

SHIFTR[®]

OWNER'S MANUAL

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INTRODUCTION



Congratulations on getting your new SHIFTR trailer.

This Owner's Manual covers everything you need to know to operate your trailer safely and correctly.

We recommend reading through this entire guide before your first use.

READ BEFORE USING YOUR SHIFTR TRAILER

By using any SHIFTR Trailer, you acknowledge that you have carefully read and fully understand the contents of the product's Owner's Manual available at www.shiftrtrailers.com and www.futuratrailers.com, including all instructions and warnings contained therein, before using the product. You agree to ensure that both you and any other user of your SHIFTR Trailer will read, understand and agree to this Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Claim Waiver before using the product.

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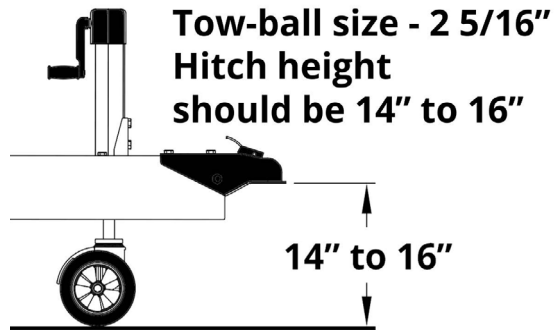
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OPERATING YOUR SHIFTR TRAILER

This document is to be read in full.

Learn how to safely and correctly operate the SHIFTR lowering trailer.

CONNECT THE TRAILER TO THE TOW VEHICLE



CAUTION

Dangerous trailer sway may occur if hitch height is too low.
Front lifting arm will not raise fully if hitch height is too low.

OPENING AND CLOSING THE COUPLING



Position the coupling over the tow hitch and raise the handle up.

With the handle raised and the coupling in position over the tow hitch, **slide the handle toward you/away** from the tow hitch to open the coupling.

With the coupling open and in position over the tow hitch, release the handle and it will lock into place.

WARNING

An improperly coupled trailer can result in death or serious injury. Do not move the trailer until all pre-tow checks are complete. Refer to the Utility Trailer Owner's Manual, Section 4, for full coupling procedures.

OPERATING YOUR SHIFTR TRAILER

CONNECT THE TRAILER TO THE TOW VEHICLE



Connect to the tow vehicle.

Ensure the safety cables and the break-away cable are securely connected to the tow vehicle.

Safety cables must be crossed under the hitch.

OPENING AND CLOSING THE COUPLING



Crank up the jack wheel completely until the wheel locks.

Tighten the crank to secure wheel and prevent accidental operation.

CAUTION

Ensure the tow ball size is correctly matched to the hitch, safety cables are connected and crossed, jack wheel is locked up and breakaway is connected to the tow vehicle.

POWER SYSTEM OVERVIEW



Your SHIFTR features an integrated power system at the front of the deck.

The solar panel maintains battery charge during storage and transit.

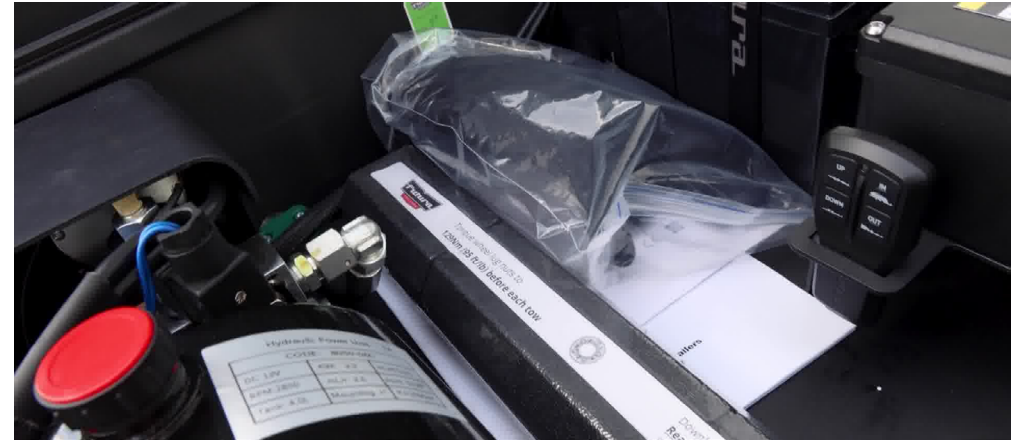
The electric recovery winch assists with loading non-running vehicles.

The hydraulic pump powers the raising and lowering system.

CONTROL BOX CONTENTS



Open the control box to access the SmartControl™ unit with master power switch and voltmeter, the wireless remote control, and the deep-cycle battery.

