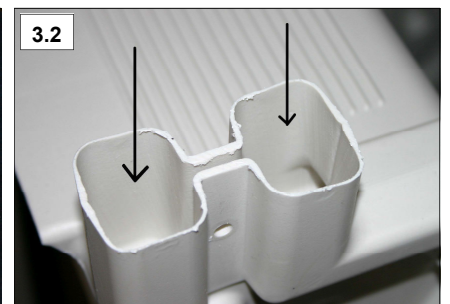
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Step 3 - Add Weight to Stringers

This entry requires additional weight for ballast & to prevent the unit from floating. The top portion of the stringers are open, exposing the inside cavity (3.1 & 3.2). This cavity is sealed and is designed to hold material for weight. Put approximately ten pounds (10 lbs) of **coarse** sand or gravel into both the left & right stringer of **ONE SIDE** / half of the entry. This will give the fully assembled system the required stability within the pool water. Additional weight can be added if desired or if you find the system requires greater stability. **IMPORTANT** - Remember which half has the weight as you will require for Step 5 to follow

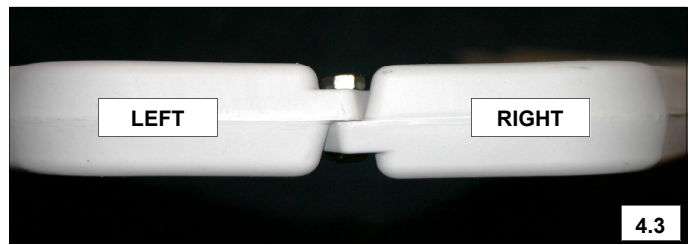
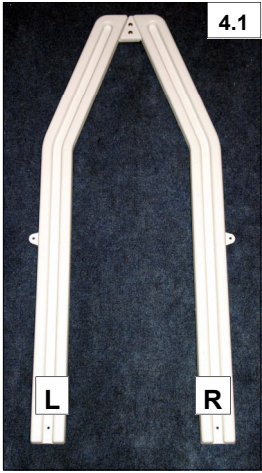


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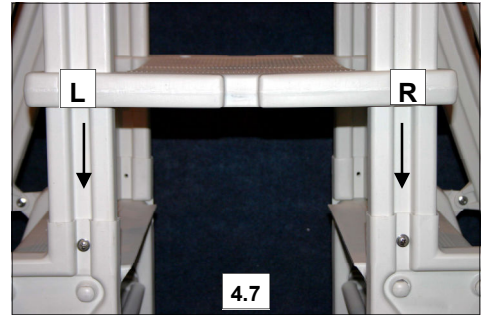
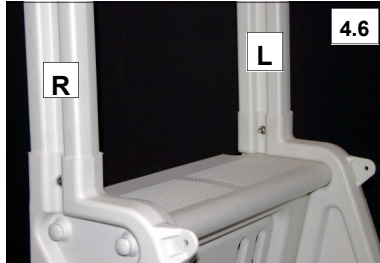
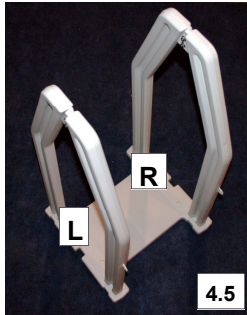
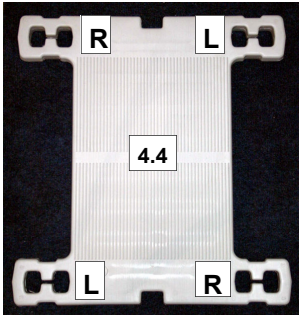


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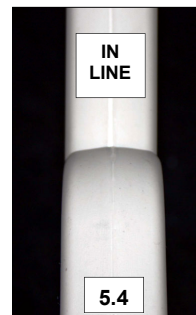
Step 4 - Attach Upper Handrails



Identify the upper RIGHT (R) & LEFT (L) handrails (small stamp in part - as shown in 4.2 above). Fit handrail pair together as shown in 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 above, align bolt holes and secure using 1" bolts, washers both sides & nut. Tighten all hardware. Repeat for both sets of upper handrails. Identify top platform and with anti-skid surface facing up, fit handrail pairs through platform as shown in 4.4 and 4.5 below. Repeat for both sets of upper handrail pairs on both sides of top platform. Fit assembled handrail pairs & platform into top openings of assembled entry as shown in 4.6 and 4.7. Make certain the correct handrail fits into the appropriate hole in the step assembly as it is import for the next step. The ends of the handrails fit tightly into the openings at the top of each stringer/tread set. Make certain to push them all the way down into the opening until they bottom out. Align bolt holes & secure using 3/4" bolt, double washer & nut. Repeat for both sides. Tighten all hardware.

