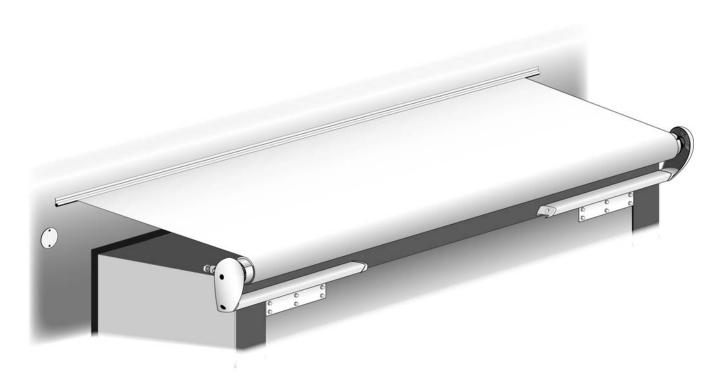


# INSTALLATION MANUAL **SLIDEOUT COVER**



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Tip: A tip provides helpful suggestions.

# **Safety Notes:**

- Always disconnect battery or power source before working on or around the electrical system.
- Always wear appropriate safety equipment (i.e. goggles).
- Always use appropriate lifting devices and/or helpers when lifting or holding heavy objects.
- When using fasteners, use care to not over tighten. Soft materials such as fiberglass and aluminum can be "stripped out" and lose the ability to grip and hold.

# Reference Publications located @ www.carefreeofcolorado.com:'

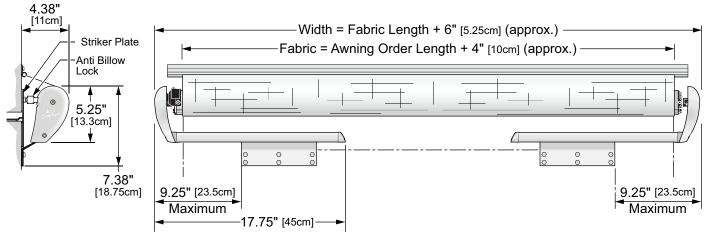
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# **PRODUCT OVERVIEW**

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION AND SPECIFICATIONS

- Light weight Slideout cover with style and performance;
- Simple Installation;
- Two mounting bracket sizes available to accommodate a range of room flange sizes;
- Carefree's innovative automatic anti-billow lock securely holds the fabric during travel. The lock automatically engages when the room is closed and automatically releases when the room is opened;



Shown with tall bracket, dimensions are approximate. Actual dimensions may vary based on installation and room configuration.

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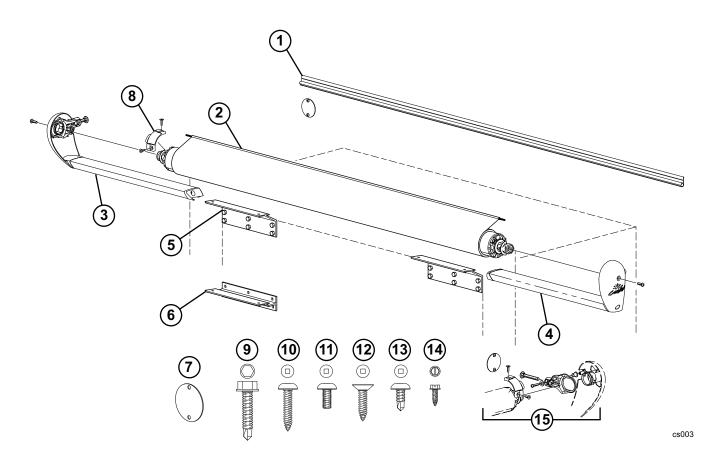
Figure 1. General Dimensions.

AVAILABLE	LENGTHS: (me	easured box length)	42" - 202"	AVAILABLE EXTENSION:	Up to 42"
FABRIC TENSION		One spring mounted in RH end of roller tube			
Color:	Hardware: Fabric:	White, Black	s literature for available o	colors)	
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WEIGHT:	Standard	Base Weight @	42" Box Length = 13.5 I	bs; for every 12" inc	rease, add 1 lb
Weight calculation is approximate. Actual weight may vary based on specific installation details				ls	

**CAUTION** When installing the awning it is important that the correct awning length is used and that the brackets are positioned so that the arms are fully engaged in the mounting brackets as shown. Failure to mount the awning with the arms fully engaged can result in the anti-billow lock not functioning properly and allowing the awning to billow.

