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VEVOR HL14000

VEVOR Weight Distribution Hitch (Model HL14000)

User Manual

1. Introduction

This manual provides instructions for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your VEVOR Weight Distribution Hitch, Model HL14000. This hitch is designed to distribute weight evenly between your tow vehicle and trailer, enhancing stability and control during towing. It features a 14,000 lbs maximum towing capacity and a 1,400 lbs maximum tongue weight capacity, suitable for various trailers including RVs, boat trailers, and cargo trailers.



Image 1.1: Overview of the VEVOR Weight Distribution Hitch, highlighting its maximum towing capacity of 14,000 lbs and maximum tongue weight of 1,400 lbs.

2. Safety Information

Read and understand all instructions before installation and operation. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or property damage. Always adhere to your vehicle and trailer manufacturer's towing guidelines.

General Safety Precautions:

- **Professional Installation Recommended:** If you are unsure about any step, seek assistance from a qualified

technician.

- **Weight Limits:** Never exceed the maximum towing capacity (14,000 lbs) or maximum tongue weight (1,400 lbs) of this hitch, your tow vehicle, or your trailer.
- **Proper Torque:** Ensure all bolts and nuts are tightened to the specified torque values. Incorrect torque can lead to component failure. Note that the hitch ball may require specific torquing during installation.
- **Regular Inspection:** Before each tow, inspect all hitch components for wear, damage, or loose fasteners. Replace any damaged parts immediately.
- **Clearance:** Ensure adequate ground clearance and clearance between the hitch components and your vehicle/trailer.
- **Sway Control:** While this hitch includes sway control, always drive cautiously and adjust speed according to road and weather conditions.
- **Children and Pets:** Keep children and pets away from the installation area and moving parts during operation.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all components listed below are included in your package. If any parts are missing or damaged, contact VEVOR customer support.

- 1 x Weight Distribution Hitch Assembly (includes head, shank, and pre-installed 2-5/16 inch hitch ball)
- 2 x L-shaped Pins
- 2 x 3/4-10 UNC 5-inch Bolts & Nylon Lock Nuts
- 4 x 1/2-13 UNC 4-inch Round Head Square Neck Bolts & Hex Nuts
- 4 x 1/2-13 UNC Hex Nuts
- 8 x 1/2-inch Spring Washers
- 4 x Lock Washers
- 2 x R-Clips
- 1 x Installation Pin (with 1 R-Clip)
- 1 x Installation Pry Bar (with Handle Sleeve)
- 1 x User Manual

4. Specifications

Feature	Specification
Model Number	HL14000
Max. Towing Capacity (GTW)	14,000 lbs (6349 kg)
Max. Tongue Weight (TW)	1,400 lbs (635 kg)
Hitch Ball Size	2-5/16 inches (58.5 mm)
Shank Size	2 inches (50.8 mm)
Material	Carbon Steel

Item Weight	83.78 lbs (38 kg)
Vehicle Service Type	RV, Trailer, Truck, Car, Van, UTV, ATV
Automotive Fit Type	Universal Fit

5. Installation Guide

Proper installation is critical for the safe and effective operation of your weight distribution hitch. Follow these steps carefully.

5.1 Pre-Installation Checks

1. Ensure your tow vehicle and trailer are on a level surface.
2. Verify that your tow vehicle's receiver hitch is a standard 2-inch receiver.
3. Confirm that the trailer coupler is compatible with a 2-5/16 inch hitch ball.
4. Gather all necessary tools, including a torque wrench capable of handling high torque values for the hitch ball and other fasteners.

5.2 Mounting the Hitch Head and Shank

1. Insert the hitch shank into your vehicle's 2-inch receiver. Secure it with the provided installation pin and R-clip.
2. Attach the hitch head to the shank using the appropriate bolts and nuts. Adjust the tilt of the hitch head to achieve the desired angle for weight distribution. Multiple holes on the shank allow for fine-tuning the rise or drop to match different vehicle heights.
3. Tighten all fasteners to the manufacturer's specified torque settings. The hitch ball is pre-installed but ensure its nut is torqued correctly if it was loosened or requires re-torquing.

