Automatic Screw Feeder

Neji Taro II
HS series
HS-35  HS-40  HS-50

Operation Manual
Read this manual before using this device.
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1. Before Use

Thank you for purchasing the NJ Series Automatic Screw Feeder. Before using this machine, please make sure that the following accessories are supplied with the machine.

Accessories CD-ROM x 1, AC adapter x 1, Allen wrench x 1, Screwdriver x 1

※ For products purchased outside of Japan, no adapters will be supplied with the machine. Please purchase separate adapter with equivalent output specification as required.

To obtain optimum performance from this machine, it is essential that you thoroughly read this manual

2. Important safety instructions
(1) Be sure to keep the feeder away from flammable or explosive gases, heat sources, humidity, static electricity and direct sunlight. Do not use the feeder if the above are present.

(2) Set the feeder on a flat and stable place. Otherwise it may fall and cause injuries.

(3) Unplug the AC adapter from the electric outlet after use or when the feeder is not used for a long time.

(4) Use only the AC adapter supplied with the feeder.

(5) Never insert fingers or the objects in the screw bin, the access holes or other open spaces.

(6) In case of malfunction, turn off the power and unplug the AC adapter. Continuing to use a malfunctioning feeder may cause fire, electric shock or injury. Contact the dealer you bought it from.

(7) Do not scratch the rail or allow oil to get on it.

(8) Use only the recommended screws.

(9) Do not use excess force when removing screws.

(10) Do not use screws covered with oil or dust.

CAUTION: Do not attempt to repair, disassemble or modify the feeder by yourself. Consult your dealer for assistance.
3. Parts of Names

Note: ① The design of bit-guide has been changed from V-type to bowl-type since September, 1998.
However, the operation method is same as the former V-type, therefore, the descriptions and the drawings for the V-type are still used in this manual. Pleas be careful that the bit type have been changed. (See p.10)
② A drop preventive plate is provided in this machine. However, this part should not be touched or maintained by users, consequently, the explanations and the drawings for this part are omitted in this manual.
4. Checks and Adjustments before Operation

4-1. Check screw type

Before operating HIOS your screw feeder, make sure you can easily replace the rail unit to match the diameter of the screw you wish to use.

Check the screw number shown on the front of the rail unit to make sure you are using the correct diameter screw.

Before operation, adjust the following according to the screw type to be used.

- Brush
- Screw passage plate
- Bit guide unit
- Rail unit

**CAUTION:** Be sure to turn off the power switch of the feeder before making any adjustments.

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4-2. Checking and Adjusting the Brush

Check the height of the brush. Ensure that the brush check/adjustment procedure is completed while the brush is placed in a horizontal position as shown at right. To place the brush in a horizontal position, rotate the timing shaft with the Allen wrench supplied with the machine.

Please prepare the screws to be used. Drop a few of them into the rail groove, check and adjust the brush height as directed below. After the brush is placed in a horizontal position as shown below, rotate the brush. When the resultant gap between tip of the brush and screw heads is approximately 0 mm, no adjustments are needed.

If any adjustment is needed, perform the following procedure:

Loosen the brush mounting screws.

Make adjustments so that the gap between tip of the brush and screw heads is approximately 0 mm. In this instance, avoid lowering the brush too much. After completion of adjustments, tighten the brush mounting screws.

After the brush is properly adjusted, rotate it again to verify that it smoothly moves without any obstruction.

Be sure to turn off the power switch of the feeder before making any adjustments.
4-3. Checking and Adjusting the Passage Plate

Drop the employed screws into the rail groove. Slide the screws to the passage window section and check or adjust the passage plate height. Check that the clearance between the passage window upper end and the screw heads is not greater than about 0.5 mm and that the screws can pass the passage window. If the above requirements are not met, repeat above adjustment procedures as needed.

After adjustment is completed, tighten the passage plate retaining screw. If the screw applied has a relatively short shank, fine adjustments may be needed.

