**Fotodiox SR-Kit-BOW**

# Fotodiox Speedring for Bowens Strobe Flash Light
### MODEL: SR-KIT-BOW

## Introduction

This manual provides essential instructions for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your Fotodiox Speedring. This speedring is designed to adapt various softboxes to Bowens-mount strobe flash lights, including Bowens Gemini, Classica Powerpack, R Series, RX Series, and Pro Series models. Please read this manual thoroughly before use to ensure safe and effective operation.

## Product Overview

The Fotodiox Speedring is a dedicated adapter designed to connect standard softboxes to Bowens-mount strobe lights. It features an all-metal construction for durability and a smooth surface for effortless mounting. The design includes a rotation ring with a thumb screw lock, allowing for precise positioning of your softbox.

Key features include:

- All-metal construction for durability.
- Compatibility with standard 1/4" (6mm-7mm) softbox rods.
- Standard speedring design for rectangular or octagonal softboxes.
- Rotation ring with thumb screw lock for secure positioning.
- Smooth surface for easy assembly and disassembly.

### What's in the Box:

- Speedring Insert
- Speedring Base Plate

Image 1: The Fotodiox Speedring, showing its robust metal construction and mounting interface.

## Safety Information

- Always ensure the speedring is securely attached to both the softbox and the strobe light before operation.
- Do not overtighten screws, as this may damage the equipment.
- Handle with care to avoid pinching fingers or dropping components.
- Keep the speedring away from excessive heat or moisture.
- Verify compatibility with your specific strobe light and softbox before attempting installation.

## Setup Instructions

1. **Prepare the Softbox:** Lay your softbox flat with the mounting ring opening facing upwards.
2. **Insert Softbox Rods:** Carefully insert the ends of your softbox's support rods into the designated holes on the Fotodiox Speedring. Ensure all rods are fully seated. The speedring is designed to accommodate standard 1/4" (6mm-7mm) rods.
3. **Attach to Strobe Light:** Align the speedring's Bowens mount with the mounting receptacle on your strobe flash light. Insert the speedring into the strobe's mount and rotate it clockwise until it clicks into place, indicating a secure lock.
4. **Secure Position (Optional):** If your softbox requires a specific orientation, rotate the outer ring of the speedring to achieve the desired angle. Once positioned, tighten the thumb screw lock to prevent rotation during use.

Image 2: Side view of the speedring, illustrating the depth and mounting points for softbox rods.



Image 3: Top-down view of the speedring, highlighting the rod insertion points and the central Bowens mount.

## Operating Instructions

Once the speedring and softbox are securely mounted to your strobe light, the assembly is ready for use. The speedring allows for the attachment of various softbox shapes, including rectangular and octagonal designs, to your Bowens-mount lighting equipment.

- **Rotation:** If your setup requires adjusting the angle of the softbox, loosen the thumb screw on the rotation ring, adjust the softbox to the desired position, and then re-tighten the thumb screw to secure it.
- **Disassembly:** To remove the softbox and speedring from the strobe, press the release button on the strobe's mount and rotate the speedring counter-clockwise until it detaches. Then, carefully remove the softbox rods from the speedring.



Image 4: Inner view of the speedring, showing the smooth interior surface designed for light reflection and easy softbox attachment.

## Maintenance

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the speedring with a soft, dry cloth to remove dust and fingerprints. Avoid using abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Storage:** Store the speedring in a dry, cool place when not in use.
- **Inspection:** Periodically inspect the speedring for any signs of wear, damage, or loose components. Ensure all screws and locking mechanisms are functioning correctly.

## Troubleshooting

| Problem | Possible Cause | Solution |
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| Softbox feels loose or sags after mounting. | Softbox rods not fully inserted; speedring not securely locked to strobe; thumb screw not tightened. | Ensure all softbox rods are fully seated. Verify the speedring is rotated clockwise until it locks into the strobe mount. Tighten the rotation ring thumb screw. |
| Difficulty attaching or detaching the speedring from the strobe. | Misalignment; release button not fully depressed; excess material on mounting arms. | Ensure proper alignment. Fully depress the strobe's release button while rotating. Inspect mounting arms for any burrs and carefully smooth if necessary. |

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| Outer rotation ring does not move smoothly. | Thumb screw overtightened; debris in the mechanism. | Loosen the thumb screw. Clean any visible debris from the rotation mechanism. |

## Specifications

- **Model:** SR-Kit-BOW
- **Compatibility:** Bowens Gemini, Classica Powerpack, R Series, RX Series, & Pro Series Strobe Flash Lights
- **Softbox Rod Compatibility:** Standard 1/4" (6mm-7mm) rods
- **Outer Diameter:** Approximately 7 5/8" (19mm)
- **Product Dimensions:** 1 x 1 x 1 inches (approximate, as packaged)
- **Item Weight:** 13.6 ounces
- **Material:** All-metal construction

## Warranty and Support

This Fotodiox Speedring includes a **24 Month Manufacturer Warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

For warranty claims, technical support, or further assistance, please contact Fotodiox customer service through their official website or the retailer where the product was purchased. Please have your proof of purchase and product model number (SR-Kit-BOW) available when contacting support.

*Note: The manufacturer's warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, unauthorized modifications, accidents, or normal wear and tear.*