

# ***marucci***

## **PITCHING MACHINE OWNER'S MANUAL**



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## BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Thank you for selecting the MARUCCI PITCHING MACHINE. For your safety and benefit, read this manual carefully before using the product. If you have any questions, or find there are missing or damaged parts, please contact our Customer Service Agents.

**Toll-Free Customer Service Number**  
**1-877-846-9997**  
**Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. EST**

Country of Origin: Taiwan



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Cert No: **FCC 784748 D01 Labelling Part 15**

RETAIN THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE USE



## IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

**IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE:** For your safety and benefit, read the following instructions carefully prior to assembly or use. Failure to follow all instructions and safety precautions can result in serious injury or death or damage to equipment. This product is intended only for use during baseball or softball batting practice.

### WARNING

1. **STAY CLEAR OF THE BALL PATH.** Never place any part of your body on or near any part of the pitching wheel or in front of the machine while it is in operation and/or connected to a power source. Never stand directly in front of the pitching machine.
2. **BATTERS MUST ALWAYS WEAR A BATTING HELMET.**
3. **TEST BEFORE PITCHING.** Always test speed settings or adjustments prior to pitching to a player to ensure direction and speed of the ball are correct.
4. **DO NOT TOUCH ROTATING WHEELS.** Do not make adjustments or move the machine until the wheels are completely stopped.
5. **SHOCK HAZARD.** Use and store this machine only in a dry location. Do not use if the machine becomes wet. Wipe any water from the machine and allow to completely dry before using again.
6. **EXTENSION CORD.** Use only a 3-prong power cord. If the ground prong has been broken off, do not use. Use a power cord with the proper gauge wire for the length you are using. An under-sized cord will cause a drop in voltage and will cause overheating.
7. **CARE OF EXTENSION CORD.** Do not use a cord that is cracked or otherwise damaged. Keep cord away from moving wheels. Be sure cord on ground does not present a tripping hazard.
8. **BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS.** Stay alert at all times. Be aware of people around the machine while in use. Keep other players behind you and behind the machine. Keep your eye on the batter's box. Be sure only the batter is near the path of the ball.
9. **ONLY TRAINED PERSONNEL MAY OPERATE THIS MACHINE.** Operators must be properly instructed in the use and care of this machine. Operator must be at least 18 years of age to use this machine.
10. **ALWAYS USE A PROTECTOR SCREEN.** Place a protective screen in front of the machine to protect the machine as well as the operator from batted balls during use.
11. **OPERATOR MUST WEAR SAFETY GLASSES.** Debris on the wheel could be projected and cause injury.
12. **PINCH HAZARD.** Exercise caution while pressing push-pins to assemble or disassemble the metal base.
13. **USE ON A FLAT, LEVEL SURFACE.** The machine must be placed on a flat surface. Placing on uneven or sloped surfaces can lead to injury or product damage.
14. **INSPECT THE MACHINE BEFORE EACH USE.** The wheels must be clean and free of any cracks in the urethane. Clean machine and wheels with a clean damp cloth. **NEVER** use chemicals or solvents. Be sure to tighten all levers after each setting change.
15. **DO NOT POWER WITH A GASOLINE GENERATOR INDOORS.** Harmful fumes can cause illness or death.



## IMPORTANT! CARE AND MAINTENANCE

1. Inspect all parts before using the product for signs of wear or failure. If parts are worn or damaged, DO NOT use. Contact Customer Service for replacement parts.
2. Check your machine before each use. Make sure all bolts and handles are tight.
3. Before each use, check the pitching wheel for tightness. Tighten with an Allen wrench if needed.
4. Check the wheels for cracks or excessive wear. Make sure screw that holds wheels to axel is tight.
5. Keep machine clean. Wipe down with a damp cloth after each use. Do not use solvents to clean the machine.



