MODEL 1118-3

BLINDSTITCH

INSTRUCTIONS

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PARTS LIST
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STANDARD SIZE NEEDLES

#10  Fine knit rayon
#15  Fine knit wear
#20  Fine knit jersey
#25  Dresses and light fabrics
#30  For sportswear
#35  For heavy, hard material and coats
#40  For extra hard material

MOUNTING MACHINE

1. Fasten machine to table using felt pad. Tighten screws evenly, turning each a little at a time.
   
a. When an individual motor and clutch unit is employed, it is recommended that the motor be rated at 1/2 HP and 1725/1750 RPM. On all standard models, use a 3/8” outside diameter pulley. On models intended for alteration, use a 2/4” outside diameter pulley.
   
b. When the machine is mounted on a power table, a 4” pulley should be used. If possible, when using such stands, the machine should be mounted TO AVOID CROSSING THE BELT.
   
c. The maximum machine speed recommended for any installation is 3000 RPM, unless otherwise specified.

2. The handwheel’s direction of rotation is away from the operator. It rotates in a clockwise direction when looking at the face of the wheel pulley, as shown by the arrow.

3. Either V-belt or round leather belting may be used. Excessive tension of belt will cause over-heating and freezing of bearing at handwheel.

CAUTION: BEFORE OPERATING MACHINE, LUBRICATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS. REFER TO OIL CHART.

1. Place a few drops of oil at all points shown on the oiling chart. All moving parts MUST be oiled.

2. In production use, the machine should be oiled twice daily.
KNEE LIFTER ADJUSTMENT

To adjust Knee Lifter (A), loosen Lift Arm Screws (B) and bring Knee Lifter into position most comfortable for operator. Tighten Screws (B) securely.

This adjustment may require readjusting tension spring.

To adjust tension of spring on Knee Lifter, loosen Collar Screws (C) and wind spring by placing side blade of screw driver in Collar slots (D). Wind tight enough until Knee Lifter (A) swings towards the operator, then tighten Collar Screws securely.

"S" Hook (E) must always have slack between Feed Frame and Lift Arm (F). To do this, first loosen Lock Nut (H) and turn Adjusting Screw (G) left or right until "S" Hook is FREE of Feed Frame and Lift Arm. Hold Screw in place and tighten Lock Nut (H).

THREADING CHART

1. Use any type thread which is suitable for the fabric being sewn. This includes mercerized, 00, silk and synthetic threads.

2. The thread is passed through rear thread guide (A) then slides between two tension discs (B) through (C) through front thread guide (D) . . . then down through needle clamp hole (E) . . . and entering from the underside of needle hole (F).

3. Leave thread about 2 to 3 inches past needle hole.

THREADING NEEDLE

1. To thread needle at point (F)
   a. Swing work plate out of way
   b. Depress cylinder out of way with knee lifter
   c. Hold thread between index finger and thumb
   d. End of thread must be stub not feather edge.
ADJUSTING RIB TO NEEDLE

THE MACHINE SHOULD BE CHECKED TO INSURE CORRECT NEEDLE SETTING TO PREVENT DAMAGE TO NEEDLES.

1. Press knee lifter to depress feed frame.
2. Turn hand wheel CLOCKWISE until eye of needle is at slot in presser foot shoe (Fig. 1).
3. Slowly release knee lifter. The rib should JUST TOUCH THE NEEDLE (Fig. 2).
4. If rib is pressing up against needle (Fig. 3), turn dial toward "LESS" until rib just touches needle.
5. If rib is away from needle (Fig. 4), turn dial toward "MORE" until rib just touches needle.
6. When needle just touches rib (Fig. 2), machine is set to test.
7. To test machine, when ratio is set 2 to 1 ratio—take single layer of material, place in machine and turn machine by hand. If machine catches once, then does not catch on next stroke, machine is ready to work.
8. Keep dialing "MORE" or "LESS" until above results are obtained on silk or any thin goods.
9. On heavy goods, it should catch on each stroke of needle.
10. You are now ready to thread machine. Refer to threading instructions.

TO CHANGE STITCH RATIO, DEPRESS KNEE LIFTER AND MOVE LEVER TO DESIRED STITCH RATIO

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IMPORTANT:

Place a piece of thin sample material in machine. Set stitch ratio on 2-to-1. Turn hand wheel clockwise by hand so that needle catches on one stroke and skips a stitch on second stroke.

ON THE SKIP STROKE, stop when the eye of the needle is at the rib (Fig. 1). At this point, the gap between the Compensating Skip Stitch Screw (Fig. 5, A) and the Push Rod (B) should be .018 (C). (In the absence of a gauge, .018 is about 5 times the thickness of average letterhead paper.) This adjustment is made by loosening Lock Nut (F), adjusting screw (A) so gap at (C) is .018. Keep screw in place with screwdriver and secure Lock Nut.

