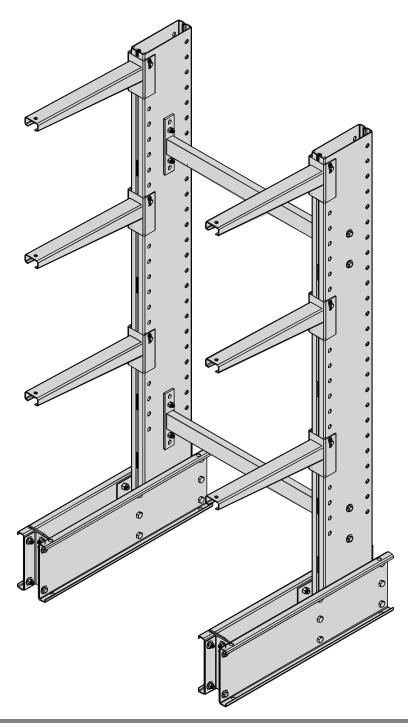


# Instructions For Assembling MECO OMAHA SERIES 2000 MEDIUM - HEAVY DUTY CANTILEVER RACK



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### Review this entire booklet thoroughly before proceeding with assembly of rack

This rack system should be professionally installed by individuals familiar with this type of structure.

Any modification to the rack during or after its assembly may affect the rack's structural integrity.

## **General Assembly Procedure**

- 1. Snap a chalk line on the floor to show where the front of the rack will be.
- 2. With the bolts finger tight assemble the first and second uprights to the bases and assemble the bracing in between uprights. Tighten all bolts in the first upright as described below making sure the upright is square with the base. Assemble the next upright finger tight and tighten the previous upright. Continue in this manner for each succeeding upright until the entire rack is assembled.
- 3. If floor is not level, place shims under the base until upright is vertical.
- 4. Tighten all bolts within a given connection to a snug-tight condition. Snug-tight is defined as the tightness that exists when the plies of the joint are in firm contact. This may be attained by a few impacts of an impact wrench or the full effort of a man using an ordinary spud wrench. Repeat this process for all connections in the rack.
- 5. Bases must be anchored to the floor. A minimum of two 1/2" x 4-1/4" anchors per base one at each end are required.

### **Maintenance**

- 1. Inspect all bolted connections at least once each year and tighten any loose bolts using the procedure described above.
- 2. Should any rack component become damaged by either misuse or accident, the component must be replaced immediately.

## Usage

- 1. Wherever possible, store the heaviest loads on the base or lowest level(s).
- 2. All loads shall be positioned as close to the upright as possible and centered left/right across the rack.
- 3. Do not slide loads onto or off of the rack.
- 4. Do not drop loads onto the rack.

## **HARDWARE KITS**

#### **HK18**

(5) each Medium Duty Pin & Keeper

#### **HK21** (2U8, 2U16-2U20 Uprights)

- (4) each ½-13 X 4½ Bolt
- (4) each ½-13 Nut
- (4) each & Flat Washer

#### **HK40**

- (10) each ¾-16 X 1 Bolt
- (10) each ¾-16 Lock Nut

#### **HK47**

- (6) each ¾-16 X 1 Carriage Bolt
- (6) each ¾ Flat SAE Washer
- (6) each ¾-16 Nut

#### **HK48**

- (5) each ½-13 X 1¼ Bolt
- (5) each ½-13 Nut
- (5) each ½ Flat SAE Washer

#### **HK49** (2U10-2U14 Uprights)

- (6) each ½-13 X 4½ Bolt
- (6) each ½-13 Nut
- (6) each ½ Flat Washer

#### HK52

- (12) each %-11 X 1¼ Bolt
- (12) each %-11 Nut
- (12) each % Lock Washer



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# DO NOT SUBSTITUTE HARDWARE TIGHTEN FINGER TIGHT ONLY AT THIS STEP

Refer to DIAGRAM A for a single 2.) Attach the base end to the front of the base channel sided rack and DIAGRAM B for a using (2)  $\frac{1}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{4}$  bolts, hex nuts, and (4)  $\frac{1}{2}$  flat double sided rack. washers. For double sided bases attach another base end to the opposite end of the base channel using (2) 1.) Attach one of the base channels  $^{1}/_{2}$  x  $1^{1}/_{4}$  bolts, hex nuts and (4)  $^{1}/_{2}$  flat washers. to the upright. Attach upright to base with 5/8 x 11/4 bolts. hex 3.) Attach the other base channel to the other side of the nuts and lock washers. Bolts are upright using 5/8 x 11/4 bolts, hex nuts and lock required in all holes. washers. Attach this base channel to the base end(s) using (2)  $\frac{1}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{4}$  bolts, hex nuts and (4)  $\frac{1}{2}$  flat washers per base end. 4.) If base lips are supplied, they should be attached 5/8 x 11/4 bolt at this time using one 1/2 x 11/4 bolt and hex nut per (HK52) base lip. 5/8 Lock Washer (HK52) Base Lip (supplied only 1/2 hex nut Single base when arms are (HK48) channel ordered with lips) DIAGRAM A Base End SINGLE SIDED UPRIGHT TO **BASE CONNECTION** 5/8 hex nut (HK52) 1/2 x 11/4 bolt (HK48) Double base channel Anchor Hole DIAGRAM B **IMPORTANT:** DOUBLE SIDED UPRIGHT TO Bases must be anchored to the floor. **BASE CONNECTION** 