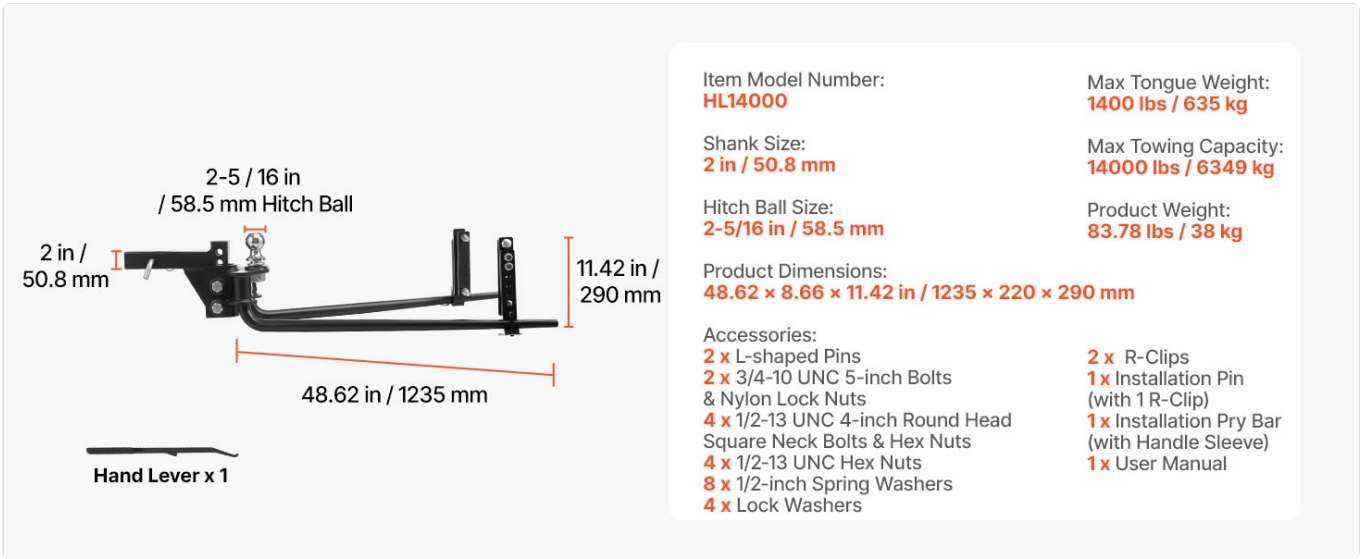

Image 5.1: A person performing quick installation and adjustments of the weight distribution hitch, demonstrating the use of the pry bar and adjustable shank holes.

5.3 Attaching Spring Bars and Brackets

1. Insert the spring bars into the hitch head and secure them with the L-shaped pins and R-clips.
2. Mount the trailer frame brackets onto the trailer frame. Position them according to the instructions to ensure

proper leverage for the spring bars.

3. Use the installation pry bar to lift the spring bars and connect them to the trailer frame brackets. This step may require significant force.

5.4 Adjusting Height and Leveling

1. After connecting the spring bars, observe the level of your tow vehicle and trailer. The goal is to achieve a level stance for both.
2. Adjust the number of chain links or bracket height to fine-tune the weight distribution. More tension on the spring bars will transfer more weight to the front axle of the tow vehicle and the trailer axles.
3. Perform a test drive and re-check the leveling. Make small adjustments as needed until the vehicle and trailer are level and stable.

6. Operating Instructions

Once installed and adjusted, the VEVOR Weight Distribution Hitch will help maintain a level ride and reduce sway.

6.1 Weight Distribution

The primary function of this hitch is to distribute the tongue weight of the trailer more evenly across all axles of the tow vehicle and trailer. This helps to:

- Restore lost weight to the front axle of the tow vehicle, improving steering and braking control.
- Reduce stress on the rear suspension of the tow vehicle.
- Prevent excessive sag at the rear of the tow vehicle and lift at the front.