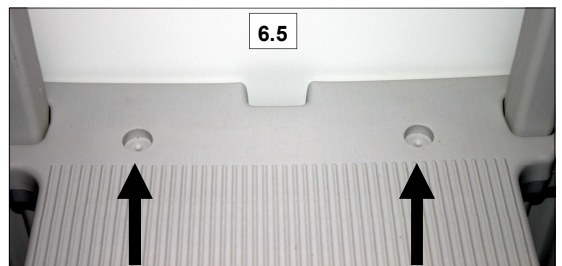
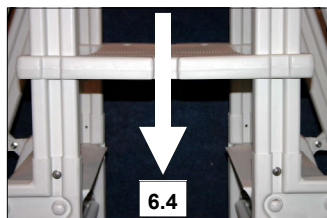
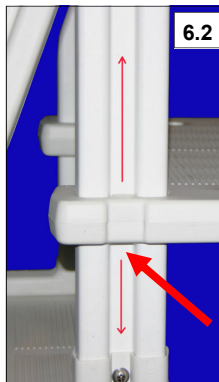
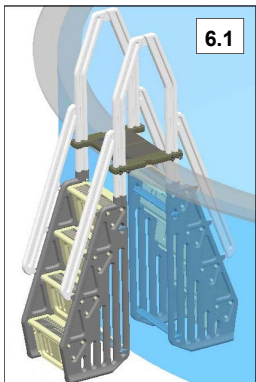


Step 5 Attach Lower Handrails



Identify & separate the two RIGHT (R) & LEFT (L) lower handrails. **Note:** one of the left handrails has extra holes drilled in it to accept the gate hardware - set this handrail aside (see 5.1). Remember from above Step 3, one half of the system has **weight** added - we'll start with this side first. For the **half with weight**, facing step as to climb, align one RIGHT (R) handrail to right side of step (see 5.2). Make certain handrail is on the inside of three tabs of stringer and inside of tab on upper handrail (see 5.3). When on the inside of tab on upper handrail, the upper & lower handrails will be perfectly in line (see 5.4). Align holes and fasten using a 3/4" bolt, double washer and nut at all four locations. Tighten hardware. Choose the LEFT (L) handrail **WITHOUT** holes for gate hardware. Similarly, align left handrail on the inside of tabs on left stringer and upper handrail (see 5.5). Align holes and fasten using a 3/4" bolt, double washer and nut for all four locations. Tighten hardware. The "in-pool" portion is complete (see 5.6) Repeat for opposite side of step system (exterior portion) using the left handrail **WITH** holes for gate on the "exterior" portion - portion outside of the pool (no weight required). Make certain all hardware is tight and handrails are perfectly in-line (as in 5.4)

Step 6 - Adjust Top Platform & Secure in Place

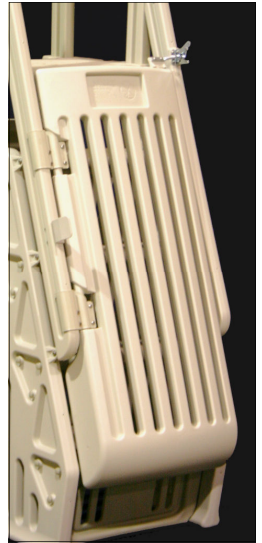


Before entry is placed within the pool check the bottom of the stringers of the in-pool portion to make certain there are no sharp edges and they are free of debris so the pool liner is not damaged. A ladder/step pad is recommended for additional protection of the liner. Position entry in the pool at desired location. Make certain weighted half is inside pool. Allow step to sink to bottom (see 6.1). Adjust top platform so it is 1" - 1.5" above the top rail of the pool. Make certain it is level (all four corners same height) and mark with pencil (see 6.2, 6.3 & 6.4). Using caution, drill a 17/64" hole directly in the center of the upper handrails (repeat for all four corners). The upper handrails have a small vertical indentation to indicate center for ease of drilling. Insert 1" steel pin into predrilled hole, setting equidistant on both sides of handrail, and lock top platform in place by pushing down onto steel pins (see 6.3 & 6.4). Make certain the platform snaps and locks into place at all four corners. To keep the entry stable within the pool it is required to be secured to the top rail of the pool. With the entry in place, use **two** of the bolt locations in the top platform that best suit your pool situation (see 6.5). Using caution, drill a 14" hole down through the platform and through the top rail of the pool. Secure in place with the 3/4" bolts, washers & nuts provided. Make certain the debris from drilling the platform & top rail does not fall into the pool and damage the pool liner. Use caution when operating power tools around water. When secured in place go to Box 2 of 2 - GATE PACKAGE (hardware & instructions packaged within). **DO NOT** use entry without gate installed & functioning properly (see 6.6). **Go to gate instruction**

