

## Instruction Manual & Sewing Manual





## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

When using an electrical machine, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following.

Read all instructions before using this sewing machine.

When the machine is not in use, it should be disconnected from the electricity supply by removing the plug from the outlet.

## DANGER

## To reduce the risk of electric shock:

- 1. A machine should never be left unattended when plugged in.
- 2. Always unplug this machine from the electric outlet immediately after using and before cleaning.
- 3. Always unplug before replacing light bulb. Replace the bulb with the same type rated 12 volts/5 watts.

## WARNING

## To reduce the risk of burns, fire, electric shock or injury to persons:

- Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when this machine is used by or near children.
- 2. Use machine only for its intended use as described in this manual. Use only attachments recommended by the manufacturer as contained in this manual.
- 3. Never operate this machine if
  - it has a damaged cord or plug
  - · it is not working properly
  - · it has been dropped or damaged
  - · it has fallen into water

Return the machine to the nearest authorized **BERNINA** dealer or service center for examination, repair, electrical or mechanical adjustment.

- Never operate the machine with any air openings blocked. Keep ventilation openings of the sewing machine and foot control free from accumulation of lint, dust and loose cloth.
- 5. Keep fingers away from all moving parts. Special care is required around the sewing needle.
- 6. Always use the **BERNINA** original stitch plate. The wrong plate can cause the needle to break.
- 7. Do not use bent needles.

- 8. Do not pull or push fabric while stitching. It may deflect the needle, causing it to break.
- 9. Turn power switch to "0" when making any adjustments in the needle area, such as threading or changing the needle, threading the bobbin or changing the presser foot.
- Always unplug the sewing machine from the electrical outlet when removing covers, lubricating or when making any other user servicing adjustments mentioned in this instruction manual.
- 11. Never drop or insert any object into any opening.
- 12. Do not use outdoors.
- Do not operate where aerosol (spray) products are being used or where oxygen is being administered.
- 14. Before disconnecting, turn all controls to the off("0") position then remove the plug from the outlet.
- 15. Do not unplug by pulling on the cord but grasp the plug before pulling.
- 16. No responsibility will be taken for any possible damage as the result of misuse of the machine.
- 17. This machine is provided with double insulation. Use only identical replacement parts. See instructions for Servicing of double-insulated machines.

## SERVICING DOUBLE-INSULATED PRODUCTS

In a double-insulated product, two systems of insulation are provided instead of grounding. No grounding means is provided on a double-insulated product nor should a means for grounding be added to the product. Servicing a double-insulated product requires extreme care and knowledge of the system and should only be done by qualified service personnel. Replacement parts for a double-insulated product must be identical to those parts in the product. A double insulated product is marked with the words "DOUBLE INSULATION" or "DOUBLE INSULATED".

The symbol [] may also be marked on the product.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS!

This sewing machine is intended for household use only.

# BERNINA®



## "Welcome to

100 years and I intend to continue that tradition of delivering superb Swiss quality, future-orientated sewing technology and unrivaled customer service. The new **BERNINA family of creative sewing machines** gives you the unique opportunity to select what you need to satisfy your sewing needs and requirements.

Choosing a BERNINA Sewing & Embroidery a la Carte is a decision which

Customer satisfaction has been the driving force of our family company for over

will have a positive impact on your sewing for years to come.

## the **BERNINA**

These machines provide unlimited scope for total sewing pleasure. They inspire creativity and allow you to translate your ideas into practical sewing of the finest

As the name suggests, the "artista" range of computer sewing is pure artistry.

family!"

quality.

In addition, a wide range of sewing accessories, together with sewing publications full of practical and creative ideas, add to the **joy of sewing the BERNINA** way.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you into the BERNINA family.

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## Details of the machine



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### Front view



Back view



View from the left side



- 1 Bobbin cover
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- 48 PC serial port

View from the right side

## **Carrying case**



### Carrying case

- protects from dust and dirt
- compartment for accessories

### Accessories

- foot control
- instruction manual
- power cable
- warranty card
- · FHS presser foot lifter (Free Hand System)
- · ruler for sewing table
- sewing table (attached)
- to remove the sewing table, lift slightly and remove.



#### To remove the case

- grasp both sides
- pull up vertically

## Accessory box



## Stores standard accessories

- enlarges the sewing surface
- to open, lower the cover to the front/back



### To remove

 pull the box to the left to work in free-arm mode

#### Note:

## make sure the bobbin door on the free arm is closed before removing the box

### To attach

push the box to the right until it engages



## Standard accessories \*

- four bobbins
   selection of 130/705H
- needles
- seam ripper
- small screwdriver
- lint brush
- seam guide
- · reverse pattern foot No.1C
- overlock foot No.2A
- buttonhole foot No.3C
- automatic buttonhole foot No.3C
- · zipper foot No.4
- blind stitch foot No.5
- open embroidery foot
- No.20C
- sideways motion foot No.40C
- height compensating tool
- · vertical spool holder pin
- three spool discs

\*can vary from country to country

#### Important:

(USA/Canada only!) Use only foot controller type LV1/LV2 with sewing machine models 170/180.

This sewing machine has a polarized plug

reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug is intended to fit only one way into a polarized outlet. If the plug does not fit

fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it

still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet. Do

not modify the plug in any way.

(one blade wider than the other). To

Important! (USA/Canada only)

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## **Power cable**



## Foot control



## **Power switch**

## Power switch

Power cable

plug A into machine plug B into electrical outlet

plug C into machine

control the sewing speed by depressing the foot

raise or lower the needle by tapping on the foot

control with your toe

control with your heel

Use only foot controller type LV1/LV2 for sewing machine model 170/180 (USA/Canada only)

Foot control cable

Sewing speed

the power cable is stored in the case

The power switch is on the handwheel side of the machine 1 the machine is switched on 0 the machine is switched off

The sewing light is switched on and off within the Setup program.

## Sewing table



## Larger sewing surface the sewing table

- increases the sewing surface
- free arm for larger tubular items such as pant legs and waistbands

#### To attach

 push over the free arm and press firmly so that it engages on the fixing lug (needle and presser foot fully raised)

#### To remove

pull to the left remove by pulling it completely from the free arm

#### Seam guide

- insert into the groove (underside of table) from the right
- it can be freely adjusted over the whole width of the table

#### Scale

 number "0" corresponds to the center needle position

## FHS (Free Hand System) presser foot lifter



## Raising and lowering the presser foot

- the presser foot lifter raises and lowers the presser foot push to the right with
- your knee
- the presser foot is raised and the feed-dogs are lowered simultaneously
  the feed-dogs come up automatically as soon as the first stitch is sewn

#### Attaching the presser foot lifter • the presser foot lifter is

- stored in the case. insert the presser foot lifter into the opening in
- the base plate you should be able to operate the lifter in your normal sitting position.

## Note:

## Your dealer can adjust the position if necessary

## insert the plug into A

Cable tidy

spool

When sewing • unwind the cable to the desired length and slip into B or C

wind the cable round the

#### Refer to the safety instructions!

## Winding the bobbin



### Winding the bobbin

 turn power switch on
 place empty bobbin on spindle

### Threading the bobbin

- following the direction of the arrow take thread through the rear guide and round the pre-tension stud
  place the thread end through one of the inner holes in
- the bobbin and hold the thread tail securely in one hand • press the engaging lever against the bobbin
- press the foot control
- the motor stops automatically when the bobbin is full remove the bobbin



#### **Thread cutter** • cut the thread on the

thread cutter





## To remove

- raise the needle
- turn power switch to "0"
- open the accessory box cover
- open the bobbin cover
- grasp the latch of the
- bobbin case
- remove case



### To insert

- hold the bobbin case latch
- the opening on the case should be at the top
- insert so that it engages
  close the bobbin cover
- close the accessory box
- cover



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Bobbin thread cutter

- · insert the bobbin case
- take thread over cutter (A)
- cut thread

#### Note:

For normal sewing, the bobbin thread does not have to be brought up as the loose end is just the right length to start sewing.



#### Warning:

If your sewing computer is equipped with an embroidery bobbin case, thread the bobbin thread in the guide spring only when the embroidery module (optional accessory) is in use.

#### Refer to the safety instructions!

## Inserting the bobbin



Insert the bobbin so that the thread runs clockwise.



Pull the thread counterclockwise into the slot.



Pull the thread to the left under the spring until it lies in the T-shaped slit at the end of the spring.



The bobbin must turn clockwise when the thread is pulled.

## Changing the needle



## Removing the needle

- raise the needle
- turn power switch to "0"
- lower the presser foot
- loosen the needle clamp pull the needle down to remove
- Inserting the needle
  - loosen the needle clamp, if needed
- flat side of needle to the back
- insert the needle as far as it will go
- tighten the needle clamp

Refer to the safety instructions!

## Changing the presser foot





Changing the presser foot

- raise the needle and presser foot
- turn power switch to 0
- Raising the lever
- raise the clamping lever
  remove the presser foot



Attaching the presser foot guide the foot upwards over the cone

- press the clamping lever down
- Refer to the safety instructions!

## Supplementary spool pin (vertical)

## Vertical spool pin

- the supplementary spool pin (vertical) is stored in the accessory box
- insert the pin from right to left in the opening
- to remove, pull to the right at the base of the spool pin
- essential sewing aid when using more than one thread, i.e. double needle, etc.
- threads wound onto spools in a stacked manner work best when feeding from a vertical spool pin
- using a vertical spool pin with metallic threads will help avoid fraying and splitting of the thread





## Threading the upper thread



## Attaching the thread spool

- raise the needle and presser foot
- turn the power switch to "0"
- place spool on pin
- attach the appropriate spool disc diameter
- of spool = disc size
- take thread through rear guide A
- · then into slit of upper thread tension

### Down

· pull thread down to the right of the take-up cover to B

### Up

take thread up to the left of the cover to C in the direction of the arrow, placing it in the take-up lever

### Down

· take thread down and through guides D and E







### Refer to the safety instructions!

## Needle threader



Thread in hook

lower the presser foot

lay the thread behind

hook A and hold lightly

Lever down



Thread in front of needle

take the thread in front of the needle C
pass the thread from the bottom to the top of the

needle until it catches in

the hook



### Let go of lever and thread

- let go of lever B and thread
- pull the thread loop through the needle eye

## Bringing up the lower thread

## Bringing up the lower thread

- if bobbin thread is cut on the cutter (page 8), there is no need to bring it up
- hold the upper thread
- sew one stitch
- pull the upper thread to bring the lower
- thread up through the stitch plate hole • take both threads through the slit on the
- presser foot to the back
- pull threads over the cutter

## Note:

The bobbin thread must be brought up through the stitch plate for certain types of work. The length of thread is sufficient for most normal work if the lower thread cutter has been used.

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## Thread cutter



## **Stitch Plate**



## Stitch plate markings

Thread cutter on head frame

the cutter.

stitch is sewn

pull both threads from front to back over

the threads release as soon as the first

- the stitch plate is marked with vertical lines in millimeters and inches
- $\cdot$  mm measurements are at the front
- inch measurements are at the back
  the measurements correspond to the
- distance from the needle to the line
- needle insertion point is position 0 (center needle position)
- the mm/inch measurements are marked to the right and left

## Feed-dog



## Button under the handwheel

Button flush with base plate = feed dogs up, sewing position

for all machine-fed sewing

Button depressed = feed dogs lowered, darning position

- for free-hand sewing (darning, free-
- hand embroidery, freehand quilting)

for embroidery with the Embroidery Module



the horizontal markings are helpful for sewing buttonholes, etc.



## **Presser foot pressure**



Dial on head frame • the presser foot pressure dial is on the left of the head frame



Standard pressure · for all normal sewing



Reduced pressure

- for jerseys and loose knits, quilting
- prevents fabric stretching
- adjust pressure so that the fabric still feeds correctly



Increased pressure

- for sheer, slippery lightweight fabrics, quilting
- improves fabric feed and prevents puckering

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## **Presser Feet**

**Note:** The letter "C" after a foot number indicates the foot is coded or equipped with a sensor for 9mm stitching. When a stitch is selected with a coded foot attached to the machine, the preprogrammed width is





1C Reverse Pattern Foot Practical and decorative stitches

2A Overlock Foot Overlock seams, oversewing seam edges



9 mm, rather than 5 mm. This letter does not always

on the screen in the presser foot indicator.

appear on the foot and in some cases does not appear

3 Buttonhole Foot Buttonholes (shows as Foot No.3 on-screen)



3A Automatic Buttonhole Foot Buttonholes in flat materials Darning program (shows as Foot No.3A on-screen)



4 Zipper foot Sewing in zippers



5 Blind stitch foot Blind hems Edge stitching



20C Open Embroidery foot Embroidery, applique, satin stitch seams, monograms



40C Sideways motion foot with code For all sideways motion stitches

## **BERNINA Specialty Presser Feet**

The standard selection of presser feet covers most normal sewing requirements but we recommend the use of **BERNINA** specialty presser feet for specific sewing tasks such as quilting, heirloom sewing, home decorating, tailoring, etc.

They are available from your BERNINA dealer.

## **Samples of Specialty Presser Feet**







9 Darning foot Used with the feed dogs in a lowered position for darning, monograms, and freehand embroidery

## **Practical stitches**

2 Zig-zag

applique.

3 Vari-overlock

4 Running stitch



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1 Straight stitch All non-stretch fabrics. All straight stitch work.

Most fabric types. All simple zig-zag

applications such as oversewing fine

fabrics, attaching elastic, lace and

Primarily for fine jerseys, stretch

overlock seams and hems.