Once this is done, a similar adjustment on Feed Frame Limit Safety Screw (E) should be made. Loosen Lock Nut (D), adjust Safety Screw (E) so that gap (G) between Screw (E) and Main Frame of machine is .018. Hold Screw in place with screwdriver and secure Lock Nut. THIS ADJUSTMENT IS TO PREVENT OPERATOR FROM MISTAKENLY ADJUSTING RIB TOO HIGH WITH "MORE/LESS" DIAL CAUSING NEEDLE TO STRIKE RIB AND BREAK.
TESTING NEEDLE

IMPORTANT: First test needle to make sure there is no bur or it is not bent. To check for bur, rub fingernail across point. If needle is bent, it will not rest firmly on needle guide Fig. 6. (F)

CHANGING NEEDLE

TO REMOVE
1. Loosen screw (A) about 2 1/2 turns until Needle Clamp (B) is loosened from Needle Lever (C) and Needle is free. (Fig. 1)
2. Hold Needle with left hand thumb and index finger, remove by moving away from you and to the left (Fig. 1). It should come out effortlessly. DO NOT FORCE.

INSERTING NEW NEEDLE
1. Place good new needle in groove of presserfoot and hold in place with right index finger (Fig. 2). With tilting motion of right thumb (Fig. 3), tilt shank of needle to right in between Needle Clamp (B) and Needle Lever (C) and into groove of Needle Lever.
2. With left index finger and thumb (Fig. 4), bring Needle Clamp and Lever together making sure Needle is setting in Needle Lever Groove. While holding together with left hand, draw needle up as high as possible with right hand. Then with right hand, tighten screw (A) with screw driver.
3. Hold Needle at point (D) (Fig. 5) with left thumb and index finger, loosen screw (A) a quarter turn, then push Needle all the way up the Needle Lever (DO NOT FORCE) and secure screw (A) firmly.
4. EYE of Needle should be at point (E) (Fig. 6) when Needle Lever (C) is at its highest point.
HOW TO SEW

1. Turn hand wheel slowly clockwise until needle reaches high point (A).

2. With hands 12 inches or so apart (Fig. 1) hold hem firmly. Depress knee lifter, place hem in machine parallel with, and up under presser foot (D).

3. Place edge of hem in slot of shoe (B) and at edge of gauge (C).

4. Start sewing. IMPORTANT: Keep edge of hem lightly, but firmly against gauge, keep material parallel to gauge by KEEPING EYES ON GAUGE ONLY ... NOT ON NEEDLE OR SEWING.

5. To remove ... make sure needle is again at high point. Depress knee lifter and pull work AWAY FROM YOU, straight back to break thread.

IMPORTANT—DO NOT TUG MATERIAL BACK AND FORTH OR IT WILL UNRAVEL THE STITCH.

START SEWING

1. On thin goods or ribbon cloth guide Fig. 1,(C), should be set almost at extreme right side of machine and should obtain results shown in Fig. 2.(F).

2. For heavier goods, bring cloth guide to the left as necessary.

3. Do not pull material to help feeding, do not hold material back, just hold firm but lightly.

4. To remove finished work, MAKE SURE NEEDLE IS AT HIGH POINT FREE OF GARMENT.

TENSION

If material puckers, loosen tension.

If thread is loose, make sure thread is between tension, discs then tighten accordingly. Do not hesitate to turn tension nut several times as needed.

On thin goods, a light tension is required. On heavier goods, a tighter tension is necessary.

IMPORTANT: Unlike a regular machine, this machine requires very little tension.

UNRAVELING STITCH

To unravel the stitching, turn hand wheel CLOCK-WISE to high point of needle. Continue clockwise until thread is off looper. Then COUNTERCLOCK-WISE to threading position.

Depress knee lifter and remove garment ... thread will unravel.

To unravel stitch on finished garment, start where stitching finished, break straight thread and unravel backwards, NOT FROM DIRECTION OF SEWING.

FIG. 1

PROPER STITCHING  (Fig. 2)

F. Proper stitching.

G. Material running off. Bring gauge over a little to left.

H. Gauge too far to left. Move gauge over to right.

I. If catching each time on light fabric, turn dial to "LESS" until it looks like J.

J. Catches on thin fabric every other time. (Provided needle is good.)
PROPER SETTING FOR RIB CONNECTION

Turn Handwheel clockwise until Needle is on the DOWN stroke. When Needle reaches right hand edge of Needle Guide “A” (Fig. 1), Rib “B” should STOP and SHOULD NOT MOVE UNTIL NEEDLE POINT PASSES OVER RIB TO OTHER SIDE OF PRESSERFOOT OPENING “C”.

