

# Director's Choice 200/300

Four-Way, Continuously Variable, Vertical Masking Screen System



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# Director's Choice 200/300

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## TO THE OWNER

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Congratulations on purchasing the finest optical viewing screen in the world.

Your handcrafted, Director's Choice 200/300 projection screen has been carefully inspected to ensure you will have an optimal viewing experience that will last many years. Please take a moment to review this manual. It will guide you through the installation and the operation of your screen, and will also provide you with detailed instructions on how to care for your screen's viewing surface.

From all of us at Stewart Filmscreen, we would like to thank you for choosing the Director's Choice 200/300. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our customer service department. We're here to help.

# PREPARING THE INSTALLATION

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Before proceeding with the installation of this screen, take time to thoroughly read and understand these installation instructions.

## PREPARATION

Specifications regarding the individual screen dimensions, weight, etc. are provided by the factory when the unit is ordered.

Make sure there is a clean surface on which to unroll the screen and assemble the frame. The use of gloves is recommended.

- Prepare for electrical access.

Check the size and weight of the screen to be installed so that you can plan for the number of people required for installation. You need at least two people to mount standard size screens; more are needed for larger, heavier screens.

If installing the Director's Choice in an aperture, ensure that the opening is large enough to accommodate the screen in its installed configuration. A minimum clearance of 1 – 2" (2.5 – 5 cm) on all sides and on top of the screen is strongly recommended.

You will need:

- Lint-free, clean cloth gloves for handling the screen

- Ladders for the personnel supporting the screen during the mounting process on large scale DC is recommend to used material lifters.

- A level and a drill

- Fasteners appropriate for the surface on which the screen is being mounted

- Tools for tightening fasteners

Note: Bolts and other fasteners for the screen are standard gauge and sizes used in the U.S; regardless of where they will be installed. For this reason, the sizes are expressed in inches rather than metric measurements.