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11 Super stretch Open seam in all super-stretch fabrics, such as Lycra.

12 Gathering stitch Most types of fabric. Gathering with shirring elastic. Butted seams (edge to edge).

## 13 Stretch overlock

Medium weight knits, toweling and firm wovens. Overlock seams, flat joining seams.



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## 14 Jersey stitch

Natural, blended or synthetic fabrics and delicate knits. Visible seams and hems. Mending jersey/interlock.



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## 5 Securing stitch All types of fabric. Secures the with straight stitch.

Most types of fabric. Mending,

patching, reinforcing seams.



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## 15 Universal stitch

16 Sewn-out zig-zag

seaming.

17 Lycra stitch

on underwear.

Firm fabrics such as felt and leather. Flat joining seams, visible seams, attaching elastic, decorative seams.

Oversewing woven fabrics, reinforcing

All two-way stretch fabrics, flat joining

seams and hems, reinforced seaming

edges, attaching elastic, decorative



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# beginning and end of seams sewn

6 Triple straight stitch Reinforced seams in tough, heavy fabrics.



8 Honeycomb stitch

Reinforced seams in firm fabrics, visible hems and seams, decorative stitching, couching.



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18 Stretch stitch

All stretch fabrics, open seam in sportswear.



### 9 Blindstitch Most types of fabric. Blind hems, shell edging on soft jerseys and fine fabrics, decorative seams.

Most types of interlock and smooth fabrics. Visible seams and hems.



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#### **19 Reinforced overlock** Medium to heavy weight knits and

toweling, overlock seams, flat joining seams.

## 20 Knit overlock

All knits, machine or handmade. Sews and finishes edges in one operation.



10 Double overlock All types of knit. Sews and finishes the edges in one operation.





21 Basting Basting seams, hems, etc.

23 Reinforced darning program



24 Bar tack program Reinforcing pocket edges, belt loops etc.



fabrics.

22 Simple darning program Automatic darning in fine and medium weight fabrics.

Automatic darning in heavy weight



25 Bar tack program Reinforcing pocket edges, belt loops etc.

For specific instructions on using various practical stitches, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, pages 2–20.

## **Buttonholes**

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51 Standard buttonhole Fine to medium weight fabrics. Blouses, shirts, trousers, bedding, etc.



57 Keyhole buttonhole with pointed bartack For non-stretch firm fabrics. Jackets, coats, leisure wear.



52 Narrow buttonhole (heirloom sewing) Fine to medium weight fabrics. Blouses, shirts, dresses, trousers, children's and baby clothes, dolls' clothes and heirloom.



53 Stretch buttonhole All stretch fabrics made from cotton, wool, silk, and synthetic fibers.



54 Round buttonhole with normal bartack For medium to heavy weight fabrics of all types. Clothing, jackets, coats, rainwear.



55 Round buttonhole with horizontal bartack For medium to heavy weight fabrics of all types. Clothes, jackets, coats, rainwear.



56 Keyhole buttonhole with normal bartack Heavy weight, non-stretch fabrics. Jackets, coats, trousers, leisure wear.



58 Keyhole buttonhole with horizontal bartack For firm, non stretch fabrics. Jackets, coats, leisure wear.



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59 Straight stitch buttonhole For reinforcing satin stitched buttonholes, making bound buttonholes, and stitching buttonholes in leather or imitation suede.

60 Button sew-on program For buttons with 2 and 4 holes.

61 Narrow zig-zag eyelet

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62 Straight stitch eyelet Opening for cords and narrow ribbons.

Opening for cords and narrow rib-

bons/bands, decorative work.

For more information on stitching various types buttonholes, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, pages 21-30.

## Screen

The artista is operated with a combination of external buttons and knobs and a touch screen.



Switch machine on

· power switch to "1"

## Welcome

## artista 180

Sewing & Embroidery System Made in Switzerland

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## Welcome screen

welcome

· appears for approximately 3 seconds · can be omitted in the Setup program

- Practical stitch screen
- the practical stitch screen appears immediately after the welcome · screen shows:
  - A presser foot indicator

  - B needle stop position C assigned "F" function button
  - D selected stitch and number
  - E stitch width (basic setting
    - always visible)

- F needle position (11 possibilities)
- G up/down scroll arrows
- H stitch length (basic setting always visible)
- I scroll arrow for functions
- J stitch selection by number
- (selected stitch is highlighted)
- K functions

## On-screen stitch selection/stitch display/functions

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## Stitch Selection

- · touch the stitch of your choice
- $\cdot$  the stitch is highlighted

Altering the stitch width • turn the upper knob

every stitch is displayed with its number



- altered width is shown on the stitch width bar
- the basic setting will still be visible (shown at 3 mm)
- stitch width can be altered from 0 mm to 9 mm when using coded feet
- stitch width bar automatically shows 0–9 when using coded feet
- stitch width can be altered from 0 mm to 5.5 mm when using noncoded feet
- stitch width bar automatically shows 0–5 when using non-coded feet



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## Altering the stitch length

turn the lower knob

- altered length is shown on the stitch length bar
- the basic setting will still be visible (shown at 3 mm)
- stitch length can be altered from 0mm to 5.5 mm on most stitches



#### **Display of selected stitch**

• a graphic of the selected stitch is visible in the center of the upper portion of the screen



- Altering the needle position • press the right or left needle position button • each press moves the needle one
- position to the right or left



 the stitch number is displayed to the top left of the stitch graphic in the center of the upper portion of the screen

### **Presser foot indicator**

the recommended presser foot is

displayed by number

## **Return to basic settings**

- · press the external clr button
- the stitch will revert to its basic settings

#### Needle stop adjustment

- · press the needle stop button
- · arrow points down
- the machine always stops with the needle down

### press needle stop button again – needle stop reverts to up (arrow points up)

- touch the toolbar arrow to scroll again
- the toolbar can be customized in the Setup program
- For more information on functions, see pages 22–28

## **Stitch selection**

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Stitches can be selected using one of the two methods listed below.

## Direct selection by scrolling up/down

- touch the arrow (down)
- · scroll the screen to view all stitches
- the top row disappears
- the next two rows move up
- $\cdot$  a new row appears at the bottom
- touch the arrow (up)
- the first row of stitches appears again

### Select a stitch by number

- touch the function "0-9"
  the screen changes to stitch numbers
- touch numbers to select the stitch of your choice
- the number of the selected stitch appears in the top row

- the scroll function (up/down) is used to find and view all the machine's stitches
- use when a visual search for a particular stitch is needed
- when the desired stitch is located, touch it to select

#### Correct

- to correct mistakes or deselect, touch del (top right)
- the cursor moves to the left and deletes the number
- · select new number

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 • touch the function of your choice

 • touch the function is highlighted (a number of different functions can be selected simultaneously)

 • touch the function toolbar arrow to scroll more functions

 • activate another function if desired

clr



### Confirm and go to next screen

- touch OK to confirm
- the screen displays the selected stitch
- the selected stitch is active (highlighted)

### Back to previous screen

- · touch esc
- $\cdot$  the previous screen appears
- · if the selection was not confirmed by touching OK, the stitch selected by number will be ignored

### Note

If an unavailable number is entered, the screen will not react.

## Simple menu selection Practical Stitches

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### Practical stitch button

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- · the practical stitch menu appears
- · the straight stitch at the top left is
- active (highlighted)
- 15 practical stitches appear on the screen
- use arrows to scroll for viewing additional stitches

## **Buttonhole button**

 the buttonhole menu appears, including the eyelet and button sew-on programs





## Decorative stitch button

- · the decorative stitch menu appears · pattern types and sizes can be selected including 9mm decorative stitches and sideways motion stitches (indicated with a cross symbol)
- · touch to select the desired stitch group
- the selected stitch group appears

## **External menu buttons**

- · press a button to select the desired menu
- the first stitch, stitch program, or stitch summary appears on the screen

Buttonholes

Quilt/Directional Stitches

Embroidery







Personal 🚺 Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper 🖾 🗧	Motor speed	Thread- tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	

### Alphabet button

- the alphabet menu appears
- · touch to select the alphabet of
- your choice

### Quilt stitches/Directional sewing button

- the menu of the 3 categories appears:
- · quilt stitches
- · 16-directional sewing · 4-directional sewing
- touch to select the category of your choice
- · the menu of all stitches in that category appears

#### **External accessory button**

- the following accessories can be used with the artista sewing machine:
- · embroidery module · embroidery cards
- · menu appears
- · touch first choice to select embroidery module or touch the bear to select embroidery card

### Setup button

- · press the external Setup button
- menu appears
- use Setup to customize your machine's settings
- stitches and functions can be combined to form a customized (Personal program) menu
- · customized menu (Personal program) can be saved



- saved customized menu (Personal program) can be opened at any time
- customized settings can be cancelled at any time

## **External function buttons**



clr (Clear)

mem (Memory)

screen

press the mem button

 press the clr button stitch length, width and needle position will be returned to basic settings most functions will be deleted (see individual functions)



### Needle stop

- · the default setting of the needle stop is the "up" position
- press the needle stop button
- the on-screen arrow will now point down
- the machine will now always stop with needle down
- press the needle stop button again to revert to needle stop up

### "?" (Help)

- · press the Help button
- touch a stitch or function
- · a description of the selected stitch or function appears









· press mem button again to close · for more information on using the memory, see pages 39-44

row of stitches on the screen



4 directions



- three menus appear on the screen
- Thread tension Tutorial (brief operating
- instructions)
- Creative Consultant (advice on fabric, needle, techniques, and thread tension)
- touch to select the desired menu
   the information selected is activated and the appropriate screen will appear

## Needle position

- press the left or right needle
- position button • the needle moves to the right or
- left as selected total of 11 needle positions:
- 5 left, 5 right, and center



## Smart button

- press the Smart button
   the stitch is saved with all adjustments to width/length and needle position
- select a new stitch, e.g. buttonholes
- press the Smart button to return to the previous screen with saved settings
- use the Smart button to toggle between stitches as you work



## Setup

- press Setup menu appears
- use Setup to customize your machine's settings
- stitches and functions can be combined to form a customized menu (Personal program)
- customized menu (Personal program) can be saved
- saved customized menu (Personal program) can be opened at any time
- customized settings can be cancelled at any time

## **On-screen functions**

Fields are highlighted when functions are activated.

Activated functions can be cancelled individually by pressing a second time.

All selected functions can be cancelled simultaneously by pressing the external cir button.

### **Exceptions:**

Needle stop and Double needle limitation These functions must always be cancelled individually.



### eco (ecology) button

- press the eco button energy use by the machine is cut by 50%
- particularly useful for long interruptions in work
- all settings remain active; foot control is inactive
- screen saver is activated
- press the eco button again to restore the sewing machine to normal function

### Quick reverse button (above needle)

- press the quick reverse button
- secure the seam beginning and end
   sews in reverse as long as button
   is depressed
- · used to program buttonhole length
- used to program darning length
- used to switch to straight stitch securing program (Stitch no. 5)
- used to start/stop stitching with the embroidery module (special accessory)

### Single pattern (above needle)

press the pattern end button
machine stops at the end of the stitch pattern

## F (Favorite function) button (above needle)

- this button can be individually programmed in Setup with a function of your choice
- selected function can be cancelled and reprogrammed at any time with another function
- personal program can be programmed into "F" button
- for more information on the Favorite function button, see page 59–60



## **General functions**

The following functions are found on various screens and programs of the **artista** sewing machine. They are

consistently used in the same manner for specific tasks when accessing and moving between different programs.



## **Function toolbar**

The following functions are available on the **artista** sewing machines. Any function which can be used in the selected program will appear on the screen in the bottom row. If there are more than eight (or four memory



Complete function toolbar as it appears in the practical stitch program.



functions), the remaining ones will be hidden and can be accessed by using the arrow in the lower right corner to



Hidden functions that can be accessed by scrolling with the arrow.

## Note:

The scroll arrow and the 0–9 (stitch selection by number) will remain on the screen for easy access and will never be



## Pattern begin

- touch symbol
   the needle moves to the beginning of a stitch or stitch combination
- field is highlighted but reverts to normal after 2 seconds or after beginning to sew
  if selecting Pattern begin for a memory combination, the cursor will appear to the *right* of the first stitch on-screen

### Applications:

• embroidery, buttonholes, working in memory

## Securing

- $\cdot$  touch symbol
- individual stitches will be secured at the beginning and end with 3–4 stitches
- securing in memory: stitch and letter combinations will be secured at the beginning and end

#### Applications:

- · sewing individual decorative stitches
- · sewing individual letters
- sewing stitch combinations and words

### Long stitch

hidden. A total of eight functions (or four memory

functions) will shown on-screen.