## IMPORTANT! OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. The Pitching Machine may be used with real leather baseballs and real leather softballs. Recommended use with DIMPLED pitching machine balls (CHECK BAT MANUFACTURER IF BAT IS APPROVED FOR USE WITH THESE BALLS).
2. Always store the machine in a clean, dry area.
3. Cover the machine when not in use. This will keep the machine clean and will protect the wheels from the elements. (**CAUTION:** Do not use a plastic cover. Plastic can retain moisture that will cause damage to your machine.)
4. Wheels should never be left in the sunlight for prolonged periods of time. Sunlight can cause the material to deteriorate and inhibit proper function over time.

### **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.**

Use this manual to train others to use the machine. Only trained personnel may operate the machine.



## WARNING LABEL PLACEMENT

### ! WARNING:

This machine has different settings depending on the type of ball used. Read and understand the Owner's Manual before operating the machine. Failure to follow the warnings and instructions provided may result in serious personal injury.

- Always operate machine under adult supervision.
- Batter must wear a NOCSAE® approved batting helmet at all times.
- Pitch a practice ball before each new batter to ensure pitch speed and alignment is appropriate for the age and skill level of the batter.
- Never stand or walk in front of machine while it is powered on.
- Always use machine with a protective screen to protect operator from batted balls.
- Turn the machine off and allow the wheel to come to a complete stop prior to making any adjustments.
- Never try to slow or stop wheel while it is spinning.
- Never insert or remove baseball chute attachment while machine is powered on.
- Only pitch one ball at a time.
- Never use this machine in wet conditions.

### ! WARNING:

#### CONTACT POINT HAZARD:

Keep hands and other objects away from moving parts. Use extreme caution when adjusting pitch angle. Never adjust pinch pad and never insert hands in chute while the machine is powered on.

#### REBOUND IMPACT HAZARD:

Path of release must be completely clear before feeding ball to batter.

#### SHOCK HAZARD:

Plug in and operate in dry conditions only.

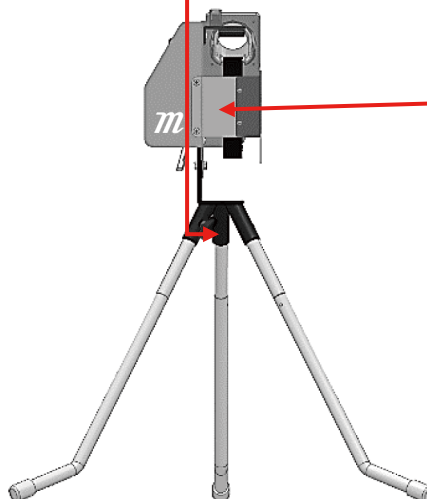
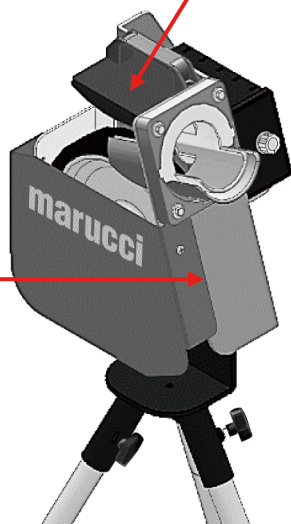
### ! WARNING:

**PINCH POINT HAZARD:** Exercise caution when adjusting leg height to avoid pinching fingers and hands.

**IMPACT HAZARD:** Never adjust the legs while the machine is upright. Adjusting legs while the machine is upright could lead to serious injury from falling parts.

