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Your guide to setup, operation, and maintenance.

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Bulova Marine Star Automatic Watch, Model 98A272. This timepiece combines sophisticated design with reliable automatic movement. This manual provides essential information to ensure proper use and care of your watch, allowing you to enjoy its precision and craftsmanship for years to come.

SETUP AND INITIAL OPERATION

Winding the Watch

The Bulova Marine Star 98A272 features an automatic mechanical movement. This means the watch is powered by the motion of your wrist. If the watch has stopped or its power reserve is low, it needs to be wound manually or worn for a sufficient period.

- To manually wind the watch, rotate the crown clockwise approximately 20-30 times while it is in the normal (pushed-in) position.
- Alternatively, wearing the watch for several hours will allow the automatic rotor to wind the mainspring.

Setting the Time

1. Pull the crown out to the first click 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 normal position to engage the movement and start the watch.



Image: Front view of the Bulova Marine Star 98A272 watch, showcasing the black dial, gold-tone case, and silicone strap. The open heart movement is visible at the 7 o'clock position.

OPERATING YOUR WATCH

Automatic Movement

Your watch is powered by an automatic mechanical movement, which means it does not require a battery. The movement of your arm winds the mainspring, providing power to the watch. If the watch is not worn for an extended period (typically 40-42 hours, depending on the power reserve), it will stop. Simply wear it again or manually wind it to

restart.

Water Resistance

This watch is water resistant to 200 meters (660 feet). This rating makes it suitable for professional marine activity and serious surface water sports, but not for saturation diving. Ensure the crown is fully pushed in before any contact with water to maintain water resistance.

Open Heart Feature

The watch features an "open heart" design, allowing a view of the intricate balance wheel and escapement mechanism on the dial side. The exhibition case back also provides a view of the automatic movement's rotor and gears.



Image: Rear view of the Bulova Marine Star 98A272 watch, showing the transparent case back that reveals the automatic mechanical movement and rotor.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Cleaning Your Watch

To maintain the appearance of your watch, regularly wipe the case and strap with a soft, dry cloth. For water-resistant models, a slightly damp cloth can be used, followed by drying. Avoid using chemical cleaners or abrasive materials.

Avoiding Damage

- **Shocks:** While robust, avoid dropping your watch or subjecting it to severe impacts, which can damage the delicate internal mechanisms.
- **Temperature Extremes:** Do not expose 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 (e.g., speakers, refrigerators, certain electronic devices) as they can affect the accuracy of the mechanical movement.
- **Chemicals:** Avoid contact with solvents, detergents, perfumes, and cosmetic products, which can damage the case, strap, or gaskets.

Silicone Strap Care

The silicone strap is durable and comfortable. Clean it with mild soap and water if it becomes dirty, then rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunlight or harsh chemicals to prevent material degradation.



Image: Side profile of the Bulova Marine Star 98A272 watch, highlighting the gold-tone case, crown, and the texture of the black silicone strap with its red inner lining.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Watch has stopped.	Insufficient power reserve.	Manually wind the watch by rotating the crown 20-30 times clockwise, or wear the watch for several hours to allow the automatic movement to wind it.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Watch is running inaccurately (too fast/slow).	Exposure to strong magnetic fields; need for regulation; severe shock.	Keep the watch away from magnetic sources. If inaccuracy persists, professional service may be required for regulation. Avoid dropping the watch.
Condensation under the crystal.	Temperature change; compromised water resistance.	If condensation is persistent, it indicates a potential issue with water resistance. Seek professional service immediately to prevent internal damage.

For issues not listed here or if solutions do not resolve the problem, please contact Bulova customer support or an authorized service center.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	98A272
Movement	Automatic Mechanical (Miyota movement, 21 Jewels)
Case Material	Gold-tone Stainless Steel
Case Diameter	45 mm
Strap Material	Silicone
Dial Color	Black
Water Resistance	200 meters (660 feet)
Clasp Type	Tang Buckle
Features	Open Heart Dial, Exhibition Case Back

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Your Bulova Marine Star watch is covered by a manufacturer's warranty, typically 3 years from the date of purchase, covering manufacturing defects. Please refer to the warranty card included with your watch for specific terms and conditions.

For warranty claims, service, or additional support, please visit the official Bulova website or contact an authorized Bulova service center. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty validation.

Bulova Official Website: www.bulova.com

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