- · touch symbol
- machine sews every second stitch (max. stitch length 10 mm)
- can be activated for all practical, decorative, and directional stitches except buttonholes and sideways motion stitches
- functions and stitches can be combined
- · can be saved in memory
- does not operate with the embroidery module (special accessory)

#### Applications:

- combine with straight stitch to baste
- combine with triple straight stitch for topstitching





## Motor speed 1/4, 1/2, 3/4, 4/4

- touch symbol one or more times to select speed
- selected speed is displayed reduces or increases the motor
- speed
- will sew the selected maximum speed with the foot control fully depressed

Applications:

- adjust speed for decorative sewing machine work such as freehand embroidery or freehand quilting and when more control is desired for the sewing task
- when children are sewing

### Pattern end 1-9

- touch symbol one or more times to select number required
- 1 = machine stops at the end of an individual stitch or stitch combination
- 2-9 = machine stops at the end of a stitch or stitch combination after the number of repeats selected

#### Applications:

- sewing individual motifs
- combine with practical stitches and 4-directional sewing

### Horizontal mirror image

- touch symbol
- machine sews selected the stitch in horizontal mirror image (left/right determined by the sewing direction)
- can be saved in memory

## Applications:

- decorative stitching
- pattern combinations in memory

### Stitch selection by number

- touch number symbol
- select stitch by touching the appropriate number combination

#### Applications:

- quick selection of individual stitch
- quick selection for stitch combina-
- tion in memory



- Scroll
- touch one or more times to view more functions

## Applications:

· view all available functions combine functions with stitches for individual motifs or in memory



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#### Vertical mirror image

- touch symbol
- machine sews selected stitch in vertical mirror image (up/down determined by the sewing direction)
- · can be saved in memory

Applications:

- decorative stitching
- · pattern combinations in memory

### Pattern extension 2–5x

- touch one or more times
- the numbers 2-5 appear depending on the type of stitch selected
- the length of selected stitch will be increased by 2-5 times
- lengthened stitches can be programmed in memory

#### Applications:

- · lengthen existing patterns without
- affecting the stitch density
- combine stitches

#### **Double needle limitation**

- touch one or more times to select number from 2 to 8
- the numbers represent the distance between the needles in mm
- the stitch width will be limited automatically
- this prevents the needles from hitting the presser foot or stitch plate, avoiding needle breakage
- can be saved in memory

#### Applications:

- sewing pintucks
- hemming knits
- · decorative stitching

#### Continuous reverse sewing

 touch symbol sews the selected stitch in reverse

#### Application:

- darning with straight or running stitch
- decorative stitching on sleeves or trouser legs
- quilting

## Half pattern

touch symbol

- machine automatically stops at the halfway point of the stitch pattern
- when stitching is resumed, the pattern is completed and the first half of the next pattern is stitched before the machine automatically stops again
- use Single pattern to stop at the end of the second half of the stitch pattern

## Application:

- turning corners
- altering decorative stitches for a new look

### Balance

- touch symbol to open balance screen
- correct forwards and reverse stitches
- correct sideways motion stitches
- Applications:
- adapting practical and decorative stitches to various types of fabrics
- altering decorative stitches for a new look
- adapting buttonholes to different fabrics
- adapting sideways motion stitches to different fabrics

#### Note:

There are two additional functions, Tension and Hemstitch Needle Limitation, available for placement on the function toolbar (see Functions in Setup, page 26). These can be placed on the toolbar using the Setup program (see page 59).

#### **Clear All**

clr

all

clears all settings that were changed except those that were changed using the Setup program returns to default settings Settings affected: Continuous Reverse Long Stitch Pattern End Securing Function Horizontal Mirror Image Vertical Mirror Image Pattern Extend Balance Stitch Length Stitch Width Needle Position Half Pattern **Double Needle Limitation** Hemstitch Needle Limitation **Needle Stop Position** Motor Speed Alphabet Size Monogram Size Stored Buttonholes Tension Function

## **Functions in Setup**

The functions below are found in the Setup program of the **artista** sewing machine. They are accessed by pressing the external Setup button on the front of the

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reset

## Personal program

touch symbol
 personal screen appears

## Applications:

 quick method to open personal program

### Back to basic settings

 touch symbol
 personal settings are reverted to basic settings machine and then touching Functions on the screen. These functions are used when setting the features and functions of the machine to your personal requirements.



Delete functions

touch symbol
delete functions

Insert functions

touch symbol
insert functions

The functions below are available in the Setup program of the **artista** sewing machine. They are sewing functions used from the sewing screens; however, they will not



#### Tension

- will not show up on the function toolbar unless it is inserted by the user
- can be installed in the Setup program
  - touch symbol to access tension screen
- tension changes affect the selected stitch only
- visual change of setting appears on the tension screen
- default setting shown by a fine line
   touch reset to return to basic
- settings (factory setting or values selected in Setup)

show up on the toolbar at the lower edge of the screen unless specifically placed there. For more information, see pages 59–60.



## Hemstitch (wing) needle limitation

- will not show up on the function toolbar unless it is inserted by the user
- can be installed in the Setup program
- the stitch width is limited automatically
- needle position is limited to center
   prevents the needle from hitting the presser foot or stitch plate, avoiding needle breakage
- Application:
- hemstitching
   decorative stitching

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## **Functions in Memory**

check.

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The following functions become available along the lower portion of the screen when the external memory button is pressed to access the memory feature.

### Check

touch symbol
memory contents are displayed

## Application:

· check and correct memory contents

## Delete

- · touch symbol
- delete individual stitches or letters to the left of the cursor
- delete stitch combinations

### Applications:

- · corrections in memory
- · delete complete memories



- · the opened memory bank is
- displayed with its number
- touch to display the contents of the memory bank
- touch esc to close the memory bank
   leave memory: press external mem
- button

## Applications:

- · working in memory
- · saving stitch combinations

## Store

store

edit

- touch symbol
- saves individual stitches, stitch combinations and letters

#### Application:

· saving programs

## Scroll left

- touch symbol one or several times
- memory contents are scrolled backward

## Scroll right

- · touch symbol one or several times
- memory contents are scrolled forward

## Edit memory contents

- touch symbol
- delete stitches, letters or numbers to the left of the cursor
- insert new stitches and/or functions
- touch symbol again to close edit

#### Application:

correcting, changing memory contents

## **Functions in Editing**

The following functions become available in the center of the screen when the edit function is selected. All functions on the toolbar (*except* del) will become inactive



## Motor speed

- touch symbol one or more times to select speed
- selected speed is displayed
- full speed is 880 stitches per minute (unless the basic setting has been changed in the Setup program)
- reduces or increases the sewing speed <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> at a time (<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, <sup>2</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, <sup>4</sup>/<sub>4</sub>)

### Securing function

- touch symbol
- the end of the last stitch in the memory will be secured with 3–4 tiny stitches
- can be inserted between stitches in the memory

### Memory sub-division

- touch symbol
- the memory has up to 255 sections or banks
- each bank can be subdivided as desired
- total memory (all banks together) holds 1023 stitches

when the edit function is selected and will reactivate when the edit function is closed.

## Long stitch

- touch symbol
- machine sews every second stitch (max. stitch length 10 mm)

#### Tension

- touch symbol to access tension screen
- tension changes affect the selected stitch only
- visual change of setting on tension screen
- default setting shown by a fine line
- touch reset to return to basic settings (factory setting or values selected in Setup)

### Horizontal mirror image

- · touch symbol
- machine sews selected stitch in horizontal mirror image
- alteration of selected stitch is shown on-screen









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#### Vertical mirror image touch symbol

- machine sews selected stitch in
- vertical mirror image
- alteration of selected stitch is shown on-screen



#### Pattern Extend 2–5x · touch one or more times

- the numbers 2–5 appear depending on the type of stitch selected
- the length of selected stitch will be increased by 2-5 times
- the stitch density is not affected
- lengthened stitches can be programmed in memory

## Balance

- touch symbol to open balance screen
- correct forwards and reverse stitches
- correct sideways motion stitches

## **Buttonhole program functions**

The functions below appear on the function toolbar at the lower edge of the screen when any buttonhole (stitches 51-62) is selected.



## Buttonhole length - direct length entry

 touch symbol to open number screen enter button size (diameter +

## Application:

thickness) in mm

· use this method if you know the size of your button



## Buttonhole length - on screen measurement

- touch symbol to open measuring screen
- hold button to bottom lower left corner of screen and use the stitch width knob to measure it
- buttonhole length will be programmed with 2 mm added automatically

### Application:

simple method to determine buttonhole size



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### Letter size

- touch one or more times
- · one half of field is highlighted
- the gray section visually indicates the letter size: large (9 mm) or small (6 mm)

### Monogram sizes

- appears in editing in place of Letter Size function when a monogram is selected
- · when monograms are selected, size 1 = 30 mm is automatically activated
- · touch symbol the middle field is activated (2 = 20 mm)
- touch symbol again the right field is activated (3 = 15 mm)

## Manual buttonhole

- · touch symbol
- · follow procedure (4-6 steps, depending on buttonhole type)

### Application:

- for individual manually sewn buttonholes
- to repair existing buttonholes

## Stitch counter buttonhole

- select buttonhole
- touch symbol
- · stitch counter buttonhole will be activated



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## Alphabet program functions

One of the following functions will appear in the lower left corner of the screen when a letter of an alphabet or monogram is selected. It will reduce the number of

## Letter size



· appears in toolbar when any letter

- or character of one of four styles of alphabets is selected
- touch one or more times
  one half of field is highlighted
  the gray section visually indicates the letter size: large (9 mm) or small (6 mm)
- Applications:
- · size selection
- works in memory (letters do not have to be reprogrammed but can be resized using the edit function)

normal functions shown on the toolbar by one, causing it to be hidden.



### Monogram size

- appears in toolbar when any letter of the monogram alphabet is selected
- touch once or twice to select
  the number selected will be
- highlighted .
- monogram sizes are 1 = 30, 2 = 20, 3 = 15 mm
- Application: · size selection

Messages

The following messages may appear on the screen of the **artista** sewing machine during certain operations. They are reminders, warnings, or confirmations about the function or stitch being selected. Below is a list of the messages pertaining to the sewing machine (see embroidery manual for messages that pertain to the embroidery module) and the appropriate responses.

MESSAGE	RESPONSE
Please check the lower thread.	Check to see if the bobbin thread has run out. Wind and insert a new bobbin if needed. Machine will not sew until this is corrected.
Please check the upper thread.	Check to see if the needle thread has run out or has broken. Rethread the needle thread if needed. Machine will not sew until this is corrected.
The bobbin winder is on.	Check to see if bobbin winder is on. If the bobbin winder is on, the foot pedal is inactive and the machine will not sew. Disengage the winder if needed. Machine will not sew until this is corrected. <b>Note:</b> This message will appear when winding a bobbin; touch esc to clear it from the screen.
Do you really want to delete the contents of this memory?	Confirms the delete command before any stitches or functions are erased from memory. Touch OK to continue with the deletion process; touch esc to abort the process.
Personal Program memory ist full.	To save a stitch, an already saved stitch must be deleted.
Memory is full.	To save a stitch, an already saved stitch must be deleted.
This function will not appear in the personal program.	Directional stitches and motifs (4, 16 direction and alphabets) cannot be stored in the Personal Program. Select another stitch from any other menu.

## **Buttonholes**

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Buttonholes are practical closures which can also be used for a decorative effect. The artista 180 provides a very versatile selection.

### Buttonholes/Button sewing on program/eyelets

- press the external Buttonhole button (to the right of screen)
- · screen shows an overview of all
- buttonhole and eyelet types 51 standard
  - · 52 narrow (heirloom)
  - · 53 stretch

buttonhole screen.

- · 54 round with normal bartack
- · 55 round with horizontal bartack
- · 56 keyhole with normal bartack
- 57 keyhole with pointed bartack
- · 58 keyhole with horizontal bartack

The following buttonholes and

related stitches are found on the

All buttonholes can be sewn and programmed in a variety of ways.

- · 59 straight stitch buttonhole
- · 60 button sew-on program
- · 61 zig-zag eyelet
- · 62 straight stitch eyelet

## Select buttonhole/button sew-on program/evelet

- touch symbol
- selected buttonhole, eyelet or
- button sew-on program is activated · If one of the buttonholes (51-62) is
- activated, all functions are reset to the default settings

For additional information on uses

54 Round

normal

bartack

buttonhole -

58 Keyhole

horizontal

62 Eyelet -

bartack

buttonhole -

for each type, see page 17.

53 Stretch

51 Standard 52 Narrow 52 53 54 51 buttonhole buttonhole buttonhole (heirloom) 55 Round 56 Keyhole 57 Keyhole 56 57 58 buttonhole buttonhole buttonhole pointed barthorizontal normal bartbartack ack ack 59 Straight 60 Button 61 Eyelet -60 61 62 Stitch narrow Sew-on prostraight stitch buttonhole gram zigzag Ο Ō

## Automatic buttonholes (standard and stretch)



Both beads are sewn in the same direction. Buttonhole length = buttonhole opening in mm Note: the automatic buttonhole foot No.3A must lie flat on the fabric, i.e. not on a seam allowance, otherwise the length will not be measured accurately.

### Sewing the first bead

the sewn section will be displayed on the screen (to the right of the presser foot indicator)

### Programming the buttonhole

- press and release the quick reverse button
- auto appears in buttonhole symbol = length is programmed

## Automatic buttonhole

- the lens on the buttonhole foot No.3A will register the length that you determine automatically
- for making buttonholes from 4-29 mm length
- sew the first bead forwards, stop the machine at the desired length

machine sews straight stitch backwards

auto	auto	Auto buttonhole • machine sews first bartack automatically • machine sews second bead forwards	
	auto	<ul> <li>machine sews second bartack automatically</li> <li>machine sews securing stitches automatically</li> <li>machine stops and returns auto-</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>all subsequent buttonholes will b sewn automatically to the same length (without pressing the quic reverse button)</li> </ul>
		matically to the beginning of the buttonhole	
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For buttonhole example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 25.

#### Buttonhole Leveler (optional accessory)

When sewing a buttonhole using Automatic Buttonhole Foot No. 3A on an uneven area (such as over a seam allowance), use the Buttonhole Leveler. This accessory will create a smooth surface for the foot and help make a perfect buttonhole.

