

Peggys[✌]
Stitch Eraser[®] 9

User's Guide

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR PEGGY' STITCH ERASER® 9

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 , basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

1. Read instructions before using this wonderful tool.
2. Use this STITCH ERASER® 9 only for its intended use as described in this manual.
3. Do not use this unit with damaged or broken blades as damage to the fabric may occur.
4. Do not suspend this unit by cord. If the cord comes loose and the STITCH ERASER® 9 unit falls, it could result in damage to the blade or the whole unit.
5. The body of the STITCH ERASER® 9 will be slightly warm while being charged which is normal.
6. During operation, the STITCH ERASER® 9 body and blade surfaces may become warm. This is normal and will not affect performance.
7. NEVER charge the STITCH ERASER® 9 more than 24 hours. Doing so will shorten the life of rechargeable batteries inside this unit.

WARNING

To reduce the risk of burns, fire, electric shock or injury to users:

1. The charging unit should be removed from electrical outlet after the STITCH ERASER® 9 is fully charged.
2. Never operate STITCH ERASER® 9 if it has a damaged cord or plug. If it is not working properly or if it has been dropped or damaged, please return this stitch removal unit to Peggy's Stitch Eraser® for examination and repair.
3. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
4. NEVER drop or insert any object into any opening on the STITCH ERASER® 9 or the charger.
5. Do not use STITCH ERASER® 9 with damaged or broken blade teeth, as injury may occur.
6. The blades on STITCH ERASER® 9 have fine teeth for precise cutting. Handle carefully when using against the fabric in order to avoid accidentally damaging the material .

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 RECHARGEABLE CORD/CORDLESS UNIT

The unit may be used without a cord when fully charged. If the battery runs down, connect the AC/Charging plug directly to the STITCH ERASER® 9 (Corded Operation) and continue using your stitch removal tool.

CHARGING INSTRUCTIONS

- Remove PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 and AC/Charging unit from the packing material.
- Plug AC/Charging unit into any convenient electrical outlet at the correct voltage.
- Connect the AC/Charging plug to receptacle at the bottom of the STITCH ERASER® 9 (See fig.1 & 2) and the charge indicator lamp will light up. Charging time takes approximately 12 hours for a full charge.
- Remove the Charging Plug from the receptacle of the STITCH ERASER® 9 and immediately put this unit to use in removing stitches from garments.
- A fully charged STITCH ERASER® 9 will provide approximately 45 minutes of continuous operation.

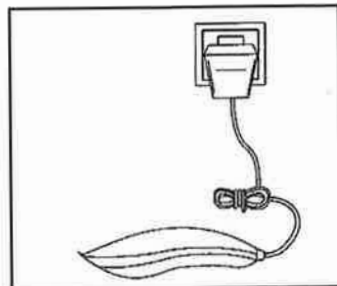


Fig. 1

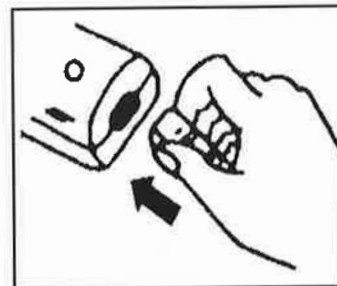


Fig. 2

AC OPERATION

- Connect the AC/Charging plug to the body in the same way as for charging and the set the switch "ON" to use the STITCH ERASER®9 .
- If the AC/Charging plug is connected to the STITCH ERASER®9 unit while the switch is "ON", the STITCH ERASER®9 may not operate. If this occurs, turn the switch "OFF", wait for about 10 seconds and then turn it "ON" again.
- Turn off the STITCH ERASER®9 when you are finished. If the switch is left in the "ON" position, the rechargeable battery will be completely discharged which will shorten the life of batteries.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If your STITCH ERASER®9 fails to operate when switched "ON", turn the switch "OFF" and check the batteries by connecting the AC/Charging plug to the receptacle in the rear of STITCH ERASER®9 for about 5 seconds and then turn it "ON". If it doesn't work, turn it "OFF" again and check to be sure blades are free to move. If blades become clogged with debris, manually pushing the blades back and forth few times may help free the blades and allow the STITCH ERASER®9 to operate. If it still fails to operate, contact the repair department.

CARING FOR YOUR STITCH ERASER®9

OILING BLADES

For best results, put a drop of oil (supplied) on the blades only when necessary or approximately twice a month. Motor bearings are permanently lubricated - do not attempt to oil.

NOTICE - DO NOT OVER OIL!

