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Model: RED MAX Ship

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the proper setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Abu Garcia RED MAX Ship baitcasting reel. Please read this manual thoroughly before using your reel to ensure optimal performance and longevity.



Image 1: The Abu Garcia RED MAX Ship baitcasting reel, showcasing its design and components.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

Always handle fishing equipment with care. Keep fingers clear of moving parts during operation. Ensure the reel is securely mounted to the fishing rod before use. Avoid exposing the reel to extreme temperatures or corrosive substances. Keep out of reach of children.

### 3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

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Verify that your package contains the following items:

- Abu Garcia RED MAX Ship Baitcasting Reel
- Instruction Manual (this document)
- Any included accessories (e.g., oil, wrench)

### 4. SETUP

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#### 4.1 Mounting the Reel

1. Align the reel foot with the reel seat on your fishing rod.
2. Tighten the reel seat nut securely until the reel is firmly attached and does not wobble.

#### 4.2 Winding Fishing Line

1. Attach the fishing line to the reel spool using an appropriate knot (e.g., arbor knot).
2. Ensure the line is wound evenly and tightly onto the spool. Avoid overfilling or underfilling the spool.



Image 2: The lightweight spool component of the RED MAX Ship reel, designed for efficient line management.

#### 4.3 Centrifugal Brake Adjustment

The RED MAX Ship reel features a centrifugal brake system to control spool rotation during casting and prevent backlashes. To adjust:

1. Carefully remove the side plate to access the brake weights.
2. Engage or disengage the desired number of brake weights. More engaged weights provide greater braking force, suitable for beginners or windy conditions. Fewer weights allow for longer casts but require more thumb control.
3. Replace the side plate securely.



Image 3: Internal view of the centrifugal brake system with adjustable weights for casting control.

## 5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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### 5.1 Casting

1. Press the thumb bar to disengage the spool.
2. Use your thumb to lightly feather the spool to prevent line overrun.
3. Execute your cast. Release your thumb as the lure begins its forward motion.
4. Apply thumb pressure to the spool as the lure approaches the target to slow it down and prevent backlash.

### 5.2 Retrieving

Turn the handle clockwise to retrieve the line. Ensure the line is winding evenly onto the spool. If the line piles up on one side, check your line guide and adjust your retrieve speed or rod position.

### 5.3 Drag Adjustment

The drag system controls the amount of force required to pull line from the reel. Adjust the drag knob (typically located next to the handle) to set the desired tension. A good starting point is to set the drag to approximately one-third of your line's breaking strength. Test the drag by pulling line directly from the spool.



Image 4: A hand holding the reel, showing the side plate and the drag adjustment knob near the handle.

## 6. MAINTENANCE

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### 6.1 Cleaning

After each use, especially in saltwater, rinse the reel with fresh water. Do not submerge the reel. Wipe it dry with a soft cloth. Remove any dirt or debris from the line guide and spool.

## 6.2 Lubrication

Periodically apply a small amount of reel oil to moving parts such as the handle knobs, spool shaft, and line guide. Use reel grease on gears as needed. Refer to a reel schematic for specific lubrication points if available.



Image 5: Close-up view of the internal gear mechanism, highlighting areas for lubrication.

## 6.3 Storage

Store your reel in a dry, cool place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Consider using a reel cover or case to protect it from dust and physical damage.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

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- **Backlash during casting:** Increase the number of engaged centrifugal brake weights or apply more thumb pressure to the spool during the cast. Ensure your line is wound evenly.
- **Stiff handle rotation:** The reel may require cleaning and lubrication. Check for any debris obstructing the gears or bearings.
- **Drag slipping or inconsistent:** Inspect the drag washers for wear or contamination. Clean or replace as necessary. Ensure the drag knob is tightened appropriately.
- **Line not retrieving smoothly:** Check the line guide for obstructions or damage. Ensure the line is not twisted or tangled.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

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The following table details the specifications for the Abu Garcia RED MAX Ship baitcasting reel models:

## スペック表

製品コード	JAN/UPC	製品名	自重 (g)	ギア比	最大ライン巻取 (cm)	最大ドラッグ力 (Kg)	ラインキャパシティ/スーパーファイヤーライン 1.2号	ラインキャパシティ/PEライン 1号	ボール/ローラーベアリング
1418228	036282056565	REDMAX船3	222	7.1:1	74	5.5	200m	200m	3/1
1418229	036282056572	REDMAX船3-L	222	7.1:1	74	5.5	200m	200m	3/1

Image 6: Detailed specifications table for the RED MAX Ship baitcasting reel models.

### Abu Garcia RED MAX Ship Reel Specifications

Product Code	JAN/UPC	Product Name	Weight (g)	Gear Ratio	Max Line Retrieve (cm)	Max Drag Power (Kg)	Line Capacity (Super FireLine 1.2)	Line Capacity (PE Line 1)	Ball/Roller Bearings
1418228	036282056565	REDMAX 3	222	7.1:1	74	5.5	200m	200m	3/1
1418229	036282056572	REDMAX 3-L	222	7.1:1	74	5.5	200m	200m	3/1



Image 7: Top view of the reel indicating a height of 41mm.



Image 8: Side view of the reel indicating a handle length of 120mm.

## 9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the official Abu Garcia website or contact your local dealer. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

