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Eagle Claw Trailmaster Spinning Combo User Manual

Model: TMM66S4C

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Eagle Claw TMM66S4C Trailmaster Spinning Combo. Please read this manual thoroughly before using your fishing combo to ensure optimal performance and longevity.

The Eagle Claw Trailmaster Spinning Combo is designed for portability and performance, featuring a 4-piece rod and a smooth 6-bearing reel system. It is suitable for various fishing techniques, including spinning and casting, targeting species such as bass and trout.



Image: The Eagle Claw TMM66S4C Trailmaster Spinning Combo, disassembled into its four rod pieces, with the spinning reel and the black travel case. The rod pieces are yellow, and the reel is metallic grey and gold.

Setup

1. Assembling the Rod

1. Carefully remove all four rod sections from the travel case.
2. Begin by connecting the two middle sections, ensuring a snug fit. Align the guides on each section.
3. Attach the butt section (the section with the handle) to the assembled middle sections, again aligning the guides.
4. Finally, attach the tip section to the rod, ensuring all guides are perfectly aligned in a straight line.

2. Attaching the Reel

1. Locate the reel seat on the rod's handle.
2. Place the reel foot into the fixed hood of the reel seat.
3. Tighten the screw-down locking nut on the reel seat until the reel is securely fastened and does not wobble.

3. Spooling Line (if not pre-spooled)

For optimal performance, it is recommended to use 6-pound monofilament fishing line. The reel has a line capacity of approximately 90 yards of 6-pound line.

1. Open the bail of the spinning reel.
2. Tie the fishing line to the reel spool using an arbor knot or similar secure knot.
3. Close the bail and begin winding the line onto the spool, keeping slight tension on the line.
4. Fill the spool to about 1/8 inch from the rim to prevent tangles and ensure smooth casting.

Operating Instructions

Casting

1. Hold the rod with your dominant hand, gripping the cork handle.
2. Open the bail of the spinning reel.
3. Use your index finger to hold the line against the rod.
4. Bring the rod back over your shoulder, then swiftly cast forward, releasing the line with your index finger as the rod reaches the desired casting angle.
5. Close the bail manually or by turning the reel handle once the lure or bait hits the water.

Reeling and Drag System

The Trailmaster Spinning Reel features a 6-bearing system for smooth operation and a reliable drag system. The drag system allows line to be pulled from the reel when a fish pulls hard, preventing line breakage.

- To reel in line, turn the paddle-style handle. The reel is ambidextrous, allowing for left or right-hand retrieve.
- Adjust the drag knob, typically located on the front of the spool, to set the desired tension. Turn clockwise to increase

drag, counter-clockwise to decrease.

- Set the drag to approximately 25-30% of your line's breaking strength. For 6-pound line, this would be around 1.5-1.8 pounds of drag.

Maintenance

- **Cleaning:** After each use, especially in saltwater environments, rinse the rod and reel with fresh water to remove salt and debris. Wipe down with a soft cloth.
- **Lubrication:** Periodically apply a small amount of reel oil to moving parts of the reel (e.g., handle shaft, bail arm pivot) and grease to gears. Do not over-lubricate.
- **Storage:** Disassemble the rod into its four pieces and store it along with the reel in the provided travel case. Store in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight.
- **Line Replacement:** Replace your fishing line regularly, especially if it shows signs of wear, fraying, or memory (coiling).

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Line tangles or bird's nests during casting	Overfilled spool, incorrect casting technique, line twist, or old line.	Do not overfill the spool. Practice casting technique. Replace old or twisted line.
Reel handle is stiff or noisy	Lack of lubrication, dirt/debris inside reel, or damaged bearings.	Clean and lubricate the reel. If problem persists, professional service may be required.
Drag slips or is inconsistent	Drag washers are dry, worn, or contaminated.	Clean and re-grease drag washers. Replace if worn.
Rod sections stick or are difficult to separate	Dirt or sand in ferrules, or over-tightening during assembly.	Clean ferrules. Apply a small amount of ferrule wax if available. Twist and pull, do not bend.

Specifications

- **Model Name:** TMM66S4C
- **Brand:** Eagle Claw
- **Rod Length:** 6 feet 6 inches (assembled)
- **Rod Pieces:** 4 (packable design)
- **Rod Power:** Medium
- **Blank Material:** IM-7 Complex Composite
- **Handle Material:** Contoured Cork with durable rubber/cork foregrip
- **Guides:** 5+1 Aluminum Oxide guides
- **Reel Bearings:** 6-bearing system
- **Line Capacity:** Approximately 90 yards of 6-pound monofilament line
- **Recommended Line Weight:** Up to 14 pounds (for general use, refer to rod power for optimal performance)
- **Fishing Technique:** Spinning, Casting
- **Target Species:** Bass, Trout
- **Item Weight:** Approximately 0.79 Pounds (combo)

- **Included:** Rod, Reel, Travel Case

Warranty and Support

Information regarding specific warranty terms for the Eagle Claw TMM66S4C Trailmaster Spinning Combo is not provided in this manual. For warranty claims or technical support, please refer to the official Eagle Claw website or contact their customer service directly.
It is recommended to retain your proof of purchase for any warranty-related inquiries.

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