



GLIDECAM

VISTATRACK 200-48



MANUAL

Set-up and Operations Guide

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#1 INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of a Glidecam VistaTrack.

The Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 is a combined, miniature linear track and dolly system. Made to professional standards with precision components, the Glidecam VistaTracks are the premier camera sliders of the industry at their price point.

The Glidecam VistaTracks will allow you to create super-smooth camera movements that are accurate and vibration free, greatly increasing the value of your production.

The VistaTrack 200-48 can be used with cameras weighing up to 10 pounds when attached to a single tripod or when using its integrated adjustable legs. The VistaTrack 200-48 can be used with cameras weighing up to 30 pounds when attached to two tripods for added stability

The VistaTrack 200-48 includes two quick release plates, one for mounting the camera and the other for attaching the system to a single set of tripod legs. To attach the system to two tripods, an additional tripod mount is required, which is available to purchase as an option.

The VistaTrack 200-48 has a 48" long track.

Two Quick Release Plates are included that are compatible with most ¼"-20 and 3/8"-16 mounting applications.

The Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 can be used on flat surfaces, uneven surfaces and mount to tripod head or legs.

If you have need of any technical assistance, you can call our Technical Support Line at 1-781-585-7900, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, Eastern Time.

We're sure that once you have the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 up and running, you will find years of enjoyment with it.

#2 GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 FLOOR SETUP

Since you will be using your GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 with either a tripod or the integrated adjustable leg system, you should make sure you have attached the camera to the QUICK RELEASE PLATE and adjust the Vista Track 200-48 to meet your needs. (See Quick Release Dovetail Plate operation on page 14)



Figure 1

The Telescopic Leg System can be easily adjusted up to 50" inches in height and as low as 33.75" inches. The VistaTrack 200-48 most uneven surfaces for a smooth seamless movement. (See **Figure 1**)

To use the Telescopic Leg System you must first locate the Leg release buttons located at either end of the VistaTrack 200-48 and press down. (See **Figure 2**)

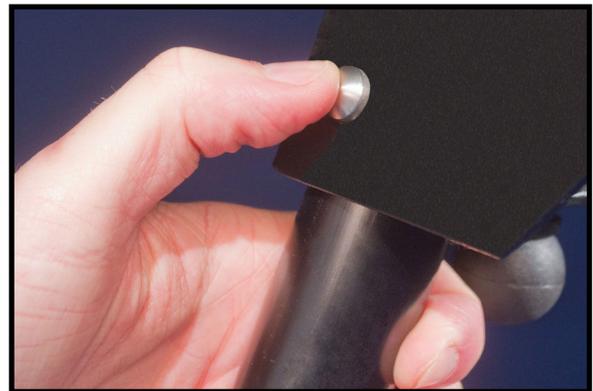


Figure 2



Figure 3

Then extend the Telescopic Leg out until a clicking sound indicates that the leg is locked in place; repeat this process for all four legs. (See **Figure 3**)



Figure 4



Figure 5

Find the Leg Lock button located 2" inches down from the base of the Telescopic Leg. Then press down and extend leg to your required height, listening for a click to indicate that the leg is locked in place.

(See **Figures 4 & 5**)



Now your GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 is ready for quick and smooth shooting.

#3 GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 TABLE TOP SETUP



Figure 7

Using the handles located at the center and rear of your VistaTrack 200-48 gently place on its side to better access the Telescopic Leg System. (See **Figure 7**)

Find the Lock Button located halfway down the Telescopic Leg. (See **Figure 8**)