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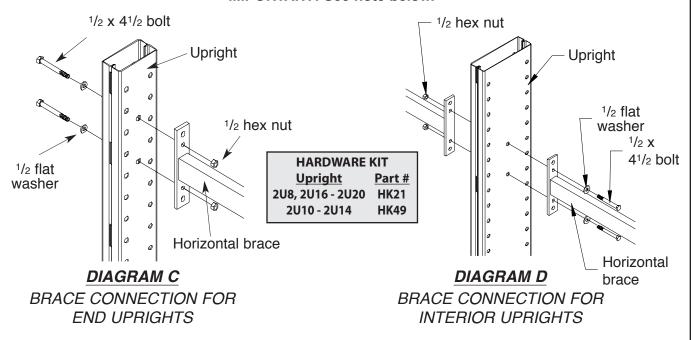
Attach horizontal braces to upright as shown in *DIAGRAM C* and *DIAGRAM D* using  $^{1}/_{2}$  x  $^{4}/_{2}$ " bolts. **Finger tighten only at this time**.

8' uprights require (2) horizontal braces. See DIAGRAM E (page 4).

10' to 14' uprights require (3) horizontal braces. See *DIAGRAM F* (page 4).

16' to 20' uprights require (4) horizontal braces and X-braces. The X-braces are attached after the horizontal braces are assembled and before the hardware is tightened. See *DIAGRAM G* (page 4).

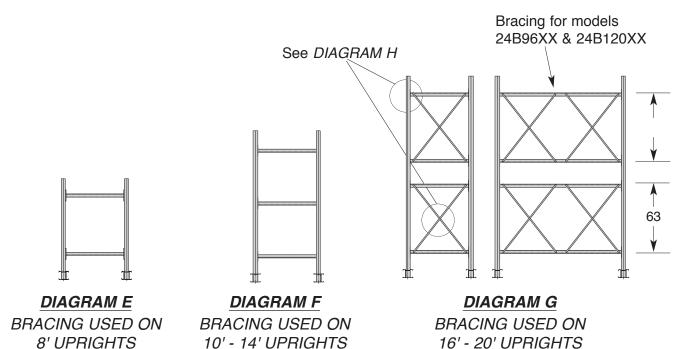
#### IMPORTANT! See note below.



**NOTE:** It is important that the flat washer on the bracing for the end upright be to the outside and the nut on the inside as shown in *DIAGRAM C*.

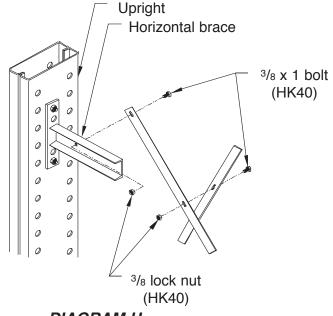


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Attach the X-braces to the horizontal braces using  $^{3}/_{8}$  x 1 bolts and lock nuts. See *DIAGRAM H*.

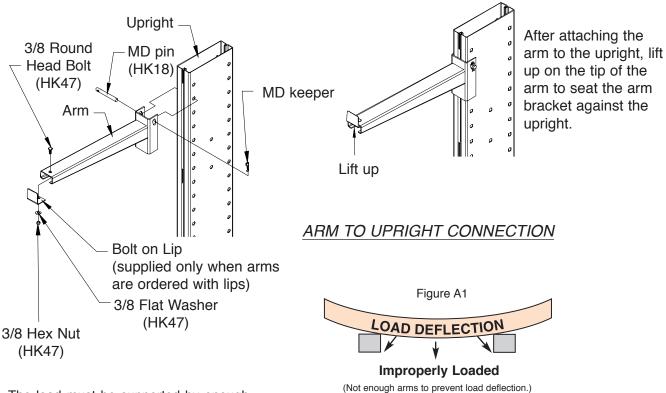
After two uprights have been assembled, begin tightening hardware in the manner described in the "General Assembly Procedure" at the beginning of this booklet.



<u>DIAGRAM H</u> X-BRACE CONNECTION

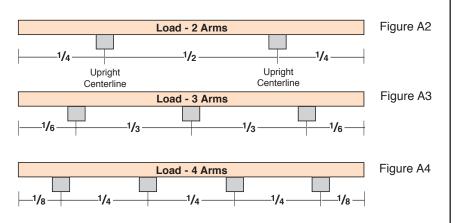


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The load must be supported by enough arms to prevent load deflection. Deflection may cause damage to the load being stored as well as the arms (figure A1). To detect deflection, place the load over two wooden blocks (to represent cantilever arms) as shown in figure A2. If deflection is not present it is acceptable to use a two arm system as long as this does not create an overload condition. If the load shows deflection use three blocks as shown in figure A3 or four blocks as in figure A4.

IMPORTANT: The load should overhang the end arms by one-half the distance from upright centerline to upright centerline. Failure to observe this measure may cause an overload condition on the arms.



Adhering to these guidelines will ensure that each arm supports an equal amount of the load's weight.