PARTS LIST/TECHNICAL GUIDE ANALOGUE SOLAR Cal. V172A/V174A

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Cal. No.			V172A/V174A				
V172A			V174A				
St. A. B. C.							
			3 hands Diameter: Outside 27.6 mm minute and small second Casing 27.0 mm ands), 24-hour indicator Height: 4.4 mm				
Motion of the second hand			One-second intervals				
Driving s	ystem		Stepping motor 4 pieces				
Additional function			Energy depletion forewarning function (The second hand moves at two-second intervals.) Overcharge prevention function Electronic circuit reset function Second hand stop function Date calendar Instant setting device for date calendar System reset function Stopwatch function60-minute stopwatch in 1/5-second increments (Auto stop measuring at 60 minutes) Accumulated elapsed time measurement Split time measurement Single-time alarm function Stopwatch hand position adjustment				
		Normal position	Stopwatch				
Crown ope	ration	1st click position	Date setting(counter clockwise), Time setting of alarm				
		2nd click position	Time setting, System reset, Setting "0" of stopwatch hand				
Loss/Gain	1		Monthly rate:less than 15 seconds (worn on the wrist at temperature range between 5 to 35 degrees Centigrade)				
Regulation	n syste	em	Nil				
Gate time	for rat	e measurement	Use 10-second gate				
Current consumption			Movement: less than 0.80 μA Circuit block: less than 0.40 μA				
Coil resistance			4002 541 1.90 - 2.30 k Ω (COIL BLOCK) (COIL BLOCK FOR STOPWATCH SECOND) 4002 542 1.75 - 2.15 k Ω (COIL BLOCK FOR STOPWATCH MINUTE) (COIL BLOCK FOR ALARM)				
	Power generator		Solar power generation system				
Power	Rechargeable battery		MT920 Manganese titanium lithium rechargeable battery				
supply	Operating voltage range		0.90V - 2.10V				
	Power reserve		From full charge to stoppage: Approximately 6 months				
Number of jewels		ls	Nil				

SEIKO WATCH CORPORATION

FEATURES

The Cal. V172A/V174A are analogue chronograph watches with a solar power generation system.

Solar power generation system

The watch operates while charging electricity by converting light received on the dial to electrical energy. It lasts for 6 months after full charge.

Energy depletion forewarning function

When the energy stored in the rechargeable battery is reduced to an extremely low level, the second hand starts moving at 2-second intervals instead of the normal 1-second intervals.

Guideline of charging time

Environment/Light source	Illumination	Time required	Time required	Time to charge
	(lux)	for full charge	for steady	1 day of power
			operation	
General offices/ Fluorescent	700	-	60 hours	150 minutes
Light				
30W 20cm/Fluorescent light	3,000	110 hours	13 hours	33 minutes
30W 3cm/ Fluorescent light	10,000	30 hours	3.5 hours	9 minutes
Cloudy weather/Sunlight	10,000	30 hours	3.5 hours	8 minutes
Fair weather/Sunlight	100,000	5 hours	0.6 hours	2 minutes

The above table provides only a general guideline.

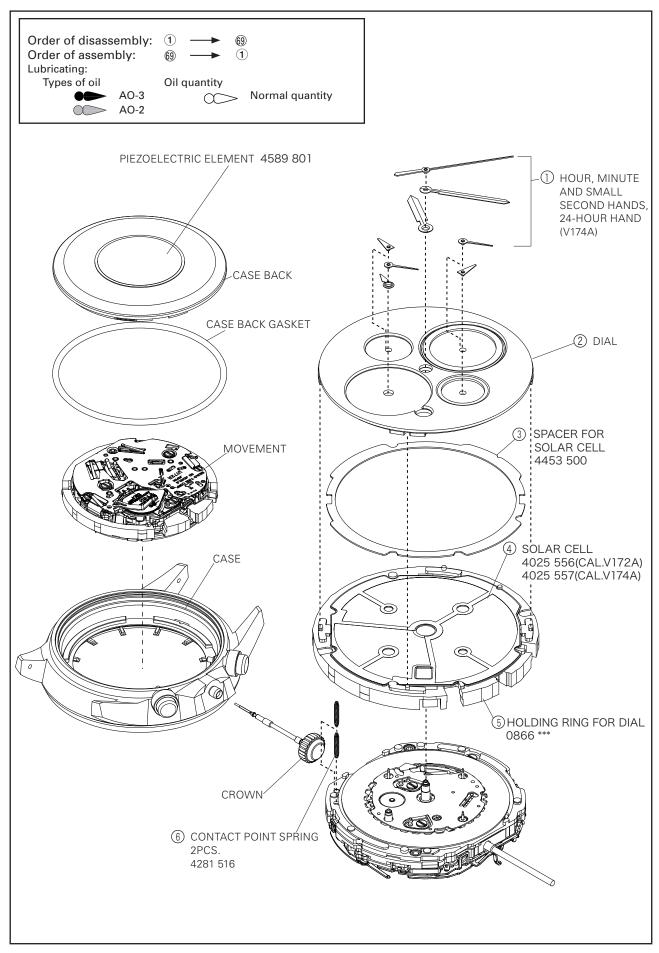
It is recommended that the watch be charged for as long as the charging time according to the column "Time required for steady operation" in this table in order to assure the stable movement of the watch.

