

# **TU-273**

# **INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

NOTE: Read safety instructions carefully and understand them before using. Retain this Instruction Manual for future reference.

# TO ENSURE SAFE USE OF YOUR SEWING MACHINE

For the sewing machine, automatic machine and ancillary devices (hereinafter collectively referred to as "machine"), it is inevitable to conduct sewing work near moving parts of the machine. This means that there is always a possibility of unintentionally coming in contact with the moving parts. Operators who actually operate the machine and maintenance personnel who are involved in maintenance and repair of the machine are strongly recommended to carefully read to fully understand the following **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS** before using/maintaining the machine. The content of the **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS** includes items which are not contained in the specifications of your product.

The risk indications are classified into the following three different categories to help understand the meaning of the labels. Be sure to fully understand the following description and strictly observe the instructions.

# (I) Explanation of risk levels



#### **DANGER:**

This indication is given where there is an immediate danger of death or serous injury if the person in charge or any third party mishandles the machine or does not avoid the dangerous situation when operating or maintaining the machine.



#### WARNING :

This indication is given where there is a potentiality for death or serious injury if the person in charge or any third party mishandles the machine or does not avoid the dangerous situation when operating or maintaining the machine.



#### CALITION .

This indication is given where there is a danger of medium to minor injury if the person in charge or any third party mishandles the machine or does not avoid the dangerous situation when operating or maintaining the machine.



Items requiring special attention.

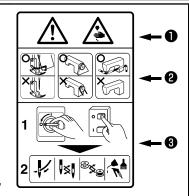
# (II) Explanation of pictorial warning indications and warning labels

Pictorial warning indication		There is a risk of injury if contacting a moving section.	orial warning indication	Be aware that holding the sewing machine during operation can hurt your hands.
		There is a risk of electrical shock if contacting a high-voltage section.		There is a risk of entanglement in the belt resulting in injury.
		There is a risk of a burn if contacting a high-temperature section.	Pictorial indic	There is a risk of injury if you touch the button carrier.
	*	Be aware that eye deficiency can be caused by looking directly at the laser beam.	on label	The correct direction is indicated.
		There is a risk of contact between your head and the sewing machine.	Indication	Connection of a earth cable is indicated.

**Narning label** 



- $\ensuremath{ 0 \hspace{-0.8mm} \bullet \hspace{-0.8mm} }$  There is the possibility that slight to serious injury or death may be caused.
- There is the possibility that injury may be caused by touching moving part.
- ② To perform sewing work with safety guard.
  - To perform sewing work with safety cover.
  - To perform sewing work with safety protection device.
- Be sure to turn the power OFF before carrying out "machine-head threading", "needle changing", "bobbin changing" or "oiling and cleaning".



Electrical-shock danger label

# **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

Accident means "to cause personal injury or death or damage to property."



# DANGER

1. When it is necessary to open the control box containing electrical parts, be sure to turn the power off and wait for five minutes or more before opening the cover in order to prevent accident leading to electrical shock.

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# **CAUTION**

### **Basic precaution**

- 1. Be sure to read the instruction manual and other explanatory documents supplied with accessories of the machine before using the machine. Carefully keep the instruction manual and the explanatory documents at hand for quick reference.
- 2. The content of this section includes items which are not contained in the specifications of your product.
- 3. Be sure to wear safety goggles to protect against accident caused by needle breakage.
- 4. Those who use a heart pacer have to use the machine after consultation with a medical specialist.

## Safety devices and warning labels

- 1. Be sure to operate the machine after verifying that safety device(s) is correctly installed in place and works normally in order to prevent accident caused by lack of the device(s).
- 2. If any of the safety devices is removed, be sure to replace it and verify that it works normally in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 3. Be sure to keep the warning labels adhered on the machine clearly visible in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death. If any of the labels has stained or come unstuck, be sure to change it with a new one.

## Application and modification

- Never use the machine for any application other than its intended one and in any manner other than that
  prescribed in the instruction manual in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or
  death. JUKI assumes no responsibility for damages or personal injury or death resulting from the use of
  the machine for any application other than the intended one.
- 2. Never modify and alter the machine in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death. JUKI assumes no responsibility for damages or personal injury or death resulting from the machine which has been modified or altered.

#### Education and training

1. In order to prevent accident resulting from unfamiliarity with the machine, the machine has to be used only by the operator who has been trained/educated by the employer with respect to the machine operation and how to operate the machine with safety to acquire adequate knowledge and operation skill. To ensure the above, the employer has to establish an education/training plan for the operators and educate/train them beforehand.

#### Items for which the power to the machine has to be turned off

Turning the power off: Turning the power switch off, then removing the power plug from the outlet.

This applies to the following.

- 1. Be sure to immediately turn the power off if any abnormality or failure is found or in the case of power failure in order to protect against accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 2. To protect against accident resulting from abrupt start of the machine, be sure to carry out the following operations after turning the power off. For the machine incorporating a clutch motor, in particular, be sure to carry out the following operations after turning the power off and verifying that the machine stops completely.
  - 2-1. For example, threading the parts such as the needle, looper, spreader etc. which have to be threaded, or changing the bobbin.
  - 2-2. For example, changing or adjusting all component parts of the machine.
  - 2-3. For example, when inspecting, repairing or cleaning the machine or leaving the machine.
- 3. Be sure to remove the power plug by holding the plug section instead of the cord section in order to prevent electrical-shock, earth-leakage or fire accident.
- 4. Be sure to turn the power off whenever the machine is left unattended between works.
- 5. Be sure to turn the power off in the case of power failure in order to prevent accident resulting of breakage of electrical components.

# PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN VARIOUS OPERATION STAGES

#### **Transportation**

- 1. Be sure to lift and move the machine in a safe manner taking the machine weight in consideration. Refer to the text of the instruction manual for the mass of the machine.
- 2. Be sure to take sufficient safety measures to prevent falling or dropping before lifting or moving the machine in order to protect against accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 3. Once the machine has been unpacked, never re-pack it for transportation to protect the machine against breakage resulting from unexpected accident or dropping.

### Unpacking

- 1. Be sure to unpack the machine in the prescribed order in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death. In the case the machine is crated, in particular, be sure to carefully check nails. The nails have to be removed.
- 2. Be sure to check the machine for the position of its center of gravity and take it out from the package carefully in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.

#### Installation

#### (I) Table and table stand

- Be sure to use JUKI genuine table and table stand in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death. If it is inevitable to use a table and table stand which are not JUKI genuine ones, select the table and table stand which are able to support the machine weight and reaction force during operation.
- 2. If casters are fitted to the table stand, be sure to use the casters with a locking mechanism and lock them to secure the machine during the operation, maintenance, inspection and repair in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.

