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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the user manual for your PFAFF Select 4.2 Mechanical Sewing Machine. This guide provides essential information on setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your machine to ensure optimal performance and a rewarding sewing experience. Please read this manual thoroughly before using your machine.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Before operating the PFAFF Select 4.2, it is crucial to familiarize yourself with all safety precautions. Always follow basic safety measures to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons. Keep this manual in a safe place for future reference.

For detailed safety instructions, please refer to the official safety document:

[Download Safety Information \(PDF\)](#)

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The PFAFF Select 4.2 is a robust mechanical sewing machine designed for precision and ease of use. It features the unique Integrated Dual Transport (IDT) system, which ensures perfectly even fabric feed from both the top and bottom, preventing fabric shifting and puckering. This machine is engineered in Germany, combining innovative design with reliable performance for all your sewing projects.



Image: Front view of the PFAFF Select 4.2 Mechanical Sewing Machine, showcasing its design and controls.

Key Features

- **Integrated Dual Transport (IDT) System:** Ensures perfectly even fabric feed from both top and bottom.
- **40 Utility and Decorative Stitches:** A wide selection of stitches for various sewing needs.
- **Automatic Needle Threader:** For quick and effortless needle threading.
- **LED Light:** Provides bright and clear illumination of the sewing area.
- **Vertical Rotary Hook:** Ensures smooth and consistent stitch formation.
- **Easy Select System:** Simple push-button stitch selection.
- **High Presser Foot Lift:** Accommodates thick fabrics and multiple layers.
- **Adjustable Stitch Length:** Up to 6 mm for versatile stitching.
- **Adjustable Stitch Width:** Up to 5.5 mm for customized stitch appearance.
- **Perfect Buttonholes:** Create precise buttonholes without turning the fabric.
- **Reinforcement Stitching:** Secure seams at the beginning and end.
- **Ultra-Slim Free Arm:** Ideal for sewing tubular items like cuffs and pant hems.
- **Multiple Needle Positions:** For precise stitching, especially useful for zippers.
- **Bobbin Winding Through the Needle:** Convenient and automatic bobbin winding.
- **Thread Cutter:** Easily accessible for quick thread trimming.
- **Quick-Change System:** For presser feet and needle plates.
- **Two Spool Pins:** Includes an additional spool pin for twin needle sewing.
- **Removable Accessory Box:** Keeps accessories organized and within reach.

SETUP

Unpacking and Placement

Carefully remove the machine from its packaging. Place the machine on a stable, flat surface. Ensure there is adequate space around the machine for comfortable operation and fabric handling.

Power Connection

Connect the power cord to the machine and then to a suitable electrical outlet. Ensure the voltage matches your machine's requirements. Use the foot control to operate the machine.

Bobbin Winding

To wind the bobbin, place an empty bobbin onto the bobbin winder spindle. Guide the thread from the spool through the tension disc and around the bobbin. The machine allows for bobbin winding through the needle, and it will automatically stop when the bobbin is full.

Threading the Machine

Follow the numbered threading path indicated on the machine. Use the integrated automatic needle threader for quick and easy threading of the needle. Ensure the presser foot is raised during threading to release tension.



Image: Close-up view of the needle area, demonstrating the automatic needle threader in action.

Attaching Presser Feet

To attach a presser foot, raise the presser foot lever. Align the pin on the presser foot with the groove on the presser foot holder and lower the lever until it clicks into place. To remove, press the release button on the back of the presser foot holder.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Stitch Selection

The PFAFF Select 4.2 features an Easy Select system. To choose a stitch, simply locate the desired stitch on the stitch chart (often found under the top cover) and press the corresponding button on the machine's control panel. The machine will automatically set the optimal stitch parameters.



Image: The stitch selection panel of the PFAFF Select 4.2, showing various stitch patterns and controls.

Adjusting Stitch Length and Width

Use the dedicated dials or buttons to adjust the stitch length (up to 6 mm) and stitch width (up to 5.5 mm) according to your fabric and project requirements. Refer to the stitch chart for recommended settings.

Using the Integrated Dual Transport (IDT) System

The IDT system is automatically engaged with compatible presser feet. It works by feeding the fabric from both the top and bottom simultaneously, ensuring even layers and preventing slippage. This is particularly beneficial for quilting, matching plaids, or working with slippery fabrics.



Image: Close-up view of the PFAFF IDT system, showing the integrated dual feed mechanism on the presser foot.

Sewing Buttonholes

Attach the buttonhole presser foot. Select the buttonhole stitch. The machine is designed to create perfect buttonholes without the need to turn the fabric, ensuring consistent results.

Free Arm Sewing

Remove the accessory box to reveal the ultra-slim free arm. This feature is ideal for sewing small, tubular items such as

cuffs, pant hems, and necklines, allowing for easy manipulation of fabric.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your sewing machine.

Cleaning the Machine

Periodically clean the bobbin area and feed dogs using the brush provided. Remove any lint and thread scraps to prevent blockages and ensure smooth operation. Always disconnect the machine from power before cleaning.

Changing the Needle

Change the needle regularly, especially after 8-10 hours of sewing or if it becomes bent or dull. Use the correct needle type and size for your fabric. Loosen the needle clamp screw, remove the old needle, insert the new needle with the flat side facing the back, and tighten the screw securely.

Replacing Presser Feet and Needle Plate

The quick-change system allows for easy removal and attachment of presser feet and the needle plate. This facilitates cleaning and switching between different sewing tasks.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your PFAFF Select 4.2, consult the following general troubleshooting tips. For more complex problems, refer to the comprehensive troubleshooting section in the full PDF manual or contact customer support.

- **Skipped Stitches:** Ensure the needle is inserted correctly, is not bent, and is the appropriate type for your fabric. Re-thread the machine.
- **Thread Breakage:** Check for correct threading, proper tension settings, and ensure the needle is not dull or bent. Use quality thread.
- **Uneven Stitches:** Verify that the bobbin is correctly wound and inserted. Check upper and lower thread tension. Ensure the IDT system is engaged if needed.
- **Machine Not Starting:** Check power connection, ensure the foot control is properly connected, and that the main power switch is on.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	PFAFF
Model	7393033086022 (Select 4.2)
Color	White
Dimensions (L x W x H)	48.5 x 45 x 27 cm
Weight	10.6 Kilograms

Material	Plastic
Stitch Count	40
Max Stitch Length	6 mm
Max Stitch Width	5.5 mm

INCLUDED ACCESSORIES

Your PFAFF Select 4.2 comes with a comprehensive set of accessories to support various sewing tasks. These are conveniently stored in the removable accessory box.

- Standard Presser Foot 0A with IDT System
- Fancy Stitch Presser Foot with IDT System
- Clearview Presser Foot
- Invisible Hem Presser Foot with IDT System
- Zipper Presser Foot with IDT System
- Buttonhole Presser Foot
- Darning Foot
- Rolled Hem Presser Foot with IDT System, 3 mm
- Edge/Quilting Guide
- Felt Disc
- Spool Caps (Small/Medium/Large)
- Needles
- Additional Spool Pin
- Seam Ripper
- Brush
- Bobbins

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding the warranty of your PFAFF Select 4.2 sewing machine, please refer to the documentation provided at the time of purchase. For technical support, service, or to purchase additional accessories, please contact your authorized PFAFF dealer or visit the official PFAFF website.

You can also visit the official PFAFF store on Amazon for more information: [PFAFF Store](#)

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