



TAB TALK

Email To All Lectrotab Users

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Introduction

Welcome to "Tab Talk". This is the first issue of this memo which will be provided to all Lectrotab users, via email. Tab Talk will also be posted on the Lectrotab website and will be available via fax on request. Tab Talk's mission is to be helpful and informative, so, whenever appropriate, let us have your comments. Mostly stuff about installation, consumer comments about Lectrotab operation and performance, or something about your own experiences with the product will all be of interest. Also, send questions to be answered here in Tab Talk for everyone's benefit.

Design Change

We have made a design change in the way we will be attaching the lower actuator bracket to our tabs. Currently, we are using two headless studs, spot welded into the tab from the bottom. This design was used in order to have a smooth lower tab surface, which is good, however, this approach requires a skillfully executed spot weld procedure. As we grow, in order to maintain zero faults, we need to move from the spot weld to a more "foolproof" approach.

As of May 1, 2006, all tab production will use our new approach with most all present spot welded inventory being phased out within several months.

In the new design, we will punch the tab with 1/4" square holes to receive a "carriage" type bolt with a very low profile head. This head, which is only slightly domed, will preserve our smooth flow across the underside of our tabs. When securing the lower actuator bracket to the tab, the carriage bolts will lock in the square holes in the tabs while the self locking nuts are screwed in place. These "locked in" bolts will NOT have to be held with a wrench. For convenience, the two lower bracket bolts will already be in place, in each tab, with the self locking nuts on the bolt, finger tight.

Overall, the installation will go along as quickly and conveniently as before, with several advantages. First, the bolts will "self align", whereas, in the case of the welded studs, if the studs were the slightest bit tilted, the bracket was difficult to push onto the studs. Next, if the stud threads were damaged, it was difficult to replace the stud; the bolt will be easy to replace. And if a bolt is misplaced, any 1/4" bolt can be used.

As you get into this new approach, let us have your comments. Anytime, toll free, 888-LECTROTAB.