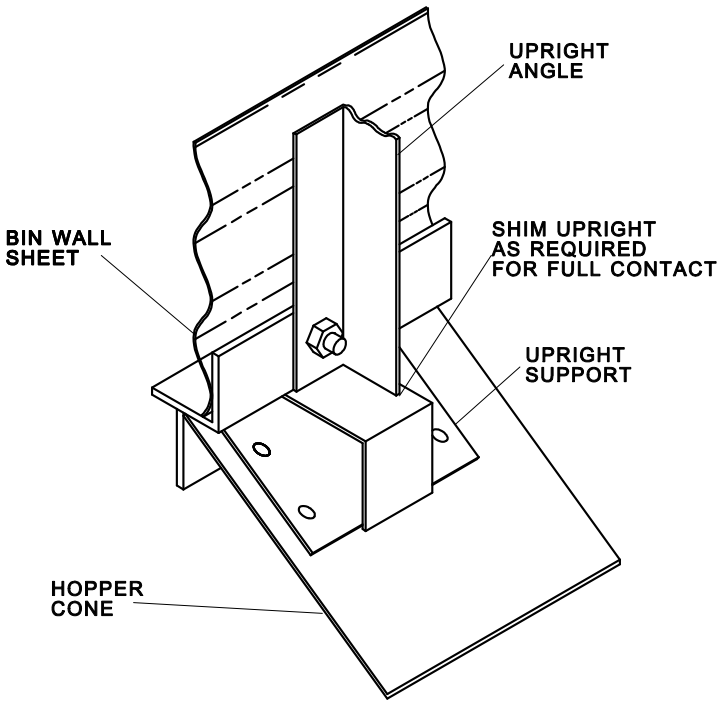
Model 145 Bin for Hopper Repair Kit 235647

Grain Bin
Installation and Storage Instructions



Read this manual before using product. Failure to follow instructions and safety precautions can result in serious injury, death, or property damage. Keep manual for future reference.

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New in this Manual

The following changes have been made in this revision of the manual:

Description	Section
Falling Hazard decal 8110-00136 has been replaced by new decal 8110-00228.	Figure 1 on page 7

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1. Introduction

Before assembling, please read this manual. Familiarize yourself with the process and the necessary precautions for efficient and safe assembly of this Westeel Model 145 Bin for Hopper Repair Kit 235647.

Everyone present at the assembly site is required to be familiar with all safety precautions.

Keep this manual available for frequent reference and review it with new personnel. Call your local distributor or dealer if you need assistance or additional information.

2. Safety

2.1. Safety Alert Symbol and Signal Words

This safety alert symbol indicates important safety messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of injury or death, carefully read the message that follows, and inform others.

Signal Words: Note the use of the signal words **DANGER**, **WARNING**, **CAUTION**, and **NOTICE** with the safety messages. The appropriate signal word for each message has been selected using the definitions below as a guideline.

DANGER Indicates an imminently hazardous situation that, if not avoided, will result in serious injury or death.

WARNING Indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death.

CAUTION Indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in property damage.

2.2. General Safety

Read and understand all safety instructions, safety decals, and manuals and follow them when assembling the equipment.

- Only experienced personnel who are familiar with this type of assembly and installation should perform this work. Untrained assemblers/installers expose themselves and bystanders to possible serious injury or death.

- Do not modify the repair kit in any way or deviate from the instructions in this manual without written permission from the manufacturer. Unauthorized modification or methods may impair the function and/or safety. Any unauthorized modification will void the warranty.
- Follow a health and safety program for your worksite. Contact your local occupational health and safety organization for information.
- Contact your local representative or Westeel if you need assistance or additional information.
- Always follow applicable local codes and regulations.

2.3. Personal Protective Equipment

The following Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) should be worn when installing the equipment.

Safety Glasses

- Wear safety glasses at all times to protect eyes from debris.

Coveralls

- Wear coveralls to protect skin.

Hard Hat

- Wear a hard hat to help protect your head.

Steel-Toe Boots

- Wear steel-toe boots to protect feet from falling debris.

Work Gloves

- Wear work gloves to protect your hands from sharp and rough edges.

2.4. Safety Decals

- Keep safety decals clean and legible at all times.
- Replace safety decals that are missing or have become illegible. See decal location figures that follow.
- Replaced parts must display the same decal(s) as the original part.
- Replacement safety decals are available **free of charge** from your distributor, dealer, or factory as applicable.

