

**User Guide: SW50** 



Welcome to your Swift SW50 microscope! Whether you are a seasoned professional or a beginner hobbyist, Swift has the perfect microscope for you.

This guide will introduce you to the components of your new microscope and help you begin using it. For more information about our microscopes, software downloads, product manuals, or customer service requests, please visit www.swiftoptical.com.

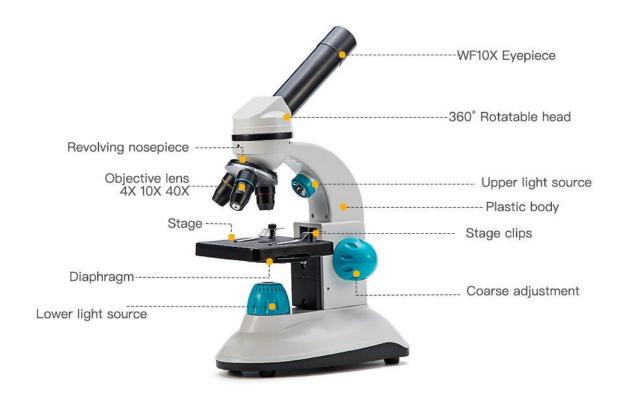
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# I. Specifications

Model	SW50
Observation tube	Monocular, 360° rotatable
Inclination	38°
Eyepiece	Wide-field 10X
Nosepiece	Triple revolving
Objectives	4X, 10X, and 40X
Magnifications	40X, 100X, and 400X
Stage	Plain stage with slide clips
Stage size	90mmx90mm
Condenser	Single lens condenser with 6-hole disc diaphragm
Focusing	Coarse focus knobs
Illumination	Upper LED light (Applicable to 4X/10X objectives only) Bottom LED light
Power	AA batteries
Accessories	Red stain (1), blue stain (1), tweezers (1 pair), swab (1), blank slides (5), prepared slides (5), cover slips (10), identification stickers (1 set), petri dish (1), pick (1), stirring rod (1), vial (1), kimwipes (1 set), pipette (1), AA batteries (3)

#### II. Parts of the microscope



### III. Assembly and set up

Carefully remove the microscope from the box and set it on a sturdy, flat surface. If the microscope was shipped with eyepiece unassembled, remove the plastic cover from the eyepiece holder on the microscope's head, then place an eyepiece into the holder. Insert the included batteries into the battery compartment. Turn the microscope on by pressing the power button.

#### IV. Using the microscope

Turn the microscope on and choose the lower lamp setting (located on the power on button).

Secure a slide via the slide clips on the stage.

Rotate the monocular head to either the forward- or backward-facing position, depending on what is most comfortable for viewing.

Always start with the lowest magnification objective lens centered over the stage, in this case the 4x objective. Look through the eyepiece and bring the image into focus by slowly turning the larger coarse adjustment focus knob to bring the stage closer to the objective.

\*Note that this microscope does not have a fine focusing knob for more detailed viewing. Manually move the slide across the stage to look at different parts of the specimen slide. Increase magnification by rotating the nosepiece clockwise to a higher magnification objective, taking care not to strike the slide with the objective. If you cannot move the objective into place without making contact with the slide, use the coarse focus knob to move the stage down and away to make room before changing magnification.

\*To use the microscope in incident mode, switch the illumination to the upper light built into the body. Place a solid specimen (such as hair, pollen, etc.) onto the stage with the objective lenses on the lowest magnification setting. Repeat the steps for focusing to see magnified details.

## V. Caring for your microscope

As with any quality instrument, your microscope should be stored in a cool, dry place. Use the dust cover to protect the microscope when not in use. If necessary, clean the lenses with a soft brush or compressed air to gently remove dust. Avoid touching the optical surfaces directly and never disassemble the optical components of the microscope. When not using an eyepiece, use the plastic cover to protect the eyepiece holder and ocular lens.

