MITSUBISHI
Industrial Sewing Machine
TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Automatic Undertrimmer, Single-Needle Lookstitch
Model LS2-1180
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2. THREAD TRIMMER SYSTEM

2.1 Electric Section

Part Names

1. Sewing machine
2. Touch switch
3. Back solenoid
4. Balance wheel
5. Synchronizer
6. Thread trimmer solenoid
7. Wiper solenoid
8. Motor
9. Drive pulley
10. Machine cord plug
11. Control box
12. Operation box cord plug
13. Detector cord plug
14. Pedal
15. POWER ON/OFF pushbutton
16. Operation box
2.2 Machine Head Section (1)

Thread trimming mechanism

Part Names

1. Thread tension release  
2. Flexible wire  
3. Needle bar connecting link guide  
4. Pedestal  
5. Movable knife (left)  
6. Fixed blade  
7. Knife driving crank  
8. Cam follower crank (1)  
9. Cam follower crank (2)  
10. Stopper  
11. Fixed blade bracket  
12. Link  
13. Knife base (left)  
14. Knife driving shaft  
15. Coil spring  
16. Driving lever  
17. Thread trimmer solenoid

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2.3 Machine Head Section (2)

Touch back mechanism

Part Names

1. Cover
2. Switch
3. Wiper solenoid
4. Coil spring
5. Link
6. Wiper bracket
7. Pin
8. Wiper
9. Switch bracket
10. Micro switch
11. Pushbutton
12. Back solenoid
13. Side cover
14. Plunger
15. Link
16. Bushing
17. Feed regulator cam
18. Spring bracket
19. Reverse sewing crank
20. Reverse sewing lever
21. For reverse sewing
22. Spring bracket
23. Solenoid mounting bracket
3. PREPARATIONS BEFORE operation

3.1 Installation of Sewing Machine and Motor

Note: Before plugging or unplugging, be sure to turn off the POWER ON/OFF pushbutton. Pass two cables from the sewing machine through the round hole in the table and connect the two plugs into the respective plug receptacles.
3.2 Adjustment of Machine Stop Position

3.2.1 Adjust of “UP” position

When the pedal is kicked down by heel, the machine stops at “UP” position. If the marks deviate larger than 3 mm adjust as follows.

1. Disconnect the plug (12 pins) of cable from the machine head.

2. Run the machine and stop at “UP” position.

3. While holding the pulley insert the “adjusting tool” in the hole A, then remove the tool.

3.2.2 Adjust of “DOWN” position

When the pedal is Newrtral the machine stops as “DOWN” position. If the marks deviate larger than 3 mm adjust as follows.

1. Disconnect the plug (12 pins) of cable from the machine head.

2. Run the machine and stop at “DOWN” position.

3. While holding the pulley insert the “adjusting tool” in the hole B, then remove the tool.

3.2.3 Confirm the stop operation then the plug (12 pins) coming from the machine head into the receptacle.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

4.1 How to Adjust the Timing between Needle and Hook

The standard timing between needle and hook is following the table.

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<td>Distance between needle and hook point</td>
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<td>Distance between needle point and needle plate setting base, in highest position of needle bar</td>
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<td>18.8</td>
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4.2 Thread Trimmer Mechanism

4.2.1 Construction

- **Fixed blade bracket unit**
- **Thread guide**
- **Fixed blade**
- **Knife driving crank**
- **Knife driving shaft**
- **Coil spring**
- **Thread trimmer cam**
- **Cam follower crank (1)**
- **Driving lever**
- **Stoper**
- **Thread trimmer solenoid**
- **Flexible wire**
- **Twist spring**

4.2.2 Cautions on adjustment

A hook shaft cam system is utilized for the thread trimmer drive. Therefore, during the adjustment of sewing machine, if the sewing machine is rotated one turn with the thread trimmer solenoid in the operating state (the roller of cam follower crank (2) is engaged with the thread trimmer cam), the movable knife makes contact with the needle, resulting in damage. Be sure to bring the solenoid into the operating state only during a normal thread trimming cycle (Needle DOWN position to UP position).

4.2.3 Installation of knife base and fixed blade bracket unit

4.2.3.1 Knife base unit

(1) As shown in Fig. 3, fit the knife base unit to the hook shaft bushing (left) and fix with the screws A.

![Fig. 3](image1)

4.2.3.2 Fixed blade bracket unit

(1) As shown in Fig. 4, install the fixed blade bracket unit with the hook positioner dismounted, and then fix with the screws A.

![Fig. 4](image2)
4.2.3.3 Relation between fixed blade and movable knife (left) edge

(1) Fig. 5 shows the standard state.

(2) If the dimension indicated in Fig. 5 is too large, three-thread breakage will occur, leading to needle thread cast-off, etc. after the thread trimming. Reversely, if the dimension is too small, thread trimming error may result. Therefore, caution must be exercised.

(3) Make the adjustment in (2) in the installation procedure of fixed blade bracket unit or in the installation procedure of fixed blade.

4.2.4 Connection of knife base and knife driving crank

(1) Make connection as shown in Fig. 6. At this time, use care for the position of link depends on the sewing machine model.

4.2.5 Knife driving shaft and related parts

(1) Fig. 7 shows the standard setting position.

(2) During assembling, be sure to pass the knife driving shaft through the knife driving crank first.

(3) Fix the cam follower crank (1) to the recess of knife driving shaft at the position shown in Fig. 7.