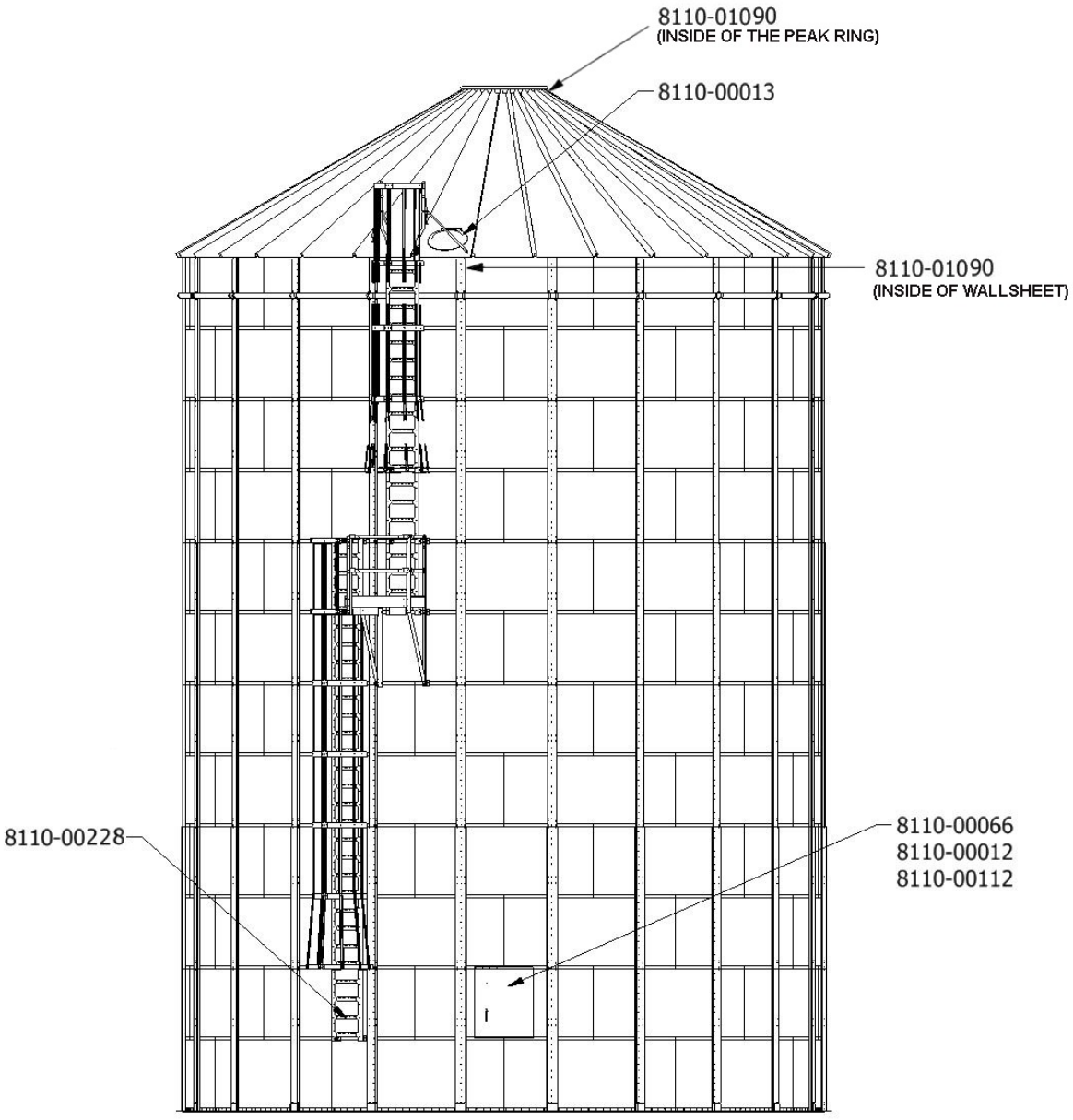
2.5. Decal Installation/Replacement

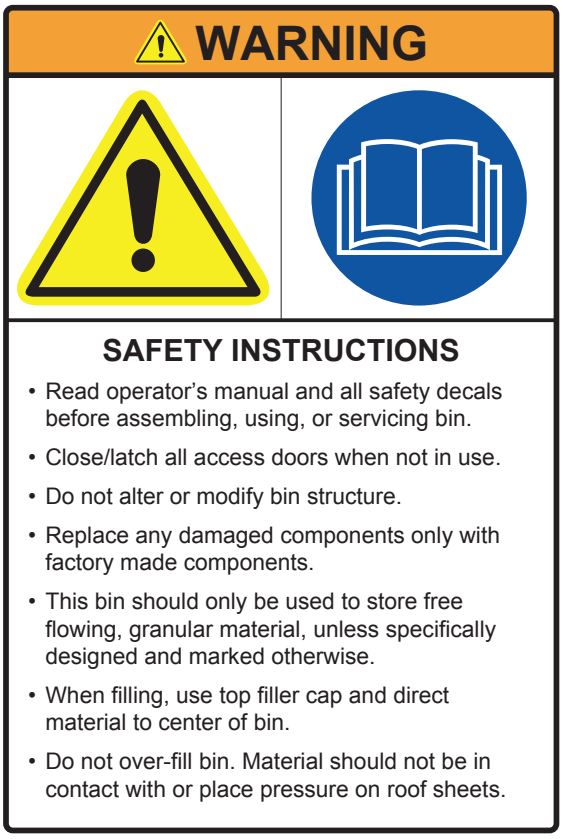
1. Decal area must be clean and dry, with a temperature above 50°F (10°C).
2. Decide on the exact position before you remove the backing paper.
3. Align the decal over the specified area and carefully press the small portion with the exposed sticky backing in place.
4. Slowly peel back the remaining paper and carefully smooth the remaining portion of the decal in place.
5. Small air pockets can be pierced with a pin and smoothed out using the decal backing paper.

2.6. Safety Decal Locations and Details

Replicas of the safety decals that are attached to the repair kit and their messages are shown in the figure(s) that follow. Safe operation and use of the repair kit requires that you familiarize yourself