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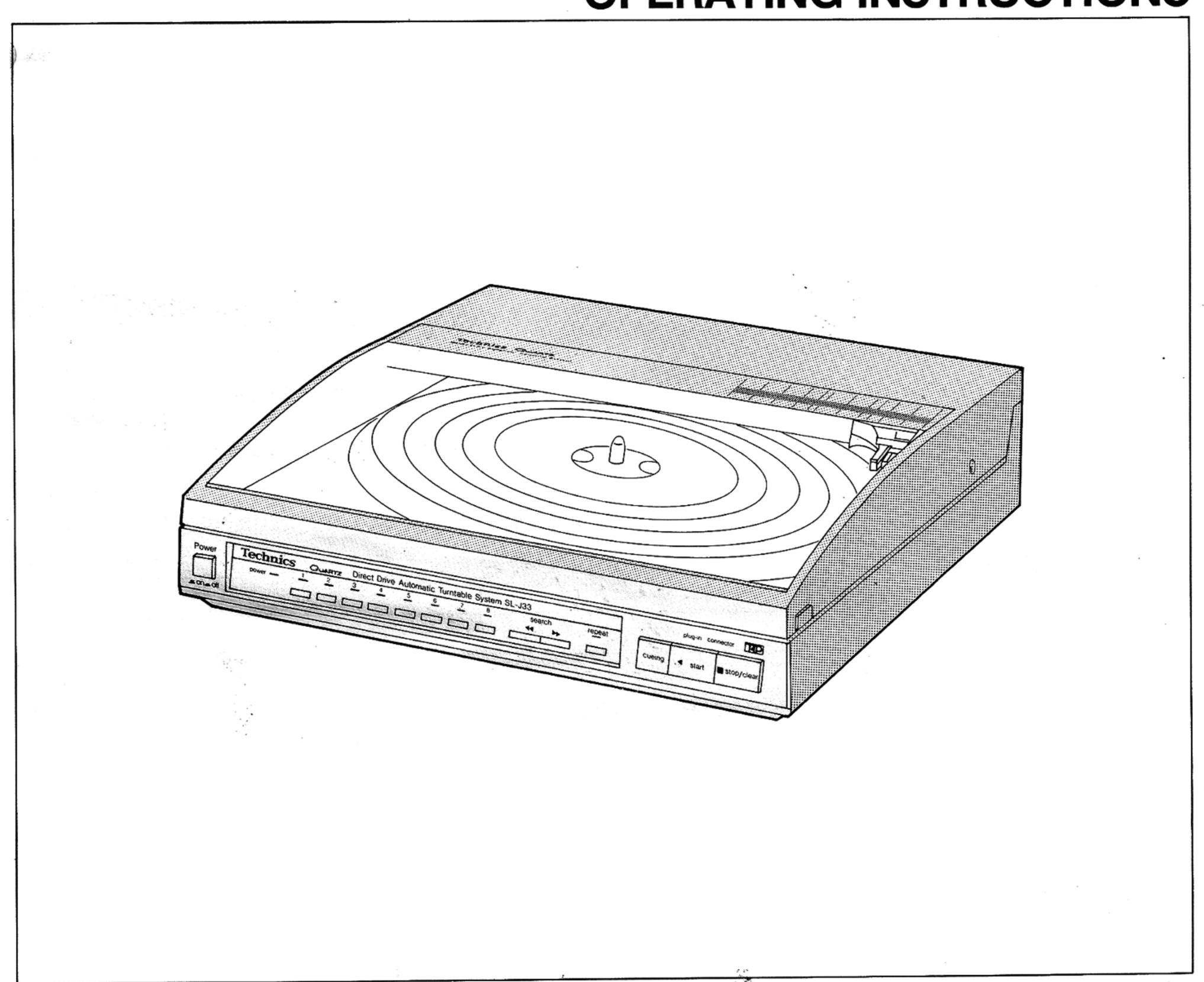
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# Technics

SL-J3

### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**



These instructions also apply to units of different color.

#### Dear Stereo Fan

Technics, The Science of Sound, welcomes the challenge of new audio technologies and brings you a multitude of world- renowned, high quality audio components.

Like our stereo high speed editing cassette decks with dbx\*, Computer Drive New Class A receivers, quartz drive linear tracking turntables, and revolutionary honeycomb disc speakers. All are backed by our time-honored commitment to imagination, value, and quality.

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players that bring the search for perfect sound to fruition. And A/V receivers that can integrate both audio and video technologies to forever alter the home entertainment system.

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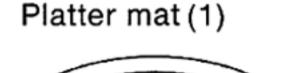
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### Accessories

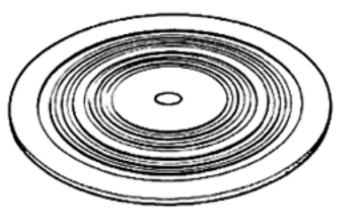


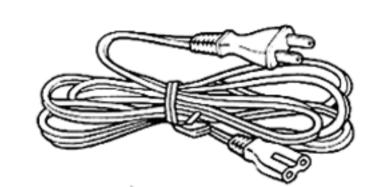


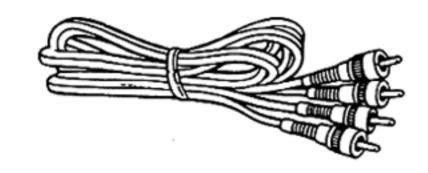


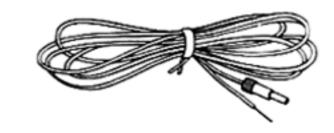
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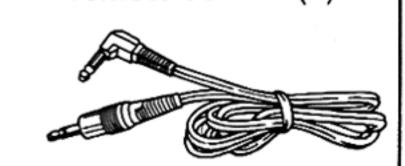
Connection cable for remote control (1)











#### **WARNING:**

TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PRODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.



