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Garrard Turntable Replacement Belt User Manual

For Models: GT-10, GT-12, GT-15, GT-25, GT-35, GT-55, GT-250, GT-350 Series

1. Introduction

This manual provides essential instructions for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your new replacement drive belt for Garrard Turntables. This belt is designed to restore optimal performance to compatible Garrard models by ensuring consistent platter rotation. Please read this manual thoroughly before attempting installation or use.

2. Installation (Setup)

Proper installation of the replacement belt is crucial for correct turntable operation. Exercise caution and refer to your specific Garrard turntable's service manual for detailed disassembly instructions if available.

1. **Power Disconnection:** Always disconnect the turntable from the power outlet before beginning any installation or maintenance.
2. **Accessing the Platter:** Carefully remove the turntable platter. This usually involves lifting it straight up after removing any mat. Some models may require removing a retaining clip or screw.
3. **Removing the Old Belt:** Locate the old drive belt. If present, carefully remove it from the motor pulley and the inner rim of the platter or sub-platter. Inspect the old belt for wear, stretching, or degradation.
4. **Cleaning:** Clean the motor pulley and the inner rim of the platter/sub-platter with a lint-free cloth and a small amount of isopropyl alcohol. This removes any residue from the old belt, ensuring optimal grip for the new one.
5. **Installing the New Belt:**
   - Gently stretch the new belt around the motor pulley.
   - Carefully guide the belt around the inner rim of the platter or sub-platter. Ensure the belt is seated correctly and is not twisted.
   - The belt should have a snug but not overly tight fit.
6. **Reassembling the Turntable:** Carefully place the platter back onto the spindle, ensuring it seats correctly. Reattach any clips or screws if applicable.
7. **Testing:** Reconnect the turntable to power. Select a record and test the playback at both 33 1/3 and 45 RPM (if applicable) to ensure stable speed and proper operation.

