Hydraulic Steering for Outboard Powered Vessels

Hydraulic Steering for Outboard Powered Boats Rated to a Maximum of 150HP (Total)
To the Installer and End User (Owner)

Thank you for choosing BayStar Steering Systems by SeaStar Solutions. This Installation and Owner’s Manual contains all the information that you and others will require for the safe installation and use of your steering system and MUST remain on board the boat. Throughout this manual, information for the safe installation and operation of the steering system will be distinguished in one of the following ways:

**WARNING**

Hazards or unsafe practices which could result in severe personal injury or death.

Failure to adhere to a warning may lead to loss of steering control. Loss of steering control may result in unpredictable boat behavior, leading to ejection from boat causing property damage, personal injury and/or death.

**CAUTION**

Hazards or unsafe practices which could result in minor injury or product or property damage.

**NOTICE**

Important information in regards to installation, use and maintenance of the steering components.

These safety alerts alone cannot eliminate all of the hazards that may be present while on the water. SeaStar Solutions recommends that all users of the steering system take an accredited ‘boating safety course’, follow safe boating practices and are made aware of the environment that they will be in.

**NOTICE**

BayStar is NOT recommended in applications with high steering effort (i.e. such as those using high performance engines or boats capable of attaining high speeds), customers should consider upgrading the system to SeaStar/SeaStar Pro steering. This will reduce the steering effort due to the fact that SeaStar steering provides more output power resulting in lower steering effort.
SAFETY INFORMATION

**WARNING**
The safety information provided below is intended to inform you of the dangers that may be present before, during and after the installation. It is critical that you read and understand ALL the points noted.

The safe operation of the steering system is dependant upon proper installation and maintenance, common sense, safe judgment and the knowledge/expertise of the operator. Every installer/user of the steering system should know the following requirements ‘before’ installing/using the steering system.

If you have any questions regarding any of these warnings, contact SeaStar Solutions.

To reduce risk of severe injury or death. Always wear a Coast Guard Approved personal flotation device (PFD) and use an engine shut-off cord (lanyard).

1. Read and understand the Installation and Owner’s Manuals provided with your steering components.
2. Ensure that all components required to complete the installation are on hand (including hoses, fittings, fluid and the proper tools required for the installation).
3. SeaStar components are highly engineered and safety tested to ensure system integrity, DO NOT substitute any component with non-SeaStar components as this may compromise system performance/reliability.

1. Install components as directed in all Installation Manuals (including helm pumps, hoses and fitting kits).
2. DO NOT modify or substitute any component in any way without written consent from SeaStar Solutions.
   - Cylinder MUST be compatible with engine(s) installed.
   - Cylinder MUST be rated for use on the engine(s) installed.
4. Confirm that there is no interference between the steering cylinder(s), tiebars and the transom, splashwell, outboard engine or jackplate or any combination of these parts by performing the following steps;
   a) With engine fully tilted DOWN, turn steering wheel from hard over to hard over and confirm that no interference occurs.
      - if using a hydraulic jackplate the above must also be performed at all the positions of the jackplate.
   b) Repeat step 4a) with engines tilted UP.
   c) Perform step 4a) with each engine in DOWN/UP positions confirming that independent TRIM/TILT can be done without any interference.
5. Confirm that the steering cylinder can be fully stroked in both directions as well as full tilt and trim without stretching, chafing, rubbing and/or kinking of the hydraulic hoses.
6. Confirm that extruded nylon tubing has NOT been substituted for SeaStar Steering Hose.
7. DO NOT use a wire coil type trim switch with a hydraulic steering system as the wire can wind up tight around the steering wheel shaft and prevent further steering.
8. Conduct Fluid Level and System Check as outlined on page 26 of this manual.

**CAUTION**

-3 helm pumps are fitted with positionable O-ring style hose fitting ports (referred throughout this manual as ORB). Do NOT attempt to install an NPT pipe fitting into a -3 helm hose fitting port. Doing so will lead to irreparable damage to the helm. ONLY use SeaStar Solutions O-ring style hose fittings (ORB).
Safety Information Continued

**WARNING**

The safety information provided below is intended to inform you of the dangers that may be present before, during and after the installation. It is critical that you read and understand ALL the points noted.

### Prior to every use

1. Check fluid level in highest helm pump (see page 26 for proper fluid level setting).
2. Verify immediate steering response when turning steering wheel(s). (Ensure engine turns when steering wheel is turned.)
3. Visually inspect all steering hoses and fittings for wear, kinking and/or leaks.
4. Check for binding, loose, worn or leaking steering components.

**DO NOT OPERATE BOAT IF ANY COMPONENT IS NOT IN PROPER WORKING CONDITION.**

### During use

1. WEAR A COAST GUARD-APPROVED PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD).
2. ATTACH ENGINE SHUT-OFF CORD (LANYARD) TO YOUR PFD.
3. Never allow anyone not familiar with the operation of the steering system operate the boat at any time.
4. Know and adhere to the operator restrictions for your area including:
   - Federal Laws/Regulations,
   - State Laws/Regulations and
   - Municipal Laws/Regulations.

**DO NOT OPERATE BOAT IF ANY COMPONENT IS NOT IN PROPER WORKING CONDITION.**

### After use

1. Rinse off steering system thoroughly using ‘fresh, clean water only’.
   - Cleaning fluids containing ammonia, acids or any other corrosive ingredients MUST NOT be used for cleaning any part of the hydraulic steering system.