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# **COMPONENT CHECKLIST**



ITEM	DESCRIPTION		QTY	NOTE
1	Awning Rail		1	3
2	Roller Tube Assy w/ Fabric		1	
3	End Cap Assy, LH		1	
4	End Cap Assy, RH		1	
5	Mounting Bracket, Tall		2	2
6	Mounting Bracket, Short		2	2
7	Striker Plate		1	
8	Pin Tab, Lock		1	
9	Screw, Self-Drilling, HWH	Bracket Mount #12 x 1 1/4	12	
10	Screw, Pan Head Sq Drive	Striker Attach #10 x 1	2	
11	Screw, Pan Head Sq Drive	Roller Tube Attach #10-32 x 1/2	2	
12	Screw, Flat Head	Pin Tab Attach #10 x 3/4	2	
13	Screw, Pan Head Sq Drive	Extension Attach #10 x 1/2	4	
14	Screw, HWH	Fabric Attach #6 x 3/8	2	
15	Plunger Kit		NOTE	4

Notes:

- Awning configuration is specified at time of order, including awning length, fabric color etc. Check awning assembly against original purchase order.
- 2. Bracket style (item 6 or 7) is specified at time of order.
- 3. Awning rail must be specified at time of order. A screw packet is included with awning rail.
- 4. Plunger Kit (item 15) is required for awnings 167"-202" (order length) and furnished with roller tube assemblies for those lengths. Kit is mounted in the RH end cap during installation. Kit is optional for awnings 166" and shorter. Kit can be ordered separately for shorter lengths.

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# INSTALLATION

During installation, the room should be closed until instructed otherwise.

#### MOUNTING THE BRACKETS

Two brackets are available for mounting the SLIDEOUT COVER. The tall bracket is used for large flanges, the short bracket is used for smaller flanges.

NOTE: The mounting surface must have sufficient framing or backing to support the brackets and allow the use of the screws. Aluminum or fiberglass skins are not adequate to support the installation.

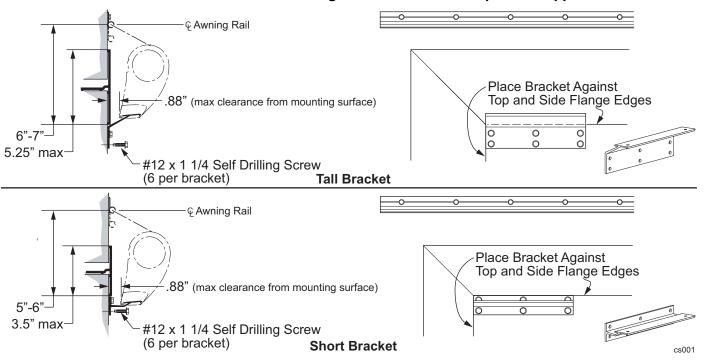


Figure 2. Mounting the Brackets.

If installing a new awning rail:

1. Align the mounting brackets with the inner edges of the top and side room flanges. Go to step 5.

If using an existing awning rail:

- 2. Measure the distance from the inner flange edge to the center of the awning rail.
- 3. <u>If the distance is within the range shown</u>, align the mounting brackets with the inner edges of the top and side room flanges. Go to step 5.
- 4. <u>If the distance is outside the range shown</u>, adjust the vertical position of the bracket to match the acceptable range. The bracket can be mounted below or on the flange as long as the screws enter the structure of the room and the position does not exceed the maximum height to top of flange as shown.
- 5. Using a quality silicone sealant, coat the mounting surface of the bracket with particular attention around the mounting holes.
- 6. Attach the brackets using the supplied #12 x 1 1/4 self-drilling screws.

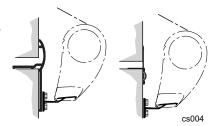


Figure 3. Alternate Mounting.

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## INSTALLING AN AWNING RAIL

- 1. Measure up from the bracket as shown in Figure 2. This is the centerline of the awning rail slot.
- 2. Seal the back of the rail with silicone sealant or putty tape.
- 3. Align the centerline of the awning rail and attach using #10 x 3/4 screws. Position the slot pointing down.

