



# Usage and Maintenance Instructions

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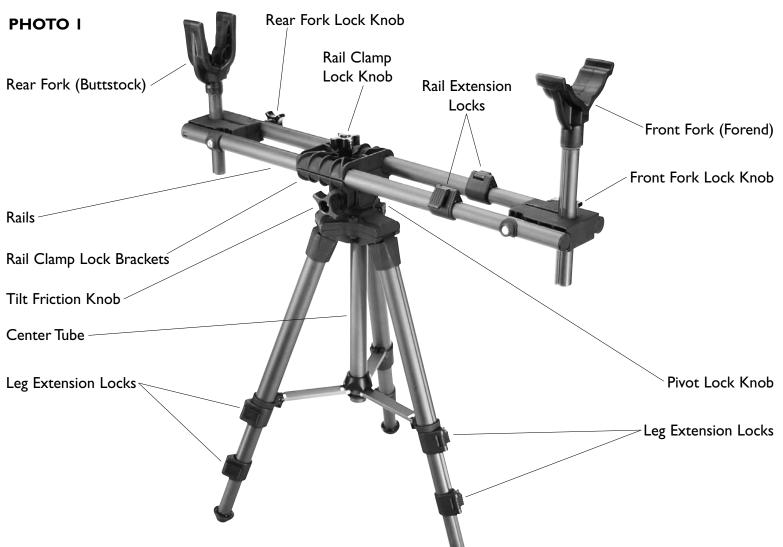
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## WARNING IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- Read these instructions in their entirety before using this product. Failure to follow this warning could result in property damage, injury or even death.
- Always follow basic gun safety rules while using this product.
- This product is intended for use by adults or under strict supervision of an adult.
- To prevent the rest from tipping over, care must be taken at all times a gun or other weapon is placed on it.
  - 1) Set the upper frame clamp for proper balance, see step 13 below.
  - 2) Be careful to not bump the gun, other weapon or the rest.
- Hold gun or other weapon securely with both hands and keep contact between the rear of the stock and shoulder at all times while aiming and firing. The rest is not intended to absorb recoil from any gun or weapon.

Thank you for purchasing a Caldwell DeadShot FieldPod. Your DeadShot FieldPod (DSFP) is fully assembled and ready for use. Please read these instructions completely before initial use. Improper deployment can damage the DSFP.



#### **Deployment and Use:**

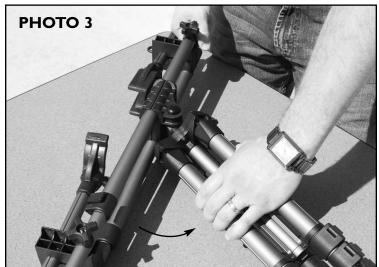
For the initial deployment and familiarization of the DSFP, you may find it easier to work on a table top as we have done here in steps I through 12.

I. Loosen Rail Lock Knob just until tension is reduced. (See PHOTO 2)

NOTE: This knob will be positioned under the Rear Fork but is still accessible.

2. Rotate Rails away from Legs and slide the Rails until the Rail Clamp Lock Brackets are near the middle of the Rails. (See PHOTO 3)

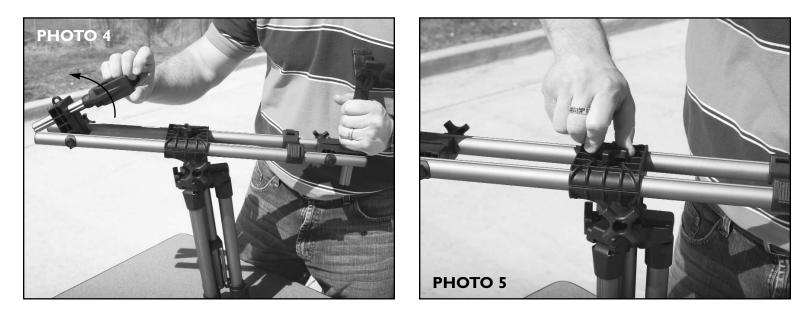




3. Loosen both the Front and Rear Fork Lock Knobs. You will need to loosen the knobs several rotations until they spin freely. Rotate the Front and Rear Fork into the upright position. (See PHOTO 4)

**NOTE:** The Front Fork is wider and flatter than the Rear Fork. It is easier to deploy and fold the Rear Fork when the Rail Clamp Lock Brackets are not too close to the fork.