with the various safety decals and the areas or particular functions that the decals apply to, as well as the safety precautions that must be taken to avoid serious injury, death, or damage.

Figure 1. Safety Decals





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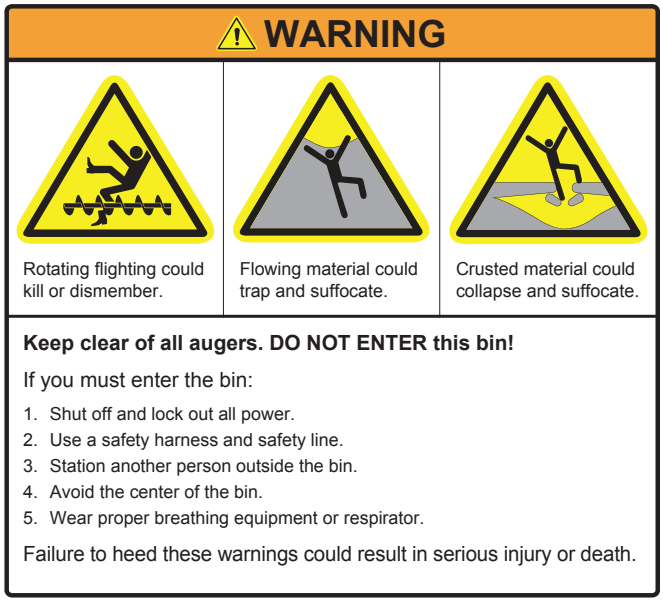

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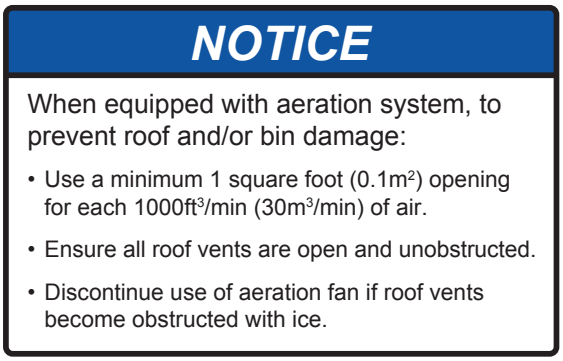

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3. Before You Begin

3.1. Bin Design and Capacity

These Westeel Grain Bins are designed for:

1. Non-corrosive free-flowing materials up to 55 lbs/ft^3 (880 kg/m^3) average compacted bulk density.
2. Maximum horizontal wind pressure based on 94 mph (151 km/h) as per NBCC 2015 and 105 mph (169 km/h) as per ASCE 7-16.
3. Seismic zone 2a (U.B.C. 1997).
4. Roof Loading