ALWAYS SWIM SAFELY & NEVER SWIM ALONE



MODEL 2008GP - GATE PACKAGE
for models 2008AF - 2008CE - 2008G2D
Pool Entry Systems & Decks



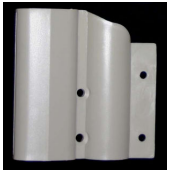
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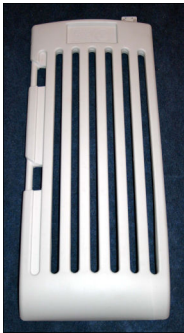
IDENTIFY PARTS



Outer Hinge
(2 pcs)
(large)



Inner Hinge
(2 pcs)
(small)



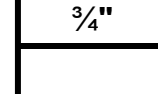
Gate - 1 pc



Gate Stop - 1 pc

The gate & gate components are packaged different for different units - make certain you have all appropriate cartons and parts to complete your chosen pool entry system or deck assembly & installation (Model 2008AF - 2008CE or 2008G2D used with SD & FD decks). Familiarize yourself with all parts and read instructions before starting assembly & installation. If you notice any parts damaged or missing please contact our customer service department for assistance @ 877-VINYL WK.

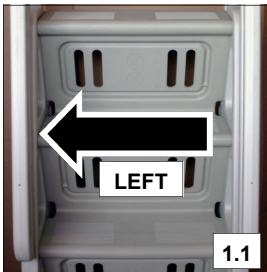
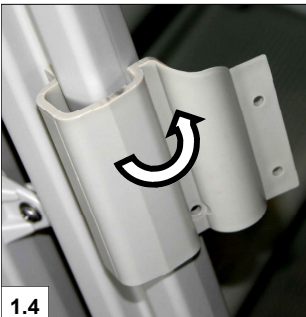
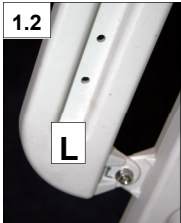
Hardware & Instructions Included



Measurement Guide



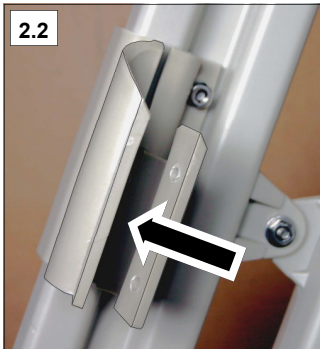
POSITION HINGES & GATE STOP



The **LEFT** lower handrail on the exterior portion of the entry has holes to accept the hinges & gate stop (see 1.1 & 1.2). Begin by securing the gate stop in place. Fit the stop on the outside face of the handrail over the center two holes - it is form fitting (see 1.3). Secure using two 1/4 x 3/4" bolts, washers on inside & nuts. Tighten hardware. Fit the outer hinges in place around handrail. Likewise, they are form fitting and will snap around handrail (see 1.4). The inner hinge fits on the inside of handrail and aligns with the large on the outside. Use two 1/4 x 3/4" bolts, washers & nuts on the inside face and secure **LOOSELY** in the back two holes, only **FINGER TIGHT** (see 1.5-1.7). See 1.6 & 1.7 for proper placement of parts

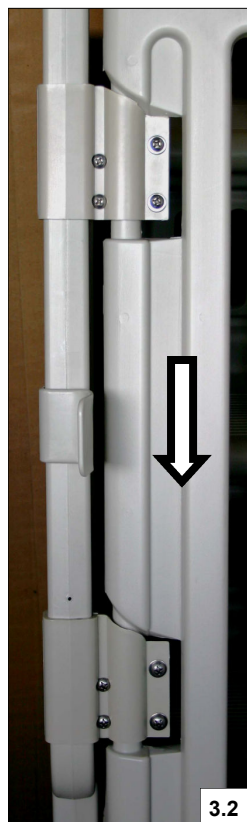
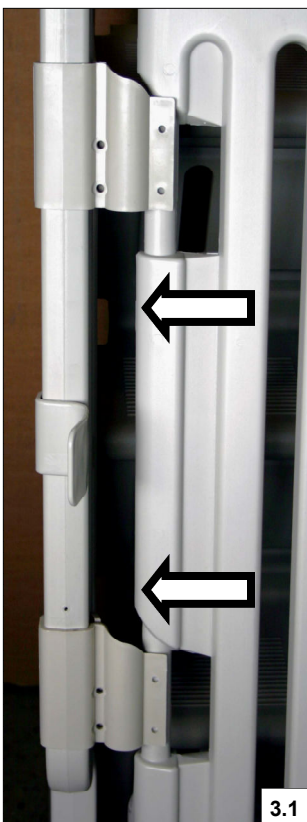


