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Model: C1515 | Brand: Bulova

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Bulova C1515 Tamlen Chiming Wall Clock. This manual provides essential instructions for the setup, operation, and maintenance of your new timepiece. Please read this manual thoroughly before use to ensure proper function and longevity of your clock.

The Bulova C1515 Tamlen Wall Clock features an oversized hardwood case with a dark brown cherry finish, a metal dial with a faux lunar phase, and a large lyre pendulum. It offers a choice of three chiming options (Westminster, Ave Maria, or Bim-Bam), adjustable volume control, and an automatic night shut-off feature.



Figure 1: Front view of the Bulova C1515 Tamlen Chiming Wall Clock. This image displays the clock's overall design, including the dark cherry finish, metal dial, and pendulum.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Please check the package carefully to ensure all items are present:

- Bulova C1515 Tamlen Chiming Wall Clock Unit
- Instruction Manual

3. SETUP

3.1. Battery Installation

The Bulova C1515 Tamlen Wall Clock requires one (1) AA battery and four (4) C batteries (not included) for operation. Ensure you have fresh batteries before proceeding.

1. Locate the battery compartment on the back of the clock. This is typically covered by a small panel.
2. Carefully open the battery compartment cover.
3. Insert one (1) AA battery and four (4) C batteries, ensuring the positive (+) and negative (-) terminals

align correctly with the markings inside the compartment. Incorrect insertion can damage the clock.

4. Replace the battery compartment cover securely.

Note: Always use high-quality alkaline batteries for optimal performance and to prevent leakage.

3.2. Mounting the Clock

The clock is designed for wall mounting. Choose a sturdy location on a wall that can support the clock's weight (approximately 10.4 kg or 22.9 lbs). Ensure the mounting hardware (not included) is appropriate for your wall type and the clock's weight.

1. Identify the hanging mechanism on the back of the clock.
2. Install a suitable wall anchor and screw (or hook) into your chosen wall location, ensuring it is level and secure.
3. Carefully hang the clock onto the installed hardware. Verify that the clock is stable and level before releasing it.



Figure 2: Detail of the heavily carved shell pattern at the crown of the Bulova C1515 clock. This image highlights the intricate craftsmanship of the clock's hardwood case.

4. OPERATION

4.1. Setting the Time

To set the time on your Bulova C1515 clock:

1. Locate the time setting knob, usually on the back or bottom of the clock movement.
2. Gently turn the knob clockwise to advance the minute hand. Do not turn the hands directly.
3. Stop when the clock displays the correct time. If the clock has a chime, allow it to chime at each hour as you pass it to synchronize the chime with the time.

4.2. Chime Selection

Your clock offers three distinct chime melodies: Westminster, Ave Maria, and Bim-Bam. A selector switch, typically located near the clock movement on the back or side, allows you to choose your preferred melody.

- **Westminster:** A classic, melodic chime.
- **Ave Maria:** A serene and traditional melody.
- **Bim-Bam:** A simple, two-note chime.

Move the selector switch to the desired chime setting. The clock will play the selected melody on the hour, and quarter-hour Westminster chime and strike are also available depending on the setting.

4.3. Volume Control

An adjustable volume control knob is provided to set the chime volume to your preference. This knob is usually located near the chime selector switch on the back or side of the clock.

- Turn the knob clockwise to increase the volume.
- Turn the knob counter-clockwise to decrease the volume.

4.4. Automatic Night Shut-off

The clock features an automatic night shut-off switch to silence the chimes during nighttime hours. This switch is typically located near the chime and volume controls.

- Engage this switch to activate the night shut-off feature. The chimes will automatically cease during a predefined nighttime period (e.g., 10 PM to 6 AM) and resume in the morning.
- Disengage the switch if you prefer the chimes to sound continuously.

5. MAINTENANCE

5.1. Battery Replacement

Replace all batteries (one AA and four C) approximately once a year, or when the clock's timekeeping becomes inaccurate, the chimes weaken, or stop entirely. Refer to Section 3.1 for battery installation instructions.

Important: Always replace all batteries at the same time with new ones. Do not mix old and new batteries, or different types of batteries.

5.2. Cleaning

To maintain the appearance of your clock:

- Wipe the wooden case with a soft, dry, lint-free cloth.
- For stubborn marks, a slightly damp cloth followed by immediate drying can be used.
- Avoid using abrasive cleaners, solvents, or polishes that may damage the finish.

- Do not spray cleaning solutions directly onto the clock.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Clock not running or running slowly.	Dead or weak batteries; improperly installed batteries.	Replace all batteries with fresh ones, ensuring correct polarity.
Chime not sounding.	Night shut-off activated; chime volume too low; dead batteries; chime mechanism issue.	Check night shut-off switch. Increase volume. Replace batteries. If problem persists, contact customer support.
Chime does not synchronize with the time.	Time was set without allowing chimes to cycle.	Advance the time slowly, allowing the clock to chime at each hour until synchronized.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	C1515
Brand	Bulova
Dimensions (L x W x H)	19.7 x 42.4 x 91.4 cm (7.75 x 16.7 x 36 inches approx.)
Weight	10.4 kg (22.9 lbs)
Material	Hardwood (Dark Cherry Finish), Metal
Display Type	Analog
Power Source	Battery Powered (1 AA, 4 C batteries - not included)
Special Features	Triple Chime (Westminster, Ave Maria, Bim-Bam), Adjustable Volume, Automatic Night Shut-off
Mounting Type	Wall Mount

8. WARRANTY INFORMATION

This Bulova C1515 Tamlen Chiming Wall Clock is covered by a one (1) year limited manufacturer's warranty from the date of purchase. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

For specific details regarding warranty coverage, claims, or service, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact Bulova customer support directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

9. CONTACT INFORMATION

For further assistance, technical support, or warranty inquiries, please contact Bulova customer service. Refer to the official Bulova website or product packaging for the most current contact details.

Please retain this manual for future reference.