#### (II) Cable and wiring

- 1. Be sure to prevent an extra force from being applied to the cable during the use in order to prevent electrical-shock, earth-leakage or fire accident. In addition, if it is necessary to cable near the operating section such as the V-belt, be sure to provide a space of 30 mm or more between the operating section and the cable.
- 2. Be sure to avoid starburst connection in order to prevent electrical-shock, earth-leakage or fire accident.
- 3. Be sure to securely connect the connectors in order to prevent electrical-shock, earth-leakage or fire accident. In addition, be sure to remove the connector while holding its connector section.

#### (III) Grounding

- 1. Be sure to have an electrical expert install an appropriate power plug in order to prevent accident caused by earth-leakage or dielectric strength voltage fault. In addition, be sure to connect the power plug to the grounded outlet without exceptions.
- 2. Be sure to ground the earth cable in order to prevent accident caused by earth leakage.

#### (IV) Motor

- 1. Be sure to use the specified rated motor (JUKI genuine product) in order to prevent accident caused by burnout.
- 2. If a commercially available clutch motor is used with the machine, be sure to select one with an entanglement preventive pulley cover in order to protect against being entangled by the V-belt.

## Before operation

- 1. Be sure to make sure that the connectors and cables are free from damage, dropout and looseness before turning the power on in order to prevent accident resulting in personal injury or death.
- 2. Never put your hand into the moving sections of the machine in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.
  - In addition, check to be sure that the direction of rotation of the pulley agrees with the arrow shown on pulley.
- 3. If the table stand with casters is used, be sure to secure the table stand by locking the casters or with adjusters, if provided, in order to protect against accident caused by abrupt start of the machine.

### **During operation**

- Be sure not to put your fingers, hair or clothing close to the moving sections such as the handwheel, hand pulley and motor or place something near those sections while the machine is in operation in order to prevent accident caused by entanglement that can result in personal injury or death.
- 2. Be sure not to place your fingers near the surround area of the needle or inside the thread take-up lever cover when turning the power on or while the machine is in operation in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 3. The machine runs at a high speed. Never bring your hands near the moving sections such as looper, spreader, needle bar, hook and cloth trimming knife during operation in order to protect your hands against injury. In addition, be sure to turn the power off and check to be sure that the machine completely stops before changing the thread.
- 4. Be careful not to allow your fingers or any other parts of your body to be caught between the machine and table when removing the machine from or replacing it on the table in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.

- 5. Be sure to turn the power off and check to be sure that the machine and motor completely stop before removing the belt cover and V-belt in order to prevent accident caused by abrupt start of the machine or motor.
- 6. If a servomotor is used with the machine, the motor does not produce noise while the machine is at rest.

  Be sure not to forget to turn the power off in order to prevent accident caused by abrupt start of the motor.
- 7. Never use the machine with the cooling opening of the motor power box shielded in order to prevent fire accident by overheat.

#### Lubrication

- 1. Be sure to use JUKI genuine oil and JUKI genuine grease to the parts to be lubricated.
- 2. If the oil adheres on your eye or body, be sure to immediately wash it off in order to prevent inflammation or irritation.
- 3. If the oil is swallowed unintentionally, be sure to immediately consult a medical doctor in order to prevent diarrhea or vomiting.

#### Maintenance

- In prevention of accident caused by unfamiliarity with the machine, repair and adjustment has to be carried out by a service technician who is thoroughly familiar with the machine within the scope defined in the instruction manual. Be sure to use JUKI genuine parts when replacing any of the machine parts. JUKI assumes no responsibility for any accident caused by improper repair or adjustment or the use of any part other than JUKI genuine one.
- 2. In prevention of accident caused by unfamiliarity with the machine or electrical-shock accident, be sure to ask an electrical technician of your company or JUKI or distributor in your area for repair and maintenance (including wiring) of electrical components.
- 3. When carrying out repair or maintenance of the machine which uses air-driven parts such as an air cylinder, be sure to remove the air supply pipe to expel air remaining in the machine beforehand, in order to prevent accident caused by abrupt start of the air-driven parts.
- 4. Be sure to check that screws and nuts are free from looseness after completion of repair, adjustment and part replacement.
- 5. Be sure to periodically clean up the machine during its duration of use. Be sure to turn the power off and verify that the machine and motor stop completely before cleaning the machine in order to prevent accident caused by abrupt start of the machine or motor.
- 6. Be sure to turn the power off and verify that the machine and motor stop completely before carrying out maintenance, inspection or repair of the machine. (For the machine with a clutch motor, the motor will keep running for a while by inertia even after turning the power off. So, be careful.)
- 7. If the machine cannot be normally operated after repair or adjustment, immediately stop operation and contact JUKI or the distributor in your area for repair in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 8. If the fuse has blown, be sure to turn the power off and eliminate the cause of blowing of the fuse and replace the blown fuse with a new one in order to prevent accident that can result in personal injury or death.
- 9. Be sure to periodically clean up the air vent of the fan and inspect the area around the wiring in order to prevent fire accident of the motor.

# Operating environment

- 1. Be sure to use the machine under the environment which is not affected by strong noise source (electromagnetic waves) such as a high-frequency welder in order to prevent accident caused by malfunction of the machine.
- 2. Never operate the machine in any place where the voltage fluctuates by more than "rated voltage ±10 %" in order to prevent accident caused by malfunction of the machine.
- 3. Be sure to verify that the air-driven device such as an air cylinder operates at the specified air pressure before using it in order to prevent accident caused by malfunction of the machine.
- 4. To use the machine with safety, be sure to use it under the environment which satisfies the following conditions:

Ambient temperature during operation 5°C to 35°C Relative humidity during operation 35 % to 85 %

- 5. Dew condensation can occur if bringing the machine suddenly from a cold environment to a warm one. So, be sure to turn the power on after having waited for a sufficient period of time until there is no sign of water droplet in order to prevent accident caused by breakage or malfunction of the electrical components.
- 6. Be sure to stop operation when lightning flashes for the sake of safety and remove the power plug in order to prevent accident caused by breakage or malfunction of the electrical components.
- 7. Depending on the radio wave signal condition, the machine may generate noise in the TV or radio. If this occurs, use the TV or radio with kept well away from the machine.
- 8. In order to ensure the work environment, local laws and regulations in the country where the sewing machine is installed shall be followed.
  - In the case the noise control is necessary, an ear protector or other protective gear should be worn according to the applicable laws and regulations.
- 9. Disposal of products and packages and treatment of used lubricating oil should be carried out properly according to the relevant laws of the country in which the sewing machine is used.