### CAUTION

RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK DO NOT OPEN



CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF
ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT
REMOVE SCREWS.
NO USER-SERVICEABLE
PARTS INSIDE.
REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED
SERVICE PERSONNEL.



The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.

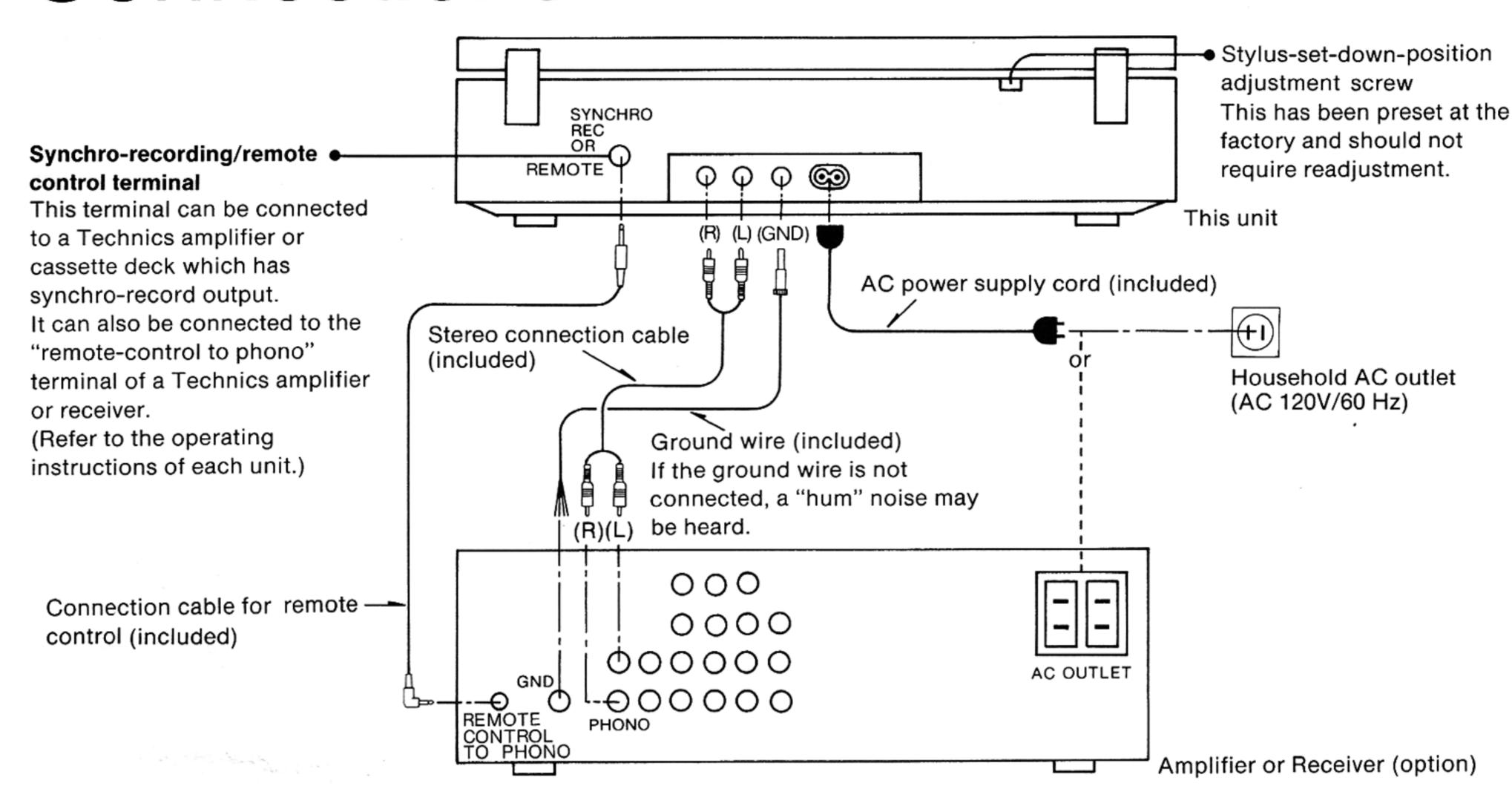


The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

The model number and serial number of this product can be found or	n eith	er the back o	r the bot	tom	of the	e unit.		
Please note them in the space provided below and retain this booklet	as a	permanent	record	of	your	purchase	to	aid
identification in the event of theft.								

