Before operating this set, please read these instructions completely.
We want to thank you for selecting the SP-1S. For optimum performance, we recommend that you read these instructions carefully.

**Parts identification**

- Power switch/pitch lock knob
- Center spindle (Motor shaft)
- Turntable mat
- Pitch control button (+)
- Clear button
- Pitch control button (−)
- Start step button
- Speed select buttons
- Main unit fixing screw hole
- GND terminal
- Damping material
- Fixing screws
- Magnet

**Warning:** To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose this appliance to rain or moisture.
Before use

Caution:
- Never connect the AC power plug before assembly has been completed.
- Attach the dust cover last, so that assembly and adjustments can be made most conveniently.

Checklist of parts
- Turntable unit: 1
- Turntable platter: 1
- Turntable mat: 1
- 45-rpm adaptor: 1
- Main unit fixing screw: 4
- Ground wire (GND): 1
- Installation diagram: 1

Installation of the ground wire (GND) to the GND terminal. (See Fig. 1.)

Building your own base or cabinet for this model
SP-15 with a large starting torque of 3 kg·cm (2.61 lb·in) has the superior feature of reaching constant speed in 0.4 second (at 33-1/3 rpm.). For this reason we recommend that you use durable and heavy material. The thickness of the base should be more than 3 cm (1-11/64 inch). Also use durable and stable insulators (legs).

We recommend that you purchase the optional turntable base Technics SH-1581 as the cabinet exclusively for the SP-15. (See Fig. 2.)

Drill and cut out the base according to the installation diagram
The installation diagram is drawn in 1/1 actual size. As paper has a tendency to stretch we suggest that you check the diagram before using it as a template. Also check dimensions for printing errors. Check the tonearm mounting position for proper alignment (follow the tonearm manufacturer's specifications). Also make sure to allow sufficient clearance for power connector and output terminals of the tonearm.

Assembly and set-up

Caution: Use care not to damage the power supply cord and bushing when setting up or installing the turntable into a supporting enclosure.

Assembling is explained based on the optional Technics turntable base SH-1581 for reference in cases where the unit is installed in another cabinet.

SH-1581 is provided with screw holes (4 places) for mounting SP-15.

1. Install SP-15, with the screw holes aligned.

2. Securely hold at 4 places by the screws supplied with SH-1581. (See Fig. 4.)

3. Pull out the power cord and ground wire (GND) from under the turntable base.

4. After the above, install the turntable platter and turntable mat.
Connections

- Connect the AC power plug
  Connect the AC power plug to an AC wall socket.
  Connect the ground wire (GND) to "GND" of the amplifier or receiver.

- Connect the output terminals
  
  Note: Be sure to connect the ground terminal firmly to the amplifier or receiver. If this connection is not made or is loose, a power source "HUM" will result.

Placement

- Place the unit in a stable and horizontal position, where there is little or no vibration.
- Locate the unit as far away from the speakers as possible and isolate the unit from sound radiation from them.
- Do not place the unit where it is exposed to direct sun, dust, moisture or heat.
- Keep it in a well ventilated place.
- When a radio is placed too close to the turntable and is played, while the turntable is in operation, interference with AM reception may result.

How to operate

1. Set the Power switch / pitch lock knob to the "on" position. (See Fig. 5.)

   The revolutions are indicated at 33 (33-1/3 rpm.) of the speed selector knob and digital speed indicator. (Fig. 6.)

   Upon setting the power switch / pitch lock knob to "on", the revolutions are changed over to 33-1/3 rpm. at all times. If the record to be played is other than a 33-1/3 rpm., depress the speed select button to suit the phono disc to be played. When the power switch / pitch lock knob is set to "pitch lock", the pitch control button and speed select button are locked so as not to be actuated even if the buttons are accidentally touched during playing. (See Fig. 7.) Therefore, for selecting the speeds or operating the pitch control, first set the power switch / pitch lock knob to the position "on".
2. Place a record on the turntable mat. Push the start • stop button. (See Fig. 8.) The turntable platter will begin to rotate and reach its constant rotation speed 0.4 sec. (33-1/3 rpm.).

3. Upon completion of playing, depress the start • stop button. The turntable is instantly (0.4 second) stopped by the double brake system.

