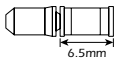
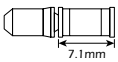
Rear Drive System

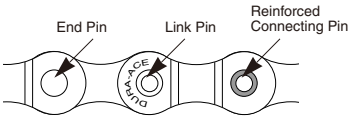
Before use, read these instructions carefully, and follow them for correct use.

⚠ WARNING

- Use neutral detergent to clean the chain. Do not use alkali-based or acid based detergent such as rust cleaners as it may result in damage and/or failure of the chain.
- Use the reinforced connecting pin only for connecting the narrow type of chain.
- There are two different types of reinforced connecting pin available. Be sure to check the table below before selecting which pin to use. If connecting pins other than reinforced connecting pins are used, or if a reinforced connecting pin or tool which is not suitable for the type of chain is used, sufficient connection force may not be obtained, which could cause the chain to break or fall off.

Chain	Reinforced connecting pin		Chain tool
9-speed super narrow chain such as CN-7701 / CN-HG93		Silver	TL-CN31/TL-CN22
8-/7-/6-speed narrow chain such as CN-HG50 / CN-IG51		Black	TL-CN31/TL-CN22 and TL-CN30/TL-CN21

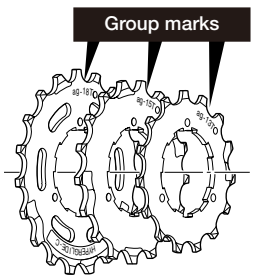
- If it is necessary to adjust the length of the chain due to a change in the number of sprocket teeth, make the cut at some other place than the place where the chain has been joined using a reinforced connecting pin or an end pin. The chain will be damaged if it is cut at a place where it has been joined with a reinforced connecting pin or an end pin.



- Obtain, read and carefully service instructions when installing parts. A loose, worn, or damaged parts may cause injury to the rider.
  We strongly recommend that only genuine Shimano replacement parts be used.

Note

* Always be sure to use the sprocket set bearing the same group marks. Never use in combination with a sprocket bearing a different group mark.
* Because the high cable resistance of a frame with internal cable routing would impair the SIS function, this type of frame should not be used.
* Use an outer casing which still has some length to spare even when the handlebars are turned all the way to both sides. Furthermore, check that the shifting lever does not touch the bicycle frame when the handlebars are turned all the way.



* Grease the inner cable and the inside of the outer casing before use to ensure that they slide properly.
* Operation of the levers related to gear shifting should be made only when the front chainwheel is turning.
* For maximum performance we highly recommend Shimano lubricants and maintenance products.
* For any questions regarding methods of installation, adjustment, maintenance or operation, please contact a professional bicycle dealer.

In order to realize the best performance, we recommend that the following combination be used.

Series	**ACERA**
EZ-fire Plus	**ST-EF33-8**
Outer casing	**SP40**
Rear derailleur	**RD-M340**
Type	**SGS**
Freehub	**FH-C201**
Gears	**8**
Cassette sprocket	**CS-HG40-8I**
Chain	**CN-IG51 / CN-IG31**
Bottom bracket cable guide	**SM-SP17 / SM-BT17 / SM-SP18 / SM-BT18**

Specifications

Rear Derailleur

Model number	RD-M340
Gears	8
Total capacity	43T
Largest sprocket	34T
Smallest sprocket	11T
Front chainwheel tooth difference	20T
Applicable front chainwheel (chainring tooth configuration)	**FC-MC20 / FC-MC19 (42T-32T-22T)**

Cassette sprocket tooth combination

Gears	Group name	Tooth combination
8	**ao**	11, 13, 15, 17, 20, 23, 26, 34T

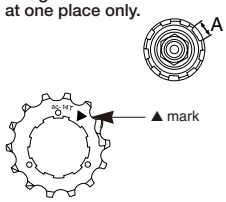
Freehub

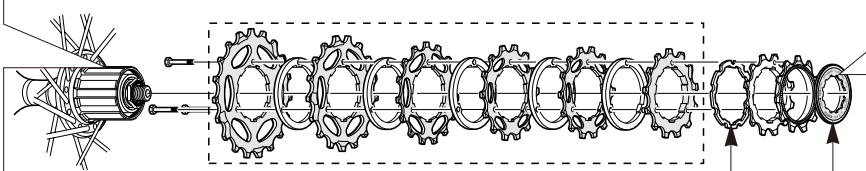
Model number	FH-C201
Gears	8
No. of spoke holes	36 / 32

Installation of the sprockets

For each sprocket, the surface that has the group mark should face outward and be positioned so that the triangle (▲) mark on each sprocket and the A part (where the groove width is wide) of the freewheel body are aligned.

The groove is wide at one place only.

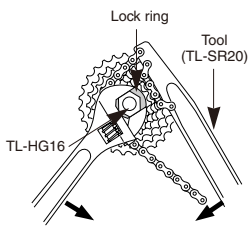




- For installation of the sprockets, use the special tool (TL-HG16) to tighten the lock ring.

