

# CALIFORNIA CLOSETS essentials™

## **WATCH WINDERS FAQ**

### **WHAT IS THE WARRANTY?**

Our watch winders are covered by a two-year limited manufacturer's warranty, effective from the date of purchase. The warranty is provided for watch winders purchased from California Closets Essentials. Please be sure to keep your receipt/invoice as it will be required should you have a warranty claim. Warranty coverage does not cover any damage incurred due to mishandling, misuse or tampering of the products.

### **I WEAR MY WATCH EVERY DAY. WHY DO I NEED A WINDER?**

For an automatic watch, using a watch winder between each wearing is the best practice for maintaining its accuracy. Most mainsprings require 80% to 90% tension to be fully wound. Normal activity only winds the mainspring 50% to 60%. Our watch winders are designed to wind the mainspring up to 80%. This keeps your watch accurate throughout the day.

### **HOW LONG WILL THE BATTERIES LAST?**

On average batteries will last between four and six months.

### **WHAT IS THE FLASHING RED LIGHT?**

A flashing red light may indicate a possible malfunction or more commonly, that the batteries need replacement.

### **WHAT IS THE FLASHING GREEN LIGHT?**

The flashing green light lets you know the unit is in sleep mode. This allows the mainspring to unwind.

### **WILL THE BATTERIES DRAIN IF THE WINDER IS PLUGGED IN?**

No. The batteries are not in use when plugged into an outlet.

### **I'M CONCERNED THAT THE WINDER WILL MAGNETIZE MY WATCH. SHOULD I BE CONCERNED WITH A WOLF WINDER?**

No. The motor has a shield that eliminates any magnetization.

### **CAN I TRAVEL WITH MY WATCH WINDER?**

Yes. Our winders come with a 110/220 volt adapter(s) simply slide off the plug and replace with the appropriate plug.

## **I'M CONCERNED THAT THE WINDER WILL BE NOISY. WHAT MAKES A WOLF WINDER QUIET?**

Utilizing Nylon gears, sealed gearboxes and silicon gaskets makes for virtually silent operation and years of enjoyment.

## **WHY IS THERE A 10-SECOND START DELAY?**

The start delay gives the user sufficient time to insert the watch before the drum starts to rotate.

## **WHAT IS THE RATIONALE BEHIND THE 12-HOUR START DELAY?**

A 12-hour start delay accommodates for a watch with a power reserve and provides the watch that's been recently worn the opportunity to release the stored energy from the mainspring before winding effectively exercising the timepiece.

## **WHAT IS THE RECOMMENDED SETTING: A (CLOCKWISE), B (COUNTERCLOCKWISE), OR C (BIDIRECTIONAL)?**

Almost all automatic watches will receive energy on setting C (bidirectional), unless otherwise specified by your watch manufacturer.

## **I HAVE A VERY HEAVY WATCH. WILL THE WINDER TURN THE FULL NUMBER OF ROTATIONS?**

Yes. Although the rotating drum is slower, the WOLF winder has a patented sensor that counts the number of rotations.

## **WHAT SIZE CUFFS ARE AVAILABLE?**

Two cuff sizes are available: standard and small. In most cases the standard cuff will be the correct size for your timepiece. Note the new cuffs are only compatible with the current models of winders.

## **HOW DO I PUT MY WATCH ON THE WATCH CUFF?**

Select the correct size cuff for your watch. Note that a larger size cuff will hold a larger watch more securely in the winder drum. To simplify placement, close your watch's strap or bracelet before placing the watch on the cuff. Compress the cuff, then slide your watch over the cuff. Place the cuff inside the drum with the drum facing outward.

## **I'VE HEARD WATCHES CAN GET MAGNETIZED ON A WATCH WINDER. IS THAT TRUE?**

Magnetic interference can make some watches run fast, requiring a demagnetizer to correct them. Strong magnetic sources like stereo speakers pose the greatest risk, but laptops and other consumer electronics can also be detrimental to a watch's accuracy with prolonged exposure. We've measured the maximum magnetic flux density inside of our winders to be about 4 gauss at the bottom of the drum, the point nearest to the motor. There was no measurable magnetic flux at any position 10mm away from that maximum point. Opinions vary on the minimum level of magnetic

flux density needed to affect watch operation, but informal consensus online suggests the range is 60-70 gauss—over 16 times that of the maximum found modules.