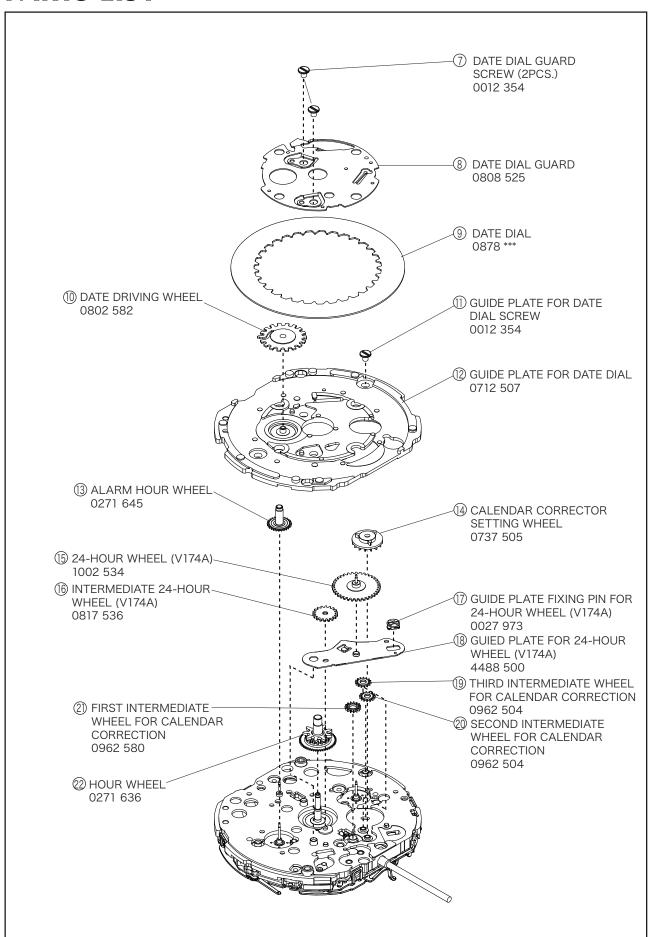
Caution for charging

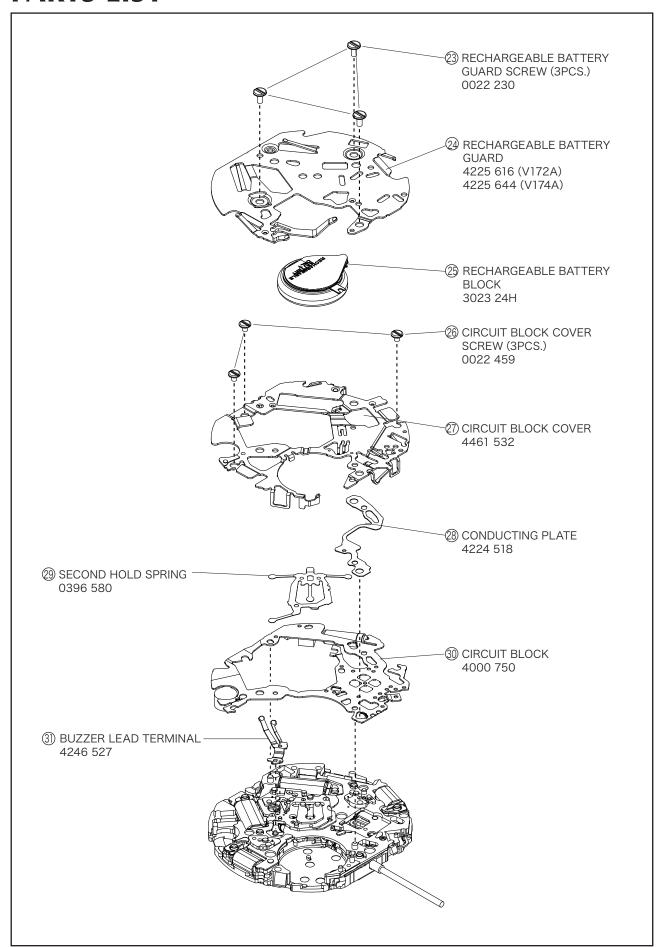
When charging the watch, do not place it too close to a photo flash light, spotlight, incandescent light or other light sources as the watch temperature will become extremely high, causing damage to the parts inside the watch.