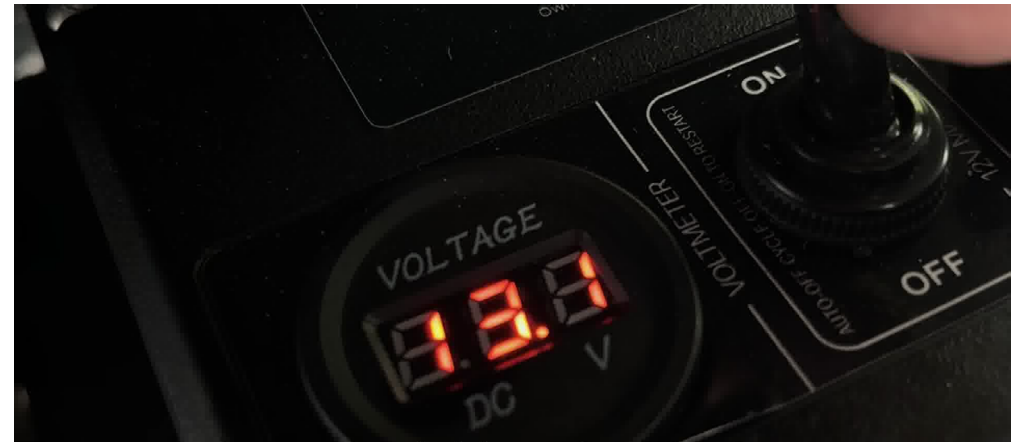


The box also contains the torque wrench pre-set to 95 ft/lbs, a battery trickle charger, and your SHIFTR user manual.

POWERING ON



Toggle the master power switch on the SmartControl™ unit to ON. The voltmeter will illuminate showing the current battery voltage.



Confirm the voltage reads above 12V before operating. If low, use the included trickle charger to restore charge before use.

WIRELESS REMOTE CONTROL



UP and DOWN control the trailer deck. IN and OUT operate the recovery winch. Hold both top buttons until the red light illuminates to pair.



Always maintain clear line of sight to the trailer when using the remote. Store in the control box when not in use.

FENDER LATCHES



All four fender latches must be opened before lowering. The latches connect the lowering arm directly to the chassis.



Pull each lever until it clicks open. Do not force a latch if the trailer is under load – remove the vehicle first.

LICENSE PLATE POSITIONING



Before loading, reposition the license plate to avoid damage. Remove the securing pin from the bracket.



Lift the plate and bracket into the vertical position, then reinstall the pin to secure it in place.

LOWERING THE TRAILER



With all latches released, press and hold DOWN on the remote or the SmartControl™ unit until the deck reaches ground level.



Stand well clear during operation. Never stand on or near the deck while it is in motion.

LOADING YOUR VEHICLE



Slowly drive the vehicle onto the lowered deck. Use a spotter if available. Keep the vehicle centred.



Ensure even space on either side. Incorrect positioning can affect towing stability and cause compliance issues.

TIE-DOWN EQUIPMENT

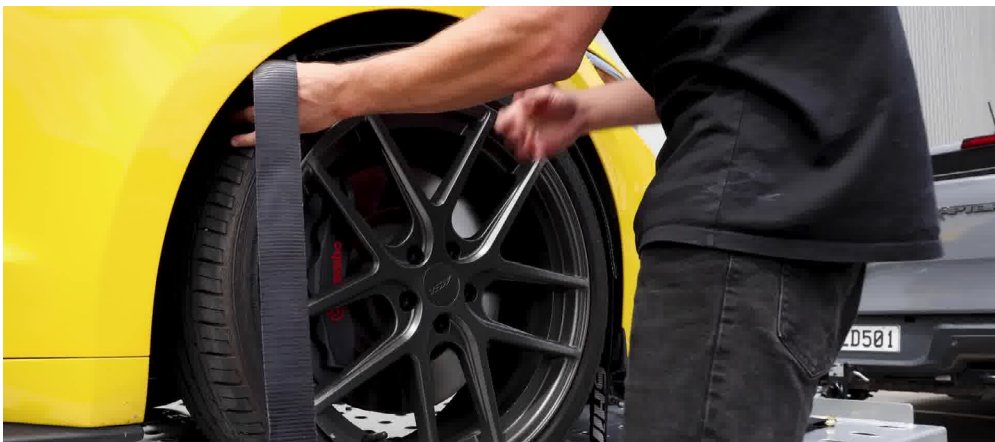


Your trailer includes a proprietary SHIFTR tie-down system designed for the slotted deck.



The slotted deck allows flexible strap placement to suit different vehicle widths and wheelbases.

SECURING THE VEHICLE



Place the non-slip mat against the tyre. Thread the strap through the nearest deck slot and loop over the tyre.



Tighten with the ratchet handle until firm. Repeat for all four wheels. The vehicle should not move.

PRE-TRIP CHECKS



Check all tie-down straps are secure. Verify fender latches are engaged and trailer lights are working.



Torque all wheel nuts to 95 ft/lbs. Check at 10, 20, and 50 miles, and before every trip.

STORAGE



When storing your SHIFTR trailer, use the remote to lower it fully to the bottom.

For best practice, chock the wheels also. You can leave the trailer parked with a car on it, as long as the trailer is in the lowered position.



Once you've torqued the lug nuts at 10, 25 and 50 miles, you can remove these decals on the fenders.



FURTHER INFORMATION

For any additional details on operation, maintenance, troubleshooting, or warranty information, please visit the SHIFTR Trailers Website.

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