# Precautions to be taken so as to use the TU-273 more safely



- 1. Keep your hands away from needle when you turn ON the power switch or while the machine is in operation.
- 2. Do not put your fingers into the thread take-up cover while the machine is operating.
- 3. Turn OFF the power switch when tilting the machine head, or removing the belt cover or the V belts.
- 4. During operation, be careful not to allow your or any other person's head, hands or clothes to come close to the handwheel, V belt and motor. Also, do not place anything close to them.
- 5. Do not operate your machine with the belt cover and finger guard removed.
- 6. When tilting the machine head, be sure to confirm that the head support bar is properly attached to your machine head, and be careful not to allow your fingers or the like to be pinched in the machine head.



- 1. To ensure safety, never operate the machine with the ground wire for the power supply removed.
- 2. When inserting/removing the power plug, the power switch has to be turned OFF in advance.
- 3. In time of thunder and lightening, stop your work and disconnect the power plug from the receptacle so as to ensure safety.
- 4. If the machine is suddenly moved from a cold place to a warm place, dew condensation may be observed. In this case, turn ON the power to the machine after you have confirmed that there is no danger of water drops in the machine.
- 5. To prevent fires, periodically draw out the power plug from the plug socket and clean the root of the pins and the space between pins.
- 6. The hook rotates at a high speed while the machine is in operation.
  To prevent possible injury to hands, be sure to keep your hands away from the vicinity of the hook during operation. In addition, be sure to turn OFF the power to the machine when replacing the bobbin.
- 7. To avoid possible accidents due to abrupt start of the machine, be sure to turn OFF the power to the machine.
- 8. Be careful of handling this product so as not to pour water or oil, shock by dropping, and the like since this product is a precision instrument.
- 9. When tilting or returning the sewing machine to the home position, hold the upper side of the machine head with both hands and perform the work quietly so that fingers or the like are not caught in the machine.



## **CAUTION:**

Note that safety devices such as "eye guard", "finger guard", etc. may be omitted from the illustrations in this Instruction Manual for easy explanation.

When operating the machine, be sure not to remove these safety devices.

### **BEFORE OPERATION**

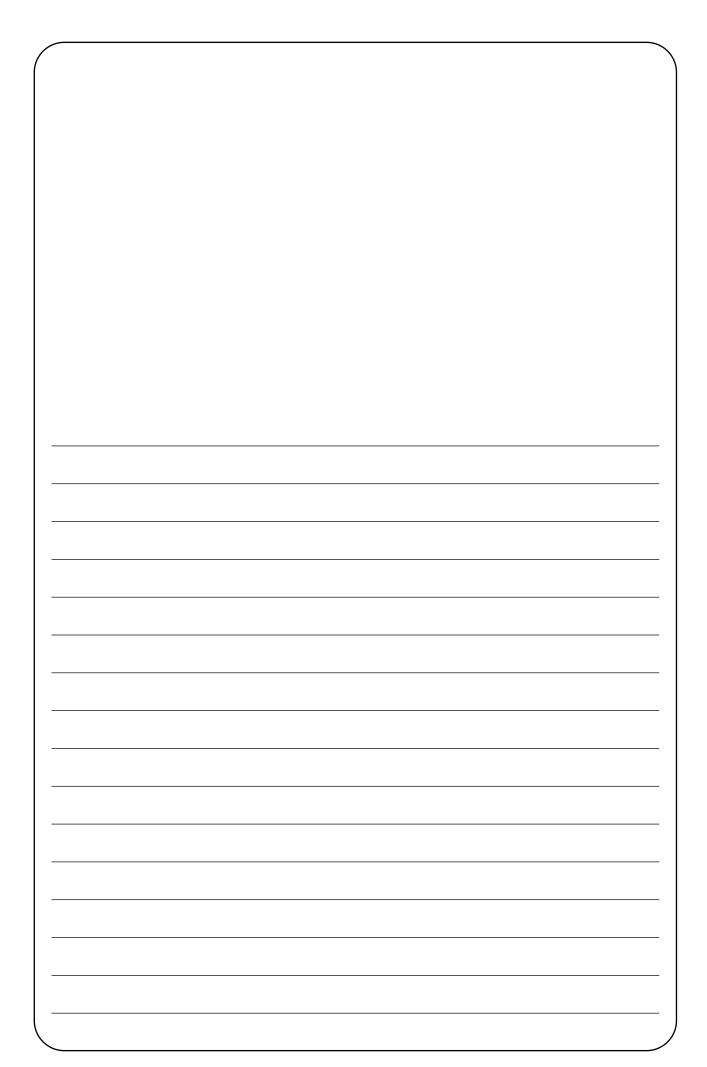


#### **CAUTION:**

Check the following so as to prevent maloperation of and damage to the machine.

- Before you put the machine into operation for the first time after the set-up, clean it thoroughly. Remove all dust gathering during transportation and oil it well.
- Confirm that voltage has been correctly set.
  - Confirm that the power plug has been properly connected to the power supply.
- · Never use the machine in the state where the voltage type is different from the designated one.
- The direction of normal rotation of the machine is counterclockwise as observed from the pulley side.

  Take care not to allow the machine to rotate in the reverse direction.
- Never operate the machine unless the head base has been filled with oil.
- For a test run, remove the bobbin case and the needle thread.
- Be sure to use your sewing machine with the speed of stitch lowered to 600 sti/min or less for the first month after installation.
- · Operate the handwheel after the machine has totally stopped.



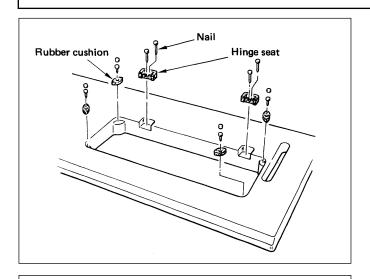
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# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Type of sewing machine head	With semi-rotary large canacity shiftle for eytra		SCHMETZ 794	
Usage	Tents, bags, shoes, bag handles, safety belts, etc.	Needle system	Nm 130 $\sim$ Nm 280 (Standard Nm 230)	
Sewing speed	ewing speed Max. 800 sti/min		#00 ~ #8	
Stitch length	ift of presser foot Hand lifter : 12 mm Knee lifter : 20 mm Lubrication method hread take-up Cam-type thread take-up lever Motor to be		Lever nut type	
Lift of presser foot			Hand oiling	
Thread take-up lever			400W clutch motor (4P)	
Needle bar stroke 56 mm Lubric		Lubricating oil	JUKI New Defrix Oil No. 1	
Noise	- Equivalent continuous emission sound pressure level (L <sub>pA</sub> ) at the workstation :  A-weighted value of 79.5 dB; (Includes K <sub>pA</sub> = 2.5 dB); according to ISO 10821- C.6.2 -ISO 11204 GR2 at 800 sti/min.			

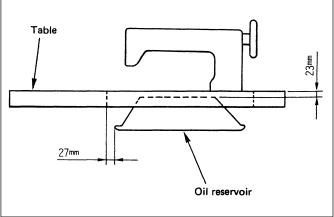
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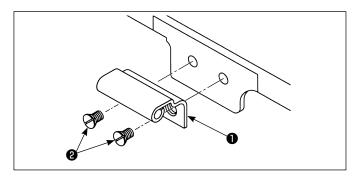


1) When carrying the sewing machine, be sure to carry by two people.