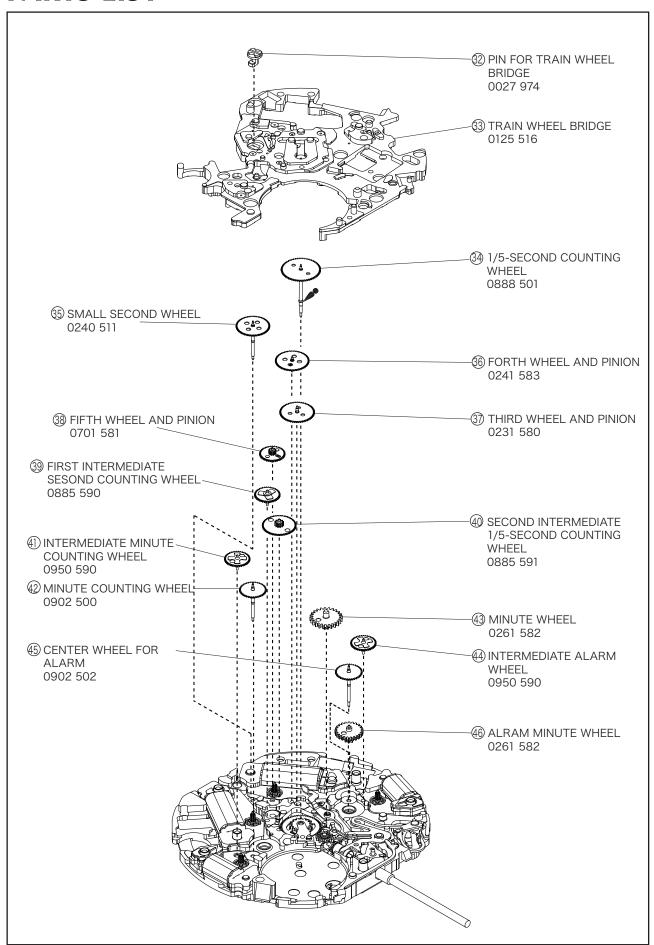
When exposing the watch to sunlight to charge it, do not leave it on the dashboard of a car, etc. for a long time, as the watch temperature becomes extremely high.

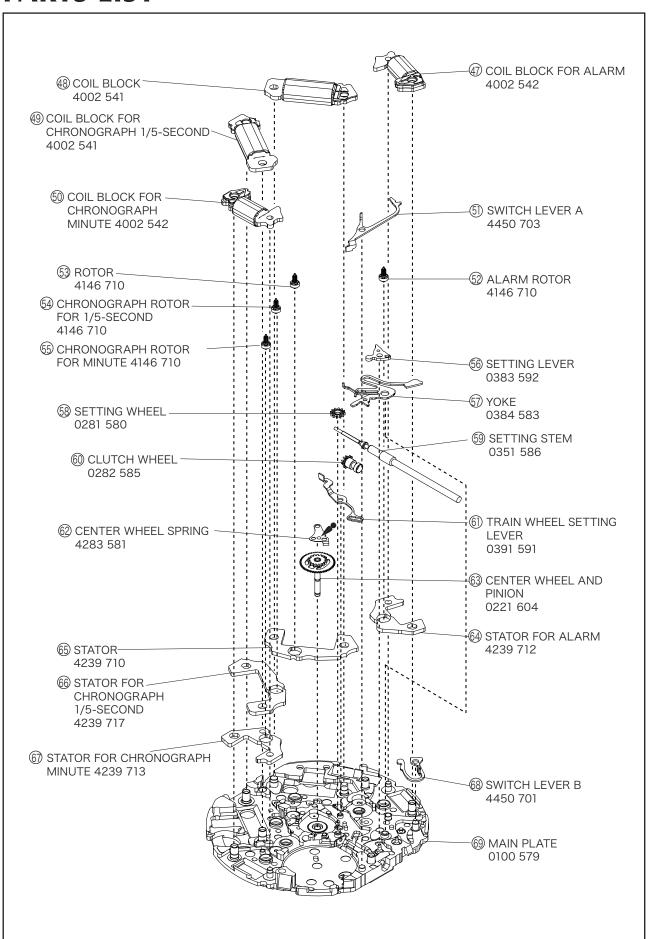
While charging the watch, make sure the watch temperature does not exceed 60 °C.











• How to find the correct parts, if not determined by 4 digit caliber number

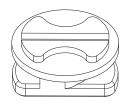
Following parts are determined based on the design of watches, such as hands height, dial color, and design of cases. Please refer to the SEIKO WATCH PARTS CATALOGUE in order to choose the corresponding parts.

⑤ HOLDING RING FOR DIAL 0866 ***
 ⑨ DATE DIAL 0878 ***
 ⑥ SETTING STEM 0351 586

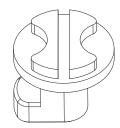
The type of HOLDING RING FOR DIAL is determined based on the design of cases. Check the case number and refer to the "SEIKO WATCH PARTS CATALOGUE" to choose the corresponding parts.

① GUIDE PLATE FIXING PIN② TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE FIXING PINO027 973

Refer to the following figures.

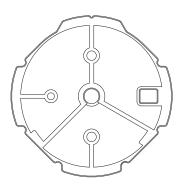


① GUIDE PLATE FIXING PIN FOR 24-HOUR WHEEL 0027 973

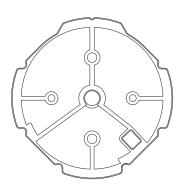


TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE FIXING PIN 0027 974

4025 556 (V172A)/4025 557 (V174A)



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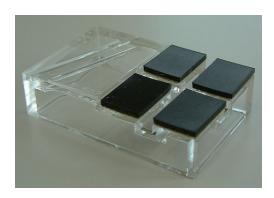


4025 557 (V174A)

• Tools and consumables required for disassembling/reassembling

• Movement holder

UNIVERSAL MOVEMENT HOLDER (S-682)



Watch oils

SEIKO watch oils (AO-3 and AO-2) and SEIKO watch grease S-6

AO-3



AO-2



S-6



REMARKS ON DISASSEMBLING AND REASSEMBLING

1 HANDS

How to install

* Match the polarity of the ROTORs for STOPWATCH and ALARM, and then install the hands.