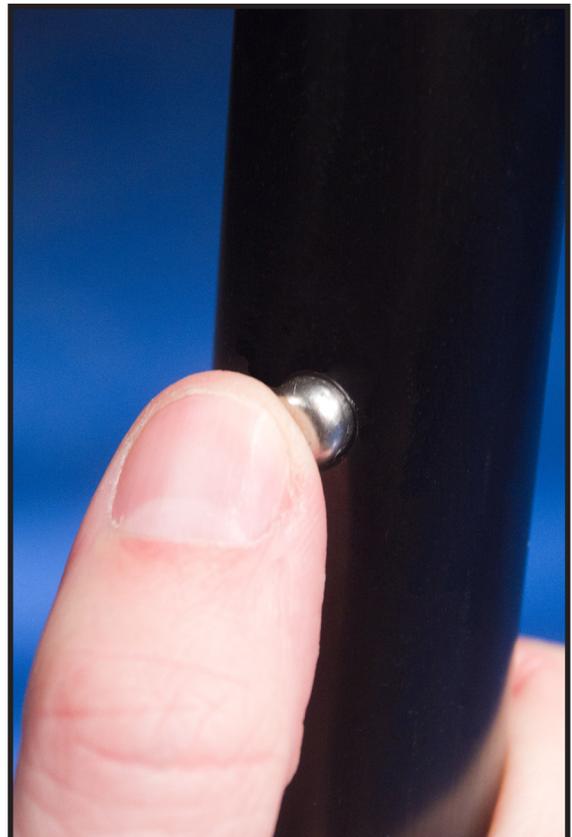


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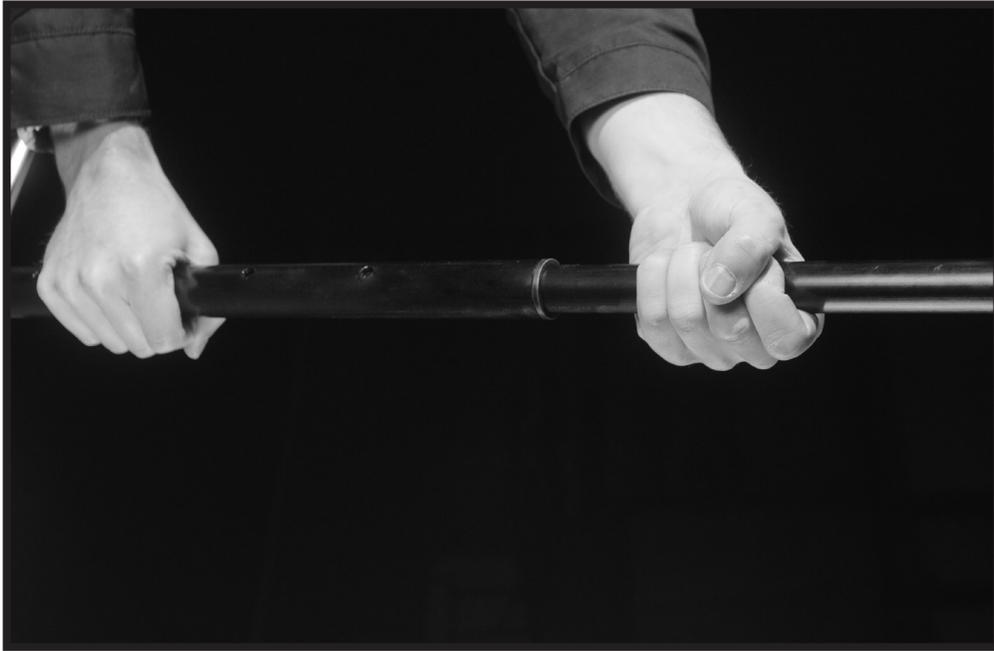


Figure 9

Press Lock Button in firmly and then slide bottom half of the Telescopic Leg down until it stops, and then locks in place. Repeat this process for all four Legs.
(See **Figure 9**)

