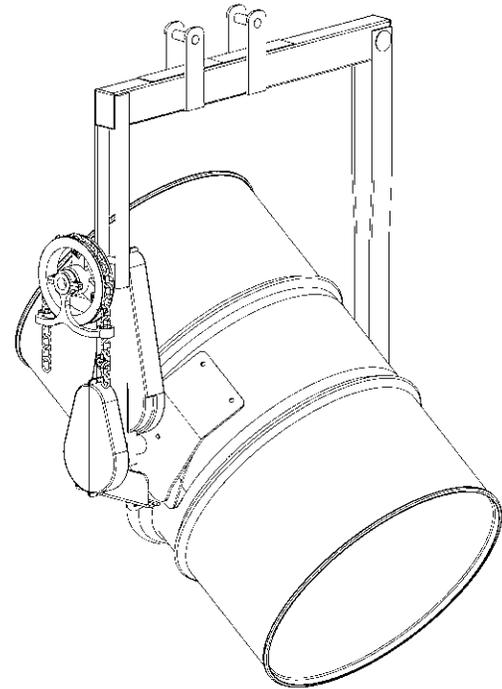


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**for Morse Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karriers**  
**Model 185AM-HD**

**Serial number 0309 to 1110 (MMYY)**



**Receiving Procedures**

Every Morse drum handler is inspected prior to shipping. However, damage may be incurred during transit.

- Check for visible damage. If you choose to accept damaged freight, always sign noting the damage on the **Bill of Lading**.
- Document the damage and have the truck driver sign. We recommend keeping a digital camera at your receiving dock for this purpose.
- Open packages expeditiously to check the condition of the goods. There is only a 24 hour window to notify the carrier of any concealed damage.
- Immediately **report all damage to the shipping company!** Then you may contact Morse for assistance with your freight claim.
- Morse Manufacturing will not be held responsible for any damaged freight that is not signed for as damaged.

**Limited 2 Year Warranty**

Morse drum handling equipment is guaranteed against defects in workmanship or materials for two years when used properly within its rated capacity. Warranty does not cover wear from normal use or damage from accident or abuse. Motors and other purchased parts carry the warranties of their manufacturers.

For warranty claims, contact your Morse Dealer to obtain a return authorization number, and for return freight advice. Return freight must be prepaid.

In all instances, liability is limited to the purchase price paid or to repairing or replacing the product. Customer assumes liability for any modifications, unauthorized repairs or parts substitution.

**Safety Information**

While Morse Manufacturing Co. drum handling equipment is engineered for safety and efficiency, a high degree of responsibility must be placed upon the machine operator to follow safe practices, based primarily on common sense, upon which true safety depends.

Failure to follow the safety precautions in this manual can result in personal injury or property damage. Observe the same precautions as with similar machinery where carelessness in operating or maintenance is hazardous to personnel. Carefully read the safety precautions below and throughout this manual.

Review the Material Safety Data Sheet(s) for the material(s) in the drum(s) and take all necessary precautions. Safety shoes, work gloves, hard hat and other personal protective devices are recommended.

Prior to initial use, inspect all moving parts. Perform necessary load test, inspections, operator training, etc.

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**Safety Information** (continued)



**DANGER** - Indicates a situation which, if not avoided, will result in serious injury or death. This signal word is limited to the most extreme situations.



**WARNING** - Indicates a situation which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death.



**CAUTION** - Indicates a situation which, if not avoided, can result in damage to the machine.



**WARNING** - Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karriers are designed to handle one drum of the types listed at the top of page 3. Machine Description. DO NOT attempt to handle any other type of drum or object.



**WARNING** - DO NOT exceed the weight capacity of 1500 Lb. (680 kg).



**WARNING** - DO NOT operate damaged or malfunctioning unit, or a unit with missing parts.



**WARNING** - DO NOT lift people or suspend loads over people. Stay clear of suspended loads.



**WARNING** - DO NOT lift loads higher than necessary.



**WARNING** - DO NOT leave suspended loads unattended.



**WARNING** - DO NOT remove or obscure warning labels.



**WARNING** - DO NOT operate without first having read and understood operating manual.



**WARNING** - DO NOT make alterations or modify the unit. Under no circumstances should any modifications be made to the Morse machinery without factory authorization. Any modifications may void the warranty. This machine was designed to perform a specific job and alterations may result in injury to operator or machine.