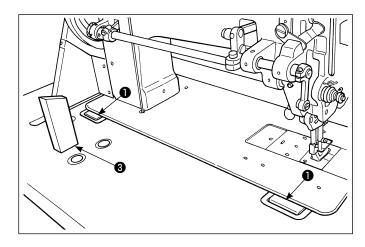
#### (Caution) Do not hold the pulley.

- 2) Do not place a protruding object, such as a screw driver, at a place where the sewing machine is to be installed.
- 3) Fix the hinge seats and the support rubbers supplied with the machine on the table using nails.

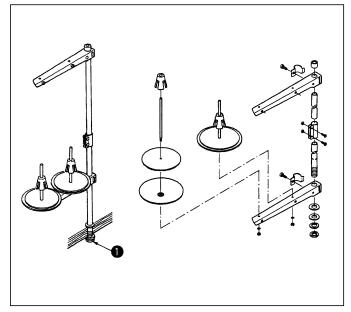




- 4) Fix oil pan supplied with the machine on the table in 6 places with wood screws.
- 5) Install hinge arms 1 to the front and rear (at one location each) of the sewing machine head with screws 2.
- 6) Place the machine head down on the machine head support rubbers at four corners by engaging hinge arm **1** with the hinge seat of the table.
- 7) Install head support bar **3** firmly on the table by inserting it into the table hole until it will go any further.

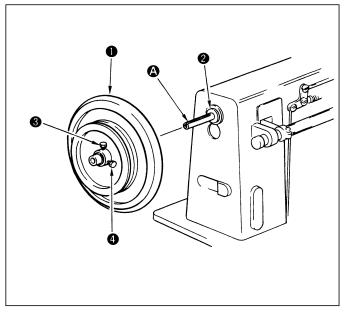


# 2. INSTALLING THE THREAD STAND



- Assemble the thread stand unit, and insert it in the hole in the machine table.
- 2) Tighten locknut 1 to fix the thread stand.

# 3. INSTALLING THE HANDWHEEL



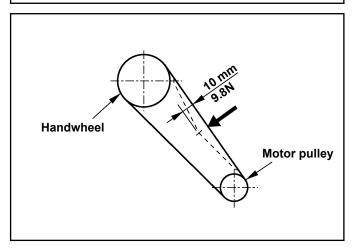
- Fit handwheel close to the main shaft bushing, rear
   .
- 2. Align the handwheel with thread groove (a) in the main shaft. Tighten the first screw (3) of the handwheel, then tighten screw (4).

# 4. ADJUSTING THE BELT TENSION



#### **WARNING:**

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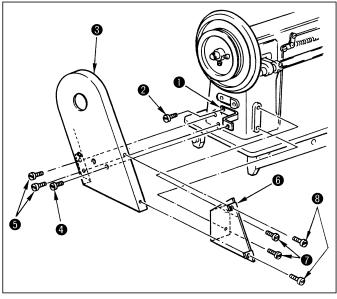
Adjust the belt tension with the height of the motor so that the belt sags 10 mm when the center of V belt is applied with a 9.8N load.

# 5. INSTALLING THE BELT COVER



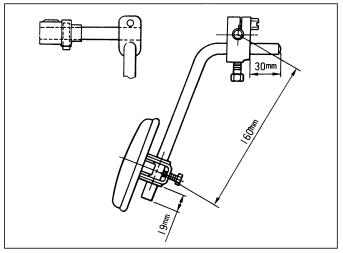
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- 1. Install the belt cover support 1 to the machine head using screw 2.
- 2. Install belt cover A 3 with the belt cover support to the machine head using screws 4 and 5.
- 3. Install belt cover B 6 with belt cover A 3 to the machine head using screws 7 and 8.
- 4. Last, tilt the machine head and make sure that the belt cover will not touch the belt hole in the table.

# 6. ASSMBLING THE KNEE PRESS PLATE



Assemble the knee press plate supplied with the machine as illustrated above.

# 7. CLEANING

#### **WARNING:**

To protect against possible personal injury due to abrupt start of the machine, be sure to start the following work after turning the power off and ascertaining that the motor is at rest.

Waste thread, dust, dirt, etc., build-up around the feed dog or the shuttle may cause malfunction of the machine. Clean periodically according to your frequency of use.

- 1. Clean around the feed dog after removing the throat plate.
- 2. Clean the inside of the shuttle race body by taking out the shuttle body after removing the cover of the shuttle race body.

# 8. LUBRICATION

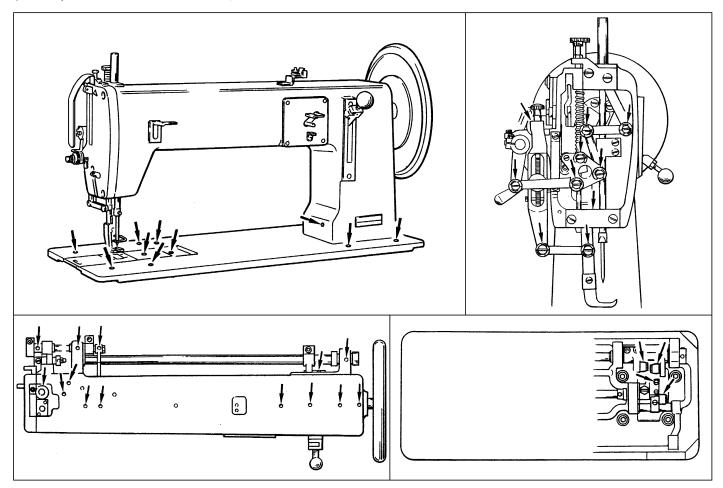


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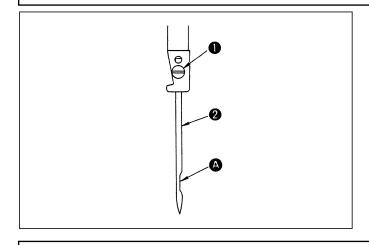
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- 1. After uncrating, supply oil to the machine after cleaning it thoroughly.
- 2. When oiling all the sections requiring lubrication, after installation of the machine has been completed, wait for a while (approximately 10 minutes) so that oil can penetrate each section sufficiently before starting continuous operation.
- 3. To operate the machine continuously, apply two to three drops of oil to each section noted with an arrow mark in the following figure whenever starting operation in the morning and in the afternoon.

(Caution) Use JUKI New Defrix Oil No. 1.



# 9. HOW TO INSTALL THE NEEDLE



#### **WARNING:**



To protect against possible personal injury due to abrupt start of the machine, be sure to start the following work after turning the power off and ascertaining that the motor is at rest.

