

LASCO HC-169B

LASCO HC-169B Plastic Shower Single Handle for Delta Brand - Instruction Manual

Model: HC-169B

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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the LASCO HC-169B Plastic Shower Single Handle. This product is designed as a replacement handle for compatible Delta brand shower fixtures, offering a clear, single-lever control for water flow and temperature.



Figure 1: LASCO HC-169B Plastic Shower Single Handle. This image shows the clear, faceted plastic handle designed for single-lever shower control.

2. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The LASCO HC-169B handle is intended as a direct replacement for existing Delta brand shower handles. Ensure the water supply to the shower is turned off before beginning installation.

2.1 Required Tools

- Screwdriver (appropriate type for your existing handle's retaining screw)
- Adjustable wrench (optional, for stubborn nuts)
- Cleaning cloth

2.2 Installation Steps

1. **Turn off Water Supply:** Locate the main water shut-off valve for your home or the specific shut-off valves for the shower.

Turn them off completely to prevent water flow during installation.

2. **Remove Old Handle:** Carefully remove the screw or cap covering the screw on your existing Delta shower handle. Use a screwdriver to loosen and remove the retaining screw. Once the screw is removed, pull the old handle straight off the valve stem.
3. **Clean Valve Stem Area:** With the old handle removed, clean any mineral deposits or debris from the valve stem and surrounding area using a cloth. This ensures a smooth fit for the new handle.
4. **Install New Handle:** Align the LASCO HC-169B replacement handle with the valve stem. The handle is designed to fit securely onto the stem. Push the new handle firmly onto the stem.
5. **Secure Handle:** Insert the retaining screw (from your old handle or a compatible replacement if needed) into the center of the new handle and tighten it with a screwdriver. Do not overtighten, as this can crack the plastic.
6. **Restore Water Supply:** Slowly turn the water supply back on.
7. **Test Operation:** Check the new handle for proper operation, ensuring it turns smoothly and controls water flow and temperature as expected.

3. OPERATION

The LASCO HC-169B is a single-lever shower handle designed for straightforward operation.

- **Turning Water On/Off:** Move the handle to the desired position to initiate or stop water flow.
- **Adjusting Temperature:** Rotate the handle to adjust the water temperature. Typically, rotating one direction provides hotter water, and the opposite direction provides colder water.
- **Adjusting Flow:** The handle also controls the water flow rate.

Familiarize yourself with the specific temperature and flow settings of your shower valve by testing the handle's movement.

4. MAINTENANCE

Proper maintenance will ensure the longevity and appearance of your LASCO HC-169B shower handle.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the handle regularly with a soft cloth and mild soap and water. Avoid abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or scouring pads, as these can scratch or damage the plastic finish.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check the handle for any signs of looseness. If the handle feels loose, gently tighten the retaining screw in the center.
- **Avoid Impact:** While durable, the plastic handle can be damaged by strong impacts. Handle with care.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

Here are solutions to common issues you might encounter with your shower handle.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Handle is loose or wobbly.	Retaining screw is loose.	Gently tighten the retaining screw in the center of the handle. Do not overtighten.
Handle does not turn smoothly.	Mineral buildup on valve stem or internal valve issue.	Remove the handle and clean the valve stem thoroughly. If the issue persists, the internal valve cartridge may need replacement (consult a plumber if unsure).
Water flow or temperature control is inconsistent.	Internal valve cartridge issue, or handle not fully seated.	Ensure the handle is fully pushed onto the valve stem and the retaining screw is secure. If the problem continues, the issue is likely with the internal valve cartridge, not the handle itself.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Key technical details for the LASCO HC-169B Plastic Shower Single Handle.

Model Number: HC-169B

Brand: LASCO

Material: Plastic

Color: Clear

Handle Type: Single Lever

Compatibility: Designed for Delta Brand Shower Fixtures

Product Dimensions: 4.8"L x 3.4"W

Item Weight: 0.8 ounces

UPC: 052151460172

Manufacturer: LASCO

7. WARRANTY INFORMATION

The LASCO HC-169B Plastic Shower Single Handle is covered by the Larsen Supply Product Warranty.

- **Duration:** One year from the date of purchase.
- **Coverage:** Warranty covers parts only.
- **Conditions:** Product must be installed according to manufacturer's specifications to be eligible for warranty coverage.

For warranty claims or further details, please refer to your purchase documentation or contact Larsen Supply directly.

8. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

If you have any questions, require assistance, or need to report an issue not covered in this manual, please contact LASCO customer support or the retailer from whom you purchased the product.

For additional resources, you may visit the official LASCO website.