## Automatic buttonholes (round and keyhole)

Both beads of the buttonhole are sewn in the same direction.

Buttonhole length = buttonhole opening in mm

## Sewing the first straight stitches

- · the sewn section will be displayed on the screen (to the right of the presser foot indicator)
- sew straight stitches forwards, stop

### Programming the buttonhole

- · press the quick reverse button
- when auto appears under the buttonhole symbol, the buttonhole is programmed

#### Auto buttonhole

- machine sews circle or eye automatically
- · machine sews the first bead backwards automatically
- machine sews straight stitches forwards up to circle or eye
- machine sews 2nd bead backwards automatically
- · machines sews bar tack auto-
- matically

#### For buttonhole example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 26.

machines sews securing stitches automatically

the machine at the desired length

- machine stops and returns automatically to the beginning of the buttonhole
- all subsequent buttonholes will be sewn automatically to the same length (without pressing the securing button)

#### Note:

The graphics shown on the screen are the same as for a standard buttonhole (see above) when stitching a round or keyhole buttonhole.







## Automatic buttonhole (all types) **Direct entry length**

If the desired length of a buttonhole is known, it can be directly entered into the machine (in millimeters).

When using the Automatic buttonhole foot No. 3A for stitching keyhole buttonholes, the maximum length that should be entered is 24 mm. That leaves room for the keyhole, which the machine will add automatically.

## Open number screen

- · buttonholes can be sewn to a specific length with the automatic buttonhole foot No. 3A
- select type of buttonhole
  - · touch buttonhole with question mark symbol

#### 4-29mm mm del 2 3 5 esc 1 6 7 p 0 ok

## Enter the length

- numbers 1–0 appear on the screen
- · enter the buttonhole length
- (4-29 mm) with numbers
- the length appears to the right of
- the buttonhole symbol
- touch OK to confirm, screen changes automatically

Buttonhole length = buttonhole opening in mm

## **On-screen display**

"auto" below the buttonhole symbol indicates that the buttonhole is programmed

## Corrections:

· touch del to delete wrong numbers

## Back to buttonhole menu

touch esc

## Automatic buttonhole (standard and stretch) Length calculated from button



The buttonhole size can be determined by holding a button on the screen. The length will be deter-

mined by the machine and displayed on the screen.

## **Open calculation screen**

- · select buttonhole
- touch button size function



## **Determine button size**

- a scale appears on the screen
- hold the button (4–27 mm) against the bottom left corner of the screen
- use the external stitch width knob to move the vertical line on the screen, changing the size of the box around the button
- the buttonhole size is shown in mm on the right, e.g. 20 mm

## Back to buttonhole menu

 touch OK to confirm and return to buttonhole screen

## **Buttonhole size**

- the computer calculates the buttonhole size from the button diameter
- · 2 mm are added automatically to take the bartacks of the buttonhole into account

### **Corrections for thick buttons**

- for buttons which are particularly thick, e.g. raised buttons etc., do not move the vertical line right up to the edge of the button
  move it to within about 1–4 mm of the right edge of the button,
- depending on the button height

### Recommendation

- sew a test buttonhole on a scrap of the fabric and interfacing you intend to use
- · cut buttonhole open
- · push button through hole
- · correct the size if necessary

## Stitch counter buttonholes (all types)



# The first bead of the buttonhole is sewn forward and the second, backwards

Stitch using Buttonhole Foot 3 or Automatic Buttonhole Foot 3A; sew at a consistent speed. The appearance of a stitch counter buttonhole can vary on different types of fabric so it must be reprogrammed for different fabrics.

#### **Presser foot**

- select buttonhole
- touch the presser foot 3 symbol
- the machine registers that the stitch counter program has been selected

## 1st bead length

sew the first bead, stopping the machine at the desired buttonhole length

#### Bartack, 2nd bead

 the machine sews the end of the buttonhole and automatically switches to stitching the reverse bead

#### artack, securing stitches

- the machine sews 5 bartack stitches and secures the buttonhole automatically
- auto appears under the graphic of the buttonhole on the screen
- the buttonhole is now programmed
   all subsequent buttonholes will be sewn as programmed

- the buttonhole length is now measured by the stitch counter, i.e. number of stitches
- press and release the quick reverse button on the frame
- Continue stitching the reverse bead, stopping when the needle is even with the beginning of the buttonhole
- press and release the quick reverse button

#### Changes

 the buttonhole must be reprogrammed after altering the stitch length, width, or balance

For buttonhole example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 27.

## Buttonhole corrections (all types)

The following adjustments can be made to a buttonhole and will remain in effect until the machine is turned off. Permanent adjustments can be made using the Setup program (see pages 55–67).



## **Buttonhole in Long Term Memory**



One buttonhole of each type may be saved in special buttonhole memory banks. This does not affect the standard memory of the machine.

Long term saving of buttonhole programs is only possible for buttonholes originally stitched as auto-length buttonholes (see pages 30–32) Once the length of the buttonhole is determined, the programmed buttonhole can be saved using the store function on the toolbar.



#### Saving the Buttonhole (Store)

- program the desired automatic buttonhole according to the
  - directions on pages 30-32
- · touch store on the function toolbar

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### Recalling the Saved Buttonhole

- select the desired buttonhole style
   touch mem
- touch the buttonhole length or button measurement function to recall the saved buttonhole
   the length of the buttonhole will
- appear on the screen

### **Changing the Saved Buttonhole**

- select the desired buttonhole style
  touch mem
- touch the buttonhole length or button measurement function to recall the saved buttonhole
- change the length, and touch OK to confirm
- $\cdot$  touch store

Note:

saved.

 programming a new length overrides the existing stored one

A manual buttonhole cannot be

## Manual 4 and 6 step buttonholes



Manual buttonholes are ideal when making single buttonholes or for repairing existing buttonholes. The number of steps depends on the type of buttonhole selected.



Open buttonhole screen · select buttonhole · touch the "man" function



### Step symbols

- · step symbols appears on the screen
- for the buttonhole selected
- the arrow in the circle is on "0"
- when the buttonhole is selected
- standard buttonhole has 6 steps
- round buttonhole has 4 steps
- · keyhole buttonhole has 4 steps

For buttonhole examples, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 28.
## Sewing a Four-step Buttonhole (round and keyhole)



#### Note:

The graphics shown above will appear on the screen for both the round and keyhole buttonholes .

#### Sewing a 4-step buttonhole

- touch "1"
- sew the 1st bead · stop the machine at the desired length
- · touch "2"
- machine sews the keyhole or eye · touch "3"
- · machine sews the 2nd bead in reverse
- stop machine at the first stitch touch "4"
- · machine sews the top bartack and
- securing stitches before stopping
- automatically
- length of beads is determined by the user

- · bartack, keyhole, and securing
- stitches are preprogrammed
- use an awl to punch the keyhole before cutting the buttonhole open

#### Leave program

- touch esc
- · screen reverts to buttonhole screen



## Sewing a Six-step Buttonhole

#### Note:

The graphics shown on the screen (see below) are the same when

#### Sewing a 6-step buttonhole

- touch "1" on the screen
- symbol shows section of button to
- be sewn
- · sew the 1st bead stop the machine at the desired
- length

#### Sewing the buttonhole

- touch "2" machine sews straight stitch
- backwards
- stop machine at the first stitch touch "3"
- machine sews the top bartack and stops automatically
- · touch "4"
- · machine sews the second bead in the forward direction
- stop machine
- machine sews the bottom bartack

- · machine sews securing stitches and stops automatically
- · length of beads is determined by the user
- bartacks and securing stitches are preprogrammed

#### Leave program

- touch esc
- · screen reverts to buttonhole screen

esc





- touch "5"
- and stops automatically
  - touch "6"

stitching the standard, narrow, and stretch buttonholes.

## Straight stitch buttonholes



Straight stitched buttonholes are particularly useful for reinforcing satin stitched buttonholes on all soft and loosely woven fabrics such as wool, or for buttonholes which are subject to extreme wear. They are also useful for stitching bound buttonholes and reinforcing buttonhole openings in leather, vinyl, or felt.

Straight stitched buttonholes

the sequence is determined by the

 this program functions exactly the same as the corresponding buttonhole program which will be stitched over the straight stitched

· select stitch No. 59

presser foot used

Automatic buttonhole foot No. 3A – programming is exactly the same as for the auto buttonhole program (page 30–32) Buttonhole foot 3 – programmingis exactly the same as for the stitch counter buttonhole program (page 33)

#### Alter the distance

 alter the stitch width if the distance between the two rows of stitching is too narrow or too wide



## **Cutting buttonholes open**



#### Seam ripper

buttonhole

use the seam ripper to cut the buttonhole open, starting at each end and working towards the middle

#### Buttonhole cutter and block

- place the fabric on a piece of wood
  position the cutter in the center of the buttonhole
- press the handle of the cutter to punch the buttonhole

## **Button Sew-on program**





For button sew-on example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 29. Buttons with 2 and 4 holes can be sewn on by machine.

#### Button sew-on program

- · select stitch 60
- the button sew-on foot No.18 is available as a special accessory
- the distance (shank) between the button and fabric can be adjusted as desired

#### Sew button on

- 2-hole buttons
- adjust the stitch width if necessary to equal the distance between the holes of the button
- machine stops automatically at the end of the program
- wind thread ends around the thread under the button to create a thread shank

4 hole buttons

- adjust the stitch width if necessary to equal the distance between the holes of the button
- $\cdot$  sew the two front holes
- move work forwards
- sew two back holes
- wind thread ends around the thread under the button to create a thread shank

## Eyelet program



## **Alphabets/Numbers**

#### Eyelets

select eyelet No. 61 (zig-zag) or No. 62 (straight stitch)

#### Sewing the eyelet

 machine stops automatically at the end of the program

#### Punching the eyelet

 use an awl to punch the hole in the eyelet

There is a choice of five different alphabet styles. Each alphabet can be sewn in two sizes. Large monograms can be sewn in three sizes.





#### Alphabets

- press the external Alphabet button
- the Alphabet menu appears
- screen shows:
  - Block letters
- · Double block letters
- · Upper case italics
- · Lower case italics
- Monograms 30/20/15 mm (sideways motion)
- touch to select style
- the selected style is activated

#### Screen: Letter selection

- the presser foot indicator and needle stop symbol are in the usual positions
- scroll up and down to select letters
- and numbers
- ----



#### Alter size

- when an alphabet is selected the larger size is activated
- touch symbol
- the highlighted area changes



## Monogram sizes

- when monograms are selected, size 1 = 30 mm is automatically activated
- touch symbol
- $\cdot$  size 2 = 20 mm is activated
- touch symbol
- the right field is activated (3 = 15 mm)
- sizes 2 and 3 sew continuously (starting at left lower edge and ending at right lower edge) and work with the memory for writing words

- this indicates that the smaller size is active
- touch symbol again
- the larger size is now active
- size 1 monograms are single motifs (machine stops automatically after each one) secured with the securing stitch
- Size 1 monograms have templates to aid in positioning (see page 48)

For alphabet example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 43.

For eyelet examples, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 30.

## **Programming letters/numbers**

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#### Programming

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- open memory
- · touch to select letter
- the letter appears in memory the cursor moves to the right
- behind the letter

#### **Continue programming**

- · touch to select the next letter
- the letter appears in memory
- · continue in this manner
- · for additional information on saving in memory, see pages 39-44

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#### Monogram letters in memory

- · it is possible to combine monogram letters in memory
- the distance between letters is
- programmed with the 16
- directional sewing program (see page 46)
- note the beginning and end of each letter

#### For alphabet example, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, page 43.

## Memory

Stitches, letters and numbers can be programmed, saved and corrected in memory.

The memory has a capacity of 1023 stitches that can be divided into 255 memory segments or banks. The memory banks are as large as required, depending on the number of stitches that are saved in each one.

The memory is long-term, i.e. contents remain saved until they are deleted or overwritten. Power disconnections or long periods of non-use do not have any effect on the memory contents.

Any alterations to stitch length, stitch width, and needle position should be made before entering the stitch into memory.

In contrast to the stitch menu, selected stitches are shown turned 90° counter clockwise in the memory bar. The sewing direction is always from left to right on the memory bar.

For memory examples, refer to the artista 180 Sewing Manual, pages 41-43.

## **Open Memory**





## **Programming stitches**



#### **Open Memory**

- press the external mem button
   the memory bar appears on the
- screen the third row of stitches disappears
- from the screen
- scroll up and down to view these and further stitches
- the cursor appears as a vertical line in the memory bar
- all changes (programming, inserting functions, corrections) affect the character to the *left* of the cursor
- the function toolbar at the bottom of the screen changes automatically to include those functions appropriate for memory
- the opened memory bank is indicated by its number in the bottom bar

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- Programming
- select the desired stitch
   make any desired adjustments to stitch width, stitch length, and
- needle position open the memory by pressing the
- external mem button
- touch mem 1 to access the memory storage screen

#### Note:

If the machine has been turned off since the last time the memory feature was used, mem 1 will show on the screen when the memory is activated. If the machine has *not* been turned off, the last memory bank opened will show

- select an empty memory bank
- touch OK to return to the previous screen
- · select the desired stitch
- · the stitch appears in the mem field
- the cursor moves to the right as stitches are selected
- Note:

If the contents of the memory have been changed using the edit function (page 41), the Pattern begin function must be selected to start the stitching at the beginning of the combination.