### ! WARNING

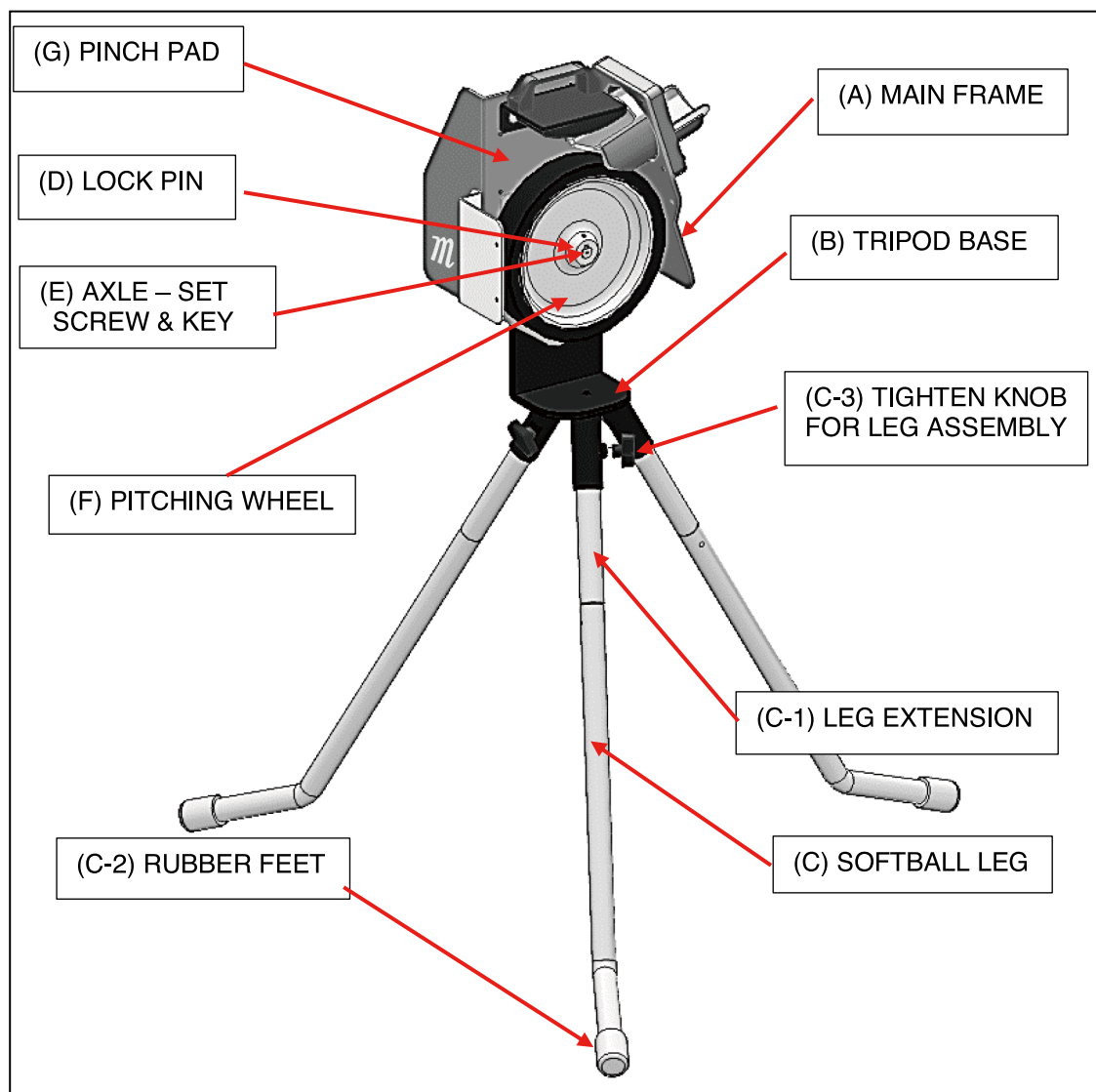
- **BATTER MUST WEAR A PROTECTIVE HELMET THAT MEETS THE NOCSAE STANDARD**
- **PITCHING OPERATOR MUST STAND BEHIND A PROTECTIVE SCREEN**
- **ONLY PITCH ONE BALL AT A TIME**
- **DO NOT STEP IN TO BAT UNTIL 1ST DETERMINING THE BALL PATH IS IN THE DESIRED STRIKE ZONE**

