



- Foot
- 2 Frame
- 3 Foot Screw
- 4 Adjusting Block
- 5 Block Pivot
- **6** Spindle

- 7 Pawl Pivot
- 8 Pawl Spring
- 9 Drag Gear **10** Bronze Bushing
- 11 Handle Screw
- 12 Spool

- 13 Handle Washer
- 14 Handle
- 15 Handle Shaft
- **16** Quick-Release Cover Screw 17 Quick-Release Cover
- 18 Quick-Release Key Pin

- 19 Quick-Release Cover Pad
- 20 Quick-Release Key
- 21 Quick-Release Spring
- 22 Counter Weight 23 Counter Weight Screw
- 24 Pawl

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INTRODUCTION

A simplistic design and flawless construction make the Battenkill® Reel a minimalist's dream. The Battenkill features a classically styled, yet technically enhanced, four position click-and-pawl drag system that is adjusted internally and is designed to be used in tandem with the palm of your hand for fighting fish. Constructed with a narrow spool for less line stacking on the retrieve and a larger spool diameter for higher line retrieval rates, the Battenkill's ultra-lightweight design balances perfectly on shorter rods. It's machined from heavy-duty bar stock aluminum, can be switched between left- and right-hand retrieve very easily, and comes in a black nickel finish.

DRAG OPERATION

Battenkill Reels feature a dependable four-position click-and-pawl drag system. To adjust the drag, remove the spool and turn the adjusting block (PART #4) within the drag mechanism (FIGURE 1) in either direction to increase or decrease resistance. Sufficient drag must always be applied when fighting a fish to prevent the line from overrunning. Additional drag may be applied by palming the spool rim with your fingers or palm.



FIGURE 1 (PART #4)

SPOOL REMOVAL

The spool release is located in the middle of the reel spool. To remove, depress the spool release latch while simultaneously lifting the spool out of the reel body.

RIGHT-HAND CONVERSION

All Battenkill Reels have the drag factory installed for left-hand wind (FIGURE 2). To change your reel to right-hand wind, open the spool, remove the pawl (PART #24) within the drag mechanism, flip the pawl over, slide it back into place, then reattach the spool.



FIGURE 2 (PART #24)

Left-handed retrieve

Right-handed retrieve

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

Your new Battenkill reel has been properly lubricated prior to shipping. However, it should be cleaned and lubricated after extensive use or after contact with dirt or sand. Your reel should receive routine cleaning and maintenance at least twice each year. Lightly lubricate all moving components—handle, center spindle, and gear shaft with Penn reel lube, which is available in tackle shops. Do not put the reel away wet, or into a wet reel case or tackle box. For extended storage, remove both line and backing.

BATTENKILL CAPACITY CHART			
LINE WEIGHT	I	II	III
WF1	100		
WF2	75		
WF3	50	100	
WF4		75	
WF5		50	125
WF6			100
WF7			75

Battenkill Reel Specifications

I Reel | weight: 2.8 oz. | 2¾"
II Reel | weight: 2.9 oz. | 3"
III Reel | weight: 3.2 oz. | 3¼"

Capacity in Yards

Stated capacities are based on Orvis 20-lb. Dacron® backing and a 90-ft. weight-forward floating fly line. If a double taper fly line is desired, deduct 50 yards from stated capacities.

GUARANTEE

Your Battenkill Reel is unconditionally guaranteed against defects in materials and workmanship. Damaged reels can be repaired on an individual basis for a reasonable fee, and we do offer a reel cleaning and reconditioning service.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the operation and maintenance of your new reel, Orvis Technical Advisors are always available.

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