To aid sliding the canopy into position:

- 4. (Detail C) Using a screwdriver slightly spread open one end of the awning rail.
- 5. Clean and deburr the end of the rail.
- 6. Spray inside the rail track with silicone lubricant.

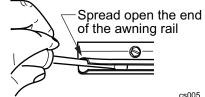


Figure 4. Awning Rail.

# MOUNTING THE AWNING

# Installing the RH Anti-Lock Assembly

The antilock plunger is mounted in the LH end cap as a standard installation for all awning sizes. For awnings 167" to 202" a second plunger is required and mounts in the RH end cap during installation.

For awnings 166" or shorter, a second plunger is optional and can be ordered separately.

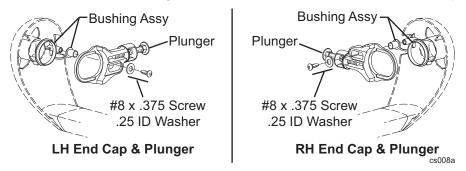


Figure 5. Plunger.

To install a second plunger in the RH end cap:

- 1. Install the bushings and plunger in the RH end cap and secure using the #8 x .375" screw and .25" ID washer. The washer slides over the projecting post, the screw tightens against the post.
  - Note that the plunger is flipped from the LH plunger (screw is above the scale) as shown.
- 2. The adjustment of the plunger(s) and placement of the striker plate(s) are done after completing the installation. Refer to page 6.

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# Mounting the Roller Tube Assembly Right End Cap 9.25" [23.5cm] Maximum **DETAIL C** #6 x 3/8 Screw (2 plcs) 10-32 x 1/2 Screw (1 for each endcap) DETAIL A Align Flats Slide Fabric into Rail and Center Over Room Left End Cap #10 x 1/2 Screw (2 per bracket) ock Pin **DETAIL B DETAIL D**

Figure 6. Mounting the Roller Tube.

# **CAUTION** Do not remove the spring locking pin until instructed after all steps are complete.

- 1. (Detail A) Slide the end cap extension onto the mounting bracket. Do not attach at this time.
- 2. Repeat for the other side.
- 3. Unroll some of the fabric from the roller tube.
- 4. Slide the polyrod and fabric into the awning rail. Center the fabric over the room.
- 5. Roll up the slack material onto the roller tube.
  - **CAUTION** Failure to roll up the slack before installing the roller tube will reduce the spring tension. This can cause the fabric to sag and not roll up correctly when the room is closed.
- 6. (Details B and D) On the RH side (spring side), slide the end cap onto the roller tube spindle. Align the flats of the spindle with the flats in the end cap. The roller tube should be oriented with the spring lock pin facing out.
- 7. Secure the end cap to the roller tube using one (1) 10-32 x 1/2 pan head cap screw. Torque screw to 25-35 in-lbs.
- 8. Repeat steps 7 and 8 for the LH end cap.
- 9. Center the roller tube and fabric over the room.
- 10. From the bottom, secure the end cap arms to the mounting bracket using two (2) each #10 x 1/2 screws.
  - **CAUTION** For proper operation of the anti-billow lock, the end cap arms must be fully engaged on the mounting brackets as shown in Detail C.
- 11. (Detail D) Remove the spring locking pin from the end of the roller tube assembly. This is located on the right end of the roller tube.
  - **CAUTION** The roller tube has a pre-wound spring. When the spring lock pin is removed, the roller tube spring will quickly roll up any slack material. Use care that hands and fingers are out of the way.
- 12. Open and close the room to ensure that the fabric is rolling up straight on the roller tube.
- 13. Secure the fabric to the awning rail using two #6 x 3/8 screws through the rail and fabric.

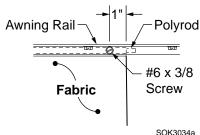


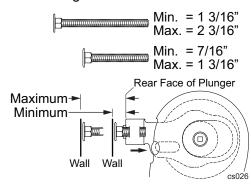
Figure 7. Securing the Fabric.

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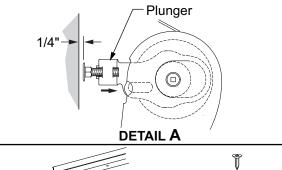
# **SETTING UP THE ANTI-BILLOW LOCK**

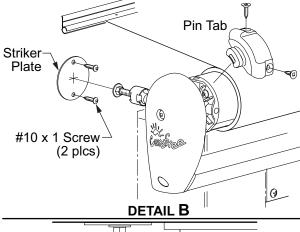
- 1. Fully close the room if open.
- 2. (Detail A) Press the plunger forward into the cap until it stops.
- 3. Turn the adjustment bolt until there is a 1/4" gap between the coach wall and the head of the screw.