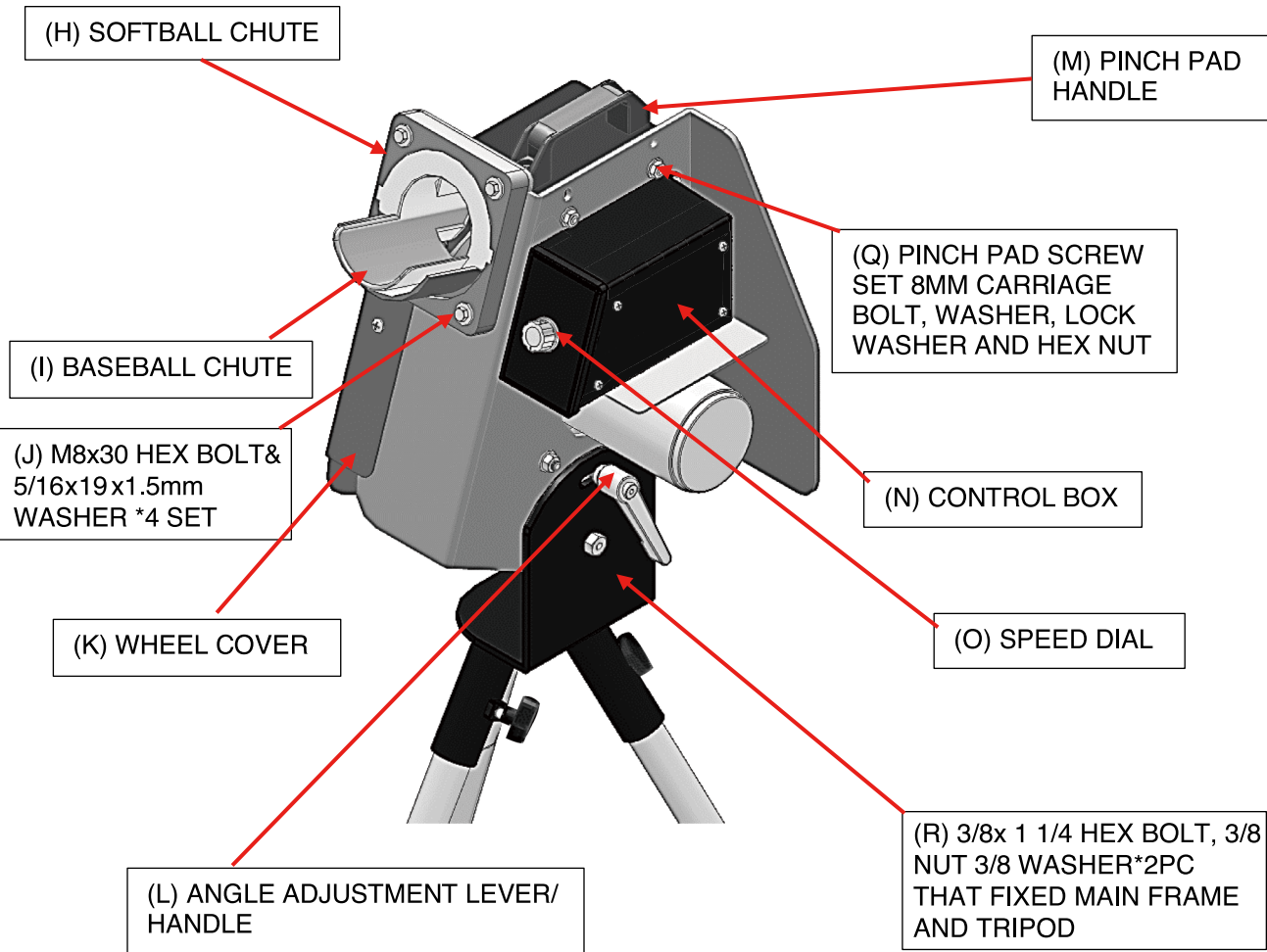


The warning labels shown here have been placed on the Pitching Machine. If the labels are missing or illegible, please call Customer Service at 1-877-846-9997 for replacements. Apply the labels in the locations shown.