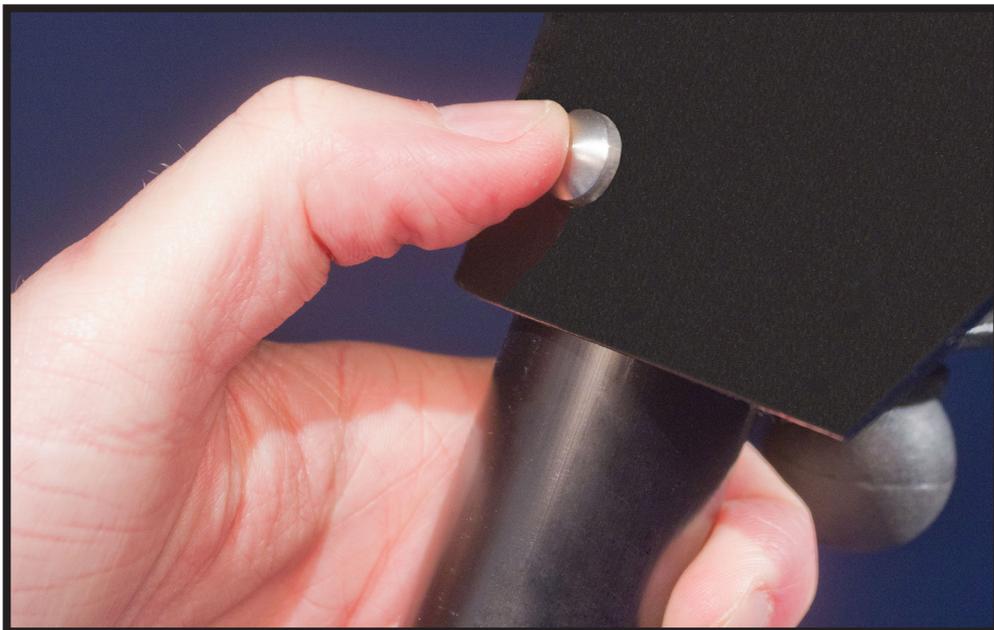


Figure 10

Now locate the Retractable Leg Lock Button, which can be found on the side panels at either end of your VistaTrack 200-48.
(See **Figure 10**)



Figure 11

Press the Retractable Leg Lock Button firmly. Then gently swing leg inward until leg fits snugly under the Track System of your unit and a clicking sound is heard. Repeat this process for all four legs.

(See **Figure 11 & 12**)



Figure 12

Place your GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 on any flat surface for a smooth vibration free movement during your production.

#4 ATTACH A TRIPOD HEAD TO THE GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48

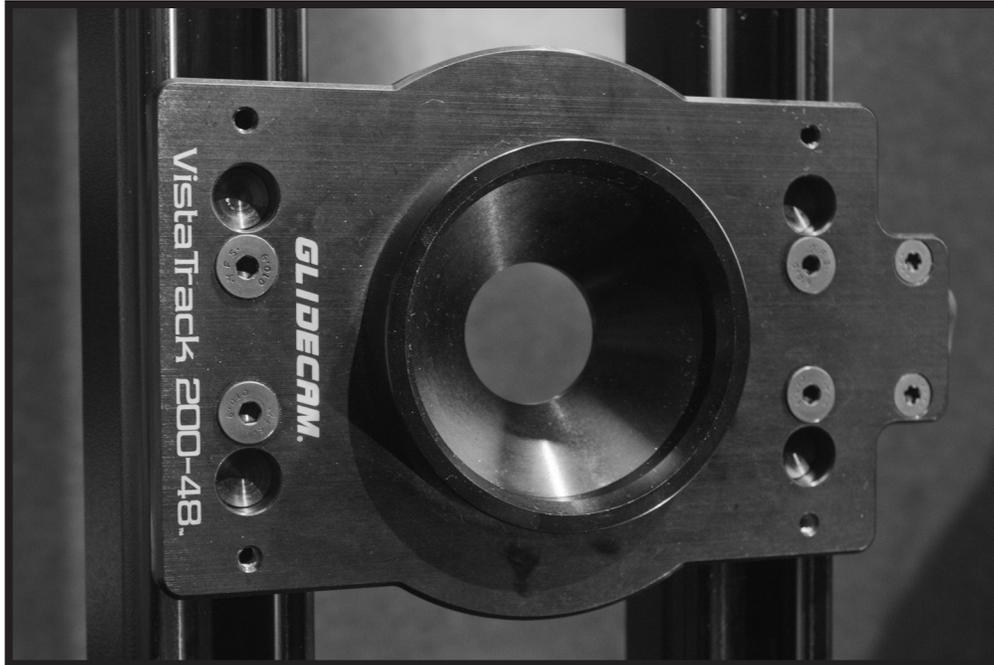


Figure 13

First line up Half Ball Adapter with the Bowl Adapter Located on the Slider Head.
(See **Figure 13**)



Figure 14

After lining up the Half Ball Adapter to the Bowl gently screw on Adapter handle until Half Ball is securely fasten to the Slider Head.
(See **Figure 14**)