The standard needle is a Schmetz 794, however an Organ DY x 3 can be used.

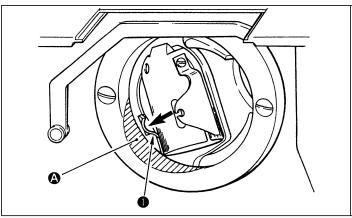
- 1. Turn the handwheel by hand and raise the needle bar to its top position.
- Loosen screw and insert the needle into the hole until it will go no further.
   (Insert the needle with its recess facing directly to the right-hand side.)
- 3. Securely tighten the screw in the needle.

# 10. HOW TO TAKE OUT THE BOBBIN

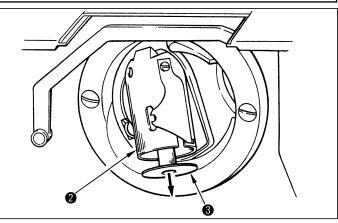


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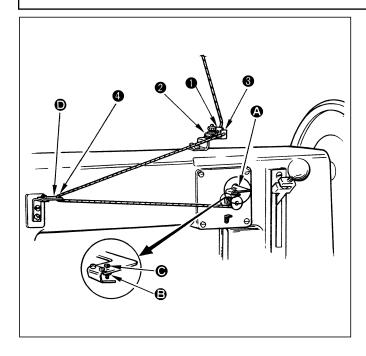


Turn the handwheel by hand (until the needle bar comes down to the lowest point of its stroke) so that case retaining spring in the shuttle body comes to recess in the cover of the shuttle race body.



When the case retaining spring is pressed, the bobbin case
 will be opened and the bobbin will pop out of the case.

# 11. HOW TO WIND A BOBBIN THREAD



- 1. Raise the presser foot by the hand lifter lever.
- 2. Insert the bobbin into the bobbin winder spindle.
- 3. Thread the winder in the order illustrated and wind the thread onto the bobbin four or five turns.
- 4. Push the bobbin winder trip latch (A) down and the bobbin starts rotating to wind bobbin thread with the machine operated.
- 5. When winding of bobbin thread has been completed, the bobbin winder trip latch will be disengaged and the bobbin will stop automatically.

# ★ Adjusting the amount of thread wound round the bobbin

The amount of thread has already been adjusted so that thread can be wound round approximately nine-tenths of the bobbin. If the amount is excessive or insufficient, adjust:

- 1. by loosening the adjusting screw and nut 😉 .
- 2. by turning the adjusting screw ( ...
- To decrease the amount, turn clockwise.

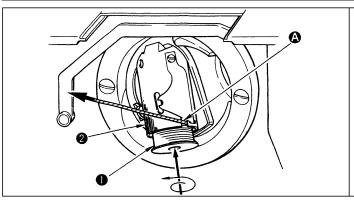
  To increase the amount, turn counterclockwise.
- 3. After adjusting the amount of thread has been completed, tighten the nut to secure firmly.
- ★ If bobbin thread is wound unevenly, move the bobbin winder thread guide forward and backward so that thread can be wound evenly.

# 12. HOW TO INSTALL THE NEEDLE



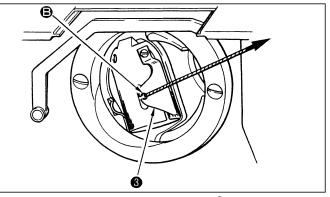
#### **WARNING:**

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- 1. After pulling out thread approximately 10cm from bobbin 1, put the bobbin into bobbin case 2.
- Pass the thread through the threading groove in the bobbin case.

(Caution) Fit the bobbin in the bobbin case so that the bobbin turns in the direction of the arrow when the bobbin thread is pulled.



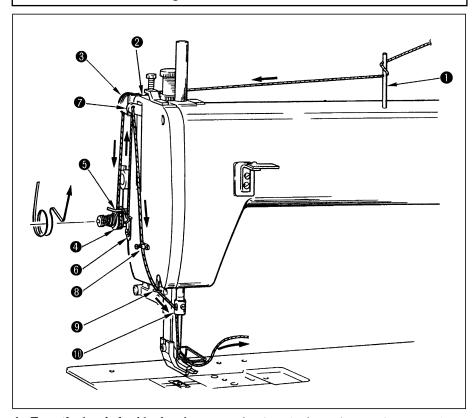
- 3. Pass the thread through thread slit and pull it up. Then the thread can be passed under the thread tension spring and pulled out.
- 4. Push the bobbin case into the original position of holding the bobbin.

# 13. HOW TO THREAD THE MACHINE HEAD



#### **WARNING:**

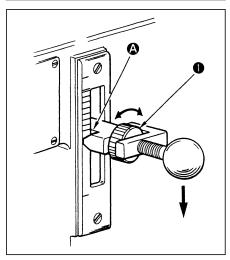
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- 1. Turn the handwheel by hand to move the thread take-up lever to its top position.
- 2. Thread in the order illustrated and thread the needle from the left to the right.
- 3. Pull out the thread, which has been threaded in the needle, approximately 10cm.

(Caution) Thread the right-hand side of section 3 when viewed from the face plate.

# 14. ADJUSTING THE STITCH LENGTH AND REVERSE STITCHING



# **★** Adjusting the stitch length

To adjust the stitch length, use the feed regulator nut 1.

Align the upper end of the feed lever to the scale indicating the desired amount.

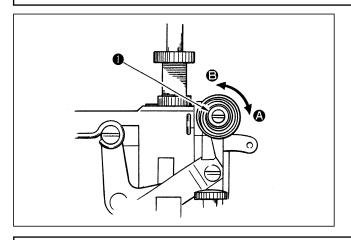
- O To increase the pitch, turn the nut counterclockwise.
  - To decrease the pitch, turn the nut clockwise.
  - (To decrease the stitch length, turn the nut while slightly pushing the feed lever down.)

#### \* Reverse stitching

To carry out reverse stitching, push the feed lever down by hand as far as it will go.

Reverse stitching can be done only when the feed lever is pushed down.

# 15. THREAD TENSION



# \* Adjusting the needle thread tension

Adjust the needle thread tension by thread tension nut 1 .

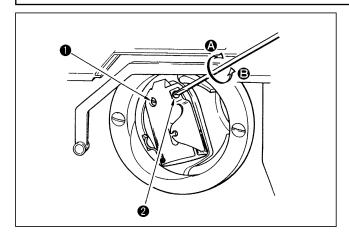
O To increase the needle thread tension, turn the nut to the clockwise (A).

To decrease the needle thread tension, turn the nut to the counterclockwise (B).



