

OWNER'S MANUAL

The Discovery 3300 is a professional metal detector. While the most difficult aspects of metal detecting have been automated, it is a sophisticated electronic device which requires an understanding of some basic features and metal detecting concepts.

If you do not have prior experience with a metal detector, we strongly recommend that you:

- 1) Adjust the Sensitivity to a low setting in the event of false signals. Always begin use at a reduced sensitivity level; use at full sensitivity only after you have become familiar with the detector.
- 2) Do not use indoors. This detector is for outdoor use only. Many household appliances emit electromagnetic energy, which can interfere with the detector. If conducting an indoor demonstration, turn the sensitivity down and keep the searchcoil away from appliances such as computers, televisions and microwave ovens. If your detector beeps erratically, turn off appliances and lights, especially those with dimmer switches.

Also keep the searchcoil away from objects containing metal, such as floors and walls.

- **3)** Read this manual. Most importantly, review the **Quick-Start Demo** (p.7-8) and **Basic Operation** (p. 9-12).
- **4)** Use 9-volt **ALKALINE** batteries only. Do not use "Heavy Duty" batteries.

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TERMINOLOGY

The following terms are used throughout the manual, and are standard terminology among detectorists.

- **ELIMINATION** Reference to a metal being "eliminated" means that the detector will not emit a tone, nor light up an indicator, when a specified object passes through the searchcoil's detection field.
- **DISCRIMINATION** When the detector emits different tones for different types of metals, and when the detector "eliminates" certain metals, we refer to this as the detector "discriminating" among different types of metals.

Discrimination is an important feature of professional metal detectors. Discrimination allows the user to ignore trash and otherwise undesirable objects.

- **NOTCH** Notching is the elimination of an item, or range of items, within the metallic spectrum. We "notch-out" an object, or objects, selectively. Objects to the left and right on the metallic spectrum can be retained using the notch technique.
- **RELIC** A relic is an object of interest by reason of its age or its association with the past. Many relics are made of iron, but can also be made of bronze or precious metals.
- **IRON** Iron is a common, low-grade metal that is an undesirable target in certain metal detecting applications. Examples of undesirable iron objects are old cans, pipes, bolts, and nails.

Sometimes, the desired target is made of iron. Property markers, for instance, contain iron. Valuable relics can also be composed of iron; cannon balls, old armaments, and parts of old structures and vehicles can also be composed of iron.

FERROUS - Metals which are made of, or contain, iron.

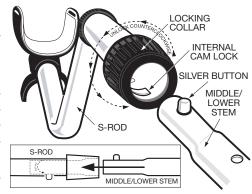
- **PINPOINTING** Pinpointing is the process of finding the exact location of a buried object. Long-buried metals can appear exactly like the surrounding soil, and can therefore be very hard to isolate from the soil.
- **PULL-TABS** Discarded pull-tabs from beverage containers are the most bothersome trash items for treasure hunters. They come in many different shapes and sizes. Pull-tabs can be eliminated from detection, but some other valuable objects can have a magnetic signature similar to pull-tabs, and will also be eliminated when discriminating out pull-tabs.
- **GROUND BALANCE** Ground Balancing is the ability of the detector to ignore, or "see through," the earth's naturally occurring minerals, and only sound a tone when a metal object is detected. The Discovery 3300 incorporates proprietary Super-ScanTM circuitry to eliminate false signals from severe ground conditions

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ASSEMBLY

Assembly is easy and requires no tools.

- 1 Position detector upright.
- Rotate the LOCKING COLLAR fully counterclockwise.
- 3 Insert your finger inside the tube and make sure the INTERNAL CAM LOCK is flush with the inside of the tube.
- 4 Insert the LOWER STEM into the S-ROD.



- 6 Rotate the LOWER STEM until the SILVER BUTTON locates in the hole.
- 6 Twist the LOCKING COLLAR fully clockwise until it locks.
- 7 If your detector has 3 tubes and 2 locking collars, repeat this process on the Middle Stem.
- 8 Position the Lower Stem (the straight tube) with the Silver Button toward the back. Using the Bolt and Knurled Knob, attach the Searchcoil to the plastic extension protruding from the Lower Stem.
- **9** Press the button on the upper end of the Lower Stem, and slide the Lower Stem into the S-Rod.

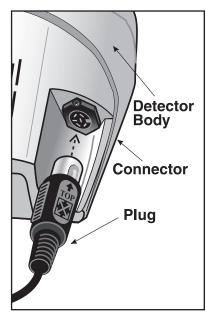
Adjust the Stem to a length that lets you maintain a comfortable upright posture, with your arm relaxed at your side, and the Searchcoil parallel to the ground in front of you.