4. With the Frame Clamp near the middle of the Rails, tighten the Rail Clamp Lock Knob slightly. (See PHOTO 5)

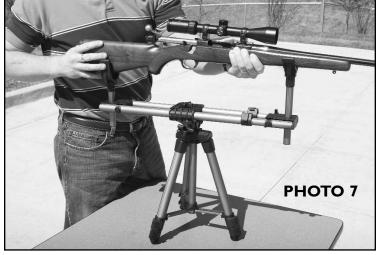


- 5. Open the three tripod legs but do not extend them to full length yet.
- 6. Place the rest on a flat stable surface. Adjust the Rails so they are parallel with the ground and tighten the Tilt Friction Knob securely. (See PHOTO 6).

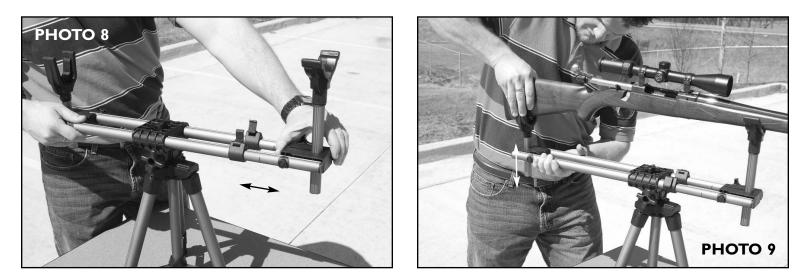
7. Place the unloaded firearm on the rest being sure it is pointed in a safe direction. More tension may need to be added to the Tilt Friction Knob to prevent the rest from tilting from the weight of the gun. (See PHOTO 7)

**NOTE:** Before placing the unloaded firearm in the DSFP, it is a good idea to find the balance point of your firearm by balancing it in your palm. This center balance point should be directly over the center post of your tripod base.





- 8. With the firearm removed, unlock the two Rail Extension Locks and adjust the length of the Rails as needed. Re-engage locks once length is set. (See PHOTO 8)
- 9. The Front and Rear Forks can be adjusted up and down to allow the gun to be near parallel with the Upper Fame and to allow clearance for extended magazines. Once positioned, secure both Fork Lock Knobs. (See PHOTO 9)

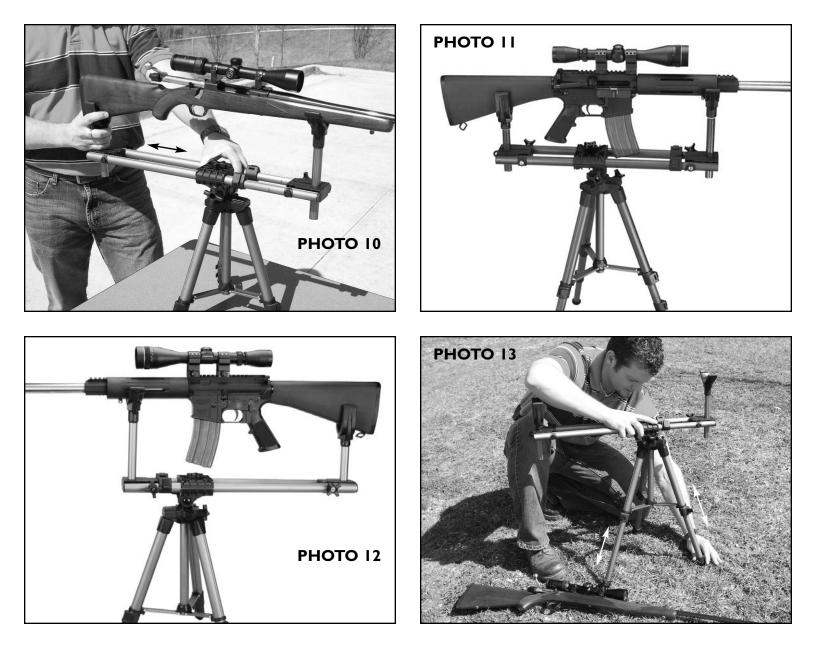


- 10. Once the Rail length and Fork height are set to desired positions, loosen the Rail Clamp Lock Knob and remove tension from the Tilt Friction Knob being careful to support the Upper Frame to prevent it from tilting.
- 11. Slide the Rails through the Rail Clamp Lock Brackets until the gun is balanced evenly and does not want to tilt forward or back. Re-tighten the Rail Clamp Lock Knob. (See PHOTO 10)