### Maintenance

1. Maintain steering system at a minimum of twice per year.
   - See Routine Maintenance, page 28 of this manual.

*Keep our waters clean for all current and future users. Dispose of ALL fluids in accordance with your local regulations.*
INTRODUCTION

Before proceeding with the installation, read these instructions thoroughly. SeaStar Solutions cannot accept responsibility for installations where instructions have not been followed, where substitute parts have been used, or where modifications have been made to our products.

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**WARNING**

Do Not use BayStar on vessels that exceed a MAXIMUM horsepower rating of 150HP (Total), or on smaller HP outboard engines that use wing nut type transom mount clamping screws. Warranty will be void if combined with any other product (including SeaStar steering components). Steering failure may occur causing property damage and/or personal injury or death.

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**NOTICE**

BayStar is NOT recommended in applications with high steering effort (i.e. such as those using high performance engines or boats capable of attaining high speeds), customers should consider upgrading the system to SeaStar/SeaStar Pro steering. This will reduce the steering effort due to the fact that SeaStar steering provides more output power resulting in lower steering effort.

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**NOTICE**

Due to a small amount of internal hydraulic slip, a “master spoke” or “centered” steering wheel cannot be maintained with a hydraulic steering system. For best results, use an equidistant spoke steering wheel. **Maximum steering wheel diameter = 28” (711 mm) and Maximum steering wheel dish = 5” (127 mm).**

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**WARNING**

Do Not use a wire coil type trim switch with a hydraulic steering system. Wire coil can wind tightly around the steering wheel shaft and prevent further steering!

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Before attempting installation, ensure that the splashwell of your boat has the following minimum dimensions.

### Minimum Splashwell Dimensions

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<th>CYLINDER MODEL NUMBER</th>
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**NOTES:**

i) Ensure there is no interference between the BayStar cylinder rod and the splashwell boot or engine controls & cables.

ii) Dimensional restrictions also apply to external motor mount brackets.

iii) Ensure dimension ‘A’ is maintained through full trim/tilt range.

iv) Maximum transom thickness 3” (76 mm).

v) Engines less than 70HP may require up to an additional 1” (25 mm) of splashwell clearance.

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**CAUTION**

Do Not use BayStar on smaller HP outboard engines that use wing nut type transom mount clamping screws.

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**Figure 1. Typical Installation Shown.**
Figure 2. If you must photocopy this mounting template for use, check ALL measurements using a measuring device prior to using as a template.
Note: This page left blank intentionally.
SYSTEM OVERVIEW

STEP 1  System Installation
- Install helm pump onto dash using the installation instructions noted on page 8 of this manual.

WARNING
Ensure that you read and understand ALL cautions, notices and warnings that are noted in your helm pump installation instructions.
- Install steering cylinder as outlined on page 13 of this manual.
- Install steering hoses as outlined on page 10 of this manual.

STEP 2  Filling and Purging Procedure
- Refer to fill and purge procedures as outlined on page 24 of this manual.

STEP 3  Fluid Level and System Check
- Refer to page 26 of this manual for setting fluid level in helm pump and performing the “system pressure test” to ensure steering system is ready for use.

WARNING
Fluid level and System check is critical to the safe operation of your boat, failure to follow this important step may lead to loss of steering control resulting in property damage, personal injury and/or death.

STEP 4  Routine Maintenance
- Refer to page 28 of this manual to become familiar with the routine maintenance that MUST be carried out in the intervals noted.

BayStar Hydraulic Steering System
Maximum 150 horsepower (Total).

NOTICE
Specific installation may vary from the application depicted. Ensure the engine can be fully tilted into the splashwell and turned from port (engine stop) to starboard (engine stop) without interference occurring between the steering cylinder and engine cowling, engine hook and the splashwell or transom.
**WARNING**

Warranty will be void if BayStar system components are combined with any other manufacturer’s product. Steering failure may occur causing property damage and/or personal injury or death. **MAXIMUM 150HP (Total)**

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**BayStar Helm Pump**

(Part # HH4311-3 and HH4314-3)

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**BayStar Cylinder**

(Part # HC4645-3, HC4647-3, HC4648-3, and HC4658-3)
Horse Power Limitations

Limited to boats rated to a MAXIMUM of 150HP (Total). Twin engine application not available at this time.

⚠️ WARNING

Warranty void if total maximum 150HP (Total) is exceeded.

Tools

You will need the following tools to complete your installation.

• 3" (77 mm) diameter hole saw or key hole saw
• 5/16" (9.5 mm) drill bit

Wrenches for helm installation

• 1/2" (13 mm) for mounting the helm
• 5/8" (16 mm) for tube nuts connecting tube to helm pump and fitting installation

Wrenches for HC4645-3, HC4647-3, HC4648-3, and HC4658-3 cylinder installation

• 9/16" (15 mm) for tiller bolt and fitting repositioning if needed (2 required)
• 1/2" (13 mm) for bleed fittings
• 5/8" (16 mm) for shaft nuts and fitting repositioning (2 required)
• 11/16" (18 mm) for tubing on the cylinder
• 1-1/8" (29 mm) for mounting nut
MOUNTING THE HELM

Step 1:
Determine desired mounting position. Ensure that the steering wheel will not interfere with other functional equipment. Check for adequate space behind the dash for fitting and line connections.

