

Load Ranger

*2.4 GHz Radio Frequency Communication
Wheel Weigh Pad System*

Technical Manual



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1.0 Introduction

Load Ranger wheel weigh pads offer an adaptable, high accuracy solution for vehicle weighing. With unmatched performance, Load Ranger wireless weigh pads are able to capture wheel or axle weights, either individually or in sets of up to 14 pads. Besides vehicles, Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can weigh objects and structures with several support points of an array of sizes and capacities. Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can be paired with the Ai-1 touchscreen indicator and thermal printer to provide an all-in-one solution for weight summing and ticket printing.



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1.1 Safety

Safety Definitions:



DANGER: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation that, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury. Includes hazards that are exposed when guards are removed.



WARNING: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death. Includes hazards that are exposed when guards are removed.



CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.



IMPORTANT: Indicates information about procedures that, if not observed, could result in damage to equipment or corruption to and loss of data.

General Safety



Do not operate or work on this equipment unless this manual has been read and all instructions are understood. Failure to follow the instructions or heed the warnings could result in injury or death. Contact any Rice Lake Weighing Systems dealer for replacement manuals.



WARNING

Failure to heed could result in serious injury or death.

Do not disassemble or tamper with the platforms.

All connections must be made by following applicable standards in the installation area and environment.

Do not install in environments at risk of explosion (except for specific versions).

Do not allow minors (children) or inexperienced persons to operate this equipment.

Ensure the pads and path to enter them is clear of all people and equipment.

Do not overload the platforms beyond the maximum declared load.

Do not use solvents or aggressive substances to clean the platform or weight indicator.

Do not pour liquids on the weight indicator.

Avoid prolonged exposure to atmospheric agents (sun, rain, etc.).

Do not expose the instrument to heat sources.

Do not lean platforms against a wall or object. Always lay platforms flat on the ground.

Always place or anchor the weight indicator and platform on a non-vibrating surface.

Anything not specifically described in this manual is to be considered as improper use of the equipment.

All of the indicator connections must be in accordance with applicable local and state laws within the installation environment.



IMPORTANT: All included batteries intended for sale in the EU market are classified as “Portable Batteries for General Use” and comply with European Battery Regulation (EU) 2023/1542.

1.2 Disposal



Product Disposal

The product must be brought to appropriate separate waste collection centers at the end of its life cycle.

Proper separate collection to recycle the product helps prevent possible negative effects on the environment and to health, and promotes the recycling of the materials. Users who dispose of the product illegally shall face administrative sanctions as provided by law.

Battery Disposal

Dispose of batteries at appropriate waste collection centers at the end of their life cycle in accordance with local laws and regulations. Batteries and rechargeable batteries may contain harmful substances that should not be disposed of in household waste. Batteries may contain harmful substances including but not limited to: cadmium (Cd), lithium (Li), mercury (Hg) or lead (Pb). Users who dispose of batteries illegally shall face administrative sanctions as provided by law.



WARNING: Risk of fire and explosion. Do not burn, crush, disassemble or short-circuit batteries. Do not replace battery with incorrect type.

1.3 FCC Compliance

United States

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

Canada

This digital apparatus does not exceed the Class A limits for radio noise emissions from digital apparatus set out in the Radio Interference Regulations of the Canadian Department of Communications.

Le présent appareil numérique n'émet pas de bruits radioélectriques dépassant les limites applicables aux appareils numériques de la Class A prescrites dans le Règlement sur le brouillage radioélectrique édicté par le ministère des Communications du Canada.

1.4 Available Models

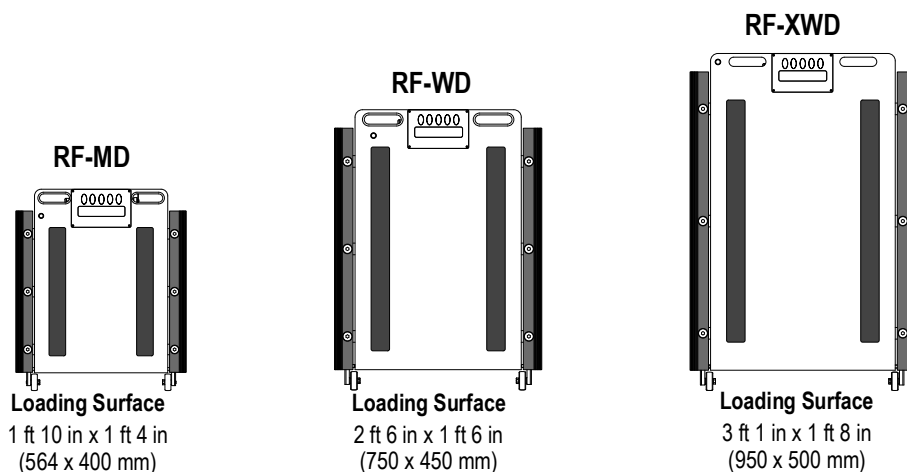


Figure 1-1. Load Ranger Models

1.5 Features

Wheel Weigh Pad Features

- Equipped with 2.4 GHz radio frequency (RF) module to communicate with Ai-1 indicator
- Aluminum alloy loading platform with positioning bands and bubble level
- Integrated wheels, handles and ramps
- Internal NiMH rechargeable battery with 40 hours of battery life
- IP67 rating

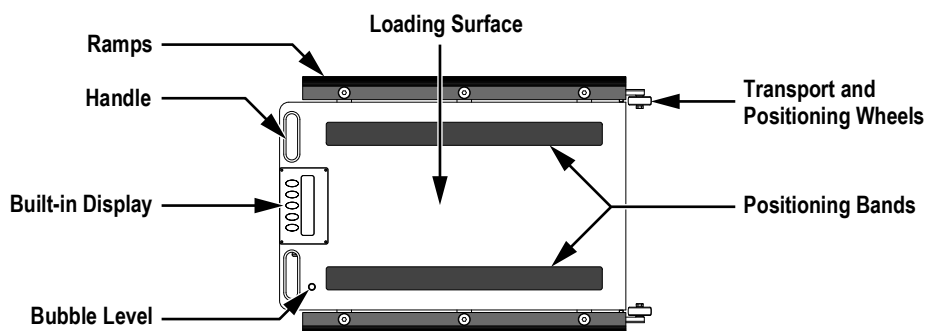


Figure 1-2. Wheel Weigh Pad Features

Ai-1 Indicator Features

- ABS transport case – 1 ft x 1 ft 6 in x 7 in (325 mm x 460 mm x 170 mm)
- Backlit touchscreen display
- Internal rechargeable battery with 10 hours of battery life
- Thermal printer
- Real time clock
- Permanent data storage
- microSD card slot
- 24-bit A/D converter, up to 2300 conversions per second
- DB9 RS232 serial port

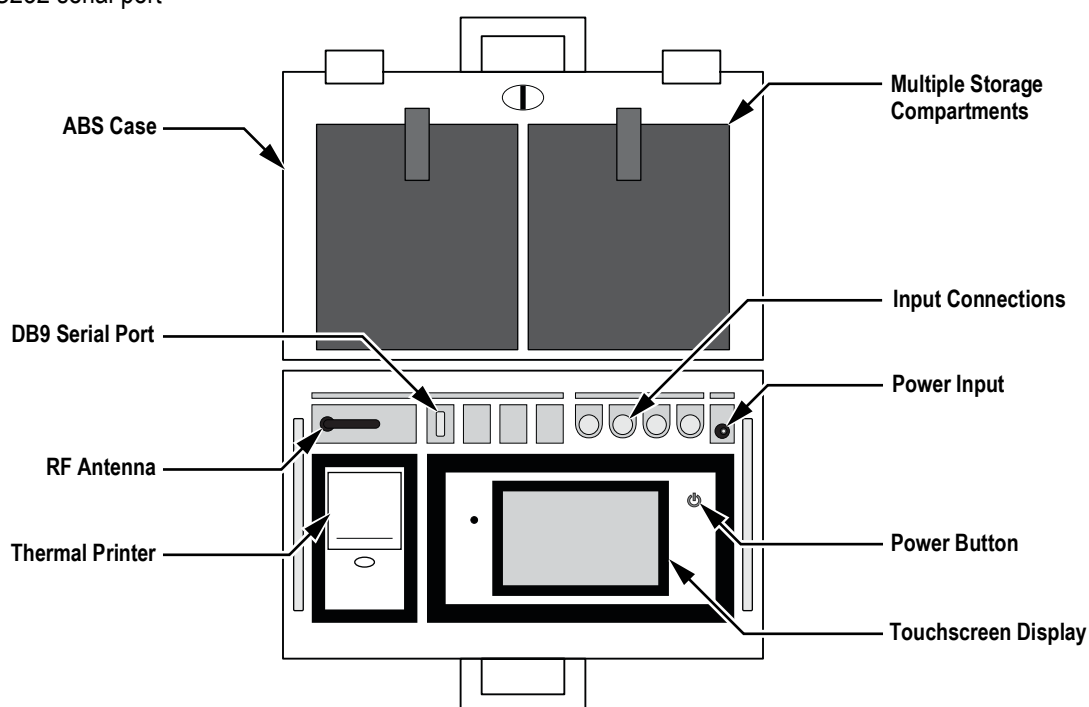


Figure 1-3. Ai-1 Indicator Features

1.6 Accessories

Aluminum Ramps

The optional aluminum ramps are used to make it easier for a wheel to move onto and off of the platform. This is ideal for vehicles with small diameter wheels or for vehicles/aircraft moved with towing equipment.



Figure 1-4. Aluminum Ramps

Part No.	Description	Dimensions (W x L x H)
181881	Aluminum Ramp for Load Ranger MD Models	1 ft 7.66 in x 5.91 in x 1.18 in (500 x 150 x 30 mm)
181882	Aluminum Ramp for Load Ranger WD Models	2 ft 3.56 in x 5.91 in x 1.18 in (700 x 150 x 30 mm)
181883	Aluminum Ramp for Load Ranger XWD Models	2 ft 11.43 in x 5.91 in x 1.18 in (900 x 150 x 30 mm)

Table 1-1. Aluminum Ramp Dimensions

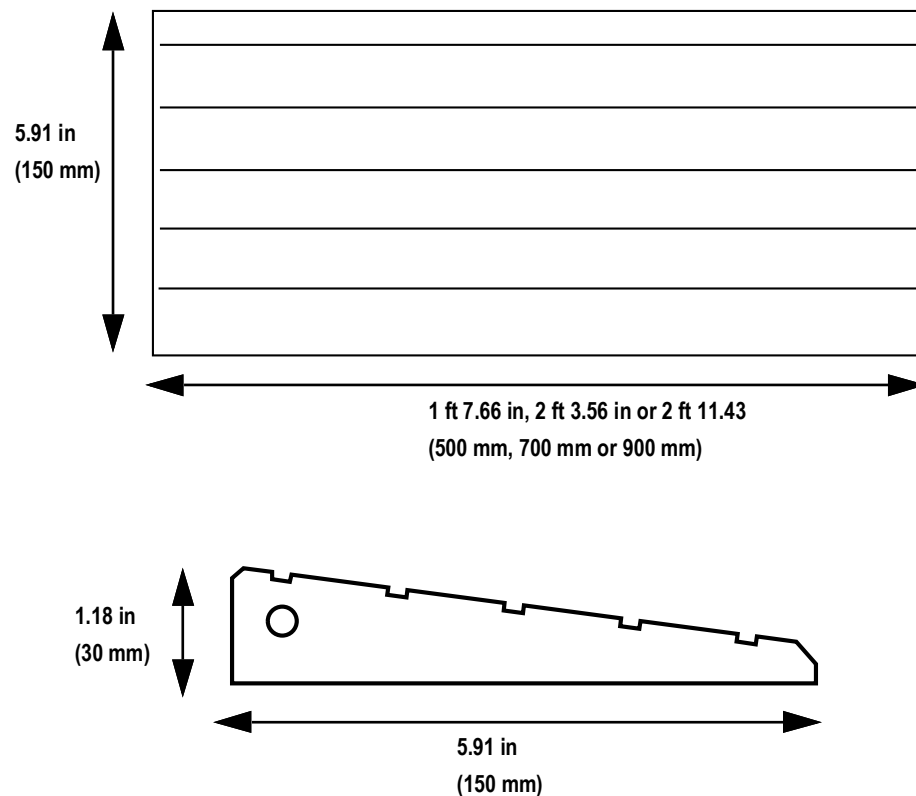


Figure 1-5. Aluminum Ramp Dimensions

2.0 Installation

Follow the procedures in the section to install a Load Ranger system.

2.1 Choosing the Weighing Area

Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can be installed on most types of surfaces. For the best results, Rice Lake Weighing Systems recommends:

- An area that is large enough to allow vehicles to easily maneuver under safe conditions
- A minimum length twice that of the longest vehicle to be weighed
- Flat and level surfaces with a slope of less than 0.5%
- Use on hard surfaces, concrete or asphalt with a hardness of at least 1423 lb/in² (100 kg/cm²)
- The surface under the weighing area must withstand concentrated loads of at least 1.5 times the maximum capacity of the wheel weigh pad
- Environments where the temperature is between 14°F and 104°F (-10°C and 40°C)
- Always use the same direction of travel



IMPORTANT: Weighing area recommendations are important for accurate weighing and to avoid damage to the weigh pads. Avoid areas at risk of flooding and areas used for common transit. The wheel weigh pads are not designed to be used as road surfaces and must only be used at the time of weighing according to the conditions stated in [Section 2.4 on page 13](#).

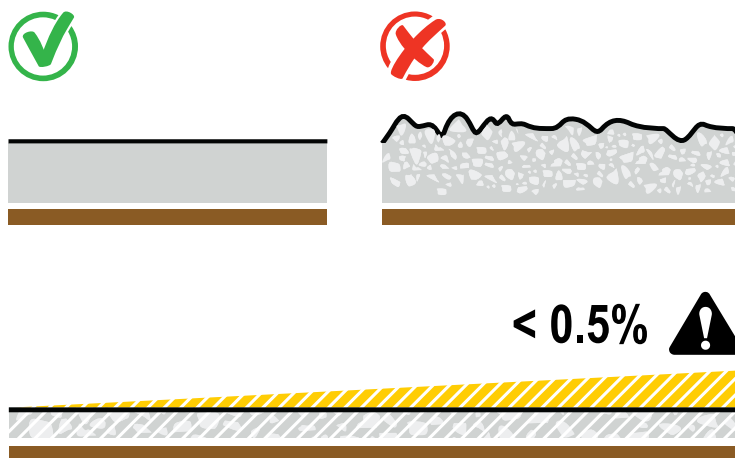


Figure 2-1. Weighing Area Characteristics

2.2 Unpack Components

1. Remove and set aside the carrying case and wheel pads.
2. Locate the wheel pad power supply between the wheels of the wheel pads and set aside.
3. Locate the carrying case power supply underneath the indicator and printer. Remove it from the case and set aside.



NOTE: To access the carrying case power supply, lift the handle to remove the compartment cover.

2.3 Positioning the Platforms

1. Use the built-in wheels to position and adjust the platforms.

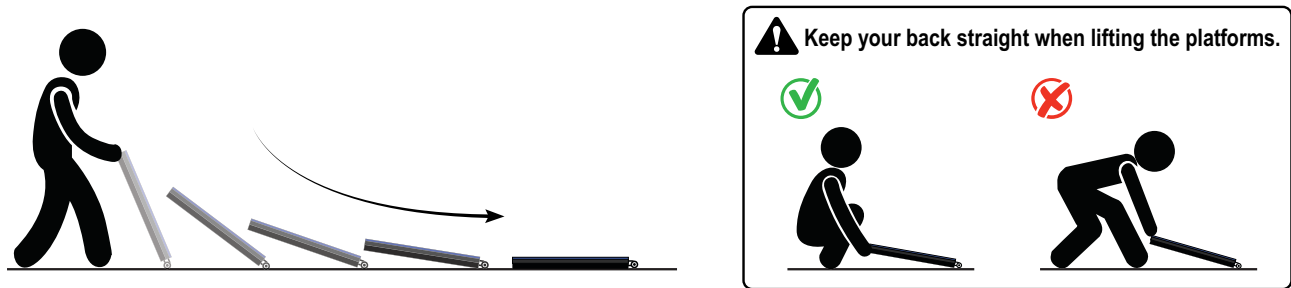


Figure 2-2. Move Platform with Wheels

2. Position the platforms directly in front of the wheels of the vehicle to be weighed.

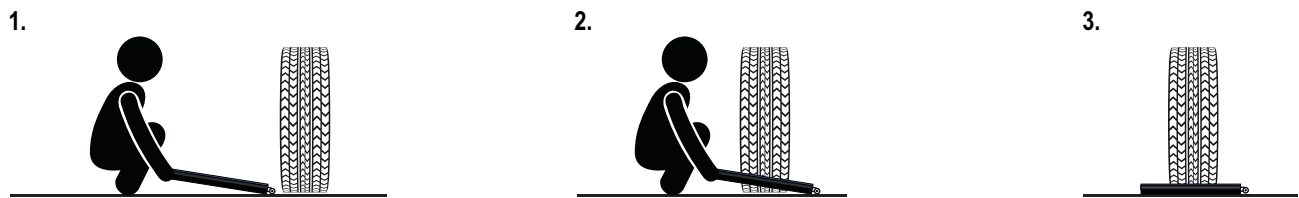


Figure 2-3. Moving Platforms in front of Vehicle Wheels



CAUTION: Do not place hands or feet under the platform when positioning them. Wear protective gloves and shoes when installing the wheel weigh pad.

3. The display must be facing outwards in order to correctly transmit the wireless weighing data.

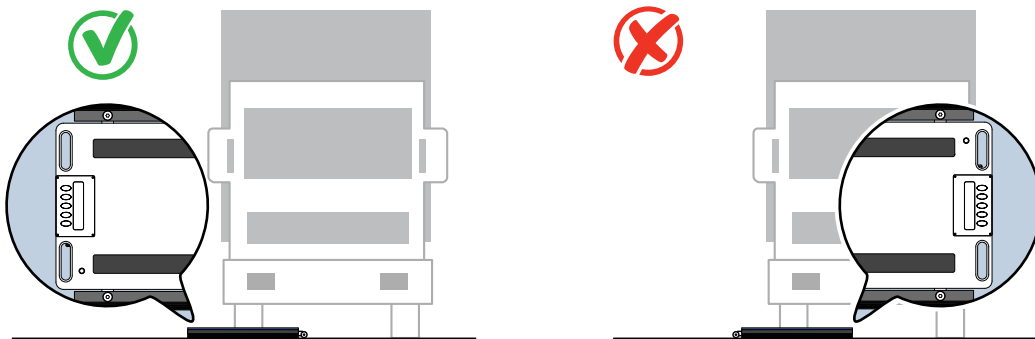


Figure 2-4. Display Orientation



WARNING: Before positioning the platforms, ensure that the vehicle's engine is off, with the first gear engaged and the parking brake activated.

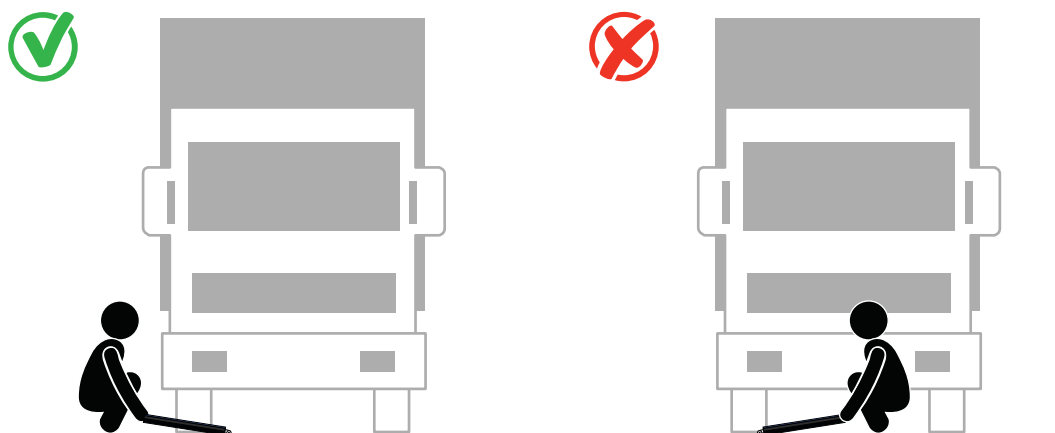


Figure 2-5. Correct Platform Loading Position



WARNING: Only position platforms when the vehicle is stopped. Never stand in front or behind the vehicle when positioning the platforms.

2.4 Correct Platform Use

Refer to the transit area and the positioning bands for the proper transit path and weighing location.



IMPORTANT: Avoid transit over the display to preserve correct operation and to prevent accidental scratches.

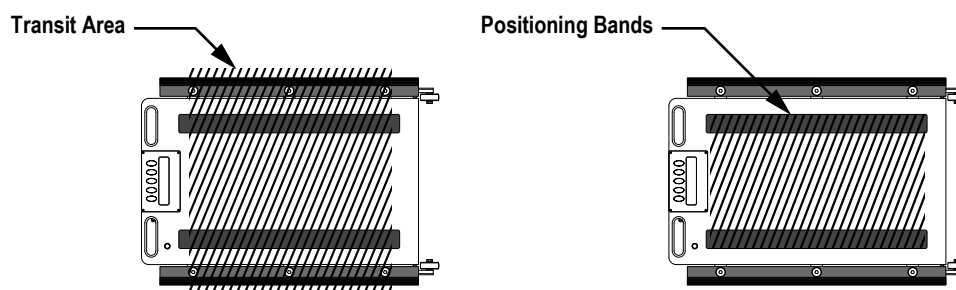


Figure 2-6. Transit Areas and Positioning Bands

Always position the wheel weigh pads so the transit path onto and off of the platform fully utilizes the ramps.

