



## SPINCAST MANUAL

Thank you for purchasing your Zebco reel!  
With proper use and maintenance, this reel will deliver the highest quality of performance for many fishing adventures to come. Before heading out on the water, read the general information provided to ensure the best use of your new Zebco product! If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact our Consumer Service Department toll-free at 1-800-588-9030, or visit us online at Zebco.com.



### Removing Front Cover and Spinnerhead Assembly

#### Threaded Front Covers

Turn front cover counterclockwise until fully removed from the body of the reel. To remove spinnerhead assembly, hold the handle to prevent rotation and turn the spinnerhead counterclockwise.

#### Bayonet Front Covers

Turn front cover counterclockwise until it clicks, then pull front cover toward the first guide on the rod to remove. To remove spinnerhead assembly, hold the handle to prevent rotation and turn the spinnerhead counterclockwise.

### Respooling with Line

Start by mounting the reel on the rod and threading new mono or braided line through guides beginning at rod tip. Remove front cover from the reel, thread line through the front cover and

tie line to the spool. Replace front cover of the reel and start reeling on new line. The correct amount of line should fill the spool of the reel within 1/8" of the top lip of the spool. While loading line, stop periodically to see if there is an excessive amount of line twist. If there is significant line twist, stop and flip the spool of line over before continuing to load line.

### Recommended Maintenance

Zebco reels that take the brunt of your fishing adventures should be thoroughly cleaned and serviced more often, while reels that are used less frequently should be cleaned and lubricated annually. After use in saltwater, the reel and spool should be rinsed off with fresh water. If dropped in sand or dirt, the reel should be cleaned and re-lubricated before using.



### Warranty Information

Zebco products are warranted for a period of one (1) year from date of original retail purchase against defects in workmanship and/or materials. For defective products, we encourage you to contact an authorized Zebco Warranty Center in your area. Should a service center not be located in your area, please contact the Consumer Service Department for specific directions on how you can obtain service and/or parts for your Zebco product.

This warranty does not cover Zebco products damaged due to abuse or misuse. This warranty does not cover normal or excessive wear, including but not limited to any wear of the product caused by neglect of cleaning and lubrication required. This warranty does not cover any general service requirements due to owner's failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance.

Zebco products not covered by the Zebco Limited Warranty may be repaired at a nominal charge to the purchaser, provided parts are available.

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The warranties described herein shall be the sole and exclusive warranties granted by Zebco and shall be the sole and exclusive remedy available to the purchaser. Correction of defects, in the manner and time period described herein, shall constitute complete fulfillment of all liabilities and responsibilities of Zebco to the purchaser with regard to this product, and shall constitute full satisfaction of all claims, whether based on contract, negligence, strict liability or otherwise. Zebco shall not be liable or in any way responsible for any damages or defects caused by repairs or attempted repairs performed by anyone other than an authorized servicer. Nor shall Zebco be liable, or in any way responsible, for any incidental or consequential personal or property damage. Zebco reserves the right to amend or change this Warranty at any time.

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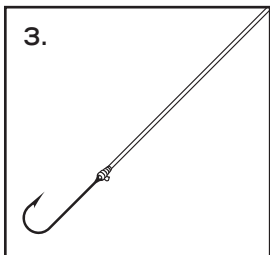
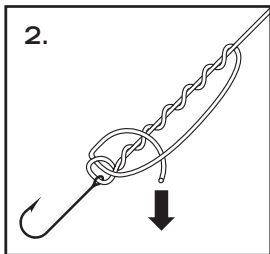
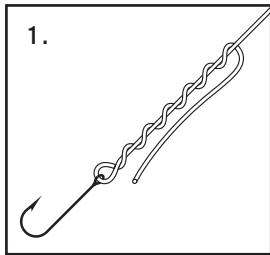
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## GETTING STARTED

### Lining the Rod

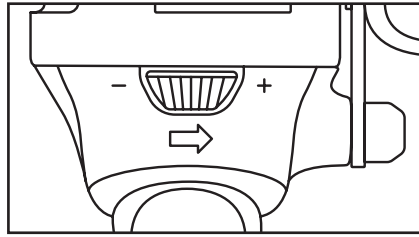
After making sure that your reel is attached to the rod, push the thumb button and pull tab and line through the line guide on the front cover. Once approximately 6-inches of line is out of the reel, cut tab off and carefully thread line through each guide on the rod starting with the guide closest to the reel until reaching the tip. When the line is through tip guide, ensure that the line is not twisted or looped around rod and then tie on bait, lures, or hooks.