This STITCH ERASER®9 requires very little oiling. When it's necessary to oil, turn the STITCH ERASER®9 "ON", hold the unit with the blades facing UP, and squeeze one drop of oil onto the blades. (See fig. 2A) Wipe off excess oil with soft cloth. Excessive oiling or application of liquids will cause damage if allowed to seep back into the motor.

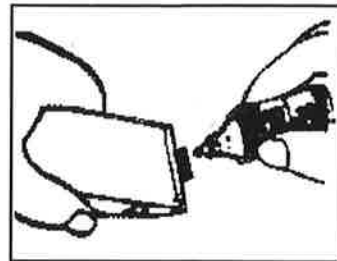


Fig. 2A

LINT BUILD-UP

When there's lint built-up inside the cavity between the top blade and the STITCH ERASER®9, it might be necessary to use a toothpick to pick or push out as much lint as possible. Use canned air to blow out remainder of lint while holding the STITCH ERASER® down to prevent lint from getting inside the motor.

BLADE CARE

STITCH ERASER®9 blades have precisely hardened, ground and lapped cutting teeth. Blades should be handled carefully and never bumped or used to cut dirty or abrasive material. Blades should be changed in sets only.

CLEANING/STORAGE

Before storing your STITCH ERASER®9, use the cleaning brush to whisk any loose debris from this unit. Store STITCH ERASER®9 in such a manner to protect blades from damage.

PUTTING PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER®9 TO WORK

PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER®9 is a wonderful time-saving stitch removal tool used by thousands in the embroidery and sewing industries. It will perform wonders if used properly in removing stitches from any garment. There are two important things to bear in mind while operating the STITCH ERASER®9 .

(a) Always hold the STITCH ERASER®9 in the position as shown on Fig.3 only on garments with Bobbin Thread exposed on the bottom side of the sewn area.

(b) DO NOT USE EXTRA PRESSURE ON THE STITCH ERASER®9 on fabrics. Just let the weight of the tool do the stitch removal operation while you guide this tool in areas to remove stitches. (See Fig. 3)

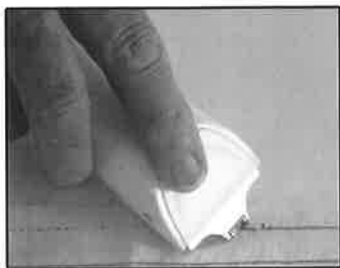


Fig. 3

PREPARATIONS PRIOR TO USING PEGGY STITCH ERASER® 9

When the need arises to remove stitches from sewn area of any garment, it is a good idea to:

1. Turn the sewn garment over where the bobbin thread shows up;
2. Use "Duck Bill" type fabric spring clamp to hold one end of the fabric to the table.
3. Hold opposite end of the fabric with your thumb and finger to "straighten" the fabric taut (not drum tight).

TO REMOVE LOCK, RUNNING, OVER/UNDERLAY STITCHES WITH EXPOSED BOBBIN THREAD

Turn the STITCH ERASER®9 on and point the "tooth area" of the blades against stitches for a second and then move along gradually in one direction (like pulling a rake toward you) while slightly moving side to side across the thread. You will see stitches disappear as you go on! After removing stitches, just simply pull the cloth apart. (See fig. 4 & 4A).



Fig. 4

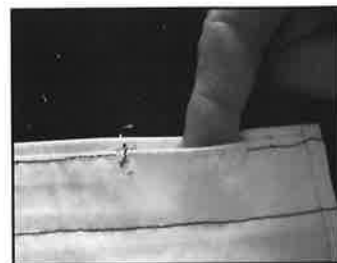


Fig. 4A

TO REMOVE STITCHES ON CUFFS, COLLARS AND MULTIPLE-PLY FABRICS

Stitches on cuffs, collars and multiple-ply fabrics are very tight and tend to form a "valley" on garments where the blades have a tendency to damage the fabric in order to reach the stitched area. To solve this problem, it is necessary to use a seam ripper to pick out two or three stitches (See Fig.8) and pull the fabric apart to create a small gap (just enough to insert the corner of the blade -- See Fig. 9). Turn the STITCH ERASER® 9 on and move it forward. You will see plied fabric open up effortlessly before your eyes. (See Fig. 10).

CAUTION: If there are two rows of stitches in one line, cut ONE row at a time, NOT two. If you try to save time by cutting two rows at the same time, you'll be likely to "accidentally" damage the fabric.



Fig. 8



Fig. 9



Fig. 10

EMBROIDERY:

QUALITY EMBROIDERY WITH BACKING MATERIALS:

Quality-oriented embroiderers almost always use backing material to stabilize the fabric, minimizing the shifting and stretching tendency during high-speed embroidery. This produces a superb finished product. Backing material enhances the speed of stitch removal when using PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 .