**WARNING** - Wear safety shoes with non-slip soles and hard toe protection.



**CAUTION:** DO NOT allow drum to impact on floor, ground, etc.

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**Machine Description**

Model 185AM-HD Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier is designed to lift, transport, and dispense a ribbed 55-gallon (210 liter) steel or fiber drum 22" to 23.5" (56 to 59.7 cm) in diameter. The maximum full-drum capacity is 1500 Lb. (680 kg). The capacity is derated to 800 Lb. (363 kg) for a half-full drum. The half-full rating is based on the tilt mechanism's capacity for handling an unbalanced bottom-heavy drum.

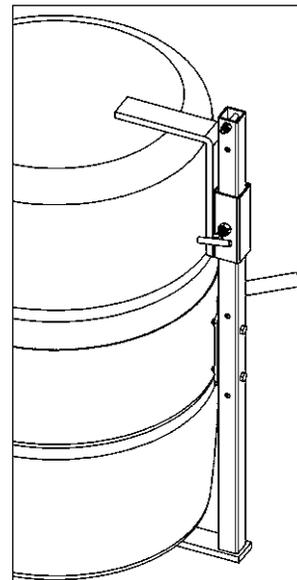


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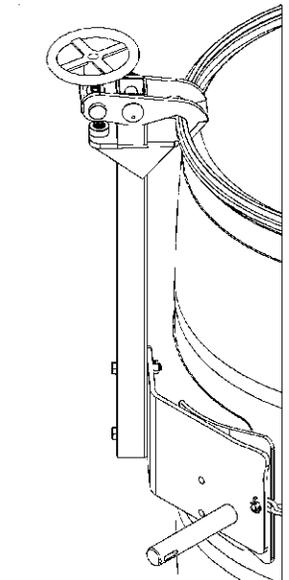
- A smaller diameter drum can be handled with the correct size 55/30M Series Diameter Adaptor installed (see [Diameter Adaptor literature](#)).
- The **Bracket Assembly** (Part # 4556M-P) is **required** to handle a plastic drum without a top rim (see figure 2.1). It is also recommended to more securely handle a fiber drum. You can use the Bracket Assembly with a 55-gallon (210 liter) plastic, steel or fiber drum. The brace at top and bottom of the drum prevent it from slipping lengthways through the drum holder. It adjusts for a drum 31" to 39" (79 to 99 cm) tall.
- The **Top Rim Clamp** (Part # 4560M-P) grips the upper rim of your drum to prevent it from slipping through the drum holder (see figure 2.2). To handle a 55-gallon (210 liter) plastic drum with top rim, you **must** install either the Bracket Assembly or the Top Rim Clamp. You can use the Top Rim Clamp with a 55-gallon (210 liter) plastic, steel or fiber drum with suitable top rim.

**Important**

1. Please read all instructions thoroughly before attempting to operate your new Morse drum handler.
2. When loading, unloading, operating, or maintaining your MORSE drum handler, always use care and good judgment. Maintain secure footing and a firm hold. Keep hands and loose clothing away from all moving parts. Never allow anyone to be below any part of a raised drum handler or drum. Read operating instructions and review the pictures in the sales brochure before operation.
3. The 185 Series are a "Group 1 structural and mechanical" below-the-hook lifting device which are covered by the American National Standard ASME B30.20. The user should comply with all aspects of this standard.