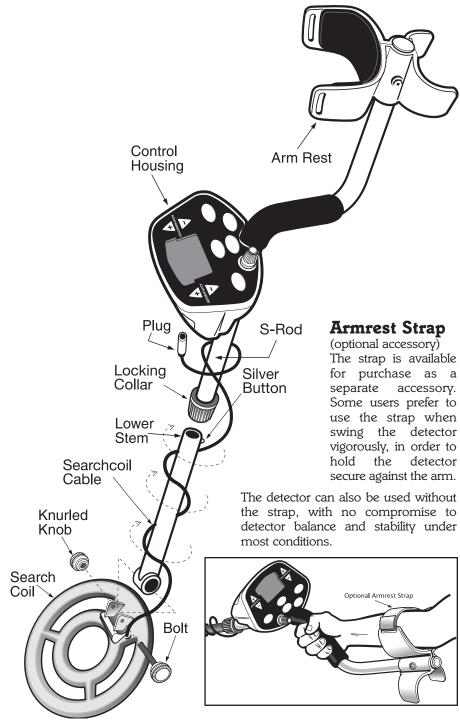
- Wind the Cable securely around the Stem.
- Insert the Plug into the matching Connector on the right underside of the Detector Body. Be sure that the key-way and pins line up correctly.

Caution: Do not force the plug in. Excess force will cause damage.

To disconnect the cable, pull on the plug.

Do not pull on the cable.



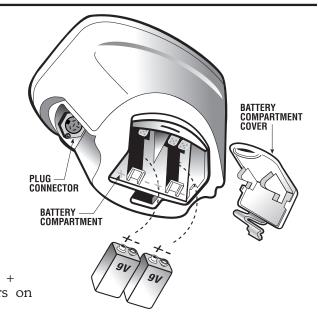


BATTERIES

Use **ALKALINE** batteries only.

To install the batteries:

- Remove the battery cover by disengaging the clip at the back.
- Align the polarity of the batteries correctly, with the positive "+" toward the searchcoil plug connection, as indicated by the + and indicators on the housing.



- Insert (2) 9-Volt **ALKALINE** batteries, with the contacts pointed inward, and press down on the back of the batteries to snap them into place.
 - Some brands of batteries will require moderate force to clear the retaining tabs.
- 4 Replace the battery door.

Most metal detector problems are due to improperly installed batteries, or the use of non-alkaline or discharged batteries. If the detector does not turn on, please check the batteries.

DO NOT MIX OLD AND NEW BATTERIES

BATTERY DISPOSAL & RECYCLING

Alkaline batteries may be disposed of in a normal waste receptacle or recycled. Non-Alkaline batteries should be recycled. In the state of California all battery types must be recycled. Please refer to local municipalities for detailed disposal and recycling requirements.

QUICK-START DEMONSTRATION

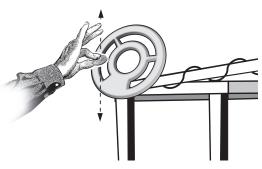
I. Supplies Needed

A Nail

- A Quarter
- A Pull-Tab from a beverage can A Zinc Penny (dated after 1982)
- A Nickel

II. Position the Detector

- a. Place the detector on a table, with the searchcoil hanging over the edge. (or better, have a friend hold the detector, with the searchcoil off the ground)
- b. Keep the searchcoil away from walls, floors, and metal objects.



- c. Remove watches, rings and other jewelry or metal objects from hands and wrists.
- d. Turn off appliances or lights that cause electromagnetic interference.
- e. Pivot the searchcoil back toward the detector body.

III. Power Up

Turn Ground Balance knob to pre-set position.

Press the POWER touch pad.

IV. Wave each Object over the Searchcoil

a. Notice a different tone for each object.

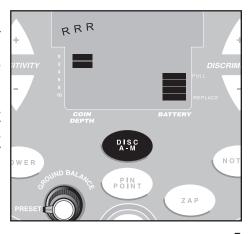
Bass Tone: Nail Low Tone: Pull-Tab Medium Tone: Zinc Penny

High Tone: Quarter b. Motion is required. Objects must be in motion over the searchcoil to be detected.

V. Press the DISC A-M touch pad

The detector will beep twice and 3 "R"'s will appear under the iron indicators.

Quick-Start Demo continued on next page



QUICK-START DEMONSTRATION

VI. Wave the Nail over the Searchcoil

- a. The Nail will not be detected.
- b. The Nail has been "Discriminated Out."