Snow Load		Peak Load			
		15' — 24' bins		27' — 48' bins	
Imperial	Metric	Imperial	Metric	Imperial	Metric
15.0 lbs/ft^2	.72 kPa	4000 lbs.	17.8 kN	5000 lbs.	22.2 kN
24.0 lbs/ft^2 (when optional roof stiffening rings installed)	1.15 kPa (when optional roof stiffening rings installed)				

3.2. Foundation Design and Loads

The foundations for the stiffened bin models are based on 4000 lbs. per sq. ft. (192 kPa) soil bearing capacity. All foundation designs use 3000 lbs. per sq. in. (21 MPa) ultimate compressive strength (after 28 days) for concrete and 43,500 lbs. per sq. in. (300 MPa) re-bar. The foundation designs included in this manual are suggestions only, and will vary according to local soil conditions. Westeel will not assume any liability for results arising from their use.

Important

Foundation should be uniform and level. Level should not vary by more than ¼" over a span of four feet under the bottom ring angle. Any variance from level must be shimmed under upright base assembly. If being utilized to support a full floor aeration system, this levelness requirement should extend across the complete floor area.

3.3. Site and Assembly

Unless otherwise specifically provided in writing, Westeel does not take responsibility for any defects or damages to any property, or injury to any persons, arising from or related to any site or assembly considerations, including but not limited to:

- Bin location and bin siting
- Soil conditions and corresponding foundation requirements (note that the examples provided in manuals are for specifically stated soil conditions)
- Bin assembly (Westeel recommends the use of qualified bin installers; contact Westeel Grand Island for information on installers in your area)
- Field modifications or equipment additions that affect the bin structure

- Interconnections with neighboring structures
- Compliance with all applicable safety standards, including but not limited to fall restraint systems (ladders or other systems). Local safety authorities should be contacted as standards vary between jurisdictions.

3.4. Methods of Installation

The recommendations for assembling and installing Westeel grain bins must be closely followed to achieve the full strength of the bin and to achieve adequate weather sealing. The product warranty is void if:

1. Wall sheets and/or uprights not specified for a given tier are used.
2. Foundations are found to be inadequate or out-of-level.
3. Anchor bolts (cast-in-place, drill-in, chemical type or other) are found to be inadequate.
4. Off-center loading or unloading is used. (This does not apply to the use of approved side unloading systems.)
5. Materials stored are not free-flowing or have a compacted bulk density greater than 55 lbs/ft^3 (880 kg/m^3).

If using bin jacks during assembly, always lift on an upright. Choose a hoist with a adequate capacity for the expected empty bin deadload. Make sure the rated capacity of the hoist is not exceeded.

3.5. Critical Assembly Requirements

To ensure a successful, safe and reliable outcome you must comply with the following assembly techniques and practices:

1. Comply with all local code and jurisdictional requirements applicable to your repair kit installation.
2. Design and build foundations with the necessary strength for the loads they must support, and for local soil conditions. Westeel foundation guidelines are based on specific stated conditions and may not be applicable to local conditions.
3. Your foundation must provide uniform and level support to the structure being supported. Surface imperfections causing gapping must be remedied. This may involve, but not be limited to a) grouting under the bottom ring of a non-stiffened bin or tank, and b) shimming under the uprights of a stiffened bin or tank, or under the legs of a hopper.
4. Make sure that the proper hardware is utilized for all bolted connections. If a shortage occurs, do not substitute. Take the necessary steps to obtain the proper hardware. Make sure nuts are tightened to the required torque values as specified in the appropriate assembly manual.
5. Comply with all assembly instructions provided in the appropriate assembly manual to make sure your whole repair kit is constructed safely. **Important: Do not deviate from the wall sheet and upright layouts provided.**
6. Before anchoring your structure to its foundation, make sure the structure is round. The maximum variation from perfect roundness is 3/4" on the radius. Locate anchor bolts toward the outside of the anchor bolt holes (away from the circle) to permit the incremental expansion that can occur with the initial filling.
7. When installing roof stiffening rings, if it is necessary to shorten the stiffening ring tubes, shorten them as little as possible. Initially the nuts on the expanders should be centered and as close together as possible. When tightening, share the amount of take-up between expanders such that the nuts remain centered, and the amount of engagement between all expanders on the same ring is equalized.
8. If extending an existing bin or tank, ensure that the foundation is adequate for the increased loads it must support.