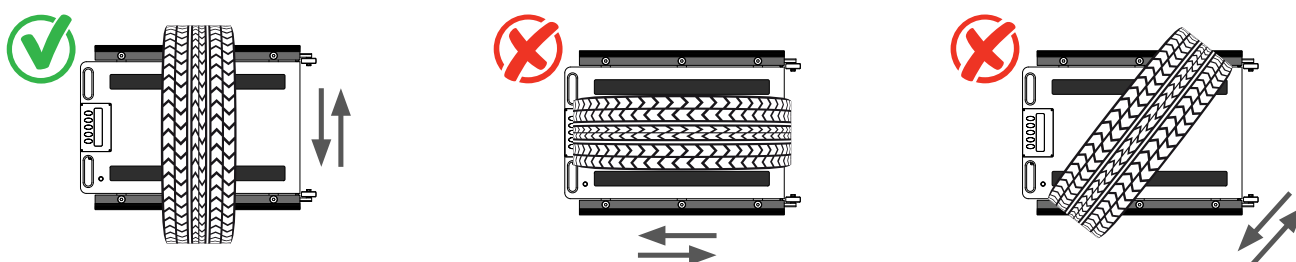


Figure 2-7. Use Ramps Fully



IMPORTANT: Failure to heed the following could result in equipment damage.

- Do not weigh vehicles carrying liquids when using an axle-weighing system.
- The type and maintenance state of the vehicle being weighed can effect the weighing performance.
- Always keep the same direction of travel once the system has been optimized.

2.5 Applications

The Load Ranger weigh pads can be arranged to serve multiple applications. The adjustment from one scenario to another is made quickly and easily with the wireless and portability features of the Load Ranger system. This section highlights several of the arrangements available.

2.5.1 Wireless Setup

A wireless system allows for weighing with up to 16 connected wheel weigh pads per Ai-1 indicator.



NOTE: *Wireless setup with an Ai-1 indicator is not limited to 2 to 6 platforms. The following illustrations show only the most common applications.*

Two Platforms

Applications include weighing axles of the vehicle individually or trailers with only one axle.

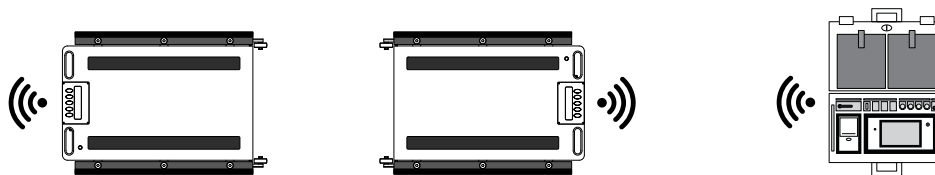


Figure 2-8. Two Platform Application

Three Platforms

Applications include weighing small planes, three-wheeled vehicles or trailers with a support pin.

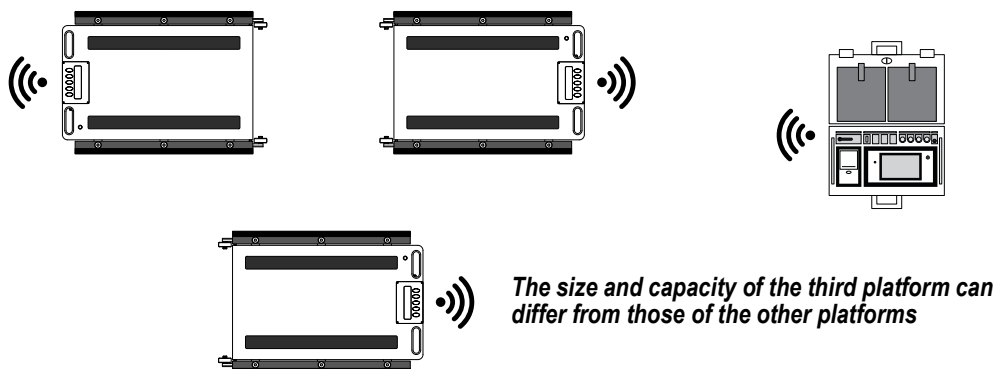


Figure 2-9. Three Platform Application

Four Platforms

Applications include weighing two-axle vehicles, trailers, containers or other items with four support points.

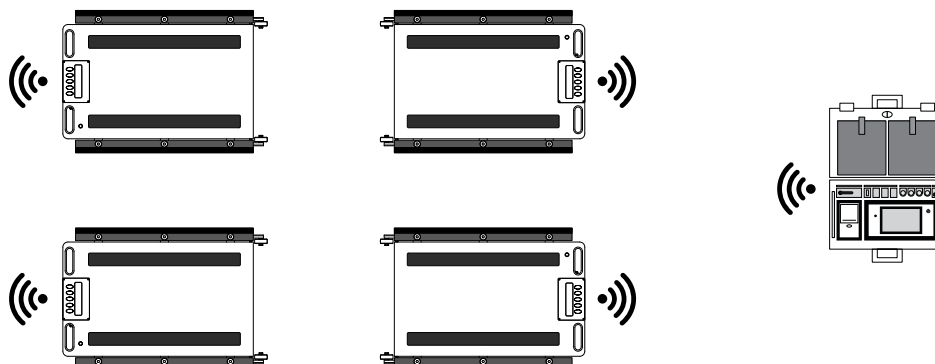


Figure 2-10. Four Platform Application

Five Platforms

Applications include weighing two-axle trailers with a support pin. When weighing both directions, a sixth platform can be used.

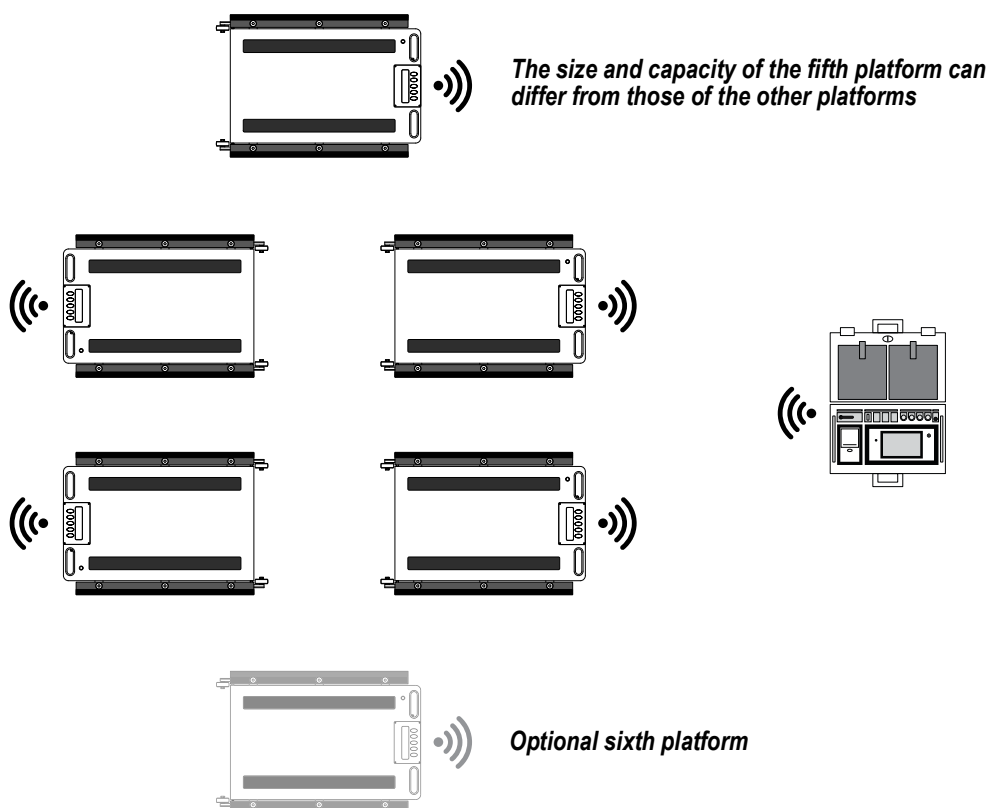


Figure 2-11. Five Platform Application

Six Platforms

Applications include weighing three-axle vehicles or structures with six support points.



Figure 2-12. Six Platform Application

Wireless Setup Connection Procedure

1. Assign ID numbers and channels to the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.1.3 on page 21](#)).
2. Assign channel number to Ai-1 Indicator ([Section 3.2.1 on page 24](#)).
3. Pair the Ai-1 indicator with the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.2.1 on page 24](#)).

2.5.2 Wired Setup

A wired system allows for weighing with two to four connected wheel weigh pads.

The data communication port is located on the underside of the wheel weigh pad on the handle-end of the platform. On small weigh pads, the communication port is the port farthest from the handle (see [Figure 2-13](#)).

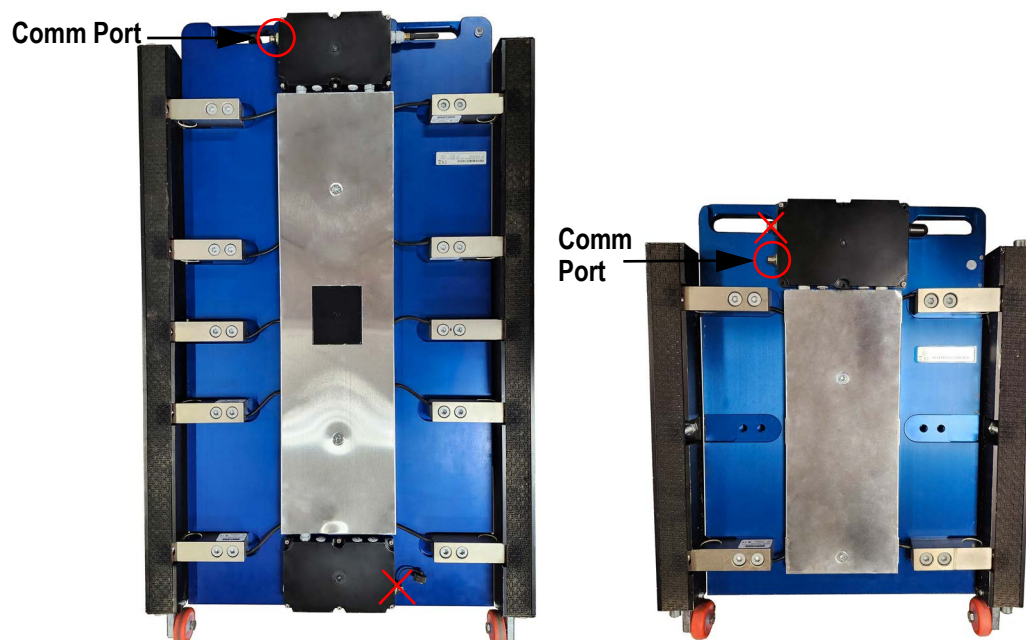


Figure 2-13. Large Weigh Pad (Left) and Small Weigh Pad (Right)

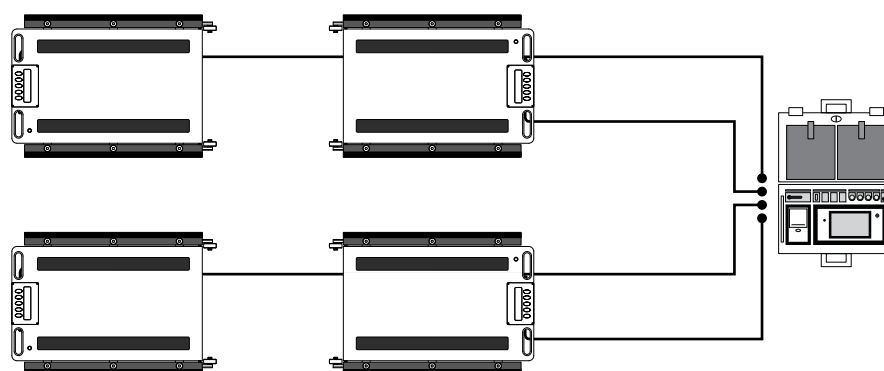


Figure 2-14. Recommend Cable Placement

Wire Setup Connection Procedure



NOTE: The data communication port uses a 5-pin connector and the power connection port uses a 4-pin connector.

No parameters need to be changed to switch from a RF to an RS485 connection.

1. Assign channel numbers and ID numbers to the wheel weigh pads (Section 3.1.3 on page 21).
2. Pair the Ai-1 indicator with the wheel weigh pads (Section 3.1.3 on page 21).
3. Turn off the wheel weigh pads and the Ai-1 indicator.
4. Connect RS-485 cables to the wheel weigh pads data communication ports.
5. Connect free ends of each RS-485 cable to one of the Ai-1 indicator's communication ports.



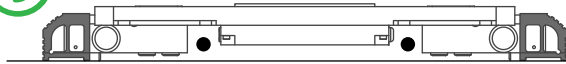
NOTE: The wheel weigh pads can be connected to any of the RS-485 ports on the Ai-1 indicator. The pad ID assigned to the wheel weigh pad dictates the scale number and it does not need to match the Ai-1 indicator channel number.

6. Turn on all of the wheel weigh pads.
7. Turn on the Ai-1 indicator. *485 H* briefly displays on wheel weigh pads (*H* represents the assigned pad ID number). *PL . H* then displays on the wheel weigh pads and they are ready for use.

Cable Positions



IMPORTANT: Do not pass cables in transit areas, under the load cells or under the central box of the platform.



● = Position of the cable

Figure 2-15. Cable Position

2.6 Weighing of Objects or Structures

The Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can be moved in any position directly below the point in which the structure must be weighed. Follow the weighing procedure below to weigh objects or structures correctly.



NOTE: Avoid sharp maneuvers, rapidly lowering the load and accidental crashes into or onto the wheel weigh pads.

Weighing Procedure

1. Lower the load to an approximate height of 4 in (10 cm) from the ground.

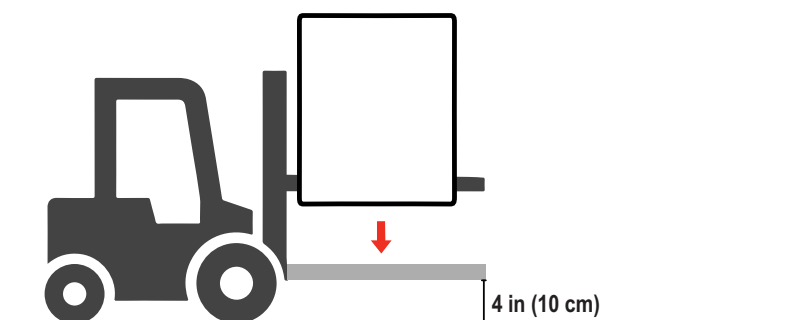


Figure 2-16. Lower Load

2. Position the load over the platforms.

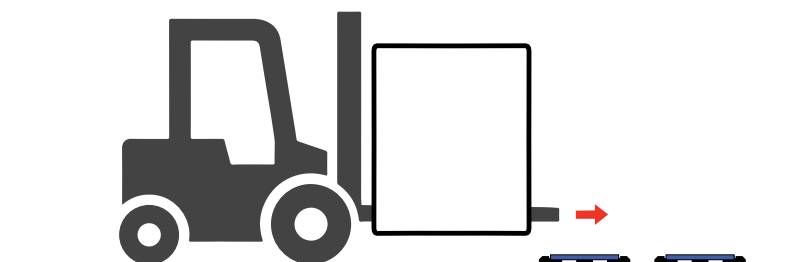


Figure 2-17. Position Load

3. Place the load slowly onto the platforms.



Figure 2-18. Place Load



IMPORTANT: Do not set the load on the wheel weigh pad display. Always position the displays of the platforms towards the outside of the structure being weighed in order to correctly transmit the weight reading data.

3.0 Setup and Operation

The Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can be operated independently or with an Ai-1 indicator. The following section provides an overview and procedures for both types of applications.

3.1 Wheel Weigh Pad Display

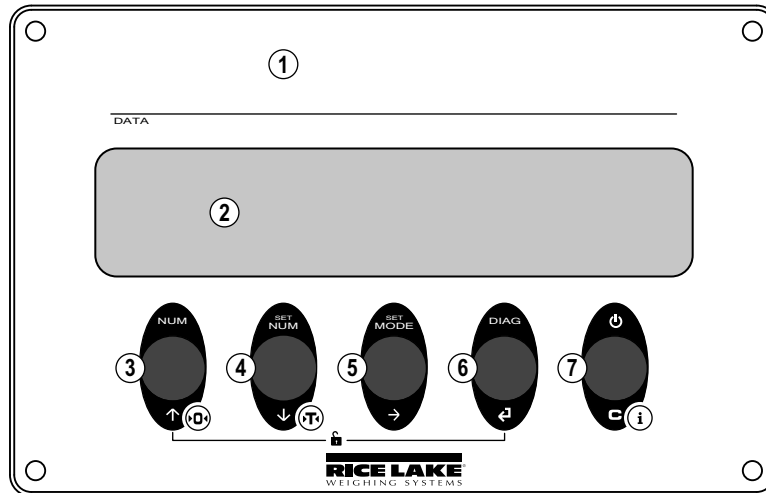


Figure 3-1. Wheel Weigh Pad Display

Item No.	Description
1	Model label location (an identical label is located on the underside of the platform)
2	Display – Six digit display; 1" characters
3	NUM – Toggles between weight and ID number; functions as a Zero key; used as an Up arrow to navigate menus or to edit a value
4	SET NUM – Display and edit pin number; functions as a Tare key; used as a Down arrow to navigate menus or to edit a value
5	SET MODE – Displays RF status; functions as a x10 multiplier; used as a Right arrow to edit a value
6	DIAG – Displays diagnosis and initiates a key test; used as an Enter key to accept an entry at a prompt or when editing a value
7	Power – Turns display on/off; displays wheel weigh pad information; used as Cancel within the menu structure

Table 3-1. Wheel Weigh Pad Keys

3.1.1 Key Functions

- Press **⏻** to turn on the wheel weigh pad display.
- Press and hold **⏻** until **-OFF-** displays to turn off the wheel weigh pad display.
- Press and hold **⏻** until **INFO** displays to scroll through the wheel weigh pad information (2 displays after **-OFF-**).
- Press **⬆** to display the current platform ID number of the wheel weigh pad.
- Press and hold **⬆** until **ZERO** displays to zero the weight within 2% of the maximum capacity.
- Press **⬇** to display and edit the current pin number associated with the wheel weigh pad.
- Press and hold **⬇** until **TARE** displays to tare the current weight on the wheel weigh pad.
- Press **➡** to display the RF status of the wheel weigh pad.
- Press and hold **➡** to turn a x10 multiplier on and off.
- Press **↵** to display a diagnosis of the current mode and to test each key by pressing each one when prompted.
- If the automatic key-lock is active, press **⬆** then **↵**, to unlock the keypad.

3.1.2 Display Features

The wheel weigh pad displays the current weight on the platform and applicable annunciators. When paired with the Ai-1 indicator, a wheel weigh pad displays the assigned platform ID number (PLX) instead of the weight.

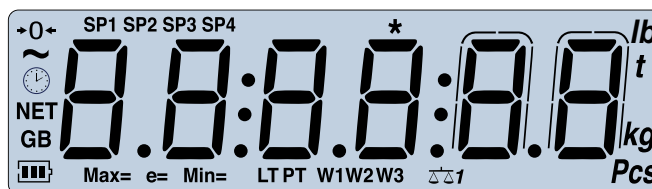


Figure 3-2. Wheel Weigh Pad Display



NOTE: Internal battery charge level:



Fully charged



Medium charge



Low charge

Low battery displays prior to the instrument automatically switching off. Charge the battery for at least 12 hours with the supplied charger after initial startup.



Unstable weight indicator.



Zero weight indicator.

3.1.3 Assign ID Numbers, Turn on RF Radio and Assign Channel Numbers

1. Press to turn on the first wheel weigh pad.
2. Press during startup. *EEh* flashes, then *PL* displays.
3. Press repeatedly until *SE PL* displays.
4. Press to enter the **Serial** menu. *id* displays.
5. Press to enter the ID settings.
6. Press or to increase or decrease the selected digit and press to move between the digits to enter the pad ID number.



NOTE: The first Pad ID number must be 01 and the remaining pad ID numbers must increment in ascending numeric order. Example: 01, 02, 03. Do not configure two pads with the same ID number. See [Figure 3-3 on page 22](#) for number positioning

7. Press . *Con RF* displays.
8. Press repeatedly until *rad id* displays.
9. Press . *RF* displays.
10. Press or until *On* displays.
11. Press . *r.chAn* briefly displays.
12. Use arrows to enter a channel number.



NOTE: The default channel number is 27. The wheel weigh pad channel number must match the indicator channel number it will pair with. The Ai-1 indicator supports channels 00 - 38. If using multiple groups of indicators and wheel weigh pads, the channel numbers must be unique for each group.

13. Press . *Off* briefly displays then *brud* displays.
14. Press until wheel weigh pad resets.
15. Repeat procedure for all wheel weigh pads in the system.