If Rib does move, make the following adjustment: First loosen Screw “A” (Fig. 2). Bring Needle Point back to right hand edge of Needle Guide. Then loosen screw “B”, keeping screwdriver in place. Move Cam forward or backward until Rib is at the STOP position, holding Needle in Position with handwheel while performing this operation. Tighten Screw “B”. Test accuracy of adjustment by repeating operation outlined in first paragraph. If still not correct, readjust by loosening screw “B” again, change angle of Cam slightly forward or backward as needed and retighten Screw “B”. When adjusted satisfactorily, be sure to TIGHTEN BOTH SCREWS “A” & “B” before putting machine into operation.

TO SET RIB SHAFT

When needle is in same position as in Fig. 1, loosen Screw in Fig. 3, and turn Rib to desired position. Secure Screw. (See page 9 for closer detail of Rib Shaft if needed.)

NEEDLE STROKE

Turn Handwheel clockwise, bringing Needle to end of stroke at the right side. At this point, the Needle tip should be 5/8” to 11/16” from the right side of Presserfoot opening (Fig. 4). To attain this, loosen Eccentric Ball Screw (Fig. 5) and turn Eccentric Ball until Needle reaches desired position.

REGULATING LENGTH OF STITCH

Loosen Screw (Fig. 5) in Stitch Regulating Collar and turn until desired number is by
Indicator Notch in The larger the number by the notch, the longer the stitch. The smaller the number by the notch, the shorter the stitch. WHEN MAKING STITCH LONGER OR SHORTER, CHECK FEEDER WITH LOOPER AND PRESSERFOOT AS IT CHANGES POSITION OF FEEDER WHEN CHANGING LENGTH OF STITCH.
ADJUSTING LOOPER

1. (FIG. 1) Loosen screw (A) to take out Looper (B) —

2. To put Looper in, be sure you put Looper in until shoulder of Looper touches shoulder of Looper Rod (C) at point (D).

3. (FIG. 2) Turn Handwheel by hand, carefully and slowly. Looper must clear the Chain-Off Pin (E) and clear needle, being just above the needle about the thickness of a sheet of paper at point (G). The long prong of the Looper should be about 3/32” from the needle when needle is at the limit of stroke.

4. Should Looper touch needle or Presser Foot at point (G), loosen screws (H) and use wide blade of screwdriver in slot of Eccentric Block at (J). If Looper is hitting needle, turn Eccentric Block clockwise. If Looper is too far above needle, turn Eccentric Block counterclockwise.

5. (FIG. 3) If Looper touches Presser Foot or needle at point (K) and upper part (long prong) of Looper at point (L), turn Eccentric Block clockwise.

6. (FIG. 3 & FIG. 1) Should Looper be touching at point (K) and needle touching short prong of Looper at point (L), then you must loosen nut (M) and screws (N). Then turn Looper Rod at point (C) downwards, which will clear the short prong of your Looper at point (L) and raise the Looper at point (K).

7. (FIG. 2 & FIG. 3) By turning Eccentric Block (J) clockwise or counterclockwise, it will raise or lower your Looper at points (K) and (L).

With ECCENTRIC BLOCK, you RAISE or LOWER Looper on BOTH SIDES.

TURNING LOOPER ROD, you RAISE one side and you LOWER the other side.

8. (FIG. 3 & FIG. 2) For Looper To clear Chain-Off Pin (Q) and Presser Foot at (R), Eccentric Block (J) can be moved from left to right by loosening screws (H). This will give you the desired clearance.

9. (FIG. 1 & FIG. 2) If this is necessary, be sure that Looper Rod Carrier Pin (S) is flush against Looper Rod Carrier (T) and does not have any play left or right. Secure by re-tightening screws (H).


11. (FIG. 5) Feeder should be below Presser Foot a maximum of 3/32” at point (W) and a hair less at point (X).

   (FIG. 4) BE SURE LOOPER CLEARS FEEDER AT POINT (Y).