Step 2:
Tape the mounting template (found on page 3 of this manual) to the dash and use a center punch to mark the locations of the hole.

Step 3:
Confirm that you will not be drilling into any other equipment then drill the 3” diameter center hole and the four 5/16” diameter mounting holes as shown on the template.

Step 4:
Ensuring that the fill port is in the upper position, install the four washers and four nuts onto the mounting studs of the helm pump. Torque nuts to 110 in-lb.

Step 5:
Lightly grease taper of the helm shaft and mount steering wheel to helm.

Step 6:
Install ORB helm fittings into rear of helm, see page 9 for ORB fitting installation.

**WARNING**
Use only self-locking fasteners provided; substituting non-self locking fasteners can result in loosening or separation of equipment and loss of steering control. DO NOT exceed 110 in.lbs. (12 Nm) torque on helm nuts and bolts.

**CAUTION**
Tighten steering wheel shaft nut before filling and purging the steering system. Tighten nut to 150 in./lbs. (17 Nm). DO NOT exceed 200 in.lbs. (22 Nm).

**NOTICE**
BayStar HH4314-3 shown.

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Figure 5.
Re-Positionable ORB Hose Fitting Installation

CAUTION

-3 helm pumps and cylinders are fitted with positionable O-ring style hose fitting ports (referred throughout this manual as ORB). Do NOT attempt to install an NPT pipe fitting into a -3 helm hose fitting port. Doing so will lead to irreparable damage to the helm. ONLY use SeaStar Solutions O-ring style hose fittings (ORB), to the helm and or cylinder.

Re-Positionable Pump Fitting Installation

NOTE: for straight ORB fittings simply torque fitting to 18 ft-lbs. Fitting re-orientation not required.

1. Back off lock nut (item 1), counter-clockwise, until it stops.

NOTE: O-ring must be fully on sealing surface and cannot contact any threads. Do not use Teflon tape or any liquid pipe sealant with ORB fittings.

2. Thread fitting into port until fitting washer (item 2) contacts the face of the port. Tighten hand tight. DO NOT USE A WRENCH.

3. Re-position fitting to desired orientation by turning it counter-clockwise to a MAXIMUM of 1 full turn.

4. While holding the fitting body securely with a wrench, torque the lock nut (item 1) to 18 ft-lbs.

5. While holding the fitting body securely with a wrench, torque the hose end nut to 15 ft-lbs.

WARNING

Failure to properly tighten the lock-nut (item 1) may lead to loss of steering control. Loss of steering control may result in unpredictable boat behavior, collision with an obstacle and/or ejection from vessel, leading to property damage, personal injury and/or death.

SECURE WITH WRENCH HERE WHILE TIGHTENING LOCKNUT (ITEM 1)

Figure 6.

THREAD FITTING BY HAND UNTIL WASHER CONTACTS THIS FACE

Figure 7.

WARNING

SeaStar Solutions recommends that the hose and hose fittings are checked on a regular basis to ensure the safe operation of the steering system.

Figure 6.
HYDRAULIC HOSE/TUBE INSTALLATION

Steering hoses/tubing and how they are installed are critical to the safe operation of your steering system. SeaStar Solutions recommends the use of BayStar tubing or SeaStar hose ONLY. Use of any other tube/hose may drastically reduce system performance and safety.

**WARNING**

DO NOT cut SeaStar steering hoses, cutting these hoses will render them useless.

Before continuing on with the installation of your steering hoses, please ensure that you read and understand the important points shown below;

- DO NOT apply pipe sealant of any type onto SeaStar ORB fittings. ORB fittings use O-rings to seal the connections.
- DO NOT remove protective end covers until the hoses/tubing have been routed and are ready to be connected to the helm pump, hose/tube fitting or steering cylinder(s).
- Before, during and after installation the hoses/tubing MUST be protected from chaffing, rubbing, and contact or interference with assembly screws or sharp edges of any type.
- DO NOT install hoses/tubing in an area where they will be exposed to high heat, such as engine manifolds, engine compartments or highly corrosive areas such as battery fumes or electrical connections.
- If possible, route hoses/tubing through a protective PVC cover.
- Secure hose/tube in minimum 2' (600 mm) increments.
- DO NOT bend hoses/tubing tighter than a 3-1/2" (89 mm) radius.
- Provide sufficient hose/tube lengths to allow for cylinder movement throughout the turning arc and UP/DOWN trim/tilt settings of the engine(s).
- DO NOT allow hoses/tubing to hang free in an area where they could become a safety hazard.
- Where possible, route hoses in an area where they can be easily inspected for wear on a regular basis.

**WARNING**

Continuous kinking, rubbing, chafing or twisting of a steering hose/tube may eventually weaken the hose(s) to a point where it could rupture. Rupture of a hose will lead to loss of steering control.

**STEP 1**

Set Up

- See Figure 10 to locate your plumbing diagram.
- Mark each end of the hose to ensure proper connection.

**NOTICE**

Hoses/tubing is crossed from the helm pump(s) to the steering cylinder(s). Port side helm connection will be installed onto the starboard fitting on the cylinder, and the starboard side helm connection will be installed onto the port side fitting on the cylinder.

**STEP 2**

Routing

Throughout the hose/tube installation, ensure the protective caps remain installed onto the end of the hoses. Doing so will prevent contamination from entering the system.

