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Roll-Rite Tarp
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Wiring the Tractor

There are two items to wire on the tractor before you can operate your Demco side dump trailer. The control box and the tarp power wire.

To install the control box, find a suitable location in the cab of the tractor and mount the control box. The red and black two wire cable attached to the back of the box is the power wire. Plug the cigarette lighter end into a power connection in the cab.

*If you do not have an available outlet for the cigarette lighter end, use the following instructions:* Cut the cigarette lighter plug off. Split apart the wires and connect the red wire to a 12v dc power source and the black to ground. Red wire must be positive and Black negative. Reversing these wires can damage the control system. A bag of terminals is included to allow you to tap into most truck fuse panels.

Route the gray cord and male 9 pole plug out of the cab and to the front bulkhead of the trailer. Plug the cord into the female 9 pole socket on the trailer bulkhead. You will now be able to raise and lower the rear axle and dump the tub.

*(NOTE: Air must be supplied to the trailer for the lift axle to operate properly. Hydraulic oil must be supplied to the trailer to dump the tub.)*

To use the tarp you will need to supply 12 volt power to the trailer to operate the tarp motor. Due to the large power draw of the tarp motor, the electrical supply must be hooked directly to the battery and the heavy #6 wire included with the kit must be used.

Refer to the Roll Rite wiring diagram for reference. The relay has been already mounted on the trailer and the momentary switch that rolls/unrolls the tarp is in the control box installed previously. All that needs to be done is to run a wire from the battery to the female two pole socket on the road side front corner of the trailer.

Locate the circuit breaker as close to the positive battery post as possible. If the circuit breaker is not mounted to the battery box or truck frame, make sure that the terminals cannot touch anything that would create a short circuit.

Separate enough of the white wire on the #6 white/black cord to reach from the positive battery terminal to the circuit breaker. Cut off the white wire. Strip the white wire and crimp on ring terminals to match the battery cable bolt and the post on the circuit breaker. *(Don’t hook the white wire to the battery until everything else is wired.)*

Crimp a ring terminal on the white wire on the remaining white/black cord and attach it to the circuit breaker.

Crimp a ring terminal on the black wire and attach it to the negative battery post.

Route the white/black cord to the female socket on the trailer. Cut the cord and strip the ends back to slip into the terminals on the back of the male 2 pin plug.
Match the white and black wires to the corresponding wires in the trailer socket. You may need to slip the cover off the back of the socket to make sure that the wires match up. Secure the white/black cord to the truck frame.

Hook the white wire to the battery.

The tarp will now operate from the control box. It is best to have the tractor running while operating the tarp.

**Hydraulic Hook-up**

The tractor must have a hydraulic pump and reservoir to supply hydraulic oil to the trailer to dump the tub. The pump needs to supply 25 to 30 gallons per minute of oil at 2500 to 3000 psi. We recommend a minimum of a 15 gallon system reservoir. The tractor should also have a relief valve to protect the tractor's hydraulic system.

When hooking the tractor to the trailer, the pressure line from the pump must hook up to the female quick coupler on the trailer and the return to the reservoir must hook up to the male quick coupler. The control valve on the trailer will not operate properly if the oil flow is reversed. The quick couplers on the trailer are marked “in” and “out” as a reminder.
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