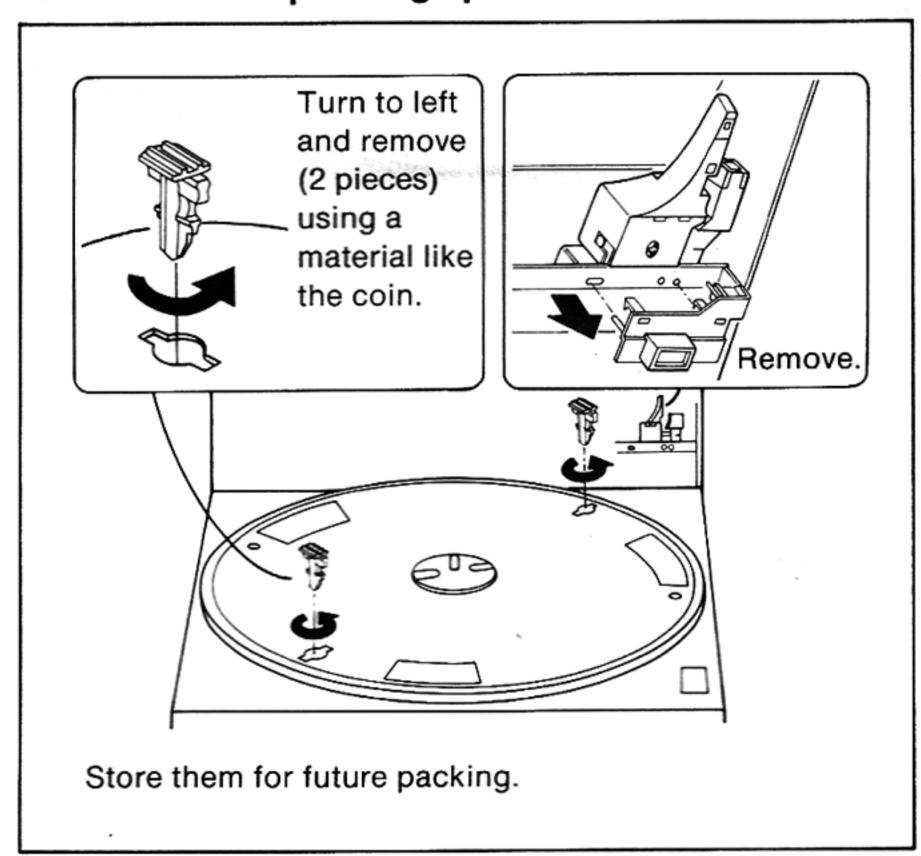
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SERIAL NUMBER	

### Connections



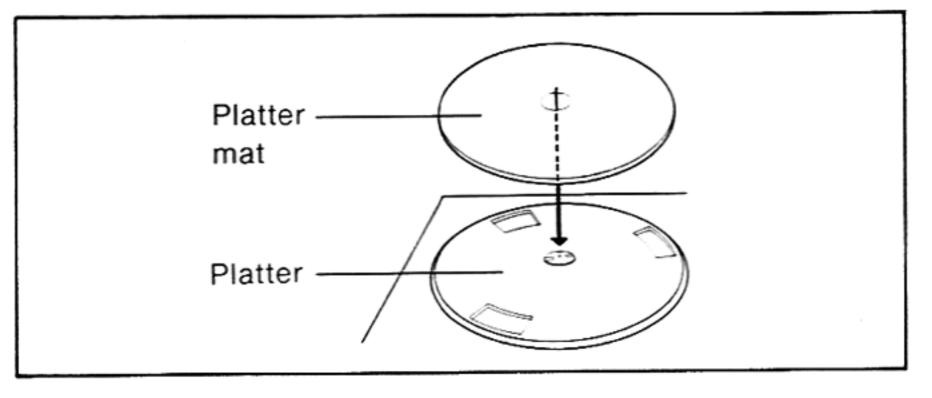
# Turntable Assembly

#### 1. Remove the packing spacers.



#### 2. Place the platter mat on the platter.

Use only the included platter mat.