- Route steering hoses/tubing so that the hose bend restrictor will be located at the steering cylinder(s).
- Route steering hoses/tubing so that they have a gradual rise from the steering cylinder(s) to the helm pump.
1. Minimum bend radius 3-1/2” (89 mm).
2. If you need to re-position the cylinder fittings, refer to instructions on page 9.
3. Hoses should be secured to the control cable harness as they enter the splashwell through the boot.

• If routing hoses/tubing through a blind area, ensure that the area is free and clear of any sharp edge, screw or any other object that may damage the hose.
• Secure hoses/tubing every 2” (600 mm).

Substituting brass fittings into the steering cylinder may result in galvanic corrosion and irreparable damage to the cylinder as well as affect system integrity.

**Figure 8.**

**STEP 3A BayStar Tubing Installation**

- Remove protective caps
- Install tube end “complete with the swage fitting and protective covering” onto the proper steering cylinder tube fitting, tighten hand-tight
- While holding fitting body with a wrench, tighten tube nut to 15 ft-lb
- Route tubing to helm pump
- Remove protective caps
- Using a pipe cutter, cut off excess tubing
- Slide tube nut over tubing
- Push tubing into bottom of component fitting
- Hand tighten tube nut
- While holding fitting body with a wrench, tighten tube nut to 12 ft-lb

**Figure 9.**
STEP 3B  SeaStar hose to fitting installation

- Remove protective caps.
- Install hose end fitting onto intended fitting, tighten hand tight.
- While holding the receiving fitting with a wrench, tighten hose fitting to 15 ft-lb.

**WARNING**

When installed, confirm that the hoses are not being pulled or kinked over by pushing the engine(s) back and fourth. Hoses must NOT be pulled on at any time.

Hose Inspection

**DO NOT** operate the vessel if ANY of the following are observed:
- Fitting slippage on hose
- Damaged, cracked, cut or abraded cover (or any reinforcement exposed)
- Hard, stiff, heat cracked, or charred hoses;
- Cracked, damaged, or badly corroded fittings;
- Leaks at fitting, or in hose;
- Kinked, crushed, flattened or twisted hose; and
- Blistered, soft, degraded, or loose cover.
CYLINDER INSTALLATION

BayStar Compact Cylinders, HC4645-3, HC4647-3, HC4648-3, and HC4658-3

On the following pages of this instruction booklet you will find the assembly drawing for your specific application.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
In some cases, engine manufacturers will install plugs, caps and/or screws into the engine tiller arm. These plugs, caps and/or screws MUST be removed prior to installation of the steering cylinder. Failure to do so may cause wear on steering parts leading to property damage and/or personal injury or death.

NOTICE
Before beginning installation make sure that all mounting hardware is included and that the tiller arm and the tilt tube bolt holes are clean and free from rust or burrs.

⚠️ CAUTION ⚠️
Engines with rigid engine mounts have been shown to cause premature wear to the pivot cylinder—therefore, please perform a complete Inspection of your steering system as outlined in the Maintenance Section at the back of this manual.

Single Engines

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
Refer to page 29 for the correct torque specifications for your installation. Failure to correctly install your steering cylinder and torque all screws may result in steering failure causing property damage and/or personal injury.

Step 1:
Using a good quality marine grease (such as Evinrude Triple Guard, Quicksilver anti-corrosion, Yamaha marine grease, or equivalent), liberally lubricate the tilt tube, support rods (Item 5) and mount nut (item 7) and then slide the support rods (Item 5) into engine tilt tube.

Step 2:
Lightly grease the tiller bolt (Item 2) & partially screw into the appropriate hole in the tiller arm to assure a proper fit. Remove and go to Step 3.

Step 3:
Select appropriate insert diagram from Figure 11 through 15 to determine proper orientation of the cylinder assembly, the tiller bolt and the self-locking nut (Items 8, 2 and 1). Grease and install as indicated.

Step 4:
Screw lubricated mounting nut (item 7) onto tilt tube of the engine. Torque nut 20–25 ft-lb.

Step 5:
Lightly grease the ends of the cylinder shaft and holes of the support rods (item 5). Attach and secure support rods (Item 5) to the cylinder shaft. Tighten using the nuts and washers (Items 4 & 3) as illustrated in Figure 11 through 17.

⚠️ CAUTION ⚠️
If installing a jackplate make sure that there is NO interference between the jackplate and your steering cylinder. If there is interference, it may occur during full tilt and you should install lift restrictors (Tilt Stop Switch). Some engine manufacturers supply these as standard equipment.
**WARNING** Refer to page 29 for correct torque specifications of all installation hardware.

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**WARNING**

- May have to cut off part of transom hangers if cylinder assembly interferes when motor is tilted to trailer lock position.
- Fully tilting the engine may cause the steering cylinder to interfere with the transom and/or splashwell. Possible damage to the steering system can result. Ensure that the cylinder is free from interference at all times.
- Small and mid-sized outboards, up to 60HP may use a shorter tiller tube; this will cause the cylinder to not be centered. Refer to page 23 for aligning details.

**NOTICE**

- In some cases, engine manufacturers will install plugs, caps and/or screws into the engine tiller arm. These plugs, caps and/or screws MUST be removed prior to installation of the steering cylinder. Failure to do so may cause wear on steering parts leading to property damage and/or personal injury or death.

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* Refer to page 29 for correct torque specifications.
## WARNING
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### Figure 12.

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### WARNING

Fully tilting the engine may cause the steering cylinder to interfere with the transom and/or splashwell. Possible damage to the steering system can result. Ensure that the cylinder is free from interference at all times.