## UNPACKING

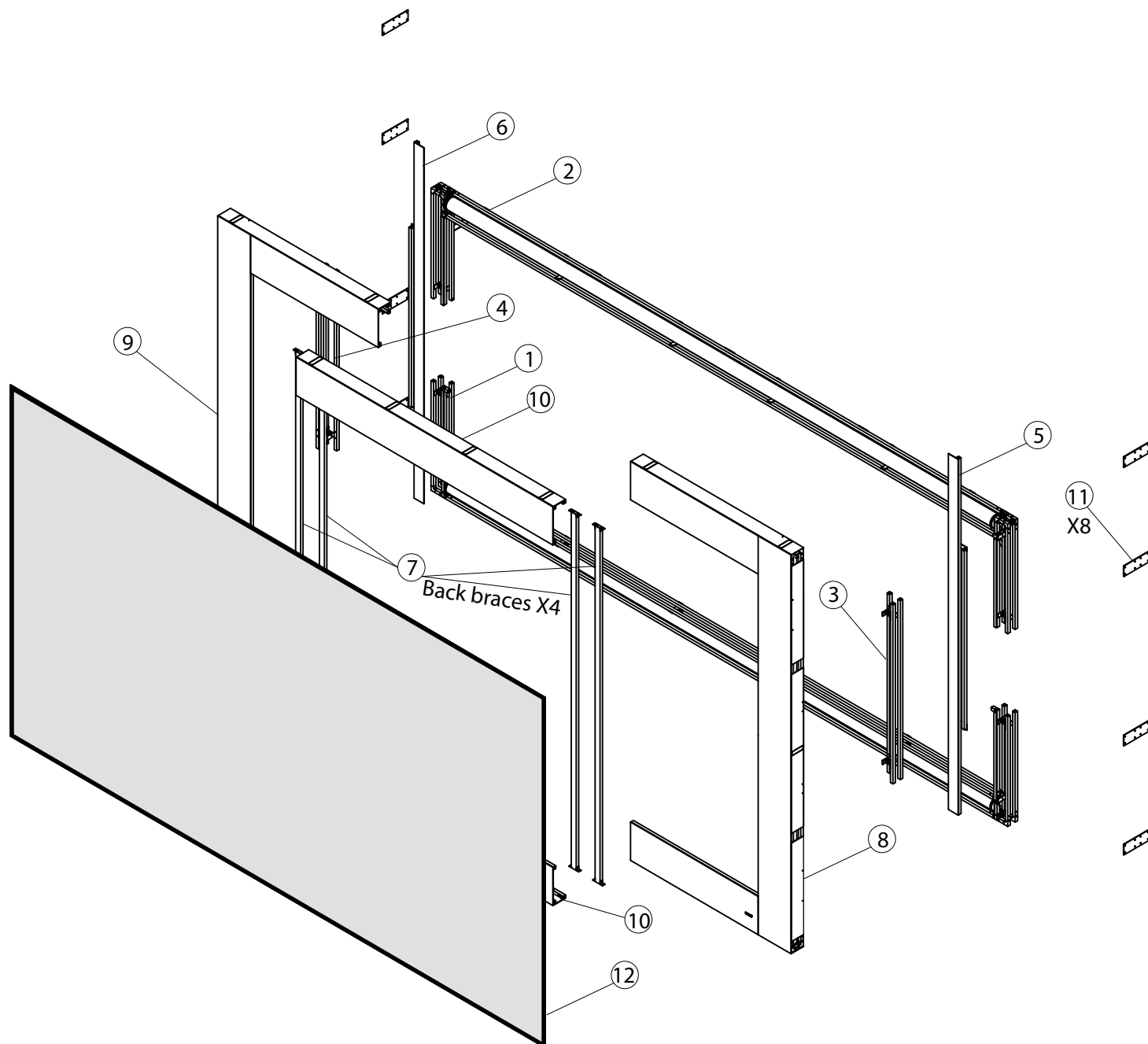
Be sure to unpack carefully in a clean area. Use special care when handling the screen so that it does not become soiled or damaged. Ensure that the staples are completely removed from the end of the shipping tube. If you plan to repack your screen and hardware for transportation to another location, you may wish to photograph or make a note of how it was packed. Keep the packing material.

### CAUTION

Do not stand on the screen tube or store it vertically on its end. This will cause screen damage. If you are not going to install the screen immediately, make sure it remains horizontal during storage

# DIRECTOR'S CHOICE COMPONENTS

Please understand that the assembly and installation of the Stewart Filmscreen Director's Choice is not as daunting as it may first appear. The factory has installed numbers on the individual sections to help installers correctly match (join) the frame. The motors and CVM control system also have color matching, numbered electrical cords and connectors for assembly convenience. There are essentially 11 sub components including the Screen that assemble to become the Director's Choice. Minimal tools are required for assembly; wrenches, nut driver, hex key. It is also advisable to have 4 to 6 technicians assist during the assembly process as some of the sections are fairly heavy and require holding into position while other technicians secure with bolts.