Tightening torque: 30 - 50 Nm {261 - 434 in. lbs.}

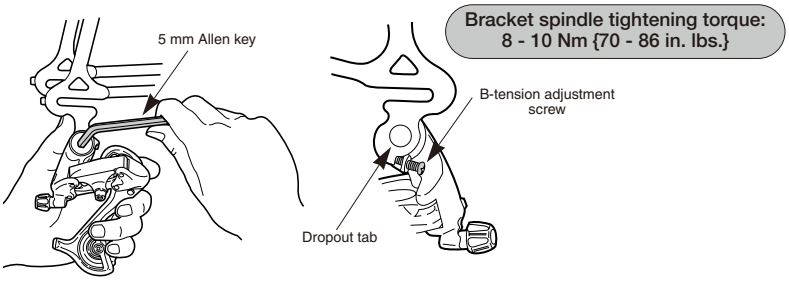
- To replace the sprockets, use the special tool (TL-HG16) and TL-SR20 to remove the lock ring.



Disassembly

Installation of the rear derailleur

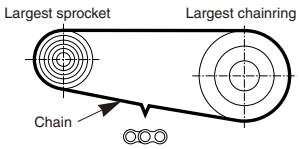
When installing, be careful that deformation is not caused by the B-tension adjustment screw coming into contact with the dropout tab.



Bracket spindle tightening torque: 8 - 10 Nm {70 - 86 in. lbs.}

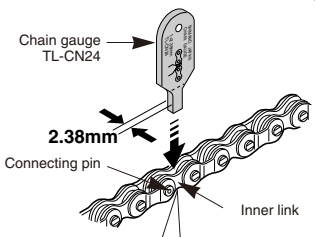
Chain length

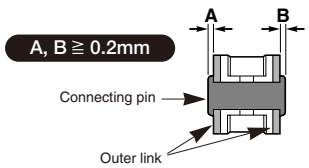
Add 2 links (with the chain on both the largest sprocket and the largest chainring)

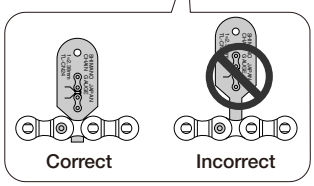


Checking the chain connection

For IG, chains, insert the chain gauge (TL-CN24) into the inner link which is next to the chain connecting pin to check that the inner link width is correct.
Check that the connecting pin pro-trudes past the outer link by the same amount on both sides, and that the amount of protrusion is 0.2 mm or more.

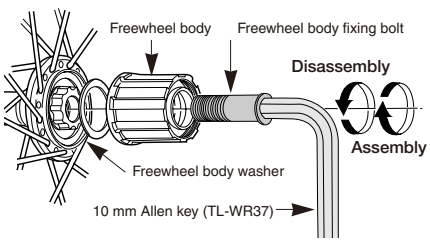






Replacement of the freewheel body

After removing the hub axle, remove the freewheel body fixing bolt (inside the freewheel body), and then replace the freewheel body.
Note:
Do not attempt to disassemble the freewheel body, because it may result in a malfunction.

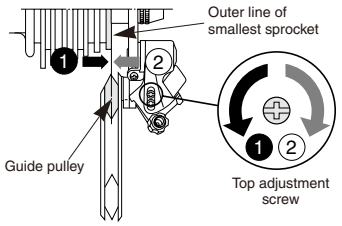


Tightening torque: 35 - 50 Nm {305 - 434 in. lbs.}

Adjustment

1. Top adjustment

Turn the top adjustment screw to adjust so that the guide pulley is in line with the outer line of the smallest sprocket when looking from the rear.

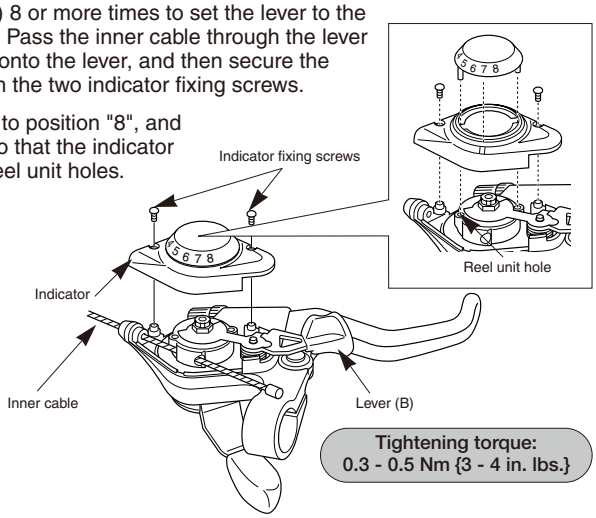


2. Connection and securing of the cable

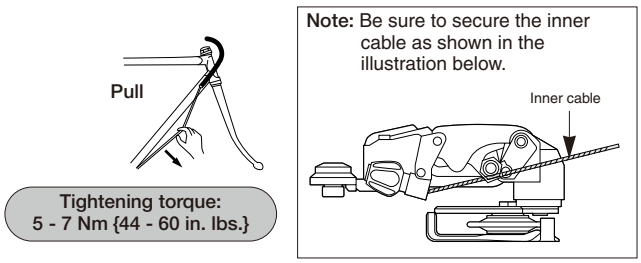
Remove the two indicator fixing screws which are securing the indicator, and then remove the indicator unit as shown in the illustration.

