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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your Westcott 1037 52-Inch 6-In-1 Reflector Kit. This versatile tool is designed to modify light for various photographic and videographic applications, offering multiple surfaces to achieve desired lighting effects.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Westcott 1037 Reflector Kit is a 52-inch collapsible light modifier featuring six distinct surfaces. These surfaces are designed to provide various lighting effects, from brightening shadows to adding warmth or subtracting light. The kit includes:

- Translucent Diffuser: Softens and spreads light.
- Silver Reflector: Increases specular highlights and contrast, providing a cool tone.
- Gold Reflector: Adds warmth to the light, ideal for skin tones.
- White Reflector: Provides a soft, neutral fill light.
- Black Absorber: Blocks light and creates shadows, increasing contrast.
- Silver/Gold Mix (Zebra) Reflector: Combines the effects of silver and gold for a warm, yet bright, reflection.



Image: The Westcott 1037 52-Inch 6-In-1 Reflector Kit. This image displays the reflector partially folded, revealing its gold, black, and white surfaces, illustrating its multi-functional design.

SETUP

- 1. **Unfolding:** Carefully remove the reflector from its carrying case. Hold the reflector firmly with both hands and gently twist the frame in opposite directions. The reflector will spring open to its full 52-inch diameter. Ensure there are no obstructions during unfolding.
- 2. **Attaching Covers:** The reflector kit includes a main translucent diffuser panel and a reversible zippered cover. To use a specific reflective surface (silver, gold, white, black, or silver/gold mix), slide the appropriate cover over the translucent diffuser panel and zip it securely around the edge.
- Mounting (Optional): The reflector can be handheld or mounted onto a light stand using a reflector holder clip (sold separately). Ensure the clip is securely fastened to both the reflector frame and the light stand to prevent accidental drops.

OPERATING

Each surface of the 6-in-1 reflector serves a specific purpose in light modification:

- **Translucent Diffuser:** Position this panel between your light source and subject to soften harsh light, reduce shadows, and create a more even illumination.
- Silver Reflector: Use this surface to reflect light back onto your subject, increasing brightness and contrast. It produces a crisp, cool-toned light, suitable for product photography or adding sparkle to eyes.
- **Gold Reflector:** Employ the gold surface to add a warm, golden hue to your subject. This is often used for portraits to enhance skin tones or to simulate golden hour lighting.
- White Reflector: The white surface provides a soft, neutral fill light, gently brightening shadows without altering the color temperature of the main light. It's ideal for subtle light modification.
- **Black Absorber:** Position the black surface to absorb light, creating deeper shadows and increasing contrast. This can be used to flag off unwanted light or to sculpt light by preventing it from spilling onto certain areas.
- Silver/Gold Mix (Zebra) Reflector: This surface offers a blend of silver and gold reflection, providing a warm yet bright fill. It's a versatile option when a balance between warmth and brightness is desired.

Experiment with the distance and angle of the reflector relative to your subject and light source to achieve the desired effect.

MAINTENANCE

- Cleaning: If the reflective surfaces become dirty, gently wipe them with a soft, damp cloth. For stubborn marks, a mild soap solution can be used, followed by wiping with a clean, damp cloth and air drying. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- Folding for Storage: To fold the reflector, hold it firmly with both hands, one hand at the top and one at the bottom. Twist your wrists in opposite directions, bringing the top and bottom edges together. The reflector will collapse into three smaller circles. Secure it with the elastic band or place it back into its carrying case. Practice may be required to master the folding technique.
- **Storage:** Store the reflector in its provided carrying case in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures to prolong its lifespan.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Difficulty Folding:** If the reflector is difficult to fold, ensure you are twisting the frame evenly. Sometimes, a slight adjustment in hand placement or a firmer twist can help. Refer to online video tutorials for visual guidance if needed.
- **Uneven Light Reflection:** Check that the reflective cover is properly zipped and taut over the frame. Wrinkles in the fabric can cause uneven light. Smooth out any wrinkles before use.
- **Damaged Frame:** If the internal frame is bent or damaged, the reflector may not open or fold correctly. Avoid excessive force when unfolding or folding. Frame damage typically requires replacement of the unit.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number	1037
Size	52 inches (diameter)
Surfaces	Translucent, Silver, Gold, White, Black, Silver/Gold Mix

Product Dimensions	2.54 x 2.54 x 2.54 cm (folded); 453.59 g
Manufacturer	Westcott
ASIN	B0000CGACM
UPC	817967010375

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the official Westcott website or contact their customer service department directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

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