### NOTICE

Small and mid-sized outboards, up to 60HP may use a shorter tilt tube; this will cause the cylinder to not be centered. Refer to page 23 for aligning details.

### Torque Specifications

- **21** ft-lb
- **20-25** ft-lb
- **33** ft-lb
- **33** ft-lb

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### Important Notes

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WARNING Refer to page 29 for correct torque specifications of all installation hardware.

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**WARNING**

Engine clamp brackets must be modified (cut or ground) and the engine through bolted onto transom or interference will occur restricting engine trim & tilt.

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**HYDRAULIC STEERING**

**ENGINE MANUFACTURER | YEAR | MODEL | CYLINDER | NOTE**
---|---|---|---|---
YANMAR | 1990 TO DATE | 27–36 HP | HC4645-3 | Requires Spacer Kit HO5090 (See page 21).

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**ITEM | PART # | QTY | DESCRIPTION**
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*1 | 113529 | 1 | Nut, 3/8" NF Nylok® SS
*2 | 113222 | 1 | HHCS 3/8" NF x 1-1/4" SS
  
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If spacer kit HO5090 used then:

198767 | 1 | HHCS 3/8" NF x 1-5/8" SS (In Kit)
3 | 731625 | 2 | Washer Flat, 7/16" SS
*4 | 731720 | 2 | 7/16" NF Nylok® SS
5 | 590040 | 2 | Support Bracket

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**ITEM | PART # | QTY | DESCRIPTION**
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*7 | N/A | 1 | Mount Nut, Support Bracket
8 | HC46XX-3 | 1 | Cylinder Assembly
9 | HF4203 | 1 | -4 ORB Bleeder Tee Kit

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Figure 16.
## BAYSTAR Hydraulics

### HYDRAULIC STEERING

**ENGINE MANUFACTURER** | **YEAR** | **MODEL** | **CYLINDER** | **NOTE**
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**SUZUKI** | 1986 TO DATE | 150 HP | HC4645-3 | (See Fig. 17a)
| 1990 TO 2000 | 90-100 HP | HC4645-3 | Requires Spacer Kit HO5090 (See page 21).
| 1998 TO DATE | 40-70 HP 4 Stroke | HC4645-3 | Requires Spacer Kit HO5090 (See page 21).
| 2001 TO DATE | 115-140 HP 4 Stroke | HC4658-3 | If using cylinder HC4645-3 please invert pivot plate (See page 22). (Refer to Fig. 17b).

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| *2 | 113222 | 1 | HHCS 3/8” NF x 1-1/4” SS |
| | 198767 | 1 | HHCS 3/8” NF x 1-5/8” SS *(In Kit)* |
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**WARNING**

Fully tilting the engine may cause the steering cylinder to interfere with the transom and/or splashwell. Possible damage to the steering system can result. Ensure that the cylinder is free from interference at all times.

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**Figure 17.**

**Figure 17a.**

Suzuki 1986 to Date 150HP

**Figure 17b.**

Suzuki 2001 to Date 115-140 HP 4 Stroke

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**Suicide 1986 to Date 150HP**

**Suicide 2001 to Date 115-140 HP 4 Stroke**

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**Figure 17a.**

**Figure 17b.**
HO5090 Spacer Kit

For Use with BayStar Hydraulic Steering Cylinder HC4645-3, HC4647-3, HC4647-3, and HC4658-3.

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*Figure 18.*

*Figure 19.*

*Figure 20.*
REVERSING COMPACT CYLINDER ENGINE PLATE

Recommended Tools

5/32” Allen head socket, with extension.

1. **DO NOT** attempt to reverse the pivot plate with the cylinder installed on the engine. (This may damage the steering shaft, causing irreparable damage.)

2. Remove the two cap screws from one end of the steering cylinder using the 5/32” Allen head wrench, or socket.

**CAUTION**

DO NOT pull the gland off the end of the shaft, doing so may damage the seals when you try to reassemble it.

3. Remove the pivot plate and flip over end for end, placing the end hole over the shaft stub on the fixed gland.

**CAUTION**

4. After removing the cap screws there will be small amounts of debris on the screw. Ensure that any loose debris is removed from inside and the face of the cylinder body.

5. Carefully slide the loose gland back into place so that the gland stub fits into the hole on the pivot plate. Some SeaStar steering fluid applied to the O-ring on the gland may ease reinsertion into the barrel.

6. Align the screw holes on the gland with the threaded holes on the barrel, ensure that the gland face is butted tightly against the end of the barrel, with no debris in between, and fasten using the cap screws removed earlier. Tighten to torque spec 60 in-lb (5 ft-lb).

![Diagram of cylinder components]

*Figure 21.*
MOUNTING TO OUTBOARD ENGINES UP TO 60 HP

Small and mid sized outboard engines up to 60HP may use a shorter tilt tube causing the BayStar Compact Steering Cylinder to be NOT centered with the engine in the straight ahead position. This will create reduced steering articulation in one direction. Please follow the instructions below to center the cylinder and address this issue.

**Centering Instructions**

1. Mount the steering cylinder as per your installation manual and position the engine in the straight ahead position.

2. Using a measuring tape, measure the amount of steering rod on both sides of the steering cylinders. (Refer to Figure 22.) If the starboard side of the rod is shorter than the port side by 11/16” or more, proceed to Step 3. If less than 11/16” your cylinder is centered, continue on with steering installation as per your installation manual.