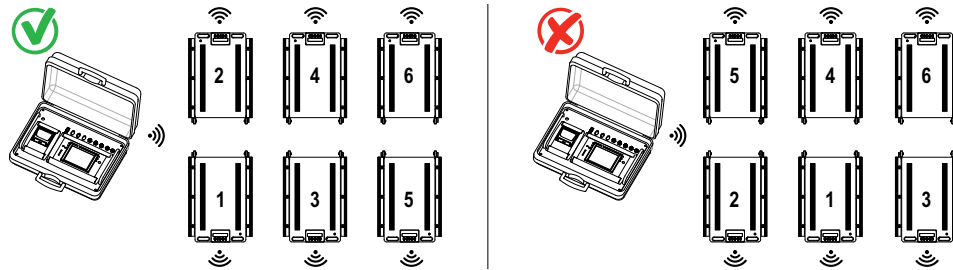


Figure 3-3. Wheel Weigh Pad Positioning

3.2 Ai-1 Indicator Display

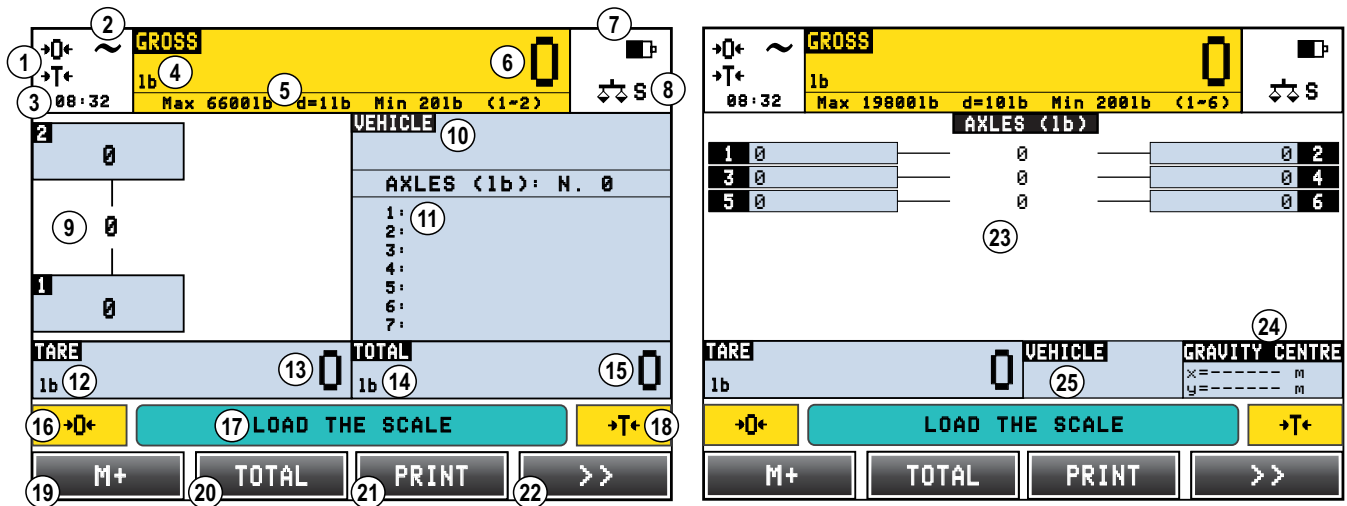


Figure 3-4. Ai-1 Indicator – Primary Weigh Screens

Item No.	Description
Axle-Weighing Primary Weigh Screen	
1	Zero and tare annunciators
2	Unstable annunciator
3	Time – Press within cell to adjust the date and time
4	Gross weight cell – Press within cell to make full screen and press again to return; Gross weight unit annunciator displays
5	Scale information
6	Gross weight value
7	Battery annunciator; plug annunciator displays when indicator is charging
8	Scale annunciator – S = whole scale weight displayed, 1 = platform ID 1 weight displayed, 2 = platform ID 2 weight displayed, etc.
9	Wheel and axle weight display cell – Only displays two axles at a time; Press within cell to select platforms for scale
10	Vehicle cell – Press within cell to select a vehicle
11	Axles cell – Displays total weight of each axle
12	Tare weight cell – Press within cell to manually enter a tare weight; tare weight unit annunciator displays
13	Tare weight value
14	Total weight cell – Total weight unit annunciator displays
15	Total weight value
16	Zero key – Press to zero based on the scale annunciator
17	Indicator message
18	Tare key – Press to tare the current weight of all wheel weigh pads; scale annunciator must be on S (whole scale weight displayed)
19	Programmable key 1 – Set to M+ by default

Table 3-2. Ai-1 Indicator – Primary Weigh Screen Descriptions

Item No.	Description
20	Programmable key 2 – Set to Total by default
21	Programmable key 3 – Set to Print by default
22	Programmable key 4 – Set to More by default
Wheel-Weighing Primary Weigh Screen	
23	Wheel and axle weight display cell – Displays all connected wheel weigh pads; press within cell to select platforms for scale
24	Center of gravity cell – See Section 4.3 on page 44
25	Vehicle cell – Press within cell to select a vehicle

Table 3-2. Ai-1 Indicator – Primary Weigh Screen Descriptions (Continued)

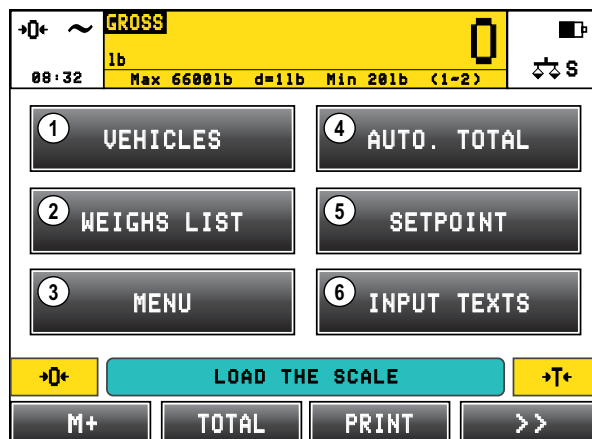


Figure 3-5. Ai-1 Indicator – Secondary Weigh Screen

Item No.	Description
1	Vehicles database entry key
2	Weighs List key – Press to print the current M+ weigh data
3	Menu key – Press to access the operations menu
4	Auto. Total key – Press for Weighs to auto print partial total prompt
5	Setpoint key – Press to view and edit the Outputs setpoint settings
6	Input Texts key – Press to view and edit the Input texts

Table 3-3. Ai-1 Indicator – Secondary Weigh Screen Descriptions

3.2.1 Setup Ai-1 and Pair Wheel Pads



NOTE: The indicator channel must match wheel weigh pad(s) channel number(s) assigned in [Section 3.1.3 on page 21](#).

1. Turn off all wheel weigh pads.
2. Press to turn on the Ai-1 indicator.
3. Access the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
4. Press to go to second **Setup menu** page.
5. In the second page, press . **Serial Port** menu displays.
6. Press . **Radio Frequency interface** displays.
7. Press . The Channel keyboard displays.
8. Enter the required channel number.



NOTE: The default channel number is 27. The wheel weigh pad channel number must match the indicator channel number it will pair with. The Ai-1 indicator supports channels 00 - 38. If using multiple groups of indicators and wheel weigh pads, the channel numbers must be unique for each group.



Figure 3-6. Channel Keyboard

9. Press . A **Channel** prompt displays.

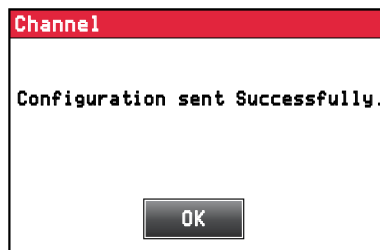


Figure 3-7. Channel Success Prompt

10. Press to close the prompt and return to the **Radio Frequency interface** menu.
11. Press twice.
12. press once.
13. Press .
14. Press .

15. Press **Number of scales**. **Number of Scales** menu displays.
16. Select the number of wheel weigh pads to be used.

 **NOTE:** Up to 16 scales can be configured for wireless connection with each Ai-1 indicator.

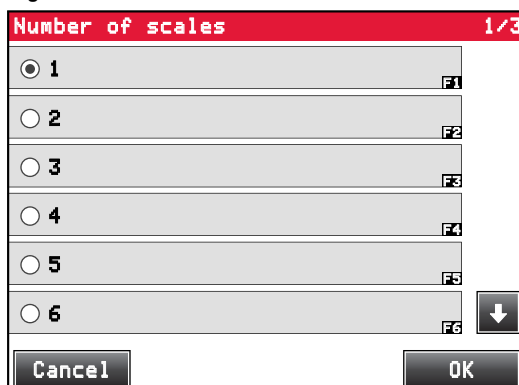


Figure 3-8. Number of Scales Configuration

17. Press **OK**.
18. Ensure all wheel pads have been configured following the steps in [Figure 3.1.3 on page 21](#), are turned on.
19. Press **WWS configuration**.
20. Press **Get WWS configuration**.
21. **Gravity value setting** pop-up displays.
22. Enter the gravity value for the area the wheel weigh pads will be used.

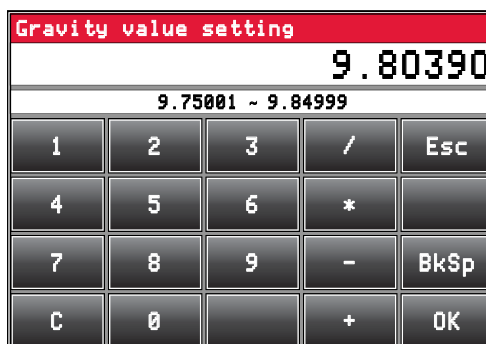


Figure 3-9. Set Gravity Value

23. Press **OK** to close pop-up and continue.
24. **Get WWS configuration** pop-up displays. Wait while configuration information is retrieved from wheel weigh pads.

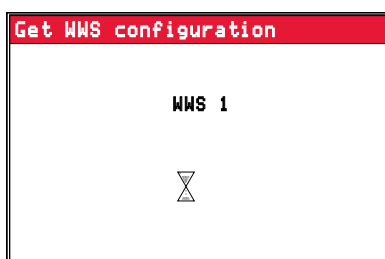


Figure 3-10. Get WWS configuration Pop-Up

25. Once configuration information is retrieved, the configuration session terminates.

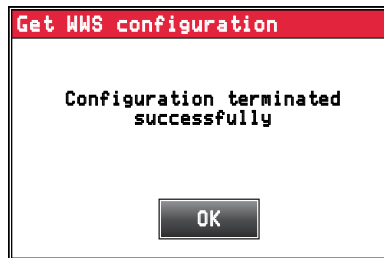


Figure 3-11. Get WWS configuration Pop-Up

26. Press to close the pop-up.
27. Press .
28. Setup changed pop-up displays.



Figure 3-12. Setup Changed Pop-Up

29. Press to save settings and complete setup.
30. **(Optional)** If indicator and wheel weigh pad units are different, a pop-up may display to update units.

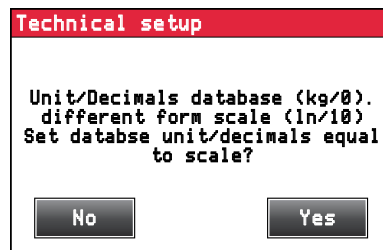


Figure 3-13. Different Unit Pop-Up

31. Press to match units, or exit without changing.
32. The indicator reboots to **Weigh** mode.


Initial Setup Parameters

The following parameter windows may display during initial setup before the indicator reboots to **Weigh** mode.



- The **Backup of the Configuration** window — Press to backup all settings
- The **Password** window displays — Press or , depending if a password is needed or not
- The **Technical Setup** window displays — Press to convert the indicator units to match the wheel weigh pad units

3.3 Standard Ai-1 Indicator Functions

3.3.1 Zeroing Wheel Weigh Pads with Indicator

The Ai-1 indicator can zero all of the connected wheel weigh pads at once or individually. The  annunciator displays if the wheel weigh pad weight is zeroed.

To zero the whole system (all of the connected wheel weigh pads), ensure  S is displayed and press .

To zero a wheel weigh pad, the corresponding scale number (example:  1) must be displayed, then press .



NOTE: The weight value displayed by the indicator also corresponds with scale annunciator ( S,  1,  2, etc.).


3.3.2 Tare Options



NOTE: The tare weight is not subtracted from the displayed gross weight value, but from the sum total of the totaled axles.

The gross, tare and net weight are present when printing on multiple print formats (Section 3.8 on page 34).








Semiautomatic Tare

1. Load wheel weigh pad with the tare weight.
2. Press  to tare the gross weight on the wheel weigh pad. The weight value and the **PT** annunciator display.



Manual Tare

1. Touch the tare weight cell on the indicator display.
2. Type in the tare weight value and confirm by pressing . The entered value and the **PT** annunciator display.




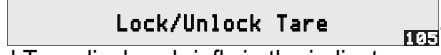
Preset Vehicle Tare

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the vehicle database.
3. Press a vehicle entry to edit. Example: .
4. Press the tare weight entry to edit. Example: .
5. Type in the tare weight value and confirm by pressing .
6. Press  to return to the vehicle database. Repeat previous steps if needed for additional tare weights.
7. Press  to return to the secondary weigh screen.

Tare Cancellation Options

- Press  with the wheel weigh pads unloaded
- Manually set the tare weight value to zero
- Press 

Lock/Unlock Tare

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press . Display returns to the secondary weigh screen. Unlocked Tare or Locked Tare displays briefly in the indicator message cell.

3.4 Weighing Procedure

The Load Ranger wheel weigh pads can be arranged in wheel-weighing systems with up to fourteen wheel weigh pads and axle-weighing systems with only two wheel weigh pads. This section highlights the differences between the two systems.

3.4.1 Wheel-Weighing System

A wheel-weighing system consists of as many platforms as there are vehicle wheels to be weighed. This method allows the user to weigh the whole vehicle in a single step. The Ai-1 indicator display simultaneously shows the weight of single wheels, axles and the total gross or net weight. The Ai-1 indicator also has the ability to show the center of gravity coordinates if setup correctly ([Section 4.3 on page 44](#)).

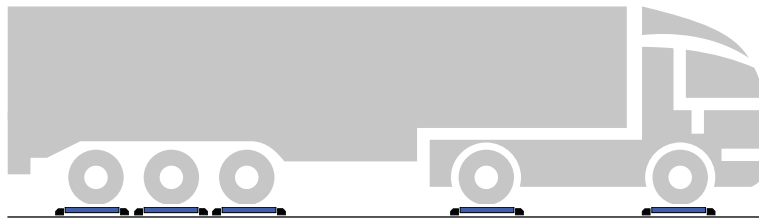


Figure 3-14. Wheel-Weighing System

Wheel-Weighing Procedure

1. Assign ID numbers to the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.1.3 on page 21](#)) and pair Ai-1 indicator with the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.2.1 on page 24](#)).
2. Position the wheel weigh pads ([Section 2.3 on page 12](#)).
3. Select the vehicle to be linked to the weigh if necessary ([Section 3.7.4 on page 32](#)).
4. Perform a full scale zero ([Section 3.3.1 on page 27](#)).
5. Position vehicle onto the platforms.
6. Press **M+**, once weight is stable.
 - If weight is captured correctly the indicator executes the printout for the weight of each wheel and axle, if configured.
 - If the scale is unable to capture the weight (*example*: due to instability) a prompt displays.
Press **Yes** to attempt weighing again or press **No** to cancel the weigh.
7. Press **TOTAL** to execute the printout of the total weight, minus the tare value if needed.
8. Remove the vehicle from the platforms.

3.4.2 Axle-Weighing System

An axle-weighing system consists of only two platforms. With this method, each axle of the vehicle is weighed separately and then added together. The Ai-1 indicator displays the weight of the current axle and the corresponding individual wheels, while also listing the previous axle weights and the total gross or net weight.



Figure 3-15. Axle-Weighing System



NOTE: To achieve the best weighing accuracy, release the parking brake and turn off the engine.
If the vehicle has self-leveling suspensions, disable them.

Axle-Weighing Procedure

1. Assign ID numbers to the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.1.3 on page 21](#)) and pair Ai-1 indicator with the wheel weigh pads ([Section 3.2.1 on page 24](#)).
2. Position the wheel weigh pads ([Section 2.3 on page 12](#)).
3. Select the vehicle to be linked to the weight if necessary ([Section 3.7.4 on page 32](#)).
4. Perform a full scale zero ([Section 3.3.1 on page 27](#)).
5. Position the first part of the vehicle onto the platforms.
6. Once weight is stable, press **M+**.
 - If weight is captured correctly the indicator executes the printout of the weight of each wheel and axle, if configured.
 - If the scale is unable to capture the weight (example: due to instability) a prompt displays.
Press **Yes** to attempt weighing again or press **No** to cancel the weigh.
7. Remove the current vehicle axle from the platforms.
8. Repeat previous steps until remaining axles have been weighed.
9. Press **TOTAL** to execute the printout of the total weight, minus the tare value if needed.



NOTE: The next press of **M+** resets the previous weight total and is considered the first axle of the next weight.

3.5 Battery Charging

Wheel Weigh Pads

Use provided battery charging cable. The power connection port is located on the underside of the wheel weigh pad. For large weigh pads, the port is located on the black junction box at the wheel side (see [Figure 3-16](#)). For small weigh pads, the port is located on the junction box at the handle-end of the platform and is the port closest to the handle. The battery charging cable light is a steady red when charging and turns to a steady green when fully charged.



NOTE: The power connection port uses a 4-pin connector and the data communication port uses a 5-pin connector.

Battery charging takes approximately four hours to fully charge.

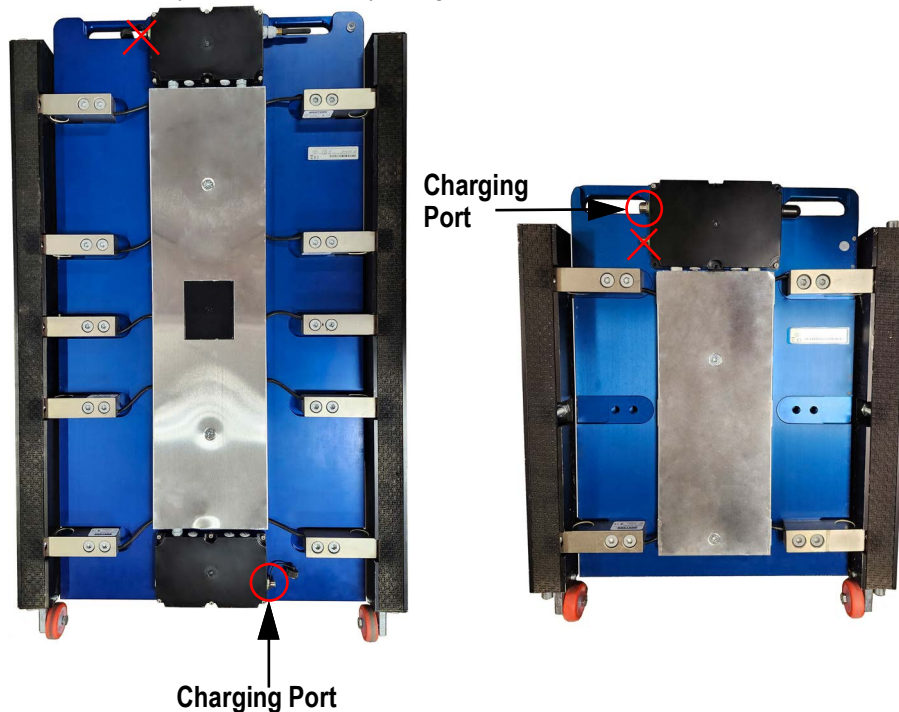


Figure 3-16. Large Weigh Pad (Left) and Small Weigh Pad (Right)

Ai-1 Indicator

Use provided battery charging cable. The power connection port is located on the front the indicator. The power light on the Ai-1 indicator is a steady red and the battery icon on the Ai-1 display changes to a plug icon when the battery charging cable is connected.

Battery charging takes approximately five hours to fully charge.

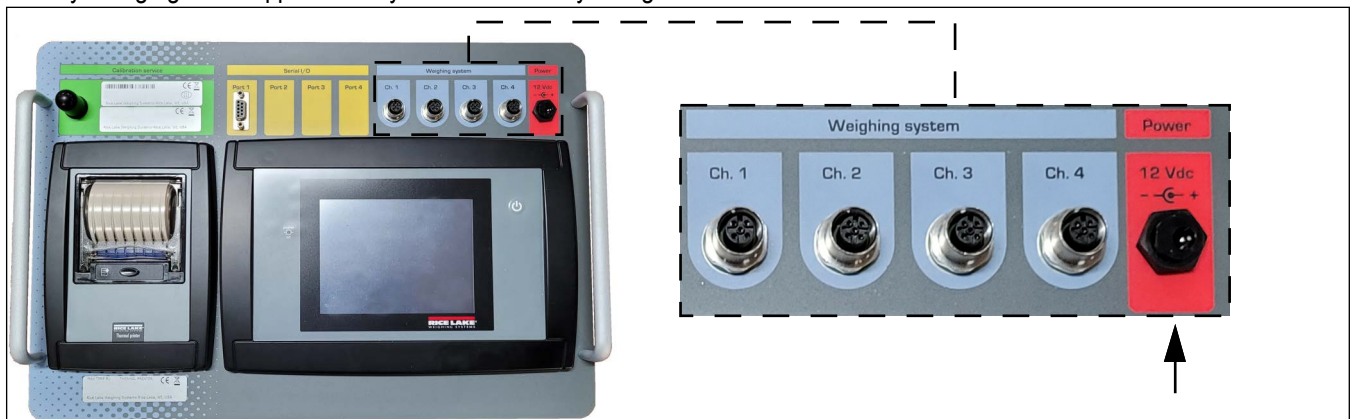







Figure 3-17. Ai-1 Indicator Battery Cable Connection

3.6 Input Texts

Associates manually entered content to the weight entry in the database.



1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the input text options.
3. Press the cell of the text to be changed.
Example: Press  TOWN
4. Use the displayed keyboard to enter the desired text.
5. Press  to confirm text.
6. Press  to return to the secondary weigh screen.

3.7 Vehicle Database



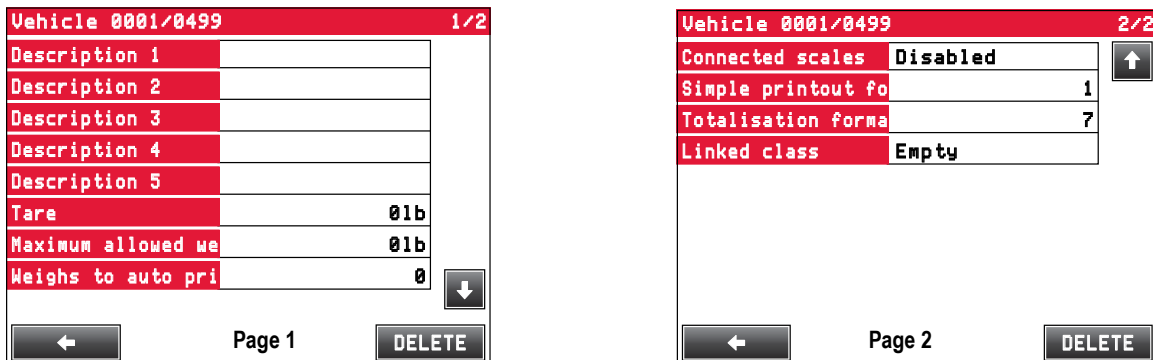
NOTE: The Description 1 text displays to the right of the vehicle database number. When vehicle entry is used, Description 1 and Description 2 is added to the printed ticket ([Section 3.8 on page 34](#)).