VII. Press the "DISCRIMINATION \[\textbf{\textit{A}}\] touch pad twice.

Five "R"s are now displayed.

VIII. Wave all objects over the Searchcoil

The Nail and Pull-Tab will not be detected. The other objects will be detected with their own distinctive tones.



A flashing "R" will appear under the IRON segment.

X. Press the DISCRIMINATION A touch pad 6 times.

The flashing "R" will move to the ZINC segment.

XI. Press the NOTCH touch pad again.

The "R" will appear under zinc.

XII. Wave the zinc penny over the searchcoil.

The penny is discriminated out.

XIII. Press the DISC A-M touch pad

The detector returns to ALL METAL Mode. No "R"s are displayed. All types of metals will be detected.

XIV. Wave the pull-tab over the searchcoil.

XV. Press the ZAP touch pad.

An "R" will appear.

XVI. Wave the pull-tab over the searchcoil again.

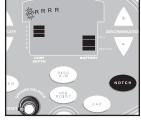
The pull-tab (the most recently detected item) is eliminated from detection.

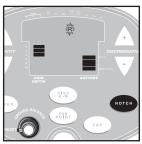
XVII. Press the PINPOINT touch pad.

Hold one of the metal objects motionless over the searchcoil.

- All Metal objects are now detected.
- Depth and Target indicator do not illuminate in this mode.
- One monotone sound indicates the presence of any type of metal.







ZAP

BASIC OPERATION

POWERING UP

Press the POWER touch pad.

- The detector will beep 4 times
- All display segments will illuminate momentarily
- The SENSITIVITY (left) and BATTERY (right) indicators will stay illuminated



MOTION and NO-MOTION MODES

Depending on the operation mode selected, the Discovery 3300 detects metal both with the searchcoil in motion, or with the searchcoil motionless. In the PINPOINT Mode of operation, metal is detected with the searchcoil motionless over the ground. This nomotion operation helps to locate the exact location of buried objects, and is very useful in understanding the size and shape of buried metal objects. The PINPOINT Mode offers deeper ground penetration, but cannot classify targets, nor indicate their depth.

The other operating modes require the searchcoil to be in motion to detect a target. When in the DISCRIMINATION, ALL METAL or NOTCH Modes, the searchcoil must be in continuous motion. It is often useful to search for targets in a motion mode, and when identified, pinpoint their location with the PINPOINT control.

SENSITIVITY

At its default sensitivity setting, the detector will detect a coin-sized object, such as a quarter, buried approximately seven inches deep. To change the sensitivity level, and thus the detection depth, press the SENSITIVITY \blacktriangle or \blacktriangledown keys. The 6-segment scale at the left of the display, above "coin depth", indicates the sensitivity level when these touch pads are depressed.

CAUTION:

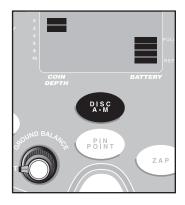
At higher sensitivity levels, the detector is susceptible to electromagnetic interference from electronic devices. Reduce sensitivity if demonstrating indoors or if using near power lines or electrical equipment.

ALL METAL MODE (Default Operation)

The detector defaults to **ALL METAL** Mode after powering on. In this mode, all types of metals will be detected. An object's PROBABLE identification is indicated by the arrows at the top of the display. In addition, the PROBABLE depth of coin-sized objects is indicated by the rectangular segment indicators on the left side of the display. All detected objects will cause the depth indicator to illuminate. The depth indication is not accurate for larger objects; however, it will provide accurate relative depth indications. The greater the distance an object is from the searchcoil, the greater its depth value.

DISC/ A-M Touch Pad

Pressing this touch pad will cause the detector to toggle between two operating modes, DISCRIMINATION and ALL METAL. If the detector is in the ALL METAL Mode (the default mode), pressing the touch pad will change the detector into DISCRIMINATION Mode. If the detector is in the DISCRIMINATION Mode, pressing the touch pad will change the detector into ALL METAL Mode.



DISCRIMINATION MODE

Discrimination is used to eliminate unwanted objects from detection. To enter this mode, from ALL METAL Mode, press the DISC/A-M touch pad. After pressing DISC/A-M, the detector will:

- Beep twice
- \bullet Display 3 "R"s under the left-most segments, Iron 1, 2 & 3

Ferrous objects will not be detected in DISCRIMINATION Mode.

Heavily oxidized ferrous objects will sometimes, however, be detected, usually with a high tone and an indication to the right of the target identification scale.

