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MANUFACTURE DE HAUTE HORLOGERIE

Your watch



“500 FATHOMS GMT”, DATE AND SECONDS,
DECOMPRESSION VALVE, ONE-WAY ROTATING
BEZEL, SELF-WINDING

Calibre 5215, up to 120-hour power reserve.



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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Kindly unscrew the crown (position A) before performing any corrections, and screw it in again once the watch has been adjusted.

The crown has three distinct positions :

Position A, crown in manual-winding position.

Position B, time-zone (GMT) and fast date correction position (only the hour hand turns), enabling adjustment of the time-zone hours and of the date, either forwards or backwards.

Position C, crown pulled out to time-setting position, enabling adjustment of the hours and minutes and automatically stopping the seconds hand.

ONE-WAY ROTATING BEZEL

Use :

Before beginning the dive, turn the bezel to line up the lozenge-shaped marker (◆) with the minute hand. Thanks to this operation, dive times and any other time measurements can be instantly read off on the bezel by referring to the trajectory of the minute hand.

Automatic decompression system :

Your watch is able to resist pressures equivalent to a depth of 1000 metres and is equipped with an automatic decompression system (fixed crown located at 10 o'clock) that requires no adjustment.

NOTA BENE

For the water-resistance guarantee, see pages 2-3.

To change the wristband using the watch holder, see page 30.

DUAL-PURPOSE BLANCPAIN TOOL

- 1) Correction stylus
- 2) Allen key type screwdriver for triple-blade safety folding clasp.

The adjustable tip of your Blancpain tool is initially turned to the “Allen key” side to adjust the triple-blade safety folding clasp (refer to page 28 for wristband adjustment).

This tool also serves as a correction stylus when adjusting the settings on your watch. To do this, slide one finger into the notch and pull until the adjustable tip comes loose. Turn the tip to the “stylus” side and place it back in position with the sphere-shaped end facing the slot. Press it in with a slight rotating movement to secure it.



TRIPLE-BLADE SAFETY FOLDING CLASP

Only Blancpain wristbands specially designed for this folding clasp should be used. For your safety and comfort, we advise you to have your new clasp fitted by an authorised Blancpain retailer. You can always then adjust the length of the wristband yourself using the dedicated Blancpain tool supplied with your watch.



Opening :

To open the clasp, press the side pushers while raising the cover (Fig.1). Pull upwards to open the 2nd blade (Fig. 2).



Fig. 1



Fig. 2

Closing :

Slip the watch on your wrist. Replace the upper (12 o'clock) wristband section in position and press down with your thumb until it closes (Fig. 3). Proceed in the same way with the lower (6 o'clock) wristband section (Fig. 4).



Fig. 3



Fig. 4

Wristband length adjustment:

Loosen the screw using the Blancpain tool supplied with the watch (Fig. 5).

Slide the wristband section into the clasp and insert the welded hollow cylindrical stud designed to house the screw into the required hole (Fig. 6). Place the screw back in position and tighten it using the Blancpain tool (Fig. 7-8).



Fig. 5



Fig. 6



Fig. 7



Fig. 8

WATCH HOLDER FOR FIFTY FATHOMS AND 500 FATHOMS WRISTBAND CHANGE

The watch holder for changing the wristbands of Fifty Fathoms and 500 Fathoms watches was specifically designed by Blancpain to hold your watch securely, thus considerably facilitating the task of changing the wristband, such as if you want to switch from the leather strap to the rubber one.

Changing the wristband of your Fifty Fathoms or your 500 Fathoms :

With the Fifty Fathoms or 500 Fathoms watches, you have the choice between several different wristbands: canvas, steel, leather; or rubber for diving. To switch easily from one to another, Blancpain has developed a wristband-change watch holder which is delivered complete with all the necessary tools and supplies.

Four storage compartments:

The watch holder has four compartments for storing various supplies and spare parts, with markings in English.



Bits = Tool holder (Allen key) and spare bits in the detachable cap.



Screws = Tool holder (Allen key) and spare rod and shank clamping screws in the detachable cap.



Screws = Pushrod and spare wristband attachment screws.

Tubes = Wristband attachment tubes.

Supplies and spare parts :



Holding block



Pushrod



Tool holder (Allen key)
with detachable cap



Rod and shank
clamping screws



Wristband attachment tubes



Key shanks (Allen key)



Tube fastening screws



Detachable cap

The two tool holders are kept in recesses on the sides of the holding block.

The pushrods, key shanks, attachment tubes and tube fastening screws are stored on either side of the watch holder.

The rod and shank clamping screws are stored in the handle of the tool holder with a detachable cap.

The Allen key shank is secured inside the tool holder with a clamping screw.

When inserting a key shank, be sure that it is directed in such a way that the clamping screw is pressed firmly against the flat part of the shank.



Removing the wristband :

Slide the tool holders towards each other in the two guide holes. The guide holes allow some clearance to help you direct the keys towards the hollowed screw heads of the wristband tube.

Once the keys are in place, insert them as far as possible into the hollowed screw heads.

Then turn the screws counter-clockwise to loosen them so they are both released simultaneously.



Once this operation is complete, carefully remove the keys from the guide holes, making sure to extract both screws with the tip of the Allen key.

Insert the pushrod into the wristband hole. Then slowly but firmly insert the pushrod. Gently remove the wristband attachment tube. This side of the wristband is now detached from the watch case.

Repeat all the above-listed operations for the other part of the wristband.

Fitting the wristband :

Using a pushrod, ensure that the attachment holes and the passage for the diving wristband are precisely aligned. Make sure that the wristband part fitted with the clasp is fastened at 12 o'clock.

With the help of a pushrod if needed, slide an attachment tube into one of the guide holes on the side of the holding block.

Insert it fully by pressing it in with the pushrod so that it goes right through the rubber strap. Place the wristband screw in position in the opposite guide hole.

Repeat these operations with the attachments on the other side of the case.

Slide the two tool holding blocks facing each other into the guide holes, making sure not to lose the screw. Perform a clockwise rotation to wind the screw into the wristband tube aperture.

Also in a clockwise direction, tighten the screw fully **BUT WITHOUT FORCING IT**, since excessive twisting might break it.

Repeat these operations with the attachments on the other side of the case. The diving strap is now secured to the case. Remove the watch from the holder by pushing it with your finger through the clearance hole.

If you wish to refit a metal bracelet or a leather or canvas strap, kindly follow the aforementioned assembly and refitting operating instructions.