## PITCHING MACHINE PARTS LIST

A	MAIN FRAME	1
B	TRIPOD BASE	1
C	SOFTBALL LEG	3
C-1	LEG EXTENSION	3
C-2	RUBBER FEET	3
C-3	TIGHTEN KNOB FOR LEG ASSEMBLY	3
D	PIN	1
E	AXLE – SET SCREW&KEY	1
F	PITCHING WHEEL	1
G	PINCH PAD	1
H	SOFTBALL CHUTE	1
I	BASEBALL CHUTE	1
J	M8x30 HEX BOLT& 5/16x19x1.5mm WASHER *4 SET	4
K	WHEEL COVER	1
L	ANGLE ADJUSTMENT LEVER/ HANDLE	1
M	PINCH PAD HANDLE	1
N	CONTROL BOX	1
O	SPEED DIAL	1
P	MOTOR	1
Q	PINCH PAD SCREW SET 8MM CARRIAGE BOLT, WASHER, LOCK WASHER AND HEX NUT	2
R	3/8x 1 1/4 HEX BOLT, 3/8 NUT 3/8 WASHER*2PC THAT FIXED MAIN FRAME AND TRIPOD	1





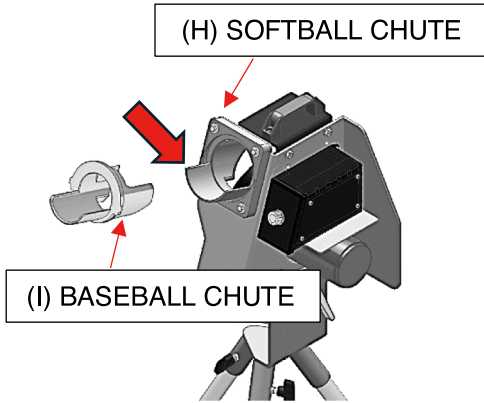
**There are specific instructions for proper assembly for each sport / use-case for the Pitching Machine. Follow the correct instructions based on how you will use the machine.**

- 1) Baseball setting, please follow Baseball instructions below**
- 2) Fast-Pitch setting, please follow Fast-Pitch instructions below**
- 3) Slow-Pitch setting, please follow Slow-Pitch instructions below**

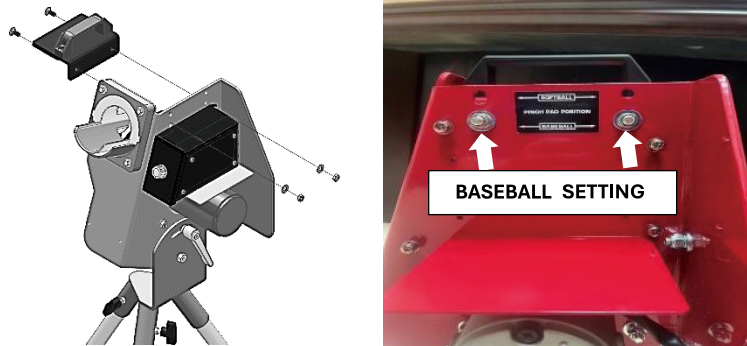
## BASEBALL ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions provide detail on setting up the pitching machine to accommodate baseballs.

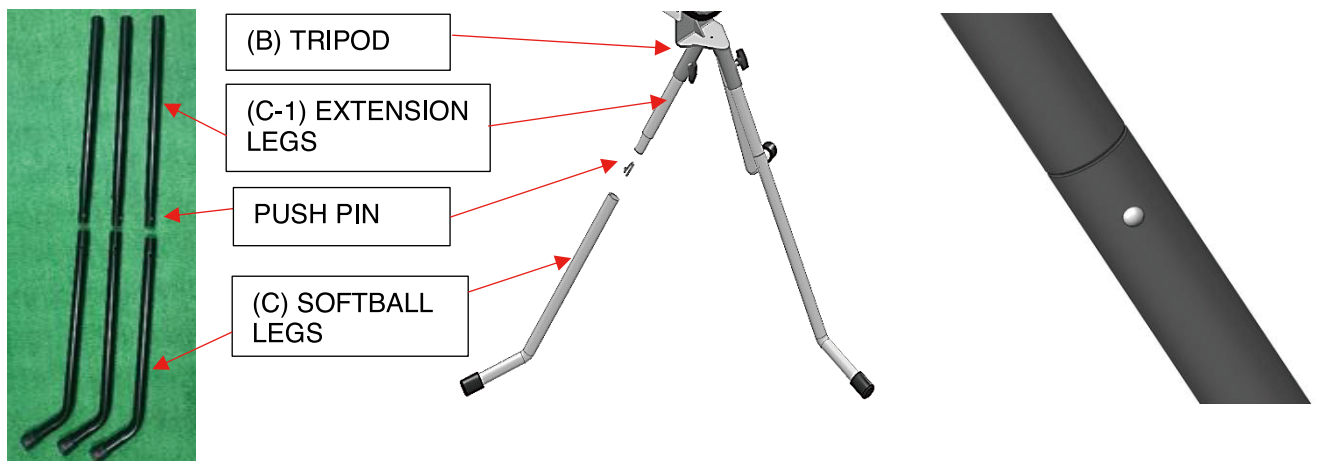
- 1) Insert Baseball Chute (I) into Softball Chute (H). Ensure the chute locks into place.