Operate lever (B) 8 or more times to set the lever to the highest position. Pass the inner cable through the lever hole and hook it onto the lever, and then secure the indicator unit with the two indicator fixing screws.

Set the indicator to position "8", and then assemble so that the indicator pins fit into the reel unit holes.

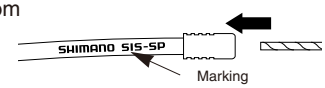


Connect the cable to the rear derailleur and, after taking up the initial slack in the cable, re-secure to the front derailleur as shown in the illustration.



Inserting the inner cable

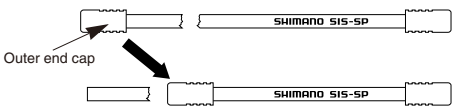
Insert the inner cable into the outer casing from the end with the marking on it. Apply grease from the end with the marking in order to maintain cable operating efficiency.



Cutting the outer casing

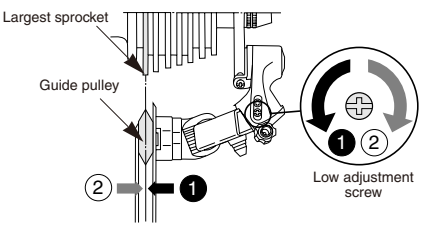
When cutting the outer casing, cut the opposite end to the end with the marking. After cutting the outer casing, make the end round so that the inside of the hole has a uniform diameter.

Attach the same outer end cap to the cut end of the outer casing.



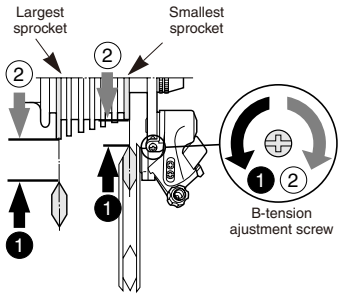
3. Low adjustment

Turn the low adjustment screw so that the guide pulley moves to a position directly in line with the largest sprocket.



4. **How to use the B-tension adjustment screw**

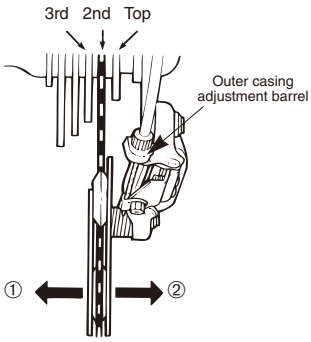
Mount the chain on the smallest chainring and the largest sprocket, and turn the crank arm backward. Then turn the B-tension adjustment screw to adjust the guide pulley as close to the sprocket as possible but not so close that it touches. Next, set the chain to the smallest sprocket and repeat the above to make sure that the pulley does not touch the sprocket.



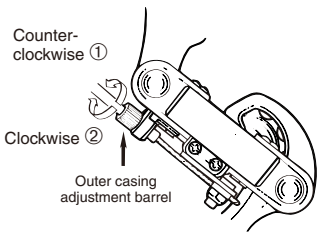
5. **SIS Adjustment**

(1) Operate the shifting lever to move the chain from the top gear to the 2nd gear.

* If the chain will not move to the 2nd gear, turn the outer casing adjustment barrel to increase the tension ----- ① (counter clockwise)
* If the chain moves past the 2nd gear, decrease the tension --- ② (clockwise)



(2) Next with the chain on the 2nd gear, increase the inner cable tension ① while turning the crank arm forward. Stop turning the outer casing adjustment barrel **just before the chain makes noise against the 3rd gear.**
This completes the adjustment.

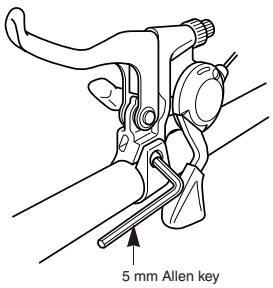


For the best SIS performance, periodically lubricate all power-transmission parts.

Installation of the brake lever

Use a handlebar grip with a maximum outer diameter of 32 mm.

Tightening torque: 6 - 8 Nm {53 - 69 in. lbs.}

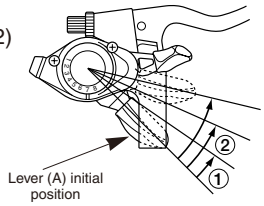


Gear shifting operation

Both lever (A) and lever (B) always return to the initial position when they are released after shifting. When operating one of the levers, always be sure to turn the crank arm at the same time.

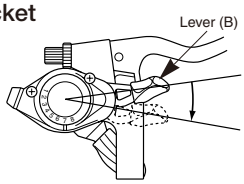
To shift from a small sprocket to a larger sprocket

To shift one step only, press lever (A) to the (1) position. To shift two steps at one time, press to the (2) position. A maximum three-step shift can be made in this manner.



To shift from a large sprocket to a smaller sprocket

Press lever (B) once to shift one step from a larger to a smaller sprocket.



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