**Figure 2.1**  
Plastic drum being lifted with part number 4556M-P Bracket Assembly installed.

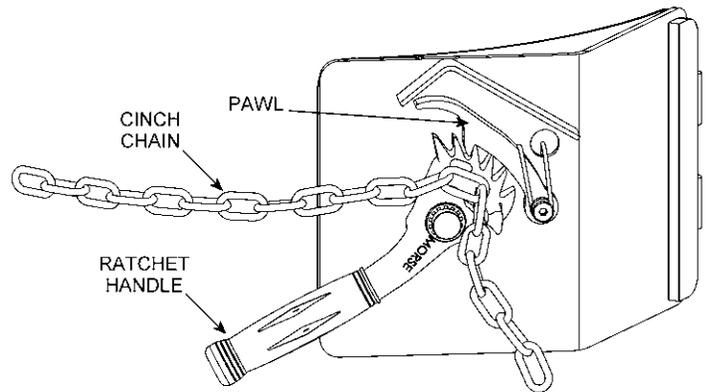


**Figure 2.2**  
Plastic drum being lifted with part number 4560M-P Top Rim Clamp Assembly installed.

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**Operating Instructions**

1. Start with Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier on the floor. Lower hoist and engage hoist hook to lift Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier.
2. Raise hoist to lift Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier clear of floor and transport it to the drum.
3. Suspend Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier at a height which aligns drum saddle with center of drum.
4. With cinch chain (item 112) hanging freely, swing the ratchet hinge plate to open position, push Heavy-Duty Kontrol-Karrier against drum so that saddle will encircle drum.
5. Secure the drum: drape the cinch chain (item 112) across the face of the drum and engage a link into the slot in the ratchet (item 102). Turn the ratchet clockwise to tighten chain. If the chain doesn't cinch tightly on the drum, lift the pawl (item 103) to loosen and release the chain and try again with a different link in the notch. Firm hand pressure on the ratchet handle should tighten the chain sufficiently to hold the drum. **DO NOT** use mechanical aids such as a pipe to extend handle for extra leverage.
6. Raise hoist and position drum at pouring station.
7. Pour the drum by pulling on the pull chain (item 11) and rotating the drum to a suitable pouring angle. For best control of drum pouring angle, pay out one side of the chain loop while pulling in the other side, thus being able to hold back the drum rotation. The chain lock on the bottom of the power arm can be used to prevent drum rotation. To do so, crisscross the chain and insert in each slot of the chain lock. If the drum handler is equipped with the MORStop Tilt-Brake, there is no need to hold tension on both sides of the chain loop. Braking is immediate and self actuating, without additional steps by the operator. To add the MORStop Tilt-Brake to your drum handler, order part # 3900-P for a field installation kit.
8. After pouring is completed, rotate drum back to vertical position and lower hoist to return drum to floor.
9. To remove drum: Pull ratchet handle clockwise to relieve pressure on ratchet teeth. Lift pawl handle (item 103) to release teeth engagement and rotate ratchet to loosen chain and allow its removal from notch.

