

# *Points to Watch...*

## IN USING THE ZIP HOME KNITTING MACHINE

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- 1.** When moving the handle from left to right and vice versa, never lift the handle or push it out of alignment.
- 2.** If a jam occurs in the machine, never try to force the handle through. This may cause serious damage to the mechanism.
- 3.** Always keep the pincomb hard against the comb-stop on the right of machine. This prevents the hooks from fouling the pin.
- 4.** When knitting always keep the yarn loose. If the yarn is tight when being fed into the machine, a stoppage may occur.
- 5.** Never expose the machine to water or store in a damp place.
- 6.** Always handle the pincomb with care. If the comb is frequently dropped or mis-used the pins may be bent and cause uneven knitting or a stoppage in the machine.
- 7.** Apply sewing machine oil to the machine at regular intervals, as per instruction book.
- 8.** If you find that after knitting a row, several stitches have either been dropped or are uneven, do not pull the handle back to release the row, but simply pull the yarn away with the fingers until the faulty row is cleared.
- 9.** Each machine is well lubricated after assembly at the factory and it is possible that the knitting pins may have oil on them. It is advisable, therefore, to use some old wool and knit two or three complete rows to ensure that the hooks are clean.
- 10.** To find the correct knitting tension for your machine (a) pull the handle from left to right; (b) lay a piece of yarn along the channel between the two rows of pins; (c) pull handle from right to left; (d) hold the pincomb at each end with both hands and attempt to lift it from the comb supports. If the yarn slips over the knitting hooks with ease the tension is correct. If difficulty is experienced in lifting the pincomb because the yarn is too tight, loosen the tension by moving the comb supporting brackets outwards; (e) Repeat the above test. (Note: Although each machine is adjusted to the finest tension before leaving the factory, some alteration to the setting is often caused during transport.)
- 11.** It is suggested that you do not lend your machine to other people who are not as conversant with its operation as yourself.

*If these points are strictly observed, your Zip Machine will give you satisfaction for many years to come. You cannot expect full efficiency from any piece of mechanism unless it is given proper care and attention.*