- 2) Adjust pinch pad bolts to baseball setting
  - a. Unscrew the carriage bolts, washers and nuts from pinch pad
  - b. Locate baseball setting and move the pinch pad into baseball setting
  - c. Tighten carriage bolts, washer and nuts

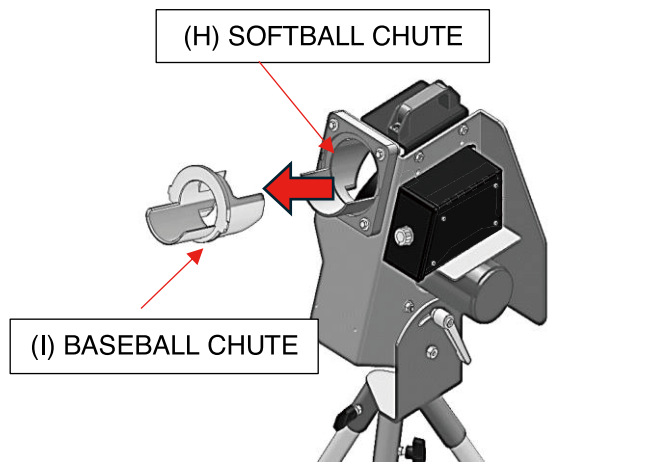


- 3) Next, locate and add the extension legs into softball legs and insert into tripod base
  - a. Insert extension legs (C-1) into softball legs (C), legs will snap together with push-pin
  - b. Slide each leg extension into leg slots at base of machine (B/Tri-Pod)
  - c. Once legs are inserted correctly, twist and tighten black twist knobs (C-3)



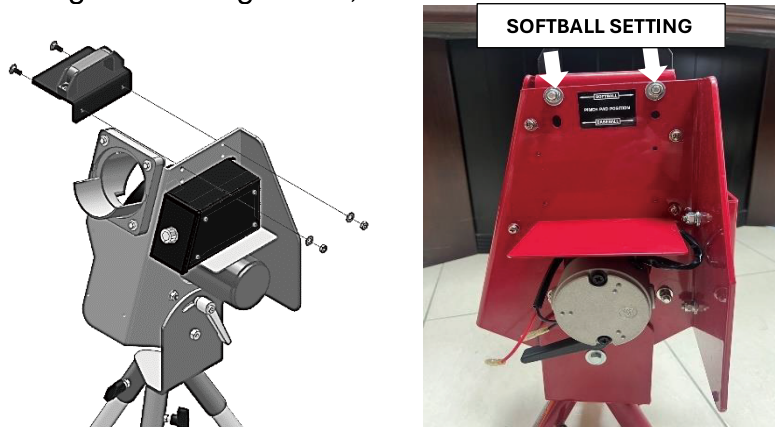
# FAST-PITCH ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