· use Pattern end to stop automatically:

Toolbar function – Pattern end will stop after the selected number of combinations have been stitched *External button* –Single pattern will stop after stitching the stitch pattern to the left of the cursor

- · to save, touch store
- store will blink once to indicate it is saving
- if the stitch combination has not been saved, a message screen will appear asking if you would like to save it





#### Scroll memory

- scroll arrows are to the right and left of the memory bar
- touch to view the programmed contents either forward or backward
- to close the memory, press the external memory button

- Continue programming
- select the next desired stitch
- the stitch appears in the mem field
- continue in this manner
- start sewing; when the foot control is pressed, the cursor will go to the beginning of the stitch combination for sewing the complete grouping

## Programming stitches by number



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#### Stitches by number

- · open memorv
- touch function 0–9
- numbers appear on the screen
- · the memory bar remains visible
- touch numbers to select stitch
- the number selected appears above the other numbers

Confirm and continue programming

the stitch selected appears in the

touch store to save in memory

the appropriate number and

select the next stitch by pressing

#### Correct

- touch del in the upper right corner to change the stitch number
- the cursor moves to the left and deletes the number
- · select new number
- touch del in the lower toolbar to delete a programmed stitch
- the stitch to the left of the cursor will be deleted

## proceed as above

· touch OK to confirm

memory bar

#### Back to stitch screen

- touch esc
- the screen reverts to the stitch screen which includes the selected stitch
- the selected stitch is activated (highlighted)

## **Editing memory contents**

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#### Stitches with functions

- · stitches can be modified after being
- programmed into memory
- program the first two stitches
- normally touch edit
- all available functions appear in the
- top right section of the screen
- the last stitch in memory (left of
- cursor) appears above the editing functions

#### Inserting functions, e.g. mirror image

- place the cursor to the right of the stitch to which mirror image is to be applied
- · touch edit
- select mirror image in the functions screen
- the stitch will be shown in mirror image
- · the same procedure for insertion
- applies to all functions
- · touch edit to close



#### Visible functions (in memory bar)

- the securing function appears as a function in the memory bar
- delete unwanted functions from the memory bar before continuing with programming
- touch edit to close functions

#### Note:

Functions such as Long stitch and Pattern extend can be used with sideways motion stitches, however, they will be distorted, so it is not recommended.

## **Memory functions**

The following functions become available in the center of the screen when the edit function of the memory feature is selected. All functions on the toolbar (*except* del) will become inactive when the edit function is selected and will reactivate when the edit function is closed. For more information on these functions, see pages 27–28.



## View memory contents

#### View memory contents

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- touch check
  - the memory contents appear in a window
  - · the cursor is visible
  - the cursor can be moved into position with the arrows for editing applications
  - · after viewing, touch esc
  - the window closes and the memory bar appears
- the cursor is in exactly the same place as it was in the view window

## Corrections while programming in memory

#### Rule:

All changes and corrections are always made to the left of the cursor.

#### Deleting the last programmed

- stitch/letter
- $\cdot$  touch del
- the last stitch entered (left of cursor) is deleted





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#### Deleting a stitch/letter within a memory

- place the cursor to the right of the stitch to be deleted
- touch del
- the stitch to the left of the cursor is deleted

#### Inserting a stitch in memory

- place cursor where the stitch is to be inserted
- select stitch/letter
- the new stitch is inserted to the left of the cursor

## Saving memory contents/leave memory

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#### Save and leave memory

- touch store
- the contents are saved
  the memory can be opened and viewed at any time
- touch external mem button

#### Turning off machine without saving

 memory contents will be lost if the machine is turned off without touching store

## **Open individual memory**



## Returning to a previously programmed memory bank

- open memory by pressing the external mem button
- touch mem 1 on the functions toolbar

Note: if the machine has been turned off since the last time the memory feature was used, mem 1 will show on the screen when the memory is activated. If the machine has *not* been turned off, the last memory bank opened will show. an overview of the memory banks

- appear on the screen • the open memory bank is
- highlighted (dark gray) • the occupied memory banks are
- displayed in light gray

- empty memory banks are shown in white
- memory banks can be scrolled if more than 15 are occupied (can be up to 255 memory banks)
- select an occupied memory bank
- the contents are shown in the memory bar
- touch esc to return to the previous screen
- the contents of the selected memory remain active
- you can sew, insert, or correct these contents

#### Note:

Contents of memory should be sewn from a stitch screen, not the memory storage screen.

## Memory capacity



## **Memory sub-division**



#### Note:

Fabric should be repositioned as needed to stitch each section of the memory.

#### Open mem screen

- open memory by pressing the external mem button
- touch mem on the functions toolbar
- the memory bank screen appears
- the total capacity used by stored stitch patterns is shown in % in the top row
- total capacity of all memory banks
- together is 1023 stitches

#### Memory sub-division

- the contents of a memory can be sub-divided as desired, e.g. name, street, town, etc. by using the edit feature
- program the name
- · program the street
- touch edit
- place cursor after the last letter of the name
- select Memory Sub-division
- the sub-divider is inserted to the left of the cursor
- the characters belong to the one memory (e.g. mem 4) but are totally independent of one another so they can be sub-divided as desired

#### Sewing

activate Pattern begin and sew **Note:** when Pattern begin is activated, the cursor will move to the *right* of the first letter in that memory bank. Stitching will start with the letter to the left of the cursor.

- the machine only sews the contents of that particular sub-division
- to sew the next section, place the
- cursor anywhere in that section begin sewing; when the foot
- control is pressed, the cursor will go to the beginning of the stitch combination for sewing the complete grouping **Note**: if the contents of the memory have been changed using the edit function (page 42), the Pattern begin function must be selected to start the stitching at the
- beginning of the combination. • if a section is to be sewn only once, touch Pattern End 1 on the
- touch Pattern End 1 on the function toolbar

## **Deleting memory**



#### Delete memory

- open memory (press external button)
- touch mem on the functions toolbar
- an overview of the memories appears
- touch memory of choice (e.g. mem 3)
- touch del

- a message will appear asking if you really want to delete the contents of the memory
- touch yes
- the memory contents are deleted
- touch esc to return to the previous screen

## Quilt stitches/16 directions/4 directions



#### Quilt stitches/

Directional sewing button

- the menu of the 3 categories appears:
- · quilt stitches
- · 16-directional sewing
- · 4-directional sewing
- touch to select the category of your choice
- the menu of all stitches in that category appears



· touch to select desired stitch

stitch length and width can be

· all normal information and functions

the stitch is activated

are visible on the

adjusted as desired

screen

## **Quilt stitches**



#### Quilt stitches

- selection of various stitches which are particularly suitable for quilting, piecing, applique, and crazy patchwork:
- · 326 Short Straight Stitch
- · 327 Stippling Stitch
- · 328 Hand-look Quilting Stitch
- · 329 Blanket Stitch
- 330 Heavy Blanket Stitch
- 331 Blindstitch
- · 332 Feather Stitch
- · 333–338, 351 Feather Stitch Variations
- · 346–350 Quilting Stitch Variations

## 16 directional sewing



For examples of 16 directional sewing, refer to the artista Sewing Manual, pages 44–45

#### 16 directional sewing

- select one of the two stitch choices for 16 directional sewing: · 39 – Straight Stitch
- · 40 Zig-zag Stitch
- a presser foot symbol with 16
- directions appears on the screen • touch the right and left curved arrows to alter the stitch direction • touch continuously to alter direction guickly
- the machine sews the selected stitch in the direction chosen

#### Straight stitch

- the stitch length is preprogrammed at 3mm (in all 16 directions)
   Note: The screen will show the stitch at 1 mm. When stitching, the needle hesitates to allow for the movement of the fabric and actually penetrates the fabric only every third stitch, resulting in a 3 mm length
- the stitch length can be shortened, but not lengthened

#### Sewing

- · select direction and sew
- select new direction and continue to sew
- $\cdot\,$  continue in this manner as desired

#### Zig-zag

- the stitch length is programmed to satin stitch
- the stitch length can be shortened or lengthened to 1 mm
- $\cdot$  the stitch width can be altered from 0–9

**Note:** When stitching with a width wider tha 6 mm – 7 mm, it is critical to adequately stabilize the fabric to prevent puckering and tunneling.

#### Sewing

- · select direction and sew
- select new direction and continue to sew
- · continue in this manner as desired

## 16 directional sewing – straight stitch with long stitch function



#### Straight stitch with long stitch function

- · press the external guilt/directional button
- touch the 16 direction symbol select straight stitch
- · activate the long stitch function every third stitch will be sewn Note: Without the long stitch function, the needle hesitates to allow for the movement of the fabric, stitching every third stitch. When the long stitch function is activated, the needle will hesitate for 9 stitches.
- the long stitch function is now highlighted on the toolbar at the lower edge of the screen
- select direction
- · the machine sews in the direction chosen, stitching 9 mm straight stitches

#### Application

The combination of straight stitch and the long stitch function is particularly useful for joining large motifs or letters (see page 45 of the Sewing Manual). The connecting stitches can be removed after the sewing is complete.

## 16 directions programmed into memory



#### Straight stitch in memory

- press the external quilt/directional button
- touch the 16 direction symbol open the memory by pressing the
- external mem button · if the memory bank displayed is not
- empty, touch mem to access the memory storage screen
- · select an empty bank (indicated by a white space)
- touch OK to confirm the selection · select straight stitch
- select the desired direction by using the curved arrows in the center of the screen

#### Zig-zag in memory

- · follow the directions above,
- selecting the zigzag stitch instead of the straight stitch
- a presser foot symbol with a thick arrow is displayed in the memory toolbar
- each presser foot symbol represents 9 mm

- a presser foot symbol with a *thin* arrow is displayed in the memory toolbar
- the presser foot symbol is turned 90° to the left
- To see the true stitching direction, look at the front (toes) of the presser foot symbol and note the direction of the arrow
- each presser foot symbol represents three 3 mm straight stitches for a total of 9 mm of stitching
- to sew a longer distance in the same direction, touch the symbol the appropriate number of times to enter several "presser feet" into the memory
- when stitching with a directional zigzag stitch, adequate stabilization is critical to prevent puckering and tunneling of the fabric

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## 4 directional sewing



Sewing in 4 directions without turning the fabric is particularly useful for mending worn areas in tubular items

#### 4 directions

- · select 4 directional stitching
- select one of the eight stitches: · 41 Straight Stitch
- · 42 Zig-zag Stitch
- · 43 Jersey Stitch
- · 44 Running Stitch
- · 45 Double Overlock Stitch
- · 46 Blanket Stitch
- · 47 Super Stretch Stitch

48 Honeycomb Stitch

(sleeves, trousers, etc.) and can also be used in some decorative techniques.

- a presser foot symbol with 4 directions appears in the center of the screen
- use the curved arrows to select the desired direction
- the stitch length and width of these stitches cannot be altered when a direction other than forward is selected

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#### Sewing direction

 the machine sews the selected stitch in the direction chosen

#### Sewing

desired

- after direction has been selected, sew for the desired distance
- stop the machine when desired
- $\cdot$  select new direction and sew
- stop machine when desired
   continue sewing in this manner as

#### Тір

- for quicker sewing, select the Pattern End 1–9 function
- for applying a patch, the easiest way to work is to sew in a square from top to bottom and from right to left (clockwise)



## Sideways motion stitches – Outline Designs



For examples of 4 directional sewing,

refer to the artista Sewing Manual,

page 46.

#### **Decorative motifs**

- press the external button for decorative stitches
- the decorative stitch menu appears on the screen
- select a group of sideways motion motifs (indicated by the cross symbol)
- select the desired motif (use the arrows to scroll for viewing all of the patterns if needed)

Sideways motion stitches are large decorative motifs stitched in outline which require the fabric and feed dogs to move from side to side as well as backwards and forwards.

Sideways motion stitches are programmed in one size and cannot be altered.

**Note:** Different types of fabric, interfacings, and tabilizers can affect the stitching of the motifs. Adjustment can be made using the Balance function (see pages 49–50).

For examples of sideways motion stitching, refer to the artista Sewing Manual, pages 47–49.

## **Sideways motion stitches**





#### Sideways motion stitches · after selecting the desired motif,

- the stitch is activated
- all normal information appears on the screen
- the crossed arrows symbol (at the top of the screen to the right of the needle stop) indicates that sideways motions stitches are activated
- some patterns are single motifs and the machine stops automatically when it is complete

#### Sideways motion stitches in Memory

 sideways motions stitches can be saved in memory following the general directions on pages 39–44
 sideways motion stitches can be joined by using the memory function and 16 directional stitches (see page 46)  others are designed for continuous sewing, to be used for borders, edgings, and decorative stitching
 sewing beginning and end are usually at different levels within the stitch, except for those patterns

- designed to be sewn continuously
- use the provided templates to aid in positioning motifs on fabric

#### Templates

- the templates provided show the motifs in their stitched forms and sizes
  the stitch beginning is marked with a circle
  the stitch ending is marked with a cross

- the presser foot direction is shown with fine lines
   the presser foot must be placed on the fabric in the given direction



## Balance

All stitches are checked and fully adjusted before the machine leaves the factory.

Different fabrics, threads, stabilizers, and interfacings can affect programmed stitches so that sometimes they might not close or they might overlap, i.e. the stitches that make up the pattern are too close together or too far apart.

#### Open Balance

b

 touch function b
 if the function is not visible on screen, touch the arrow in the function toolbar to scroll through all the available functions These effects can be corrected with the electronic balance so that the stitch formation can be adjusted where necessary to suit the fabric.

There are 50 vertical steps and 20 horizontal steps.