### Tie a Knot



### Setting the Drag

The drag system allows line to be pulled from the reel under tension without breaking when a fish strikes or makes a quick run after being hooked. To set the drag, turn the drag knob to the right to increase the drag until there is a moderate amount of drag tension when line is pulled from the spool.

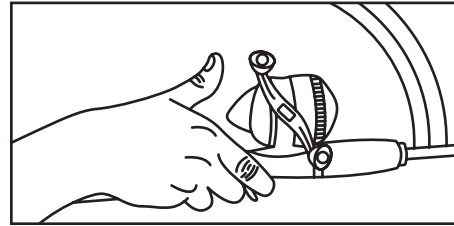
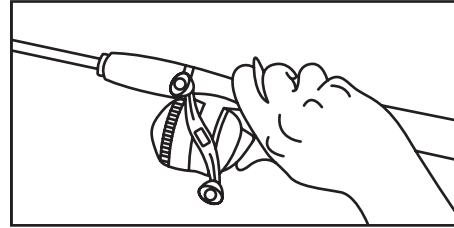


It's better to start fishing with your drag set on lower tension than higher tension. You can always increase the drag when a fish is on the line, but if the tension is too high, it may cause the line to break. When using lighter line, the drag tension should be set lower. Every time you fish with your Zebco reel, always test and set the drag before fishing and loosen the drag after. *(Note: Drag weight should be set at 1/3 the line weight. Example: 12 lb line should be set at 4 lbs drag.)*

### Casting a Spincast Reel

First, make sure the reel is secured in place and the line is threaded through the guides with a hook or lure tied to the end. Leave about 6-inches of the line hanging from the rod tip. Hold the rod in one hand with the reel above the rod and point the tip of the rod just above your casting target. Rest your thumb on the thumb button. Now raise your arm, bending at the elbow, until the top of the rod just passes your ear and points directly behind you. Push the button with

your thumb and keep it held down. Now whip the rod forward and release the button at the same time. To retrieve, turn the handle in a clockwise motion to pull line back onto spool.



### How to Tell When You Have a Bite

The bobber on your line will be the best indicator of a fish biting onto your hook. Ordinarily, it just bobs gently on the surface. Current will jostle it, wind will jiggle it, and you'll learn to distinguish those movements from the motions that signal a fish's presence. When the fish takes the bait, or strikes, the bobber sinks or moves sharply. If you've kept your line taut, the first real tug on the line means business. Fish business!

### Setting the Hook

If you feel the fish has taken your bait into its mouth, a quick tug on the fishing line will bring the point of the hook through the fish's lip. The jerking motion must be strong enough to let the hook pierce, but not so hard as to tear the lip or yank the bait from its mouth. If your tug meets with another tug, you have secured the fish on your line.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### REEL WILL NOT CAST LINE

**Spool has insufficient line length**  
Replace line (see Filling the Spool with Line)

**Line tangled behind spinnerhead**  
Remove front cover and spinnerhead assembly to untangle line

**Reel is spooled with inappropriate line**  
Remove line and respool reel with proper line. (Note: Braided line may not work with some spincast reels.)

### GEARS ARE ROUGH WHEN TURNING HANDLE

**Lack of lubrication**  
Apply oil or grease to moving parts

**Gears are dirty**  
Clean reel (see Recommended Maintenance)

**REEL WILL NOT PICK UP LINE**  
**Not enough tension on the line**  
Lightly pull line to create tension while reeling in

**Lack of lubrication on the spinnerhead pick-up arms**  
Clean and grease pick-up arms

**Spinnerhead spring is missing or broken**  
Replace spinnerhead assembly

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