



## U-Boat Platform Truck

Owner's Manual



**⚠ WARNING:** Read carefully and understand all ASSEMBLY AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS before operating. Failure to follow the safety rules and other basic safety precautions may result in serious personal injury.

Item #52396

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**

Thank you very much for choosing a Strongway™ product!

For future reference, please complete the owner's record below:

Serial Number/Lot Date Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Save the receipt, warranty, and this manual. It is important that you read the entire manual to become familiar with this product before you begin using it.

This U-Boat Platform Truck is designed for certain applications only. Northern Tool & Equipment is not responsible for issues arising from modification or improper use of this product such as an application for which it was not designed. We strongly recommend that this product not be modified and/or used for any application other than that for which it was designed.

For technical questions, please call **1-800-222-5381**.

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## Intended Use

This Strongway U-Boat Platform Truck has a narrow deck design which enables use in confined areas. The twin removable handles enable movement of oversized loads while the deck is made of diamond shaped, rugged steel to help prevent loads from slipping off. The reinforced steel frame withstands heavy-duty use. Its cross-braced handles are reinforced for extra strength: 360° steering.

## Technical Specifications

Property	Specification
Rated Capacity	1980 lbs.
Deck Size	60 inches x 16 inches
Wheel	4 swivel casters for 360° steering

## Important Safety Information

### **⚠️WARNING**

- Read and understand all instructions. Failure to follow all instructions may result in serious injury or property damage.
- The warnings, cautions, and instructions in this manual cannot cover all possible conditions or situations that could occur. Exercise common sense and caution when using this truck. Always be aware of the environment and ensure that the truck is used in a safe and responsible manner.
- Do not allow persons to operate or assemble the truck until they have read this manual and have developed a thorough understanding of how it works.
- Do not modify this truck in any way. Unauthorized modification may impair the function and/or safety and could affect the life of the truck. There are specific applications for which the truck was designed.
- Use the right tool for the job. DO NOT attempt to force small equipment to do the work of larger industrial equipment. There are certain applications for which this equipment was designed. It will be safer experience and the truck will do a better job at the capacity for which it was intended. DO NOT use this truck for a purpose for which it was not intended.
- Industrial or commercial applications must follow OSHA requirements.

### **⚠️WARNING**

#### **WORK AREA SAFETY**

- Inspect the work area before each use. Keep work area clean, dry, free of clutter, and well lit. Cluttered, wet, or dark work areas can result in injury. Using the truck in confined work areas may put you dangerously close to other cutting tools and rotating parts.
- Do not allow the truck to come into contact with an electrical source. The truck is not insulated and contact will cause electrical shock.
- Keep children and bystanders away from the work area while operating the truck. Do not allow children to handle the truck.

- Be aware of all power lines, electrical circuits, water pipes, and other mechanical hazards in your work area. Some of these hazards may be hidden from your view and may cause personal injury and/or property damage if contacted.

## **⚠WARNING**

### **PERSONAL SAFETY**

- Stay alert, watch what you are doing, and use common sense when using the truck. Do not use the truck while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication. A moment of inattention while operating the tool may result in serious personal injury.
- Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing, dangling objects, or jewelry. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts. Loose clothes, jewelry, or long hair can be caught in moving parts. Air vents on the tool often cover moving parts and should be avoided.
- Wear the proper personal protective equipment when necessary. Use ANSI Z87.1 compliant safety goggles (not safety glasses) with side shields, or when needed, a face shield. Use a dust mask in dusty work conditions. Also use non-skid safety shoes, hardhat, gloves, dust collection systems, and hearing protection when appropriate. This applies to all persons in the work area.
- Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.

## **⚠CAUTION**

### **TRUCK USE AND CARE**

- Do not force the truck. Products are safer and do a better job when used in the manner for which they are designed. Plan your work, and use the correct product for the job.
- Check for damaged parts before each use. Carefully check that the truck will operate properly and perform its intended function. Replace damaged or worn parts immediately. Never operate the truck with a damaged part.
- Store the truck when it is not in use. Store it in a dry, secure place out of the reach of children. Inspect the tool for good working condition prior to storage and before re-use.
- Use only accessories that are recommended by the manufacturer for use with your truck. Accessories that may be suitable for one product may create a risk of injury when used with another tool. Never use an accessory that has a lower operating speed or operating pressure than the tool itself.

## **Specific Operation Warnings**

## **⚠WARNING**

- Do not exceed the load capacity of the truck. Always block the wheels when loading or unloading.
- Distribute the load evenly. This is especially important when loading and unloading the truck. Uneven loads may cause the truck to tip, resulting in personal injury to the operator or others.

## Assembly Instructions

Before assembling, remove all parts from the box and count the quantities for each.