For screws having a relatively long shank, however, coarse adjustments will suffice.

4-4. Checking and Adjusting the Holding Plate (Screw Guide 1)

Drop about 10 applied screws into the rail groove.

Tilt this machine or operate it so that the screws are delivered to the rail assembly stopper.

If the shutter is closed or there is no clearance between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and screw heads, the screws will not be able to move. The screws can move when the shutter is open with an adequate clearance provided between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and screw heads.

When the clearance is 0 to 1 mm, the holding plate (screw guide 1) height needs no further adjustment.

NOTE: If the rail stopper captures a screw and brings the vibration to a stop immediately, adjust the timer setting control on the rear side of the unit.
If the holding plate (screw guide1) height needs to be adjusted, proceed as directed below.
Tilt this machine or operate it so that the screws are delivered to the rail assembly stopper. If there is no clearance between the holding plate (screw guide1) and screw heads, the screws cannot move. The screws can move while the shutter is open with an adequate clearance provided between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and screw heads.
If the screws do not move to the escaper section, loosen the bit guide assembly retaining screw, and rotate the bit guide assembly up-down adjustment screw counterclockwise with the accessory Allen wrench to move the holding plate (screw guide 1) upward. Adjust the holding plate (screw guide 1) height by rotating the bit guide assembly height adjustment screw to provide a clearance of 0 to 1 mm between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and the head of the screws.
When performing the above adjustment procedure, ensure that the gap between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and rail is uniform. Please make sure that the gaps between the holding plate and the rail are the same on the rear end and the front end. After completion of adjustment, be sure to tighten the bit guide assembly retaining screw.
If the employed screw has a relatively short shank, fine adjustments are needed. For screws having a relatively long shank, however, coarse adjustments will suffice.

4-5. Checking and Adjusting the Rail Assembly
Check the position of the stopper and sensor.
- Ensure that the rail is fixed so that “A” portion of the stopper is 0mm to 0.5mm ahead of the sensor optical axis.
- If adjustment is necessary, adjust it front and rear by loosening the rail front-rear position lock screw.
4-6. Checking and Adjusting the Bit Guide

Place five to ten screws in the rail and tilt this machine until they hit the stopper on the rail assembly.

When the internal shutter is closed, the screws cannot go through the passage plate. If it is closed, turn the timing shaft clockwise with the Allen wrench to keep it open. The stopper is fixed to the rail assembly. The adjustment of the stopper is made by moving the rail assembly front and rear. If the “V” groove on the bit guide and the rear point of the Phillips screw head are not aligned, adjust as follows:

Loosen the bit guide mounting screw with the Allen wrench and move the bit guide forward and back to put them in alignment.

Please remember to tighten the screws after adjusting.

<Replacement of the bit guide>

To change the bowl-shaped bit guide to the “V” grooved bit guide, remove the bit guide mounting screw and replace the guide.

5. Operating Procedures and Operational Checks

5-1. Loading the Screws

Open the screw bin lid. While the bin dipper plates are at the lowest position, pour in the screws until they are piled up to about 3 mm below the rail upper surface. Make sure that screws are equally distributed into the right-and left-hand bins.

CAUTION Do not load the screws to excess amount.
5-2. Operating this machine

Connect the accessory AC adapter plug to the DC jack on the rear of this machine, and the other side to a power outlet. Turn on the main power switch. The lamp incorporated in the power switch will illuminate. Turning on the power switch causes the drive motor to rotate normally, the bin scooper plates to move up and down, and the rail to vibrate. After a while, the loaded screws are sequentially transported along the rail and delivered to the stopper. If the screw is not picked up for an extended period of time, the vibration will automatically come to a stop. At the moment the screw is picked up, this machine resumes operation.

Operational features

・This machine is equipped with an overload protection circuit.
If a movable part is overloaded during a feeder operation, for instance, when a small screw or other particles is trapped, or excessive screw is placed into the screw bins, the overload protection circuit will activate.