**NOTE:** Two adjustment bolts are included. The shorter bolt will accommodate most installations; the longer bolt is for installations with a longer distance between plunger and wall. The graphic below shows the application ranges for each.



- 4. On the coach wall, mark the spot that is in line with the center of the adjustment bolt.
- 5. Open the room a few inches.
- 6. (Detail B) At the mark made previously, mount the striker plate using two (2) #10 x 1 screws.
- Close the room.
- 8. Using the flats on the adjustment bolt, adjust as required so that the bolt head contacts the striker plate when the plunger is pushed forward into the cap.
- 9. After the plunger contacts the striker plate, tighten the adjustment bolt an additional 5 complete turns (approximately 1/4").





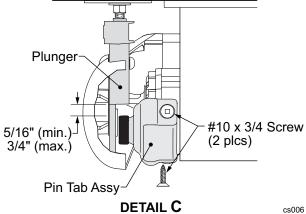


Figure 8. Anti-Billow Lock.

- 10. (Detail C) Set the pin tab on the roller. Align the pin tab assembly as shown. If necessary, adjust the position so that the screw holes DO NOT line up on any slots of the roller tube. When adjusting the position, rotate the tab away from the plunger.
- 11. Attach the pin tab using two (2) #10 x 3/4 flat head screws.
- 12. For awnings with a second plunger, repeat the steps for the RH end cap.
- 13. To test the plunger:
  - 13.1. Pull up on the fabric between the roller tube and awning rail.

**Note:** Do not move the fabric by twisting the roller tube.

13.2. The plunger will move back against the striker plate and stop the roller tube from turning.

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# **OWNER INFORMATION**

# **SLIDEOUT COVER**

#### RV

- > Automatically opens and closes with the room.
- Shades the top of the room to help cool the interior.
- The canopy helps protects the room from water, dirt and debris when the room is extended.
- Automatic anti-billow lock when the room is closed. No manual adjustments or setting are required.



### **MAINTENANCE**

Maintaining the Carefree Slideout Cover is easy. Just follow these basic steps:

- Periodically check that the fasteners are tight. Tighten if necessary.
- Keep the awning fabric clean.

## FABRIC CARE

CAUTION DO NOT USE OIL BASED CLEANERS OR ANY CAUSTIC, GRANULATED, OR ABRASIVE TYPE CLEANERS ON YOUR CAREFREE PRODUCT.

- One of the best ways to keep the fabric looking good and to delay the need for deep or vigorous cleanings is to hose fabrics off on a monthly basis with clear water. This practice will help prevent dirt from becoming deeply imbedded in the fabric. In most environments, a thorough cleaning is only required every two to three years.
- 2. When it's time for a thorough cleaning, the fabric can be cleaned while still on the coach.
  - For Vinyl Fabric Use a soft brush and warm water with soap.
  - For Acrylic Fabric Use a stiff brush and warm water with soap.
- 3. When cleaning the fabric, it is important to observe the following:
  - Always use a natural soap, never detergent.
  - Water should be cold to lukewarm, never more than 100°F.
  - Air-dry only. Never apply heat to the fabric.
  - Always allow the fabric to dry thoroughly before rolling up the awning.

#### Mildew

Mildew is a fungus growth that looks like dirt. Vinyl coated polyester fabrics are mildew resistant because of a chemical biocide in the vinyl coating. Under ordinary conditions, mildew will not appear. However, in areas where high temperature and humidity are common, mildew can be a problem and required the material to be cleaned more frequently. Thoroughly rinse the fabric with clean water and allow to air dry completely before rolling up the fabric.

# **Pooling**

When water collects on the top of the fabric, this is known as "pooling". This can occur during inclement weather or if a running air conditioner discharges over the awning. The water is dumped when the awning is retracted. It is recommended that if water accumulates on the top; retract the room in steps (8"-12") to dump the water. This will help prevent the fabric from stretching or distorting.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If the room must be closed during wet weather (rain), close the room in increments (approximately 8"-12"). This is to allow water to run off while the room is closing and prevent sudden pooling.

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