

⚠ 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 pins available. Be sure to check the table below before selecting which pin to use.

Chain

Reinforced connecting pin


Chain tool

9-speed super narrow chain such as CN-7701 / CN-HG93

 Silver


TL-CN32 / TL-CN27

8-/7-/6-speed narrow chain such as CN-HG50 / CN-HG40

 Black

TL-CN32 / TL-CN27

Reinforced Connecting Pin



End Pin


Link Pin

- 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.
- 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.
- Be careful not to let the cuffs of your clothes get caught in the chain while riding, otherwise you may fall off the bicycle.
- Check that the tension of the chain is correct and that the chain is not damaged. If the tension is too weak or the chain is damaged, the chain should be replaced. If this is not done, the chain may break and cause serious injury.
- Use a front chainwheel which is compatible with 9-speed chains in conjunction with Shimano CN-7701, CN-HG93 and CN-HG73 chains. If a chainwheel for an 8-speed chain or less is used, front chainwheel gear shifting problems may occur, or the chain pins might fall out, causing the chain to break.
- The two left crank arm mounting bolts should be tightened alternately in stages rather than each bolt being fully tightened all at once. Use a torque wrench to check that the final tightening torques are within the range of 12 - 14 N·m. Furthermore, after riding approximately 100 km (60 miles), use a torque wrench to re-check the tightening torques. It is also important to periodically check the tightening torques.
- If the tightening torques are too weak or if the mounting bolts are not tightened alternately in stages, the left crank arm may come off and the bicycle may fall over, and serious injury may occur as a result.
- Check that there are no cracks in the crank arms before riding the bicycle. If there are any cracks, the crank arm may break and you may fall off the bicycle.
- If the inner cover is not installed correctly, the axle may rust and become damaged, and the bicycle may fall over and serious injury may occur as a result.
- Obtain and read the service instructions carefully prior to installing the parts. Loose, worn or damaged parts may cause the bicycle to fall over and serious injury may occur as a result. We strongly recommend only using genuine Shimano replacement parts.
- Obtain and read the service instructions carefully prior to installing the parts. If adjustments are not carried out correctly, the chain may come off and this may cause you to fall off the bicycle which could result in serious injury.
- Read these Technical Service Instructions carefully, and keep them in a safe place for later reference.

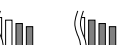
Note

- In addition, if pedaling performance does not feel normal, check this once more.
- Before riding the bicycle, check that there is no play or looseness in the connection. Also, be sure to retighten the crank arms and pedals at periodic intervals.
- If a squeaking noise is heard coming from the bottom bracket axle and the left crank arm connector, apply grease to the connector and then tighten it to the specified torque.
- Do not wash the bottom bracket with high-pressure jets of water.
- If you feel any looseness in the bearings, the bottom bracket should be replaced.
- If gear shifting operations do not feel smooth, wash the derailleur and lubricate all moving parts.
- If the amount of looseness in the links is so great that adjustment is not possible, you should replace the derailleur.
- You should periodically wash the chainrings in a neutral detergent and then lubricate them again. In addition, cleaning the chain with neutral detergent and lubricating it can be an effective way of extending the useful life of the chainrings and the chain.
- If the chain keeps coming off the chainrings during use, replace the chainrings and the chain.
- When the chain is in the position shown in the illustration, the chain may contact the front chainrings or front derailleur and generate noise. If the noise is a problem, shift the chain onto the next-larger rear sprocket or the one after.
- Apply grease to the left and right adapters before installing them.
- For smooth operation, use the specified outer casing and the bottom bracket cable guide.
- This front derailleur is for triple front chainwheel use only. It cannot be used with the double front chainwheel, as the shifting points do not match.
- When installing the top route type, choose a frame that has three outer casing holders as shown in the illustration at right.
- 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.
- A special grease is used for the gear shifting cable (SIS-SP41). Do not use DURA-ACE grease or other types of grease, otherwise they may cause deterioration in gear shifting performance.
- 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.
- If the brake fluid used in the oil disc brakes is of a type which tends to adhere to the plastic parts of the shifting lever, this may cause the plastic parts to crack or become discolored. Therefore, you should make sure that the brake fluid does not adhere to these plastic parts.
- The mineral oil which is used in SHIMANO disc brakes does not cause cracking or discoloration if it adheres to plastic parts, but such parts should be cleaned with alcohol beforehand to prevent foreign particles from adhering.
- Do not disassemble the indicator and shifting lever unit, as this may damage them or cause mis-operation.
- Be sure to read these service instructions in conjunction with the service instructions for the SM-BB51 before use.
- Parts are not guaranteed against natural wear or deterioration resulting from normal use.
- 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.