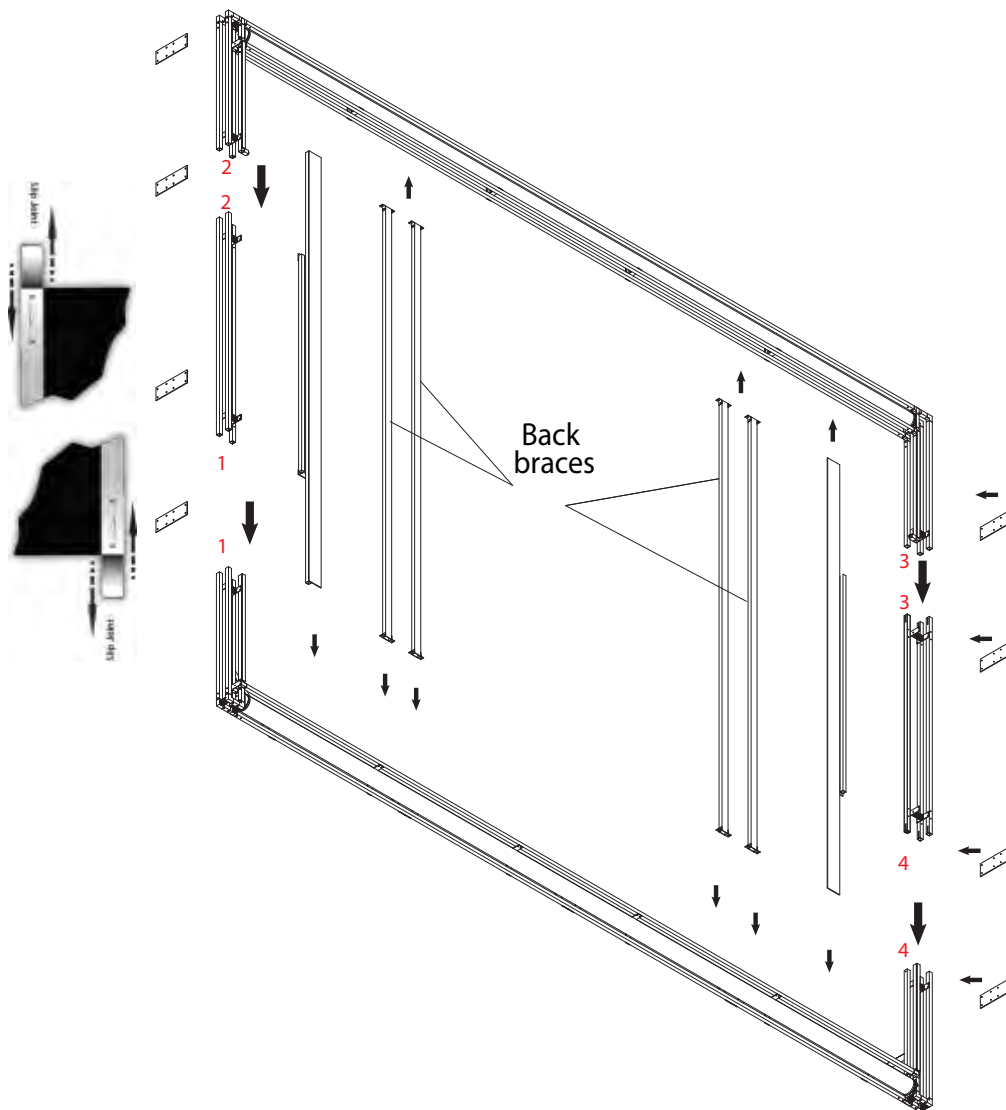


# DIRECTOR'S CHOICE ASSEMBLY HORIZONTAL FRAME

## 1. Horizontal main interior Frame – 2 side panel assemblies with top and bottom mid sections

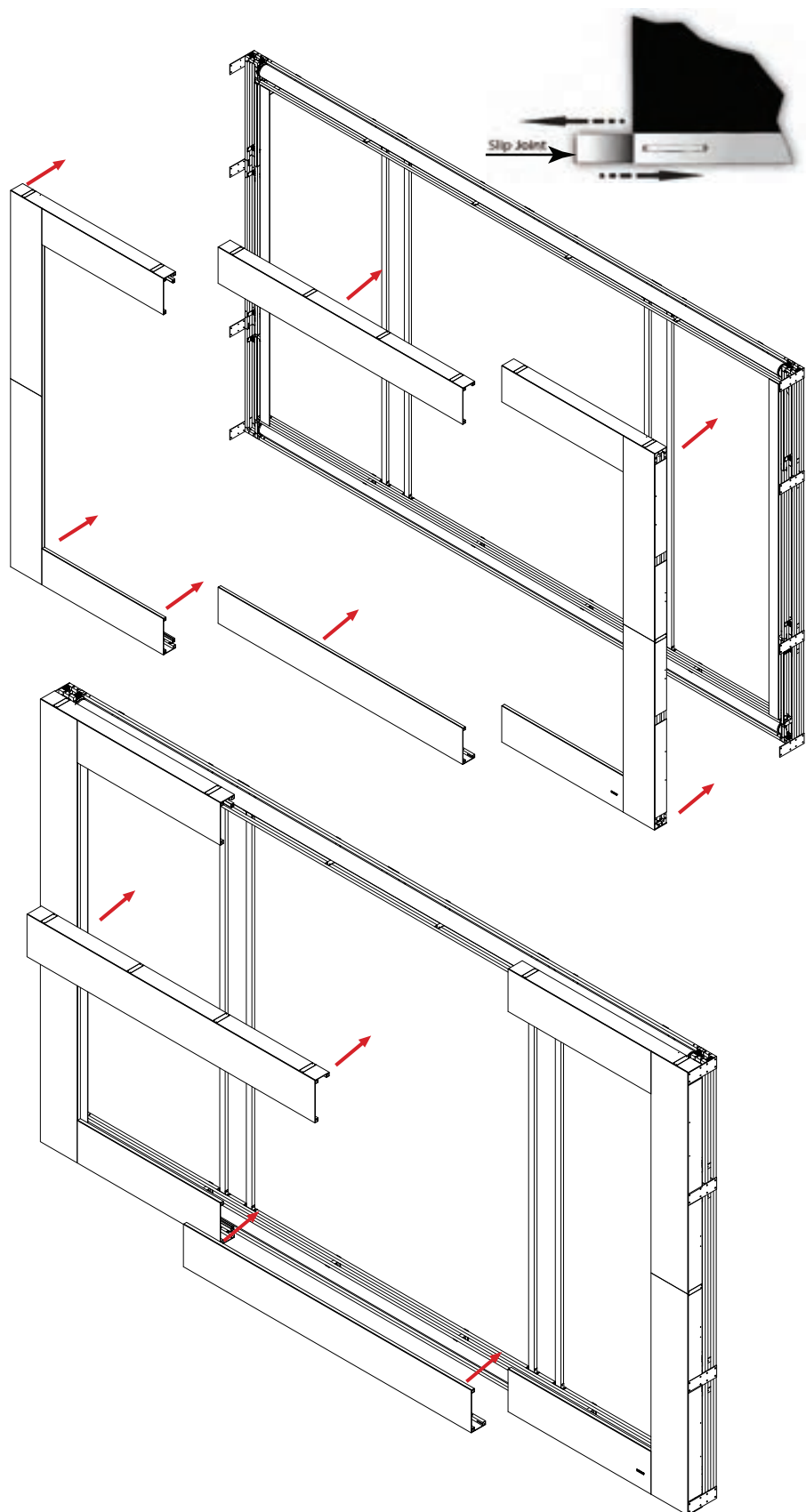
The Director's Choice main exterior frame assembly has been completely laminated with Velux providing a beautiful finished surround. The vertical side sections also contain the side panel roller system. The top and bottom middle main frame sections connect with standard ¼-20 hex head bolts. All frame section connection points are labeled 1, 2, 3, 4 etc. (see Fig 1). The internal slip joints provide ease of installation in tight locations. The main exterior frame is also vertically supported by two back braces. Do not install the Director's Choice without using these specified supports.