3.7.1 Create Vehicle

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the vehicle database.
3. Press the cell next to the vehicle database number.

Example: Press  Empty

Or press  at the bottom of the display to use the next available database number.








Vehicle 0001/0499		1/2
Description 1		
Description 2		
Description 3		
Description 4		
Description 5		
Tare	01b	
Maximum allowed weight	01b	
Weighs to auto print	0	

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Vehicle 0001/0499		2/2
Connected scales	Disabled	
Simple printout format	1	
Totalisation format	7	
Linked class	Empty	

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Figure 3-18. Vehicle Database Entry

4. Press  to title the database entry.
5. Use the displayed keyboard to enter content.
6. Press  to confirm text.
7. Repeat procedure for all of the desired cells.
8. Press  to confirm database entry or press  to cancel.
9. Press  to return to the secondary weigh screen.

3.7.2 Modify Vehicle


1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the vehicle database.
3. Press the cell next to the vehicle database number to be modified.
Example: Press  RLWS TRUCK 01
- Or press  to search for the database entry to be modified ([Section 3.7.7 on page 33](#)).
4. Press the desired cell.
5. Use the displayed keyboard to enter content.
6. Press  to confirm content.
7. Repeat procedure for all cells that need to be modified.
8. Press  to confirm database entry update or press  to delete the entry.

3.7.3 Delete Vehicle

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the vehicle database.
3. Press the cell next to the vehicle database number to be deleted.
 Or press  to search for the database entry to be deleted ([Section 3.7.7 on page 33](#)).
4. Press  to delete the database entry.
5. Press  to confirm or press  to cancel.



NOTE: If confirmed, Empty displays to the right of the vehicle database number.

6. Press  to return to the secondary weigh screen.

3.7.4 Select Vehicle on Primary Weigh Screen




1. Press the vehicle cell on the primary weigh screen to view the current list of vehicle database entries.
2. Press the desired vehicle entry to select. Vehicle description displays in vehicle cell.

3.7.5 Deselect Vehicle on Primary Weigh Screen

1. Press the vehicle cell on the primary weigh screen. The current list of vehicle database entries displays.



NOTE: The current selected vehicle database number is displayed at the bottom of the screen.

2. Press . A confirmation prompt displays.
3. Press  to confirm or press  to cancel. If confirmed, display returns to primary weigh screen and the vehicle cell is empty.

3.7.6 Temporary Vehicle

1. Press the vehicle cell on the primary weigh screen to view the current list of vehicle database entries.
2. Press **0000 Temporary**. The previous temporary entry will be cleared.

Figure 3-19. Vehicle Database Entry

3. Press the **Description 1** to title the temporary database entry.
4. Use the displayed keyboard to enter content.
5. Press **OK** to confirm text.
6. Repeat procedure for the desired cells.
7. Press **←** to confirm database entry and return to the primary weigh screen or press **DELETE** to cancel.



NOTE: The previous temporary entry has already been cleared and does not return if the new temporary entry is canceled.

3.7.7 Alphanumeric Search

1. Press the vehicle cell on the primary weigh screen to view current list of vehicle database entries to make a selection.
Or press **VEHICLES** on the secondary weigh screen to view the vehicle database for modifying entries.
2. Press **A..Z** in the vehicle database selection/modify screen.
3. Use the displayed keyboard to searched for a vehicle entry. Search results auto-filter as characters are entered.
4. Select vehicle from search results.

3.7.8 Index Search

1. Press the vehicle cell on the primary weigh screen to view current list of vehicle database entries to make a selection.
Or press **VEHICLES** on the secondary weigh screen to view the vehicle database for modifying entries.
2. Press **INDEX** in the vehicle database selection/modify screen.



NOTE: Within the database modify screen, press **>>** then press **INDEX**.

3. Use the displayed keypad to enter the vehicle database number.
4. Press **OK** to select the vehicle.




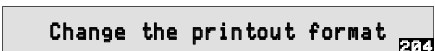
3.8 Print Formats

The Ai-1 indicator has 12 print functions and each function has an associated print format. When a function has been executed through the procedures in this section, the associated format is sent to the print serial port.

Item No.	Print Function	Description	Format
1	SIMPLE PRINTOUT	MENU -> Printout -> Simple printout With the approved instrument the net weight must be greater or equal to 20 divisions; With the non-approved instrument the net weight must be greater than zero	1
2	PARTIAL TOTAL	TOTAL in the main screen toolbar MENU -> Totals -> Print partial total	2
3	GENERAL TOTAL	MENU -> Totals -> Print general total	3
4	GRAND TOTAL	MENU -> Totals -> Print grand total	4
5	HANDLED VEHICLE TOTAL	MENU -> Totals -> Print vehicle total MENU -> Totals -> Print vehicles total	5
6	HEADING OF FIRST TOTALIZATION	M+ in the main screen toolbar	6
7	TOTALIZATION	M+ in the main screen toolbar	7
	LIST OF ALL THE WEIGHS	MENU -> Af08 functions -> Print weighs list Formats 8, 9, 10 are related to all weighs list	
8	LIST HEADING	Printed before the 1st list item	8
9	SINGLE WEIGH	Single item print format	9
10	SECTOR END	Printed after the total number of items	10
11	PRINT AT STARTUP	Printed at startup after the auto-zeroing procedure	11
12	RESULT OF THE CALCULATOR	MENU -> Generic functions -> Calculator	12

Table 3-4. Print Functions and Formats

There are 30 available print formats to associate to the print functions. To change the print format of the print function use the following procedure:

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press . Figure 3-20 displays.



Change the printout format	
PRINT FUNCTION	FORMAT
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
	

Figure 3-20. Change Print Format Table

5. Press within the **FORMAT** column to change the print format associated with the corresponding print function.
6. Press  twice to save changes and return to the secondary weigh screen.

3.8.1 Default Print Formats

Printout Heading Section 4.2.4 on page 43	[Rice Lake Weighing Systems 800-472-6703
Vehicle Description 1 and 2 Section 3.7 on page 31	[RLWS TRUCK 1 WI RL4321
Date and Time Section 4.2.2 on page 43		25/06/18 09:37
Weight Breakdown	[WHEEL1 12001b WHEEL2 12501b AXLE 1 24501b WHEEL3 12701b WHEEL4 12801b AXLE 2 25501b
Weight Totals	[----- GROSS 50001b TARE 01b NET 50001b
Center of Gravity Section 4.3 on page 44	[GRAVITY CENTRE x= 0.00ft x= 0.00ft

Figure 3-21. Print Format 1

```

-----
GROSS          50001b
TARE           41501b
NET            8501b

```

Figure 3-22. Print Format 2

```

GENERAL TOTAL

WEIGHS          2
GROSS          85001b
TARE           55001b
NET            30001b

```

Figure 3-23. Print Format 3

```

GRAND TOTAL

WEIGHS          4
GROSS          185001b
TARE           110001b
NET            75001b

```

Figure 3-24. Print Format 4

```

Rice Lake
Weighing Systems
800-472-6703

VEHICLE TOTAL

RLWS TRUCK 2
WI RL8642

WEIGHS          2
GROSS          208001b
TARE           98001b
NET            110001b

```

Figure 3-25. Print Format 5

```

Rice Lake
Weighing Systems
800-472-6703

RLWS TRUCK 1
WI RL4321

25/06/18  09:41

```

Figure 3-26. Print Format 6

```

WHEEL 1      23001b
WHEEL 2      22501b
AXLE  1      45501b

```

Figure 3-27. Print Format 7

```

VEHICLE      0

RLWS TRUCK 2
WI RL8642

25/06/18  09:43

```

Figure 3-28. Print Format 8

```

WHEEL 1      23001b
WHEEL 2      22501b
AXLE  1      45501b

```

Figure 3-29. Print Format 9

```

-----
GROSS          50001b
TARE           10001b
NET            40001b

```

Figure 3-30. Print Format 10

```

-----
ERROR MESSAGE PRINTOUT

```

Figure 3-31. Print Format 11

```



    450 +
    550 =
-----
    1000

```

Figure 3-32. Print Format 12

3.9 Setpoints

Follow the procedure in this section to set the setpoint thresholds. See [Section 3.9.1](#) to change the setpoint functions.

1. Press  to switch the indicator display to the secondary weigh screen.
2. Press  to view the output setpoint settings.

Outputs setpoint setting		
Output	Value ON	Value OFF
1	01b	
2	01b	
3	01b	
4	01b	










Figure 3-33. Output Setpoint Settings

3. Press within the **Value ON** cell that needs to be changed.
4. Use the number pad to enter a new value and press .
5. Repeat for additional setpoints if needed.
6. Press  to save changes and return to the secondary weigh screen.



NOTE: Press within the available Output cells to view the current setpoint function.





3.9.1 Change Setpoint Functions

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Adjust outputs as needed.
5. Press . A prompt displays.
6. Press  to save changes. The indicator resets and returns to the weigh screen.

4.0 Configuration

This section provides the procedures necessary to access the **Technical Setup** menu of the Ai-1 indicator, to configure the settings in the **First Programming** menu and to configure center of gravity settings. It also outlines the procedures for accessing the wheel weigh pad **Technical Setup** menu and changing key parameters.

4.1 Wheel Weigh Pad Technical Menu

1. Press  to turn on the wheel weigh pad.
2. Press  during startup. `EEh` flashes, then `RL` displays.
3. Press  or  to scroll through the wheel weigh pad **Technical Setup** menu.

Parameter		Description
<code>RL</code>	–	Quick calibration; See Section 5.1 on page 46 to calibrate the wheel weigh pad
<code>0.RL</code>	–	Zero calibration; See Section 5.1.2 on page 47
<code>GRAV</code>	–	Gravity of use location; Enter value
<code>SERIAL</code>	–	Configuration of serial ports
	<code>id</code>	Pad ID number configuration; Enter value: 00-99
	<code>CONF.485</code>	RS485 communication port configuration; <i>bAUD Settings: 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200</i>
	<code>CONF.rf</code>	RF radio configuration; <i>bAUD Settings: 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200</i> <i>rAd io Settings: on, off</i> <i>r.chAn Settings: 0-38</i>
<code>FILTER</code>	–	Weighing filter – Must be set to <code>Stand.3</code> for correct operation; Contact Rice Lake Weighing systems to use additional filters
<code>SCREEN</code>	–	Adjust display screen
	<code>BACKLIT</code>	Backlighting; Settings: <code>no, YES</code> (always on), <code>AUTO</code> (on when weight is unstable)
	<code>BRIGHT</code>	Brightness; Settings: <code>brght 1 - brght 5</code>
	<code>LOCK</code>	Weight not displayed, press NUM to temporarily see the weight; Settings: <code>no, YES</code>
<code>AUTOFF</code>	–	Auto Off; Settings: <code>no, YES</code>
<code>RESET</code>	–	Factory configuration reset – Resets the device to the factory defaults, while maintaining the calibration in memory
<code>diag</code>	–	Diagnostics
	<code>ADC.UU</code>	A/D converter – Check of input signal in μV
	<code>SERIAL</code>	Manufacturer use only
	<code>bt.ADC</code>	Manufacturer use only
	<code>ADC.Pnt</code>	Manufacturer use only
	<code>diu.int</code>	Manufacturer use only
	<code>PRG.ver</code>	Hardware revision (example: <code>rev 5</code>) followed by software version (Example: <code>04.05.01</code>)
	<code>SER.NUN</code>	Serial number of the scale
	<code>KEYb</code>	Keyboard – Press any key to verify its correct operation, with beep and code on display
	<code>DISPLA</code>	Display – Integrity check of all segments and icons

Table 4-1. Wheel Weigh Pad Parameters and Descriptions

Parameter	Description
<i>AdUAnC</i>	Advanced
<i>CR.L.PAr</i>	Calibration parameters: <i>dEC .n</i> – Decimal point; Settings: 0, 0.0, 0.00, 0.000 <i>d.u</i> – Division size; Settings: 1, 2, 5, 10, 50, 100, 200 <i>U.n</i> – Unit of measure; Settings: G, FG, L, Lb <i>rAnGE 1</i> – Wheel weigh pad capacity; Enter value: Max range = 800.000 <i>rAnGE 2-3</i> – For multi-range wheel weigh pads; Enter value
<i>CR.L.AdJ</i>	See Section 5.1 on page 46 to calibrate the wheel weigh pad
<i>no .SE</i>	For correct system operation, this parameter must be set to <i>no</i>
<i>MEtRoL</i>	Metrological parameters: <i>rEGUL</i> – Regulatory parameters menu : NTEP, OIML, Measurement Canada, Industrial Mode, NONE (Table 4-2 on page 40) <i>0.PErC</i> – Reset percentage via key; With approved scale: 0-2; With non-approved scale: 0-50 <i>d.u.Stb</i> – Sensitivity of the weight stability control; Settings: <i>no</i> 0- <i>no</i> 20 <i>0.t.r.h</i> – Zero hold function (tracking); Settings: <i>tr no</i> , <i>tr 124</i> , <i>tr 122</i> , <i>tr 1-10</i> <i>on.ZErO</i> – Reset at power and reset percentage; Settings: <i>no</i> , <i>YES</i> (<i>CR.PErC</i> – 10) <i>CR.L.AdJ</i> – Manufacturer use only <i>CR.L.PAr</i> – Weight value for calibration converted for unit. <i>d.SALe</i> – Manufacturer use only
<i>LoCK.Fb</i>	Keyboard lock (Section 4.1.1)
<i>P.in.tEC</i>	Access PIN to Technical menu; Settings: <i>no</i> , <i>YES</i> (enter five digit pin number)
<i>P.in.USE</i>	Access PIN to User menu; Settings: <i>no</i> , <i>YES</i> (enter five digit pin number)
<i>dFLt.t</i>	Total memory and calibration reset

Table 4-1. Wheel Weigh Pad Parameters and Descriptions (Continued)

4.1.1 Keyboard Lock

This prevents keys from accidentally being pressed during weighing.

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu ([Section 4.1 on page 38](#)). *CR.L* displays.
2. Press . *AdUAnC* displays.
3. Press . *CR.L.PAr* displays.
4. Press to scroll through parameter options until *LoCK.Fb* displays.
5. Press . The current keyboard lock setting displays.
6. Press to scroll through settings and press to save selection.
7. Press four times to back out of the menu. *StArE* displays.
8. Press . *StArE* briefly displays and unit returns to **Weigh** mode.

4.1.2 Default Wheel Weigh Pad

Total reset of memory and calibration to the manufacturer settings.

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu ([Section 4.1 on page 38](#)). *CR.L* displays.
2. Press . *AdUAnC* displays.
3. Press . *CR.L.PAr* displays.
4. Press . *dFLt.t* displays.
5. Press . *StArE* displays.
6. Press to default the wheel weigh pad. *StArE* displays while process runs, then *CR.L.PAr* displays.
7. Press two times to back out of the menu. *StArE* displays.
8. Press . *StArE* briefly displays, then *CR.L* displays. See [Section 5.1 on page 46](#) to recalibrate the wheel weigh pad.

4.1.3 Wheel Weigh Pad Metrological Configuration

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu (Section 4.1 on page 38). $\square AL$ displays.
2. Press \uparrow . $AduAn$ displays.
3. Press \leftarrow . $\square AL .PAR$ displays.
4. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until $NETOL$ displays.
5. Press \leftarrow . $rEOL$ displays.
6. Press \leftarrow the current metrological parameter displays.
7. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until the desired metrological parameter displays then press \leftarrow .

Regulatory Parameter	Weight on Scale	Tare in System	Front Panel Key Function	
			Tare	Zero
NTEP	Zero or negative	No	No action	Zero
		Yes	Clear tare	
	Positive	No	Tare	
		Yes	Tare	
OIML	Zero or negative	No	No action	Zero
		Yes	Clear tare	Zero and Clear Tare
	Positive	No	Tare	Zero
		Yes	Tare	Zero and Clear Tare if weight is within ZRANGE; No action if weight is outside of ZRANGE
Measurement Canada	Zero or negative	No	No action	Zero
		Yes	Clear tare	
	Positive	No	Tare	
		Yes	No Action	
Industrial Mode	Allows users to configure industrial settings			
NONE	Zero or negative	No	Tare	Zero
		Yes	Clear tare	
	Positive	No	Tare	
		Yes	Clear tare	

Table 4-2. Metrological Functions



NOTE: OIML

*Zero function clears the existing tare.

NTEP and Measurement Canada

*Indication at zero in NTEP and Measurement Canada with the same number of 0 as character for d. If d=50g the indication at zero should indicate 00 g.

*The Zero function performs the zero only.

*Max value for automatic zeroing = 20%.

*In legal for trade mode, the weight is never shown when master is connected.

Measurement Canada

*Multiple tares are not allowed, tare must be cleared prior to entering a new tare.

*When zeroing, the scale reduces maximum indication of the same amount. Max value = 100%.

* Center of Zero (CoZ) cannot be displayed if showing a negative net weight.

4.1.4 View Wheel Weigh Pad Metrological Version

1. Press C to turn on the wheel weigh pad.
2. Press \uparrow during startup.
3. Metrological version briefly display (hh , hh) then weighing program version briefly displays (hh , hh , hh).

4.1.5 Overload Condition

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu (Section 4.1 on page 38). \overline{CAL} displays.
2. Press \uparrow . $AduAnC$ displays.
3. Press \rightarrow . $\overline{CAL} .PAR$ displays.
4. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until $NEtOL$ displays.
5. Press \rightarrow . $rEEUL$ displays.
6. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until $OL .rng$.
7. The current overload condition displays. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until the desired overload condition displays then press \rightarrow .

Condition	Description
FS + 9 DIVISIONS	OIML Default
FS + 2%	NTEP/Metrology Canada Default
FS + 1 DIVISIONS	–
FS	–
NOTE: The system default settings are: Metrological Function: NTEP / Measurement Canada Overload Range: FS + 2%	

Table 4-3. Overload Range Settings



NOTE: See Table 4-2 on page 40 for additional metrological information.

4.1.6 Unit Conversion

By default the Load Ranger is configured to operate with pounds (lb) as the unit of measure. This section discusses how to change units of measure, capacity and set the calibration manually.



NOTE: Units available are pound (lb), kilogram (kg), gram (g) and Short Ton (tn).

Set units and Capacity

To change the units of measure and set the capacity, perform the following:

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu (Section 4.1 on page 38). \overline{CAL} displays.
2. Press \downarrow . $AduAnC$ displays.
3. Press \rightarrow . $\overline{CAL} .PAR$ displays.
4. Press \rightarrow . $dEc n$ displays.
5. Press \rightarrow . $d U S$ displays.
6. Press \rightarrow . $un tS$ displays.
7. Press \rightarrow . Currently selected unit displays.
8. Press \uparrow or \downarrow until desired unit displays.
9. Press \rightarrow . $rAnGE 1$ displays.
10. Enter range 1 value converted to the desired unit and press \rightarrow .



NOTE: The Range parameter value is a conversion value from pounds to the desired units. For example, 1 lb is 0.45359237 kg. Table 4-5 provides unit conversion values for 1 lb.

Lb Conversion Weight	Conversion Unit	Conversion Value
1	g	453.59237
1	kg	0.45359237
1	Short ton	0.0005

Table 4-4. Overload Range Settings

11. Press **⏏** twice.
12. Press **⬆**. *AdUnit* displays.
13. Press **⬆** twice. *NetroL* displays.
14. Press **⬅**. *rEGUL* displays.
15. Press **⬇**. *CAL PAR* displays.
16. Press **⬅**. *ZERO* displays.
17. Press **⬇**. *Po int. I* displays.
18. Press **⬅**. *HEght* displays followed by the weight value.
19. Enter weight value converted to the desired unit and press **⬅**.
20. Press **⬅** twice.
21. Press **⏏** three times to save and exit the Technical menu.

Weight for Calibration

To set the weight for calibration, perform the following:

1. Navigate to the wheel weigh pad Technical menu ([Section 4.1 on page 38](#)). *CAL* displays.
2. Press **⬆**. *AdUnit* displays.
3. Press **⬅**. *CAL PAR* displays.
4. Press **⬆** or **⬇** until *NetroL* displays.
5. Press **⬅**. *rEGUL* displays.
6. Press **⬆** or **⬇** until *CAL PAR* displays.
7. Press **⬆** or **⬇** until *Po int. I* displays.
8. Press **⬅**. *HEght* displays.
9. Press **⬆**, **⬇**, **⬅** and **➡** until desired weight is set.



NOTE: The Weight parameter value is a conversion value from pounds to the desired units. For example, 1 lb is 0.45359237 kg. [Table 4-5](#) shows unit conversion values for 1 lb.

lb Conversion Weight	Conversion Unit	Conversion Value
1	g	453.59237
1	kg	0.45359237
1	Short ton	0.0005

Table 4-5. Overload Range Settings

10. Press **⬅**. *Po int.5* displays.
11. Repeat steps 8 through 10. *rEGUL* displays.
12. Press **⏏** three times to exit the Technical menu.

4.2 Indicator Technical Setup Menu




1. Press  to turn on the Ai-1 indicator.
2. During startup, press the upper right corner of the screen when the logo displays to enter the **Technical Setup** menu.