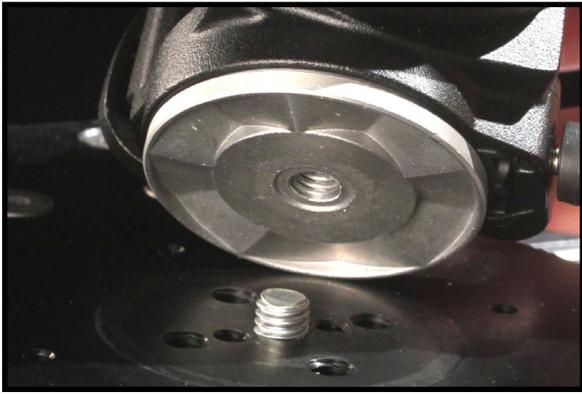


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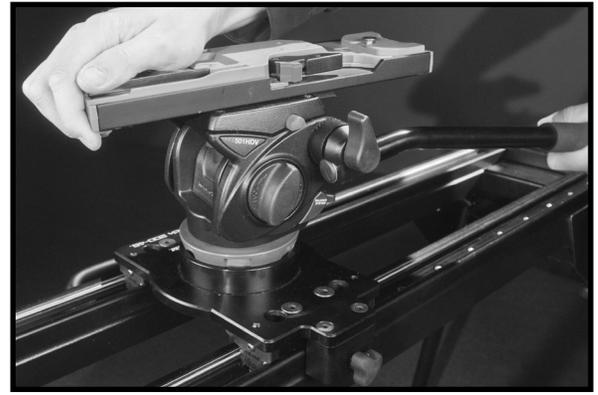


Figure 16

Line up the Tripod Head with the 3/8-16 threaded insert located on the Half Ball Adapter. Then gently twist Tripod Head until snug against the Half Ball Adapter.
(See **Figure 15 & 16**)



Figure 17

Now your Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 is ready to attach a camera weighing up to 200lbs.

#5 ATTACH A CAMERA TO THE GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48



Figure 18

Flip the camera over, then place the Dovetail Quick Release Plate on the bottom of the camera not forgetting to line up the 3/8x16 thread inserts with the plate.
(See *Figure 18*)

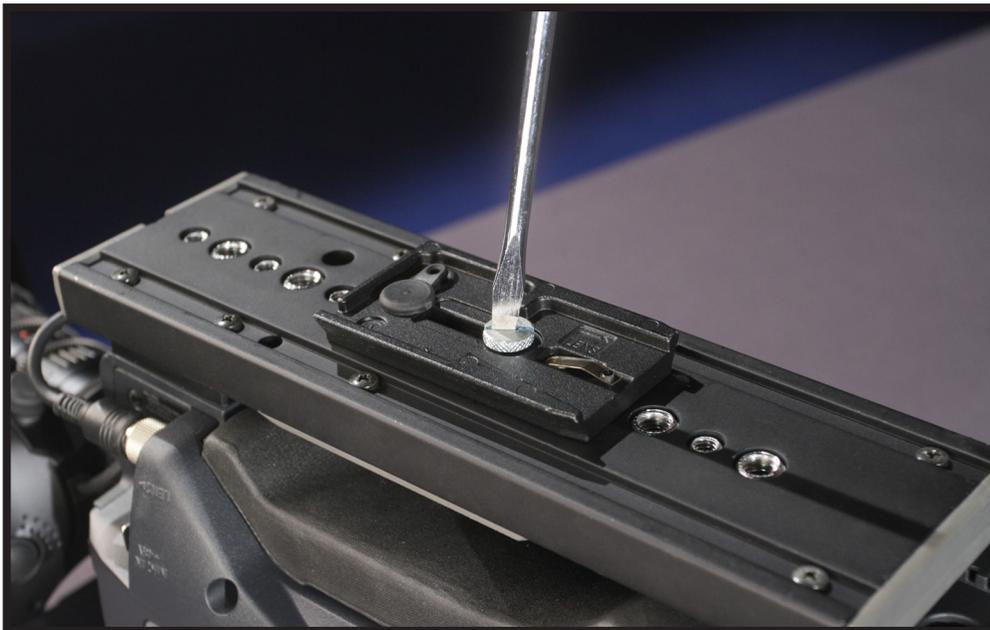


Figure 19

After lining up the Dovetail Quick Release Plate to the thread Insert on the bottom of the camera. Use a 3/8x16 screw to attach the plate to the camera.
(See *Figure 19*)

Once the Dovetail Quick Release Plate is attached to your camera, simply slide the plate on to the Tripod Head until you hear a click. Then tighten the Slider Lock Knob located on the side of the Tripod Head until the Dovetail Quick Release Plate is securely fastened.
(See **Figures 20 & 21**)

Now you're ready to shoot smooth and vibration free using the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48.

