

BRIGADE WATCH COMPANY

SW200-1A & SW200-1B WATCH OWNER'S MANUAL

Automatic Mechanical Watches / Date (1a) and No-Date(1b) Variants

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

This manual covers watches powered by the Sellita SW200-1A date movement and the Sellita SW200-1B no-date movement. The exact crown shape, water-resistance rating, bracelet, strap, bezel, and case details may vary by model. Always follow the rating printed on your watch caseback and the warranty card supplied with your watch.

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1. Movement overview

Your watch is powered by a Swiss automatic mechanical movement from the Sellita SW200-1 family. Unlike a quartz watch, it does not use a battery. The movement stores energy in a mainspring, which is wound by wrist movement during wear or by turning the crown by hand.

Item	Description
Movement family	Sellita SW200-1 automatic mechanical movement
SW200-1A	Date version with hours, minutes, central seconds, and quick date correction
SW200-1B	No-date version with hours, minutes, and central seconds
Frequency	28,800 vibrations per hour, also described as 4 Hz
Jewels	26 Jewels
Power reserve	Approximately 38 to 41 hours when fully wound
Stop-seconds	The hacking seconds hand stops when the crown is pulled to the time-setting position.

IMPORTANT TERMINOLOGY

In this manual, "SW200-1A" refers to the date model and "SW200-1B" refers to the no-date model. Some watch brands use their own model codes, so your warranty card or product page should be treated as the final reference for your exact watch configuration.

2. Quick Start

1. Brigade timepieces are equipped with screw down crowns for water resistance. Unscrew the crown by turning counterclockwise until it releases (pops out). **CAUTION:** Do not pull hard to engage crown positions.
2. Wind the watch by turning the crown clockwise about 5 to 10 full turns. This will give the movement enough power to engage.
3. For SW200-1A date variants, avoid quick-setting the date when the hands show between 8:00 PM and 4:00 AM.
4. Pull the crown to the time-setting position. The second hand will stop. Set the correct time, then push the crown back in.
5. If your watch has a screw-down crown, push the crown in and turn it clockwise until it is snug. **CAUTION:** Do not overtighten.

WATER-RESISTANCE REMINDER

A watch is only water-resistant when the crown is fully pushed in or fully screwed down, if equipped. Never operate the crown underwater or while the watch is wet.

3. Crown positions

The crown is the small knob on the side of the watch case. It is used for winding, setting the time, and, on date models, setting the date. Brigade timepieces are equipped with screw down crowns for better water resistance. Unscrew your crown before following the instructions below:

Crown position	SW200-1A Date Variant	SW200-1B No-Date Variant
Closed	Crown fully pushed in or screwed down. Wear position.	Crown fully pushed in or screwed down. Wear position.
Position 0	Running position and manual winding.	Running position and manual winding.
Position 1	Quick date correction.	Time setting. The seconds hand stops.
Position 2	Time setting. The second hand stops.	Not applicable

DO NOT FORCE THE CROWN

Crown positions should click into place with a controlled feel. If the crown does not move smoothly, stop and contact service. Forcing the crown can damage the stem or setting mechanism.

4. Winding the watch

The watch winds automatically as you wear it, but it may need manual winding when new, after shipping, or after sitting unused for more than a day.

How to manually wind:

1. Place the crown in Position 0
2. Turn the crown clockwise 5 to 10 slowly and evenly
3. Once the seconds hand starts engaging, pull crown to the outer most position to set time
4. Set the time and date if needed, then return Position 0
5. Screw the crown back into the tube clockwise

BEST PRACTICE

Manual winding is useful, but the watch is designed to stay wound during regular wear. Avoid rapid, aggressive winding. Wind gently and stop if anything feels abnormal.

5. Setting the time

1. Pull the crown to the time-setting position. On the SW200-1A date model, this is Position 2. On the SW200-1B no-date model, this is Position 1.
2. The second hand will stop. This allows precise synchronization with a reference clock.
3. Turn the crown to move the hour and minute hands to the desired time.
4. Push the crown fully back in when finished. Screw the crown back into the tube by rotating clockwise until snug.

AM/PM CHECK FOR DATE MODELS

If your SW200-1A date model changes date at noon instead of midnight, the watch is 12 hours off. Advance the hands forward by 12 hours, then reset the time.

6. Setting the date - SW200-1A only

This section applies only to the SW200-1A date model. The SW200-1B no-date model does not have a date display or a quick date setting position.

Safe date-setting method

1. Pull the crown to the date-setting position 1 (SW200-1a variants ONLY)
2. Rotate the crown until the desired date is shown
3. Push the crown back into Position 0 and screw the crown down snugly

DATE DANGER ZONE

Do not use quick date correction when the hands show between 8:00 PM and 4:00 AM. During this period, the calendar mechanism may already be engaged. Quick setting the date at this time can damage the date mechanism.

7. Daily Wear and Water Resistance

Water resistance is model-specific. Always follow the rating printed on your watch case back, warranty card, or official product page. The table below is a general guide only.