To increase the level of discrimination, press the DISCRIMINATION \triangle touch pad. Each time the \triangle pad is depressed, an additional "R" will appear, thus eliminating from detection the objects which fall into the corresponding categories.

To decrease the level of discrimination, press the DISCRIMINATION ∇ touch pad. Each time the ∇ pad is depressed, an illuminated "R" will disappear, thus returning to detection the objects which fall into the corresponding categories.

Discrimination Mode is a fixed-start-point elimination system. Objects are cumulatively eliminated as the level of discrimination increases.

BASIC OPERATION

NOTCH MODE

To selectively eliminate a category from detection within the metallic spectrum, use the NOTCH Mode.

Technical Note:

The NOTCH touch pad causes the status of an "R" segment to toggle between ON and OFF.

To use the NOTCH Mode:

The NOTCH touch pad can be depressed at any time. But for first-time use, place the detector in DISCRIMINATION Mode.

A first demonstration is best accomplished as follows:

- 1) Turn the power OFF.
- 2) Turn the power ON.
- 3) Press DISC/A-M
- 4) Press NOTCH.

A flashing "R" will appear under the IRON-1 segment.

- 5) Press the DISCRIMINATION ▲ touch pad several times. Notice that the "R" moves upon each press of the DISCRIMINATION ▲ touch pad.
- 6) Press NOTCH again.

 The flashing "R" will become permanently illuminated.

If an object has been "notched-out", you can return it to detection status. To "un-notch" a category:

- 1) Press NOTCH.
- 2) Move the flashing "R" over the permanently illuminated "R", using the DISCRIMINATION ▲ or ▼ touch pads.
- 3) Press NOTCH again.

After NOTCHING OUT a category the detector returns to the DISCRIMINATION Mode.

ZAP

The ZAP control is a convenient way to eliminate a known undesirable metal object from detection. Zap only works in DISCRIMINATION MODE.

To demonstrate the ZAP control:

- 1) Set the detector in DISCRIMINATION Mode
- 2) Pass the searchcoil over an undesirable object.
- 3) Notice the Target Indication

Note: You can only ZAP objects that register under the seven left-most segments (from Iron to Zinc).

- 4) Press ZAP. An "R" appears under the segment to be eliminated.
- 5) Pass the searchcoil over the same object again. The undesirable object is eliminated from detection

The ZAP control is easy to use in the field. As you are detecting, and encounter an object which you wish to eliminate from detection, simply press the ZAP touch pad after detecting the object.

The ZAP control eliminates the most-recently detected object category from detection. The category eliminated is indicated with an "R".

BASIC OPERATION

REMINDER

Be sure that the detector is properly GROUND BALANCED before using the PINPOINT MODE. See page 20 for manual ground balancing instructions.

PINPOINT MODE

Press to activate the Pinpoint feature.

Searchcoil motion is not required; a motionless searchcoil over a metal target will induce sound.

Audio is V.C.O., voltage-controlled oscillator. The scale is calibrated to coin-size objects.

After you have identified a target using a motion mode of detection, press to identify the target's exact location. This technique can yield more information about the target's shape and size and also find its exact location to facilitate extraction.

Pinpoint as follows:

- 1. Press Pill
- 2. Position the searchcoil just barely off the ground, and to the side of the target.
- 3. Now move the searchcoil slowly across the target, and you can locate it by the sound.

The target is located directly under where the sound is loudest.

Narrow It Down:

- 1. To narrow the response further, position the center of the searchcoil near the center of the response pattern, but not directly over the center.
- 2. Release PINT.
- 3. Immediately press again.
- 4. Repeat this narrowing procedure to narrow the field of detection further.

Note: Depth indication is less accurate after narrowing.

COIL DRIFT

If you plan to use PINPOINT for continuous searching, realize that drift will occur over time, causing the detector to gain or lose sensitivity. Periodic retuning of the detector is required to minimize drift; release and press periodically to retune.

Pinpointing using motion modes (without a):

- 1. Sweep over target in narrowing side-to-side patterns.
- 2. Take note of the spot on the ground where "beep" occurs.
- 3. Step 90° to the side of the target.
- 4. Sweep searchcoil over same area, at 90° to the 1st sweep pattern.
- 5. This pinpoints the target location with an "X".

AUDIO TARGET IDENTIFICATION (motion modes only)

While the LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) is very accurate in identifying buried objects, the user in the field does not always maintain the display screen in his field of vision. Therefore, we have incorporated an audio feedback mechanism to alert the user to the nature of buried objects. This audio feedback system first alerts the user to the presence and classification of objects, whose nature and location can be confirmed using the LCD display.