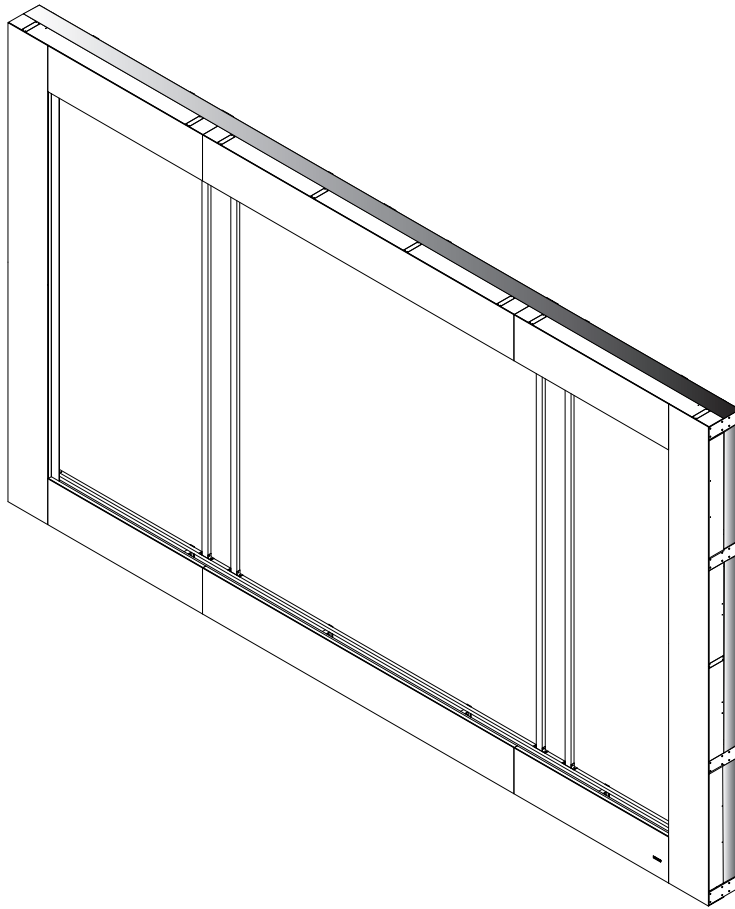
The Director's Choice is a free standing system that should be secured to the back wall for added support. Attachment points on the back of vertical side members have been provided for this purpose. Begin the assembly procedure as close as possible to the finished mounting location. This will minimize final lifting and movement of the Director's Choice. Make sure the Director's Choice is mounted level and plum. The use of shims may be required to achieve this goal.