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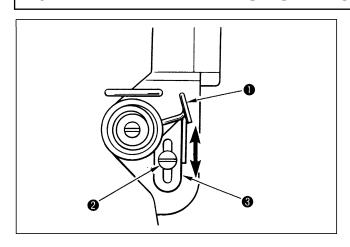
#### \* Adjusting the bobbin thread tension

To adjust the bobbin thread tension

- 1. Loosen screw 1.
- 2. Adjust the bobbin thread tension by turning screw 2.
- O To increase the bobbin thread tension, turn the screw to the clockwise (4).

  To decrease the bobbin thread tension, turn the screw to the counterclockwise (5).
- 3. After the bobbin thread tension has been adjusted, tighten screw firmly.

# 16. THE THREAD TAKE-UP SPRING

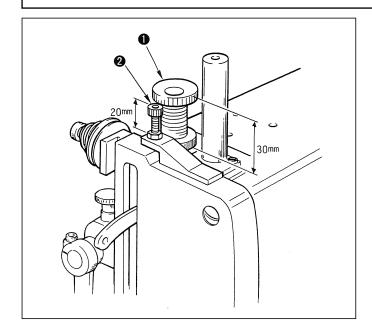


The standard stroke of thread take-up spring is 8 to 15 mm.

To adjust the operating range;

- 1. Loosen screw 2.
- 2. Adjust the operating range by moving thread the take-up spring adjusting plate 3 up and down.
- 3. After adjustment has been completed, tighten screw 2 firmly.

# 17. ADJUSTING THE PRESSER FOOT PRESSURE



The standard height of presser spring regulator ① is 30 mm, and the standard height of walking foot spring regulator ② is 20 mm.

The presser foot pressure for the presser foot and walking foot can be adjusted according to the material to be sewn.

To adjust the presser foot pressure

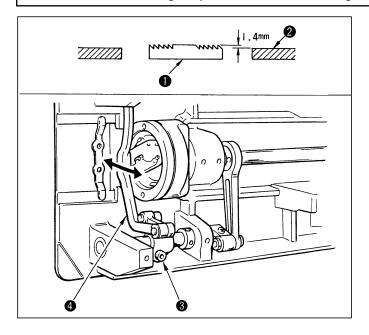
- 1. Loosen the presser spring regulator nut.
- Turn the presser spring regulator clockwise to increase the pressure of the presser foot, or counterclockwise to decrease it.
- 3. After adjustment has been completed, turn the nut firmly, making sure to keep it securely in place.
- \* Use a minimum amount of required pressure.

# 18. ADJUSTING THE HEIGHT OF THE FEED DOG



#### **WARNING:**

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The advance amount of the feed dog from throat plate has already been adjusted to 1.4 mm.

To adjust the height of the feed dog according to the sewing condition;

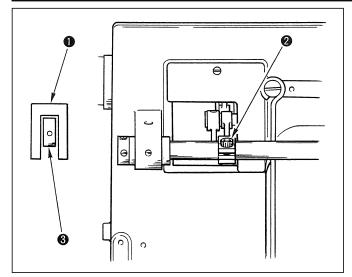
- 1. Loosen screw 3
- 2. Adjust the height by moving feed bar 4 up and down.
- 3. After adjustment has been completed, tighten screw firmly.

# 19. ADJUSTING THE WALKING FOOT AND PRESSER FOOT



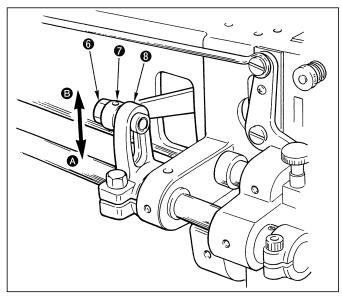
#### **WARNING:**

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# ★ Adjusting the front and rear position of the walking foot

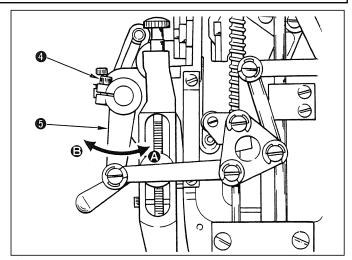
- 1. With the stitch length set to its maximum length, turn the handwheel. When the walking foot 1 advances to its advance end position, loosen screw 2.
- 2. Move the walking foot to the position where it will not come in contact with the rear face of the presser foot 3.
- 3. Tighten screw 2 firmly.



# ★ Operating height of the walking foot and presser foot

The standard operating height has been adjusted to a minimum. Changing the operating height according to the material to be sewn will enable the machine to sew more effectively.

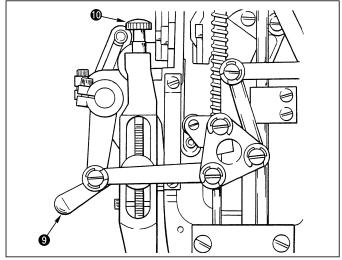
- 1. Loosen hinge screw 6.
- 2. Secure the walking foot rod 7 to the lower area A of the slot in the walking foot arm (rear) 8.
  - → Operating height: 8 mm maximum Secure to upper area **B**.
    - → Operating height: 4 mm minimum
- After adjustment has been completed, tighten hinge screw
   firmly.



## ★ The amount of alternating vertical movement of the walking foot and presser foot

Vertical movement of the walking foot and that of the presser foot are actuated alternately. For standard adjustment, the amount of vertical movement of the walking foot should be equal with that of the presser foot. However, the amount vertical movement of the presser foot is desired to be slightly decreased in accordance with the type of material to be sewn. This may result in better-finished products.

- 1. Move the needle bar to its bottom position and lower the presser foot.
- 2. Loosen screw 4.
- 3. Move the walking foot arm (front) **5** to the right **A**. The amount of movement of the presser foot will be decreased. Move the walking foot arm (front) **5** to the left **B**, to decrease the moving amount of the intermediate presser.
- 4. After adjustment has been completed, tighten firmly screw 4.



# ★ Adjusting the feed amount of the walking foot

The ratio of the top feed amount to the bottom feed amount has been adjusted to 1:1, however, the top feed amount can be changed against the bottom feed amount depending on the sewing condition.

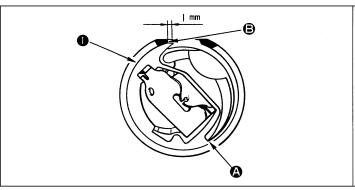
- 1. Loosen the walking foot adjusting lever **9**.
- To decrease the top feed amount, turn the walking foot regulator ① clockwise, and to increase, turn it counterclockwise.
- 3. After adjustment has been completed, tighten the walking foot adjusting lever **9**.