Function descriptions and remedies
Under normal conditions, the drive motor in this machine rotates in normal direction to feed the loaded screws continuously to the escaper section, thereby allowing you to obtain the screws successively. However, if any movable section is overloaded, the drive motor will rotate in reverse direction for a predetermined period of time and then resumes its normal rotation. When the cause of the overload is eliminated upon motor reversal, the motor reverts to its normal rotation, resuming normal screw supply.
If the cause of the movable section overload is not cleared upon motor reversal, the overload protection circuit performs the reverse rotation and normal rotation repetition cycle for a predetermined period of time and then shuts off power supply to the drive motor.
When the power to the drive motor shuts off as above, please turn off the power switch and clear the cause of overload. For instance, when the screw bins are overloaded with screws, reduce the number of screws in the bins. If a screw or other article is trapped in a movable section, please remove it with tools. After the cause of the overload is eliminated, turn the power switch back on (power-on reset) and resume operation.
This machine is equipped with a timer.

- The timer setting can be adjusted according to the screw type.

**Function descriptions**

The actual screw feeding speed varies with screw type. This machine continues running while there is no screw in the screw removal area of the escaper section. It stops its operation when a predetermined period of time elapses after a screw is retained in the removal section. This duration of time can be adjusted with the timer setting control on the rear of the feeder.

It is recommended that you decrease the timer setting when the feeding speed is high, and increase the setting when the feeding speed is slow. When adjusting the timer setting, please exercise care and do not rotate the control beyond its permissible range.

**This machine is equipped with a tilting mechanism**

When the screw feeding speed is too slow, you can install this machine in a tilted position.

**Descriptions**

Loosen the tilt lock screws.

Pull out the base bracket from the rear of the feeder and fix it in an appropriate position.

After this machine is tilted, make sure that it is steady.

Please do not tilt this machine beyond the capacity of its tilt mechanism.

A tilt of up to about 12 mm can be adjusted.
5-3. Picking up the screw

Attach a bit to your electric screwdriver to match the head of the screw. Refer to the following.

Notice: The screwdriver bit must be magnetized before use.

Put the driver bit somewhere in the opening of the bit guide and push it straight down while turning the bit slightly, until it hits the screw head. Vibration of the rail shall stop when the screwdriver bit reaches the bottom of the screw head slot. Then pull the screw out towards yourself. Be careful not to push the screwdriver bit into the screw head with too much force. If the driver is lowered into the screw head with moderate force, vibration of the rail shall stop. Do not use more pressure than necessary to stop movement of the rail.
# 6. Trouble Shooting

Caution: Be sure to turn off the power switch of the feeder before making any adjustments.