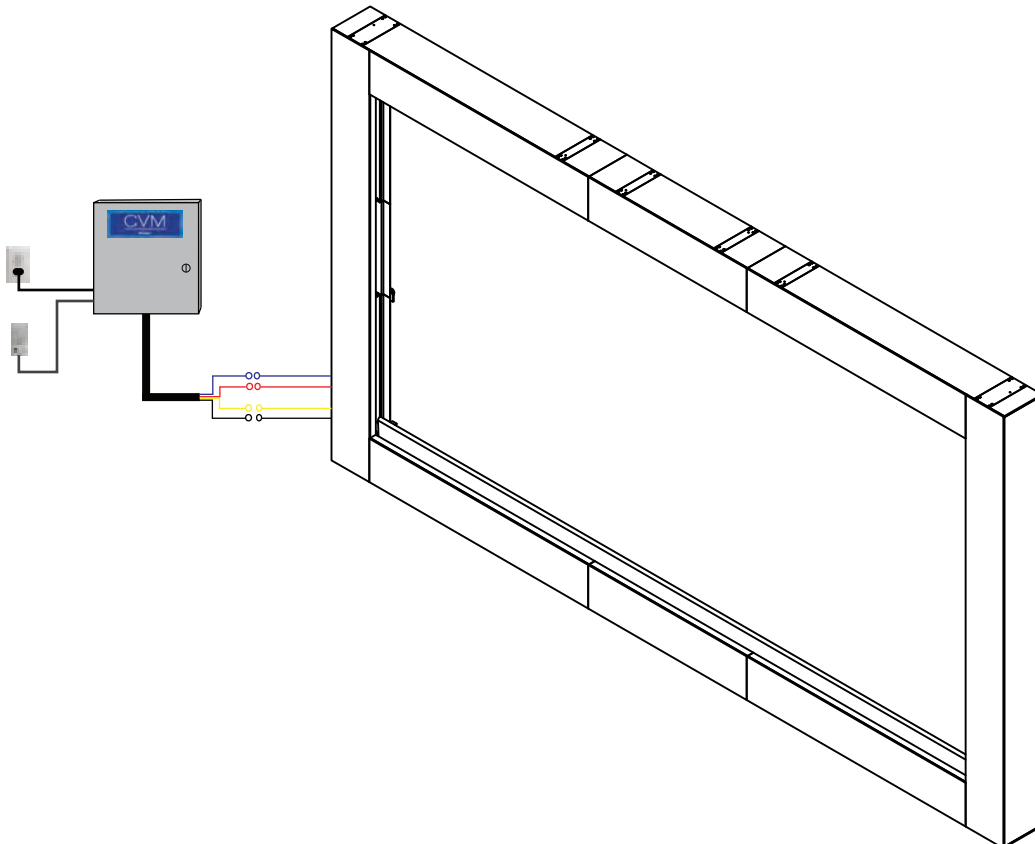
# DIRECTOR'S CHOICE ASSEMBLY MAIN EXTERIOR FRAME

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We suggest that the control box be mounted adjacent to the Director's Choice or close vicinity. In this fashion it will be easily accessible if required. In some more challenging installations where the space is limited, the CVM control box can mount directly behind the Directors Choice



## **INSTALLATION OF FRONT LOAD SCREEN (CONTINUED)**

### **Screen Installation**

Do not rush screen installation; doing so may cause screen damage. Do not use any hand tools to grasp the screen's perimeter edges while installing the screen. The screen must evenly stretch/expand into the framework, so exercising patience during this process is vital. Only install the screen after the frame system has been secured to its final mounting location, and the CVM / masking panels have been thoroughly tested. The Stewart Filmscreen Director's Choice 200/300 is now ready for activation.

This section provides instructions for attaching the screen to the frame.

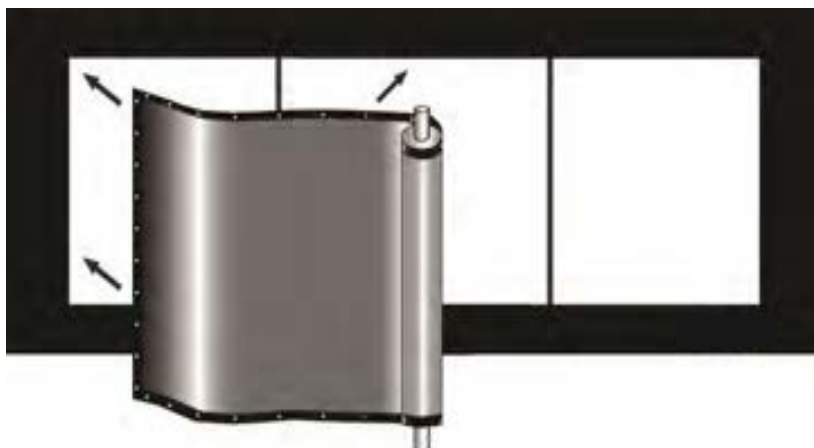
### **⚠ CAUTION**

Be sure that your hands and clothing are clean. Use of gloves is recommended. Be careful not to touch or scratch the image surface with fingernails.

Do not use any tools to fasten the screen to the frame. Do not fold or crease the screen.

You will need at least two people, one to support the screen, and one to lace the screen in place. The viewing side of the projection screen is rolled to the inside to protect the optical coating. The screen is rolled lengthwise, with protective paper rolled in with the screen. The screen fabric attaches to the frame with S-hooks.

1. Remove the screen from the cardboard shipping tube. Make sure to completely remove the tube's staples to avoid screen damage.
2. Look at the frame and locate the S-hooks. Ensure the tension of the bungee cords are evenly spread across the width of the screen before lacing the screen material onto the frame.
3. While supporting the screen roll, connect the S-hooks to the screen into the frame starting from the top left corner to the center, which is indicated by a red S-hook and a red grommet attachment on the screen, and then from the center to the top right corner. Gently allow the screen to stretch onto the S-hooks.



## DIRECTOR'S CHOICE GENERAL MAINTENANCE

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The surface of our screen is delicate. Special attention to these instructions should be followed when cleaning.

♦ A draftsman-style brush may be used to lightly whisk away any loose dirt or dust particles. Stewart Filmscreen may supply a screen cleaning kit that contains the proper type of brush. Contact the dealer if you would like to obtain an additional cleaning kit.