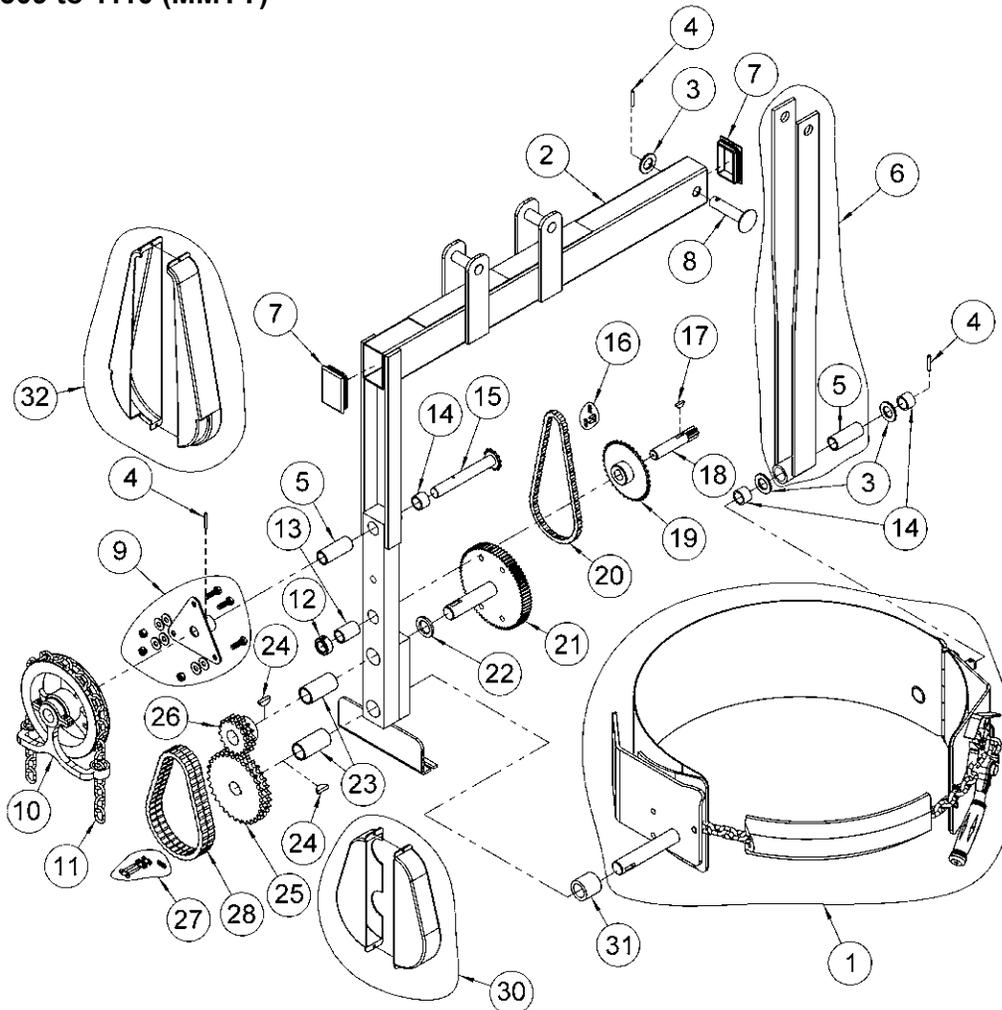


**Maintenance**

Periodic inspection for the general condition of structural and mechanical components is imperative for safe and efficient operation.

1. Lubricate gear teeth and roller chain.
2. Clean and oil ratchet, pawl and other moving parts periodically. Clean and lubricate more often in environments where dust, dirt or other foreign particles will effect the performance of moving parts.
3. Periodically inspect all moving parts, framework, drum holder and contact areas for signs of wear, fatigue, or loosening. Tighten, adjust, or replace parts as necessary to prevent failure and maintain proper function.
4. Worn or damaged parts must be properly replaced with the correct, genuine Morse parts.

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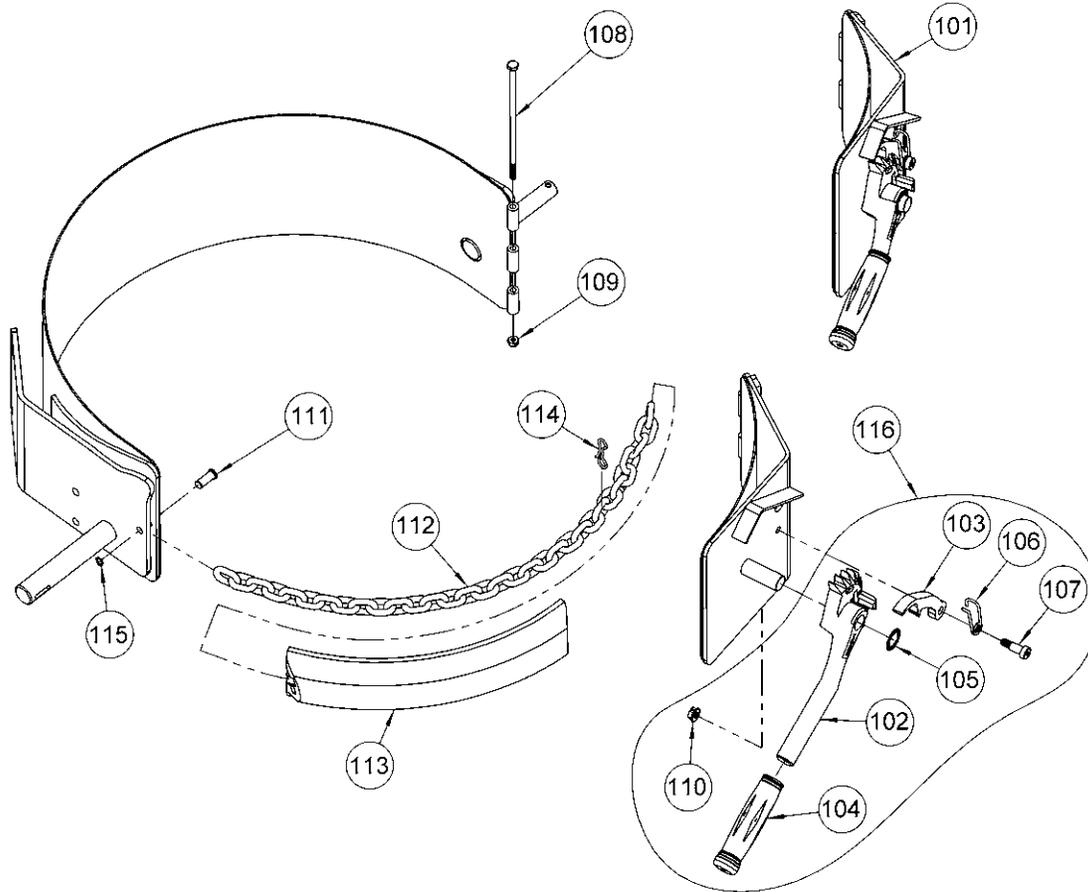