Rating	Suitable For	Care Note
200 m / 20 ATM	Swimming, snorkeling, and stronger water exposure.	Use only with the crown fully secured; pressure test regularly.

- Make sure the crown is fully closed before exposure to water.
- Do not use the crown unless your specific model manual says it is safe.
- Avoid saunas, hot tubs, and sudden temperature changes. Heat can affect gaskets and seals.
- Rinse the watch with fresh water after saltwater, chlorine, sweat, or sand exposure, then dry it with a soft cloth.
- Have gaskets and water resistance checked after impacts, servicing, or any sign of moisture under the crystal.

8. Bracelet, Strap, and Clasp Care

- Stainless steel bracelets can be cleaned with fresh water and a soft toothbrush. Dry thoroughly after cleaning.
- Leather straps should be kept away from water, sweat, oils, perfumes, and long sunlight exposure.
- Rubber straps can be rinsed with fresh water and dried with a soft cloth.
- If your bracelet uses screws, check them occasionally and have a watchmaker secure them if they loosen.
- Do not force the clasp. If it does not close securely, stop wearing the watch and request service.

9. Accuracy, power reserve, and magnetism

A mechanical watch is a precision instrument. Its timekeeping can vary based on wear habits, temperature, wrist position, power reserve, shocks, and magnetism. Slight daily variation is normal (+/- 7 seconds per day).

Power reserve

- A fully wound SW200-1 movement usually runs for about 38 to 41 hours when left unworn.
- If the watch stops overnight, wind it manually before wearing it again (5-10 turns ONLY).
- Very low wrist activity may not wind the watch enough to reach full power reserve.

Magnetism

- Keep the watch away from strong magnets, speakers, magnetic clasps, laptop magnets, phone mounts, and magnetic chargers.
- A magnetized watch may run unusually fast, slow, or erratically.
- Demagnetizing is a simple service procedure and should be performed by a watch professional.

Shocks

- Avoid dropping the watch or wearing it during high-impact activity.
- Heavy vibrations may affect regulation and timing or damage parts over time.

10. Cleaning and long-term care

- Wipe the watch regularly with a clean microfiber cloth.
- For water-resistant models with the crown secured, rinse with fresh water after sweat, saltwater, chlorine, or dust exposure.
- Avoid solvents, soaps with harsh chemicals, perfumes, sunscreen buildup, and cleaning sprays.
- Do not open the case back. Opening the case can compromise water resistance and may void warranty coverage.
- Store the watch in a cool, dry place away from magnets and direct sunlight.

CONDENSATION WARNING

If you see fog or moisture under the crystal, stop wearing the watch and contact service immediately. Moisture can damage the dial, hands, and movement.

11. Troubleshooting

Issue	Likely cause	What to do
Watch Stopped	The power reserve is empty.	Wind clockwise 5 to 10 turns, set the time, and wear normally.
Watch Stops Overnight	Not enough power reserve or low wrist activity.	Fully wind by hand and monitor. If the issue continues, request service.
Date Changes at Noon	The watch is set 12 hours off.	Advance the time forward by 12 hours, then set the correct time.
Date Will Not Quick-Set	Calendar mechanism may be engaged or there may be damage.	Do not force the crown. Move hands to 6:30 and try again. If it persists, contact service.
No Date on SW200-1B	Normal for no-date version.	Use only winding and time-setting positions.
Crown Feels Rough or Stuck	Possible stem, crown, or setting mechanism issue.	Stop using it and contact service.
Fog Under Crystal	Moisture intrusion.	Contact service immediately. Do not heat the watch to dry it.
Watch Runs Very Fast or Slow	Possible magnetism, shock, or regulation issue.	Keep away from magnets and request inspection if the issue continues.

12. Service and Warranty Guidance

For best long-term performance, mechanical watches should be inspected and serviced periodically. Service intervals depend on wear habits, exposure to water, shocks, climate, and overall condition.

- Use an authorized watchmaker or service center for movement service, gasket replacement, pressure testing, and regulation.
- Do not open the case back or attempt movement repairs at home by yourself.
- Warranty coverage usually applies to manufacturing defects and does not cover normal wear, accidental damage, water damage from an unsecured crown, unauthorized repair, strap wear, or cosmetic damage from use.
- Keep your purchase receipt, warranty card, and service records.

SERVICE RECOMMENDATION

A full movement service is commonly considered every 5 to 8 years, or sooner if the watch shows abnormal accuracy, reduced power reserve, moisture intrusion, shock damage, or winding/setting issues. Water resistance should be tested more frequently if the watch is used in water.

13. Support

- For help with winding, setting, warranty, bracelet sizing, or service, contact the seller or service channel listed on your warranty card.
- Include your model's name, serial number, proof of purchase, and a clear description of the issue.

KEEP YOUR RECORDS

Store this manual with your warranty card, purchase receipt, bracelet sizing parts, and service records.

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