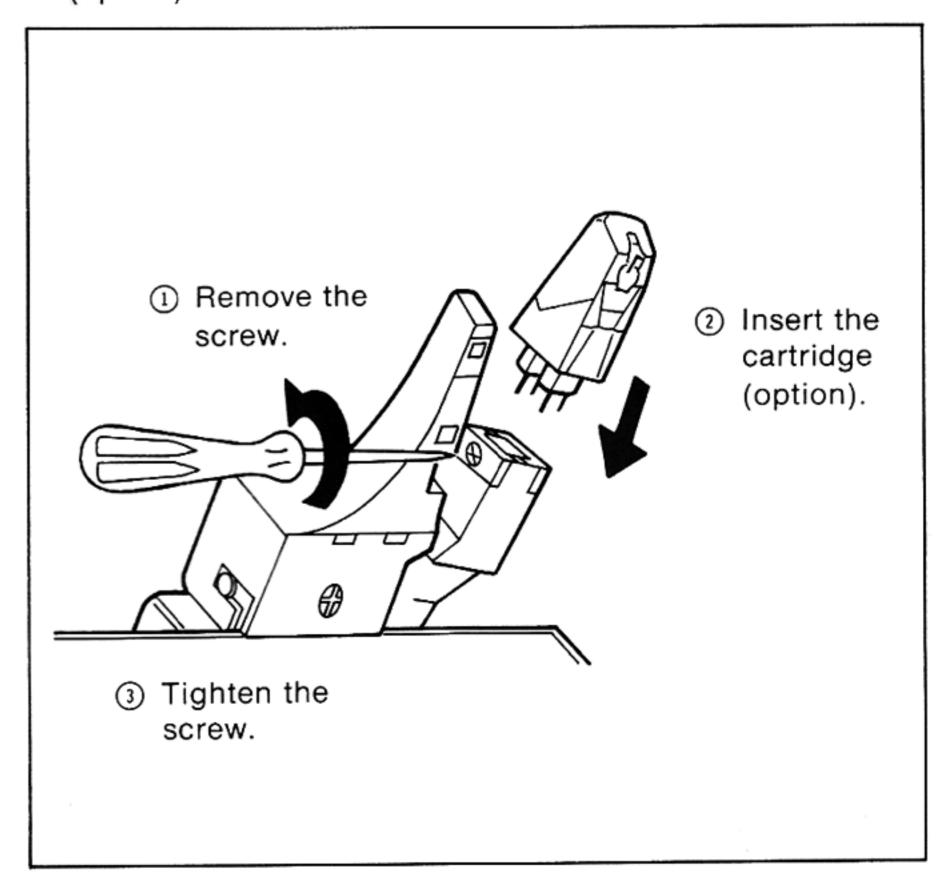


#### 3. Attach a 14D cartridge (option).

is the standard mark for the "P-mount" plug-inconnector system. Products carrying this mark are interchangeable and compatible with each other.

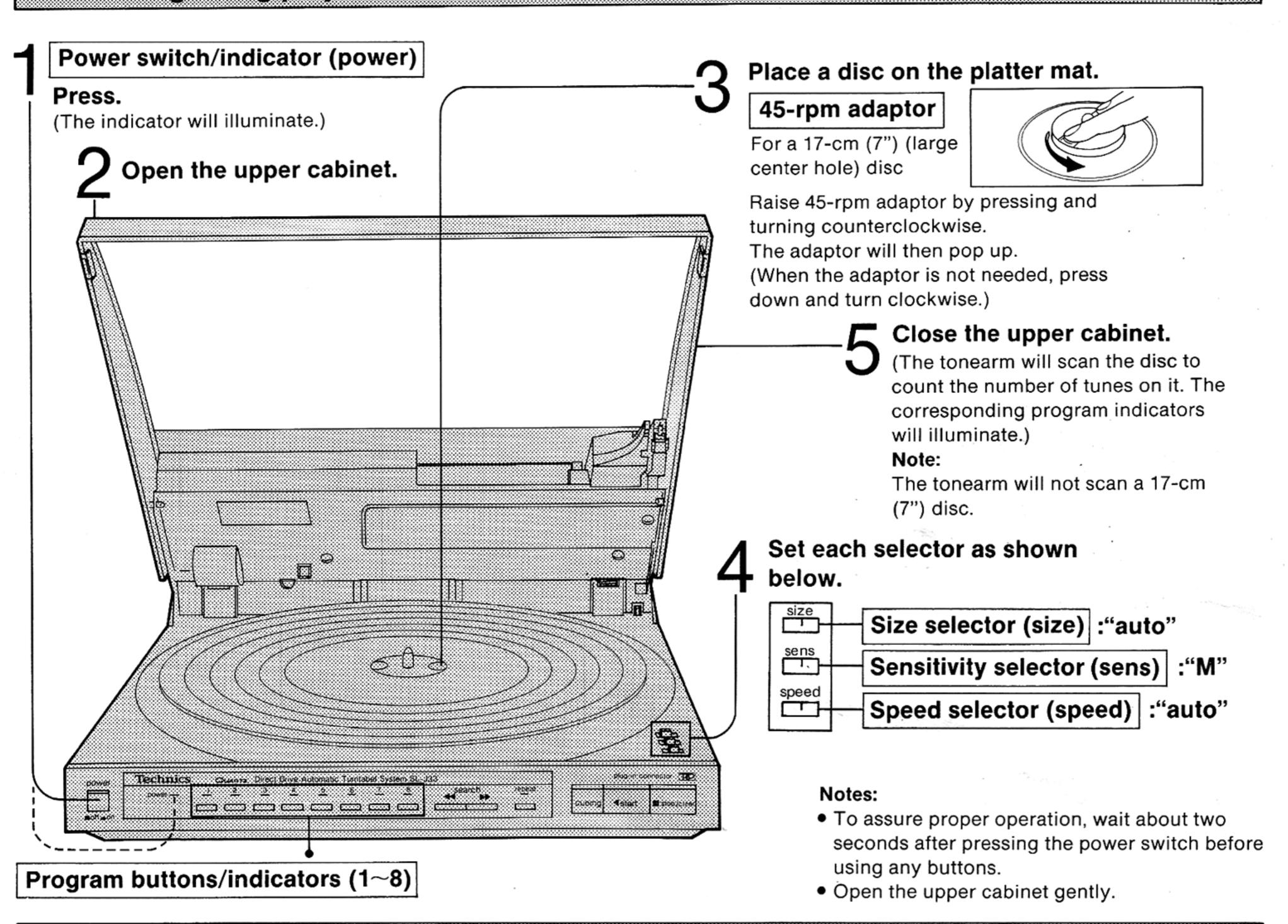
#### Installation: (Refer to page 4.)

