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Model: Z9002M10

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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The Dunlop Zookies Thumbpicks are designed to enhance your playing experience by providing a comfortable fit and improved string contact. This model, Z9002M10, features a 10-degree tip angle and a medium gauge, suitable for various playing styles. The contoured shape aims to offer greater comfort and a secure fit without requiring a wear-in period.



Figure 1: Dunlop Zookies Thumbpicks (Model Z9002M10)

## 2. SETUP AND FIT

Proper placement of the thumbpick is crucial for comfort and effective playing. The Zookies thumbpick is designed to fit securely on your thumb.

### 2.1 Attaching the Thumbpick

1. Gently slide the thumbpick onto your dominant hand's thumb.
2. Ensure the contoured band sits comfortably around the base of your thumb, just above the knuckle.
3. The picking tip should extend slightly beyond your thumbnail, positioned to strike the strings.

### 2.2 Adjusting the Angle

The Zookies Z9002M10 features a fixed 10-degree tip angle. This angle is engineered to promote a natural hand position and optimize string contact for many players. Experiment with slight rotations on your thumb to find the most comfortable

and effective orientation for your playing style.



Figure 2: Detail of the Zookies thumbpick design

### 3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Once the thumbpick is comfortably in place, you can begin playing. The Zookies thumbpick is designed for various stringed instruments, particularly guitars.

#### 3.1 Playing Technique

- Use the extended tip of the thumbpick to strike the strings.
- The 10-degree angle helps facilitate a smooth attack and release from the strings, contributing to clear tone and articulation.
- Practice different strumming and picking patterns to familiarize yourself with the feel and response of the thumbpick.

#### 3.2 Benefits

The contoured shape and specific tip angle of the Zookies thumbpick are intended to provide:

- **Enhanced Comfort:** The ergonomic design reduces strain during extended playing sessions.
- **Improved String Contact:** The angle allows for more consistent and precise contact with the strings.
- **Secure Fit:** Designed to stay in place, minimizing distractions during performance.

### 4. MAINTENANCE

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To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Dunlop Zookies Thumbpicks, follow these simple maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the thumbpicks with a soft, dry cloth after use to remove any oils or debris. For deeper cleaning, a slightly damp cloth with mild soap can be used, followed by thorough drying.
- **Storage:** Store thumbpicks in a pick holder or a small container to prevent loss and protect them from damage. Avoid exposing them to extreme temperatures or direct sunlight for prolonged periods.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check the thumbpicks for any signs of wear, such as cracks or excessive abrasion on the tip. Replace worn picks to maintain consistent playing quality.

### 5. TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues while using your Zookies Thumbpicks, consider the following:

- **Pick feels loose or falls off:**
  - Ensure the pick is pushed firmly onto your thumb.
  - Verify you are using the correct size. Zookies are available in Medium and Large. This model is Medium.
  - Consider if your thumb size has changed due to temperature or other factors.
- **Discomfort during playing:**
  - Adjust the exact position and rotation of the pick on your thumb.
  - Take short breaks during extended playing sessions.
  - Ensure your playing technique is relaxed and not causing undue pressure.
- **Inconsistent string contact or tone:**
  - Re-evaluate your thumbpick placement and angle relative to the strings.
  - Check the pick tip for wear; a worn tip can affect tone and attack.
  - Practice to adapt your technique to the pick's characteristics.

## 6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	Z9002M10
Material Type	Delrin
Gauge/Thickness	Medium
Tip Angle	10 degrees
Color	White
Quantity per Bag	12 Picks
Compatible Devices	Guitar
Item Weight	0.64 ounces (approx. for package)
Product Dimensions	2.6 x 3 x 0.3 inches (package dimensions)
Country of Origin	Japan

## 7. WARRANTY INFORMATION

Dunlop products are manufactured to high standards. For specific warranty details regarding your Zookies Thumbpicks, please refer to the official Dunlop Manufacturing website or contact their customer support directly. Warranty terms typically cover manufacturing defects.

## 8. SUPPORT AND CONTACT

For further assistance, technical support, or inquiries about your Dunlop Zookies Thumbpicks, please visit the official Dunlop website or use the contact information provided below:

- **Official Website:** [www.jimdunlop.com](http://www.jimdunlop.com)

- **Customer Service:** Refer to the contact section on the official website for phone numbers or email support.

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