

WILSON WBW102092335

Wilson 2024 Classics Series A2000 Baseball Gloves Instruction Manual

Model: WBW102092335 | Brand: WILSON

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Wilson 2024 Classics Series A2000 Baseball Glove. This particular model is a 33.5-inch catcher's mitt, designed for right-hand throwers, featuring a black and yellow color scheme. Crafted with Pro Stock Leather, it offers rugged durability and a premium feel, ideal for high-performance play. Understanding the proper care and use of your glove will ensure its longevity and optimal performance on the field.

KEY FEATURES

- **Pro Stock Leather:** Preferred for its rugged durability and unmatched feel.
- **Comfort Pro Fit:** Features ProLux Leather liner for a richer, softer feel against your hand, with an all-new Comfort Sleeve concealing the binding in the wrist for enhanced comfort.
- **Rolled Dual Welting:** Integrated into the liner to offer better support and help the glove hold its shape over time.
- **Flat Finger Binding:** Provides greater comfort and control for players who prefer to play with a finger outside the glove, reducing pain.
- **DriLex Wrist Lining:** Keeps your hand dry and comfortable on the field and behind the dish.
- **Bold Logos:** Outlined, eye-catching Wilson logos announce a new era in the iconic story of Wilson Ball Gloves.

SETUP: BREAKING IN YOUR GLOVE

The Wilson A2000 glove is crafted from Pro Stock Leather, which is known for its durability and premium feel. Upon initial use, the glove will be stiff and require a break-in period to conform to your hand and playing style. This process is crucial for optimal performance and comfort.

Recommended Break-in Methods:

1. **Playing Catch:** The most effective method is to simply play catch regularly. The impact of the ball and the natural movements of your hand will gradually soften the leather and create a custom pocket.
2. **Pounding the Pocket:** Use a mallet or a baseball to repeatedly hit the pocket area of the glove. This helps to loosen the fibers and create a deeper pocket.
3. **Conditioning:** Apply a small amount of high-quality glove conditioner specifically designed for baseball gloves. Do not over-apply, as too much conditioner can make the glove too soft or heavy. Rub it in thoroughly and allow it to absorb.
4. **Shaping:** After playing catch or conditioning, place a ball in the pocket and wrap the glove with a strap or rubber band to help it maintain its shape overnight.

Avoid methods that involve excessive heat or water, as these can damage the leather and reduce the glove's lifespan.



Image: Front view of the Wilson A2000 Baseball Glove, showcasing its black leather and yellow accents.

OPERATING YOUR GLOVE

Proper use of your Wilson A2000 glove enhances performance and extends its life. This section covers basic handling and positioning for optimal play.

Hand Placement:

- **Traditional Fit:** For a standard fit, place your fingers into each finger stall.
- **Two Fingers in Pinky Stall:** Some players prefer to place their pinky and ring finger into the pinky stall for a tighter fit and more control, especially in catcher's mitts. The A2000 M23 Catcher's Mitt is designed to accommodate this preference.

Catching Techniques:

- **Receiving Pitches (Catcher's Mitt):** Position the glove to present a large target. As the ball approaches,

allow the glove to absorb the impact by slightly giving with the ball. Secure the ball deep in the pocket.

- **Fielding Ground Balls:** Get low to the ground, keeping your glove open and flat on the ground to scoop the ball. Use your throwing hand to cover the ball as it enters the glove.
- **Catching Fly Balls:** Position yourself under the ball. Catch the ball with two hands, using the glove as the primary receiving surface and your bare hand to secure it.



Image: Interior view of the Wilson A2000 Baseball Glove, showing the deep pocket and finger stalls.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper maintenance will significantly extend the life and performance of your Wilson A2000 baseball glove. Follow these guidelines to keep your glove in top condition.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, wipe down your glove with a clean, dry cloth to remove dirt and moisture. For stubborn dirt, use a damp cloth with a small amount of mild soap, then wipe dry immediately.
- **Conditioning:** Periodically apply a small amount of high-quality leather conditioner or glove oil. This helps to keep the leather supple and prevents it from drying out and cracking. Apply sparingly and rub it in thoroughly with a soft cloth.
- **Drying:** If your glove gets wet, allow it to air dry naturally at room temperature. Do not use direct heat sources like hair dryers or radiators, as this can cause the leather to stiffen and crack.

- **Storage:** Store your glove in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Place a baseball in the pocket and wrap the glove with a strap or rubber band to help maintain its shape when not in use.
- **Lacing:** Check the laces periodically for wear and tear. Loose or worn laces can affect the glove's performance and durability. Replace them as needed with genuine glove lacing.



Image: Detailed view of the lacing and stitching on the Wilson A2000 Baseball Glove, highlighting craftsmanship.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your baseball glove and provides solutions.

| Problem | Possible Cause | Solution |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Glove is too stiff | New leather, insufficient break-in. | Continue playing catch, pound the pocket, and apply a small amount of leather conditioner. |
| Glove feels too loose on hand | Incorrect hand placement, glove not fully broken in to your hand. | Ensure proper hand placement (e.g., two fingers in pinky stall for catcher's mitt). Continue using to mold to your hand. |
| Leather appears dry or cracked | Lack of conditioning, exposure to extreme conditions. | Apply a high-quality leather conditioner. Store in a cool, dry place. |
| Laces are loose or broken | Normal wear and tear. | Tighten loose laces. Replace broken laces with genuine glove lacing. |

SPECIFICATIONS

| Attribute | Detail |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Size | Catcher - 33.5" |
| Brand | WILSON |
| Material | Pro Stock Leather |
| Hand Orientation | Right Hand Throw |
| Glove Type | Catcher |
| Color | Black/Yellow |
| Age Range (Description) | Adult |
| Lining Description | DriLex Wrist Lining |
| Year | 2024 |
| UPC | 097512801843 |
| Item Package Dimensions L x W x H | 12.09 x 9.06 x 5.55 inches |
| Package Weight | 0.74 Kilograms |
| Item Weight | 1.4 Pounds |
| Model Name | 2024 Baseball Classics Series A2000 Gloves |
| Style | Catcher |
| Outer Material | Pro Stock Leather |
| Sport Type | Baseball |

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Your Wilson A2000 Baseball Glove comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the details below:

- **Warranty Description:** 1 Year Limited
- For specific terms, conditions, and to register your product, please visit the official Wilson website or contact their customer support.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For further assistance, questions, or to provide feedback regarding your Wilson A2000 Baseball Glove, please contact Wilson customer support:

- **Online Support:** Visit the official [WILSON Store on Amazon](#) for FAQs and product information.
- **Manufacturer Website:** Refer to the official WILSON website for comprehensive support resources.