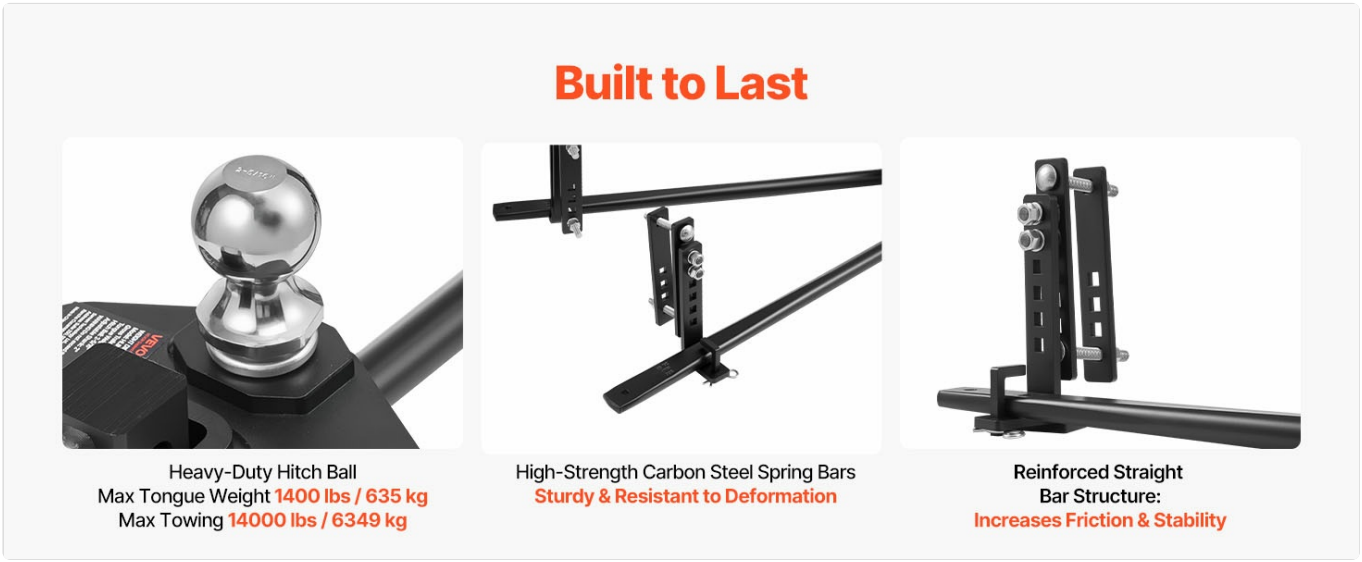

Image 6.1: Comparison illustrating how the weight distribution hitch maintains a level vehicle and trailer, preventing front dips and rear lifts.

6.2 Sway Control

The built-in four-point sway control system uses friction to counteract side-to-side trailer movement, providing a more stable towing experience. This system is effective with various trailer types, including those with surge/brake actuators and V-nose designs.



Image 6.2: Illustration of the 4-point anti-sway system, showing how it generates counter resistance to minimize side-to-side sway during towing.

6.3 Driving with the Hitch

- Drive at a safe speed, especially in adverse weather conditions or on uneven terrain.
- Allow for increased stopping distances when towing.
- Be mindful of turns and curves, as the combined length of your vehicle and trailer requires wider turns.
- Periodically check your mirrors to monitor the trailer's behavior.

7. Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and safe operation of your VEVOR Weight Distribution Hitch.

- **Lubrication:** Periodically lubricate the hitch ball and any pivot points on the hitch head and spring bar connections with appropriate grease.
- **Inspection:** Before each use, inspect all bolts, nuts, pins, and clips for tightness and wear. Check spring bars for any signs of bending, cracks, or corrosion.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the hitch components clean from dirt, salt, and road debris. Clean with mild soap and water, then dry thoroughly.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the hitch in a dry place to prevent rust and corrosion.



Image 7.1: Close-up of the hitch components, highlighting the high-strength carbon steel spring bars, rust-resistant finish, and reinforced bracket plates, designed for durability.

8. Troubleshooting

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your weight distribution hitch.

8.1 Trailer Still Sags or Tow Vehicle Front End is High

- **Cause:** Insufficient weight distribution.
- **Solution:** Increase the tension on the spring bars by adjusting the chain links or bracket height. Ensure the hitch head is tilted correctly to allow proper spring bar engagement.

8.2 Excessive Sway

- **Cause:** Improper weight distribution, loose connections, or excessive speed.
- **Solution:** Re-check weight distribution settings. Ensure all fasteners are tight. Reduce towing speed, especially in windy conditions or when passing large vehicles.

8.3 Difficulty Engaging/Disengaging Spring Bars

- **Cause:** Trailer tongue weight, improper hitch height, or lack of lubrication.
- **Solution:** Use the provided pry bar. Ensure the trailer jack is used to lift the trailer tongue slightly, reducing tension on the spring bars before engaging or disengaging. Lubricate the spring bar connection points.

8.4 Hitch Ball Nut Loosens

- **Cause:** Insufficient torque during installation.
- **Solution:** Re-torque the hitch ball nut to the manufacturer's specifications using a suitable torque wrench. This often requires specialized tools.

9. Warranty and Support

For warranty information or technical support, please contact VEVOR customer service. Keep your purchase receipt

and product model number (HL14000) handy when contacting support.
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