3. Remove the support rod mounting nut (item 1), the cylinder end nut (item 2), then remove the support rod assembly.

4. Carefully remove the support rod retaining clip (item 3) using a vice, and move the clip to the inner groove (item 4).

5. Reinstall the support rod assembly and verify that the measurements taken in Step 2 are now within 11/16” side to side.

6. Continue with steering system installation as per the installation manual that was provided with your steering system.

Figure 22.
FILLING AND PURGING THE SYSTEM

DEALER NOTICE
Reduce purging time to approximately 10 min per system with optional, portable Power Purge Jr. For more information reference our Website at www.seastarsolutions.com or contact your marine parts dealer.

Read First
This procedure requires two people. One person may not be able to remove all the air from the system which will result in spongy, unresponsive steering.

During the entire filling procedure, fluid must be visible in the filler tube. Do not allow the fluid level to disappear into the helm pump, as this may introduce air into the system and increase your filling time.

Hydraulic Fluid Requirements
Due to recent upgrades in our steering system components, SeaStar Solutions recommends use of SeaStar Steering Fluid ONLY in our hydraulic steering systems. SeaStar Steering Systems have been engineered and validated using our proprietary SeaStar Hydraulic Steering Fluid. SeaStar Steering fluid is engineered with a special additive package that contains anti-foaming and anti-rusting agents, anti-oxidants, viscosity stabilizers, corrosion inhibitors, wear additives as well as water emulsification additives. It is highly recommended that SeaStar Steering Fluid be used to ensure optimum system performance and safety.

WARNING
NEVER use brake fluid. Any non-approved fluid may cause irreparable damage, loss of steering, and cancellation of warranty.

NOTICE
Fluid can be re-used if filtered through a fine mesh screen such as used for gasoline. If unable to filter fluid, an additional bottle of fluid is required.

NOTICE
“Bleeder” refers to cylinder fitted with bleeder tee fittings. Open bleeder by turning fitting(s) counter clockwise.

NOTICE
Filling the helm with fluid can be done faster if fluid is poured into the helm prior to connecting filler tube and fluid bottle to the helm.

NOTICE
Help protect your boating environment by ensuring that all used fluid is disposed of properly.
**Step 1**

- Screw the threaded end of the filler tube into the helm filler port.
- Remove the cap from the fluid bottle and holding upright screw into the filler tube bottle cap. Poke hole in the bottom of the bottle.
- Fill the helm pump with hydraulic fluid so that it is visible in the filler tube. Fluid should always be visible in the filler tube. Use the next bottle of fluid at any time during the procedure in order to maintain the fluid level. Do not proceed with step 2 until helm is full.

**Step 2**

- Turn the steering wheel clockwise until the cylinder rod is fully extended.
- Open starboard side fitting.

**Step 3**

- Hold the cylinder body to prevent the rod from moving and turn the wheel counter-clockwise until a steady stream of air free fluid flows from the bleeder nipple.  
  **Note:** If attached to engine, hold engine to prevent cylinder rod from moving.
- While continuing to turn the wheel, close the bleeder fitting.

**Step 4**

- Continue to turn the steering wheel counter-clockwise until the cylinder rod is fully extended. (Steering wheel will come to a stop.)
- Open Port side bleeder.

**Step 5**

- Hold the cylinder body to prevent the rod from moving and turn the wheel clockwise until a steady stream of air free fluid flows from the bleeder nipple.  
  **Note:** If attached to engine, hold engine to prevent cylinder rod from moving.
- While continuing to turn the wheel, close the port side bleeder fitting.
System Air Test

- Place engine in the center position.
- Manually push engine back and fourth.
- While pushing engine back and fourth, watch the steering cylinder “body” move.

If cylinder body moves more than 1/8”, this is a sign that there is still air remaining in the system and further bleeding is required.

Fluid Level and System Check

Step 1 – Fluid level Setting

**WARNING** The fluid level MUST be checked and maintained BEFORE EACH use to ensure safe steering operation. Failure to adhere to this warning may lead to loss of steering control resulting in persons being ejected from vessel or collision with an obstacle, leading to property damage, personal injury and/or death.

- If mounted with the wheel shaft horizontal, the helm MUST be filled to the bottom of filler hole AT ALL TIMES. DO NOT allow fluid level to drop more than 1/4” below filler threads.
- For helms mounted on a 20 degree angle, or, with wheel shaft in the vertical position, fluid level should be within 1/2” of filler hole.

Step 2 – System Check

**WARNING** The system check MUST be completed after installation. Doing so will ensure the safe operation of your steering system and any fault/leak will show at this time. Failure to adhere to this warning/check may result in the loss of steering control leading to ejection from the vessel, or, collision with an obstacle resulting in property damage, personal injury and/or death.

- Turn steering wheel hard over to hard over to confirm unrestricted movement of the steering system and hoses. Repeat this procedure in ALL trim/tilt positions of the engine(s). If interference occurs, or, hoses are being stretched this MUST be removed prior to operating your boat.
- Confirm that engine(s) are deflecting to the proper direction when steering wheel is turned.
- If no interference is noticed, or any interference is corrected, go to next step.
- Take steering wheel hard over to starboard (any helm can be used on a multi-station boat). Once the wheel reaches its stop point (cylinder is fully stroked out), continue to force the wheel one (1) full turn past stop. Leave wheel in this position while you check all connections, fittings, seals and hoses for leaks.
• If leaks are noticed they MUST be repaired prior to operating boat. After repair repeat bleeding procedures as outlined in this manual.

