

## KASINGS JCEC201710060500149

# KASINGS Low Shank Cording Foot Instruction Manual

Model: JCEC201710060500149

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your KASINGS Low Shank Cording Foot. This accessory is designed to facilitate the sewing of decorative cording onto fabric, enhancing your sewing projects with professional finishes. It is compatible with various Kenmore sewing machine models, including 158.19470, 158.19471, 158.19800, 158.19801, 158.19802, and 158.20.



Image 1.1: The KASINGS Low Shank Cording Foot. This image shows the metal presser foot with a groove on its underside, designed to guide cording during sewing.

## 2. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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Before installing the cording foot, ensure your sewing machine is turned off and unplugged for safety.

1. **Remove the Current Presser Foot:** Locate the presser foot lever or screw on your sewing machine. Raise the presser foot and carefully loosen the screw that holds the current presser foot in place. Remove the existing foot.
2. **Attach the Cording Foot:** Align the KASINGS Low Shank Cording Foot with the presser foot bar. Ensure the pin on the cording foot fits into the slot on the presser foot holder.
3. **Secure the Foot:** Tighten the screw firmly to secure the cording foot in position. Gently lower the presser foot lever to ensure the foot is stable and properly attached.
4. **Verify Compatibility:** Confirm that the cording foot sits flat and level on the needle plate. If it appears misaligned or loose, re-adjust and tighten the screw.

## 3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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The cording foot is designed to sew over cording, creating a decorative raised effect. Follow these steps for optimal results:

1. **Prepare Your Fabric and Cording:** Place your fabric under the cording foot. Insert the cording into the groove on the underside of the cording foot. The groove will guide the cording as you sew.
2. **Select Stitch Type:** For cording, a zigzag stitch is commonly used as it straddles the cord, securing it to the fabric. Adjust the stitch width to be slightly wider than the cord, and the stitch length to a medium setting. Experiment on a scrap piece of fabric first.
3. **Position the Needle:** Ensure the needle is set to swing from side to side, catching the fabric on both sides of the cord. The needle should not pierce the cord itself, but rather sew over it.
4. **Begin Sewing:** Slowly lower the needle into the fabric and begin sewing. Guide the fabric and cording gently, allowing the foot to feed the cording evenly. Maintain a consistent speed.
5. **Multiple Cords (Optional):** Some cording feet have multiple grooves for sewing several cords simultaneously. If your foot has this feature, insert each cord into its respective groove.

*Tip:* Always test your stitch settings on a scrap piece of fabric with the same cording and fabric type you plan to use for your project.

## 4. MAINTENANCE

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Proper care ensures the longevity and performance of your cording foot.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, gently wipe the cording foot with a soft, dry cloth to remove any lint or dust accumulation. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Storage:** Store the cording foot in a dry, clean place, preferably in a dedicated sewing accessory box, to prevent damage or loss.
- **Inspection:** Periodically inspect the foot for any signs of wear, bending, or damage. If the foot is damaged, it may affect stitch quality and should be replaced.

## 5. TROUBLESHOOTING

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| Problem                                 | Possible Cause  | Solution   |
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| Cording is not feeding smoothly.        | Cording is too thick for the groove, or stitch length is too short.       | Ensure cording fits freely in the groove. Increase stitch length.                                    |
| Stitches are uneven or skipping.        | Incorrect needle size/type, tension issues, or foot not properly secured. | Check needle (ensure it's sharp and correct for fabric). Adjust tension. Re-secure the cording foot. |
| Cording is being pierced by the needle. | Stitch width is too narrow, or needle position is incorrect.              | Increase zigzag stitch width. Adjust needle position to straddle the cord.                           |

## 6. SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Product Name:** KASINGS Low Shank Cording Foot
- **Model Number:** JCEC201710060500149
- **Manufacturer:** KASINGS
- **Compatibility:** Low Shank Sewing Machines, specifically Kenmore models 158.19470, 158.19471, 158.19800, 158.19801, 158.19802, 158.20
- **Material:** Metal

For further assistance, please refer to your sewing machine's main instruction manual or contact KASINGS customer support.