Check that the voltage of rechargeable battery exceeds 1.2 V and the watch is working.

*Crown position: normal position.

Short-circuit in touching the AC pattern and the rechargeable battery guard with tweezers (refer to the Fig. 1).

In order to match the polarity of the ROTORs, short-circuit in touching the pattern A and the rechargeable battery guard with tweezers (refer to the Fig. 2).

Install the CHRONOGRAPH minute hand, the alarm hour hand and the alarm minute hand at "0" position.

Pull out the crown to the second position, then turn it clockwise in order to change the calendar.

Install the small second hand, the 24-hour hand (V174A), the hour hand, the minute hand and the CHRONOGRAPH second hand at "0" position.

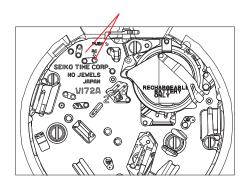


Fig. 1

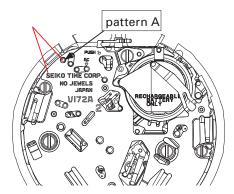
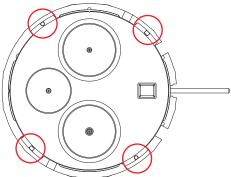


Fig. 2

2 DIAL

How to install

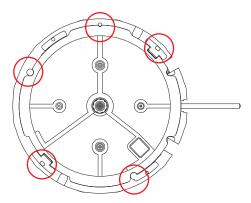
Set the notched portions of the dial to the guide posts (4 posts) of the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL, and check that the dial is fixed in position.



③ SPACER FOR SOLAR CELL

· How to install

Set the notched portions of the SPACER FOR SOLAR CELL to the guide posts (5 posts) of the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL, and check that the dial is fixed in position.

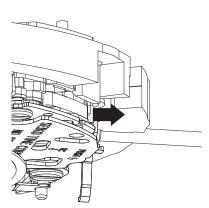


REMARKS ON DISASSEMBLING AND REASSEMBLING THE MOVEMENT

- 4 SOLAR CELL
- **5** HOLDING RING FOR DIAL
- * It is not necessary to separate the SOLAR CELL and the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL except in the case that a part needs to be replaced.
- Disassembling and Reassembling of HOLDING RING FOR DIAL

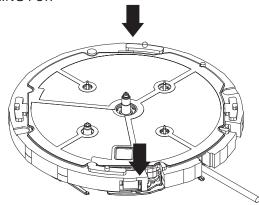
<Disassembling>

- 1. The HOLDING RING FOR DIAL is fixed to the movement by the hooking portion at 4 o'clock and 11 o'clock positions.
- 2. Insert the tip of a screwdriver into the gap between the hooking portion and main plate as shown with arrow marks in the illustration to release the hooking portion from the main plate.



<Reassembling>

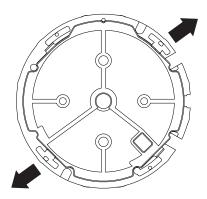
- 1. Set the 2 hooking portions to 4 o'clock and 11 o'clock positions as shown in the illustration.
- Gently push the hooking positions of HOLDING RING FOR DIAL so that they catch the main plate securely.



- Disassembling and Reassembling of SOLAR CELL
 - * Do not apply excessive force to the SOLAR CELL.

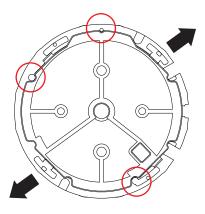
<Disassembling>

As there are 2 connection parts of the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL, release them side by side.



<Assembling>

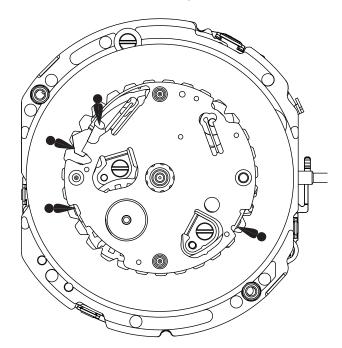
Set the SOLAR CELL to 3 guide posts, and assemble it to the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL by expanding the hooking portion as shown in the illustration.



8 DATE DIAL GUARD

Lubrication

Lubricate the DATE JUMPER and the tip of the DATE DIAL.

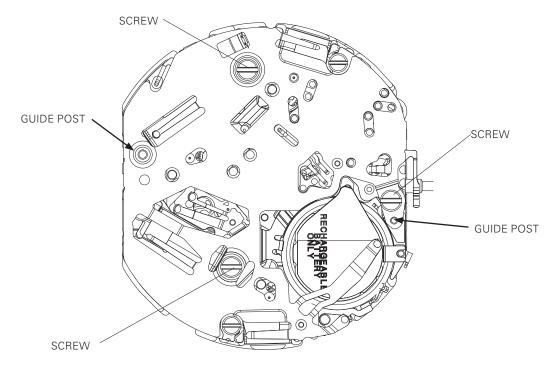




4 RECHARGEABLE BATTERY GUARD

Assembling

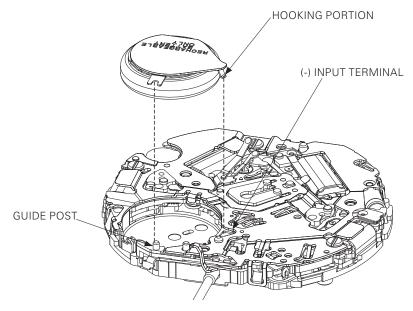
Set the RECHARGEABLE BATTERY GUARD to the guide posts (2 posts), and then tighten the rechargeable battery guard screws (3 pcs.).