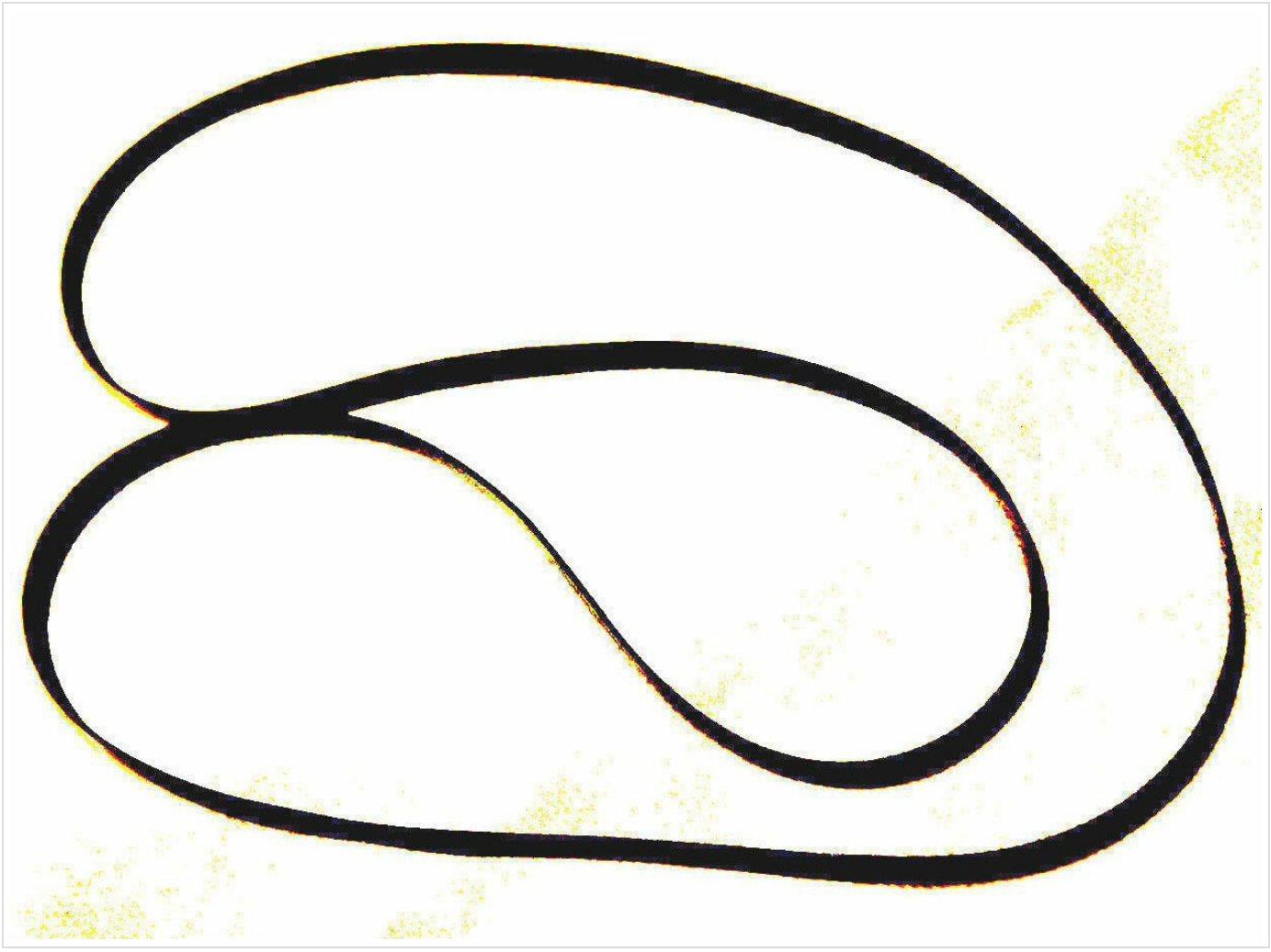


Image 1: A typical black rubber replacement turntable drive belt. This belt is designed to connect the motor pulley to the turntable platter, facilitating rotation.

3. Operating with the New Belt

Once the new belt is installed, your Garrard turntable should operate as intended. Follow the standard operating procedures for your specific turntable model.

- Ensure the turntable is on a stable, level surface.
- Place a record on the platter and select the correct speed (33 1/3 or 45 RPM).
- Gently lower the tonearm onto the record.
- After use, return the tonearm to its rest and turn off the turntable.

The new belt should provide consistent speed and reduce wow and flutter, contributing to accurate audio playback.

4. Maintenance

Regular maintenance of your turntable belt can extend its lifespan and ensure optimal performance.

- **Cleaning the Belt:** Periodically, with the turntable unplugged and the platter removed, gently wipe the belt with a lint-free cloth dampened with isopropyl alcohol. This removes dust and oil buildup that can cause slippage.
- **Cleaning Pulleys:** Also clean the motor pulley and the inner rim of the platter/sub-platter to ensure a clean contact surface for the belt.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the belt for signs of wear, cracking, stretching, or loss of elasticity. A worn belt can lead to inconsistent speed.

- **Storage:** If the turntable is to be stored for an extended period, it is advisable to remove the belt to prevent it from developing flat spots or stretching under tension. Store the belt in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight.

5. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues after installing the new belt, consider the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Turntable platter not spinning or spinning slowly.	Belt not properly seated, belt twisted, motor pulley/platter rim dirty, belt too loose.	Ensure belt is correctly positioned and not twisted. Clean motor pulley and platter rim. Verify belt tension.
Inconsistent speed (wow and flutter).	Belt slipping, belt worn or stretched, motor issues (less likely with new belt).	Clean belt and contact surfaces. Inspect belt for damage. If problem persists, consult a technician.
Belt falls off frequently.	Belt too loose, incorrect belt size, platter/motor misalignment.	Verify correct belt size for your model. Check for any physical obstructions or misalignment.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, it may indicate a problem beyond the belt. Consider consulting a qualified audio technician.

6. Specifications

- **Product Type:** Replacement Turntable Drive Belt
- **Brand:** Unknown
- **Compatible Turntable Models:** Garrard GT-10, GT-10/P, GT-12MKIIGT-12P, GT-15, GT-15P, GT-15S, GT-25, GT-25AP-1, GT-25P, GT-25/S, GT-25X, GT-35, GT-35AP, GT-35AP-1, GT-35P, GT-35/S, GT-35X, GT-55P, GT-120AP, GT-250, GT-250A, GT-250AP, GT-255, GT-255AP, GT350, GT350A, GT350AP, GT-355, GT-355AP
- **Material:** Rubber (typical for drive belts)
- **Special Feature:** Belt-Drive (component for belt-driven turntables)
- **Included Components:** 1x Replacement Belt

7. Warranty and Support

As the brand is listed as "Unknown" and specific warranty information is not provided with this product, please refer to the seller or retailer from whom you purchased the replacement belt for any warranty claims or support inquiries. Keep your proof of purchase for reference.

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