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Model: Dur-5443

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Durpower replacement phonograph record turntable needle, model Dur-5443. This needle is designed for compatibility with specific GEMINI and H.H. SCOTT turntable models, including GEMINI GL-100, GEMINI GL-101, H.H. SCOTT PS-500, and H.H. SCOTT PS500. Please read these instructions carefully before installation to ensure proper function and longevity of your equipment.

1. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation of the turntable needle is crucial for optimal sound quality and to prevent damage to your records. Always handle the needle assembly with care.

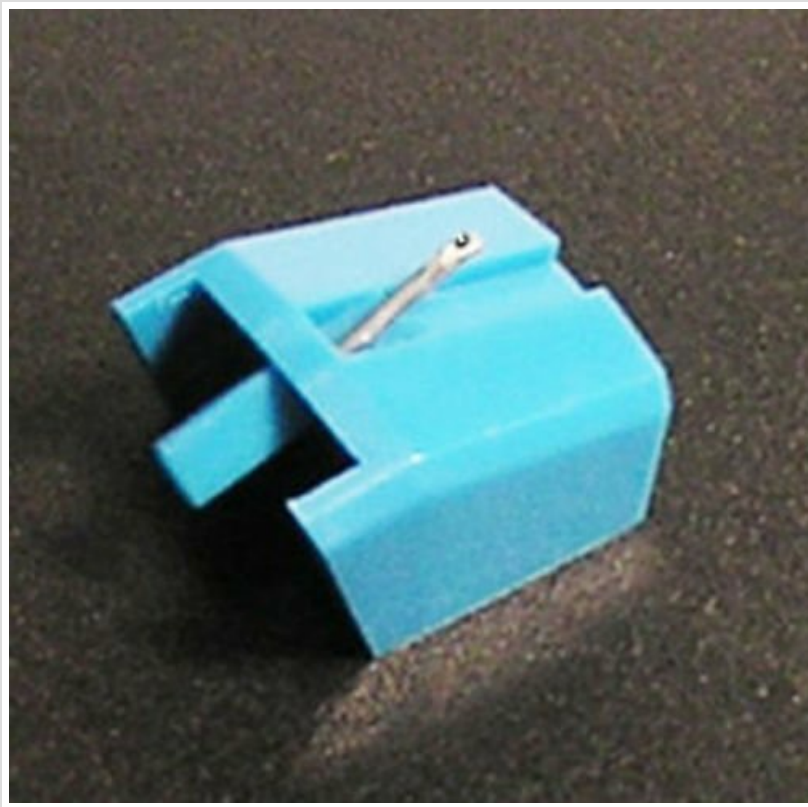


Figure 1: Durpower replacement phonograph record turntable needle. This image displays the needle's design, including the stylus tip and the housing that connects to the cartridge. Ensure the correct orientation during installation.

1. **Power Off:** Before beginning, ensure your turntable is powered off and unplugged from the electrical outlet to prevent accidental damage or injury.
2. **Remove Old Needle:** Carefully grasp the old needle assembly (stylus) and gently pull it forward and down, or as per your turntable's specific instructions, to detach it from the cartridge. Avoid touching the stylus tip.
3. **Inspect Cartridge:** Examine the cartridge for any dust or debris. Clean if necessary using a soft brush.
4. **Install New Needle:** Hold the new Durpower needle assembly by its plastic housing. Align the new needle with the cartridge. Gently push it upwards and backwards until it clicks securely into place. Do not force it. Ensure it is seated firmly and correctly.
5. **Verify Installation:** Visually inspect the installed needle to confirm it is straight and properly aligned within the cartridge. The stylus tip should be clearly visible and undamaged.
6. **Balance Tonearm (if necessary):** If your turntable requires tonearm balancing after stylus replacement, refer to your turntable's user manual for specific instructions on adjusting tracking force and anti-skate settings.

Compatibility Note: This needle is specifically designed for GEMINI GL-100, GEMINI GL-101, H.H. SCOTT PS-500, and H.H. SCOTT PS500 models. Using it with incompatible turntables may result in poor performance or damage.

2. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once the needle is installed, you can begin playing records. Always handle records and the tonearm with care.

- **Record Speeds:** This needle is compatible with records designed for 33 RPM and 45 RPM playback speeds. Ensure your turntable is set to the correct speed for the record you are playing.
- **Lowering the Tonearm:** Use the tonearm lift lever to gently lower the needle onto the record's lead-in groove. Avoid dropping the tonearm manually, as this can damage the needle or the record.
- **Handling:** Avoid touching the stylus tip with your fingers, as oils and dirt can accumulate and affect sound quality.

3. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your needle and records.

- **Stylus Cleaning:** Periodically clean the stylus tip using a soft stylus brush, brushing gently from back to front (in the direction of play). Do not brush side-to-side. Specialized stylus cleaning fluids can also be used sparingly, following the product's instructions.
- **Record Cleaning:** Keep your records clean. Dust and debris on records can transfer to the stylus, degrading sound quality and potentially damaging the needle.
- **Storage:** When not in use, ensure the tonearm is secured in its rest and, if available, the stylus guard is in place to protect the needle.
- **Replacement:** A phonograph needle has a finite lifespan. Replace the needle when you notice a degradation in sound quality, increased skipping, or visible wear on the stylus tip. The typical lifespan can vary based on usage and care.

4. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues, consider the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **Poor Sound Quality / Distortion:**
 - Check if the needle is properly seated in the cartridge.
 - Clean the stylus tip.
 - Ensure the record is clean.
 - Verify the tonearm's tracking force and anti-skate settings are correct for your turntable and cartridge.
 - The needle may be worn and require replacement.
- **Skipping:**
 - Check for dust or debris on the record or stylus.
 - Ensure the record is flat and not warped.
 - Verify the tonearm's tracking force is set correctly. Too light or too heavy can cause skipping.
 - The needle may be damaged or worn.
- **No Sound:**
 - Ensure all audio cables are securely connected between the turntable, amplifier, and speakers.
 - Check the turntable's power supply.
 - Confirm the amplifier input is set to "Phono" if applicable.

5. SPECIFICATIONS

Key technical details for the Durpower replacement phonograph record turntable needle (Model: Dur-5443):

- **Model Number:** Dur-5443
- **Stylus Tip:** 0.7 mil Diamond
- **Compatible Speeds:** 33 & 45 RPM
- **Condition:** New old stock (factory sealed box) replacement stylus
- **Compatibility:** GEMINI GL-100, GEMINI GL-101, H.H. SCOTT PS-500, H.H. SCOTT PS500

6. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the original purchase documentation or contact the seller

directly. Durpower provides replacement styli designed to meet specific compatibility requirements. If you require further assistance with installation or troubleshooting beyond the scope of this manual, please reach out to your product retailer or a qualified audio technician.

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