9. If installing an existing bin on a hopper, make sure the bin is designed for a hopper application, and that the foundation is capable of withstanding the substantial point loads that the hopper legs apply. If uprights are present, make sure that they are supported.
10. Make sure that an integral end-to-end connection exists between all mating uprights. Successive uprights must not overlap.
11. Vertical tolerances between uprights and wall sheets are tight. This can be affected by “jacking” techniques, which can allow the tolerance to grow or shrink depending on the technique used. The gapping between successive uprights must be monitored to ensure that upright holes align with wall sheet holes.
12. If catwalks are being installed on the structure, upright catwalk upgrades are likely required. The upgraded stiffeners must be installed in the correct locations to support the intended catwalk loads. Also, the structure must be properly oriented to ensure the eventual correct alignment between the catwalks and the supporting uprights. Finally, the connectors that tie into the uprights and support the catwalks are best installed during assembly of the structure. See the catwalk assembly manual for additional details.

3.6. Product Storage

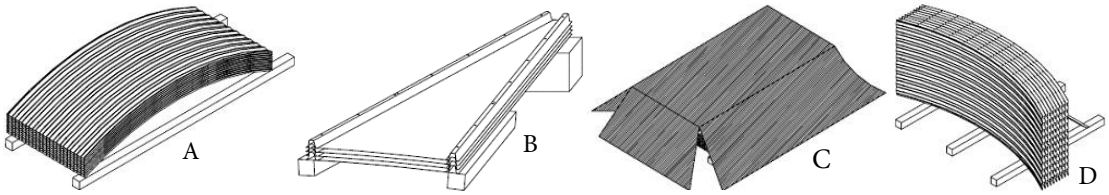
Rust on Galvanized Parts

1. White rust forms when moisture is allowed to collect on galvanized surfaces that have yet to develop the durable zinc oxide layer. This zinc oxide layer naturally occurs as the surface interacts with carbon dioxide, and is characterized over time by the dull grey appearance that weathered galvanized surfaces get.
2. Parts that are not well ventilated or well drained can collect water between surfaces and develop white rust.
3. White rust is not a structural concern if its development is stopped in the early stages. A light film or powdery residue can occur after a period of heavy rainfall or a short time of improper storage. If white rust has started to develop, separate parts and wipe off any moisture. Next, using a clean cloth, apply a thin layer of petroleum jelly or food-grade oil to the entire part.
4. If moisture is left on parts, this white rust can become more aggressive and turn into red rust. Red rust can cause degradation in the material and become a structural concern. Any parts that have red rust should be replaced immediately.

Storage Guidelines

- Keep all bundles dry before assembly of the bin.
- Start assembly as soon as possible.
- Do not lay bundles on the bare ground. Raise all bundles 6" to 8" off the ground on wood blocks or timbers. (See Detail A in Figure 2 on page 13.)
- Store curved wall sheets ‘hump-up’. (See Detail A in Figure 2 on page 13.)
- All other bundles material should be placed so that they are well sloped to promote good drainage. (See Detail B in Figure 2 on page 13.)
- Roof sheets must be elevated at least 12" at the small end of the sheets. (See Detail B in Figure 2 on page 13.)
- Temporary storage can be provided by erecting a simple framework supporting a waterproof tarp. (See Detail C in Figure 2 on page 13.)
- All bin boxes, ladder boxes and hardware boxes should be stored inside. These are not waterproof, and will deteriorate in normal weather conditions, allowing moisture to contact the parts inside.

Figure 2. Product Storage



If Parts Become Wet

1. If parts become submerged or wet, the bundles should be opened as soon as possible, sheets or material separated and dried. Keep separated until assembly.

   Brace parts properly so as to avoid damage or injury from material falling when in storage. (See Detail D in Figure 2 on page 13.)

2. Any boxed parts that become wet should be dried and stored in a new box that is free of moisture.
3. In addition to wiping down wall sheets, a food-grade oil can also be applied with a clean, lint-free cloth. This will assist in preventing any further moisture from contacting the galvanizing on the steel. Due to safety concerns with installation and use, Westeel does not recommend the use of oil on other parts such as roof sheets and safety ladders.