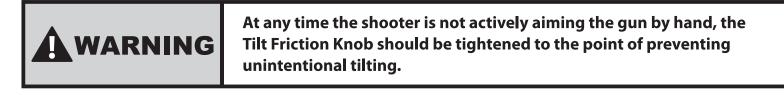
NOTE: It may be necessary to reposition the firearm in the forks to achieve balance if you run out of adjustment.

**NOTE:** When using extended magazine rifles, the front and rear forks may be extended to a high position for clearance above the Fram Clamp. (See PHOTO II) The forks can also be lowered to allow the magazine to fit between the Upper Frame Tubes. (See PHOTO I2) Select the position that provides the best balance for your firearm.





12. Adjust the tension on the Tilt Friction Knob to provide the desired resistance for up/down aiming.



13. Remove firearm and adjust the height of the rest by unlocking the Leg Extension Locks and extending the leg sections as needed. (See PHOTO 13)

NOTE: The rest can be adjusted for comfortable shooting while seated on the ground or in a chair.

**NOTE:** If rest is being used on uneven ground, be sure to adjust the legs so that the Center Tube is approximately straight up and down. This will ensure the rest will track level left and right rather than in an arc.



After setup is complete, make yourself familiar with the stability of the rest. Know the operations of the rest and the limitations before you place a loaded firearm on it.

#### **Collapse for Transportation:**

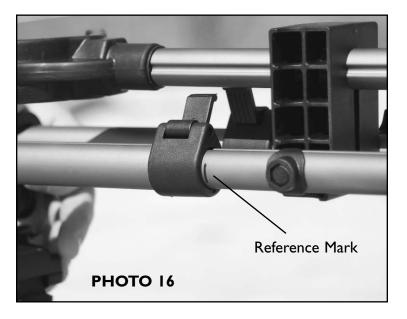
- I. Remove gun or other weapon from rest, unload and make safe.
- 2. Fully collapse sections on all three legs, engage Leg Extension Locks once in collapsed position.
- 3. Loosen all knobs: Front and Rear Fork Lock Knobs, Rail Clamp Lock Knob, Pivot Lock Knob and Tilt Friction Knob.
- 4. Fold the Front and Rear Forks 90 degrees into the down position. (See PHOTO 14)
- 5) Collapse the Legs inward toward the Center Tube. (See PHOTO 15)



6. Adjust the length of the Rails until the index marks are even with the front of the Rail Extension Locks. (See PHOTO 16)

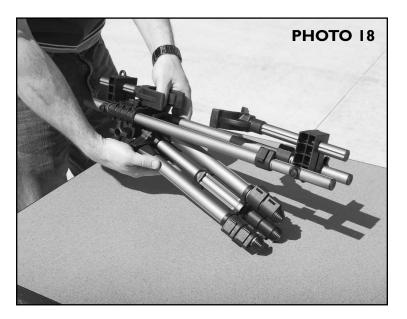
**NOTE:** Index marks are visible on the sides of the Rails that can be aligned with the back edge of the Rail Extension Locks for reference.

7. Slide the Rails forward until the Rail Clamp Lock Brackets contacts the Rear Fork Brace. (See PHOTO 17)





- 8. Tilt the Rails down allowing the Leg with the Caldwell logo to seat between the two Upper Frame Rails. (See PHOTO 18)
- 9. Tighten all knobs to keep the rest secure in the collapsed position.
- 10. The Carry Strap can be clipped onto the Rear Fork Brace and then looped around the opposite end of the rest further securing the legs to the Upper Frame. (See PHOTO 19)





### Important Care Instructions:

- Do not lubricate the Tilt Friction Assembly
- If lubrication of the Pivot Joint is necessary, use only powdered graphite.





