

CADENCE™

GO FISHING. GIVE BACK.

IDEAL

Thank you for purchasing a Cadence® spinning reel. The Ideal series of spinning reels will exceed your expectations when comparing features, quality, and design. By selling it directly and cutting out the middleman, we're able to eliminate retail markups, all while giving back to the fishing community.

This manual will provide guidance on how to use and care for your new Cadence® spinning reel.

Component names:





FILL THE SPOOL WITH LINE

All Cadence® spinning reels are designed for monofilament, braid and fluorocarbon lines. Personal preference and fishing conditions will determine line selection. The Ideal has a braid ready spool. There is no need to use mono backing to prevent line slipping on the spool.

1. There are several YouTube videos on how to spool a spinning reel. This one is very good [from Anders Fishing](#).
2. Do not overfill. It is the biggest cause for wind knots. Fill to approximately 1/8” (3.0 mm) or more below the upper lip of the reel spool.

LEFT AND RIGHT RETRIEVE

Cadence® spinning reels can be configured for right or left-handed operation. To convert, unscrew the handle by rotating it in the opposite direction of normal retrieve. Unscrew and remove the handle stem cover on the opposite side of the reel. Insert the handle into the opposite side of the reel and rotate it in the direction of retrieve while holding the rotor. Reinstall the handle knob cover on the opposite side of the reel.

ANTI-REVERSE

The instant anti-reverse prevents the rotor from turning backward. Slide the switch to the “On” or “off” to engage and disengage this feature. In normal use, keep the anti-reverse engaged to allow the drag to function smoothly.

DRAG ADJUSTMENT

Drag is controlled by turning the drag knob. Rotate the dial clockwise to increase drag.

The ideal drag setting is 30 to 40% of the line strength. You can use a spring scale, tied to the line, and pulled with the bail closed. Most anglers do not use a spring scale spring to set their drag; please review this video from [Take Me Fishing](#).

CASTING AND RETRIEVE

Hold the rod and reel with the stem between your middle and ring finger. Hook the line with your forefinger. Open the bail. Pick out a “target” direction and distance. Bring the rod over your shoulder backward, so the tip is behind your head. Smoothly accelerate forward and release the line as the rod passes through 45 degrees to horizontal. Stop the rod when the tip is pointing at the target. Over time this will become a single motion. Distance is controlled by how much you accelerate, when you release, and the weight of the lure.

To retrieve, crank the handle. The bail will close automatically. Alternatively, many anglers will close the bail by hand, swing the rod until the line is under taunt and then crank the handle.

MAINTENANCE

Gently rinse your Cadence® reel with fresh water, and wipe it dry after each use. Rinsing is

especially important if you use the reel in salt or brackish water.

You will need to lubricate your reel periodically. If used a lot or in harsh conditions, it may need lubrication more than once a year. At a minimum, it should be lubricated once a year. Please refer to the grease guide to determine where to apply lubricant. Use a high-quality oil and grease like Reel Saver.