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## Baby Lock BL402

# Baby Lock Serger Upper Looper Instruction Manual

Models: BL402, BL5370ED

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

This manual provides instructions for the Baby Lock Serger Upper Looper, a critical component for achieving precise and consistent stitches on your Baby Lock serger machine. This upper looper is compatible with Baby Lock Serger Models BL402 and BL5370ED. Proper installation and maintenance are essential for optimal serger performance.



**Figure 1:** Baby Lock Serger Upper Looper. This image displays the Baby Lock Serger Upper Looper, a metal component designed for precise thread handling in compatible serger machines. It features a curved, pointed end for catching threads and a cylindrical base for attachment.

## SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Before installing the new upper looper, ensure your serger is turned off and unplugged from the power source for safety. Refer to your specific serger model's main instruction manual for detailed machine-specific diagrams and procedures for

accessing the looper area.

- 1. Preparation:** Open the front and side covers of your serger to expose the looper mechanism.
- 2. Remove Old Looper (if applicable):** Carefully loosen any screws or clips securing the old upper looper. Note its orientation before removal.
- 3. Install New Looper:** Position the new Baby Lock Upper Looper (part number 61294) into its designated slot. Ensure it is correctly aligned according to your serger's manual. The pointed end should face the needle area.
- 4. Secure Looper:** Tighten any screws or secure clips to firmly hold the looper in place. Do not overtighten.
- 5. Test Movement:** Manually turn the handwheel to ensure the looper moves freely and correctly without obstruction.
- 6. Close Covers:** Once installed, close all machine covers.

## OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS

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The upper looper works in conjunction with the lower looper and needles to form stitches. After installation, it is crucial to re-thread your serger completely and perform test stitches on scrap fabric.

- Threading:** Always follow the threading path specified in your serger's main instruction manual. Incorrect threading is a common cause of stitching issues.
- Tension Adjustment:** After replacing a looper, you may need to fine-tune your thread tensions to achieve balanced stitches. Adjust tension dials incrementally.
- Fabric Compatibility:** Ensure the looper is functioning correctly across various fabric types you intend to sew.

## MAINTENANCE

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Regular maintenance of your upper looper and serger will extend its lifespan and ensure consistent stitch quality.

- Cleaning:** Periodically remove lint and thread fragments from around the looper area using a small brush or vacuum. Accumulation can impede looper movement.
- Lubrication:** Refer to your serger's main manual for specific lubrication points and recommended oil types. Apply oil sparingly to moving parts as instructed.
- Inspection:** Regularly inspect the looper for any signs of wear, bending, or damage. A damaged looper can cause skipped stitches or thread breakage.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues after installing or using the upper looper, consider the following common troubleshooting steps:

- Skipped Stitches:** Check if the looper is correctly installed and not bent. Ensure needles are new and correctly inserted. Verify proper threading and tension settings.
- Thread Breakage:** Inspect the looper for burrs or rough spots that might snag thread. Ensure thread is not catching on any part of the machine. Check thread quality and tension.
- Uneven Stitches:** Re-check all tension settings. Ensure the looper is securely fastened and not loose.
- Machine Jamming:** Turn off the machine immediately. Remove any tangled threads. Inspect the looper and surrounding mechanisms for obstructions.

For persistent issues, consult your serger's comprehensive instruction manual or contact Baby Lock customer support.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Type	Serger Upper Looper
Brand	Baby Lock
Compatible Models	BL402, BL5370ED
Item Model Number	BL402
ASIN	B008MNV8EO
UPC	616469833815
Item Weight	1 Pound

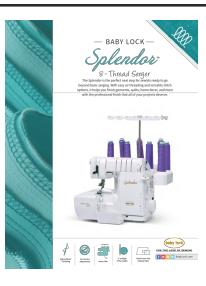
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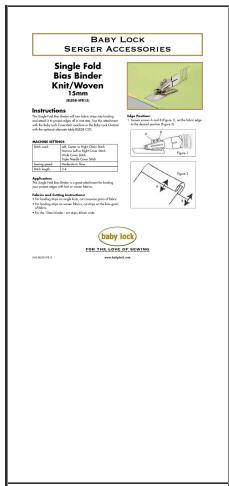
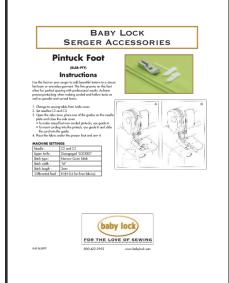
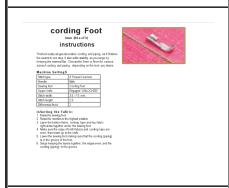
This Baby Lock Serger Upper Looper is manufactured to high-quality standards. For information regarding warranty coverage, please refer to the documentation included with your original Baby Lock serger machine or visit the official Baby Lock website.

For technical assistance, parts inquiries, or further support, please contact Baby Lock customer service directly. Contact information can typically be found on the manufacturer's website or in your serger's main manual.

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