

Bulova 96K101

Bulova Chronograph C Precisionist Watch

MODEL: 96K101 - INSTRUCTION MANUAL

1. Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the setup, operation, and maintenance of your Bulova Men's Archive Series 'Chronograph C' Precisionist Watch, Model 96K101. This timepiece features a six-hand chronograph movement with proprietary high-performance quartz technology, offering precise accuracy. It comes with both a stainless steel mesh bracelet and an interchangeable blue leather strap.



Figure 1: Front view of the Bulova Chronograph C watch (Model 96K101).

2. Product Overview

The Bulova Chronograph C is a distinguished timepiece from the Archive Series, known for its bold design and advanced technology. Key features include:

- **Movement:** Six-hand chronograph with proprietary high-performance quartz technology (262 kHz vibrational frequency) for precise accuracy.
- **Case:** Stainless steel, 46mm diameter, 13.8mm thickness.
- **Crystal:** Anti-reflective domed sapphire crystal.
- **Dial:** Blue and white with red accents.
- **Water Resistance:** Up to 50 meters.
- **Straps:** Includes a stainless steel mesh bracelet and an interchangeable blue leather strap, both with fold-over buckle closures.



Figure 2: Side profile of the watch, highlighting the case and bracelet.



Figure 3: Rear view of the watch, displaying the case back and bracelet clasp.

3. Setup

3.1 Setting Time and Date

1. Pull the crown out to the first click position to adjust the date. Turn the crown clockwise or counter-clockwise until the desired date is displayed.
2. Pull the crown out to the second click position to adjust the time. Turn the crown to move the hour and minute hands to the correct time.
3. Push the crown back in to the normal position to start the watch.

3.2 Changing Straps

Your watch comes with both a stainless steel mesh bracelet and a blue leather strap. To change the strap:

1. Locate the quick-release pins on the underside of the strap where it connects to the watch case.

2. Slide the small lever on the pin inwards to compress the pin.
3. Gently pull the strap away from the watch case to detach it.
4. To attach a new strap, align one end of the spring bar with the lug hole on the watch case.
5. Slide the lever to compress the spring bar, then guide the other end into the opposite lug hole. Release the lever to secure the strap. Ensure the strap is firmly attached by gently tugging on it.

Video 1: Demonstration of how to change watch straps. This video illustrates the quick-release mechanism for easy strap replacement.

4. Operating the Chronograph

The Chronograph C features a precise six-hand chronograph function. To operate the chronograph:

1. **Start:** Press the top pusher to start the chronograph. The central red second hand will begin to move.
2. **Stop:** Press the top pusher again to stop the chronograph. The elapsed time will be indicated by the chronograph hands.
3. **Reset:** After stopping the chronograph, press the bottom pusher to reset all chronograph hands to their zero positions.

Video 2: Operating the Chronograph C. This video demonstrates the start, stop, and reset functions of the watch's chronograph.

5. Maintenance and Care

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Bulova watch, follow these care guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the watch case and crystal with a soft, dry cloth. For the stainless steel bracelet, a soft brush and mild soapy water can be used, ensuring to rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Avoid harsh chemicals.
- **Water Resistance:** Your watch is water resistant to 50 meters. This means it is suitable for short periods of recreational swimming, but not for diving or prolonged water exposure. Avoid operating the crown or pushers while the watch is wet.
- **Temperature:** Avoid exposing your watch to extreme temperatures (hot or cold) or sudden temperature changes, as this can affect the movement and seals.
- **Impact:** Protect your watch from strong impacts or shocks.
- **Battery:** The watch uses 1 CR2 battery (included). Battery replacement should be performed by a qualified watch technician.

6. Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your watch, please refer to the following common solutions:

- **Watch Not Running:** Check if the crown is fully pushed in. If the watch still does not run, the battery may need replacement.
- **Incorrect Time/Date:** Refer to Section 3.1 to correctly set the time and date.
- **Chronograph Hands Not Resetting to Zero:** This may indicate a need for calibration or service. Consult a qualified technician.

For persistent issues, please contact Bulova customer support or an authorized service center.

7. Specifications

Feature	Specification
Model Number	96K101
Movement	High-Performance Quartz Chronograph (262 kHz)
Case Material	Stainless Steel
Case Diameter	46mm
Case Thickness	13.8mm
Crystal	Anti-Reflective Domed Sapphire
Water Resistance	50 Meters (165 Feet)
Strap Material	Stainless Steel Mesh, Blue Leather
Battery Type	1 CR2 (included)
Product Dimensions	5.98 x 5.98 x 5.98 inches; 15.87 ounces

8. Warranty and Support

Your Bulova Chronograph C Precisionist Watch (Model 96K101) comes with a 3-Year Limited Warranty. For detailed warranty information and terms, please refer to the official Bulova warranty document. You can typically find this information included with your purchase or on the official Bulova website. For further assistance, product support, or to locate an authorized service center, please visit the official Bulova website or contact their customer service department.

Product Warranty Information: [\[PDF Link\]](#)