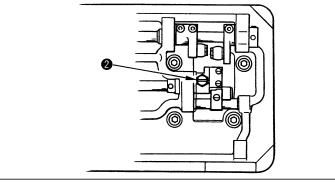
# 20. ADJUSTING THE NEEDLE-TO-SHUTTLE RELATIONSHIP



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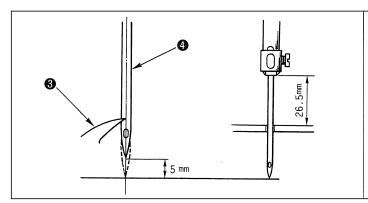


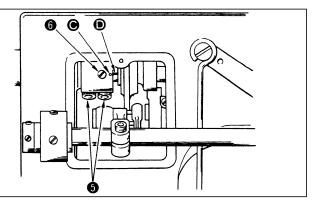
\* The position of the shuttle when it is recessed most.

When shuttle 1 turns counterclockwise until it will go no further and the shuttle and the shuttle race come in contact with each other at point (A), a distance of 1 mm should be provided between the blade point of the shuttle and end face (B) of the shuttle race.

To adjust the position of the shuttle being pulled:

- 1. Turn the handwheel and stop turning when the shuttle turns counterclockwise until it will go no further.
- 2. Loosen screw 2.
- 3. Align the blade point of the shuttle by turning the shuttle by hand.
- 4. After adjustment has been completed, tighten screw firmly.





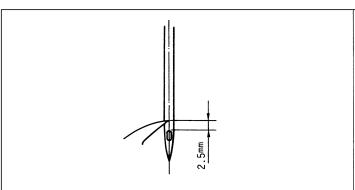
#### ★ Positioning the needle and shuttle

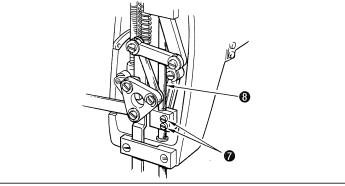
Turn the handwheel to make the needle bar ascend 5 mm from its lowest position. At this time, blade point 3 of the shuttle should be aligned with the center of needle 4. (Reference value of the lowest position of the needle bar stroke)

The distance from the upper surface of the throat plate to the lower end of the needle bar should be 26.5 mm.

To adjust the position of the needle and shuttle

- 1. Loosen screw (B) 6.
- 2. Loosen screw (A) 6, and adjust so that marker dot engraved on the eccentric cam of the vertical rod is aligned with marker line engraved on the main shaft. Then, tighten screw 6.
- 3. Turn the handwheel toward you, and check the lifting amount of the needle bar.
- 4. After the adjustment, securely tighten screws 6 and 6.

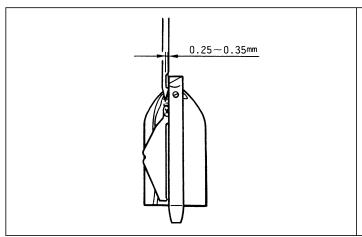




## ★ The height of the needle bar

The correct height is that the distance from the blade point of the shuttle to the upper end of the needle eyelet is 2.5 mm when the blade point of the shuttle is aligned with the center of the needle. To adjust the height of the needle bar:

- 1. Turn the handwheel and stop turning it when the blade point of the shuttle is aligned with the center of needle.
- 2. Loosen screws 7.
- 3. Adjust the height by moving needle bar **3** up and down.
- 4. After adjustment has been completed, firmly tighten screws

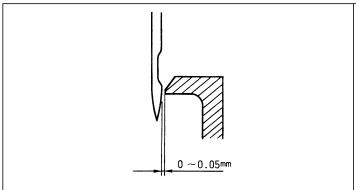


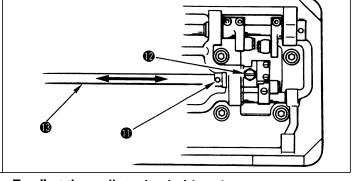
# To adjust the needle-to-shuttle clearance:

★ The needle-to-shuttle clearance The clearance between the recess in the needle and the blade point of the shuttle has already been adjusted to  $0.25 \sim$ 0.35 mm.

Loosen screw ①.
 Adjust the clearance by moving shuttle driving shaft bushing, front ① to the left and right.

3. After adjustment has been completed, firmly tighten screw

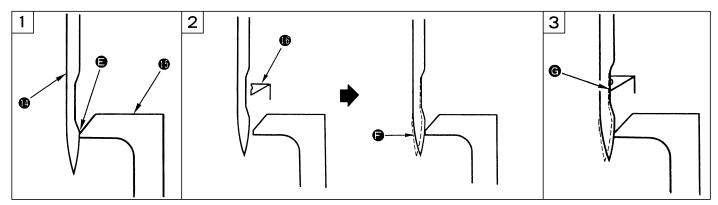




★ Clearance between the needle and the shuttle driver The clearance between the needle and the needle guide of the shuttle driver has already been adjusted to the range of 0 through 0.05 mm.

## To adjust the needle-to-shuttle driver clearance:

- 1. Loosen two screws and screw
- 2. Adjust clearance by moving the shuttle driving shaft to the left and right.
- 3. After adjustment has been completed, secure the shuttle driving shaft thrust collar and the small pendulum, marking sure there is no axial play of the shuttle driving shaft.



[The standard for adjusting the clearance between the needle and the blade point of the shuttle] Use a standard Schmetz 794-Nm230 needle.

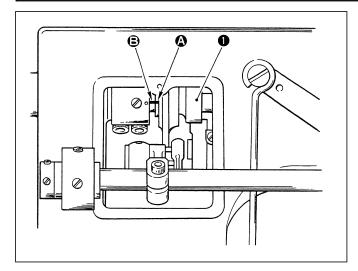
- 1. Adjust the clearance (a) between the convex section of needle (b) and shuttle driver (b) to 0.
- 2. Align the needle center with the blade point of shuttle and press the section of the needle against the shuttle driver.
- 3. Adjust the clearance (3) to a minimum, with the needle pressed against the shuttle driver, making sure that the needle does not contact the blade point of the shuttle.
- \* By this adjustment the needle-to-shuttle blade point clearance will be  $0.25 \sim 0.35$  mm.

# 21. THE FEED DOG-TO-NEEDLE RELATIONSHIP



#### **WARNING:**

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The standard timing is that when the needle bar starts moving from the upper dead point, the feed dog starts feeding simultaneously.

### **★** To adjust the timing:

- 1. Loosen the two screws for the feed eccentric cam ①.
- 2. The standard timing is acquired by aligning the engraved marker line **(A)** in the feed eccentric cam side plate with the engraved marker line **(B)** in the main shaft.
- 3. After adjusting the timing has been completed, firmly tighten the two screws for the feed eccentric cam.

# 22. MOTOR PULLEY AND SEWING SPEED

Use an M type V-belt.