The 4-tone audio target identification system functions only in the motion modes of operation. The detector must be in the DISCRIMINATION, NOTCH or ALL METAL Modes, as indicated on the display. In PINPOINT Mode, the detector will emit only a monotone sound.

The detector can sound four different tones, depending on the object detected.

BASS TONE

Ferrous objects, such as iron and steel, will induce a bass tone. The smallest gold objects can also induce a bass tone.

LOW TONE

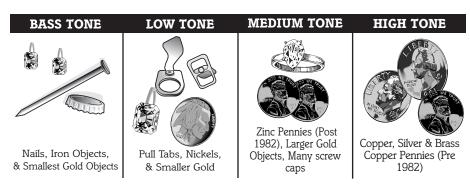
Pull-Tabs, nickels & smaller gold

MEDIUM TONE

Newer pennies (post-1982), larger gold objects, zinc, small brass objects, and most bottle screw caps will induce medium tones. Many recent vintage foreign currencies will induce medium tones.

HIGH TONE

Silver and copper coins, larger brass objects, older pennies (pre-1982), and highly oxidized metals will induce high tones. Quarters, dimes and other precious coins fall into this category.



DEPTH AND TARGET DISPLAY (motion modes only)

Please refer to the display on your detector and reference the TARGET I.D. categories below applicable to your model (not all detectors include all of these categories).

READING THE DISPLAY

The Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) shows the PROBABLE identification of the targeted metal, as well as the PROBABLE depth of the target.

The detector will register a consistent target identification, upon each sweep of the searchcoil, when a buried target has been located and identified. If, upon repeated passes over the same spot, the target identification reads inconsistently, the target is probably a trash item, or oxidized metal. With practice, you will learn to unearth only the repeatable signals.

The segment identifications are highly accurate, when detecting the objects described on the label. However, if an object registers in a given category for an unknown buried object, you could be detecting a metallic object other than the object described on the label, but with the same metallic signature. Also, the greater the distance between the target and the searchcoil, the less accurate the target identification.

TYPES OF TARGETS

GOLD TARGETS: Gold objects will register toward the middle or left-of-center on the LCD scale.

Gold flakes may register under iron. Small gold items may register under foil or 5¢.

Large gold items will register toward the center of the scale.

SILVER TARGETS: Silver objects will register to the right of the scale, under dime or higher.

TARGET I.D. CATEGORIES

IRON: All sizes of iron objects will generally register on the far-left side of the scale. This could indicate a worthless item such as a nail, or a more valuable historic iron relic. Smaller iron objects register under "1" - larger under "3".

5¢/PT: Most newer pull-tabs from beverage cans, the type intended to stay attached to the can, will register here. Many gold rings will also register here. Aluminum foil, such as a gum wrapper, will register under 5¢/PT. A small broken piece of pull tab may also register here.

PT: Older pull tabs, which always detached completely from the can, register here. Few newer pull-tabs will also register here. Many medium size gold rings also register here.

S/C: Older screw caps from glass bottles will register here. Large gold rings, like a class ring, could also register here. Some non-U.S. coins of recent vintage will also register here.

Zinc/1¢: Medium conductivity objects and many non-U.S. coins of recent vintage are classified here. U.S. pennies dated after 1982 register here.

The Target Identification Categories to the right of the display, such as copper coins, 10¢, DIME, 25¢, Quarter, 50¢, \$1 accurately identify these U.S. coins. When used in areas outside the U.S., these categories identify coins or metal objects of high relative conductivity (such as silver coins or relics), or large objects made of any type of metal.

Caution: The target indications are visual references. Many other types of metal can fall under any one of these categories. While the detector will eliminate or indicate the presence of most common trash items, it is impossible to accurately classify ALL buried objects.

DEPTH AND TARGET DISPLAY (motion modes only)

DEPTH INDICATOR:

The Depth Indicator is accurate for coin-sized objects. It indicates the depth of the target, in inches. Large and irregularly-shaped objects will yield less reliable depth readings

When passing over an object, the depth indicator will light up and stay illuminated until another object is scanned. Repeated indication at the same depth level indicates an accurate target detector. If the depth indication varies with each sweep, try sweeping at different angles; there may be more than one target present. With practice, you will learn the difference between

accurate readings, multiple targets, and highly erratic readings which evidence trash or irregularly shaped objects.