#6 GLIDECAM VISTATRACK 200-48 OPERATION

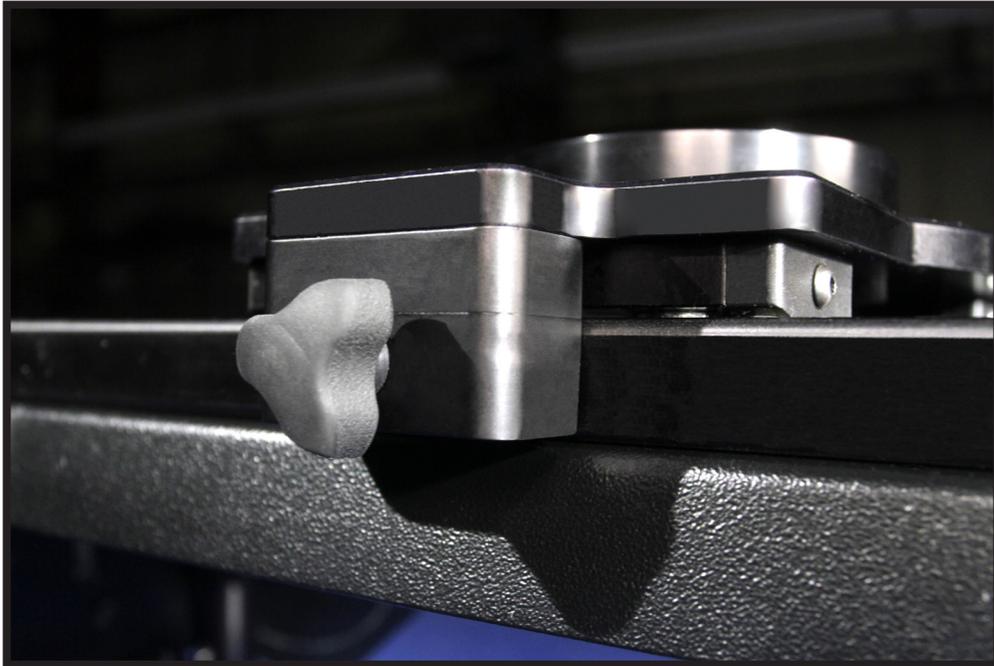


Figure 20

Locate the Slider Lock Knob on the side of the Slider Head
(See *Figure 20*)

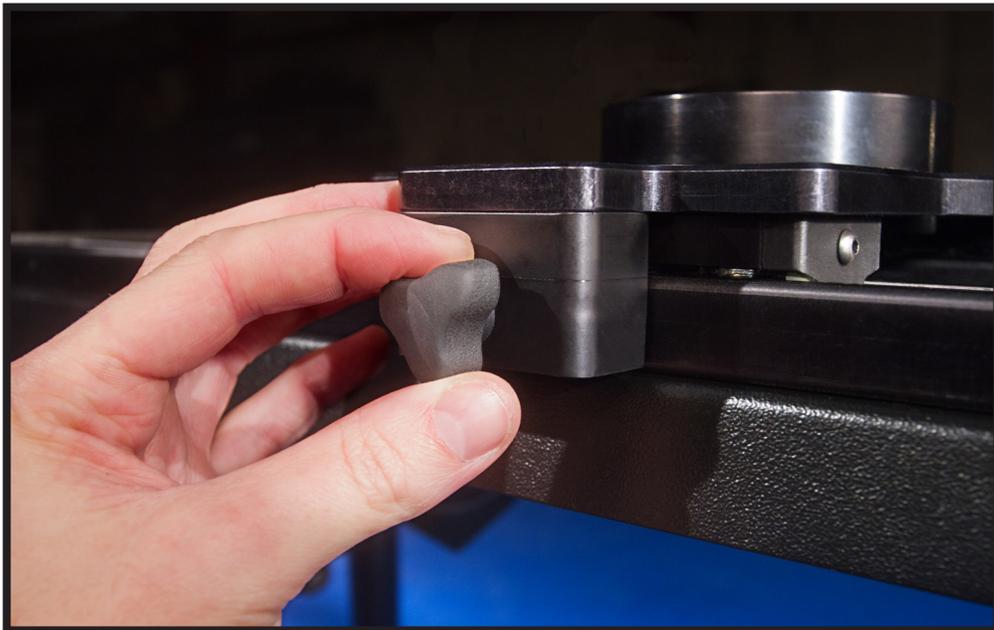


Figure 21

Turn the Slider lock Knob until the Slider Head moves with ease.
(See *Figure 21*)