- Place a 30 cm (12") disc on the platter mat and close the upper cabinet.
- 2. Press the power switch to turn on the electrical power supply of this unit. (The tonearm will move inward automatically.)
- 3. When the tonearm moves over to about the 25 cm (10") position, press the power switch to turn off.
- 4. Open the upper cabinet, then attach a **Tap** cartridge (option) as shown below.



# Operation

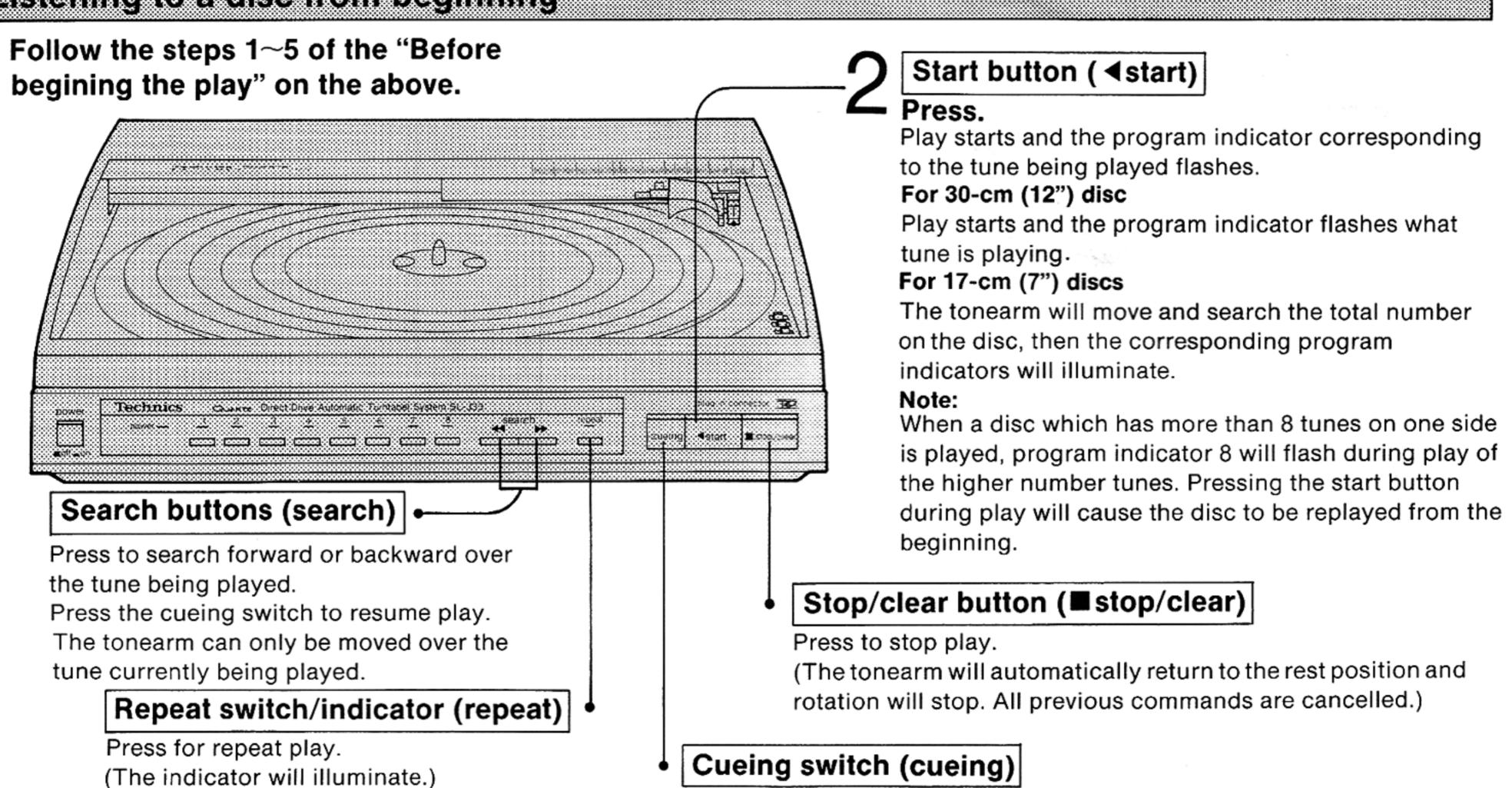
#### Before beginning play



#### Listening to a disc from beginning

To stop repeat play, press this switch again

or press the stop/clear button.



Press to stop the play temporarily.

Press again to resume the play.