3.7. Grain Bin Use

- Do not off-center unload a grain bin. It is imperative to unload from the center of the bin first, until as much grain as possible has been removed, and only then proceed to unload from the next closest unload gate to the center. Continue utilizing the unload gates in succession from the center towards the outside. Gate control mechanisms should be clearly marked and interconnected to prevent an external gate from being opened first.
- The only exception to center unloading is when a properly designed and installed side draw system is utilized. However, as bins tend to go out of round when employing side draws, the bin must be completely emptied before refilling.
- When unloading a bin with a mobile auger through a properly designed auger chute, the entry end of the auger should be pushed into the center of the bin before the auger is engaged. Slower rates of flow are preferable and should not exceed the capacity of an 8” auger.
- Ensure that the inner door panels of grain bin doors are completely closed and latched before filling the grain bin.
- Never enter a loaded grain bin for any reason. Grain can be a killer.

3.8. Important Notes

- Westeel does not provide a foundation design for this product, and is not liable for any damages or injuries related to inadequately designed or constructed foundations. Customers must contract professional services for all foundation design and construction work.
- In order to maintain your wall sheets in good condition separate sheets and allow air circulation between them. Store sheets in a dry place. Do not store sheets with sheet ends pointing upwards.
- To keep an even pressure on walls, the bin must always be unloaded from the center.
- Contact local power officials for minimum power line clearance.

- See Section 3.5 – Critical Assembly Requirements on page 11 for mandatory siting and assembly requirements.
- Store only non-corrosive, free-flowing materials up to 55 lbs/ft^3 (880 kg/m^3) average compacted density in Westeel Grand Island bins.
- Tighten all bolts to the recommended torque settings.
- Do not locate grain bins close to high buildings, which might cause snow to fall onto or build up on the roof of the grain bin. Consider future expansion and allow space for loading and unloading of the bin. Your dealer and local government agricultural consultants can help you plan your storage system for maximum efficiency.

4. Preparation

4.1. Check Shipment

Unload the parts at the assembly site and compare the packing slip to the shipment. Ensure that all items have arrived and that none are damaged.

Report damaged parts or shortages immediately to your dealer. Your dealer will order replacement parts immediately to ensure that assembly will not be held up by missing parts. All parts will be charged for and credit will be issued by party at fault. No credit will be issued if freight bills are signed as received in good condition.

4.2. List of Tools and Equipment

Use quality tools and equipment. Use them safely, and correctly, for their intended use. Tools for this application should include:

Tools

- Electric or pneumatic (air) impact tools
- Power drill and drill bits
- Sockets (multiple 9/16" and 1/2" sockets recommended)
- Large-pocket carpenter pouch
- 8" (20 cm) metal punches (for aligning bolt holes)
- Step and extension ladders, construction grade
- 6-point wrenches (Imperial, box end)
- Metal-cutting saw suitable for cutting roof rings and wind rings
- Scaffolding
- Centre-post bin stand
- Crane and/or bin jacks

Minimum Recommended Safety Equipment

- A properly-stocked first-aid kit
- Eye, foot, head, and hand protection (safety glasses, steel-toed boots, hard hat, work gloves)
- Cable, chain, or rope to tie-off bin or jacks in case of wind
- Body harness and lifeline (for use where falling hazard exists)
- Ground fault interrupt protected electrical hook-ups

4.3. Order Optional Equipment

Optional equipment such as unloading augers, aeration equipment, anchor bolts, foundation sealant, external ladders, safety cage and platforms, etc., should all be on site and checked before assembly starts. Plan your installation in advance. For details, see assembly instruction supplied with optional equipment.

5. Assembly

Before continuing, ensure you have completely read and understood this manual's Safety section, in addition to the safety information in the section(s) below.

5.1. Assembly Safety

WARNING

- Do not take chances with safety. The components can be large, heavy, and hard to handle. Always use the proper tools, rated lifting equipment, and lifting points for the job.
- Carry out assembly in a large open area with a level surface.
- Always have two or more people assembling the repair kit.
- Make sure you have sufficient lighting for the work area.
- Tighten all fasteners according to their specifications. Do not replace or substitute bolts, nuts, or other hardware that is of lesser quality than the hardware supplied by the manufacturer.
- Stay away from overhead power lines and other obstructions during assembly. Contact with power lines can cause electrocution.
- Do not work in high winds.
- The equipment shall be installed in accordance with applicable local codes and regulations.

5.2. Using the Bin for Hopper Repair Kit

This kit is to be used only for Model 145 bins which have experienced wall sheet buckling in hopper service. Bins without visible damage should use P/N 235649 Upgrade Kit.