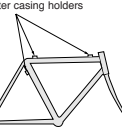
Front chainrings



Rear sprockets



Outer casing holders



Technical Service Instructions

SI-6S80A-001

Front Drive System	
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In order to realize the best performance, we recommend that the following combination be used.	
Series	Deore
Rapidfire M9 (Shifting lever)	SL-M590
Outer casing	SIS-SP41
Front derailleur	FD-M590 / FD-M591
Front chainwheel	FC-M590 / FC-M591-K
Bottom Bracket	SM-BB51
Chain	CN-HG53
Bottom bracket cable guide	SM-SP17 / SM-BT17

This service instruction explains how to use and maintain the Shimano bicycle parts which have been used on your new bicycle. For any questions regarding your bicycle or other matters which are not related to Shimano parts, please contact the place of purchase or the bicycle manufacturer.

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Specifications

Front Derailleur	
Model number	FD-M590 / FD-M591
Applicable to both normal type and top route type	X
Front chainwheel tooth difference	22T
Min. difference between top and intermediate	12T
Front derailleur installation band diameter	S, M, L
Chainstay angle (α)	63° - 66°, 66° - 69°
Applicable chain line	50 mm

Chainwheel	
Model number	FC-M590 / FC-M591-K
Chainwheel tooth combination	44-32-22T / 48-36-26T
Bolt circle diameter	104 mm / 64 mm
Crank arm length	170 mm, 175 mm
Chain line	50 mm
Bottom bracket shell width	68, 73 mm
Thread dimensions	BC1.37 (68, 73mm)

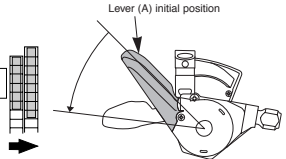
Bottom Bracket	
Model number	SM-BB51
Bottom bracket shell width	68, 73 mm
Thread dimensions	1.37 X 24 T.P.I.

Gear shifting operation

This release lever is equipped with a 2-way release mechanism which allows release operations to be carried out by either pushing or pulling the lever. 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.

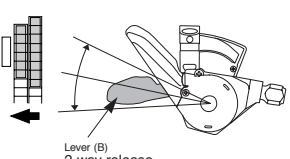
To shift from a small chainring to a larger chainring
When lever (A) is pressed once, there is a shift of one step from a small chainring to a larger chainring.

Example:
from intermediate chainring to largest chainring.



To shift from a large chainring to a smaller chainring
When lever (B) is pressed once, there is a shift of one step from a large chainring to a smaller chainring.

Example:
from largest chainring to intermediate chainring.



Installation of the Front Chainwheel and Front Derailleur

Follow the procedure in the figure.

- 1, 2 Use the special tool TL-FC32/36 to install the right adapter (counterclockwise thread) and the left adapter (clockwise thread).
Tightening torque: 35 - 50 N·m {305 - 435 in. lbs.}
- 3 Insert the right crank unit.
- 4 Set section A of the left crank into the axle of the right crank unit where the groove is wide.
- 5 Use the TL-FC16 to tighten the cap.
Tightening torque: 0.7 - 1.5 N·m {6 - 13 in. lbs.}
- 6 Push in the stopper plate and check that the plate pin is securely in place, and then tighten the bolt of the left crank arm. (5 mm Allen key)
Note : Each of the bolts should be evenly and equally tightened to 12 - 14 N·m {106 - 122 in. lbs.}.