THREE DIGIT TARGET INDICATOR

The three digit target indicator, in the middle of the LCD display, provides a specific target value to help identify buried targets more accurately. With practice in the field, you will learn to associate target values with the probable identification of buried objects. The target value can vary each time the searchcoil passes over the target, depending upon the angle of the object and the distance from the searchcoil. As a starting point, refer to the table below.

TARGET Readout

The table below list some common approximate target value equivalents. With experience in the filed, you will recognize many types of metals by their numeric value.

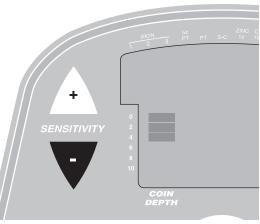
VALUE RANGE	POSSIBLE OBJECTS
0-10	Iron
30-36	Nickel
43-48	Pull-Tab
53-60	Screw Cap
62-65	Zinc, Penny
83-88	Wheat Cent
86-89	Clad Dime
87-90	Mercury Dime
105-113	Clad Quarter
105-113	Liberty Dollar
120-126	Franklin Half Dollar
134-150	Silver Dollar
150-199	Large metal Object

SENSITIVITY ADJUSTMENT (motion modes only)

ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE

The principle use for the Sensitivity Control is to eliminate Electromagnetic Interference (EMI).

A hobby metal detector is an extremely sensitive device; the searchcoil creates its own magnetic field and acts like an antenna. If your detector beeps erratically when the searchcoil is



motionless, the unit is probably detecting another electromagnetic field.

Common sources of EMI are electric power lines, both suspended and buried, motors, and household appliances like computers and microwave ovens. Some indoor electronic devices, such as dimmer switches used on household lighting, produce severe EMI and can cause the detector to beep erratically. Other metal detectors also produce their own electromagnetic fields; so if detecting with a friend, keep two metal detectors at least 20 feet apart.

If the detector beeps erratically, **REDUCE THE SENSITIVITY** by pressing the Sensitivity ▼ Pad on the left of the control panel.

SEVERE GROUND CONDITIONS

A secondary use for the Sensitivity Control is to reduce false detection signals caused by severe ground conditions. While your Discovery 3300 contains circuitry to eliminate the signals caused by most naturally occurring ground minerals, 100% of all ground conditions cannot be anticipated. Highly magnetic soils found in mountainous and gold-prospecting locations can cause the detector to emit tones when metal objects are not present. High saline content soils and sands can sometimes cause the detector to false.

If the detector emits false, non-repeatable, signals, REDUCE THE SENSITIVITY. Increasing the level of DISCRIMINATION can also reduce falsing from severe ground minerals.

MULTIPLE TARGETS

If you suspect the presence of deeper targets beneath a shallower target, reduce the sensitivity to eliminate the detection of the deeper targets, in order to properly locate and identify the shallower target.

IN THE FIELD TECHNIQUES (motion modes only)

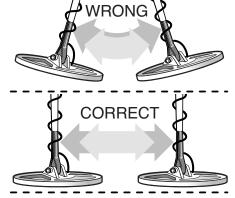
PINPOINTING IN MOTION MODES

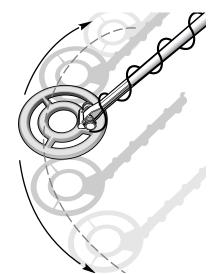
Accurate pinpointing takes practice and is best accomplished by "Xing" the target area.

- 1. Once a buried target is indicated by a good tone response, continue sweeping the searchcoil over the target in a narrowing side-to-side pattern.
- **2.** Take visual note of the place on the ground where the "beep" sounds.
- **3.** Stop the searchcoil directly over this spot on the ground.
- **4.** Now move the searchcoil straight forward and straight back towards you a couple of times.
- **5.** Again make visual note of the spot on the ground at which the "beep" sounds.
- **6.** If needed, "X" the target at different angles to "zero in" on the exact spot on the ground at which the "beep" sounds.



When swinging the searchcoil, be careful to keep it level with the ground about 1/2 inch from the surface. Never swing the searchcoil like a pendulum.





When pinpointing a target, try drawing an "X", as illustrated, over where the tone is induced.

HEADPHONE JACK

Using headphones (not included) improves battery life, and prevents the sounds from annoying bystanders.

It also allows you to hear subtle changes in the sound more clearly, particularly if searching in a noisy location. For safety reasons, do not use headphones near traffic or where other dangers are present. This device is to be used with interconnecting cables/headphone cables shorter than three meters.