25 RECHARGEABLE BATTERY BLOCK

Assembling

Set the notched portion of the RECHARGEABLE BATTERY BLOCK to the guide post, and check that the hooking portion of the RECHARGEABLE BATTERY BLOCK touches the (-) output terminal of the CIRCUIT BLOCK.



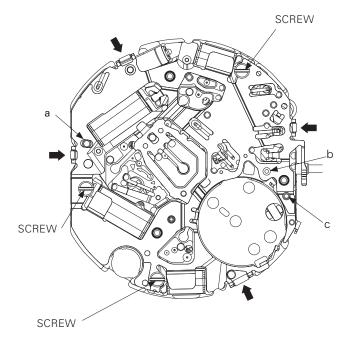
② CIRCUIT BLOCK COVER

Disassembling

- 1. Loosen the 3 CIRCUIT BLOCK COVER SCREWs.
- 2. Release the 4 hooking portions of the CIRCUIT BLOCK COVER (indicated by the arrows in the illustration below.)

Assembling

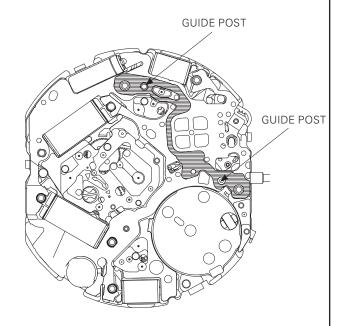
- 1. Have the four hooking portions of the CIRCUIT BLOCK COVER (indicated by the arrows in the illustration below) catch the movement securely. In doing so, check if the circuit block is set properly to guide posts "a" and "b," and reset it in position if necessary.
- 2. Tighten the 3 CIRCUIT BLOCK COVER SCREWs. When tightening the screws, take care not to cut the coil.



28 CONDUCTING PLATE

Assembling

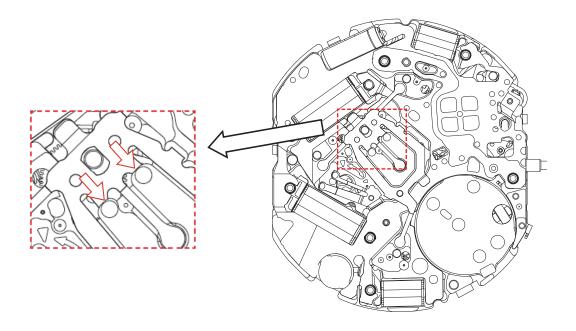
Put the CONDUCTING PLATE on the CIRCUIT BLOCK as shown in the illustration, and secure it with the 2 guide posts.



29 SECOND HOLD SPRING

Reassembly

Slide a part of the SECOND HOLD SPRING under the TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE.



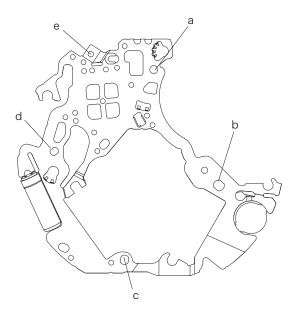
30 CIRCUIT BLOCK

Disassembling

Taking care not to damage the CIRCUIT BLOCK, remove it from the posts of the TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE and the screw pins of the MAIN PLATE (refer to a, b, c, d and e in the illustration).

Reassembling

Set the guide holes of the CIRCUIT BLOCK (refer to a, b, c, d and e in the illustration) to the posts of the TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE and the screw pins of the MAIN PLATE.



32 PIN FOR TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE

Disassembling

Turn the PIN FOR TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE counter clockwise by 90 degrees, and loosen it.

Reassembling

Set the PIN FOR TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE as shown in the illustration, and tighten it by turning clockwise by 90 degrees. (Refer to the Fig. 1.)

<Lubrication>

After fastening the PIN FOR TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE, lubricate the upper part of the pivots of the following parts (refer to the Fig. 2):