Figure 4-1. Touch Upper Right Corner of the Display

4.2.1 Configure Touch Display

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Follow on-screen prompts to complete touch screen calibration.




4.2.2 Date and Time

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Set the date and time. Date is set DD / MM / YY. Time is set in military standard time.



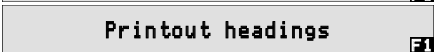


NOTE: Date and time can also be set in weighing mode by pressing within the time cell in the upper left corner of the screen.

4.2.3 Date and Time Password

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press .

4.2.4 Printout Headings


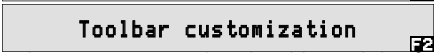
1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press .
5. Press Line 0, Line 1 or Line 2 and use displayed keyboard to enter content.



NOTE: The printout headings display at the top of all printouts.

4.2.5 Shortcuts

Toolbar Customization

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Select a button to customize the title and the function.



NOTE: Changing the function buttons of the display toolbar impacts weighing procedures described in this manual.

4.3 Center of Gravity

The instrument is able to calculate and print the center of gravity coordinates of the vehicle being weighed.



NOTE: The weight of each wheel weigh pad must be greater than zero to calculate center of gravity.

The Gravity Center cell only displays on the Ai-1 indicator display when three or more wheel weigh pads are connected.

Follow this procedure to calculate the center of gravity of a vehicle with four wheels.

1. Position vehicle on the wheel weigh pads.
2. Press the gravity center cell on the primary weigh screen of the Ai-1 indicator.
3. Input the vehicle measurements. Refer to [Figure 4-2](#) for how to specify the coordinates.
Example: vehicle with four wheels, that has a width of 13 ft and a length of 15 ft.

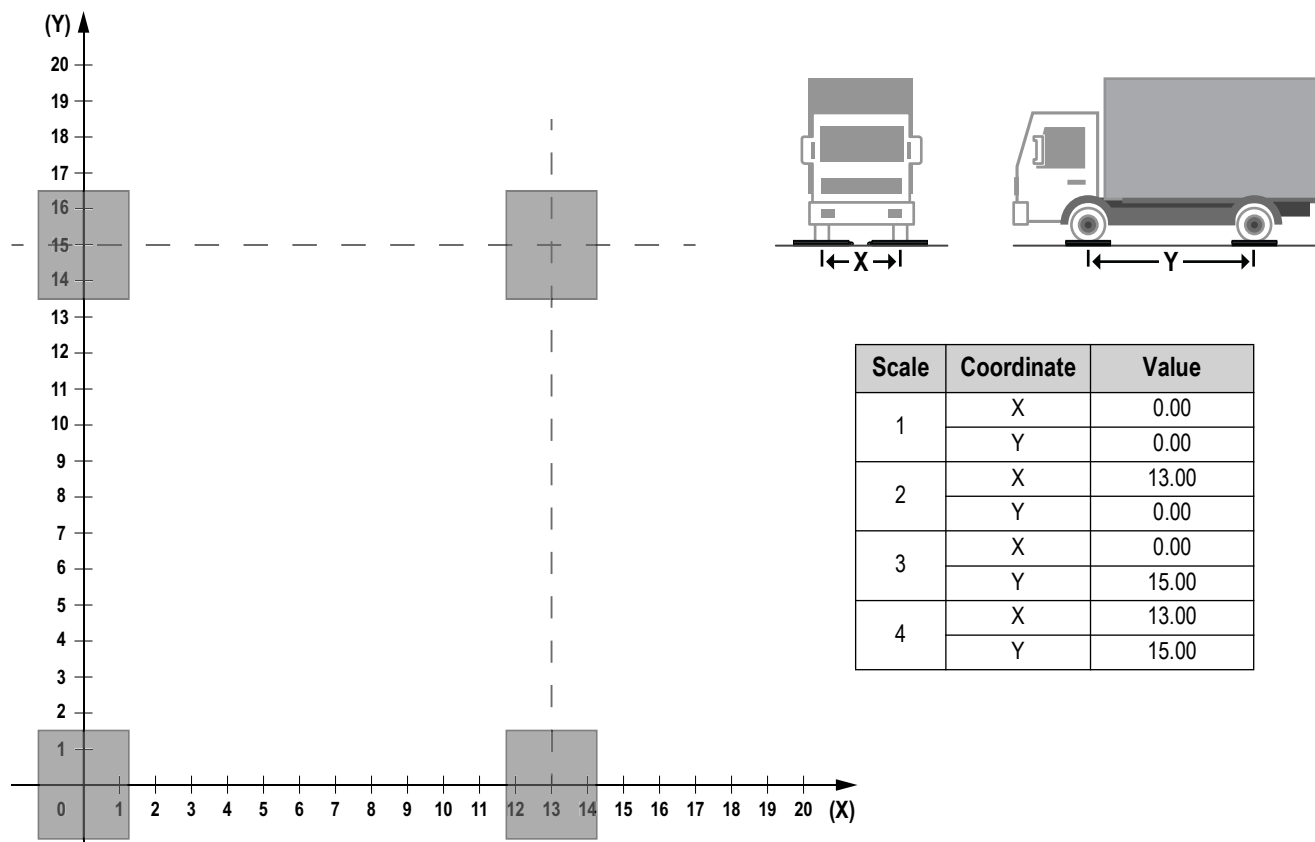

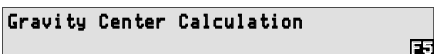
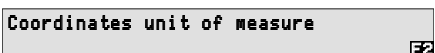







Figure 4-2. Center of Gravity Graph

4.3.1 Center of Gravity Units

Follow this procedure to change the units indicated with the Center of Gravity calculation.

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press .
5. Use displayed keyboard to enter units abbreviation and press .
6. Press , then press  to save changes. Indicator restarts and returns to the weigh screen.




4.3.2 Indicator Metrological Configuration

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Select the desired metrological parameter:
 - OIML
 - NTEP (Default)
 - CANADA



NOTE: See [Table 4-2 on page 40](#) for additional metrological information.

4.3.3 Overload Range

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press .
5. Select the desired overload condition ([Table 4-3 on page 41](#)).

5.0 Calibration

This section provides the procedures necessary to calibrate the Load Ranger wheel weigh pads through the built-in displays and with the Ai-1 indicator.



NOTE: When using the Ai-1 indicator with the weigh pads, skip to [Section 5.2 on page 47](#) to calibrate all of the weigh pads through the Ai-1 indicator.

5.1 Calibrate with Wheel Weigh Pad Display

This section describes procedures for setting calibration parameters and the calibration of the Load Ranger Wheel Weigh Pads through the built-in display.

5.1.1 Complete Calibration Procedure



NOTE: Press **⏏** at any time to back out one level or multiple times to return to the Weigh mode.

1. Turn indicator on by pressing **⏏** and press **⬇** during startup. **ⒸAL** displays.
2. Press **⬅**. **ⒸAL .PR-** displays.



NOTE: If **d** displays instead of **ⒸAL .PR-**, press **⏏**, then press **⬆** two times until **AdUAn** displays. Press **⬅** and **ⒸAL .PR-** displays then continue with [Step 3](#).

3. Press **⬅**. **dEE n** displays.
4. Press **⬅**. The current decimal setting displays.
5. Press **⬇** to scroll through decimal settings and press **⬅** to save selection. **d** displays.
6. Press **⬅**. The current division setting displays.
7. Press **⬇** to scroll through division settings and press **⬅** to save selection. **U.n** displays.
8. Press **⬅**. The current unit setting displays.
9. Press **⬇** to scroll through unit settings and press **⬅** to save selection. **rAnGE 1** displays.
10. Press **⬅**. Range 1 value displays. Use the numeric entry procedure to set value.



NOTE: For single-range wheel weigh pads, Range 1 is set as the max wheel weigh pad capacity.

11. Press **⬅**. **rAnGE 2** displays.



NOTE: Range 2 should only be set for multi-range wheel weigh pads. For single-range wheel weigh pads, skip to [Step 14](#).

12. Press **⬅**. Range 2 value displays. Use the numeric entry procedure to set value.
13. Press **⬅**. **dEE n** displays.
14. Press **⏏**. **ⒸAL .AdU** displays.
15. Press **⬅**. **ZEro** displays. Ensure wheel weigh pad is unloaded.
16. Press **⬅**. **-oH-** briefly displays once the procedure is complete, then **ⒸAL .Pnt** displays.
17. Press **⬅**. The current setting for the number of calibration points displays.
18. Press **⬇** to scroll through settings (1-3) and press **⬅** to save selection. Calibration point 1 value displays.
19. Use the numeric entry procedure to set the calibration weight value and press **⬅**. **Lod** displays.

20. Load the weight specified for calibration point 1.



NOTE: For proper calibration, use a calibration weight of at least half of the capacity when loading the calibration weight for calibration.

- If performing multiple calibration points, **-oF-** briefly displays once the calibration procedure is complete for calibration point 1, then the calibration point 2 value displays.
 - If performing a single calibration point, **UnLoAd** displays. Skip to [Step 23](#).
21. Repeat [Step 19 on page 46–Step 20](#) for calibration point 2 and 3 if needed.
 22. Once the calibration procedure is complete for the final calibration point, **UnLoAd** displays.
 23. Unload the wheel weigh pad. **CRd.oF** briefly displays, then **CRd.Pnt** displays.
 24. Press **ESC** four times to back out of the menu. **SAUEP** displays.
 25. Press **ENTER**. **StorE** briefly displays and unit returns to **Weigh** mode.

5.1.2 Zero Calibration Procedure



1. Turn indicator on by pressing **ESC** and press **DOWN** during startup. **CRd** displays.
2. Press **DOWN**. **CRd** displays.
3. Press **ENTER**. **SAUEP** displays.
4. Press **ENTER**. **CRd.oF** briefly displays once calibration procedure is complete, then **CRd** displays.
5. Press **ESC**. **SAUEP** displays.
6. Press **ENTER**. **StorE** briefly displays and unit returns to **Weigh** mode.

Or press **ESC** to cancel and unit returns to **Weigh** mode.


5.2 Calibrate with Ai-1 Indicator









5.2.1 Standard Calibration



1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).

2. Press . **Calibration** displays.
3. Press . **Scale X** displays.



NOTE: To change calibration parameters (decimals, units, divisions, etc.), press . **Parameters** displays. By changing parameters in one wheel weigh pad, the Ai-1 indicator sets all other paired wheel weigh pads to the same parameters selected.









4. Press . Calibration points message displays.
5. Press . Calibration zero acquisition prompt displays.
6. Unload the wheel weigh pad and press . Calibration acquisition of point 1 message displays.
7. Press . Calibration point 1 weight prompt displays.
8. Enter the weight value of the calibration point and press . Calibration load weight prompt displays.
9. Load the wheel weigh pad with a test weight equal to the entered value and press . Once procedure is complete, a successful calibration message displays.
10. Press .
11. Press  to return to the **Calibration** menu.

12. Repeat [Step 3 on page 47–Step 11](#) until all wheel weigh pads have been calibrated.
13. Press , then press  to save changes. Indicator restarts and returns to the weigh screen.



NOTE: When the Ai-1 indicator is off the wheel weigh pads do not retain the calibration settings configured through the Ai-1 indicator. The wheel weigh pads return to their own previously configured settings or defaults. Once the Ai-1 indicator is turned back on the indicator settings are restored from the previous use.

5.2.2 Zero Calibration

1. Navigate to the **Technical Setup** menu ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Press .
3. Press .
4. Press . A prompt displays to unload the platform.
5. Unload the wheel weigh pad and press . A prompt displays to confirm the zero calibration was successful once procedure is complete.
6. Press .
7. Press  to return to the **Calibration** menu.
8. Repeat [Step 3–Step 7](#) to complete a zero calibration for the remaining wheel weigh pads.
9. Press , then press  to save changes. Indicator restarts and returns to the weigh screen.

6.0 Maintenance

Periodically check the operation of the wheel weigh pads to ensure accuracy over time.

The pads must be checked by a specialist with test weights to obtain an official calibration certificate.

6.1 Operation Check

The following procedure can also be used for an uncertified check of the operation of the wheel weigh pads:

Place one or two pads on the edge of a truck scale and proceed with the weighing of individual wheel or the first axle. Ensure the weights displayed by the two systems are equal.

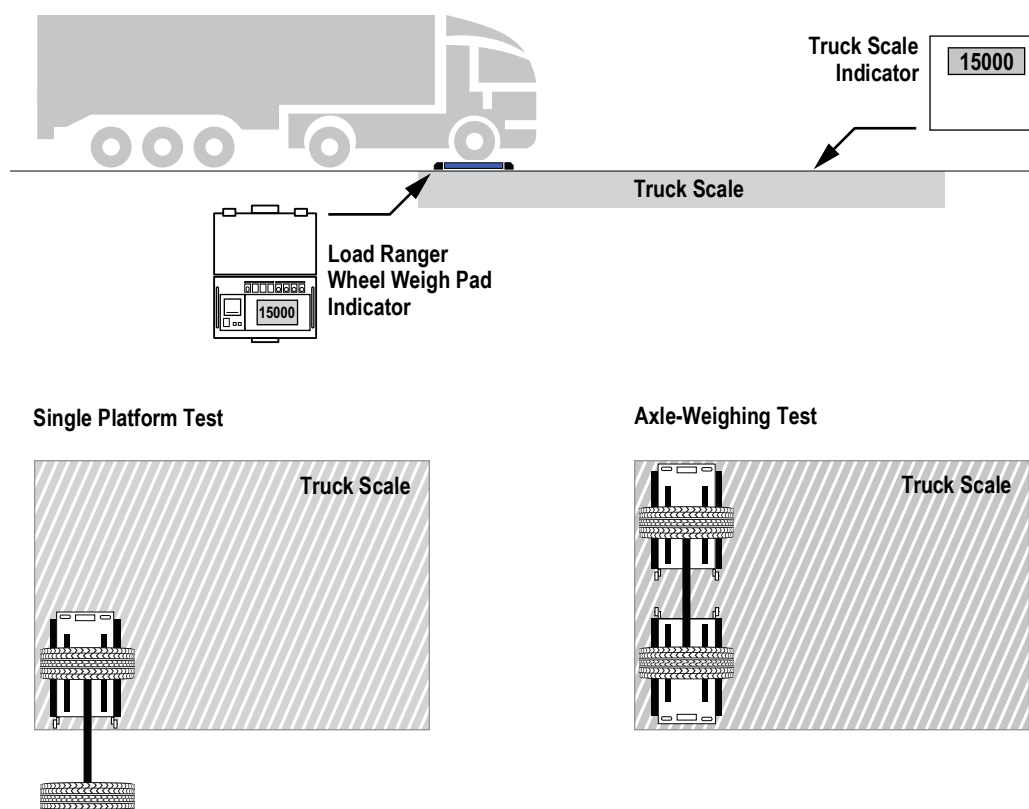


Figure 6-1. Operation Check

6.2 Maintenance and Cleaning

- Remove any debris from the weighing area, as well as the area under the wheel weigh pads, that may prevent the loading surface from bending correctly
- Clean the platform with non-aggressive substances
- Periodically check the condition of the connection cables
- Fully charge the battery before prolonged non-use

6.3 Accessory Assembly

6.3.1 Display Cover

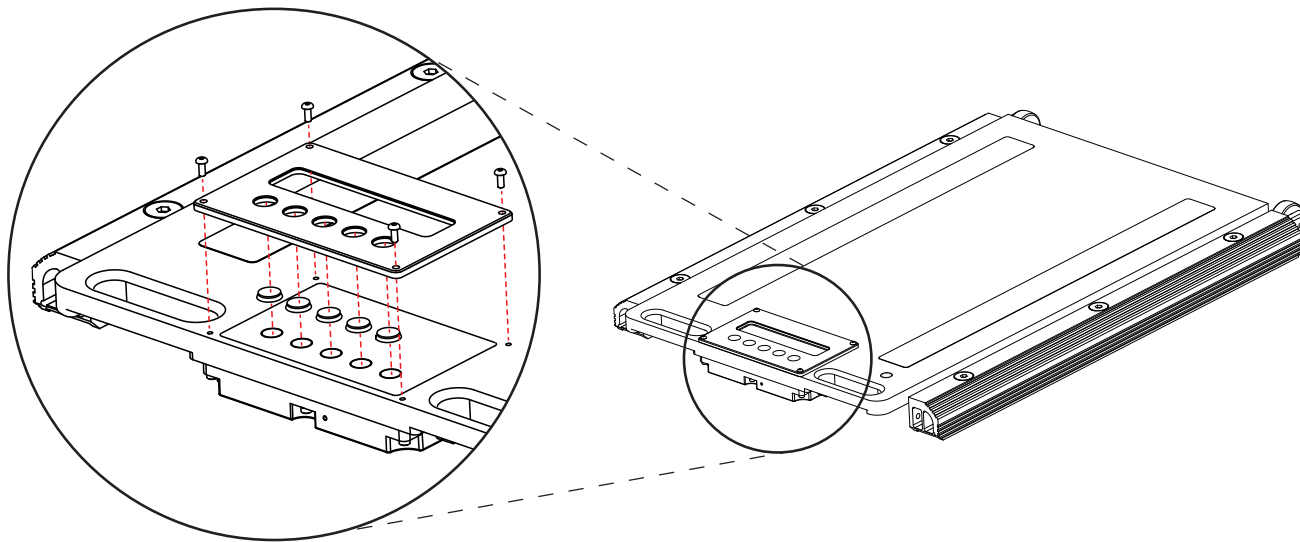


Figure 6-2. Display Cover Assembly

6.3.2 Transport Wheels

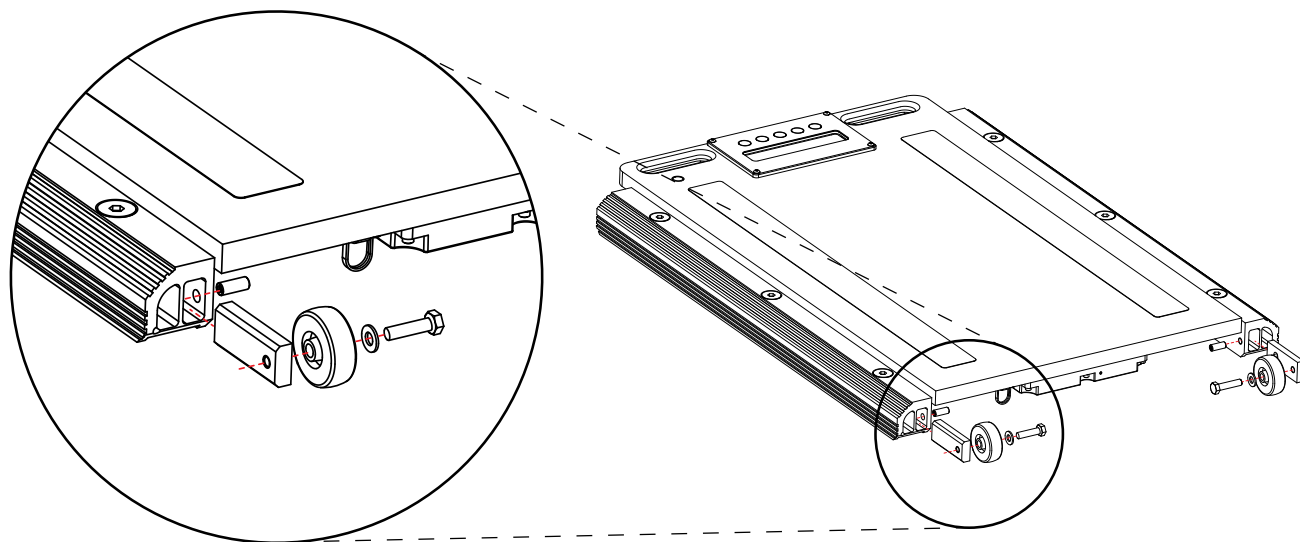


Figure 6-3. Transport Wheels Assembly

6.3.3 Aluminum Ramps



NOTE: The wheels may need to be loosened to insert the threaded pins. Use a rubber mallet if needed, but ensure the threads are facing outwards. The pin is slightly wider on the threaded side.