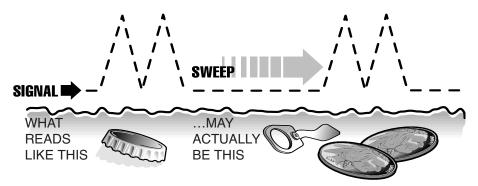
IN THE FIELD TECHNIQUES (motion modes only)

Swing the searchcoil slowly, overlapping each sweep as you move forward. It is important to sweep the searchcoil at consistent speed over the ground as you search. identifying a target, your sweep technique can help in identifying both the location and the nature of the target. If you encounter a weak signal, try moving the searchcoil in short, rapid sweeps over the target zone; such a short rapid sweep may provide a more consistent target identification

Most worthwhile objects will respond with a repeatable tone. If the signal does not repeat after sweeping the searchcoil directly over the suspected target a few times, it is more than likely trash metal.

Crossing the target zone with multiple intersecting sweeps at

multiple angles is another way to verify the repeatability of the signal, and the potential of the buried target. To use this method, walk around the target area in a circle, sweeping the searchcoil across the target repeatedly, every 30 to 40 degrees of the circle, about ten different angles as you walk completely around the target. If a high-tone target completely disappears from detection at a given angle, chances are that you are detecting oxidized ferrous metals, rather than a silver or copper object. If the tone changes at different angles, you may have encountered multiple objects. If you are new to the hobby, you may want to dig all targets at first. With practice in the field, you will learn to better discern the nature of buried objects by the nature of the detector's response.



IN THE FIELD TECHNIQUES (motion modes only)

You may encounter some false signals as you proceed. False signals occur when the detector beeps, but no metal target is present. False signals can be induced by electromagnetic interference, oxidation, or highly mineralized ground soils. If the detector beeps once, but does not repeat the signal with several additional sweeps over the same spot, there is probably no target present.

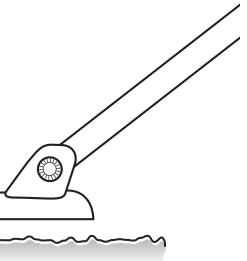
When searching very trashing ground, it is best to scan small areas with slow, short sweeps. You will be surprised just how much trash metal and foil you will find in some areas. trashiest areas have been frequented by the most people, and frequently hold the most promise for finding the most lost valuables. make searching easier in very consider trashy areas, purchasing a 4-inch Searchcoil.

The 4-inch searchcoil's narrower detection field can better distinguish between two objects in close proximity.

Also maintain the searchcoil positioned just above the surface of the ground, without making contact with the ground. Making contact with the ground can cause false signals.

False High Tones:

If detector emits false high tones in DISCRIMINATION Mode, try rotating the GROUND BALANCE knob slightly counterclock wise.



IN THE FIELD TECHNIQUES - Pinpoint Mode

GROUND BALANCING

Before using the PINPOINT Mode, it is necessary to 'Ground Balance" your detector, this ground balancing adjustment offsets the effects of minerals and salts in the ground.

To GROUND BALANCE your detector:

- 1. Using the ALL METAL Mode, find a patch of ground which is free of metal objects. You will use this section of ground to test the detector. The presence of any metal objects in this area will interfere with this procedure.
- **2.** Begin with the ground balance KNOB in the PRESET position.



4. Press the PINPOINT touch pad.

5. Lower the searchcoil to the ground, maintaining it elevated about 1/2 inch above the surface (be sure that this ground does not come that the ground does not come that this ground does not come that the ground does not come the ground does not come that the ground does not come the ground does not come that the ground does not come the



that this ground does not contain metal).

- If the detector emits sound with the searchcoil 1/2 inch over the ground, further ADJUSTMENT IS NECESSARY.
- If the detector remains silent with the searchcoil 1/2 inch over the ground, no further adjustment is necessary; the detector is "GROUND BALANCED"
- **6.** If the detector emits sound with the searchcoil over the ground in STEP 5, further adjustment of the ground balance KNOB is required as follows:
 - Lift the searchcoil waist high
 - Rotate the ground balance KNOB clockwise 1/16 of a turn
 - Press PINPOINT
 - · Lower the searchcoil to the ground again

If the detector still emits a tone, repeat the procedure. You are searching for the ground balance knob position where the detector is just silent.

It is important to move the knob in small increments in order to find the first setting (moving clockwise) at which the detector remains silent. To insure yourself of the optimal adjustment, move the KNOB slightly counterclockwise from a silent-adjusted position to check for the most counterclockwise silent position possible.