• Repeat to the Port direction and inspect ALL connections, fittings, seals and hoses for leaks.

• If leaks are noticed they MUST be repaired prior to operating boat. After repair repeat bleeding procedures as outlined in this manual.

**NOTICE**

This step will NOT harm the system and any noise made during this step should not be considered a fault in the steering system.

**WARNING**

Failure to complete the above noted step or, failure to correct a problem may result in loss of steering control leading to ejection from the vessel or collision with an obstacle resulting in property damage, personal injury and/or death.
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

1. Owner(s) (End Users)

Prior to every use.
1. Check Fluid level in highest helm pump (see page 26 for proper fluid level setting).
2. Verify immediate steering response when turning steering wheel(s). (Ensure engine turns when steering wheel is turned.)
3. Visually inspect all steering hoses and fittings for wear, kinking and/or leaks.
4. Check for binding, loose, worn or leaking steering components.

WARNING
DO NOT operate boat if any component is not in proper working condition.

2. Qualified Marine Mechanic

After first 20 hours, then every 100 hours or 6 months thereafter (which ever comes first).
1. All points noted above.
2. Check tightness of ALL fasteners/fittings throughout the steering system. Tighten to correct torque specifications as required.
3. Check for mechanical play or slop throughout steering system, correct as required.
4. Check for signs of corrosion. If corrosion is present contact your dealer or SeaStar Solutions.

After every 200 hours or 12 months (which ever comes first).
1. All points noted above.
2. Remove support rod from engine steering/tilt tube. Clean engine steering/tilt tube and re-grease using a good quality marine grease.
3. Grease support rod liberally
4. Grease all contact points shown in Figure 24. DO NOT remove tiller bolt to re-grease.
5. Remove steering wheel and re-grease wheel shaft using a good quality marine grease.
6. Inspect hydraulic fluid for cleanliness, flush if required.

WARNING
Any work being performed with the steering system MUST be completed by a qualified mechanic with the working knowledge of the system.

Following the routine maintenance schedules as outlined below will ensure years of service from your BayStar Steering System, as well as keep you and your passengers safe from the dangers that are present on and off the water.

NOTICE: Ensure proper torque specification is met when reinstalling.
2. Remove tiller nut; clean threads, regrease using a good quality marine grease, then reinstall.

**NOTE:** Ensure proper torque specification is met when reinstalling.

3. Remove support rod from cylinder shaft, clean and regrease using a good quality marine grease.

**NOTE:** Ensure proper torque specification is met when reinstalling.

4. Remove steering wheel; clean off helm pump shaft; regrease using a good quality marine grease.

**NOTE:** When reinstalling steering wheel, ensure proper torque specification is met.

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**Bolt Torque Specifications**

These are the recommended maximum torque values for reusable dry bolts. Bolts should be torqued to this value +0% -20%. For lubricated bolts, multiply the dry bolt torque values by 0.75.

Values are stated in: **in/lbs (N.m)**

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**NOTICE:** Torque values for 18-8 stainless steel and brass bolts are taken from a torque guide by ITT Harper. All results correspond well with basic bolt equations, using a bolt factor of 0.2 and a factor of 3/4 for a reusable connection.
### TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

#### Maximum 150HP (Total)

BayStar Hydraulic Steering will provide years of safe and reliable performance when installed and maintained correctly. As with all hydraulic steering systems, the BayStar helm is fitted with an internal pressure relief valve to protect the components of the system during over-pressure situations (such as hitting an object/ground during operation). This valve is set to 1000psi.

Most faults occur when installation instructions are not followed and in most cases will show up immediately upon filling the system. Below are the most common faults, their likely cause and possible solutions.

#### WARNING

Whenever in the following text a solution calls for removal from the vessel and/or dismantling of steering system components, the work must be carried out by a qualified marine hydraulic mechanic only. SeaStar Solutions offers the following as a guide only and will not assume any responsibility for problems resulting from incorrect repairs.

#### WARNING

Warranty will be void if maximum 150HP (Total) exceeded or if combined with any other product (including SeaStar steering components). Steering failure may occur causing property damage and/or personal injury or death.

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<td>1. During filling the helm becomes completely jammed.</td>
<td>Blockage in the line between the helm and cylinder.</td>
<td>Check ALL fittings for incomplete holes, replace faulty fitting. Fittings without complete holes, however, are not common. Make certain that the BayStar tube has not collapsed during installation. If so: In a system using tubing, the collapsed section will need to be removed and re-fitted with a new piece with the aid of tube connectors. In a system using Hose, the entire hose will need to be replaced, DO NOT cut Hose.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. System is very difficult to fill. Air keeps burping out top of helm even after system appears full.</td>
<td>Cylinder has been mounted upside down. This causes air to be trapped in the cylinder. Air in system. Bleed fitting leaking. Coiled BayStar tube.</td>
<td>Mount cylinder correctly, according to cylinder installation instructions. Ports should always be kept in uppermost position. Review filling instructions. Tighten bleed fitting. Uncoil or straighten the BayStar tube.</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Steering is stiff and hard to turn, even when the vessel is not moving.</td>
<td>Restrictions in tube. Wrong fluid, like ATF has been used to fill the system. Cylinder connecting nuts are over tightened. Cylinder installed into wrong hole in steering arm.</td>
<td>Find restriction and correct. <strong>WARNING</strong> Kinked BayStar tube MUST be replaced. Failure to do so may result in a loss of steering causing personal injury, property damage or death. Drain system and fill with BayStar fluid. Ensure proper torque specification has been met. Confirm proper hole as shown on your engine application.</td>
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**NOTICE** In some installations, when returning the wheel from a hardover position, a slight resistance and clicking sound may be heard. This should not be mistaken as a fault, this is a normal occurrence caused by the release of the lock-spool.