#### Programmed play

#### Follow the steps $1\sim5$ of the "Before begining the play" on page 4.

#### Press the program buttons in the desired order.

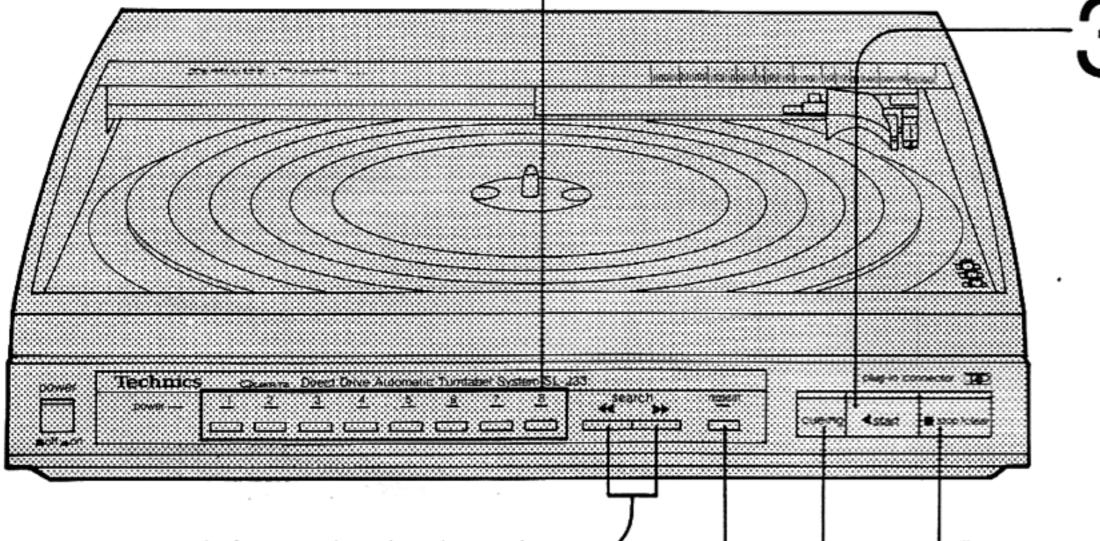
(The indicator will illuminate.)

If the tune is programmed by mistake, press the button again to cancel the selection.

#### For discs containing more than 8 tunes:

When the 8th tune is selected, all remaining songs will be played in succession.

Tune numbers higher than 8 cannot be selected.



**Press.** (Play starts and the program indicator flashes what tune is playing.)

If the start button is pressed during play, the repeat indicator will flash and play will resume from the beginning of the program sequence.

#### Note:

- There is a delay of about 10 seconds between tunes in a program sequence.
- Program play is only possible with 30-cm (12") discs. The current program can be altered by repeating steps 2 and 3 above.

Press to search forward or backward over the tune being played.

Press the cueing switch to resume play. The tonearm can only be moved over the

tune currently being played. Press to repeat the programmed tune.

(The indicator will illuminate.)

To stop repeat play, press this switch again or press the stop/clear button.

Press to stop the play.

(The tonearm will automatically return to the start position, then the rotation will stop.)

(The programmed play and the repeat play will be cancelled.)

Press to stop the play temporarily.

Press again to resume the play.

#### Manual play

#### The following types of discs should be played manually.

- Discs other than 17- or 30-cm discs
- Lightweight discs such as "Soundsheets"

- Badly warped discs
- Transparent or colored discs.

# Press the cueing switch. Move the

#### Disc groove scale

A scale with 1 mm graduations that is useful for determining the tonearm position.

Follow steps 1~3 of "Before beginning play" on page 4.

Set to "manual".

Size selector (size)

Speed selector (speed)

Set to disc's speed.

Close the upper cabinet.

#### Notes:

1. After listening is finished, set both the size selector and the speed selector to the "auto" position.

tonearm to the

desired position.

2. Programmed play is not possible in the manual mode.

#### After use

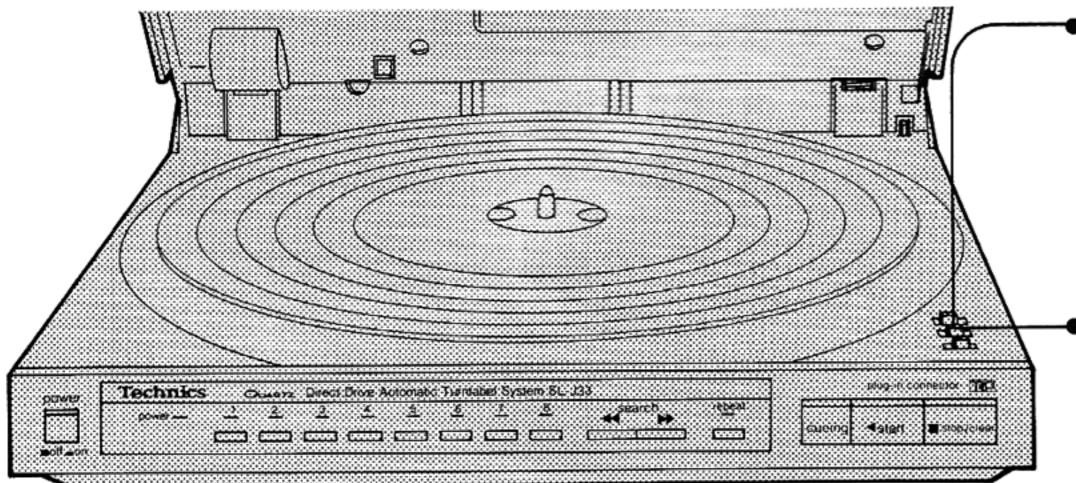
(Play will start.)

After listening is finished, the power switch of this unit should be turned "off".