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<td>- Ensure that the AC adapter is properly connected to a power source.</td>
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<td>power switched on.</td>
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<td>- Remove the screw from the removal section.</td>
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<td>- The screw in the removal section has not been removed for a</td>
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<td>- Adjust the timer setting control.</td>
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<td>6-2 Loaded screws do not feed.</td>
<td>- Diameter of the loaded screw does not match the rail size.</td>
<td>- Change to the machine that is suitable for the screw size. Use the</td>
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<td>- The number of screws in the screw bins is too low.</td>
<td>rail that fits the screw.</td>
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<td>- The brush cannot sweep an oddly oriented screw away from the</td>
<td>- Load additional screws into the screw bins.</td>
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<td>passage window section.</td>
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<td>- A screw shank has been trapped in the passage window.</td>
<td>- Adjust the brush.</td>
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<td>- An abnormally oriented screw is stuck in the rail section.</td>
<td>Adjust the passage plate.</td>
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<td>The problem may also be cleared by adding some screws to the screw bins</td>
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<td>- The rail does not vibrate (a screw or foreign object is trapped</td>
<td>- Remove any oddly oriented screw as indicated below. Loosen the bit</td>
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<td>guide assembly retaining screw, shift the holding plate (screw</td>
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<td>guide 1) upward, and remove the abnormally oriented screw. After</td>
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<td>screw removal, readjust the holding plate (screw guide 1).</td>
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<td>- Remove the trapped screw or foreign matter.</td>
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<td>6-3 A screw has been trapped in the</td>
<td>- The diameter of the loaded screw does not match the rail size.</td>
<td>- Switch to the machine that is suitable for the screw size. Use the</td>
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<td>rail groove.</td>
<td>- The total length of the loaded screw is less than the rail groove</td>
<td>rail that fits the screw.</td>
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<td>opening width.</td>
<td>- the problem cannot be remedied. Please consider another automatic</td>
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| 6-4 The screws on the rail do not feed smoothly. | - The clearance between the holding plate (screw guide 1) and screw heads is insufficient.  
- Dirt, oil, or grease is attached to the rail.  
- The rail fails to vibrate due to a screw or foreign object trapped in the opening. | - Shift the holding plate (screw guide 1) upward. Use the Quicher in a tilted position. Adjust the timer setting control.  
- Clean the rail and rail guide.  
- Remove the trapped screw or foreign object and then clean the rail and rail guide. |
| 6-5 Oddly oriented screws occasionally travel through the passage window. A screw shank easily gets caught in the passage window. | - The passage plate is improperly adjusted.  
- The employed passage plate does not match the applied screw.  
- The forward-descending tit of the machine is above the permissible. | - Readjust the passage plate.  
- Use the passage plate that matches the applied screw.  
- Adjust the tilting angle, make sure it is within the permissible limit. |
| 6-6 Screws are not transported to the removal section. | Screws are stopped in the middle of the rail section.  
- Screws are not smoothly delivered from the rail to the front stopper. | - Readjust the holding plate (screw guide 1).  
- Readjust the passage plate. |
| 6-7 The bit doesn’t match the Phillips head. | - The rail assembly is improperly adjusted.  
- The bit guide is improperly adjusted. | - Readjust position between the rail and bit guide. |
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<td>6-8 The machine comes to a sudden stop.</td>
<td>The overload protection circuit is activated.</td>
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<td>- The screw in pick-up section has not been removed for a long period of time.</td>
<td>- Turn the power switch off and then back on. If the operation comes to a stop again, the probable causes are: There are too many screws in the screw bin. --&gt; Adjust the number of screws in the screw bins. A screw or foreign object is trapped in the movable section. --&gt; Remove any trapped screw or foreign object. - Pick up the screw.</td>
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<td>6-9 The bin scooping plates fail to stop moving when there is the screw in pick-up section.</td>
<td>The timer setting control is improperly adjusted.</td>
<td>- Readjust the timer setting control.</td>
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<td>6-10 Screws have been dropped inside the machine.</td>
<td>- The holding plate (screw guide 1) is improperly adjusted.</td>
<td>- Readjust the holding plate (screw guide 1). - Readjust the front-rear position of the rail.</td>
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<td>- The front-rear position of the rail is improperly adjusted.</td>
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**Adjusting SEMS and W-SEMS screws.**

If you use SEMS and W-SEMS screws, the stopper set on the head of the screw, you can smoothly catch the screw one by one.

The stopper can move up and down, after you loose two screws from the stopper.

After adjusting the height of the screw, head fixed the stopper parallel to the screw-rail unit with two screws.

**NOTICE:** Be careful to set the stopper not to bend To the screw-rail unit.
7. Maintenance

CAUTION Before performing any maintenance, turn off the power switch and remove all the loaded screws from this machine.

7-1. Cleaning the Rail and Rail Guide Wall

When the rail groove becomes dirty, the screw feeding speed may be affected. If such situation occurs, wipe the rail groove clean with a thin, clean cloth moistened with alcohol. If the rail groove is heavily soiled, remove the rail assembly and then perform cleaning.