■ Spacer installation method

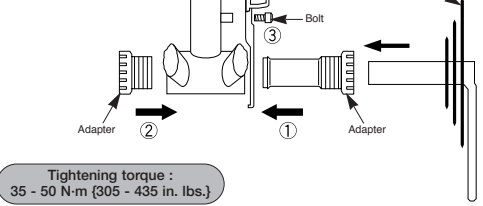
- (1) Check whether the width of the bottom bracket shell is 68 mm or 73 mm.
- (2) Next, install the adapter while referring to the illustrations below.

< FC-M590 >		< FC-M591-K >	
Band Type	Bracket Type	Band Type	Chaincase Stay Type
68 mm	68 mm	68 mm	Chaincase stay
73 mm	73 mm	73 mm	73 mm

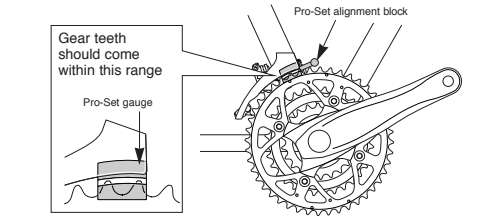
*1 If using three 2.5 mm spacers with a band type and a bottom bracket shell having a width of 68 mm, install the three spacers so that there are two on the right and one on the left.
*2 1.8 mm corresponds to the thickness of the chain case.

For bracket type

Install as shown in the illustration.

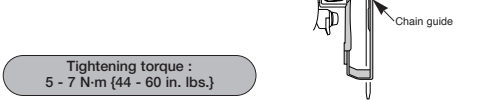


Adjust and then install the front derailleur as shown in the illustration. Do not remove the Pro-Set alignment block at this time.




■ Note
When installing the components to carbon frame/handle bar surfaces, verify with the manufacturer of the carbon frame/parts for their recommendation on tightening torque in order to prevent over tightening that can cause damage to the carbon material and/or under tightening that can cause lack of fixing strength for the components.

The level section of the chain guide outer plate should be directly above and parallel to the largest chainring. Secure using a 5 mm Allen key.



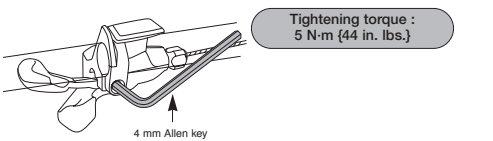
Chain length

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



Installation of the lever

Use a handlebar grip with a maximum outer diameter of 36 mm.



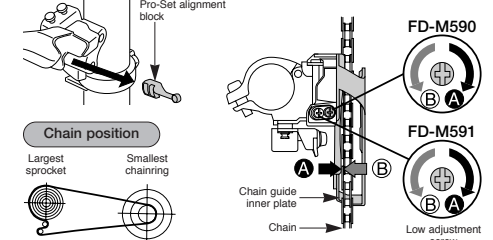
- Install the shifting lever in a position where it will not obstruct brake operation and gear shifting operation.
- Do not use in a combination which causes brake operation to be obstructed.

SIS Adjustment

Be sure to follow the sequence described below.

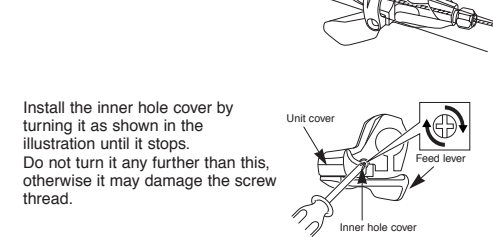
1. Low adjustment

First remove the Pro-Set alignment block. Next, set so that the clearance between the chain guide inner plate and the chain is 0 - 0.5 mm.




2. Connecting and securing the inner cable

Operate lever (B) 2 or more times, check on the indicator that the low position is correct, and then secure the inner cable.

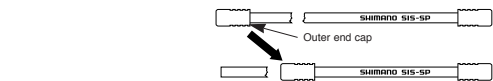


Cutting the outer casing

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.

