

# Quilt From the Back Kit™

HQ AMARA QM29252

HQ FORTE QM29253

Installation Instructions for HQ Amara™ and HQ Forte™ longarm machines.

## KIT CONTENTS

1. Rear Handlebars + 7-inch Color Display (QM29251)
2. Laser Light Assembly (QM10290)
3. Golden Threads “Drift” Pantograph (QM30263)
4. 4mm Hex Wrench (QM40407)

## TOOL REQUIRED

1. Phillips-head Screwdriver



## TO INSTALL THE QUILT FROM THE BACK KIT

- 1) Locate the four 4mm hex screws for the rear handlebars and the 4mm hex wrench.
- 2) Align the four holes in the handlebars with the holes on the back of the machine.
- 3) Slide the bolts into holes until they stop. Use the 4mm hex wrench to firmly tighten the bolts and securely fasten the handles to the back of the machine.
- 4) Connect one end of the RJ45, or network style, phone cord into the handlebars and the other ends into the machine's back panel.



## TO INSTALL THE REAR DISPLAY

- 1) Locate four Phillips-head screws (screws may be pre-installed in hinges) and a Phillips-head screwdriver. You'll also need a display with the hinges attached to the bottom row of connectors on the back of the display, plus the USB mini B cable with 90° connector on one end. **NOTE:** If you do not have Phillips-head screws, then you will have 2.5mm hex screws for the rear handle bar hinges.
- 2) Insert the screws into the openings on the display's metal hinge. Align the screws in the hinge with the holes on the display bracket. Use the 2.5mm hex wrench or Phillips-head screwdriver as required to fully tighten the screws.
- 3) Plug the USB mini B cable with 90° end into the rear display and the straight end into the rear panel of the machine. **NOTE:** This cable powers the display. The round power input to the display is not used.



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**IMPORTANT:** Please be sure your machine and front and rear display software versions have been updated to the latest versions indicated on the Handi Quilter website. Refer to your quilting machine user manual for instructions.

**NOTE:** After installing the rear handlebars and touchscreen display, plug in the power cord and test them by turning on the machine using the rear on/off switch and then the on/off button on the front left side of the machine. If nothing appears on the touch screen, check that the handlebar cable is plugged in securely, that your machine is turned on, and that the power cord is plugged into the machine as well as into a power source.



### CONFIGURABLE HANDLEBAR BUTTONS

The Amara handlebars are configurable so you can decide which functions you want the left and right handlebar buttons to do when pressed. Once configured, the front and back handlebars work the same.

The machine comes from the Handi Quilter factory configured to have the right handlebar control starting and stopping quilting and increasing stitching speed in Manual mode or stitches per inch in Regulated mode. The left handlebar controls cycling the needle up and down and slowing the stitching speed or decreasing stitches per inch. However, you can switch the functions from one side to the other. You can also select from several functions and assign one to the star button and another to the diamond button. For example, you can choose to have the diamond button perform a tieoff and the star button perform another desired function.

Install the handlebar labels according to what you want each handlebar to do. For example, if you are right-handed, you may want the right handlebar to control starting and stopping the stitching.

**NOTE:** The traditional handlebar configuration has the Start and Pause buttons on the right handlebar and the Needle Up and Down buttons on the left handlebar.

### TO ATTACH LABELS TO THE HANDLEBARS

Peel off the paper backing from the labels and place them on the handlebars according to how you plan to configure the functions. Make sure that you match the placement from the front handlebars.

**CAUTION:** Be absolutely certain of your handlebar label choice before installing the labels. Once they are stuck down, they cannot be removed without damaging the switch.

