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Model: CU201M

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Shimano CURADO 200 M Low Profile Fishing Reel. This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your new reel. Designed for enhanced castability and durability, the CURADO 200 M incorporates advanced Shimano technologies to deliver superior performance in various fishing conditions.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Shimano CURADO 200 M is engineered for power fishing, featuring an expanded line capacity and a robust design. Key technologies include the MagnumLite (MGL) Spool III for reduced start-up inertia, SilentTune for quiet casting, and SVS Infinity for precise braking control. The HAGANE Body ensures rigidity and cranking power, complemented by MicroModule Gear and X-Ship for smooth operation.



Image: Angled view of the Shimano CURADO 200 M Low Profile Fishing Reel, showcasing its ergonomic design and handle.

Key Features:

- **MGL Spool III:** Reduces start-up inertia for longer, more effortless casts.
- **SilentTune:** Enhances spool quietness during casting.
- **SVS Infinity:** Provides precision casting control with easy-to-adjust brake settings.
- **HAGANE Body:** Offers increased rigidity and cranking power.
- **MicroModule Gear:** Ensures smooth and efficient gear engagement.

SETUP

1. Mounting the Reel

Securely attach the CURADO 200 M reel to your fishing rod's reel seat. Ensure the reel foot is firmly seated and the locking mechanism is tightened to prevent movement during casting and retrieval.

2. Spooling Fishing Line

Proper line spooling is crucial for optimal performance. Feed your chosen fishing line through the rod guides and tie it to the reel spool using an arbor knot. Begin winding the line onto the spool, maintaining light tension

to ensure even distribution. Avoid overfilling the spool, leaving approximately 1/8 inch (3 mm) from the spool lip.

Recommended Line Capacities:

- **PowerPro Braided Line:** 30 lb/190 yds, 50 lb/120 yds, 65 lb/80 yds
- **Monofilament Line:** 8 lb/180 yds, 10 lb/155 yds, 14 lb/110 yds

3. Adjusting the SVS Infinity Braking System

The SVS Infinity braking system controls spool rotation during casting to prevent backlashes. It features an external dial for micro-adjustments and internal brake weights for fine-tuning. Start with a moderate setting on the external dial and engage 2-4 internal brake weights. Adjust as needed based on lure weight, wind conditions, and casting technique. Lighter lures or headwind conditions may require more braking, while heavier lures or tailwind conditions may require less.



Image: Side view of the Shimano CURADO 200 M Low Profile Fishing Reel, showing the handle and drag star.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Casting

Press the thumb bar to disengage the spool. With your thumb lightly on the spool, make your cast. Release your thumb as the rod loads and the lure begins its forward trajectory. Immediately after the lure hits the water, place your thumb back on the spool to stop its rotation and prevent a backlash. Adjust the SVS Infinity braking system for optimal casting distance and control.

2. Drag Adjustment

The star drag system controls the tension on the line when a fish pulls. Turn the star drag clockwise to increase tension and counter-clockwise to decrease it. Set the drag to approximately one-third of your line's breaking strength. The maximum drag for this reel is 13 pounds.

3. Retrieval

Turn the handle to engage the gears and retrieve your line. The MicroModule Gear system provides a smooth retrieve. Maintain a steady retrieve speed appropriate for your lure and target species.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and performance of your CURADO 200 M reel.

1. Cleaning

After each use, especially in saltwater environments, rinse the reel with fresh water. Use a soft cloth to wipe away any dirt, salt, or debris. Avoid spraying water directly into the reel's internal components.

2. Lubrication

Periodically apply a small amount of high-quality reel oil to moving parts such as the handle knobs, worm gear, and spool shaft. Use reel grease on gears and other internal components as needed. Refer to Shimano's official maintenance guides for detailed lubrication points.

3. Storage

Store your reel in a dry, cool place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Loosen the drag completely before storage to prevent compression of the drag washers.

TROUBLESHOOTING

1. Backlashes (Bird's Nests)

Backlashes typically occur due to improper braking settings or casting technique. Adjust the SVS Infinity braking system by increasing the external dial setting or engaging more internal brake weights. Practice smooth casting motions and maintain thumb control on the spool.

2. Reel Not Smooth

If the reel feels rough or noisy, it may require cleaning and lubrication. Check the worm gear for debris and apply a small amount of reel grease. Ensure all moving parts are free of obstructions. If the issue persists, professional servicing may be required.

3. Drag Slipping or Sticking

This can be caused by dirty or worn drag washers. Clean the drag washers or replace them if necessary. Ensure the drag is not overtightened during storage, which can compress the washers.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	SHIMANO
Model Name	CURADO 200 M
Model Number	CU201M
Hand Orientation	Left Hand (<i>for this specific variant</i>)

Gearbox Ratio	3 <i>(for this specific variant, other ratios available)</i>
Bearing Number	6
Fishing Reel Maximum Drag	13 Pounds
Line Capacity (PowerPro)	30-190, 50-120, 65-80 (lb-yds)
Line Capacity (Monofilament)	8-180, 10-155, 14-110 (lb-yds)
Material	Aluminum
Item Weight	0.67 Pounds
Special Feature	SVS Infinity technology

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Shimano CURADO 200 M reel comes with a **1-year limited manufacturer warranty**. For warranty claims, service, or technical support, please contact Shimano customer service directly. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty validation.

For additional information and support, please visit the official Shimano website or contact an authorized Shimano dealer.