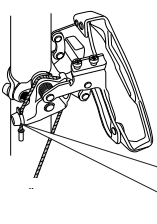


Cut off the excess length of inner cable and then install the inner end cap. While firmly pulling the inner cable, secure by tightening the fixing bolt with a 5 mm Allen key.

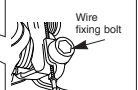
■ Refer to the Service Instructions for the Rear Drive System for details on replacing and installing the indicator unit.

■ FD-M590

< Normal type >

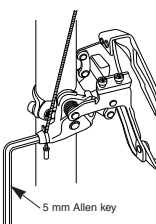


Note: Pass the cable through as shown in the illustration.



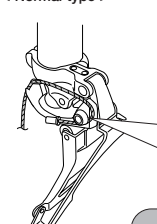
5 mm Allen key

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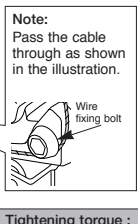


■ FD-M591

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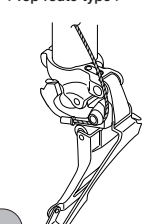


Note: Pass the cable through as shown in the illustration.

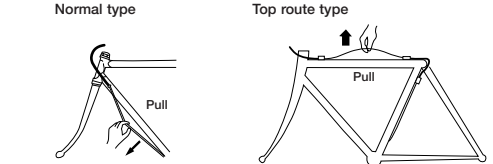


Tightening torque : 5 - 7 N·m {44 - 60 in. lbs.}

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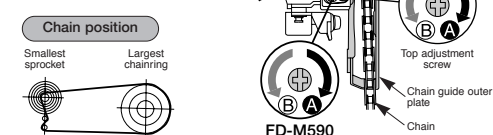


After taking up the initial slack in the cable, re-secure to the front derailleur as shown in the illustration.



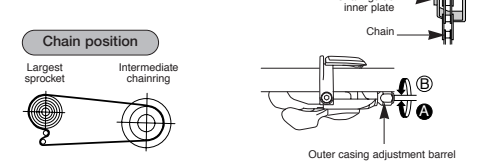
3. Top adjustment

Set so that the clearance between the chain guide outer plate and the chain is 0 - 0.5 mm.



4. Adjustment of the intermediate chainring

When carrying out adjustment, set the chain to the largest sprocket, and at the front, set the chain to the intermediate chainring. Adjust using the outer casing adjustment barrel so that the clearance between the chain guide inner plate and the chain is 0 - 0.5 mm.



5. Troubleshooting chart

After completion of steps 1 - 4, move the shifting lever to check the shifting. (This also applies if shifting becomes difficult during use.)

If the chain falls to the crank side.	Tighten the top adjustment screw clockwise (about 1/4 turn).
If shifting is difficult from the intermediate chainring to the largest chainring.	Loosen the top adjustment screw counterclockwise (about 1/8 turn).
If shifting is difficult from the intermediate chainring to the smallest chainring.	Loosen the low adjustment screw counterclockwise (about 1/4 turn).
If there is interference between the chain and the front derailleur inner plate at the largest chainring.	Tighten the top adjustment screw clockwise (about 1/8 turn).
If there is interference between the chain and the front derailleur outer plate at the largest chainring.	Loosen the top adjustment screw counterclockwise (about 1/8 turn).
If the intermediate chainring is skipped when shifting from the largest chainring.	Loosen the outer casing adjustment barrel counterclockwise (1 or 2 turns).
If there is interference between the chain and front derailleur inner plate when the rear sprocket is shifted to the largest sprocket when the chainwheel is at the intermediate chainring position.	Tighten the outer casing adjustment barrel clockwise (1 or 2 turns).
If the chain falls to the bottom bracket side.	Tighten the low adjustment screw clockwise (about 1/2 turn).
If the lever is stiff when shifting from the intermediate chainring to the largest chainring	Loosen the top adjustment screw counterclockwise (about 1/4 turn).