# **VI. Troubleshooting**

If you have a problem, you may be able to correct it yourself. Here are some common issues and easy solutions you can try before calling customer support for service.

\*Caution: Never disassemble the electrical, mechanical, or optical components. This servicing should only be done by a Swift technician.

Issue	Possible cause	Solution
Visual field is uneven, or image is dark at the edges	Nosepiece is not locked in place to center the objective lens	Turn nosepiece until you hear a click to center the objective lens
	Slide is not centered over the bulb, leaving part of the specimen unilluminated	Center the slide over the bulb
	Dirty objective or eyepiece lens	Clean with compressed air or soft brush
	Disc diaphragm hole selection is too small	Rotate the disc diaphragm to a larger hole
Visual field is blurry or dirty	Dirty objective or eyepiece lens	Clean with compressed air or soft brush
	The slide is dirty	Clean the slide with glass cleaner or lens cloth
	Eyepiece or objective lens not fully screwed into place	Tighten eyepiece or objective lenses
	No cover slip on the specimen	Place glass cover slip over the specimen
	Slide is too thick or too thin	Use a lab-quality slide
Poor image quality	Slide is placed upside down on the stage	Flip the slide over so that the cover slip is facing up
	Dirty objective lens	Wipe the lens off with soft cloth and glass cleaner
	Disc diaphragm hole	Rotate the disc diaphragm

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Image moves while adjusting focus	Slide is shifting on the stage	Reposition slide more securely in the clips
Light is too dim	Disc diaphragm hole selection is too small	Rotate the disc diaphragm to a larger hole
	Lamp setting is too low	Increase intensity on the control knob
	Voltage is too low	Use the supplied power adapter
Objective lens collides with the slide when switching from a lower to a higher power objective	Slide is upside down or too thick	Use a lab-quality slide or flip the slide over so the cover slip is facing up
	Stage is set too close to the objectives	Lower the stage with the coarse focus knob
	Safety rack stop needs adjustment	Adjust the safety rack stop to stop the stage farther from the objectives
Image won't come into focus when using a high-powered objective	Slide is upside down	Flip the slide over so the cover slip is facing up
Lamp does not turn on	No power source	Check that the adapter is fully connected or that batteries are installed
	Bulb has burned out	Replace the bulb
Lamp flickers while on	Bulb is not inserted into the socket correctly	Check to make sure the bulb is fully screwed into the socket
	Power adapter is not fully plugged in	Check to make sure that the adapter is fully connected to wall socket and to the microscope

VII. Warranty information and customer support

Our microscopes are manufactured to meet ISO 9001 standards. Swift warranties are

as follows:

Five (5) Year Warranty for Microscopes: Microscopes come with a five (5) year

warranty against manufacturing defects. Does not cover normal wear, routine

maintenance, add-on accessories, damage resulting from repair by unauthorized

parties, accident, alteration, shipping, misuse or abuse is not covered.

One (1) Year Warranty for Electrical and Video components. Does not cover light

bulbs, batteries, fuses, or electrical cords.

All warranties start from the original date of purchase. Swift provides the repair or

replacement of warrantied parts for free, including labor, during the warranty period. Proof

of original purchase is required. Buyers are responsible for shipping to and from our

warehouse for warranty services. The warranty does not cover damages resulting from

normal wear and tear, abuse, or unauthorized repairs.

\*For customers living outside the United States, Swift Optical Instruments, Inc. will provide

standard warranty service. Both inbound and outbound shipping costs (including duties

and taxes) is the responsibility of the consumer.

For more information or to submit a repair request, please contact our Customer

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\*In order to serve Europe customers efficiently, we recommend to call the hotline during

working hours 8 AM – 4 PM (London Time).

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Disclaimer: We are constantly working to improve our instruments and to adapt them in response to customer feedback. These improvements occasionally involve small modifications to the mechanical structure and optical design of our microscopes. Therefore, some descriptions, illustrations, and specifications in this instruction manual may vary slightly from the microscope you receive.

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