## Balance for practical and decorative stitches



If the stitch looks like this, use this arrow to correct it. If the stitch looks like this, use this arrow to correct it. When sewing soft fabrics such as jersey or tricot, the fabric tends to stretch under the presser foot which also stretches the stitch being sewn. For example, the Honeycomb stitch opens up and is too long. Thicker fabrics might cause the stitch to overlap, making it too short. Correcting with balance is very simple.

#### Balance

- select any stitch
- touch b to activate balance; balance screen appears
- when adjusting practical stitches, a graphic of the honeycomb stitch appears in the center of the screen (this is used as the example for all practical stitches)
- when adjusting decorative stitches, a graphic of the satin stitched oval appears in the center of the screen (this is used as the example for all decorative stitches)
- two malformations are displayed on either side of the stitch – left too short and right too long
- the arrows at the bottom of the screen show in which direction the stitch must be corrected

#### **Returning to stitch screen**

- after all corrections are made, touch OK to confirm the changes and return to the stitch screen
- touching reset will return the stitch to the same condition as when the balance function was opened
- before selecting a new stitch, press the external clr button to close balance, otherwise it will affect all subsequent stitches.



If the stitch looks like this, use this arrow to correct it.



#### Corrections Stitch too long:

- touch the arrow shown on the right
- (approximately 3) • the number of steps activated will
- be shown directly above the arrow • the stitch will be shortened
- the change is *not* shown on screen
- 2-5 steps are normally sufficient to correct the stitch (max. 50 steps)
- sew a test and make additional corrections if needed
- Stitch too short:
- proceed as above, using the arrow on the left
- sew a test and make additional corrections if needed

## **Balance for sideways motion stitches**



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Fabric, thread stabilizers, and interfacings can affect sideways motion

#### Balance

- select sideways motion stitch or motif
- touch b to activate balance
- · balance screen appears
- when balancing sideways motion stitches, the selected motif is always shown
- the stitch appears in the center of the left half of the screen
- two malformations are displayed either side of the stitch – left too short and right too long
- the right half of the screen shows the horizontal balance possibilities

#### **Vertical corrections**

- if the appearance of the sewn stitch is similar to the one on the right of the screen, use the right arrow to correct; the pattern will be shortened
- if the appearance of the sewn stitch is similar to the one on the left of the screen, use the left arrow to correct; the pattern will be lengthened
- 1–5 steps are normally sufficient to correct the stitch vertically (max. 50 steps)
- if more than 10 steps are necessary, the stitch will become smaller

The Help program provides on-screen

 sew a test and make additional corrections if needed stitches so correcting with balance will sometimes be necessary.

#### **Horizontal corrections**

- the horizontal balance is shown in the right half of the screen
- the stitch might possibly become too wide after vertical corrections have been made, i.e. the center line of the stitch becomes distorted
- if the center of the stitch has been pulled to the right, correct with the left arrow
- if the center of the stitch has been pulled to the left, correct with the right arrow
- 5–10 steps are normally sufficient to correct the stitch horizontally (max. 20 steps)
- sew a test and make additional corrections if needed

#### **Returning to stitch screen**

- after all corrections are made, touch OK to confirm the changes and return to the stitch screen
- touching reset will return the stitch to the same condition as when the balance function was opened
- before selecting a new stitch, press the external clr button to close the balance function, otherwise it will affect all subsequent stitches.

## Help

stitches and all functions, eliminating the need to refer regularly to the instruction manual. The information shown corresponds to information in the instruction manual, but is quicker and easier to find electronically.

explanations about individual

#### **Opening help**

- $\cdot$  press the external ? button
- $\cdot$  select the desired stitch or function
- a clock on the screen shows that the computer is searching for the
- desired information

#### Help screen/Stitches

 the screen offers the following information:
 name of the stitch

- suitable fabrics
- · brief listing of main applications

No matter which screen is displayed, the help feature for stitches and functions can be opened. Touch esc to return to the previous screen .





## Blind stitch

- for blind hems

 for shell edging in soft jersey and lingerie fabrics

esc



Thread tension

-



The Help program can be opened at any time without affecting the

Basic tension settings apply automatically when a stitch or program is selected. The tension is factory set for best possible sewing results using a 100 weight, 3 ply polyester thread (100/3).

The tension may vary when using other types of thread such as embroidery thread, and it may be necessary to adjust it to suit the fabric and stitch type.

#### **TTC** button

menu appears · select Thread Tension · thread tension screen appears

press the external TTC button

Changes can be made to the tension of any stitch without affecting any other stitches. To do this, the tension function is accessed with the external TTC button. It can also be placed as a function on the toolbar on the lower part of the screen and accessed directly from the screen (see page 26).

Thread Creative Tutorial consultant tension esc



#### tering the tensions

- the perfect stitch formation is
- shown in the center graphic · the basic value is indicated by the bar on the scale
- touch the arrows up or down to alter the tension:
- touch the up arrow if the stitch formation looks like the top example f = need tighter upper thread
- tension (the upper thread is loose which allows it to be pulled further through to the underside of the fabric)

touch the down arrow if the stitch formation looks like the bottom example

 $\downarrow$  = need looser upper thread tension (the upper thread is tight which pulls the lower thread further through to the top of the fabric)

 the tension alteration affects only the selected stitch and does not remain saved when the machine is off

#### Save and close

· touch OK to confirm the change and return to the stitch screen

#### Back to basic settings

 touch reset to return tensions to the basic settings

## **Tutorial**

In computer language, tutorial means self-help. The tutorial provides concentrated on-screen

#### External TTC button

· Thread tension Tutorial

· Creative Consultant · touch Tutorial

press the external TTC button

the following menu appears:

Thread Creative Tutorial tension consultant esc

Beginning to sew	FHS System	Help	ok
Tips and Tricks	CPS	Embroidery attachment	
Embroidery Software			

#### FHS (Free Hand System) presser foot lifter

- the presser foot lifter raises and lowers the presser foot
- insert the presser foot lifter into the opening in the base plate
- press the presser foot lever to the right to raise and lower the presser foot
- the feed-dog is lowered simultaneously - the feed dog is raised as soon as the first stitch is sewn

Help

· CPS

Menu

Subjects

· FHS system

· Tips and Tricks

· Embroidery module · Embroidery Software

- · the Tutorial sub-menu appears: · Beginning to Sew
- · touch OK to confirm
  - to change subjects, touch esc to

· touch to select the desired subject

information about various aspects of

the machine.

return to menu

#### Information

- $\cdot$  a clock on the screen shows that the computer is searching for the desired information
- · information about the subject of your choice appears on the screen · touch esc to close the screen and return to the menu
- **Creative Consultant**

The Creative Consultant provides information and help for a variety of sewing needs.

After entering the type of fabric and technique you wish to use, the Creative Consultant provides suggestions regarding needles, presser feet, interfacings, special settings, etc. The suggested presser

External TTC button press the external TTC button feet are not necessarily standard with the machine but may be special accessories which can be obtained from your BERNINA dealer.

The Creative Consultant automatically sets the correct thread tension for the type of work selected.



esc

Thread	Tutorial	Creative	
Longion		Consultant	

Fine fabrics	Medium fabrics	Firm fabrics		
Silk Silky- Polyester	Woven cotton	Heavy Denim		ok
Rayon	₩ool	Drapery	Ŧ	
Single knit jersey	Cotton double knits	Upholstery		
Batiste	Silk suiting	Canvas		esc

Seaming	Overcasting	Topstitching	ok
Buttonhole	Zipper	Decorative work	
Machine quilting	Free motion machine quilting	Applique	
Sideways- motion patterns			esc



ok.

#### Menu

- · the following menu appears:
- · Thread tension
- Tutorial
- Creative Consultant
   touch Creative Consultant
- touch creative consultan

#### Fabric menu

- · 3 columns of fabric types are displayed
- · light-weight fabrics
- · medium-weight fabrics
- · heavy-weight fabrics
- the most commonly used fabrics are listed in the three columns
- if the fabric you wish to use is not listed, select a similar type of fabric

#### **Techniques** menu

- several common sewing techniques appear on-screen:
- Seaming
- · Overcasting
- Topstitching
- Buttonhole
- Zipper
- · Decorative work (decorative stitches)
- · Machine quilting

## Information, special suggestions, thread tension

- the screen displays settings and suggestions for the type of fabric and technique you have chosen:
- Presser foot number(s)
- $\cdot$  Needle size and type
- · Feed dog position
- Thread tension
- Presser foot pressure
   Stabilizer needed
- · Special suggestion
- the tension is set automatically (auto appears)
- there may be several suggestions for the presser foot and needle type

#### Back to selected stitch

- touch OK to confirm
- the machine will automatically go to the appropriate practical stitch screen with the correct stitch and tension setting automatically selected
- if decorative work was selected, the machine will go to the first screen of decorative stitches with stitch 101 selected

- use the arrows to scroll up and down for all choices
- touch to select the desired fabric
- · touch OK
- Freemotion machine quilting
   Applique
- · Sideways motion patterns
- touch to select the desired
- technique
- if the technique you want to use is not listed, select a similar technique
- touch OK to confirm and move to the information screen

 some presser feet suggested may be special accessories which are particularly suitable for the chosen technique (they may not be standard accessories, but can be purchased separately)

- select the presser foot and needle according to your particular wishes and preferences
- a stabilizer will be suggested if it is required to suit the technique and fabric
- provides a reminder to use buttonhole cord (gimp) if necessary to reinforce a buttonhole
- sewing can begin immediately
- the suggested stitch can be changed at any time

## **Smart Function**

Sometimes you have to interrupt a task at hand to complete another piece of sewing which must be done before you can carry on any further.

The Smart function was designed specifically for the purpose of "remembering" the machine's current settings so that you can return to them later.

## Application

- · you have created and stored
- something in memory
- you have tested or completed some of the work
- · you plan to finish at a later time

#### Saving the screen with the Smart Function

 press the external Smart button
 the screen, complete with all the settings (stitch, functions, memory etc.) is saved

#### Second Task

- switch to any appropriate stitch menu for another task
- complete this task

The screen in which you are working with all the settings you made can be saved and easily re-opened.

Saved settings in the Smart Function are lost when the machine is turned off.

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# Smart

#### Smart Function – back to screen

- · press the external Smart button
- $\cdot$  the original screen appears
- all settings are exactly as you left them and you can carry on with your original task





tup P	rogram	I			
			The Setup program allows you to personalize the screen to suit your own requirements and preferences.	All changes made in the Setup pro- gram will be saved, even when the machine is turned off.	
			You can change basic settings permanently and program the F (Favorite function) button on the head frame (above the needle). There are numerous possibilities – check the headings and decide what you want to do.	The machine can be reset and returned to the factory settings at any time.	
			Setup • press the external Setup button • the menu appears • you can alter any of the features listed	<ul> <li>the original settings can be reset at any time</li> </ul>	
ersonal ogram 🕹	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position	Menu • the menu lists all those features	<ul> <li>Start screen</li> <li>Return to basic settings</li> </ul>	
eper 🗐 🗧	Motor speed	Thread-	which you can alter to suit your requirements: · Personal Program	<ul> <li>Sewing light</li> <li>Service</li> <li>Screen Contrast</li> <li>personal settings remain saved even when the machine is turned off</li> </ul>	
tart screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light	<ul> <li>Functions</li> <li>Stitch length/width/needle position</li> <li>Beeper</li> <li>Motor speed</li> </ul>		
Service				the machine can be reset to its original settings or reprogrammed	
	esc		· Thread tension	with desired settings at any time	
inctio	ns in Se	etup	This functions are found in the set- up program of the <b>artista</b> sewing machine. They are accessed by pressing the external set-up button on the front of the machine and then	touching Functions on the screen. These functions are used when personalizing the screen to your requirements and preferences.	
J.	10 million	Pers. Pro.	Personal program • touch Personal program • your Personal program is activated • this function can be programmed in the Setup program	Application: • move this function to the toolbar for a fast way to access your Personal program	
		reset	<ul> <li>Back to basic settings</li> <li>touch reset</li> <li>all changes in the Setup program are returned to basic settings</li> </ul>		
			Delete functions		
		1	<ul> <li>touch arrow</li> <li>removes functions</li> </ul>		

## **Personal Program**

Use the Personal program to design a screen with the stitches you use most often. Whether it is made up of stitches for a certain type of sewing, such as heirloom or garment, or just your favorite decorative stitches, this screen will make it easy and quick to sew any project.

When inserting stitches into the Personal program, variations (different stitch widths, stitch lengths, and needle positions) of all stitches may be entered into the Personal program.

Directional stitches and motifs and alphabets cannot be stored in the Personal program.