4. After that, set the power switch/pitch lock knob to "off". (See Fig. 9.)

- Pitch control (turntable speed fine adjustment).
  The Quartz Synthesizer system is being employed for the first time in the world. A high degree of pitch control accuracy over a wide range (± 9.9%) in 0.1% increments can be obtained with the quartz perfectly locked.
  The pitch control is continuously variable up to 9.9%.
  The pitch variations which are clearly indicated by the LED digital indicator provide you with accurate and easy selection.

The pitch control can be selected in increments of 0.1% which is below the threshold of human perception. (See Fig. 10.)

The pitch control also enables you to accurately and precisely tune musical instruments and by varying the pitch slightly, to obtain a different musical note from the record. (See Fig. 11.) For a half-tone change:
+5.9% (5)
−5.6% (b)

Another feature of the variable pitch control over a wide range of ±9.9% is that it makes singing along with a melody easy for a chorus, or for playing a record for accompaniment only. (See Fig. 12.)

By pressing the clear button which is located between the "+" and "−" pitch buttons, you can quickly return the set to normal playing speed. (See Fig. 13.)
Notes and maintenance

Be extremely careful about handling the turntable platter.
(See Fig. 14.)
The magnet is attached to the inner reverse surface of the turntable platter.
For handling, extra care should be taken to prevent adhesion of dust or iron filings to the magnet, and to not damage the magnet by accidentally dropping it from a high position.
Do not detach the turntable platter more than necessary.
Should the turntable platter be removed by necessity be sure to first disconnect the power plug.
Keep your hands off the screws at the reverse surface of the turntable platter and motor portion.
Should these screws be loosened, the rated performance of the unit cannot be guaranteed.

- Wipe the unit with a soft, dry cloth.
Never use any cleaners containing alcohol, benzene or thinner. Use of a chemical dust cloth should also be avoided.

Lubrication
Apply 2 or 3 drops of oil once after every 2000 hours of operation. (See Fig. 15.)
This time interval is much longer than that of conventional type motors (200—500 hours).
Please purchase original brand of oil (Part number is SFWO 010.)

For longer and safer use of this unit

In order to receive the best service from this unit, and for the safest operation, carefully read the following information.

- Power source
It is very dangerous to use this unit at a voltage which is different from the rated voltage.
There is danger of combustion if the unit is connected to a power source which is different from the rated voltage.
Be very careful concerning this point.
Direct current cannot be used.
There are some places, such as ships, where direct current is used as the power source. Before connecting the unit, confirm the power source.

- Connection of power cord
Wet hands are dangerous.
Be sure to never touch the power cord with wet hands because there is danger of electric shock. This is true, of course, of all electric equipment.
Do not pull the power cord.
Never pull the power cord to disconnect it. Always pull the plug only.

- Location of unit
Choose a place which is not in direct sunlight.
Select a place which will assure good ventilation.

- Never place heating equipment nearby.
Be sure to keep stoves and other sources of heat away from this unit, because heat radiated by such equipment may cause deformation of plastic parts or damage the cabinet, or, at worst, cause a fire.

- Especially for families with children
Take care that no small items, such as metal objects, are put inside this unit.
In addition, children should be especially warned not to put anything into the ventilation holes, such as toys or a screwdriver because these things may cause an electric shock or result in a malfunction of the unit.

- If water spills on the unit
If water should happen to spill on the unit, from an overturned vase for example, there is danger of fire or electric shock. Disconnect the power plug from the electric outlet immediately, and contact the store from which the unit was purchased.

- Reconstruction can cause accidents
Absolutely never try to remodel, reconstruct or repair this unit yourself. Do not attempt to touch any internal parts because to do so may result in an electric shock or other accident.

- Be sure the power is off.
After you have finished using this unit, check once more to be sure that the power is off. If the unit is left with the power on for a long period of time, it may not only be damaged, thus shortening its useful life, but may also lead to a dangerous accident.
Features

- Vibration damping structure by the preCision Oversized turntable that cuts off and absorbs external vibrations.
- Electronic circuits of more than 3,000 discrete elements concentrated into 4 ICs.
- Quartz Controlled Rotation Accuracy
- Quartz Synthesizer system that for the first time in the world has made it possible to achieve a digital pitch control of ± 9.9% in 0.1% increments.
- Pitch lock mechanism capable of locking the speed selection and pitch control operation
- Highly efficient pulse power supply circuit is employed for the DC power source
- Stable and positive mechanism that can stand frequent use for business use, etc. and a switch section with point contacts.

Specifications

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