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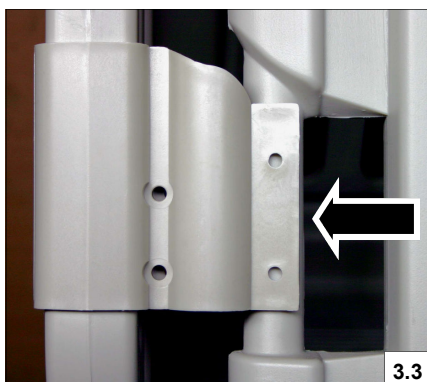


LEAVE HINGES LOOSE WITH GAP

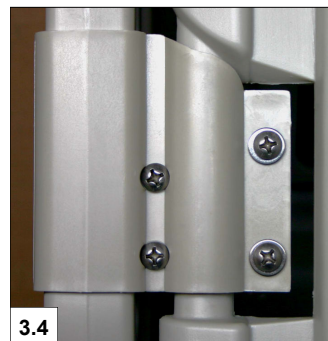
It is important to secure the hinge sets (inner & outer) loosely so there remains a "gap" between the parts. This gap allows you to fit the gate in place between the inner & outer hinge pairs; both top & bottom (see 2.1 - 2.3)



FIT & SECURE GATE

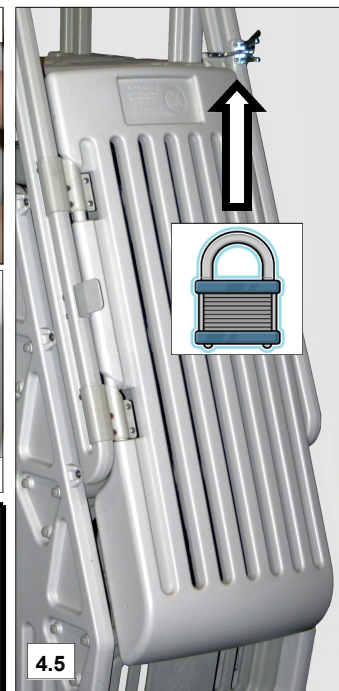
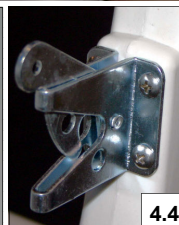
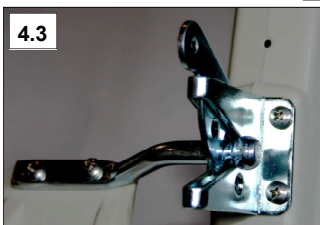
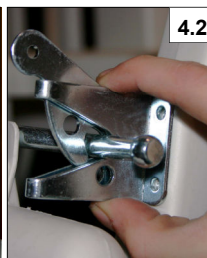


Gently pry open gate hinge sets & fit gate between the inner & outer hinge parts (3.1-3.3). The "round" posts of the gate will fit through the gap of the hinges (outlined in details above). Secure gate hinges using the remaining 1/4 x 3/4 bolts, washers & nuts. Note that the center holes only require the bolt & nut (no washers will fit). Use washers on both sides for the remaining hardware positions (3.4). Tighten all hardware & make certain gate opens and closes smoothly.



ATTACH STRIKER & GATE LATCH

Before attaching striker & latch, be sure gate is closed and pushed DOWN within hinge sets (see 3.2 above). Attach striker to gate (see 4.1). Striker is to be outside of gate, angled appropriately. Secure with 3/16 x 3/4" bolts, washers inside & nuts. Tighten hardware. With gate closed, down entirely, & striker in latch (see 4.2), position latch in the center of handrail and mark holes with pencil. Make certain striker is centered in latch correctly & latch is closed (see 4.2 & 4.3). Pre-drill 1/8" holes & secure using #8 x 3/4" screws (see 4.4). **DO NOT** over tighten screws as plastic may strip. Test gate to be sure it operates properly. Assembly is now complete - **LOCK GATE WHEN POOL IS NOT IN USE** (4.5)



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