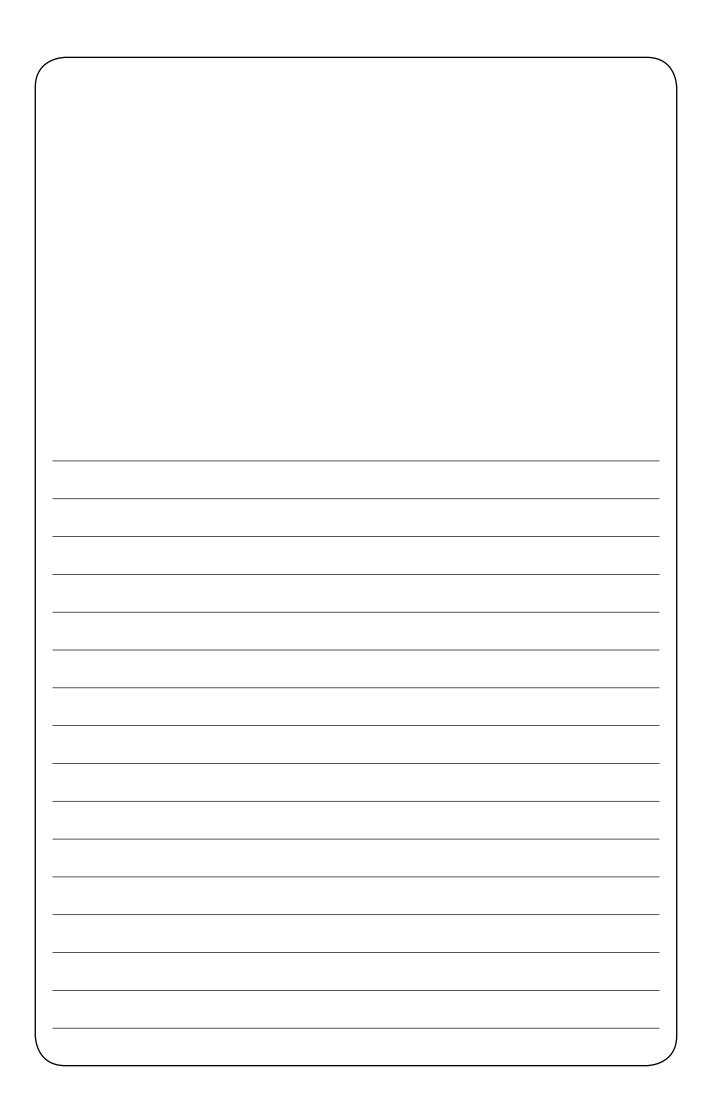
The relation among the motor pulley, the sewing speed of sewing machine is as shown in the table below:

	Model	Sewing speed	Effective diameter of handwheel	Number of poles of motor	Frequency.	Number of revolution of motor	Effective diameter of motor pulley
TU-2	TU-273	600 sti/min	- φ 154	4	50Hz	1,430 rpm	φ 65
					60Hz	1,715 rpm	φ 50
		800 sti/min			50Hz	1,430 rpm	φ 85
					60Hz	1,715 rpm	φ 70

(Caution) The effective diameter of motor pulley is obtained by subtracting 5 mm from its outside diameter.

# 23. PROBLEMS WITH SEWING AND CORRECTIVE MEASURES

Problem	Cause	Corrective measures
1. Thread often breaks or thread splits finely, correct stitch cannot be formed (half-finished stitch)	<ol> <li>Flaw is found out at thread path, needle point, shuttle blade point, or needle eyelet.</li> <li>Improper finish around the recess in the needle.</li> <li>Excessively tightened needle thread tension</li> <li>The needle interferes with the blade point of the shuttle.</li> <li>The timing of the needle and the shuttle is too early or too slow.</li> <li>Due to heat generated by the needle.</li> <li>Excessive height difference at stepped section.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Remove flaw by smoothing flaw with fine paper file.</li> <li>Replace the needle with a new one.</li> <li>Adjust the needle thread tension.</li> <li>Refer to "20. Adjusting the needle-to-shuttle relationship".</li> <li>Refer to "20. Adjusting the needle-to-shuttle relationship".</li> <li>Decrease the sewing speed of the machine. Use silicone oil.</li> <li>Increase the amount of movement of the thread thread take-up spring.</li> </ul>
2. Stitches are frequently skipped	<ol> <li>The needle-to-shuttle blade point clearance is excessive.</li> <li>The timing of the needle and the shuttle is too early or too slow.</li> <li>The presser bar pressure is insufficient.</li> <li>The distance from the upper end of the needle eyelet to the blade point of the shuttle is not proper.</li> <li>The needle is improperly selected.</li> <li>The amount of movement of the thread take-up spring is excessive.</li> <li>Overheated needle or shuttle. Thread is not pulled smoothly.</li> <li>Reverse stitching is made at low speed on light weight material using nylon thread.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Refer to "20. Adjusting the needle-to-shuttle relationship".</li> <li>Refer to "20. Adjusting the needle-to-shuttle relationship".</li> <li>Tighten the presser adjuster screw.</li> <li>Refer to "20. Adjusting the needle-to-shuttle relationship".</li> <li>Replace the needle with a one-count lower needle.</li> <li>Decrease the amount of movement of the thread take-up spring.</li> <li>Use silicone oil.</li> <li>Wind the needle thread around the needle.</li> </ul>
3. Improper thread tension, irregular stitch, excessive bobbin thread tension	<ol> <li>Poor finish of the thread path</li> <li>The bobbin slides unsmoothly.</li> <li>Weak bobbin thread tension.</li> <li>Bobbin thread is wound too tightly.</li> <li>Needle thread flaps. (Needle thread flaps and comes out of the thread tension disc due to excessive needle thread tension or is caught in other parts.)</li> <li>Too thin bobbin thread is used to combine with needle thread.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Smooth the surface with a fine paper file or using a buff.</li> <li>Replace the bobbin or the shuttle.</li> <li>Adjust the bobbin thread tension.</li> <li>Decrease the tension of the bobbin thread winder.</li> <li>Thread the tension guide bar as illustrated right.</li> <li>To the needle thread tensioner</li> <li>Use silicone oil.</li> </ul>
4. Poor gloss of the needle thread	1 Excessive height difference at stepped section.	O Use silicone oil.
5. Inconsistently finished seam (stitches are not made straight but made surch as "\equiv ")	1 Needle is too thick.	○ Replace the needle with a thinner one.  Use cutting point needle
6. Bobbin thread tension cannot be increased.	1 The bobbin thread tension spring of the shuttle has become dusty or dirty.	<ul> <li>Clean by removing the bobbin thread tension spring.</li> </ul>
7. The belt slips (If an electro-stop motor is used, motor stoppage occurs.)	<ul><li>1 The V belt is degraded.</li><li>2 The V belt tension is not enough.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>When degradation is found out to the V belt, such as wear, cracking, etc., replace with a new one.</li> <li>Refer to "4. Adjusting the belt tension".</li> </ul>





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