#### Setup

 press the external Setup button menu appears

- touch Personal Program
- Personal Program screen appears

Personal program (programming first

· straight stitch always appears as

 personal selections can now be entered in the "empty" screen

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the first stitch

#### **Inserting stitches**

stitch)

- press the Practical stitches external button
- select Honeycomb stitch (stitch 8)

#### Personal screen

- · the screen changes to the Personal Program
- Honeycomb stitch appears
- touch store to save the stitch in your personal program
- when a new stitch is programmed, it will be inserted automatically after the last stitch



#### Inserting the second stitch

- press the external buttonhole button
- touch the round buttonhole (stitch 54)

#### Personal screen

- screen changes to personal program
- the round buttonhole appears on the screen
- touch store to save the buttonhole in your personal program
- continue programming in this manner until all desired stitches are selected

#### Personal program (additional stitches)

- the top row of five spaces is occupied
- the 6th stitch appears in the next row
- you can program as many stitches as you want in the personal program

· if more than 15 are programmed, the arrows can be used to scroll the screen as in the standard program

#### Save and close

- touch OK
- screen closes and Setup menu appears
- touch esc to close

#### Personal program function



ok

 to open your personal program, the Personal Program function must be inserted in the function toolbar (see pages 59–60)

#### **Favorite function**



 for even easier access, your personal program can be programmed into the Favorite function button located on the frame of the

machine above the needle (see page 59–60)

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returns to the last stitch screen opened with the last selection still highlighted

## **Deleting stitches from the Personal Program**

Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Motor speed	Thread-
Return to basic setting	Sewing light
esc	
	Functions  The speed  Return to  basic setting  esc



#### Setup menu

- press the external Setup button,
- menu appears
- · select personal program

#### Personal screen

- · personal screen appears
- select stitch to be deleted (will be highlighted)

#### 

Delete the stitch

**Stitch deleted** • the stitch is deleted and all

· press the external clr button

- remaining stitches move back one space
- $\cdot$  touch store to save the changes

# ok

clr

#### Close

- · touch OK
- $\cdot$  the screen closes
- · Setup menu appears

## **Programming functions**

Personal Program 🕹	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper	Motor speed	Thread + tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	

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#### Setup menu

- · press the external Setup button
- menu appears
- touch Functions

#### **Functions screen**

- all functions available appear on the screen
- the bottom two rows of functions are the same as those that are active in the practical stitch screen (includes functions that may be hidden on the stitch screen)
- these functions can be used in any screen

#### **Removing functions**

- select Motor Speed in the lower two rows
- touch the up arrow
- the function disappears from the lower rows
- the function has now been transferred to the upper rows and will no longer appear on individual screens, such as the practical stitch screen

#### Insert function

- · a removed function can be
- reinstated at any time · select Motor Speed in the upper rows
- · touch the down arrow
- the function is moved to the first position in the function toolbar in the lower rows
- all other functions move one space to the right

## Insert new function between two existing functions

- a new function can be inserted between two existing functions
- select a function from the upper rows
- touch the position in the bottom rows where you want to insert the function
- touch the down arrow

#### Program F (Favorite Function) button

- select any function (including the Personal Program) from the top two rows
- press the external F button (above the needle)

- all functions in the lower rows are active
- the upper two rows of functions correspond to the lower functions
- the arrows in the center row are used to move functions
- the function is highlighted in the upper rows and has been deactivated (removed) from the lower ones
   move and deactivate other functions in the same way

- the function will be transferred to the selected position
- the replaced function (the one you selected) and all others will move one space to the right
- press the down arrow
- the F button is now programmed

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- the programmed function is displayed on the screen to the right of the needle stop position symbol it can be reprogrammed in the same
  - manner as often as you like

## **Return all functions to basic settings**

- touch reset
- · all functions will be returned to their original positions except the Favorite function button on the head frame

#### Save changes and close

#### touch OK

Open Setup

needle position

needle position

· menu appears

- · changes are saved
- screen closes
- · Setup screen appears

## Changing basic settings for stitch width, stitch length and needle positions

reset

ok

#### Stitch length Stitch width Needle position Personal WWW Functions Program Ne -Thread-Beeper 🛒 🗧 Motor speed tension Return to Sewing light Start screen basic setting Service esc



### Changing the settings

· the stitch width, length and needle position screen appears

select stitch for which you want to

alter the width, length, and/or

· press the external Setup button

· select stitch length, stitch width,

- alter the stitch width and length settings using the external controls
- alter the needle position with the external buttons
- touch OK to save
- to return to basic settings, touch
- reset

touch esc to close Setup and return to the last selected stitch screen

to reprogram the Favorite function

button, follow the same steps the new function will replace the

old

#### Setup menu

- · press the external Setup button,
  - menu appears
- touch Beeper
- · beeper menu appears

Beeper

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Stitch pattern	Functions	Feed dog high/low	P
∪pper thread control	Lower thread control	Sewing foot up/down	P
Bobbin winder motor	Embroidery		
on off 12	3 ok		esc

Stitch pattern	Functions	Feed dog high/low	ŧ
Upper thread control	Lower thread control	Sewing foo up/down	Ţ
Bobbin winder motor	Embroidery		
Bobbin winder motor	Embroidery E		0

#### **Audio signals**

- · audio signals can be applied to the
- following:
- stitches
- $\cdot$  functions
- feed-dog raised/lowered (for embroidery)
- · upper thread control
- bobbin thread control
- · bobbin thread control
- position of presser foot (for embroidery)

#### Adding a signal

- select desired item from the menu
   touch on
- touch the number pad until the number of beeps you want
   (1, 2, or 3) is highlighted

#### Deleting a signal

- · select desired item from the menu
- touch off
- the audio signal is turned off for this feature

#### Save and close

- touch OK
- · changes are saved
- screen closes
- · Setup screen appears

## Changing the motor speed

Functions

Motor speed

Return to

basic setting

esc

Personal

Program

Beeper 🛒

Start screen

Service

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ok.

Thread-

tension

Sewing light

ok.

#### Stitch length Stitch width Needle position

- press the external Setup button, menu appears
- touch Motor Speed
- menu appears



#### Change the maximum motor speed

- touch the arrows to alter the maximum sewing speed (880 stitches/minute is the basic setting)
- a reduction or increase in the motor speed is reflected in this number
- each touch of an arrow increases or decreases the number of stitches per minute by 10
- any change of the maximum speed affects all 4 speeds (1/4, 1/2, 3/4, 4/4) = slower or faster at all four levels

#### Save and close

- touch OK to confirm the change
  touch esc to return to the Setup
- menu • touch esc to return to the last
- selected stitch menu

#### Back to basic settings

- follow the directions above to enter the motor speed menu
- touch reset to revert to factory settings

- $\cdot$  bobbin winder
- embroidery end audio signals can be turned on and
- off
- the number of repeats can be selected
- the number of beeps can be set at
   1, 2, or 3

Personal

Program

Beeper

Start screen

Service

WWW

## Changing the basic thread tension setting

The basic tension setting of the artista machine applies to all stitches of the machine. The tension is factory set for best possible sewing results using a 100 weight, 3 ply polyester thread (100/3). Other types and weights can affect the stitch, causing a need for a tension adjustment to get the best results.

The overall tension setting of the machine can be tightened or loosened up to 20% in the Setup program. This setting will remain in effect until it is

#### Setup menu

- press the external Setup button, menu appears
- select Thread Tension
- thread tension screen appears

changed again, even if the machine is turned off.

Changing the tension setting in the Setup program will affect all stitches of the machine. Any secondary changes using the TTC button (see page 51) will be changed using the basic setting as a base.

Note: Basic setting refers to the overall tension setting of the machine. This may be the factory setting or your own if you have adjusted the tension in the Setup program.



Functions

Motor speed

Return to

basic setting

esc

# of +/- 20%

Stitch length Stitch width Needle position

Thread-

tension

Sewing light

#### Altering the tensions

- the perfect stitch formation is shown in the middle of the left side of the screen
- the scale shows a possible change
- · the basic value is indicated by a fine line at 0
- · a changed setting is indicated by a black bar
- touch the arrows up or down to alter the tension:

touch the up arrow if the stitch formation looks like the top example = need tighter upper thread

t tension (the upper thread is loose which allows it to be pulled further through to the underside of the fabric)

#### **Back to factory settings**

 touch reset to return tensions to the factory settings

#### Save and close

- touch OK to confirm the change · touch esc to return to the Setup
- menu
- touch esc to return to the last selected stitch menu

touch the down arrow if the stitch formation looks like the bottom example

- $\downarrow$  = need looser upper thread tension (the upper thread is tight which pulls the lower thread further through to the top of the fabric)
- touch OK
- The alterations are saved and the screen closes
- the tension alteration affects all stitches and remains saved when the machine is turned off

reset

ok

## Start screen on and off

Personal 👔 Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper 🗐 🗧	Motor speed	Thread- tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	

Welcome

Sewing & Embroidery System

Made in Switzerland

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on

artista 180

ok

esc

ok

Stitch width Needle position	· ·	pre
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Thread-		to

#### Setup menu

- ess the external Setup button
- enu appears
- touch Start Screen

#### Turn start screen off

- · start screen appears
- the start screen can be turned on or off
- · touch off
- the start screen will *not* appear next time the machine is turned on
- the practical stitch menu appears immediately when the machine is turned on

#### Save and close

 touch OK to confirm the change · touch esc to return to the Setup menu

#### Turn start screen on

- · touch on
- the start screen will appear every time the machine is turned on, followed automatically by the practical stitch menu

· touch esc to return to the last selected stitch menu

## **Return to basic settings**

Personal 📓 Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper 🖾 🗧	Motor speed	Thread- tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		0.00
	esc	

- Setup menu
- · press the external Setup button, menu appears
- touch Return to Basic Settings

Are you sure that you wish to return the machine to the basic setting?

yes

- · a message will appear asking you to confirm that you want to return the machine to the basic settings · touch yes; the Setup screen reappears
- · a clock shows on the screen indicating that all changes in Setup are being reversed
- reappears all existing changes to Setup remain in effect

+ touch no; the Setup screen

- · a message will appear switch off
- and on your machine
- · the factory settings are restored
- Please switch off and on your machine.

no

## Sewing light

Personal Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper 🖾 🗧	Motor speed	Thread-
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	



Setup menu

- · press the external Setup button,
- menu appears • select Sewing Light
- Switch light on/off
- touch on
   light will be on c
- light will be on continuously when machine is turned on
- · touch off
- · light will not come on at all

## · tou

ok

- Save and close
- touch OK to confirm the change
- touch esc to return to the Setup menu
- touch esc to return to the last selected stitch menu

## Service

The service function of the Setup program gives information about the version of software in the **artista** and lets you make calibration adjustments to the screen and hoop of the embroidery module (special accessory).

## **Version Information**

The version screen shows information about the version of software loaded into the sewing machine and embroidery module (special accessory). This

· press the external Setup button,

information is helpful if you are asking questions of the dealer or if you plan to upgrade the software.

Personal Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper	Motor speed	Thread-
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	



Setup menu

. menu appears • touch service

- Service Screen
- service screen appears
   select version

Note: The screen is calibrated at the

factory, but shipping and transport-

└── V02.00	Version information         • version screen appears         • shows the version of software         loaded into the artista sewing         machine         • shows the version of software         loaded into the embroidery module         (special accessory), if applicable         • the embroidery module must be         connected to the machine to show         the version on the screen	<ul> <li>the version of software in the sewing machine and in the embroi dery module must be the same for optimum results</li> <li>touch esc to return to the previous screen</li> </ul>
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## **Screen Calibration**

Calibrating the screen is important for making on-screen selections by touch. If the screen is not calibrated, you may touch one selection and the machine will read one next to it. For precision touch selection, the screen must may be calibrated.

ing may affect it. The screen only needs to be calibrated if there is a problem with precision touching.

Stitch length Personal WWW Functions Stitch width Program Needle position Thread-Beeper 🖽 🗐 🗧 Motor speed Return to Start screen Sewing light basic setting Service esc

Screen

Version

Adjustment

of hoop

esc

#### Setup menu

· press the external Setup button, menu appears touch Service

#### Service Screen

- service screen appears
- select screen
- · select this screen if the on-screen buttons do not react properly when selected (touched)



#### Calibration

- screen calibration screen appears · press each black point in the center, one after the other
- · it is not important which point is selected first
- the machine will beep when the dots are touched to let you know contact was made
- · will automatically go back to the previous screen
- touch esc to return to the setup screen
- touch esc to return to last selected stitch screen

#### Important Note:

When calibrating the screen, take care to touch the black dots only. If the screen is miscalibrated by touching any area other than the black dots, it may require a technical adjustment by an authorized technician.

## **Embroidery hoop adjustment**

Personal Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper ⊑∭	Motor speed	Thread- tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	

This adjustment calibrates the needle activated to the center of the embroidery hoop. attached The hoop adjustment can only be

#### Setup menu

- · press the external Setup button
- menu appears
- touch service

# Version Screen Adjustment of hoop esc

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#### Service Screen

service screen appears
select Adjustment of hoop

#### Hoop adjustment

- hoop adjustment screen appears
   connect the embroidery module to the machine
- attach the large hoop to the embroidery module
- insert the embroidery template into the hoop
- touch check the machine reads the hoop position; the needle should be positioned exactly over the center point of the template
- if it is not, adjust with the arrows
- it is only necessary to adjust the
- hoop once the same setting changes will apply to all the hoops



ok esc

#### Save and close

- · Touch OK close the screen
- · Touch esc close Setup
- Touch check in Layout 1 close embroidery hoop adjustment

activated if the embroidery module is attached

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## Screen contrast

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Personal X Program	Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Beeper 🗹 🗧	Motor speed	Thread- tension
Start screen	Return to basic setting	Sewing light
Service		
	esc	

The contrast of the screen can be adjusted for easier viewing.

#### Setup menu

- press the external Setup button, menu appears
- touch contrast (lower right of screen)
- contrast screen appears

#### Adjust contrast

- two adjustments are provided to adjust the contrast
   (- = lighter, + = darker)
- touch to increase or reduce the contrast

#### the original screen is visible on the left to control and check the adjustments as they are being made

ok

ok

esc

#### Save and close

- touch OK
- changes are saved
- · screen closes
- · Setup menu appears

## Leave Setup program

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Functions	Stitch length Stitch width Needle position
Motor speed	Thread-
Return to basic setting	Sewing light
esc	
	Functions  The sec  T

#### Leave Setup program

- touch esc
- · Setup is closed
- · changes are saved
- changes remain saved when the machine is turned off

## eco Function

The green eco (ecology) function button on the front of the machine saves energy when the machine is not in use, but you don't want to turn it off and lose the settings. It can be compared to the sleep feature on a computer.