ITEM	QTY.	PART #	DESCRIPTION
1	1	5000M-P	SADDLE ASM, MORCINCH, MOR, SR
2	1	4503M-P	OVERHEAD YOKE WELD 185AM-HD
3	3	55-P	WASHER, 3/4 SAE FL 1-1/2 OD
4*	3	64-P	ROLL PIN, 3/16 X 1-1/4
5*	2	19-P	BEARING, 3/4" ID X 2-1/2"
6	1	4497B-P	IDLER ARM W/BRG, 185A & HD MOR
7	2	4603-P	CAP, 2 X 3, PLASTIC
8	1	1436-P	CLEVIS PIN, LARGE TUBE, 92
9*	1	3M-P	TRIANGLE W/ TUBE & BOLTS, SR
10*	1	1-P	CHAIN WHEEL #1-1/2 W/ GUIDE SR
11*	1	2435-P	CHAIN, PULL, BRASS, 1/0, 12'
12	1	15-P	COLLAR, 3/4" ID
13*	1	7-P	BEARING, 3/4" ID X 1-1/2"
14	3	1411-P	SPACER, SHAFT W/ 12T SPROCKET
15*	1	1302-P	SHAFT W/ 12T SPROCKET, POCKET
16	1	795-P	LINK, MASTER, #35 CHAIN

ITEM	QTY.	PART #	DESCRIPTION
17*	1	735-P	KEY, WOODRUFF, SIZE 9, ASA606
18*	1	14-P	GEAR, PINION, 7 TOOTH
19*	1	13-P	SPROCKET #35 36T, 3/4" BORE
20*	1	12-P	CHAIN, ROLLER, #35 W/ M LINK
21*	1	27-P	SPUR GEAR W/ 1" SHAFT, HD TYPE
22	1	29-P	SPACER, SPUR GEAR .15"
23*	2	18-P	BEARING, 1" ID X 2-1/2"
24*	2	736-P	KEY, WOODRUFF, SIZE 15, ASA808
25*	1	32-P	SPROCKET #40D 32T, 1" BORE
26*	1	30-P	SPROCKET #40D 16T, 1" BORE
27	1	796-P	LINK, MASTER, #40D CHAIN
28*	1	31-P	CHAIN, ROLLER, #40D W/ M. LINK
29	4	2182-P	WIRE / CABLE TIE, 4-33/64 (NOT SHOWN)
30	1	4284-P	COVER SET, 40D SPROCKETS
31	1	4372-P	SPACER, HD DRIVE SHAFT 1.4"
32	1	4286-P	COVER SET, 30:1 GEARS, HD

\* Recommended spare parts.

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101*	1	4214M-P	RATCHET HINGE CPT, MOR, SR
102	1	165SS-P	RATCHET, STEEL-IT
103	1	168-P	PAWL, WITH DRILLED HOLE
104	1	4409-P	GRIP, HANDLE 7/8" X 4-3/4" RED
105	1	710-P	RETAINER, RATCHET PUSH NUT 3/4
106	1	169-P	SPRING, PAWL
107	1	170-P	SCREW, 3/8 DIA X 5/8 SHOULDER
108	1	1296-P	HHCS, 1/4-20 X 7-1/2 GR5
109	1	1297-P	NUT, 1/4-20 REV HEX LOCK
110	1	4178-P	NUT, 5/16-18 FLANGE LOCK, MOR
111*	1	4172SS-P	PIN, CINCH CHAIN, 5000M-P
112*	1	4408-P	CHAIN, CINCH, 9/32 SS, 38 LINK
113*	1	4414-P	COVER, CINCH CHAIN, FLEX PVC
114	1	4710-P	PIN, BOW TIE COTTER, MOR
115*	1	4744SS-P	SNAP RING, EXTERNAL, 3/8" SS
116	1	165KITM-P	KIT, RATCHET TIGHTENER, SR

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