BE DOUBLY SURE FEEDER SCREWS (Z) ARE SECURED FIRMLY.
### FEED FRAME

#### GROUP 1
- BS1030  Screw - Window plate
- BS1069  Set screw - platten bracket pivot stud
- BS1087  Rib shaft bushing - left
- BS1088  Rib shaft bushing - right
- BS1104  Screw - feed frame limit
- BS1146  Nut - feed frame limit screw lock
- BS1159  Screw - spring link lock
- BS1205  Window plate

#### GROUP 2
- BS1028  Spring washer - skip regulating lever stud
- BS1029  Nut - skip stitch compensating
- BS1105  Screw - skip stitch compensating
- BS1202  Skip regulating
- BS1203  Stud - skip regulating lever
- BS1332  Screw - skip regulating lever stud lock

#### GROUP 3
- BS1076  Screw - rib shaft collar - clamp
- BS1076  Screw - rib shaft collar - clamp
- BS1117  Screw - rib shaft crank - clamp
- BS1161  Rib shaft collar - left
- BS1162  Rib shaft collar - right
- BS1163  Crank - rib shaft
- BS1164  Stud - rib shaft crank
- BS6010  Rib shaft

#### GROUP 4
- BS1021  Spacer - platten bracket
- BS1055  Stop post
- BS1056  Spring post
- BS1132  Screw - platten bracket limit
- BS1166  Stud - platten bracket pivot
- BS1167  Nut - platten to bracket attaching screw
- BS1172  Spring - platten bracket
- BS1244  Screw - platten to bracket - attaching
- BS1262  Nut - platten bracket limit screw-lock
- BS2409  Platten - right
- BS2410  Platten - left
- BS2455  Platten bracket - left
- BS2456  Platten bracket - right

#### GROUP 5
- BS1101  Screw - cylinder cover
- BS1212  Cylinder cover

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![Diagram of feed frame components](image)
FRONT PLATE GROUP AND SUPPORT BRACKETS

- BS1051 Screw - pivot pin-lock
- BS1225 Pin - swing plate pivot
- BS1226 Collar - swing plate pivot pin
- BS1048 Retaining ring - swing plate pivot pin
- BS1049 Set screw - swing plate pivot pin collar
- BS1051 Screw - swing plate pivot pin-lock
- BS1053 Washer - stop plate screw
- BS1103 Stop plate screw
- BS1230 Washer (flat) - swing plate support bracket screw
- BS1229 Washer (lock) - swing plate support bracket screw
- BS1103 Screw - swing plate support bracket
- BS1230 Bracket - swing plate support - support
- BS1051 Screw - pivot pin-lock
- BS1200 Swing plate
- BS5180 Complete plate and bracket assembly
**LOOPER ROD FORK SLEEVE ASSEMBLY — BST5006**

**GROUP 1**
- BST5006 Looper rod fork and sleeve assembly
- BS1154 Looper rod fork and sleeve assembly
- BS1155A Looper rod sleeve
- BS1155 Pin - fork and sleeve
- BS1094 Set screw - fork and sleeve
- BS1123 Stud - looper rod sleeve
- BS1145 Collar - sleeve stud
- BS1076 Screw - stud collar
- BS1077 Screw - looper rod fork-clamp

**GROUP 2**
- BST5008 Looper rod and carrier complete
- BS5017 Looper rod carrier
- BS1148 Looper rod ball
- BS1098 Set screw - looper rod ball
- BS1147 Looper rod
- BS1151 Nut - looper rod-lock
- BS1156 Screw - looper clamp
- BS1072 Screw - looper rod carrier-clamp

**GROUP 3**
- BS1149 Stud - looper rod carrier
- BS1150 Eccentric block
- BS2200 Looper

**NEEDLE DRIVE GROUP**
- BS5021 Needle lever
- BS1097 Screw - needle lever clamp
- BS1137 Needle clamp
- BS1076 Screw - needle clamp

- BS1095 Needle shaft
- BS1118 Screw - eccentric ball clamp
- BS1135 Collar - Needle shaft
- BS1094 Set screw - needle shaft collar
GROUP 1
BS1060R Knee lifter rod shaft
BS5060 Lift arm
BS1120R Screw - lift arm clamp
BS1008 Nut - lift arm adjusting screw-lock
BS1035 Screw - lift arm adjustment
BS1061 Spring - knee lifter rod-return
BS1059 Collar - knee lifter rod
BS1036 Set screw - knee lifter rod collar
BS1334 Feed frame "s" hook
BS1060C Knee lifter rod sleeve
BS1060D Knee lifter rod sleeve screws

GROUP 2
BS1060B Knee lifter rod
BS1208 Knee pad
BS1037 Knee pad screw

GROUP 3
BS5020 Spring link assembly
BS1191 Main spring
BS1177 Screw - main spring link
BS1184 Nut - Main spring adjusting
BS1169 Nut - Spring link assembly-retaining

GROUP 3
SPRING LINK GROUP
FEED FRAME
BS1169

GROUP 2
KNEE LIFTER GROUP
BS1060B
BS1060C
BS1060D
BS1059
BS1035
BS1008
BS1120
BS1342
BS1061
BS5060

BS1184
BS1177
BS1191
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