TO REMOVE EMBROIDERED LETTERS AND DESIGNS USING PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 :

When the need arises to remove stitches from the embroidered area on garments, it is a good idea to:

1. Turn the embroidered garment over where white bobbin thread shows up.
2. Hoop the entire embroidered area flat and taut (not drum tight).
3. Lay the hooped garment flat on the table.

SATIN STITCH: Turn the STITCH ERASER® 9 on and point the "tooth area" of the blades across the grain of the satin stitch for a second and then move along gradually in one direction or move it back and forth one or two times until the backing shows up. Continue sliding across the stitched area. Then turn the hooped garment to the front and pick the stitches out by scratching it with your fingernail or use the STITCH ERASER® 9 (with motor turned "OFF") to comb or rake stitches out of the embroidered area. NOTE: For very thin satin stitch or small letters, the edge of the blade should be laid flat against the embroidered area. DO NOT use pressure. Just glide over the area horizontally, vertically and circularly for at least 5 seconds or more. This specially designed blade configuration grinds away thread.

After turning on the STITCH ERASER® 9 , place the blades across the grain of the Satin Stitch and gently move them in one direction or back and forth until the backing appears. For faster cutting, tilt the STITCH ERASER® 9 approximately 5 degrees as illustrated. For very thin satin stitch, it is suggested that the edge of the blades are laid flat against the embroidered area. (See Fig. 11 and 12)

Once the stitches have been cut and the backing material is visible, flip the garment over. Use your fingernail or use the STITCH ERASER® 9 (with the motor turned OFF) to comb or rake the remaining thread.



Fig. 11



Fig. 12

STITCH ERASER® 9 BLADE REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

REMOVING AND CLEANING BLADES

To remove the blades, hold the STITCH ERASER® 9 firmly in your hand. Using your thumb, simply push the blades away from the front of the unit. The blades and the mounting plate behind them will all come off in one piece. (See Fig 20 and 21)

REPLACING THE BLADE

To replace the blades, place the hook at the bottom of the blade set into the space provided on the unit housing. Make sure the top pin on the cam shaft is to the farthest back center position (see Fig. 22). You may want to put a 'dot' inside the STITCH ERASER® 9 as shown in the picture to help remind you. (See Fig. 23) Snap the blade set into place. You will hear a click when the blades are fully in place.

CLEANING THE BLADE SET

To clean lint that may have become clogged between the blades, brush between the blades with the cleaning brush provided.

Always be sure to oil the blades after cleaning (See Fig. 24)



Fig. 20 & 21

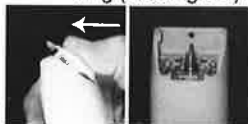


Fig. 22 & 23



Fig. 24

LIMITED WARRANTY

If your PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 fails to operate satisfactorily within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of original purchase, PEGGY'S® will at our option, repair or replace it and return it to you FREE OF CHARGE.

Our warranty does not cover blades which are wear-out-parts. Please mail your product pre-paid to PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 , 102 Hartmann Dr., Suite G #144, Lebanon, TN 37087. Attention: Repair Department, with a note describing the defect and the date of original purchase.

Products out of warranty will be repaired at our standard repair charges.

This warranty is void and no repair or replacement will be made under this warranty or otherwise if:

1. The product is modified in any manner.
2. The product is repaired by anyone other than PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 Inc.
3. The product has been subject to unreasonable use.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

No other written express warranty of merchantability which may arise from purchase or use is limited to the 180-day period provided in this express warranty. Some states may not allow such limitation, so it may not apply to you. No responsibility is assumed for incidental or consequential damages.

Warranty is valid in USA, and in certain countries where the PEGGY'S STITCH ERASER® 9 is sold. **NOTE:** You are encouraged to fill out warranty cards and mail it to PEGGY'S within 10 days after purchase of such product. Or, register your warranty at our website, www.peggy'sstitcheraser.com under the WARRANTY tab.

SPECIAL WARNING ABOUT TOWELS

It is the standard practice of a majority of embroiders to use backing material on the bottom of towels, and a water soluble (solvy) material to hold the nap down on towels during embroidery. If the stitches need to be removed after embroidery, precautions must be used:

1. Turn the towel over to reveal the bottom side where the Bobbin thread shows up.
2. Turn the motor ON, tilt the Stitch Eraser® 9 , about 5 degrees or more in order to guide the corner blade around the column of sewn letters lightly to prevent the blade from sinking too deep past the backing material.
3. Flip the towel up where the solvy appears and scratch off the loose thread from the towel. Solvy is very helpful to prevent loose thread from sinking into the nap during thread removal.
4. It is almost impossible to remove stitches from towels after they are washed.