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<td>4. Helm unit in system is very bumpy and requires too many turns from</td>
<td>Dirt in inlet check of helm pump.</td>
<td>Contact repair center, or replace helm pump. <strong>WARNING</strong> DO NOT attempt to access check valves, or dismantle the helm pump in any way,</td>
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<td>hardover.</td>
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<td>doing so may lead to loss of steering control resulting in ejection from boat, or collision with an obstacle causing property damage,</td>
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<td>personal injury and/or death.</td>
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<td>5. Steering is easy to turn at the dock, but becomes hard to turn when</td>
<td>Steering wheel is too small.</td>
<td>Fit larger steering wheel if possible, see installation instructions. If this does not correct the problem proceed with next cause and</td>
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<td>vessel is underway.</td>
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<td>solution or consult factory. Max. wheel dia. 22”(56 cm). Adam tab(s).</td>
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<td>Check fluid level, perform air test as instructed on page 26, fill and purge system as instructed on page 24.</td>
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<td>Replace BayStar steering system with SeaStar steering system.</td>
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<td>6. Engine drifts to port or starboard while vessel is underway, even</td>
<td>Dirt in check valves.</td>
<td>Contact repair center, or replace helm pump. <strong>WARNING</strong> DO NOT attempt to access check valves, or dismantle the helm pump in any way,</td>
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<td>when wheel is not being turned.</td>
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<td>personal injury and/or death.</td>
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<td>7. Turning wheel to starboard causes the boat to turn to port.</td>
<td>Incorrect tube connections.</td>
<td>Switch the port side BayStar tubing to the starboard cylinder fitting and the starboard BayStar tubing to the port side cylinder fitting.</td>
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<td>Refill and purge system.</td>
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<td>8. My application requires me to flip or change the pivot plate on</td>
<td>Different engine applications.</td>
<td>Please refer to page 22 for complete instructions.</td>
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<td>my cylinder.</td>
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## REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

### NOTICE

Maintenance/Repairs on BayStar steering components must be performed by a qualified marine mechanic. 

### Replacement Parts

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<td>HP4601</td>
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<td>Seal Kit (with Glands)</td>
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<td>HF4203</td>
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<td>-4 ORB Bleeder Tee Kit</td>
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<td>HP6050</td>
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<td>Support Rod Kit</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Various</td>
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<td>Pivot Plate (see page 33)</td>
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*Figure 26.*
REPLACEABLE PIVOT PLATE (PART # HA4640, HA4641, HA4642, and HA4643)

Remove cylinder from the engine. Please refer to page 13 before cylinder removal.

Step 1
Remove the two cap screws from one end of the steering cylinder using the 5/32" Allen head wrench, or socket.

Step 2
Remove the pivot plate and install the correct plate for your engine application.

Step 3
Carefully slide the loose gland back into place so that the gland stub fits into the hole on the pivot plate. Some SeaStar steering fluid applied to the O-ring on the gland may ease reinsertion into the barrel.

Step 4
Align the screw holes on the gland with the threaded holes on the barrel, ensure that the gland face is Butted tightly against the end of the barrel, with no debris in between, and fasten using the cap screws removed earlier. Tighten to torque spec 60 in-lb (5 ft-lb).

CAUTION
DO NOT pull the gland off the end of the shaft, doing so may damage the seals when you try to reassemble it.

CAUTION
After removing the cap screws there will be small amounts of debris on the screw. Ensure that any loose debris is removed from inside and the face of the cylinder body.

Figure 27.

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Figure 28. HA4640 plate shown.
WARRANTY

Statement of Limited Warranty

We warrant to the original retail purchaser that Marine Canada Acquisition Inc. DBA SEASTAR SOLUTIONS (herein forward referred to as SeaStar Solutions) products have been manufactured free from defects in materials and workmanship. This warranty is effective for two years from date of purchase, excepting that where SeaStar Solutions products are used commercially or in any rental or income producing activity, then this warranty is limited to one year from the date of purchase.

We will provide replacement product without charge, for any SeaStar Solutions product meeting this warranty, which is returned (freight prepaid) within the warranty period to the dealer from whom such product were purchased, or to us at the appropriate address. In such a case SeaStar Solutions products found to be defective and covered by this warranty, will be replaced at SeaStar Solutions’ option, and returned to the customer.

The above quoted statement is an extract from the complete SeaStar Solutions products warranty statement. A complete warranty policy is available in our SeaStar Solutions products catalogue.

For more information please visit our website:

Return Goods Procedure

Prior to returning product to SeaStar Solutions under warranty, please call: 604-248-3858 or email: Marine.Warranty@seastarsolutions.com to obtain a return goods authorization number (claim number) and further shipping instructions.

Technical Support

Phone: 604-248-3858
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Hours: Monday to Friday 05:00 – 15:30 PST
Web: www.seastarsolutions.com

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