

## Operating Instructions for 35H & 37H Mortise Latch Holdback

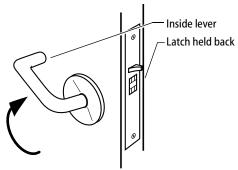
The latch holdback feature allows you to convert a door, equipped with a latching mortise lock, into a free swinging door. Once latch holdback is engaged, the latch stays retracted and both inside and outside levers become rigid pull handles. This feature is available only for 35H and 37H series, "GBH" and "JBH" function mortise locks. The following table describes the three possible conditions of a lock equipped with this feature:

Condition	Latch	Outside lever	Inside Iever <sup>a</sup>	Diagram <sup>b</sup>
Unlocked	Extended Retracted by inside or out- side lever	Rotates down only	Rotates up or down	
Locked	Extended Retracted by inside or out- side lever	Rigid	Rotates down only	
Latch hold- back	Retracted (held back)	Rigid	Rigid up	

- a. To eliminate a potential attack to the outside lever, a pull handle (not supplied by BEST) may be substituted.
- b. JBH function shown.

## To engage latch holdback

- Open the door to allow access to the inside and outside of the door.
  Note: For "GBH" function locksets, latch holdback engagement and disengagement can be done completely from the inside of the door.
- 2 Unlock the lock by key (if not already unlocked).
- 3 Fully rotate the inside lever up and hold. See Figure 1.



Inside (JBH function shown)

Figure 1 — Holding up the inside lever

4 While holding the inside lever up, insert and turn the key as if to lock the lock See Figure 2.

**Note:** Turn the key away from the latch to engage.

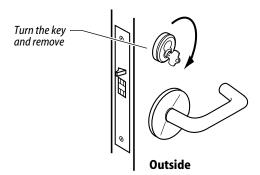


Figure 2 — Turning the key to engage latch holdback

- 5 Let go of the inside lever.
- 6 Remove the key at the twelve o'clock position.

  The latch and inside lever stay in place.

## To disengage latch holdback

1 Turn the key as if to unlock the lockset. See Figure 3.

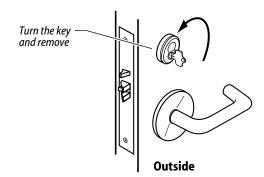


Figure 3 — Turning the key to disengage latch holdback

**Note:** *Turn the key toward the latch to disengage.* 

2 Remove the key at the twelve o'clock position.
The latch and inside lever release and the lock operates normally.