

Fossil ME3170

Fossil Men's Townsman Automatic Watch - Model ME3170 Instruction Manual

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1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential information for the proper use and care of your Fossil Men's Townsman Automatic Stainless Steel and Leather Two-Hand Skeleton Watch, Model ME3170. This timepiece features an automatic mechanical movement, eliminating the need for batteries, and showcases its intricate internal workings through a distinctive skeleton dial.

Key features include a durable 44mm case, a 22mm band width, and a hardened mineral crystal lens designed to resist scratches. The watch is water-resistant up to 50 meters (5 ATM), suitable for short periods of recreational swimming and showering, but not for diving or snorkeling. The black genuine leather band is comfortable and features an adjustable buckle, and is interchangeable with other 22mm Fossil straps.



Front view of the Fossil Men's Townsman Automatic Watch, showcasing the skeleton dial and rose gold accents.

2. SETUP

2.1 Initial Winding (If Watch Has Stopped)

Your automatic watch is powered by the natural motion of your wrist. If the watch has stopped due to lack of movement, it needs to be manually wound to restart. To do this, rotate the crown clockwise approximately 40 times. This will build up enough power reserve to start the watch and allow the automatic movement to take over with regular wear.

2.2 Setting the Time

1. Pull the crown out to the furthest position.
2. Rotate the crown to set the hour and minute hands to the correct time.

3. Once the time is set, push the crown back into its original position to engage the movement.

2.3 Adjusting the Band

The black genuine leather band features an adjustable buckle for a comfortable fit. If the band requires significant adjustment (e.g., link removal for a metal bracelet version, though this model has a leather strap), it is recommended to visit a professional jeweler to ensure proper adjustment without damaging the watch or band.





Side view of the watch, highlighting the crown used for setting time and manual winding.

3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Automatic Movement

This watch is equipped with an automatic mechanical movement. This means it does not require a battery. The movement is powered by the kinetic energy generated by the natural motion of your arm. When worn regularly, the watch will remain wound and keep accurate time. If the watch is not worn for an extended period, it may stop and require manual winding as described in the "Setup" section.

3.2 Water Resistance

The watch is water-resistant up to 50 meters (5 ATM). This rating means it is suitable for short periods of recreational swimming and showering. It is **not** recommended for diving, snorkeling, or high-impact water sports. Always ensure the crown is fully pushed in before any contact with water to maintain water resistance.



Rear view of the watch, revealing the automatic mechanical movement through the transparent case back.

4. MAINTENANCE

4.1 Cleaning Your Watch

- For the case and crystal, use a soft, damp cloth to gently wipe away dirt and smudges. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- For the leather strap, wipe with a dry, soft cloth. Avoid prolonged exposure to water, direct sunlight, and extreme heat, as these can cause the leather to dry, crack, or discolor.

4.2 Environmental Considerations

- **Temperature:** Avoid exposing your watch to extreme temperatures (above 60°C / 140°F or below 0°C / 32°F) or sudden temperature changes.
- **Magnetic Fields:** Keep your watch away from strong magnetic fields, such as those produced by speakers, refrigerators, or other electronic devices, as this can affect the accuracy of the mechanical movement.

- **Shocks:** While durable, avoid severe impacts or shocks to the watch.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Watch has stopped:** If the watch has stopped, it likely needs to be wound. Manually wind the watch by rotating the crown clockwise approximately 40 times. Then, wear the watch regularly to allow the automatic movement to maintain its power reserve.
- **Time is inaccurate:**
 - Ensure the watch is fully wound (see "Initial Winding"). Insufficient power reserve can lead to inaccurate timekeeping.
 - Check if the watch has been exposed to strong magnetic fields. If so, demagnetization by a professional watchmaker may be required.
 - If inaccuracy persists after winding and checking for magnetic interference, professional service may be necessary.
- **Water inside the watch:** If you notice condensation or water inside the watch, immediately take it to a qualified watch repair center. Do not attempt to open the watch yourself, as this can void the warranty and cause further damage.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	ME3170
Movement	Automatic Mechanical
Case Size	44 mm
Case Material	Stainless Steel (Rose Gold Tone)
Band Width	22 mm
Band Material	Genuine Leather (Black)
Water Resistance	5 ATM (50 meters / 165 feet)
Crystal Type	Hardened Mineral Crystal
Dial Type	Skeleton with Black Satin and Rose Gold Accents
Product Dimensions	1.73 x 0.87 x 0.43 inches; 2.89 ounces



Case Material
Stainless Steel



Strap Material
Leather

Diagram illustrating the key dimensions of the Fossil Townsman watch, including case size, strap width, and case thickness.

7. OFFICIAL PRODUCT VIDEO

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Official product video showcasing the Fossil Men's Townsman Stainless Steel Mechanical Automatic Watch, highlighting its design and features.

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Fossil watches typically come with a limited warranty covering manufacturing defects. For detailed information regarding your specific warranty coverage, terms, and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Fossil website. For product support, service, or repair inquiries, please contact Fossil customer service or an authorized Fossil service center.

You can find more information and support resources on the official Fossil website: www.fossil.com