(4) Fix the stopper to the recess so that the knife driving shaft can rotate smoothly without play in the axial direction.
4.2.6 Installation of thread trimmer solenoid unit

(1) Operation stroke of thread trimmer solenoid
   ① Standard operation stroke is 6.0 mm.
   ② Adjust the operation stroke by use of the nut A.

(2) Installation of unit
   ① Install the unit with the screws B and C shown in Fig. 8.
   ② Install the unit so that approximately 1 mm is provided between the driving lever and cam follower crank (2) with the stopper nut A in contact with the solenoid.
   ③ When the solenoid is energized under this condition, clearance of 0.5 mm is provided between the cam follower cranks (1) and (2) as shown in Fig. 9. This is the standard installation status. Make adjustment by moving the solenoid mounting bracket in the arrow direction in Fig. 8

4.2.7 Installation of thread trimmer cam

(1) Align the second timing mark A on the pulley with the matching mark on the arm.

(2) Set the thread trimmer solenoid to the operation state and turn the thread trimmer cam forward. At the point where the cam makes contact with the roller, fix the cam.

(3) When the operation of thread trimmer solenoid has been reset and the cam follower crank (2) has returned, the standard clearance between the cam and roller end is 0.5 to 1.0 mm.
Note: The standard position of cam follower crank (2) prior to the operation is shown in Fig. 11. When this position has been changed, for example, by removing the stopper plate, make adjustment with the adjust screw (Fig. 7) and then make adjustment in (1) to (3).

4.2.8 Adjustment of knife engagement

(1) Positions of movable knife (left) and fixed blade

① Fig. 12 shows the standard state.

(2) Adjustment of knife engagement amount

① Set the solenoid to the operation state and rotate the sewing machine. Then, the movable knife (left) is rotated by the thread trimmer cam. When the movable knife (left) has moved to the maximum, the standard engagement amount is 1.5 to 2.0 mm. See Fig. 13.

② Make adjustment by the installation of knife driving crank.

(3) Adjustment of knife engagement pressure

① The standard knife engaging pressure is obtained when the movable knife (left) and fixed blade start making contact with each other at the position shown in Fig. 14.

② When cutting action is poor especially because of thick thread, a slight increase of the engagement pressure produces an effect.

③ To adjust the engagement pressure, loosen the lock nut ⑧ in Fig. 11 and adjust with the adjust screw ④.
4.2.9 Adjustment of needle thread tension releasing amount

(1) Make adjustment so that when the thread trimmer solenoid is operated, the tension discs of thread tension regulator open approximately 1 mm.

(2) To make adjustment, loosen the nuts A and move the flexible wire.

**CAUTION**

If the opening of tension discs is too small, the needle thread will be trimmed at short length, leading to needle thread cast-off. Reversely, if the opening of tension discs is too large, the tension discs are left opened continuously, leading to loose stitches.

4.3 Adjustment of Needle Thread Remaining Length

(1) Adjust the remaining length of needle thread by use of the pretension adjust nut A. Clockwise turn reduces the remaining length. Counterclockwise turn increases the length.

4.4 Cautions on Installation of Touch-Back Solenoid

Adjust the position of solenoid in the longitudinal direction so that the plunger of solenoid and the link (for connection) are not twisted, and make sure that the reverse sewing lever moves smoothly in the vertical direction. After that, tighten the mounting screws. See Fig. 17.

4.5 Touch-Back Pushbutton

The function of pushbutton can be eliminated as required.

(1) Normally, this pushbutton is used at the position shown in Fig. 18. When the sewing machine is operated after the pushbutton is pressed, reverse stitching is performed.

(2) When the pushbutton is moved to the position indicated by the broken line in Fig. 18, the switch does not function even if it is pressed.
4.6 Wiper

4.6.1 Height of wiper

(1) The standard height of wiper is 2 mm below the tip of needle which is stopped at the UP position.

(2) Make adjustment after loosening the screw A.

4.6.2 Wiper operation position

(1) The standard operation position of wiper is 0 to 2 mm from the center of needle when the plunger of wiper solenoid is fully pushed (when the solenoid is energized).

(2) To make adjustment, loosen the screws B and C and then adjust the mounting position of solenoid unit.

4.7 Adjustment of Forward and Reverse Stitch Lengths

(1) Loosen the screw A and make adjustment by turning the eccentric shaft B. Clockwise turn reduces the forward stitch length and increases the reverse stitch length. Counterclockwise turn increases the forward stitch length and decreases the reverse stitch length.

4.8 Adjustment of Feed Dog Inclination

(1) To adjust the inclination of feed dog, loosen the screw A and turn the eccentric pin B. Clockwise turn sets to downward tilt. Counterclockwise turn sets to upward tilt.
4.9 Timing of Feed

(1) The position for the standard feed timing is where the needle tip is located approximately 3 mm below the top surface of needle plate when the feed dog is sunk by turning the pulley and the teeth of feed dog align with the upper surface of needle plate. See Fig. 22.

(2) Make adjustment by the mounting positions of feed cam.

To install, timing mark on a feed cam is according with oiling hole on a upper shaft, by set screw as shown in Fig. 23.

4.10 Hook, Bobbin Case, and Bobbin

(1) Use the undertrimmer hook which has the bobbin thread guide slit A as shown in Fig. 24.

(2) Use the bobbin case which has idel running prevention spring A at the bottom as shown in Fig. 25.

(3) For the bobbin, use the attached bobbin. The standard bobbin of Model -L sewing machine is made of aluminum. In order to prevent the deformation of bobbin, wind the thread as lightly as possible.
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<td>Knife engaging pressure is too low.</td>
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