If the KNOB is over-adjusted in the clockwise direction, the detector can lose sensitivity. An over-adjusted condition can also cause the detector to sound off when the searchcoil is lifted away from the ground.

IN THE FIELD TECHNIQUES - Pinpoint Mode

As your search takes you to different areas, verify the ground balance setting periodically using the above procedure. Within a geographical area, ground conditions can change. Varying elevation, proximity to water, and concentration of rock, sand or clay can all affect ground condition and sometimes require recalibrating with the ground balance knob.

• If the detector remains silent with the searchcoil 1/2 inch over the ground, no further adjustment is necessary; the detector is "GROUND BALANCED"

In the Pinpoint Mode, searchcoil sweep technique is not important. Rather, user retuning is critical.

The detector does not automatically adjust to changing ground and environmental conditions; the operator is required to make the adjustment. If the detector sounds a constant tone over all areas of the ground, retune the detector by pressing the PINPOINT button.

RFTUNING

Keep the searchcoil still, just above the ground surface, and press the PINPOINT button. Make sure that the spot on the ground you chose for tuning did not contain metal; pass over the area with the searchcoil again to insure that the detector does not emit a tone.

TEMPERATURE CHANGE

If the detector moves from one temperature environment to another, or if the temperature changes, you must retune the detector until the temperature stabilizes. If you move from a cooler to a warmer environment, the detector may emit a constant tone; if so, retune. If you move from a warmer to cooler environment, the detector may lose sensitivity; if so, retune.

PINPOINTING

Detection Field

The No-Motion's detection field depends on the size of the target.

Large Objects

After detecting a target, lift the searchcoil off the ground to a distance where you hear the faintest tone. Move the searchcoil over the ground at this height. If the tone does not fade, you have detected a large or irregularly shaped object. Outline the object with slow searchcoil movements.

If you can outline an area larger than the size of the inside searchcoil, you then have a large target, or several targets.

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Small Objects

After detecting a target, hold the searchcoil above the ground, at a distance where you hear the faintest tone. While maintaining the searchcoil at this height above the ground, move the searchcoil from side-to-side. Note the spot where the tone is loudest. Then move the searchcoil toward the ground to zero-in on the target's location.

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A coin-size object will be detected when the object enters the range of the inner coil.

TROUBLESHOOTING

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE			
SYMPTOM	CAUSE	SOLUTION	
Detector chatters or beeps erratically	 Using detector indoors Using detector near power lines Using 2 detectors in close proximity Highly oxidized buried object Environmental electromagnetic interference 	 Use detector outdoors only Move away from power lines Keep 2 detectors at least 20' apart Only dig up repeatable signals Reduce sensitivity until erratic signals cease Do not raise search-coil into the air, keep searchcoil moving over surface of ground 	
Constant low tone or constant repeating tones	Discharged batteriesWrong type of batteries	Replace batteriesUse only 9Valkaline batteries	
LCD does not lock on to one Target-ID or detector emits multiple tones	 Multiple targets present Highly oxidized target Sensitivity set too high 	Move searchcoil slowly at different anglesReduce sensitivity	
No power, no sounds	Dead batteriesCord not connected securely	Replace batteriesCheck connections	
Detector sounds continuous tone in Pinpoint Mode when coil is lifted away from ground.	Ground Balance over-adjusted	Move Ground Balance knob counter-clockwise	
Detector sounds con- tinuous tone with coil over ground	Detector needs to be retuned	Press Pinpoint Re-ground balance	

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- · Always check Federal, State, County and local laws before searching.
- Respect private property and do not enter private property without the owner's permission.
- Take care to refill all holes and leave no damage.
- Remove and dispose of any and all trash and litter found.
- Appreciate and protect our inheritance of natural resources, wildlife and private property.
- Act as an ambassador for the hobby, use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
- Never destroy historical or archaeological treasures.
- All treasure hunters may be judged by the example you set; always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration of others

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The *Discovery 3300* metal detector is warranted against defects in materials and workmanship under normal use for five years from the date of purchase to the original owner.

Damage due to neglect, accidental damage, or misuse of this product is not covered under this warranty. Decisions regarding abuse or misuse of the detector are made solely at the discretion of the manufacturer.

Proof of Purchase is required to make a claim under this warranty.

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NOTE TO CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE THE U.S.A.

This warranty may vary in other countries, check with your distributor for details. Warranty does not cover shipping costs.

According to FCC part 15.21 Changes or Modifications made to this device not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the users authority to operate this equipment.

This device complies with FCC Part 15 Subpart B Section 15.109 Class B.

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