• 4 ROTORs: AO-2

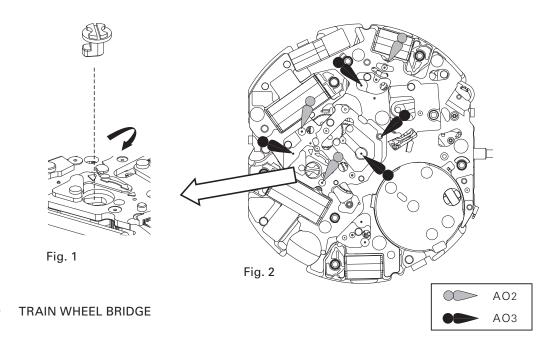
• MINUTE WHEEL: AO-3

• SMALL SECOND HAND: AO-3

• MINUTE COUNTING WHEEL: AO-3

ALARM MINUTE WHEEL: AO-3

• 1/5-SECOND COUNTING WHEEL: AO-3

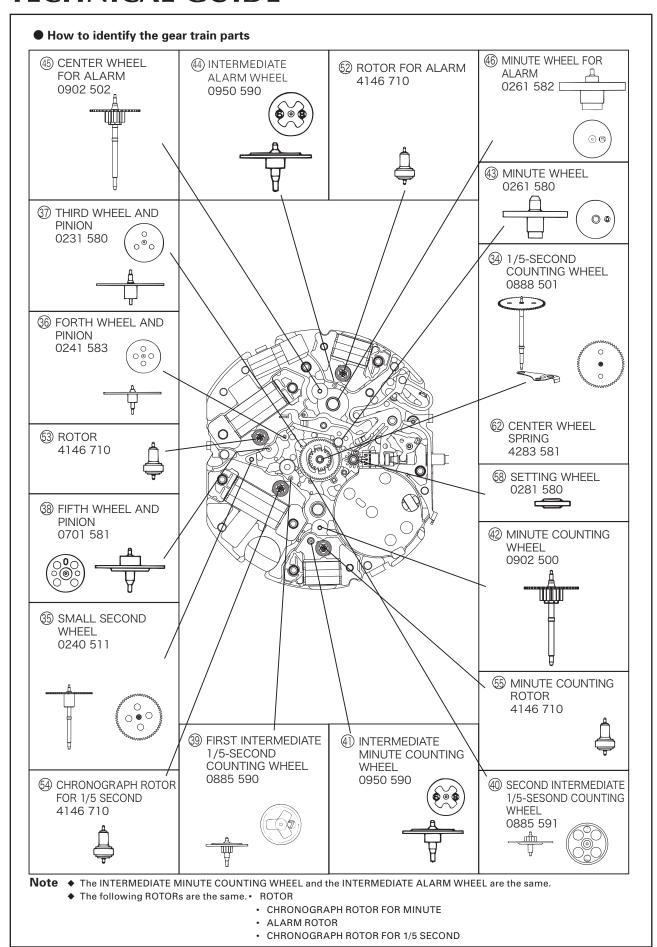


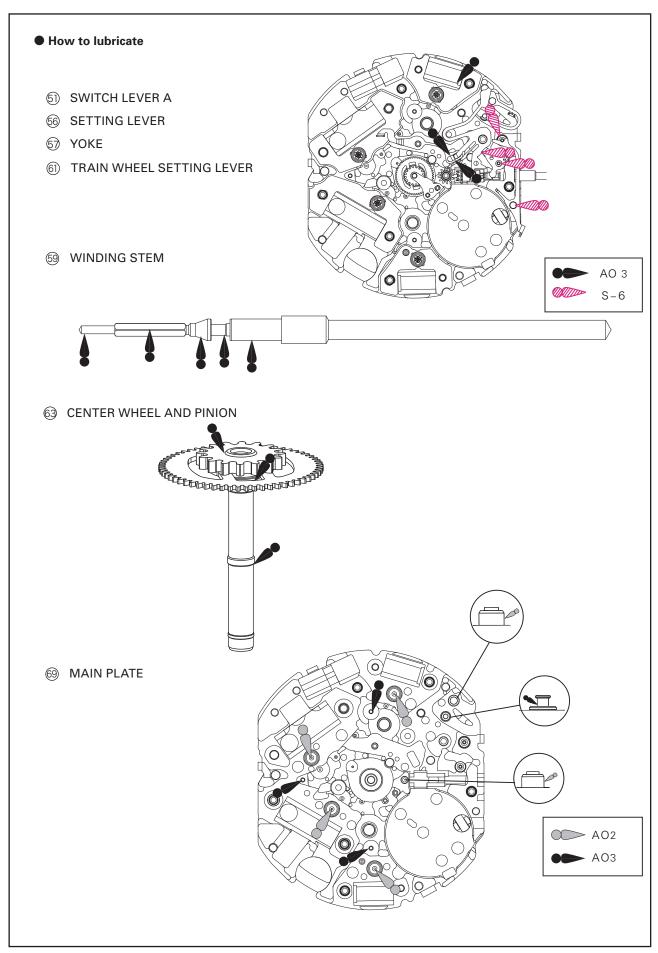
Assembling

- 1. Check the setting positions of the WHEELs and ROTORs carefully. Be sure to check that lower pivot of rotors are set to the MAIN PLATE properly.
- 2. Pull out the SETTING STEM to the 1st click position.
- 3. Install the TRAIN WHEEL BRIDGE without pushing hardly. If the BRIDGE can not be installed smoothly, recheck the setting position of WHEELs and ROTORs as some parts may be set in the wrong position.

<Setting position>

Refer to the illustration in the next page.