## 1) Remove Baseball Chute (I) from Softball Chute (H)



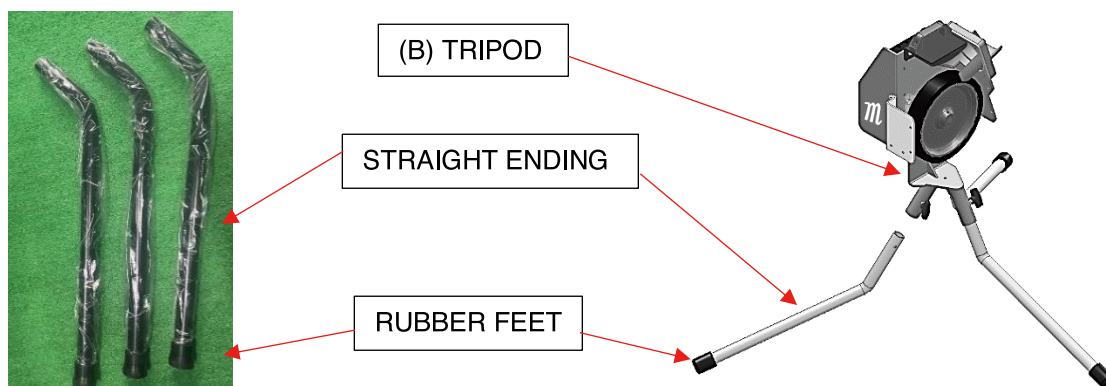
## 2) Adjust pinch pad bolts to softball setting

- Unscrew the carriage bolts, washers and nuts from pinch pad
- Locate softball setting and move the pinch pad into softball setting
- Tighten carriage bolts, washer and nuts



## 3) Next, locate softball legs and follow instructions below

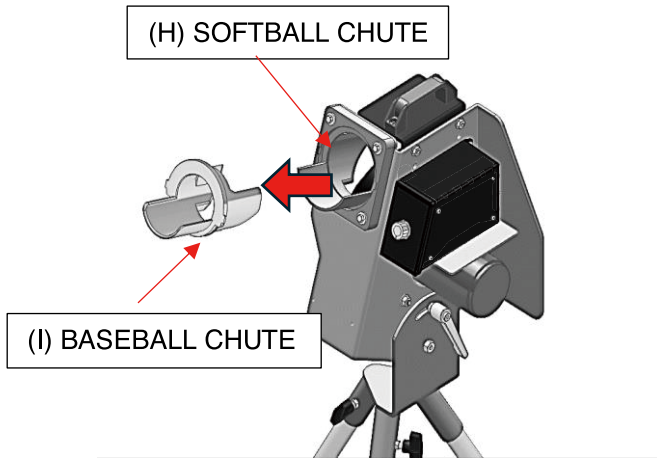
- Switch the rubber feet from the short side/end of the legs to the straight side/end of the legs
- Slide each softball leg into leg slots at base of machine (B/Tri-Pod)
- Once legs are inserted correctly, twist and tighten black twist knobs (C-3)





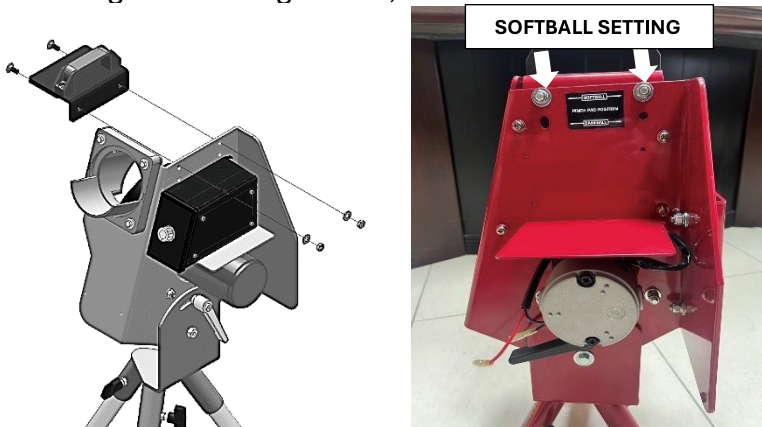
## SLOW-PITCH ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