If the eco function is activated, the machine uses about 50% less energy. The screen in which you are currently working, all memory contents, and any other functions which you have selected remain active. The screen goes dark and details are just visible. Once you begin working again, the machine will be returned to its normal state.

Besides saving energy, the eco function is also a child safety device. Once the eco function is activated, the machine is "locked" and the foot control is inactive. The machine will only sew after turning off the eco function (pressing the button once), returning it to the last active screen.



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#### **Eco function**

- touch the external eco button energy used will be reduced by
- 50%
- Screen screen goes dark, details are just visible
- · the machine will not sew in eco mode, it is "locked"
- all settings remain
- foot control will not operate the machine



#### **Return to sewing**

- · touch the eco button
- machine returns to normal function

## **Special Accessories**

The following pages offer information about additional accessories and attachments available for the artista sewing machine. These accessories will add to the capabilities and versatility of the machine, offering unlimited possibilities for expressing your creativity.

Ask your Bernina dealer for more details!

## **CPS Program**

#### **CPS Program** (Customized Pattern Selection)

#### Sewing computer

This computer program allows you to replace a variety of stitches.

This computer program allows you to replace the module's stitches and alphabets.

The CPS program allows you to personalize your sewing machine to suit your preferences and sewing requirements. And you can do it as often as you want.

Ask your **BERNINA** dealer for further details!

#### **Embroidery module** (optional accessory)

- the eco function is cleared when
- the machine is turned off

· useful when interrupting work for longer periods

## **Embroidery module**

#### **Embroidery module** (special accessory)

The embroidery module is a wonderful addition to your sewing machine, offering you unlimited possibilities to use your imagination and creativity to their full extent. It provides the possibility of sewing a wonderful array of large motifs in full color. The module attaches to the free arm and is connected to the right side of the machine in the connecting socket provided; it comes preprogrammed with 18 assorted motifs. When

#### Connecting the embroidery module

- · turn the sewing machine off
- remove the accessory box or sewing table
- position the module on the back of the free arm
- push the engaging lugs into the base plate of the machine (back right)

#### Designs

- embroidery menu appears
- touch the embroidery module symbol to access the preprogrammed designs
- · touch the teddy bear symbol to access designs from cards (extra accessories - see page 69-70)
- · the position, size, and density of the motifs can be altered

selected, they appear on the screen and can be sewn immediately. You can position, mirror image, enlarge and reduce the motifs.

Additional embroidery motifs, covering a wide range of subjects, are available on cards. Just insert a card into the embroidery module, select, and sew!

A detailed instruction manual is supplied with the embroidery module.

insert the plug in the connection on the right side of the machine (embroidery module symbol) turn sewing machine on

- designs can mirror imaged, as well as rotated
- a detailed instruction manual is supplied with the embroidery module.

## **Embroidery cards**

Preprogrammed embroidery design cards covering a wide range of subjects can be used in conjunction with the embroidery module.

Each card is devoted to one particular theme. New cards are introduced on a regular basis so that

#### Inserting the card

- turn the sewing machine off
- insert the card into the slot in the module



Embroidery card menu the embroidery menu appears

touch the teddy bear symbol

you can build up a diverse library of beautiful motifs, each relating to a specific subject or theme. The cards are inserted into the embroidery module. You can then view the motifs on the screen of your sewing machine.







#### Embroidery motifs on the card

- · the first motif screen appears
- each motif is numbered
- scroll to view further motifs
- select and sew the same as for stitches programmed on the embroidery module.

# PC Embroidery Software (optional accessory)

BERNINA Embroidery Software which allows you to combine, mirror image, resize and embellish existing motifs.

You can also create and embroider your own designs up to 155 x 200mm.The process is controlled by you from the first stitch on your screen to the finished motif on fabric. Each design is uniquely yours. You design – your machine does the work! The finished creations are transferred directly via a connecting cable (9-pin serial port on the machine) to the embroidery module. The designs can be saved in blank memory cards or the embroidery module itself.

The Windows format of this PC program will be familiar to many of you and is easy to understand and use. A computer scanner, which can be purchased at computer stores, is a real design aid, allowing you to scan clip art and original designs for digitizing.

#### Ways to save your PC designs

- · on your PC
- on a blank memory card inserted in the embroidery module
- on a blank memory card inserted in the reader/writer box (optional accessory)
- · on the embroidery module itself



#### Connection cable

- turn the machine *off* before attaching the cable
- insert the cable into the appropriate socket on the right side of the machine (PC symbol)
   turn the machine on

Detailed instruction manuals are supplied with the **artista** software programs.

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## Important facts about sewing machine needles

#### Sewing machine, needle and thread

Your Bernina uses needle system 130/705H.

#### Needle and thread

The most commonly sold needles are nos. 70–120. The finer the needle, the lower the number. The table shows you which needle is suitable for which threads. The needle size select must correspond to the thread size.





**Correct needle/thread combination** When sewing, the thread runs in the long groove on the needle.

#### Needle and

fabric/Condition of needle The needle must be in perfect condition. Problems can occur with damaged needles. **Unsatisfactory needle/thread combination** If the needle is too fine the groove on the front cannot accommodate the thread and faulty stitching occurs.



bent needle



seams (cordonnet)





blunt needle

burred needle

Darning thread	0	0		
Embroidery thread		0		
Mercerized cotton thread		0	0	
Synthetic thread		0	0	
Thick threads, synthetic merc. thread			0_0	
Buttonhole thread for decorative			0	

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Needle/

thread table
# Important facts about sewing machine needles

Special materials are easier to sew if the appropriate needle is used. Special needles are available at your **BERNINA** dealer.

Needle table	Description	Needle point	Suitable for	
Standard needle	130/705H	Normal point, slightly rounded	Universal needle for woven, synthetic and natural fibers, e.g. linen, chiffon, batiste, organdy, wool, satin, decorative stitching, embroidery	
Special needles	130/70H-SES	Fine ball point	Fine knits, especially for synthetic fibers	
	130/705H-SUK	Medium ball point	Heavier knits in synthetic or natural fibers	
	130/705H-S	Medium ball point, stretch	Special needle for delicate of difficult stretch fabrics	
Jeans needles	130/705H-J	Very fine point	Overalls, heavy linen, denim, can- vas. Pierces dense fabrics easily	
Leather needle	130/705 H-LR+H-LL	Cutting point	Natural and synthetic leather, plastic, coated and waxed fabric	
Double needle	130/705 H/TWI	Needle distance 1.6, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0	Visible hems in stretch fabrics, pintucks, decorative sewing	
Triple needle	130/705 H/TRI	Needle distance 2.5, 3.0	Decorative sewing	
Hemstitch needle	130/705H/HE	wide needle	Hemstitching in fine fabrics	

### Feed-dog and fabric feed

### Feed-dog and stitch length

With each stitch the feed-dog moves forward by one step. The length of this step is determined by the stitch length selected. With an extremely short stitch length, the steps

are short. The fabric moves under the foot quite slowly, even at full sewing speed. Buttonholes, satin stitch and some decorative stitches are sewn with a very short stitch lenath.

### Important





Pulling or pushing will result in gaps.

### **Height Compensation Tool**

Let the fabric feed evenly!



The feed-dog can work normally when the foot is level.



If the foot is at an angle, e.g. when sewing over thick to thin or vice-versa, the feed-dog cannot grip and feed the fabric.



Holding back will result in

thread build-up.

To solve this problem, place one, two or three compensating plates as required behind the needle under the presser foot.



To correct the height in front of the foot, place one or more plates to the right of the foot next to the needle. Sew until the foot is level again and remove the plates.

### Feed-dog and sewing corners



The gap between the two rows of teeth is relatively large due to the width of the stitch plate hole.



fabric is actually on the feed-dog so that it cannot grip the fabric well.



or more compensating plates as close as possible to the edge of the fabric.



### Cleaning

If the machine is stored in a cold room, it should be brought to a warm room about 1 hour before use.



### Cleaning

Periodically remove thread lint and remnants which collect under the stitch plate.

- turn power switch to "0"
- · remove presser foot and needle
- · open the free-arm cover
- press the stitch plate down at the back right corner
- · lift and remove it
- $\cdot\,$  clean the area with the brush
- replace the stitch plate

### **Cleaning the screen**

· wipe with a damp cloth

### Cleaning the hook

- power switch to "0"
- $\cdot$  remove the bobbin case
- clean the hook using the brush provided or a cotton swab. The use of any sharp instrument could damage the hook.
  insert the bobbin case

### Lubricating

- squeeze 2–3 drops of oil into the hook race
   run the machine for a
- short time without thread to prevent oil soiling your work

### Cleaning the machine

 wipe with a damp cloth
 if very soiled, wipe with a solution of water and a few drops of liquid soap

### Important! Never use oil, alcohol or solvents of any kind on any part of the machine!

### **Replacing the bulp**



Front cover turn power switch to "0"

 $\cdot$  loosen the screw



### Change the bulb

- remove the left side cover
- remove the bulb
- · insert the new bulb
- replace cover and tighten screw



For models with new sewing light see page 75

Warning: Let the bulb cool down before replacing! Note: Use bulb type 12V 5W W2.1 x 9.5d Please refer to the safety instructions!

### **Trouble shooting**

# In most cases you will be able to identify and remedy faults by checking the following.

### Check whether:

- · the upper and lower threads are threaded correctly
- the needle is inserted as far up as possible with the flat side to the back
- $\cdot$  the needle size is correct check the needle/thread table
- $\cdot$  the machine is clean brush out any thread lint
- $\cdot$  the hook race is clean
- any threads are trapped between the tension discs or under the bobbin case spring

### Upper thread breaks

- upper thread tension is too tight
- needle is not designed to be used with the chosen thread
- needle has been inserted incorrectly the flat side of the shank must be to the back
- needle is bent or blunt
- for additional needle information, check the Creative Consultant and the charts on pages 71–72
- poor quality, knotted or dried out thread has been used
   use the correct spool disc
- · use the conect spool disc
- stitch plate or hook tip damaged take your machine to your BERNINA® dealer

### Lower thread breaks

· the lower thread tension is too tight.

### the bobbin is jamming in the bobbin case. Remove and replace the bobbin.

- the hole in the stitch plate has been damaged by the needle. This must be polished by an authorized BERNINA® service technician
- the needle is blunt or bent.

### **Skipped stitches**

- wrong needles used use only 130/705H system
- the needle is blunt, bent or incorrectly inserted push completely to the top when inserting.
- the needle point does not suit the fabric being sewn if necessary, use a ball point or stretch needle for knitted fabrics and a cutting point for hard leather.

### Needle breaks

- · needle clamp screw loose.
- fabric taken out forward instead of behind the presser foot.
- when sewing over thick area, the fabric was pushed with the needle still in the fabric.
- · poor quality thread, unevenly wound or knotted.

### Faulty stitching

- remnants of thread between the tension discs
- $\cdot$  remnants of thread under the bobbin case spring
- $\cdot$  incorrect threading. Check upper and lower threads
- use the correct spool disc

#### Machine fails to run or runs slowly

- · plug not fully inserted
- power switch in off (0) position
- · machine has been standing in a cold room
- bobbin winder engaged

### Machine sews in reverse

reverse sewing function is activated

### Defective sewing-light

 Please note that it is forbidden to change the new CFL sewing-light by a unauthorized person.
 For models with this new CFL-sewing-light, the light can ONLY be replaced by an authorized BERNINA Dealer.

# **Glossary of terms**

check	to preview the contents of a memory bank
clr (clear)	remove or restore settings, back to basic settings
cursor	<ul> <li>on-screen positioning marker (vertical line)</li> <li>used in memory for marking deletions, insertions, etc.</li> </ul>
customized	customer-oriented, individualized, personalized
Delete	Delete/clear the previous command
edit	alter, modify
esc (escape)	close screen/program, return to previous or start screen
help	an integrated program providing brief information and help concerning functions and specific stitches
memory	<ul> <li>sewing machine program to store stitches and combinations of stitches, letters and numbers for recall at any time</li> </ul>
menu	<ul> <li>summary of program contents, e.g. stitches, functions from which selections can be made</li> </ul>
ok	to confirm a task or selection before continuing
outline	<ul> <li>outline designs = sideways motion stitches; stitches with outer contours which are not filled in</li> </ul>
pattern	motif, stitch
PC	Personal Computer
PC Embroidery Software	<ul> <li>User friendly program designed especially for our customers</li> <li>PC program for use in conjunction with our embroidery module to edit, mirror image and resize existing motifs. You can also use it to create and convert your own designs into beautiful embroidery.</li> </ul>
scroll	- to move the screen up or down to view
Setup	<ul> <li>sequences and settings which can be altered and adapted to suit your personal preferences</li> </ul>
smart	<ul> <li>program which saves the stitch and all settings in use during interruptions. Toggle between two stitches.</li> </ul>
software	· computer programs
store	· save in memory for recall at any time
toolbar	· a term used for on-screen groups, e.g. functions
touch screen	· screen which operates the machine by touch
tutorial	· self-help program for learning about various machine features
update	load new software onto machine
upgrade	- load new software onto machine

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