Loosen the rail position lock screw and then pull the rail assembly forward and out. With a thin, clean cloth moistened with alcohol, wipe clean the rail groove and upper and lateral surfaces of the removed rail assembly. With a thin, clean cloth moistened with alcohol, wipe clean the rail guide wall surface, which is revealed upon rail assembly removal.

After cleaning, reassemble the rail section by reversing the removal procedure above. Adjust the rail assembly position. (Refer to 4-5)
7-2. Replacement Procedures

Replacing the rail assembly
The rail assembly of this machine can easily be replaced. If the loaded screws do not smoothly feed after cleaning or if you intend to use a different screw diameter, replace the rail assembly. For the replacement procedure, see the earlier section on cleaning.

Replacing the passage plate
This machine allows you to change the screw diameter setup by replacing associated components. To change the screw diameter, you have to replace the passage plate in addition to the rail assembly. To replace the passage plate, remove its retaining screw. Replace the passage plate in such a manner that the brush is horizontally positioned as shown at right.

Exercise care not to lose the retaining screw.

Replacing the brush
If the ends of the brush bristles are worn out so that improperly oriented screws cannot be swept away, please replace the brush. To replace the brush, please position it as shown below. You can also adjust its position by rotating the timing shaft.

Remove the brush assembly mounting screws and then the brush assembly. You can disassemble the brush assembly. After the brush is replaced, install the brush assembly by reversing preceding steps.
8. Specifications

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<th>Output: DC 12V 500mA</th>
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<td>Weight (kg)</td>
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<td>Screw capacity</td>
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<td>Hexagonal wrench (with the across flat 2mm) 1 piece</td>
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NOTES
- The transformer-type AC adapter attached to the machine has a nominal output of DC 12V-500mA; during application, it is designed to supply an average output at about 15V to the screw feeder. In the case where a different type of adapter or external power source is used, it is recommended to use a 15V switching type adapter, or regulated power supply which supply which can provide constant output at 15V.
- *2 Please consult your distributor for thin head.
- Check if the axis diameter of the loaded screw corresponds with the below rail groove width.
- With the range of screw size and lengths below, there may be instances if unique screw shape or structure not compatible with the screw feeder unit.
- In the main body type, the main body model can be changed.
- To change the nominal diameter of loaded screw, replace it with a part that is mentioned in the next page table.
- The rail, escaper, stopper assembly, escaper guide-right and passing plate are optional.
- The design, performance and specifications are subject to change without prior notice for the sake of improvement.
- *1 Sems, W-Sems, head with washer face can be used with the HS series as long as those are within the specifications in the table below.

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<th>Screw head diameter (⌀)</th>
<th>Washer diameter (mm)</th>
<th>Screw head thickness (mm)</th>
<th>Screw shaft length (mm)</th>
<th>Pan head*1</th>
<th>Binding</th>
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Replacement rails and passage plates are available as options. In the Exchange Kit ordered separately, rails and passage plates are included.

Replacement parts

- **Rail**
- **Passing plate**
- **Brush assembly HS2-HISO1143**
- **Motor drive assembly HS2-04500-1**
- **Motor HS2-09582-05**
9. External Diagram

The dimensions in the manuals are for reference only do not use it for your jig. The specifications are subject to change without notice.
10. The following table is for China RoHS2

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本表依据 SJ/T 11364 的规定编制。  
○：表示该有害物质在该部件所有均质材料中的含量均在 GB/T 26572 规定的限量要求以下。  
×：表示该有害物质至少在该部件的某一均质材料中的含量超出 GB/T 26572 规定的限量要求。

In addition, the China RoHS marks also is required at the product and product box.  
At the product, you can find it at the bottom and it is marked on the product box.  
If you cannot find the mark, please ask your distributor.  
In case of emergency, please cut the mark below and stick at the bottom of product and on the product box.

China RoHS mark