### Remove Baseball Chute (I) from Softball Chute (H)



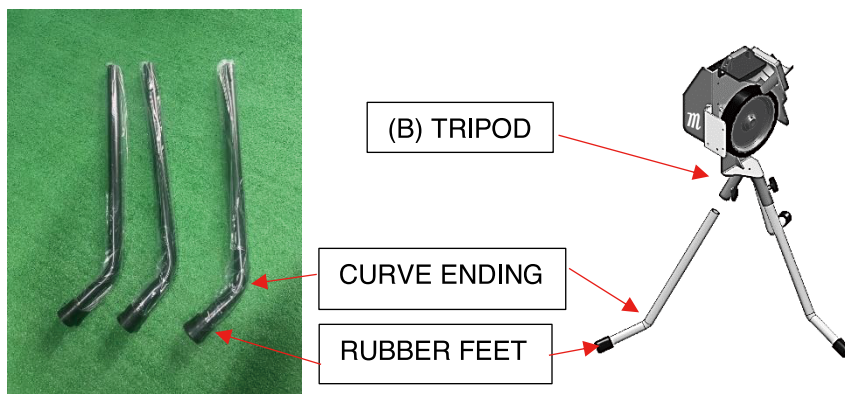
### 2) Adjust pinch pad bolts to softball setting

- a. Unscrew the carriage bolts, washers and nuts from pinch pad  
Locate softball setting and move the pinch pad into softball setting  
Tighten carriage bolts, washer and nuts



### 3) Next, locate softball legs and insert into tripod base

- a. Rubber feet should be in the same location/position as baseball setting
- b. Slide each softball leg into leg slots at base of machine (B/Tri-Pod)
- c. Once legs are inserted correctly, twist and tighten black twist knobs (C-3)



## **SPEED CHART**

<b>SPEED SETTING</b>	<b>SPEED - BASEBALL MPH (APP)</b>	<b>SPEED - SOFTBALL MPH (APP)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>



## **DICK'S LIMITED WARRANTY**

### **Who is Covered?**

**This limited warranty ("Limited Warranty") covers only the person who first purchased the product. This Limited Warranty expires at the time of transfer and is not transferable to anyone else. Proof of purchase is required to make a warranty claim.**

DICK'S warrants this product to be free from defects in workmanship and materials as follows:

### **What the Warranty Covers**

This Limited Warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship.

### **What the Warranty Does Not Cover**

This Limited Warranty does not cover:

- Expendable items, including by way of example only and not by way of limitation: batteries, light bulbs, fuses, zippers, tires, belts, shoe soles, fabric, and other items that experience wear as a result of normal use.
- Damage through improper use, negligence, abuse, misuse, transportation, acts of nature, or accident, including failure to perform routine maintenance or follow the assembly and/or operating instructions supplied with the product.
- Products used in commercial or rental applications.
- Products that have been modified using replacement parts that were not provided by DICK'S.
- Defects or damage caused by using third-party parts or services.

This Limited Warranty does not cover any consequential or incidental damages of any kind, including transportation to get warranty service, loss of time, and loss of use. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

### **What the Period of Coverage Is**

This Limited Warranty lasts for a period of one year from receipt of the product. Any implied warranty arising under state law is limited in duration to the one-year period of this Limited Warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

### **How to Make a Warranty Claim**

You can make a warranty claim by bringing the product to any store location of the chain the product was purchased as long as: (1) it meets the warranty criteria, (2) is within the warranty period (one year), (3) you have a valid proof of purchase and provide that to the store at the time of making the warranty claim, and (4) you are the original purchaser of the product. If you are unable to find your valid proof of purchase, please contact 1-877-846-9997 and a customer service representative may be able to assist.

Please direct all warranty service inquiries as follows:

If in writing, mail to:

**DICK'S Sporting Goods, Inc.  
345 Court St.  
Coraopolis, PA 15108  
Attn: Customer Service**

If by telephone, call: **1-877-846-9997**

### **What DICK'S Will Do to Correct the Problem**

Once you make a valid warranty claim, DICK'S will either:

- Return or exchange the product; or
- Provide a free replacement part, if applicable; or
- Repair the product for free, if applicable.

### **How State Law Applies**

This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.