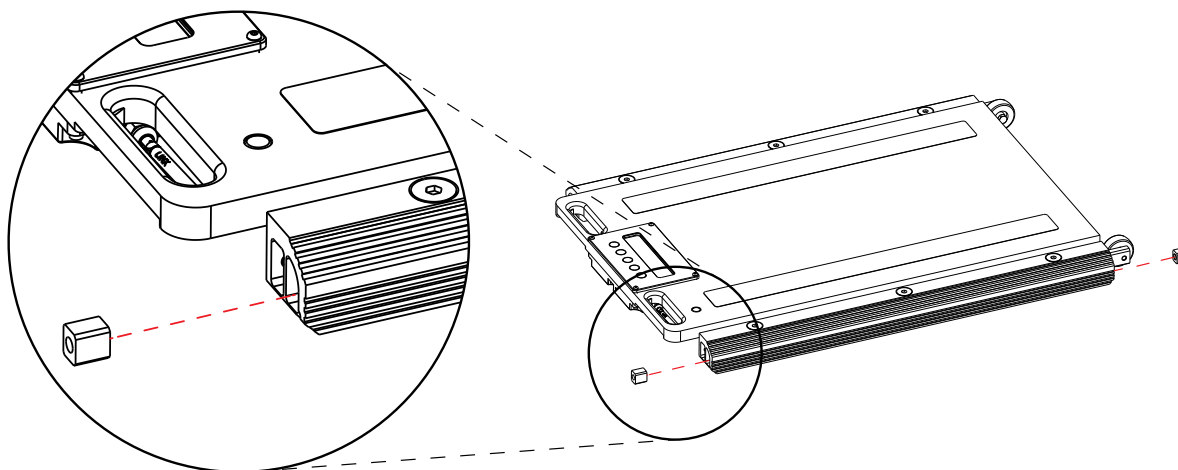


Figure 6-4. Ramp Assembly (1 of 3)

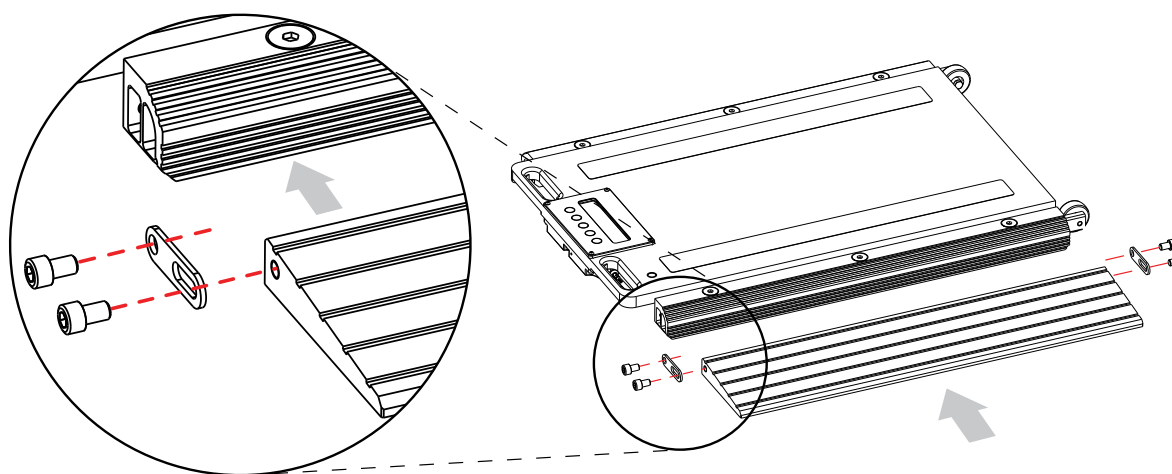


Figure 6-5. Ramp Assembly (2 of 3)

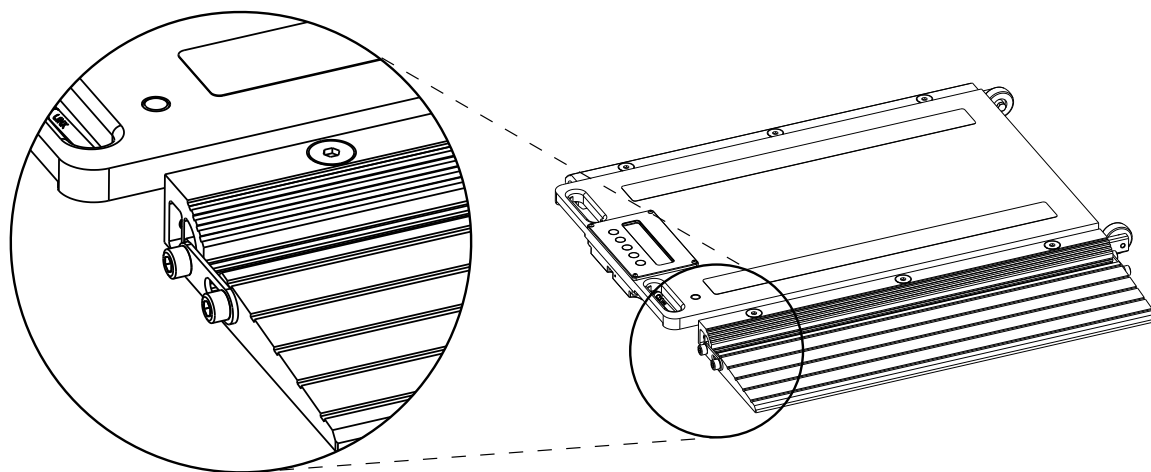


Figure 6-6. Ramp Assembly (3 of 3)

6.4 Board Diagram

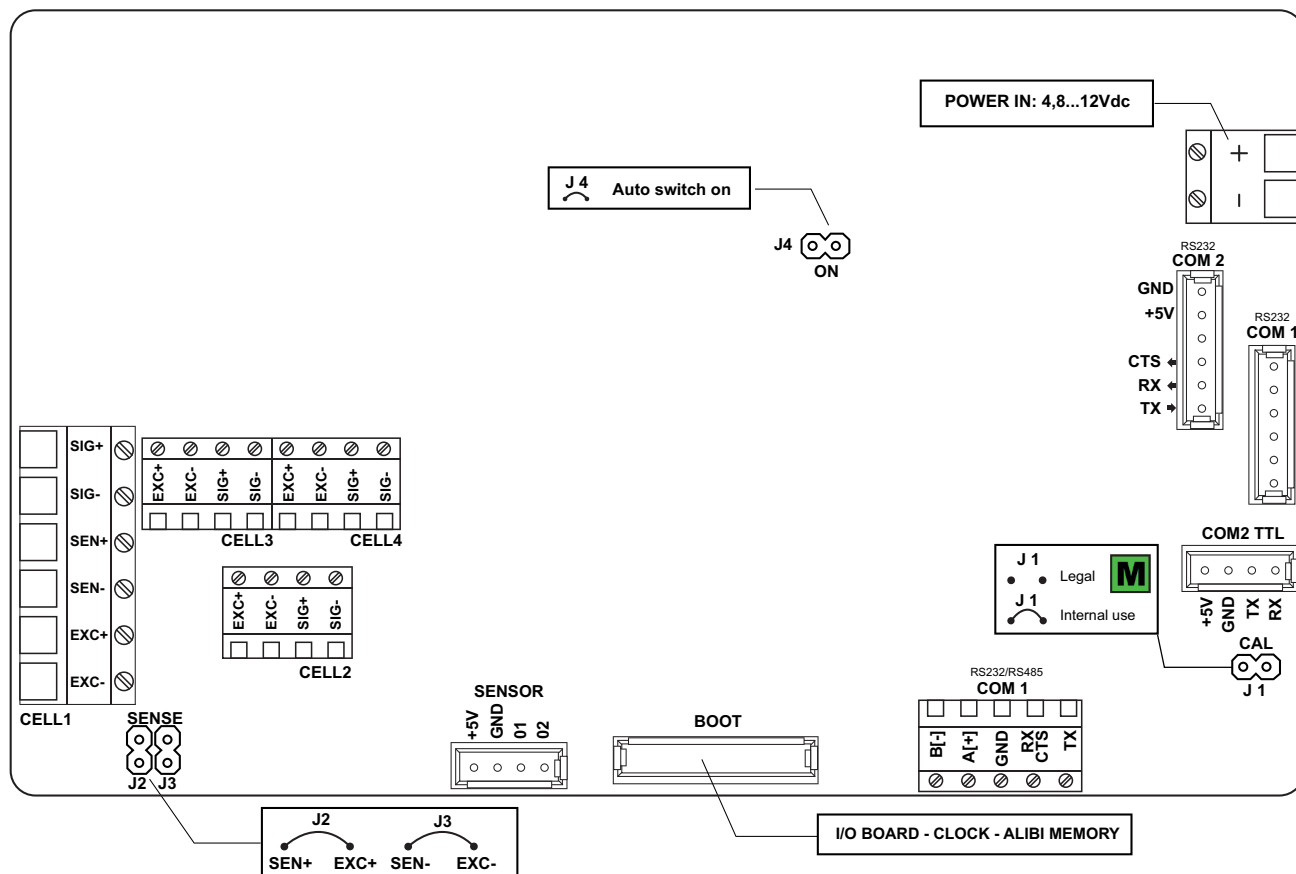
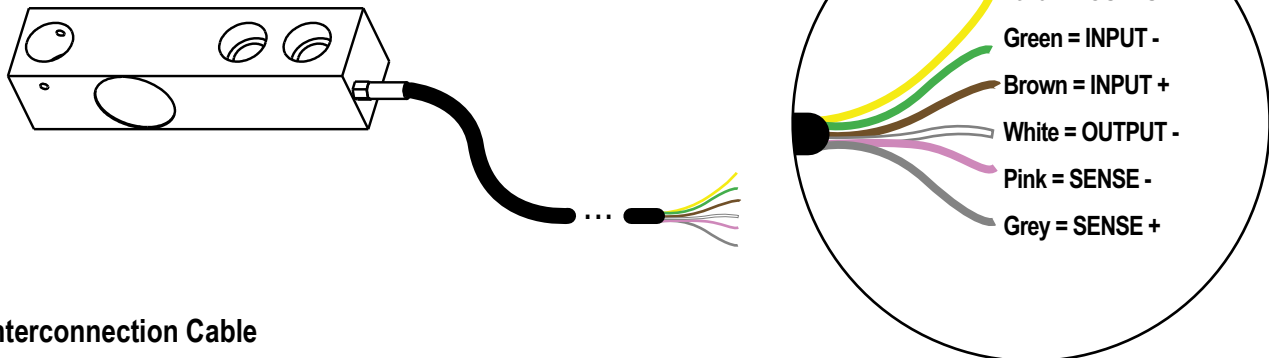


Figure 6-7. Wheel Weigh Pad Board Diagram

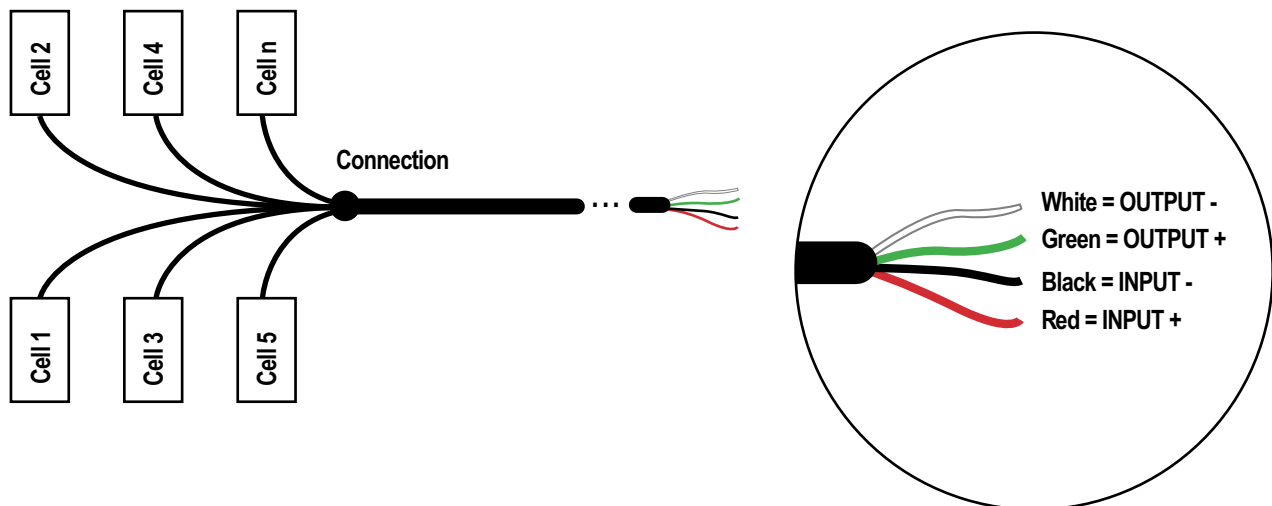
6.5 Wiring Schemes

6.5.1 Load Cell Wiring

Load Cell Cable



Interconnection Cable



Board Connection

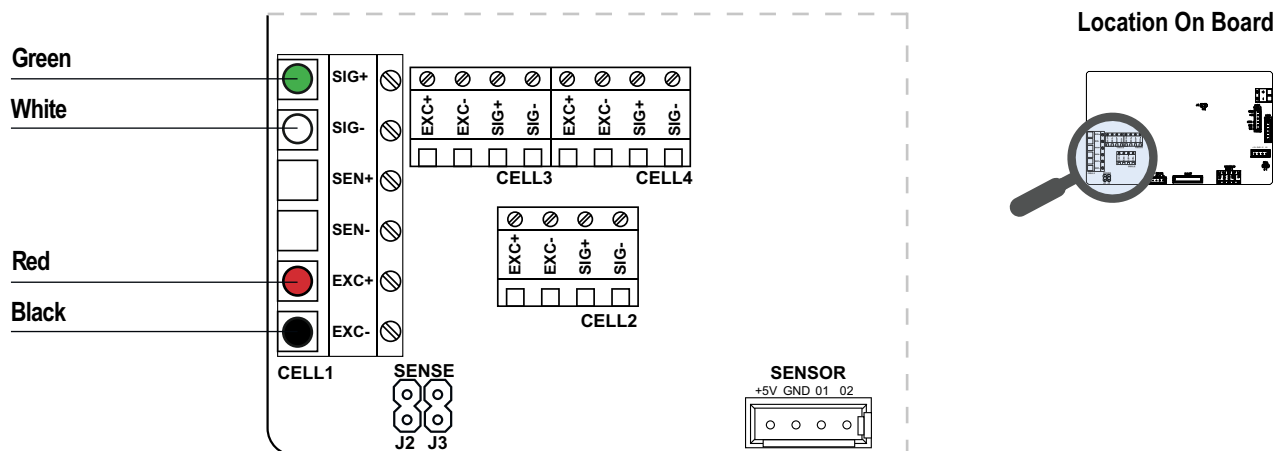
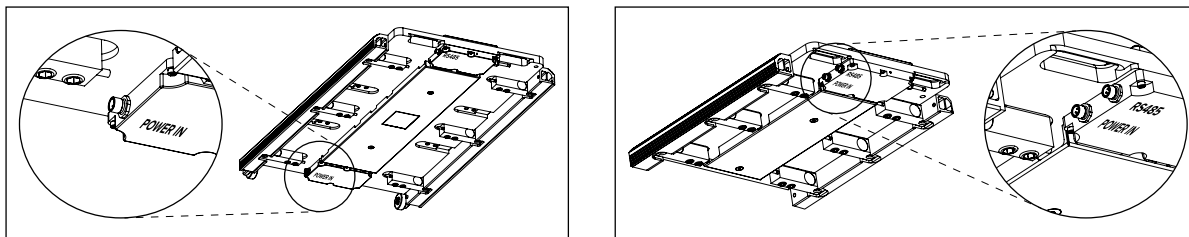


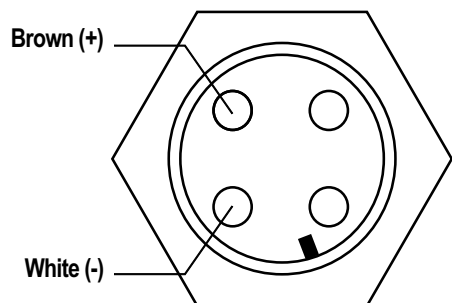
Figure 6-8. Load Cell Wiring

6.5.2 Power Supply Wiring

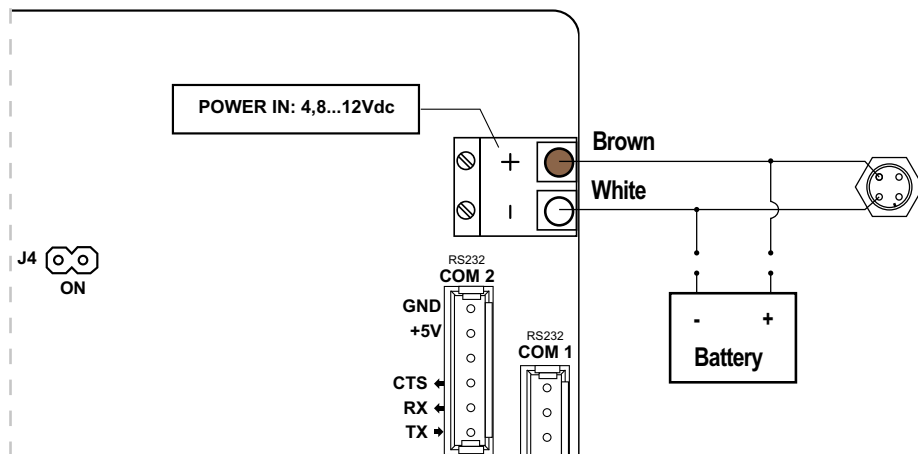
Charging Connector Position



Pin Configuration



Board Connection



Location On Board

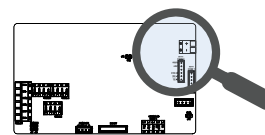
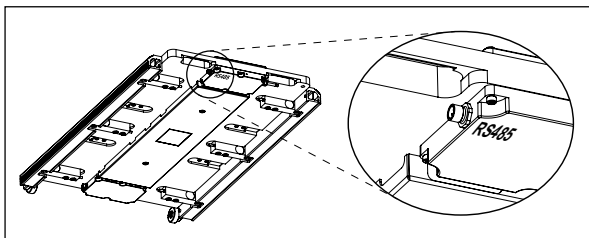


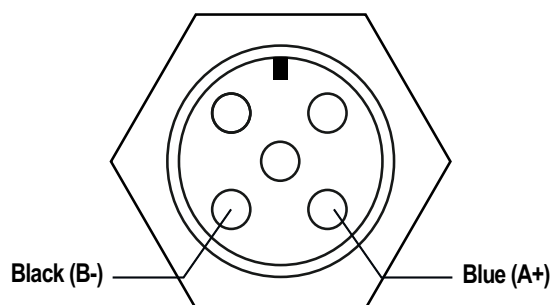
Figure 6-9. Power Supply Wiring

6.5.3 RS485 Wiring

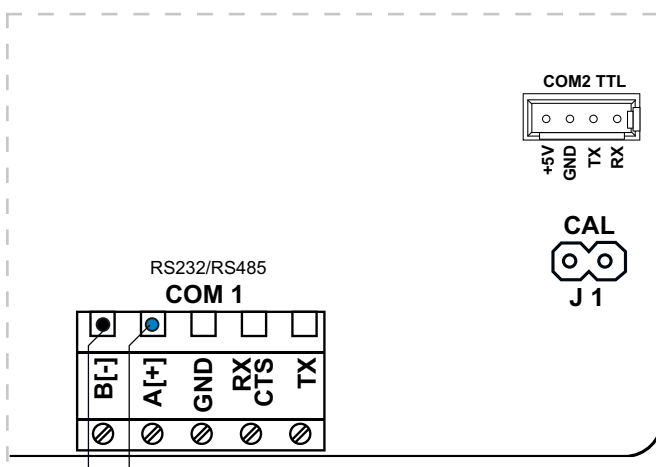
RS485 Connector Position



Pin Configuration



Board Connection



Location On Board

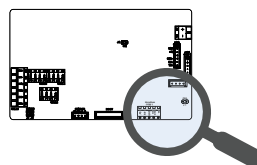


Figure 6-10. RS485 Wiring

6.6 Calibration Jumper

Calibration access can be restricted by removing the calibration shunt.

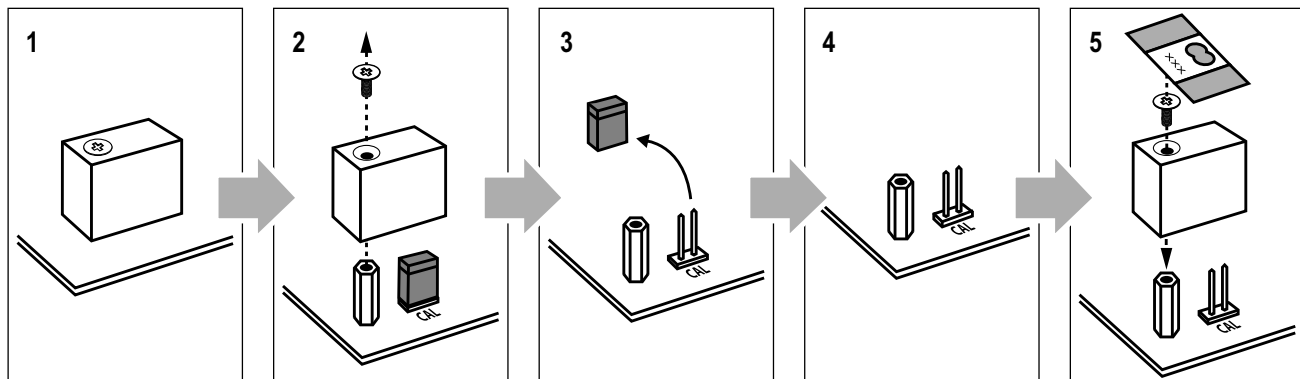


Figure 6-11. Restricting Calibration Access

6.7 Messages and Errors

Message	Description
PL1 PL2 PL3 PL4 ...	If the WWP radios are type-approved, the display shows the platform number instead of the weight
Zero	Weight reset in progress; contact technical support if the message persists
Err. Plat	Unstable weight when acquiring a point during the calibration phase
Under (flashing)	Weighing error; unload the platform, turn it off and turn on the indicator again; contact technical support if the problem persists
Over (flashing)	If the weight exceeds the maximum capacity, immediately remove the load and check that the platform has not been damaged

6.7.1 Programming Errors

Message	Description	Solution
PREC.	Calibration error	First calibrate the zero point, then proceed with the next points
Err. Pnt	Calibration error	Check the connection of the load cell Check that the cell signal is stable, valid and greater than the previously acquired point
Err 11	Calibration error	Increase the calibration weight
Err 12	Calibration error	Check that the signal coming from the cell increases as the weight on the scale increases When acquiring the calibration points, use the increasing calibration weights
Err 35	Calibration error	Check that the signal coming from the load cell is not negative
Err 37	Calibration error	Repeat the calibration, checking that the capacity and division have been correctly set
Err 38	Calibration error	Capacity entered in the RANGE parameter is not a multiple of the division set in the d10 step
Err 39	Instrument not configured	Reset factory configurations (menu RduRnC, parameter dFLtE, Section 4.1.2 on page 39)
Err 40	Calibration error	Maximum capacity not set (RANG=0)
Err 41	Calibration error	Reset factory configurations (menu RduRnC, parameter dFLtE, Section 4.1.2 on page 39)
Err 85	Instrument configured but not calibrated	Perform calibration
Err. Plat rErrYP	Weight unstable	Check RdC. UU in the d10 menu (Table 4-1 on page 38) that the signal is stable and retry if connection of the cells is with 4 wires, check that the sense jumpers are inserted

6.8 Frequently Asked Questions

Communication Problems in a Wireless System

- Ensure there are no other devices communicating on the same frequency (2.4 GHz) and channel
- Ensure there are no obstructions between the indicator and the platforms
- Turn the indicator outwards
- Reboot all the wheel weigh pads and indicator

How to Increase the Accuracy of an Axle-Weighing System

The weighing accuracy in axle-weighing mode is influenced by several factors:

- Type of weighing area: it must comply with the leveling conditions ([Section 2.1 on page 11](#))
- Remove any unevenness between the axles by using the leveling modules or pit frames
- Vehicles with several axles close to each other require a surface that is leveled correctly
- Type of vehicle: vehicles with self-leveling suspensions can affect the weighing process; disable them if possible
- Transported load: the axle weighing process does not allow weighing vehicles that carry liquids
- If the system has been optimized for a direction of travel, using it in other direction might reduce the weighing accuracy

The Wheel Weigh Pad Will Bend When Loaded

The bending of the loaded weighing surface makes the operation of the load cells easier, thereby ensuring optimal weighing accuracy. Before installing the platforms, always remove any dirt and debris from the floor under the platform.