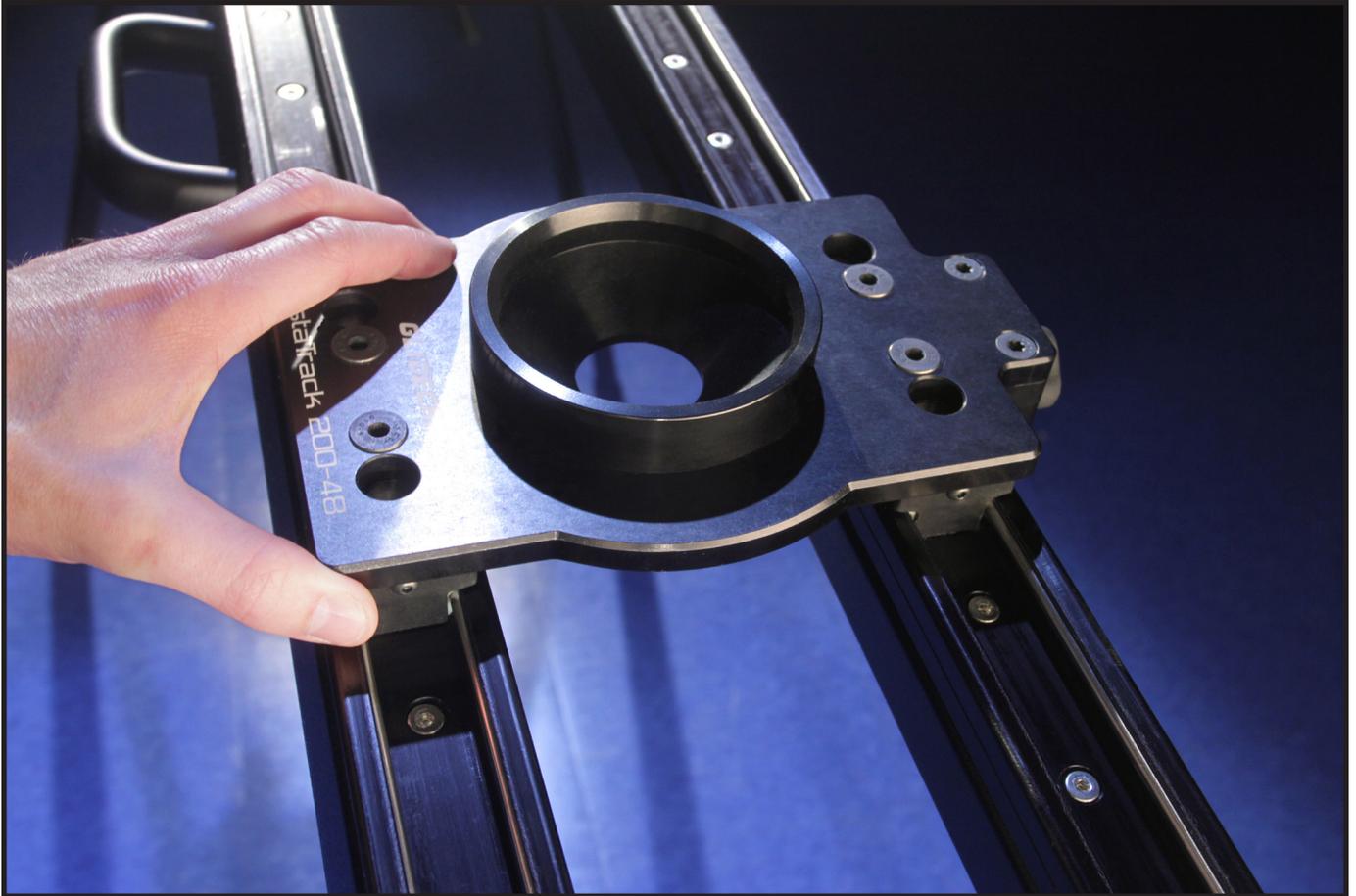


Figure 22

Just simply push Slider Head up and down the Slider Track for a smooth and vibration free movement using the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48.
(See **Figure 22**)

