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Congratulations! You are now the proud owner of a fine clock from Sternreiter. These timepieces have been constructed the same way for generations. For this reason, much of the technology involved is no longer completely familiar to our Twenty-First Century lives. If you have any questions about your new clock, call your dealer immediately. You should be able to find their contact information on your receipt. Please also be sure to visit our website for in-depth assistance. Click on the "Instructions" link for all kinds of helpful articles including videos, pictures, and sound clips. For added information on your clock and all kinds of clocks be sure to visit our blog at [www.GermanClocks.org](http://www.GermanClocks.org).

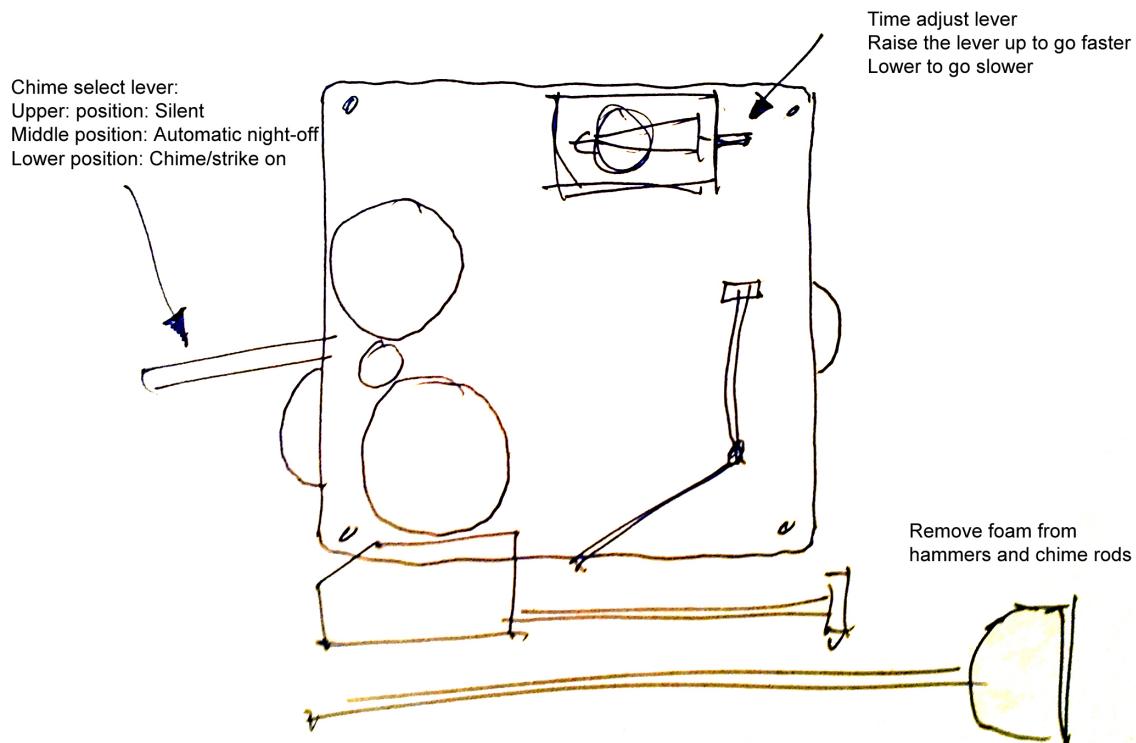
**SAVE ALL PACKING AND PAPERWORK!** Although each clock has been carefully inspected before shipment you will need everything in case of any problems.

Carefully remove the clock from the box and surrounding packaging. Be sure and find the winding key in the separate packaging within the main box. Remove the foam piece from the chime rods.

Use the enclosed key to wind all three arbors (keyholes) in the face of the clock. The middle arbor powers the timekeeping function. The outer two arbors power the chiming and striking. In order for the clock to sound correct, you must wind all three arbors. If you do not wish to hear the clock chime or strike, you may only wind the center arbor. Be sure to wind the clock fully. **YOU CANNOT "OVERWIND" THE CLOCK.** It is not possible to wind the clock too far. In order for proper function, the clock must be wound all the way to the stop at the end.

The clock might start to sound the chime as you are winding. This is normal. Keep winding the clock to the stopping point.

To set the correct time, move the minute hand (long hand) to the desired time. It is best to move the minute hand COUNTER-CLOCKWISE. This way, you do not have to wait at each quarter-hour for the chime to finish. Please DO NOT TOUCH THE HOUR HAND (short hand). The hour hand will follow along with the minute hand. For example, if you want to move the clock back three hours, you must go around with the minute hand three complete revolutions.



Once the clock is set and running, there might be a self-adjusting phase of about an hour for the chimes to re-sequence themselves.

Once the time is properly set, you may adjust the chrome Chime Select Lever on the inside of the clock. Open the back panel for access. (See picture of mechanism for reference) This lever activates or deactivates the chiming function. The lever is located to the side of the main brass mechanism. In addition to the ability of selecting On or Off, you have the option for an Automatic Night Shut-Off. This directs the clock to be silent during the evening hours. If your lever is on the middle setting, and you aren't hearing chiming sounds when you expect to, you are probably in the wrong AM/PM setting. Simply move the minute hand (longer hand) forward 12 hours until the correct time is reached. Do not move the hour hand alone. When moving the minute hand forward, it is best to turn the chime Off (move the lever to the Up position) so that you don't have to wait for the clock to finish chiming after every quarter-hour.

#### **Procedure to set the time for use with the Automatic Night-Off chime selection:**

1. Wind all three arbors completely.
2. Move the Chime Select Lever to the middle position.
3. Move the minute hand (long hand) counter-clockwise to 11:47
4. Slowly move the minute hand (long hand) clockwise to 12:00 so that the clock chimes. Does the clock chime?
5. If the clock chimed at the 12:00, you are at 12:00 noon. Turn the chime select lever to the top (or silent) position. Now you should move the minute hand (longer hand) CLOCKWISE until the correct time is reached. Once you have reached the correct time, set the Chime Select Lever to the middle position.
6. If the clock did not chime at the 12:00, you are at 12:00 midnight. Turn the chime select lever to the top (or silent) position. Now you should move the minute hand (longer hand) CLOCKWISE until the correct time is reached. Once you have reached the correct time, set the Chime Select Lever to the middle position.

#### **Regulating your clock:**

It might be necessary to adjust the clock for accurate time keeping. There is a lever next to the escapement (see diagram) that can be raised or lowered to regulate the time. Move the lever upwards to speed up the clock, or lower to slow the timekeeping down. Remember: when making adjustments to the time, you'll need to adjust the hands. Make only a small adjustment each time (about half of a millimeter).

#### **If you have any problems:**

**Call the store or website where you purchased the clock.** Many problems can be solved over the phone. Otherwise they can direct you where and how to send the clock for a repair or replacement. We have a two-year guarantee on our clocks and all claims are handled through the dealer from whom you purchased the clock.

**Visit our website and follow our blog.** We have comprehensive help articles and updates almost every week. You can find a wealth of information on this and other fine clocks. You can get there through our website, or directly at [www.GermanClocks.org](http://www.GermanClocks.org)

## **Most Common Errors When Installing a Mechanical Clock:**

**Be sure to wind the clock fully.** Most problems occur when the three arbors aren't completely wound.

Constant running of mechanical parts always causes wear, but proper servicing will allow your timepiece to last for generations. These clocks should be oiled and cleaned by a certified clock technician every 5-7 years.

Whatever the problem, if something doesn't seem to be working properly, **DO NOT USE FORCE!** Reread the instructions or call the dealer from where you purchased the clock.

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