

Basic maintenance is integral for any Handi Quilter longarm quilting machine. Ensure your machine is performing at its best by consistently performing these basic maintenance tasks:

- Check for lint in both the bobbin case and hook area after each bobbin change; cotton thread especially creates a lot of lint. Clean using the soft brush that came with your machine.
- Place one drop of oil on the hook race every time you change the bobbin. Quilt on a sample fabric/batting sandwich after oiling to ensure no oil gets transferred onto your quilt!
- Clean your longarm's screen as-needed using a microfiber cloth. Avoid using chemicals or sprays that may interfere with touchscreen function.
- Don't forget to clean your machine's carriage tracks and wheels, extra quilt batting pieces are perfect for this.
- Keep loose thread cuttings away from your quilting area. These can build up and get tangled in various places on your machine.
- Every new quilt deserves a new needle.



TIPS FOR CHANGING YOUR NEEDLE:

Six o'clock is the proper position for the eye of the needle, the long groove down the front of the needle should be facing towards you. Keeping an eye on the sight hole of the needle bar, insert the needle as far up as possible. You can use the tip of another needle to help you get the new one into place (pictured above). Once the butt of the needle touches the top of the sight hole, tighten the needle firmly into place using the clamp screw.