# Adjustments

#### When the number of tunes in not detected properly

In case of short spaces between tunes or highly modulated grooves, the blank detection circuit may not operate properly.



Short spaces between tunes

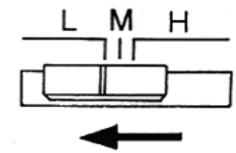
over and the next tune is played instead.

Specified tune is skipped · · · · · Set the sensitivity selector to the "H" position.

#### Highly modulated grooves

of a tune or stops at the middle of a tune.

Play starts from the middle · · · · · Set the sensitivity selector to the "L" position.

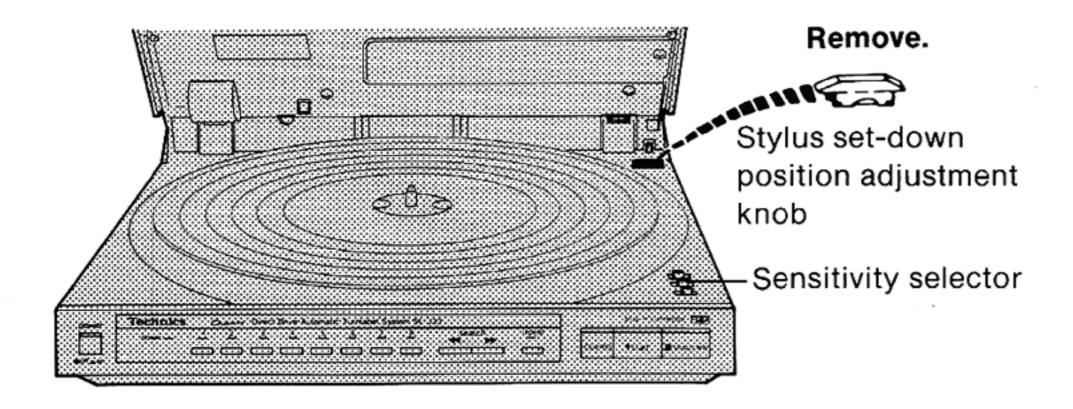


#### ·Notes

- 1. After listening is finished, be sure to set the sensitivity selector to the "M" position.
- 2. If the operations described above do not solve the problem, play the disc manually.

#### Adjustment of the stylus-set-down position

The stylus-set-down position is preset at the factory. If, during the programmed play, no sound is heard even when the stylus reaches the beginning of the specified tune or, no sound is heard for a long time after the stylus contacts the disc, make the adjustment.



- **∠Notes** • The first tune of a disc can not be adjusted. Adjustment is possible only for tunes 2 through 8.
- If between-tune gaps are extremely short or contains music and/or when an eccentric disc is used, this adjustment will not correct the problem and the disc should be played manually.

- 1. Set the sensitivity selector to the "H" position
- 2. Remove the cap, then rotate the stylus set-down position adjustment knob as described below:

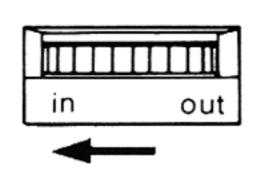
If the first few seconds of the specified tune are not audible or the beginning of the tune after the specified tune is played,

rotate towards the "out" direction (to the right).

If no sound is heard for a long time after the stylus contacts the disc (more than 20 seconds) or the tonearm lifts before the end of the tune,

rotate towards the "in" direction (to the left).

1-2 clicks moves the tonearm about 0.1 mm. out



Always return the sensitivity selector to "M" position after completing the above adjustment.

# neplacement

#### Replacement of the stylus

If noise is heard from new discs, the stylus is probably worn. Replace it with a new one.

(Refer to the operating instructions of the cartridge.)

#### Replacement of the cartridge

The plug-in type of cartridge is already designed to match this unit in every respect: weight, correct stylus pressure, stylus tip position, center of gravity, etc. This means that there's no longer any need for troublesome connection of lead wires or adjustment of the stylus pressure. (Refer to page 3.)

### Maintenance

#### To clean dust from the stylus

Use a soft brush or similar material to gently remove the dust. Thoroughly clean your discs occasionally with a high-quality disc cleaner.

#### Maintenance of external surfaces

To clean this unit, use a soft, dry cloth.

If the surfaces are extremely dirty, use a soft cloth, dipped into a soap-and-water solution or a weak detergent solution.

Wring the cloth well before wiping the unit.

Wipe once again with a soft, dry cloth.

Never use alcohol, paint thinner, benzine, nor a chemically treated cloth to clean this unit.

Such chemicals may damage the finish of your unit.

# Suggestions for Safety

Before using this unit, be sure to read the applicable items of operating instructions and these safety suggestions carefully. Afterwards keep them handy for future reference. Take special care to follow the warnings indicated on the unit itself as well as in the operating instructions.

#### 1. Avoid places where there is water or humidity.

Do not use this unit near a bathtub, washbasin, swimming pool, or the like. Damp basements should also be avoided.

### 2. Don't allow water or any foreign object to get inside this unit.

Don't place small metal objects or anything containing liquid on or near the unit.

# 3. Avoid placement of the unit where it will be exposed to the direct rays of the sun, or where ventilation is inadequate.

Don't place this unit in a bookcase or between cabinets, or where curtains or furniture may obstruct the ventilation holes.