REMARKS ON INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

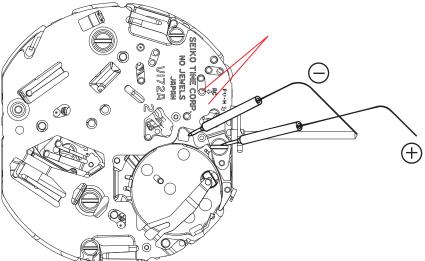
• CHECKING THE ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

<Coil resistance>

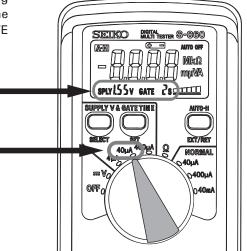
- 8 COIL BLOCK (4002 541) between 1.90 and 2.30 k Ω
- Φ COIL BLOCK FOR CHRONOGRAPH 1/5 SECOND (4002 541) between 1.90 and 2.30 kΩ
- 50 COIL BLOCK FOR CHRONOGRAPH MINUTE (4002 542) between 1.75 and 2.15 kΩ
- 40 COIL BLOCK FOR ALARM (4002 542) between 1.75 and 2.5 k Ω

<How to measure the current consumption for the whole movement>

- 1) Remove (5) HOLDING RING FOR DIAL, (4) SOLAR CELL and (5) RECHARGEABLE BATTERY BLOCK from the movement.
- 2) Set 4 RECHARGEABLE BATTERY GUARD, and then tighten 3 screws.
- 3) Connect the (-) probe to the (-) input terminal of (48) COIL BLOCK and the (+) probe to the (+) input terminal of (48) COIL BLOCK as illustration.
- 4) Touch the AC terminal of the CIRCUIT BLOCK and the switch spring with the tweezers to reset the circuit as illustrated.



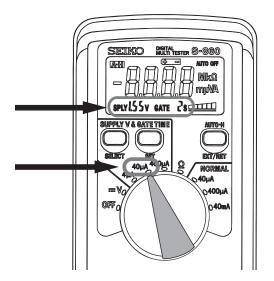
* When measuring the current consumption using the SEIKO digital multi-tester (S-860), use the range of 40 μA of SUPPLY V (=1.55 V) & GATE TIME (2S).



- 3) Wait until a stable measurement becomes available. It usually takes 30 seconds to a few minutes for getting a stable measurement.
- 4) Make sure that the read value is less than 0.95 μA .

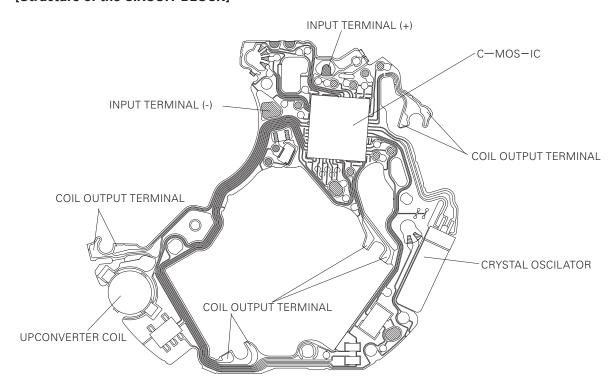
<How to measure the current consumption for the CIRCUIT BLOCK alone>

- 1) Connect each probe to the appropriate (-) and (+) input terminal of ③ CIRCUIT BLOCK (please refer to the "Structure of the CIRCUIT BLOCK" below).
- * When measuring the current consumption using the SEIKO digital multi-tester (S-860), use the range of 40 μ A of SUPPLY V (=1.55 V) & GATE TIME (2S).
- * Avoid exposing the CIRCUIT BLOCK to direct light in order to obtain the correct measurement.



- 2) Wait until a stable measurement becomes available. It usually takes 30 seconds to a few minutes for getting a stable measurement.
- 3) Make sure that the read value is less than 0.30 μA .

[Structure of the CIRCUIT BLOCK]



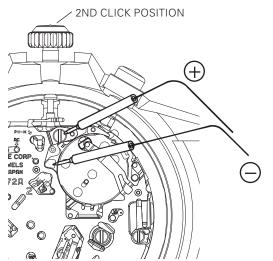
Note:

In case the measurement of the current consumption for a whole movement exceeds the standard value but the measurement for the circuit falls below the standard value, a problem in the gear train mechanism is suspected. Please disassemble and overhaul the movement and measure the current again.

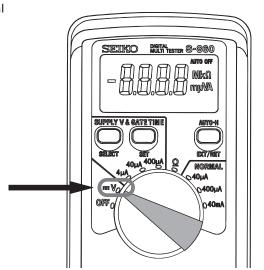
• CHECKING THE SOLAR POWER GENERATION SYSTEM

<How to check the solar power generation with the watch>

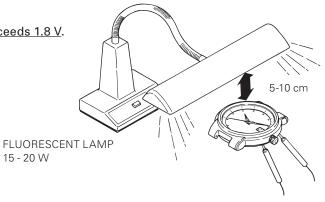
- 1) Remove the RECHARGEABLE BATTERY UNIT from the watch.
- 2) Pull out the crown to the 2nd click in order to reset the circuit.
- 3) Connect the (-) probe and (+) probe as illustrated.



* When measuring the voltage using the SEIKO digital multi-tester (S-860), use the range of V.

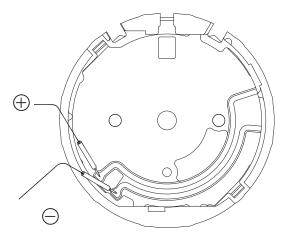


- 4) Expose the watch to the light of a fluorescent lamp (use the one with 15 to 20 watts) at a distance of 5-10 cm while connecting the probes to the watch.
- 5) Read the measurement and check if it exceeds 1.8 V.