#7 PROFESSIONAL USAGE

If you are using the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 to shoot professional looking shots, and you plan on incorporating them into a short movie or some sort of commercial project, we suggest that you plan the shot out in advance, perhaps rehearse the move a few times before shooting, and that you use an assistant to help you during complex shots. This will give you optimum results and will make your movies look more professional.

Good luck with your shooting.

#8 MAINTENANCE

Bearing Maintenance - The main bearing on your VistaTrack 200-48 is attached under the slider head. It is metal and is partially enclosed by the Bearing Assembly. If after some period of time your bearing doesn't turn smoothly, you can oil it lightly. We recommend that you use very little oil. Very little, because this is all that is needed, plus anything more than a little will end up coming out of the bearing and onto the rest of your VistaTrack 200-48. Light oil may also be used (5-20 weight or 5-30 weight) if needed on the yoke and handle bearings.

#9 WARNINGS

You should make sure that you are very careful when using the VistaTrack 200-48 at night or in low light conditions. Do not make the mistake of focusing so much on what you are shooting that you trip or fall over something, or wander into something dangerous like a swimming pool or automobile traffic, and be extra careful when shooting on stairs etc. These cautions pertain to daytime shooting as well.

Storage - If you are going to store your Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 for a long period of time then please store the unit upright in a dry or low to normal humidity area whenever possible. If you are unable to find an environment like this, then we suggest you store the unit in an air tight plastic container or bag. Standing the unit upright helps to alleviate stress on the system.

Cleaning - Do not use solvents or harsh cleaners of any kind on your Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48. If the unit becomes dirty, use only a cloth or sponge with water to gently rub the unit clean

#10 WARRANTY

For 1 year from the date of shipment, we will repair or replace your Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48, free of charge, in the event of a defect in materials or workmanship (the shipment date appears on your purchase receipt) which occurs during normal use in accordance with the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48's instruction manual. Shipping, packing, and insurance costs to and from the factory are your responsibility. This limited warranty extends only to the original purchaser, and you will need your purchase receipt. This warranty does not cover, by way of example, damage caused by products not supplied by us or damage resulting from mishandling in transit, accident, misuse, vandalism, neglect, modification, lack of reasonable care (or commercial use, including rentals to others) of the Glidecam VistaTrack 200-48 or service by anyone other than us. There are no express warranties except as listed above. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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To obtain service during (or after) the warranty period: Contact **Glidecam Industries' Customer Service** Department by calling **1-781-585-7900** or write to us at: **23 Joseph Street, Kingston, MA 02364** and explain the problem.

DO NOT SEND THE UNIT TO US WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A RETURN AUTHORIZATION NUMBER.

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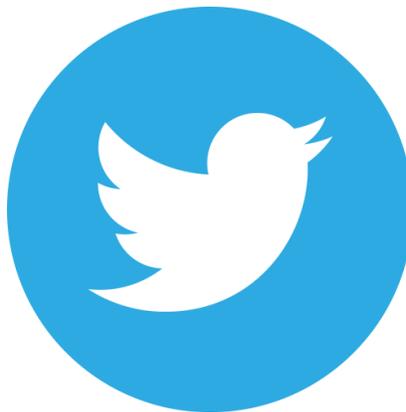
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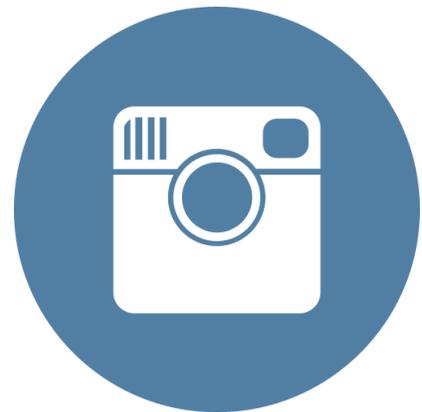
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