### 4. Place this unit away from heat-emitting appliances.

Never place this unit near a radiator, heat register, stove, or any other heat-emitting equipment (including amplifiers).

#### 5. Placement

Place the unit on a stable, vibration-free, level shelf or stand.

#### 6. Use of a cart or stand

When deciding on a cart or stand, be sure to follow the recommendations for this unit in the operating instructions.

#### 7. Wall or ceiling installation

If the unit is to be mounted on a wall or ceiling, be sure to do so only as recommended in the operating instructions.

### 8. Check the voltage rating of this unit before connecting the unit to a power supply.

Be sure to connect the unit only to the type of power supply indicated in the operating instructions, or as indicated on the unit itself.

#### 9. Care of the power cord and plug

Take care that the cord is not bent sharply (especially near its connection to the unit or near the plug), that nothing is placed on it, and that it is not pinched or crushed. Never take hold of the plug or cord if your hand is wet, and always be sure to grasp the plug body when connecting or disconnecting it.

### 10. If the unit will not be used for a long period of time:

Be sure to disconnect the power cord.

#### 11. Never attempt repairs yourself

- (a) If the power cord or plug is damaged.
- (b) If a foreign object or liquid falls into the unit.
- (c) If the unit is exposed to rain.
- (d) If the unit does not function normally, or if operation shows an unusual change.
- (e) If the unit has been dropped and the cabinet or chassis are damaged ...etc.

Unplug the power cord and consult with a qualified technician (or the dealer from whom the unit was purchased or the nearest service center).

#### 12. Repairs

Except for adjustments explained in the operating instructions, do not attempt any repairs yourself. Be sure to request service from a qualified technician (or your dealer or nearest service center).

# Troubleshooting Guide

Before requesting service for this unit, check the chart below for a possible cause of the problem you are experiencing. Some simple checks or a minor adjustment on your part may eliminate the problem and restore proper operation.

If you are in doubt about some of the check points, or if the remedies indicated in the chart do not solve the problem, refer to the directory of Authorized service centers (enclosed with this unit) to locate a convenient service center, or consult your Technics dealer for instructions.

Problem	Probable cause(s)	Suggested remedy
During disc play		
A loud and unusual sound ("howling") is heard when the volume level is increased.	The location of the turntable and speaker systems is unstable.	<ul> <li>If the equipment is unstable because it is located upon a soft surface, such as a carpet, place a solid material (such as concrete blocks, bricks, a hard board, etc.) beneath the speaker systems.</li> <li>Try moving the turntable farther away from the speaker systems.</li> <li>Try placing a cushioning material (such as felt or commercially available audio insulators) beneath the turntable.</li> </ul>
Unusual scratching noises are heard.	Disc is old or scratched.	<ul> <li>Turn the treble tone control of the amplifier to reduce the treble sound.</li> </ul>
	Dust in disc grooves.	<ul> <li>Use a disc cleaner to remove the dust from the disc grooves.</li> </ul>
•	Stylus needle is worn.	<ul> <li>If the noise is heard even when a new disc is played, probably the stylus is worn. Replace it with a new stylus.</li> </ul>
	Dust is attached to stylus tip.	Remove the dust by using a soft brush.

# Technical Specifications

#### **■ TURNTABLE SECTION**

Type Automatic turntable
Drive method Direct drive
Motor Brushless-DC motor

Drive control method

Quartz-phase-locked control **Turntable platter** Aluminum die-cast

Turntable speeds Diameter 300 mm (12") 33-1/3 rpm and 45 rpm

Wow and flutter 0.012% WRMS (\*) 0.025% WRMS (JIS C5521)

±0.035% weighted zero to peak (IEC 98A weighted)

Rumble 78 dB DIN-B (IEC 98A weighted) 56 dB DIN-A (IEC 98A unweighted)

#### **■ TONEARM SECTION**

Type Static-balanced, Linear tracking tonearm
Plug-in-connector type straight tonearm

Effective length 105 mm (4-1/8")

Tracking error angle Within ±0.1°

Effective mass 9 g (including cartridge)

Resonance frequency 12 Hz

(Compliance 12×10<sup>-6</sup>cm/dyne Cartridge weight 6 g, stylus pressure 1.25 g) Phono cable capacitance 120pF

#### **■ GENERAL**

Power supply AC 120V, 60 Hz
Power consumption 10 W
Dimensions (W×H×D) 315×88×315 mm

(12-1/2"×3-1/2"×12-1/2")

Weight 4.1 kg (9 lb.)

\* This rating refers to turntable assembly alone, excluding effects of record, cartridge or tonearm, but including platter. Measured by obtaining signal from built-in frequency generator of motor assembly.

### Product Service

The unit should be serviced by qualified technicians only. No service information is provided for customers. Your product is designed and manufactured to ensure a minimum of maintenance. However, should your unit ever require service, a nationwide system of factory servicenters and AUTHORIZED INDEPENDENT SERVICENTERS is maintained to support your product's warranty.

(In U.S.A., consult MSC Authorized service center for detailed instructions.)

#### **CAUTION**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications set forth in Subpart J of Part 15 of the FCC Rules. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception which can be determined by turning the equipment on and off, use the equipment in another location and/or utilize an electrical outlet different from that used by the receiver.

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