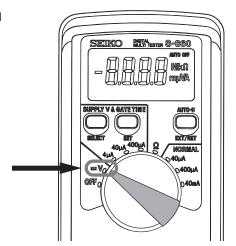


<How to check the solar power generation with the SOLAR CELL alone>

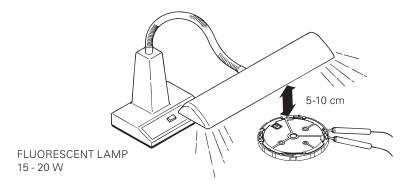
- 1) Set the SOLAR CELL to the HOLDING RING FOR DIAL.
- 2) Connect the tester as the below illustration.



* When measuring the voltage using the SEIKO digital multi-tester (S-860), use the range of V.



- 2) Expose the SOLAR CELL to the light of a fluorescent lamp (use the one with 15 to 20 watts) at a distance of 5-10 cm while connecting the probes to the solar cell unit (Fig. 7.)
- 3) Read the measurement and check if it exceeds 1.8 V.

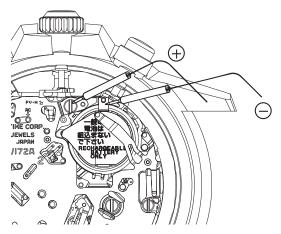


Note: In case the measurement of the voltage for the watch does not achieve the standard value but the measurement for the solar cell unit alone exceeds the standard value, a problem in the electrical conductivity between the solar cell unit and the movement is suspected. Inspect the electrical conductivity, especially at the CONTACT SPRING FOR SOLAR CELL, and check the solar power generation system again.

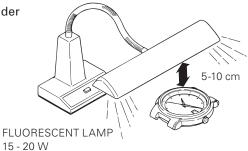
• CHECKING THE RECHARGING FUNCTION

In order to check the recharging function, measure the voltage of the rechargeable battery before and after recharging. If the voltage increases to a certain extent, it shows that the recharging function is working properly.

- 1) Connect the (-) probe and the (+) probe as illustrated.
- 2) Measure the voltage of the rechargeable battery before recharging.



3) Recharge the watch by placing it at a distance of 5-10 cm under the fluorescent lamp of 15 to 20 watts for 30 minutes.



- 4) Measure the voltage again while keeping the watch exposed to the light.
- 5) Compare the difference of the voltage before and after recharging.
 - Refer to the table below for the criteria of the inspection.

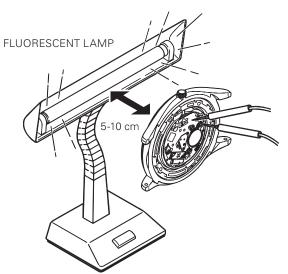


Table - criteria recharging function Cal. V172A/V174A

The veltage	Results after recharging and criteria for checking the function			
The voltage BEFORE recharging	Recharging function works fine	The battery needs to be inspected and replaced if necessary		
		Less than 1.09V		
0.50V - 1.00V	More than 1.10V			
1.01V - 1.30V	Increased by 0.03V or more	Not increased or increased		
	,	but not more than by 0.03V		

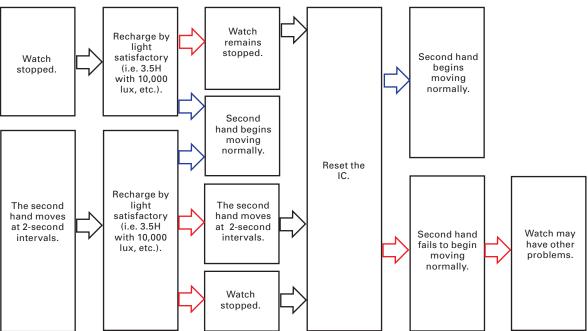
TROUBLESHOOTING

• IF THE WATCH DOES NOT MOVE PROPERLY AFTER RECHARGING.

Without recharging, the power stored in a solar watch begins to decline. The second hand starts moving at 2-second intervals indicating a diminished power reserve and eventually stops completely unless the watch is recharged.

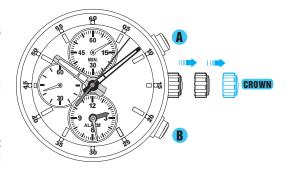
The Cal. V17 series uses a CPU IC. In some circumstances, a CPU IC solar watch with a second hand moving at 2-second intervals may not return to the normal 1-second interval behavior even after the voltage is increased by recharging. Similarly, a completely stopped watch may not resume movement after the voltage is increased by recharging. This is not a defect but a characteristic of CPU IC watches. The watch can be restarted by resetting the IC. The instructions that follow explain how to reset the IC. In the event that the watch does not resume normal movement even after following these instructions, it is advisable to take your watch in to be serviced.

Troubleshooting flowchart



<How to reset the IC>

- 1. Pull out the crown to the second click.
- 2. Keep pressing down button A and B for 3 seconds or longer.
- Push the crown back into the normal position and check if the small second hand moves as normal.
- It is also acceptable to reset the IC by short-circuit in touching AC pattern of the CIRCUIT BLOCK and metal part of rechargeable battery guard.



Resetting the IC will initialize the watch. Before starting to use the watch, it will be necessary to set the time and adjust the STOPWATCH hands to the "0" position. Refer to "SETTING THE TIME AND ADJUSTING THE STOPWATCH HAND POSITION" section in the Instruction booklet.