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MODEL: CLX-300La

Brand: OKUMA

Introduction

The Okuma Classic Levelwind Star Drag Trolling Reel CLX-300La is engineered for reliable performance in various fishing conditions. Featuring a lightweight, corrosion-resistant frame and side plates, this reel is designed for durability. Its graphite spool and stainless steel reel foot contribute to its robust construction, while the aluminum power handle ensures efficient retrieval.



Image: Front view of the Okuma Classic Levelwind Star Drag Trolling Reel CLX-300La, showcasing its black finish and silver handle.

Setup

- **Mounting the Reel:** Securely attach the reel to your fishing rod's reel seat. Ensure the reel foot is firmly seated and the locking mechanism is tightened to prevent movement during use.
- **Spooling Line:**
 - Attach your fishing line to the reel's graphite spool.
 - Begin winding the line onto the spool evenly, ensuring consistent tension.
 - The CLX-300La model has a capacity of approximately 420 yards of 20 lb monofilament line. Avoid overfilling the spool, as this can lead to tangles and casting issues.
- **Adjusting the Star Drag:** The star drag system controls the tension on the line when a fish pulls.
 - Turn the star-shaped knob clockwise to increase drag tension.

- Turn it counter-clockwise to decrease drag tension.
- Set the drag before fishing by pulling line directly from the reel. A good starting point is typically 25-30% of your line's breaking strength.

Operating



Image: Side view of the Okuma Classic Levelwind Star Drag Trolling Reel CLX-300La, highlighting the handle and star drag mechanism.

- **Casting:**

- Press the thumb bar or lever to disengage the spool, allowing line to free-spool.
- With a smooth motion, cast your lure or bait.
- As the lure approaches the water, gently feather the spool with your thumb to prevent backlash.
- Engage the reel by turning the handle or flipping the thumb bar back.

- **Retrieving Line:**

- Turn the aluminum power handle clockwise to retrieve line. The levelwind system will guide the line evenly across the spool.
- The reel has a retrieve rate of 24 inches per crank, with a gear ratio of 3.8:1.

- **Anti-Reverse Feature:** The reel is equipped with an anti-reverse feature to prevent the handle from turning backward, ensuring solid hooksets and control during a fight.

Maintenance

Proper maintenance extends the life and performance of your Okuma CLX-300La reel.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, especially in saltwater environments, rinse the reel thoroughly with fresh water. Avoid using high-pressure sprays.

- **Drying:** Allow the reel to air dry completely before storage.
- **Lubrication:** Periodically apply a small amount of reel oil to moving parts such as the handle shaft, levelwind worm gear, and bearings. Use reel grease for gears. Refer to a detailed reel schematic for specific lubrication points if available.
- **Storage:** Store the reel in a dry, cool place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.

Troubleshooting

- **Line Not Releasing Smoothly:**
 - Check for line twists or tangles on the spool.
 - Ensure the spool tension knob (if present) is not overtightened.
 - Inspect the levelwind mechanism for obstructions or damage.
- **Drag Slipping or Sticking:**
 - Verify the drag washers are clean and properly seated.
 - Ensure the star drag knob is tightened sufficiently.
 - If the issue persists, the drag washers may need cleaning or replacement.
- **Handle Stiff or Grinding:**
 - This may indicate a need for lubrication or internal cleaning.
 - Disassemble the reel (if comfortable and knowledgeable) or seek professional service.
 - Check for debris or corrosion within the gear system.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	OKUMA
Model Name	CLX-300La
Hand Orientation	Right Hand
Color	Black
Material	Aluminum, Graphite
Fishing Technique	Casting
Item Weight	8 ounces
Gearbox Ratio	3.8:1
Special Feature	Anti-Reverse
Handle Material	Aluminum
Fishing Reel Line Retrieve	24 inches per crank
Fishing Reel Maximum Drag	17 pounds

Feature	Detail
Fishing Line Type	Monofilament
Bearing Material Type	Stainless Steel
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	8"L x 5"W x 5"H
Size	300
Included Components	Reel
UPC	739998125999, 787766477535

Warranty

The Okuma Classic Levelwind Star Drag Trolling Reel CLX-300La comes with a**One Year Warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

Support

For further assistance, technical support, or warranty inquiries, please contact Okuma customer service. Visit the official Okuma website for contact details and service center locations.

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