235647 Kit Contents:

Quantity	Part No.	Description
1	198848	Installation Instructions
4	295500	Upright Support
18	297418	3/8" x 1" Sheet Metal Screw
22	154211	3/8" x 1" Bolt c/w sealing washer
22	154192	3/8" Hex Nut
4	236542	Upright

Additional parts:

- Wall sheets and caulking as required (from dealer)

Installation:

Exact installation details will depend on the extent of damage to your bin. The instructions below assume that damage has occurred to one or two wall sheets in each of the top two tiers. For more extensive damage, roof removal may be required.

Wall sheets can most easily and safely be replaced with the bin removed from the hopper.

To remove the bin from the hopper:

1. Empty the bin.
2. Remove all hopper-to-bin bolts.
3. Lift the bin off the hopper using a bin crane or similar device.
4. To help with re-assembly, mark the bin and hopper so that the bin can be re-installed in the same position.

With the bin resting on blocks on the ground:

1. Support the roof assembly with the bin crane.
2. Remove the first damaged wall sheet from the bin.
3. Place the four uprights supplied inside the bin through the opening.
4. Locate the position of the new uprights, using the layout in Figure 3 on page 17.
5. Install the new uprights, using the 3/8" x 1" bolts and nuts provided.
6. Do not install the bottom bolts at this time to ease re-assembly to the hopper.
7. With the roof supported by all eight uprights, remove any additional damaged wall sheets.
8. Replace the wall sheets, re-caulking as per original assembly.
9. Once all bolts have been tightened, lift the bin back into place on the hopper.
10. Make sure that the original uprights rest on the upright supports inside the hopper.
11. Re-install the bin-to-hopper bolts and tighten.
12. Install the upright supports inside the hopper, between the new uprights and the hopper cone.
    a. Push firmly up into place.
    b. Use sheet metal screws to install the upright supports, as shown in Figure 4 on page 18.
    c. If necessary, place steel shims (not supplied) between the uprights and the upright supports to ensure contact.

    See Figure 4 on page 18.

Figure 3. Locations of existing and additional uprights

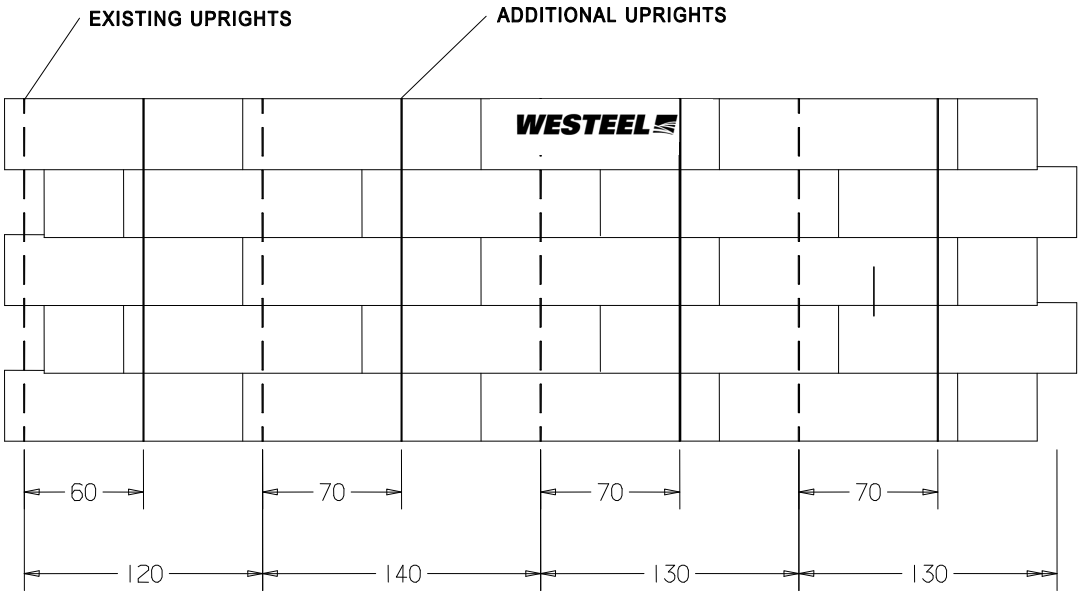
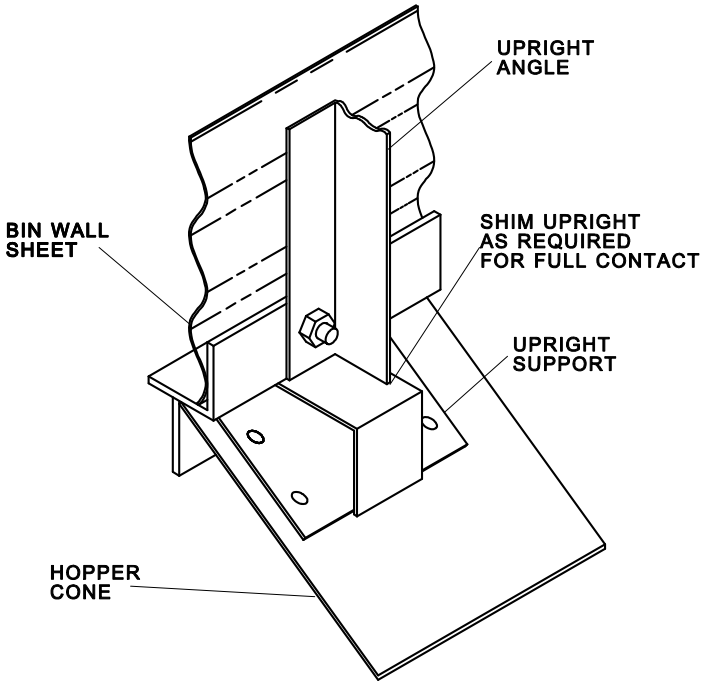