The Keypad is Locked / The Platform Does Not Turn Off

Nothing can be entered if the automatic keypad lock function has been activated, including turning off the platform. See [Section 3.1.1 on page 20](#) to unlock the keypad. See [Section 4.1.1 on page 39](#) to change parameter settings.

7.0 Appendix

7.1 Wheel Weigh Pad (RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) Dimensions

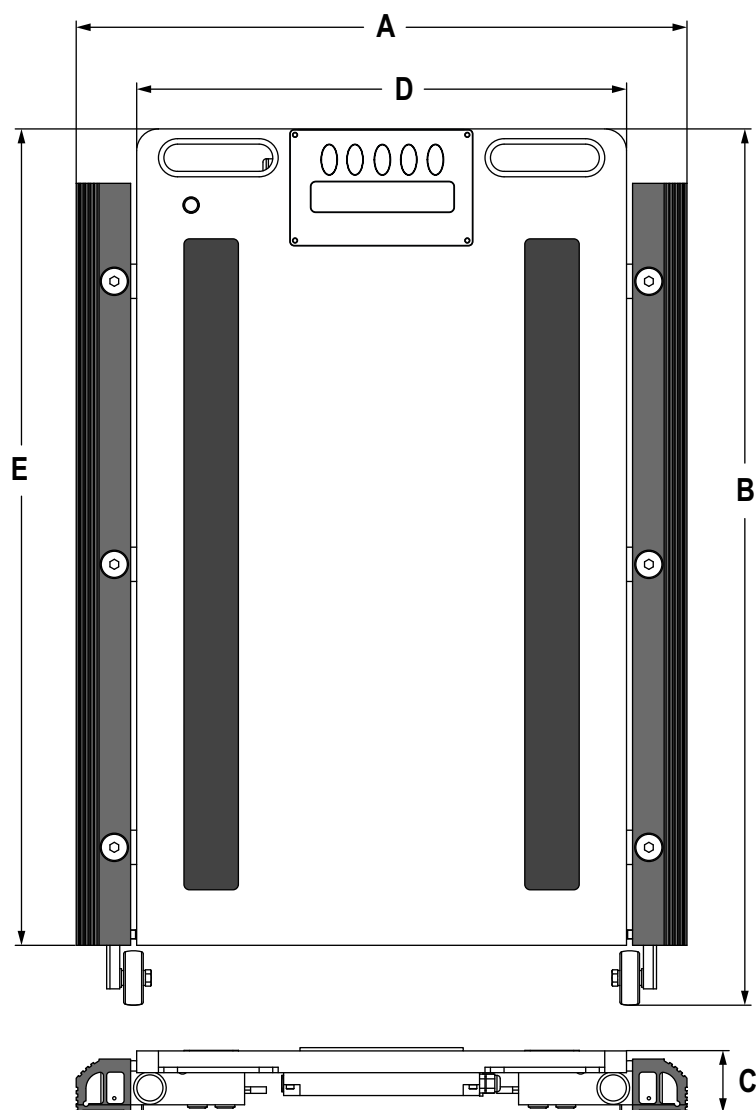


Figure 7-1. Wheel Weigh Pad Dimensions Diagram

Key	RF-MD	RF-WD	RF-XWD
A	1 ft 8 in	1 ft 10 in	2 ft
B	2 ft	2 ft 8 in	3 ft 3 in
C	2.28 in	2.28 in	2.28 in
D	1 ft 4 in	1 ft 6 in	1 ft 8 in
E	1 ft 10 in	2 ft 6 in	3 ft 1 in
A, B and C represent the overall platform dimensions D and E represent the loading surface dimensions			

Table 7-1. Wheel Weigh Pad (RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) Dimensions

7.2 Replacement Parts

7.2.1 Wheel Weigh Pad (RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) Replacement Parts

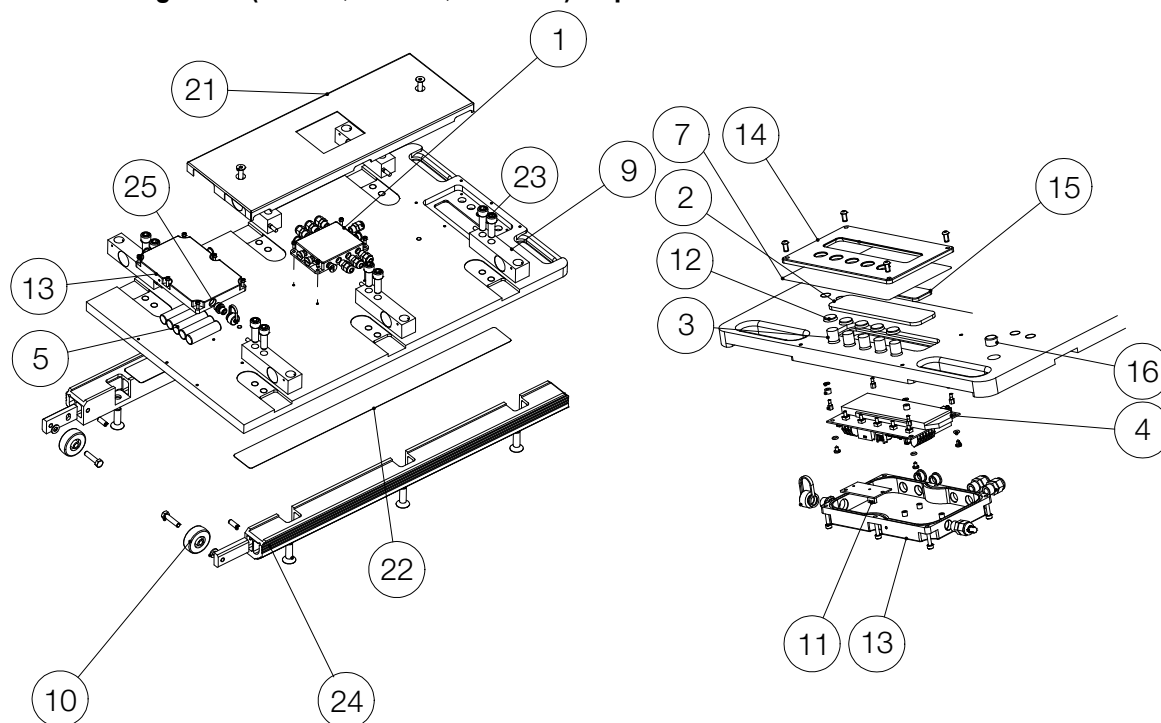


Figure 7-2. Wheel Weigh Pad (RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) Replacement Parts Diagram

Item No.	Part No.	Description
1	192596	Junction Box
2	192607	Protective Display Glass
3	192608	Extension Keys (Kit x 5) for RF-XWD
	192624	Extension Keys (Kit x 5) for RF-MD/RF-WD
4	192609	CPU Board
5	188482	NIMH Battery Pack
7	192616	Adhesive Film
10	192605	Wheel
11	214126	RF Radio Module
13	192614	Board Protection Cover
14	192615	Protection for Keys
16	192597	Bubble Level
25	194063	Battery Box Charger Connection Port, Green, Male Plug
NS	200816	CPU Board to RF Module cable
NS	188911	Battery Charger (230 VAC EU plug version)
NS	185064	110 VAC Version with US Plug
NS	–	Load Cell Terminal Strip

Item No.	Part No.	Description
RF-MD		
21	192595	Protection Plate
22	192600	Adhesive Strip
9	183796	1,000 kg Load Cell (Used on 3,000 lb Wheel Weigh Pad Only)
9	183799	2,500 kg Load Cell (Used on 6,500 lb, 13,000 lb, 22,000 lb, 33,000 lb Wheel Weigh Pad Only)
23	192602	Load Cell Mounting Hardware
24	192598	Ramp with Gripping Rubber
RF-WD		
21	192618	Protection Plate
22	192601	Adhesive Strip
9	183799	2,500 kg Load Cell (Used on 6,500 lb, 13,000 lb, 22,000 lb, 33,000 lb Wheel Weigh Pad Only)
23	192602	Load Cell Mounting Hardware
24	192598	Ramp with Gripping Rubber
RF-XWD		
21	192622	Protection Plate
22	192625	Adhesive Strip
9	183799	2,500 kg Load Cell (Used on 6,500 lb, 13,000 lb, 22,000 lb, 33,000 lb Wheel Weigh Pad Only)
23	192604	Load Cell Mounting Hardware
24	192621	Ramp with Gripping Rubber

Table 7-2. Wheel Weigh Pad (RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) Replacement Parts

7.2.2 Load Ranger Ai-1 Replacement Parts

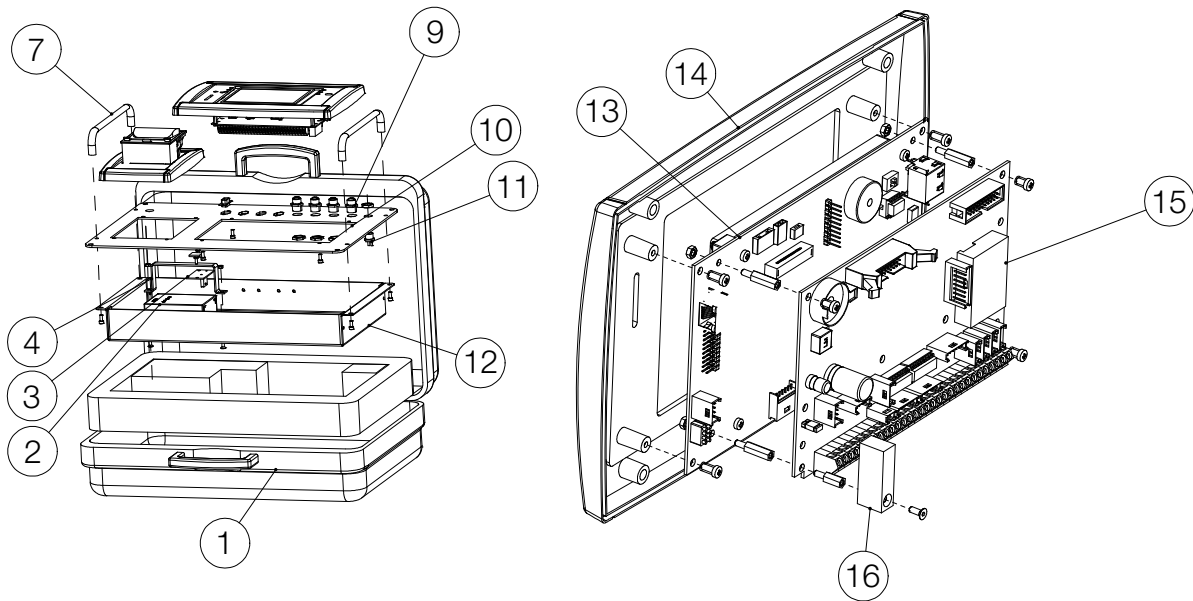


Figure 7-3. Load Ranger Ai-1 Replacement Parts Diagram

Item No.	Part No.	Description
1	192584	Carry Case
2	192580	Built-in Battery, 6 V, 4.5 Ah
3	214125	RF Radio Module
4	192588	Fixing Bracket for Battery
7	192582	Aluminum Handle
NS	193555	CPU Board to RF Module cable
10	192587	Front Panel
12	192581	Galvanized Case
13	192589	Display Board
14	192590	Front Panel
15	192585	CPU Board
16	192586	Frame, Jumper Protection
NS	192591	Power Adapter 120-230 VAC

Table 7-3. Load Ranger Ai-1 Replacement Parts

7.3 Replacement Load Cells

Model	Part No.	Load Cell	Qty.
Load Ranger RF-MD	212096	183796	4 pcs
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Load Ranger RF-MD	212099	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-MD	212100	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-WD	212101	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-WD	212102	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-WD	212103	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-WD	212835	183799	6 pcs
Load Ranger RF-XWD	212104	183799	8 pcs
Load Ranger RF-XWD	212105	183799	10 pcs
Load Ranger RF-XWD	212106	183799	10 pcs
Load Ranger RF-XWD	212107	183799	10 pcs

Table 7-4. Replacement Load Cell

Part No.	Capacity	Load Cell
183796	1000 kg	Shear Beam Approved Load Cell, C3, Max = 1000 kg; Nickered Steel, IP68 Protection Degree, 1000 Ohm output resistance
183799	2500 kg	Shear Beam Approved Load Cell, C3, Max = 2500kg; Nickered Steel, IP68 Protection degree, 1000 Ohm Output Resistance

Table 7-5. Replacement Load Cells (Details)

7.4 2.4 GHz Radio Frequency (RF) Module Retrofit Instructions

Two retrofit kits are available for wheel weigh pads (models RF-MD, RF-WD, RF-XWD) and Ai-1 indicators with Bluetooth® hardware. These kits provide RF hardware to replace Bluetooth® hardware:

- 2.4 GHz RF Retrofit kit for Wheel Weigh Pads (PN 212110)
- 2.4 GHz RF Retrofit kit for Indicators (PN 12111)

The retrofit process involves performing several procedures on the wheel weigh pad and Ai-1 indicator, including:

- Installing new hardware ([Section 7.4.1](#) and [Section 7.4.2 on page 65](#))
- Updating firmware ([Section 7.4.3 on page 67](#))
- Setting up and Pairing wheel weigh pads and Ai-1 indicators ([Section 7.4.4 on page 70](#))

7.4.1 Wheel Weigh Pad Retrofit



WARNING: Disconnect charging cable before opening the enclosure.



WARNING: After enclosure is open, disconnect battery and power cable from CPU board.



CAUTION: A grounding wrist strap must be worn to protect components from electrostatic discharge (ESD) when working inside the Load Ranger.

Parts List

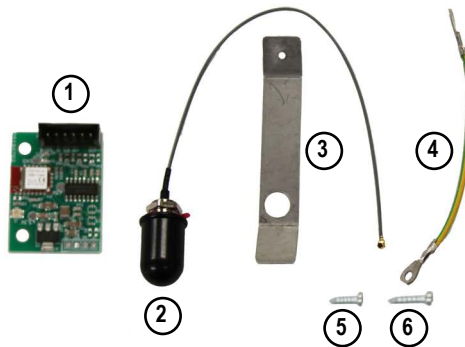


Figure 7-4. Retrofit Kit (212110)

Item No.	Description
1	2.4GHz Radio Frequency (RF) Module
2	Antenna (with O-ring)
3	Antenna Support plate
4	Ground wire
5	Phillips screw, M3 x 6 screw
6	Phillips screw, M3 x 9 self-tapping screw

Table 7-6. 212110 Retrofit Kit Parts

Wheel Weigh Pad Retrofit Kit Installation

1. Turn off wheel weigh pad and disconnect power cable.
2. Remove two protection plate retaining bolts, then remove protection plate.
3. Remove six electronics cover retaining hex bolts.

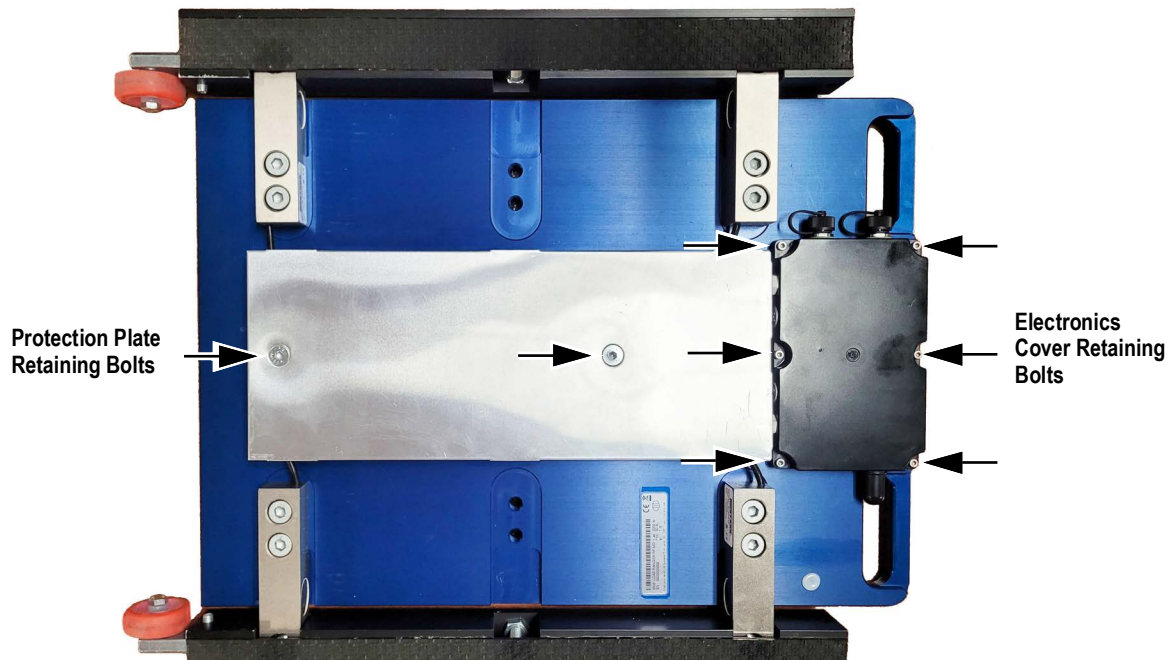


Figure 7-5. Protection Plate and Electronics Cover Retaining Bolts

4. Loosen cord grips, then back feed wire and open electronics cover.
5. Remove antenna, power cable and Bluetooth® module cabling.
6. Remove Bluetooth® module mounting screw, then Bluetooth® module.

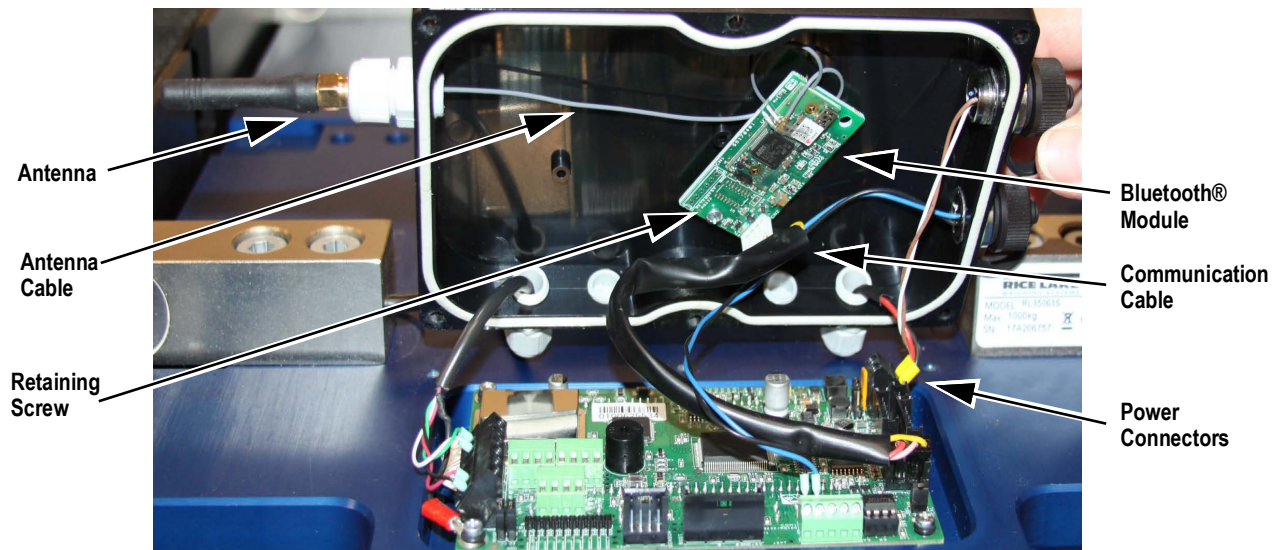


Figure 7-6. Existing Hardware Removal

7. Remove jam nut and adhesive protector film from antenna, then slide black O-ring along cable and push into adhesive.
8. Position support plate inside of electronics cover with while aligning antenna mounting holes.
9. Insert antenna into electronics cover while threading into support plate.
10. Secure ground to support plate with M3 x 6 screw.
11. Remove CPU board Phillips mounting screw and O-ring from free hole closest to support plate.
12. Secure ground to CPU board mounting hole with previously removed Phillips screw and O-ring.
13. Secure ground to hole in antenna support plate with Phillips screw.