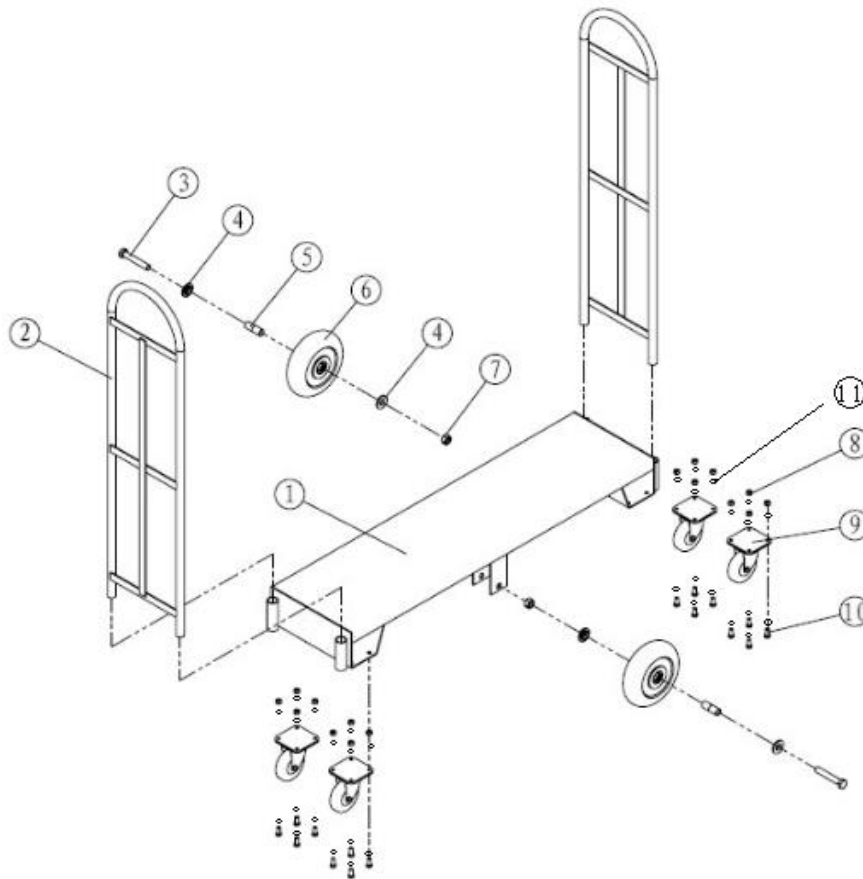
1. Mounting the rigid caster. Turn the platform over, insert the channel into the rigid caster, then place the plastic washer on two sides of the rigid caster. Use the screw and lock nut to fix the assembled rigid caster into the wheel bracket in the middle of deck.
2. Mounting the swivel caster. Place the swivel caster in position, then affix the caster tightly with the screw and lock nut. Do the same for the other three casters.
3. Inserting the removable handle. Turn back the deck and place the handle into the correct hole. Use the same process for the other handle.

The truck is now ready for use.

## Maintenance

Maintain the truck by adopting a program of conscientious repair and maintenance in accordance with the following recommended procedures. It is recommended that the general condition of any tool be examined before it is used. Keep your tool in good repair.

## Parts Diagram



## Parts List

Reference Number	Description	Quantity
01	Steel Platform	1
02	Handle	2
03	Screw	2
04	Plastic Washer	4
05	Channel	2
06	8" Rigid Caster	2
07	Lock Nut	2
08	Lock Nut	16
09	4" Swivel Caster	4
10	Screw	16
11	Metal Washer	32

## Replacement Parts

- For replacement parts and technical questions, please call Customer Service at **1-800-222-5381**.
- Not all product components are available for replacement. The illustrations provided are a convenient reference to the location and position of parts in the assembly sequence.
- When ordering parts, the following information will be required: item description, item model number, item serial number/item lot date code, and the replacement part reference number.
- The distributor reserves the rights to make design changes and or improvements to product lines and manuals without notice.

## Limited Warranty

Northern Tool and Equipment Company, Inc. ("We" or "Us") warrants to the original purchaser only ("You" or "Your") that the Strongway product purchased will be free from material defects in both materials and workmanship, normal wear and tear excepted, for a period of one year from date of purchase. The foregoing warranty is valid only if the installation and use of the product is strictly in accordance with product instructions. There are no other warranties, express or implied, including the warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. If the product does not comply with this limited warranty, Your sole and exclusive remedy is that We will, at our sole option and within a commercially reasonable time, either replace the product or product component without charge to You or refund the purchase price (less shipping). This limited warranty is not transferable.

### Limitations on the Warranty

This limited warranty does not cover: (a) normal wear and tear; (b) damage through abuse, neglect, misuse, or as a result of any accident or in any other manner; (c) damage from misapplication, overloading, or improper installation; (d) improper maintenance and repair; and (e) product alteration in any manner by anyone other than Us, with the sole exception of alterations made pursuant to product instructions and in a workmanlike manner.

### Obligations of Purchaser

You must retain Your product purchase receipt to verify date of purchase and that You are the original purchaser. To make a warranty claim, contact Us at 1-800-222-5381, identify the product by make and model number, and follow the claim instructions that will be provided. The product and the purchase receipt must be provided to Us in order to process Your warranty claim. Any returned product that is replaced or refunded by Us becomes our property. You will be responsible for return shipping costs or costs related to Your return visit to a retail store.

### Remedy Limits

Product replacement or a refund of the purchase price is Your sole remedy under this limited warranty or any other warranty related to the product. We shall not be liable for: service or labor charges or damage to Your property incurred in removing or replacing the product; any damages, including, without limitation, damages to tangible personal property or personal injury, related to Your improper use, installation, or maintenance of the product or product component; or any indirect, incidental or consequential damages of any kind for any reason.

### Assumption of Risk

You acknowledge and agree that any use of the product for any purpose other than the specified use(s) stated in the product instructions is at Your own risk.

### Governing Law

This limited warranty gives You specific legal rights, and You also may have other rights which vary from state to state. Some states do not allow limitations or exclusions on implied warranties or incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to You. This limited warranty is governed by the laws of the State of Minnesota, without regard to rules pertaining to conflicts of law. The state courts located in Dakota County, Minnesota shall have exclusive jurisdiction for any disputes relating to this warranty.



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