Figure 4. Installing shims to ensure full contact



6. Limited Warranty: Westeel Grain Bin Products

Westeel – Ag Growth International ("Westeel") warrants products that it has manufactured and/or that are branded with its name (the "goods") subject to the following terms and limitations, (the "warranty"):

Duration of Warranty

This warranty will run from the date of purchase from the dealer or distributor, authorized by Westeel. The duration of the warranty is limited as follows:

Galvanized Bins	5 years
EasyFlow2	24 months
Westeel Fans	36 months
Floors	12 months
Catwalk	12 months
Bulk Feed Tanks	24 months
SeedStor-K Cones	
Paint	12 months
Structural	30 months
Elite Cones	
Paint	30 months
Structural	10 years
WESTEEL cones	
Paint	No Warranty
Structural	12 months
Smooth Wall Bins	
Paint	60 months
Structural	10 years
Commercial Smooth Wall Bins	
Paint	12 months
Structural	10 years

Limitation of Remedies Replacement

Within the warranty period, Westeel will replace the goods and/or original manufactured components thereof which are found, to Westeel's satisfaction, to be defective. Westeel is not responsible for direct, indirect, special, consequential, or any other damages of any kind, including personal injury to any individual, howsoever caused, including caused by transportation of the goods for repair or replacement.

Procedure for Obtaining Service

In the event of a warranty claim, the purchaser must complete any and all information required by Westeel in order to properly assess or investigate the claim. Westeel will not be responsible for the removal of any of the goods found to be defective, or transportation charges to and from Westeel's authorized dealer or distributor, or for installation of any replacement goods and/or parts furnished under the warranty.

Limitations as to Scope of Warranty

The warranty does not extend to defects or damage caused, in whole or in part, by:

1. use of a kind and/or to a degree not reasonably expected to be made of the goods;
2. improper storage of the goods both prior to and after purchase;
3. damage caused by, or in the course of, installation or assembly;
4. any use of the goods which is not an intended use as specified in Westeel's published product literature, or otherwise specified by Westeel in writing;
5. any equipment attached to or used in conjunction with the goods;
6. any field modifications or substitutions to original bin components;
7. inadequate ventilation or any other circumstance not in keeping with proper maintenance and/or use of the goods;
8. Acts of God, accident, neglect or abuse of the goods by the purchaser and/or any other individual or entity; or
9. Any use or installation inconsistent with Westeel’s Standard Disclaimers.

Limitations as to Manufacturer

The warranty does not cover products sold by Westeel that are not manufactured by Westeel. In those circumstances, the purchaser is referred to the manufacturer of those products.

Limitation of Implied Warranties and Other Remedies

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This warranty is the only warranty provided by Westeel and all other warranties and/or commitments, whether express or implied and no matter by whom made, statutory or otherwise, are subsumed and replaced by it and are of no legal effect. If any provision of the warranty is held by a court of

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