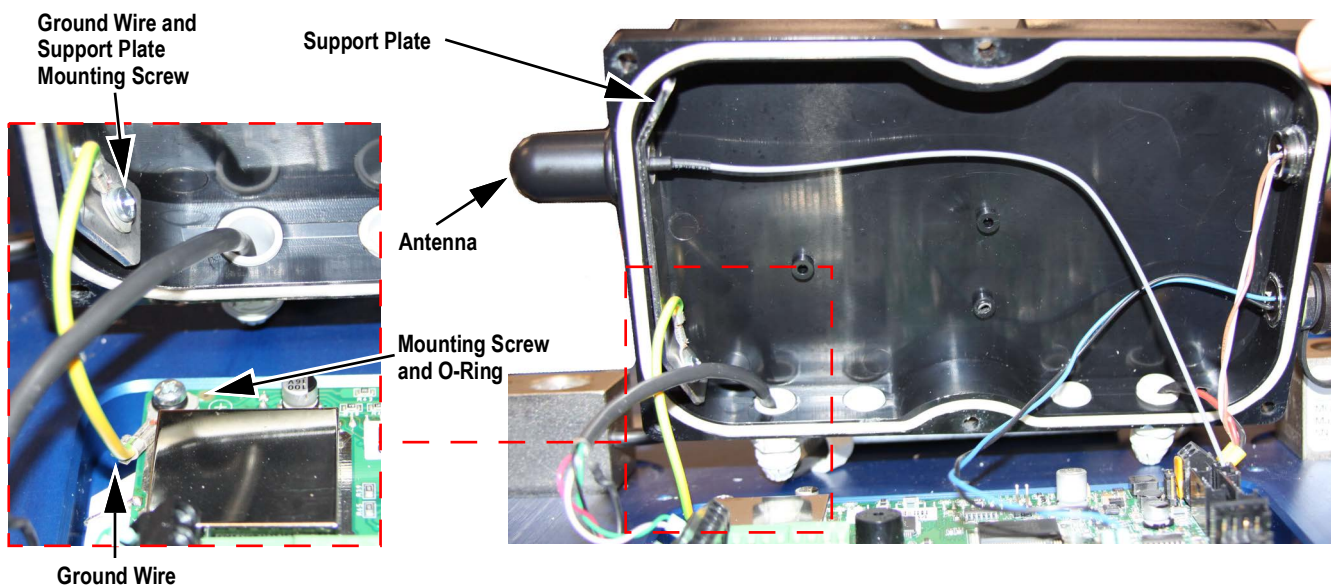


Figure 7-7. Antenna and Ground Wire Installation

14. Align mounting hole in RF module with previously used mounting standoff.
15. Route antenna wire behind RF module then secure RF module with a Phillips screw.
16. Connect antenna wire to RF module.
17. Connect communication cable to RF module and CPU board COM2 TTL.
18. Reconnect power cables to CPU Board.

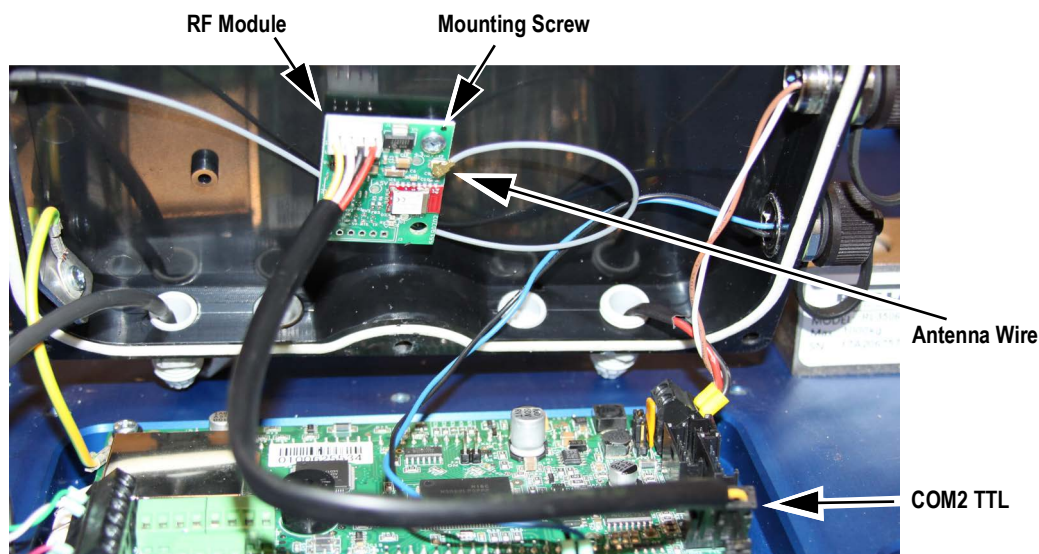


Figure 7-8. RF module Installation

7.4.2 Ai-1 Indicator hardware Retrofit



WARNING: Disconnect charging cable before opening the enclosure.



WARNING: After enclosure is open, disconnect battery and power cable from CPU board.



CAUTION: A grounding wrist strap must be worn to protect components from electrostatic discharge (ESD) when working inside the indicator.

Parts List

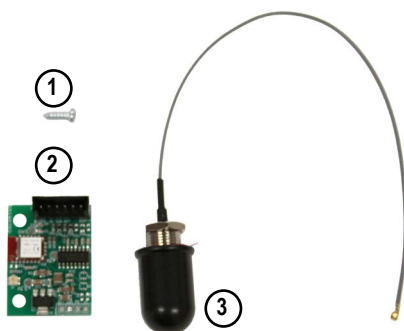


Figure 7-9. Ai-1 Indicator RF Retrofit Kit Parts (212111)

Item No.	Description	Qty
1	2.4GHz Radio Frequency (RF) Module	1
2	Antenna	1
3	Phillips screw, 2.9 x 9.5 self-tapping screw	1

Table 7-7. Ai-1 Indicator RF Retrofit Kit Parts

Indicator Ai-1 Retrofit Kit Installation

1. Turn off device and disconnect power cable.
2. Position Ai-1 indicator with bottom facing up.
3. Remove four cover mounting bolts, then remove cover.



NOTE: Be aware, removing the retaining bolts also detaches handles.



Figure 7-10. Indicator Cover Retaining Bolts

4. Disconnect battery cabling and Bluetooth® radio cabling.
5. Remove existing antenna.
6. Remove Bluetooth® module mounting screw, then Bluetooth® module.



NOTE: Bluetooth® module mounting methods vary. Some modules attach to standoffs while others are secured with screws.

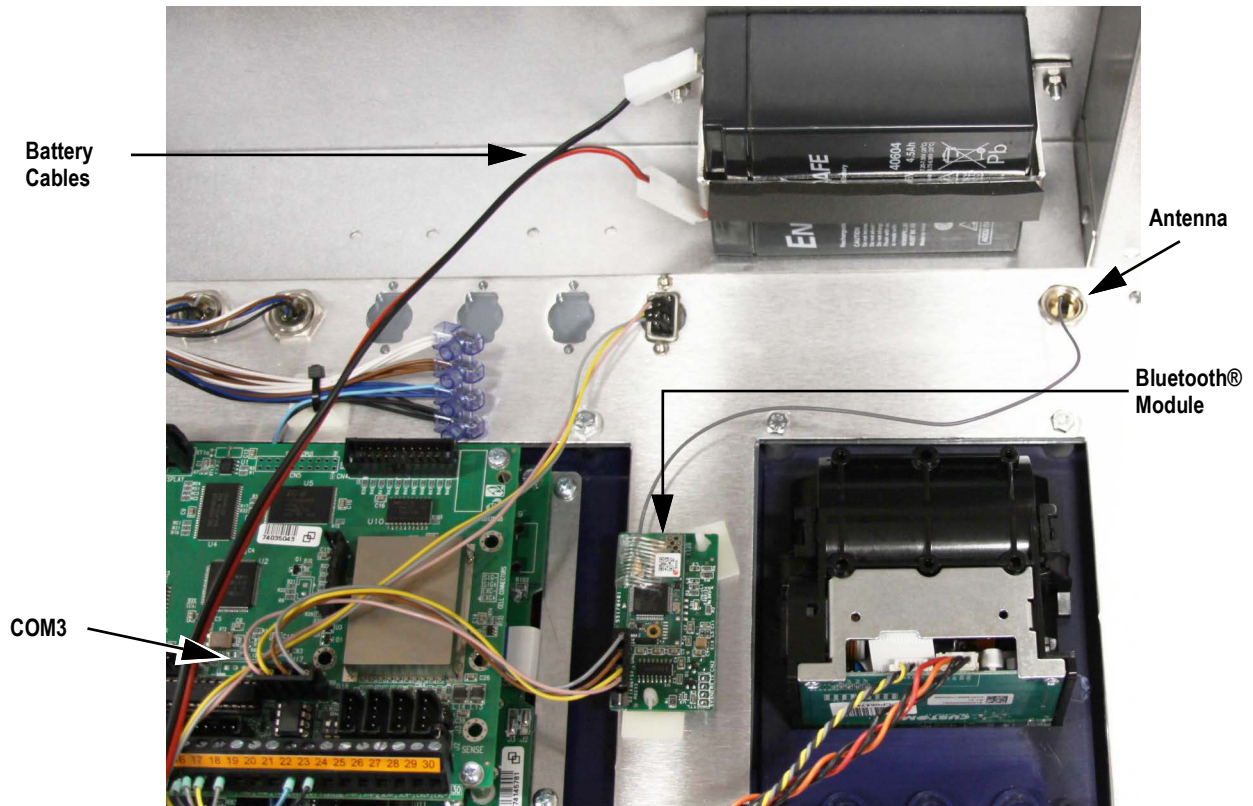
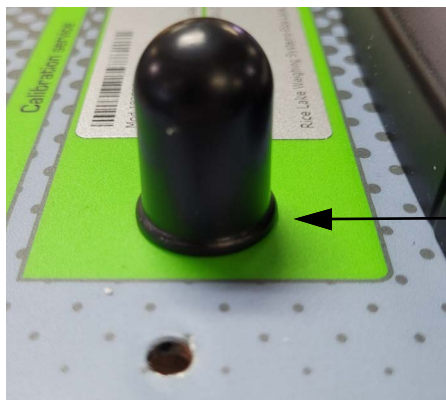
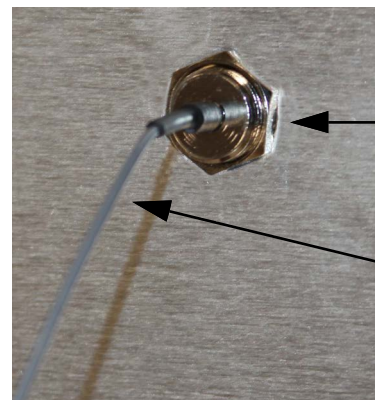


Figure 7-11. Removing Bluetooth® Hardware

7. Remove jam nut and adhesive protector from antenna.
8. Insert antenna wire through antenna mounting hole on front of cover then push antenna firmly in mounting hole.
9. Secure antenna with jam nut on inside of enclosure.



Antenna
Outside of
Enclosure



Jam Nut
Inside of
Enclosure

Antenna Wire

Figure 7-12. Install Antenna

10. Install new RF module in same location as Bluetooth® module.
11. Connect antenna wire to RF module.
12. Connect communication cable to CPU board COM3 and RF module J3, antenna cable to RF module and reconnect battery cables.

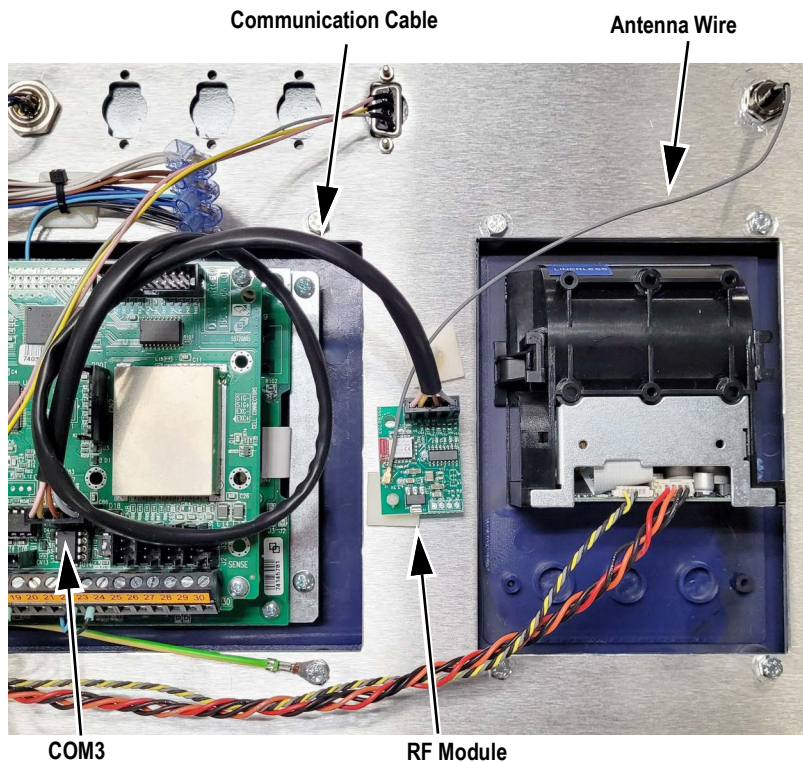


Figure 7-13. Install RF Module

13. Reinstall rear cover and handles with four bolts removed in [Step 4 on page 63](#).

7.4.3 Update Firmware

In order for wheel weigh pads and Ai-1 indicators originally supplied with Bluetooth® modules to use RF modules, their firmware must be updated.



IMPORTANT: Firmware update supports Windows 10 and 11 computers.



NOTE: Firmware update duration varies; plan for approximately five to ten minutes for a wheel weigh pad and 25 to 45 minutes for an Ai-1 Indicator.

1. Download 2.4 GHz Load Ranger firmware from: <https://www.ricelake.com/firmware>
2. Unzip firmware file (files for Ai-1 and indicator wheel weigh pad are included):



NOTE: The Ai-1 indicator's firmware file name starts with EGT while the wheel weigh pad's firmware file name starts with Dfw.

3. Attach a serial cable to the Ai-1 indicator's serial port and connect free end to computer.



NOTE: The indicator's serial port is located on the front panel.

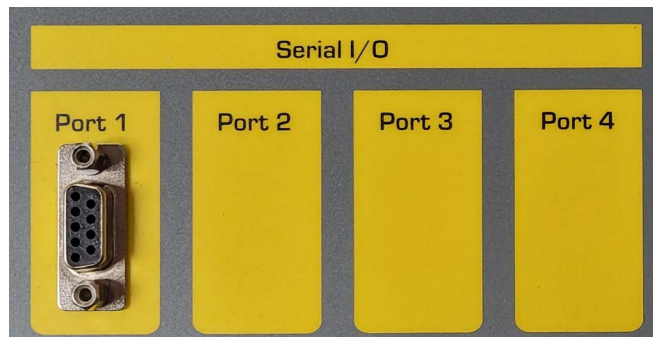


Figure 7-14. Ai-1 Indicator Serial Port

4. Turn on Ai-1 Indicator.
5. Run Ai-1 indicator firmware executable.
6. Select a serial port number from the drop-down menu.



NOTE: If the serial port number is unknown, Windows Device Manager can aid in determining the port number. For more information Windows Device Manager, refer Windows documentation on www.microsoft.com.

7. Enable the **USB->COM** check box, if using a USB to serial converter.
8. Select **OK**.

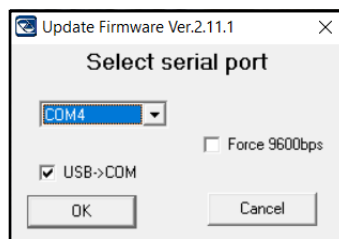


Figure 7-15. Firmware Update Configuration Window

9. A connection status indicator displays until a connection between the computer and Ai-1 indicator is established.

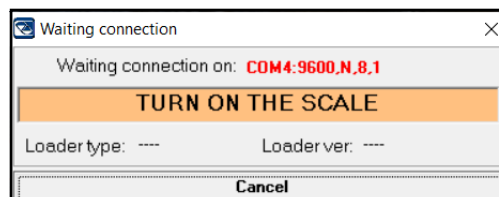


Figure 7-16. Connection Status Window

10. Once communication is established, a firmware update status window displays.

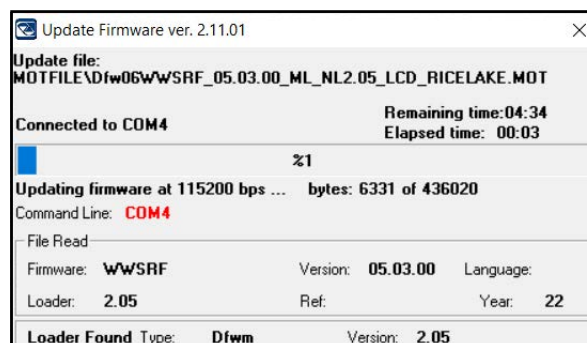


Figure 7-17. Firmware Update Status Window

11. When firmware has been updated, a success prompt displays.
12. Select **OK** to close the window.

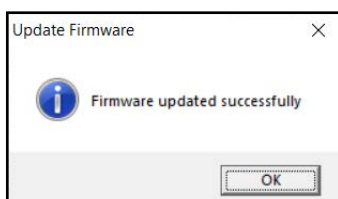


Figure 7-18. Firmware Success Prompt

13. After firmware update is completed, allow device to reboot if it power cycles.
14. Power off Ai-1 indicator and remove serial cable.
15. Attach a serial cable to the wheel weigh pad's serial port and connect free end to computer.



NOTE: The wheel weigh pad's serial port is located inside the electronics cover on the CPU board.

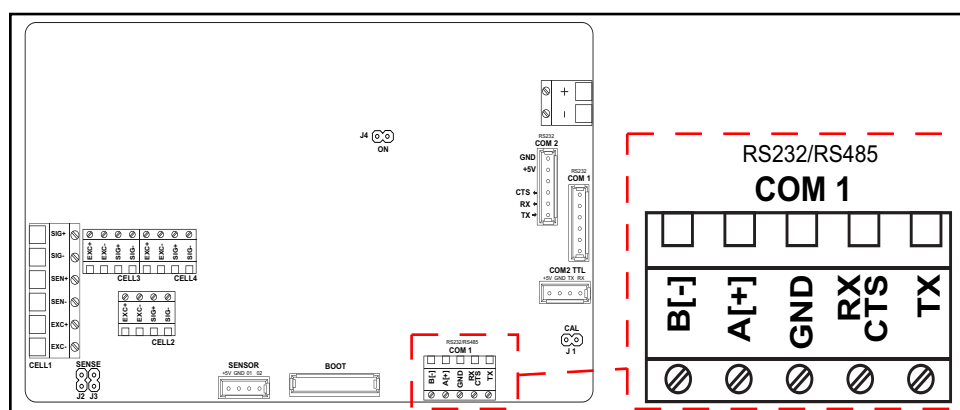


Figure 7-19. Wheel Weigh Pad Serial Port

16. Run wheel weigh pad firmware executable.
17. Repeat steps [Step 6](#) through [Step 14](#).
18. Reinstall wheel weigh pad's electronics cover and protection plate with previously removed hardware ([Figure 7-5 on page 63](#)).
19. Repeat steps [Step 14](#) through [Step 18](#) for remaining wheel weigh pads.

7.4.4 Wheel Weigh Pad and Ai-1 Indicator Setup and Pairing

After the wheel weigh pad and Ai-1 indicator firmware is updated, the wheel weigh pads and Ai-1 indicator require setup.

7.4.4.1 Wheel Weigh Pad RF Module Setup

Perform the following procedures for all required wheel weigh pads:

1. Default the wheel weigh pad ([Section 4.1.2 on page 39](#)).
2. Calibrate the wheel weigh pad ([Section 5.0 on page 46](#)).
3. Perform setup as needed ([Section 4.1 on page 38](#)).
4. Assign ID and channel numbers to the wheel weigh pad(s) ([Section 3.1.3 on page 21](#)).



NOTE: Channel 27 is default after the firmware is updated.

7.4.4.2 Indicator Setup and Pairing



Perform the following procedures for all Ai-1 Indicators:

1. Perform setup as needed ([Section 4.2 on page 43](#)).
2. Set the indicator channel to match the wheel weigh pad(s) channel ([Section 3.2.1 on page 24](#)).



NOTE: Channel 27 is default after the firmware is updated.

8.0 Compliance

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9.0 Specifications

Construction

Aluminum Alloy

System Accuracy

0.05% of rated capacity

Power Supply

Internal rechargeable battery (6 V - 4.5 Ah)

Approximately 40 hours of battery life

Includes UL approved AC wall

Approximately 10 hours of battery life for Ai-1 indicator

Operating Temperature

14°F to 104°F (-10°C to 40°C)

Storage Temperature

-4°F to 140°F (-20°C to 60°C)

Effective Wireless Communication Range

Up to 160 ft (50 m) line of sight typical

Overall IP Rating

IP67 protection Rating

Display

Backlit LCD with 1 in (25.4 mm) digits

Platform Dimensions (L x W x H)

Load Ranger RF-MD: 1 ft 10 in x 1 ft 8 in x 2.28 in
(564 mm x 511 mm x 58 mm)

Load Ranger RF-WD: 2 ft 6 in x 1 ft 10 in x 2.28 in
(750 mm x 561 mm x 58 mm)

Load Ranger RF-XWD: 3 ft 1 in x 2 ft x 2.28 in
(950 mm x 611 mm x 59 mm)

Loading Surface (L x W)

Load Ranger RF-MD: 1 ft 3 in x 1 ft 4 in
(403 mm x 400 mm)

Load Ranger RF-WD: 1 ft 11 in x 1 ft 6 in
(603 mm x 450 mm)

Load Ranger RF-XWD: 2 in 5 in x 1 ft 8 in
(748 mm x 500 mm)

Weight

Load Ranger RF-MD: 40 lb (18.2 kg)

Load Ranger RF-WD: 62 lb (28.2 kg)

Load Ranger RF-XWD: 102 lb (46.3 kg)

Warranty

Two-year limited warranty

Approvals



NTEP

CC 20-003P Class IIII

Select sizes and capacities only,
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Radio Certificate Number

Radio FCCID: RTT1101102

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