Janome 1522BL

Janome 1522BL Sewing Machine Instruction Manual

Model: 1522BL

1. Introduction

This manual provides essential instructions for the safe and effective use of your Janome 1522BL Sewing Machine. Please read it thoroughly before operating the machine to ensure proper function and to prevent damage or injury. Keep this manual for future reference.

2. Safety Instructions

- Always unplug the machine from the electrical outlet when removing covers, lubricating, or when making any other user servicing adjustments mentioned in the instruction manual.
- Keep fingers away from all moving parts. Special care is required around the sewing machine needle.
- Use the proper needle plate. The wrong plate can cause the needle to break.
- Do not use bent needles.
- Do not pull or push fabric while stitching. This may deflect the needle, causing it to break.
- Wear safety glasses when operating the machine.
- Never operate the machine with any air openings blocked. Keep ventilation openings of the sewing machine and foot controller free from the accumulation of lint, dust, and loose cloth.
- Do not insert any objects into any openings.
- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not operate where aerosol (spray) products are being used or where oxygen is being administered.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all items are present in the package:

- Janome 1522BL Sewing Machine
- Zigzag foot
- Zipper foot
- Satin stitch foot

- Automatic buttonhole foot
- Button sewing foot
- Blind hem foot
- Bobbins (5)
- Seam ripper
- Needle set
- Foot controller
- Thread and stitch reference card
- Semi-hard cover



Image: All included accessories for the Janome 1522BL sewing machine, including various presser feet, bobbins, needles, and a seam ripper.



Image: The accessory storage compartment of the Janome 1522BL sewing machine, shown open with various tools and bobbins stored inside.

4. Setup

4.1 Unpacking and Placement

1. Carefully remove the machine from its packaging.
2. Place the machine on a stable, flat surface.
3. Ensure adequate lighting and space for comfortable operation.



Image: Frontal view of the Janome 1522BL sewing machine, highlighting its compact design and wide sewing base.

4.2 Power Connection

1. Insert the machine plug into the machine's power socket.
2. Connect the foot controller plug into the corresponding socket.
3. Plug the power cord into a suitable electrical outlet.

4.3 Bobbin Winding

1. Place a spool of thread on the spool pin.
2. Guide the thread through the thread guide and around the bobbin winding tension disc.
3. Place an empty bobbin onto the bobbin winder spindle.
4. Wind the thread a few times manually around the bobbin.
5. Push the bobbin winder spindle to the right.
6. Press the foot controller to start winding. The machine will stop automatically when the bobbin is full.
7. Cut the thread and remove the bobbin.

4.4 Threading the Upper Thread

1. Raise the needle to its highest position using the handwheel.
2. Raise the presser foot lever.
3. Place the thread spool on the spool pin.
4. Guide the thread through the upper thread guide.
5. Bring the thread down the right channel, up the left channel, and through the take-up lever from right to left.
6. Continue guiding the thread down through the remaining thread guides to the needle.

7. Use the built-in needle threader for easy threading (refer to section 5.5).

4.5 Inserting the Bobbin

1. Open the bobbin cover plate.
2. Insert the wound bobbin into the bobbin case, ensuring the thread unwinds in the correct direction (usually counter-clockwise).
3. Pull the thread through the tension spring and out through the bobbin case opening.
4. Close the bobbin cover plate.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1 Stitch Selection

The Janome 1522BL offers 22 built-in stitches. To select a stitch, turn the **Stitch Selector Dial** to the desired letter or symbol indicated on the machine's front panel.



Image: Top view of the Janome 1522BL sewing machine, showing the stitch selector, stitch length, and stitch width dials.

5.2 Adjusting Stitch Length and Width

- **Stitch Length:** Use the **Length Dial** to adjust the stitch length. Higher numbers indicate longer stitches.
- **Stitch Width:** Use the **Width Dial** to adjust the stitch width for zigzag and decorative stitches. Higher numbers indicate wider stitches.

5.3 Foot Pressure Adjustment

The machine features a foot pressure adjustment dial, located on the side of the machine, to accommodate various fabric thicknesses. Turn the dial to increase or decrease pressure as needed. Lower pressure is suitable for delicate fabrics, while higher pressure is for thicker materials.



Image: Side view of the Janome 1522BL sewing machine, highlighting the foot pressure adjustment dial with settings 1, 2, and 3.



Image: A close-up view of the foot pressure adjustment dial on the Janome 1522BL, showing the numbered settings and a symbol for reduced pressure.

5.4 Sewing Basics

1. Place fabric under the presser foot.
2. Lower the presser foot.
3. Turn the handwheel towards you to lower the needle into the fabric.
4. Press the foot controller to begin sewing. Control speed with foot pressure.
5. To reverse stitch, press and hold the reverse lever.
6. To stop, release the foot controller. Raise the needle to its highest position, then raise the presser foot. Pull the fabric away from the machine and cut the threads.

5.5 Using the Built-in Needle Threader

1. Ensure the needle is in its highest position.
2. Lower the presser foot.

3. Pull the needle threader lever down as far as it will go. A small hook will pass through the needle eye.
4. Pass the thread under the hook.
5. Release the lever slowly. The hook will pull a loop of thread through the needle eye.
6. Pull the loop completely through the needle eye.



Image: A close-up of the Janome 1522BL sewing machine's built-in needle threader mechanism, showing thread being guided through the needle eye.

5.6 Automatic Buttonhole

The 1522BL features a one-step automatic buttonhole function.

1. Attach the automatic buttonhole foot.
2. Place the button you intend to use into the button holder on the foot.
3. Select the buttonhole stitch on the stitch selector dial.
4. Lower the buttonhole lever.
5. Begin sewing. The machine will automatically sew the buttonhole to the correct size.



Image: The Janome 1522BL sewing machine in operation, demonstrating the creation of a buttonhole on fabric using the automatic buttonhole foot.

6. Maintenance

6.1 Cleaning

1. Always unplug the machine before cleaning.
2. Remove the needle, presser foot, needle plate, and bobbin case.
3. Use the small brush provided (or a soft brush) to remove lint and dust from the feed dogs and bobbin area.
4. Wipe the exterior of the machine with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use liquid cleaners.

6.2 Needle Replacement

1. Turn off the machine and unplug it.
2. Loosen the needle clamp screw.
3. Remove the old needle.
4. Insert a new needle with the flat side facing the back of the machine, pushing it up as far as it will go.
5. Tighten the needle clamp screw securely.

7. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Skipped stitches	Incorrect needle, bent needle, improper threading	Replace needle with correct type, rethread machine correctly
Thread breakage	Incorrect tension, poor quality thread, needle inserted incorrectly	Adjust tension, use quality thread, reinsert needle correctly

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Bobbin thread tangling	Improper bobbin winding, incorrect bobbin insertion	Rewind bobbin, reinsert bobbin correctly
Machine not starting	Power cord not plugged in, foot controller not connected	Check all power connections

8. Specifications



Image: The Janome 1522BL sewing machine in its primary view, showcasing its overall design and controls.

Feature	Detail
Model Number	0011522-BL
Dimensions (D x W x H)	7.5" x 17.5" x 11"
Item Weight	14.3 pounds
Built-in Stitches	22
Buttonhole Type	One-step automatic
Frame Construction	Solid metal
Bobbin Winder	Auto declutch
Needle Threader	Built-in
Foot Pressure Adjustment	Dial control
Sewing Space	Extra-wide sewing bed and free arm

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9. Warranty and Support

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Janome website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

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