♦ For tougher spots, use a solution of mild detergent and water. Rub lightly using a sponge. Blot with a damp sponge to absorb excess water. Residual water marks will evaporate within a few minutes.

Do not use any other cleaning material on the screen. Contact the factory if you have any questions about removing difficult spots.

### **Caution**

**Do not use chemicals or liquid to clean the fabric.**

### **VeLux Covering**

♦ Use a lint roller to remove particles from the VeLux material.

♦ A brush can be used to comb (lift) the nap off the VeLux material to help eliminate depression marks

### **Replacement Parts and Service**

No user-serviceable parts are contained within the unit. Contact your dealer or the factory if you require part replacement or service.



## TROUBLESHOOTING

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With reasonable care, you may expect many years of trouble free use of your Stewart projection screen. Refer to following guidelines if you encounter a difficulty in the operation of your Stewart screen. Problems related to electrical or motor function may require a qualified serviceperson or electrician. Should you have a problem that is not addressed here, call the Stewart Filmscreen Corporation at 1 (800) 762-4999 ext. 145 for Technical Assistance.

| Problem Description                                                   | Probable Cause                                                         | Action to Take                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dirt, finger prints, marks, etc. on screen surface or masking panels. | Improper handling of screen.                                           | Brush off or use a mild detergent solution with clean rag or cotton swab (screen only).                                                                                                          |
| Motor chatters when power is activated.                               | Can be caused by voltage drop, bad connections, or a defective switch. | Have an electrician or qualified serviceperson check all hookups including all outboard wiring.                                                                                                  |
| When retracting the masks, grinding noise occurs.                     | Drop in voltage.                                                       | Motor requires full voltage. Have an electrician or qualified service person check available voltage.                                                                                            |
| Fabric tear.                                                          |                                                                        | Repair tear immediately to prevent future tearing. Use cellophane or mylar tape on the back of the screen. For large tears that interfere with the projected image, contact the Stewart factory. |
| CVM or setting up of controls.                                        |                                                                        | Refer to CVM notes.                                                                                                                                                                              |

## **ONE (1) YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY**

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STEWART FILMSCREEN CORPORATION (Stewart) warrants all products to the original purchaser only. Stewart products are guaranteed to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase by the original purchaser or eighteen (18) months from date of manufacture, as defined in the serial number. Additionally, all products must be properly operated and maintained according to Stewart instructions and cannot be damaged due to improper handling or treatment after shipment from the factory. This warranty does not apply to equipment showing evidence of misuse, abuse, or accidental damage, including neglect caused by improper installation (i.e. proximity to hot lights, exposure to extreme heat or cold, exposure to excessive humidity, etc.).

Stewart on-site warranty repair services are not available for this product. Stewart's sole obligation under this warranty shall be to repair or to replace (at Stewart's sole discretion) the defective part of the merchandise. This warranty expressly does not cover any costs of removal, installation, framing, or other costs incidental to replacing the screen or returning it to Stewart. Returns for service should be made to your Stewart dealer. If it is necessary for the dealer to return the screen or part to Stewart, transportation (freight) expenses to and from Stewart are payable by the purchaser. Stewart is not responsible for damage in shipment. To protect against damage or loss in transit, insure the product and prepay all transportation expenses.

This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, expressed or implied, including warranties as to fitness for use or merchantability. Any implied warranties of fitness for use, or merchantability, that may be mandated by statute or rule of law are limited to the one (1) year warranty period. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. In no event will Stewart be liable for sums in excess of the purchase price of the product. No liability is assumed by Stewart for expenses or damages resulting from interruption in operation of equipment, or for incidental, direct, or consequential damages of any nature. In the event that there is a defect in materials or workmanship of a Stewart Filmscreen product, you may contact our Customer Service Department at 1161 W Sepulveda Blvd, Torrance, California 90502- 2797 (310-784-5300) Toll free (800-762-4999).

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