KOPIL
Self-Timer

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The Most Popular Delayed-Action Self-Timer

The Kopil Selftimer is manufactured with the precision of a fine watch; the parts used for its mechanism are the finest available. With a minimum of care, the Kopil will give you a lifetime of service and pleasure.

The Kopil is made in two models, AC with a short shaft, DC with a long shaft. Both models work on virtually all popular cameras; however, the long shaft on the DC model makes possible its use on some model Rolleiflex cameras on which the shorter shaft fails to reach the cable release socket.

The Kopil Selftimer has an automatically retracting release pin which permits resetting the timer without removing it from the camera.

Both model Kopil Selftimers are equipped with separate Leica nipples (F) making possible their use on Leica and Canon cameras. The nipple fits any tapered thread cable release, adapting such release for the Leica and Canon shutter releases.

The shaft of the Kopil is threaded in such a manner that it will fit virtually all Compur, Prontor, Kodak, Argus and other standard tapered and straight cable release sockets.

The length of the drivepin which is to release the shutter can be delicately adjusted for smooth operation on any shutter, by following these simple instructions:

Turn knurled part B in a counter-clockwise direction, thereby loosening shaft A for the adjustment. By turning shaft A in a clockwise direction, the drivepin C will begin to protrude slightly. If, on initial tests, the Kopil failed to release the shutter, the drivepin C must protrude from shaft A before the operation begins. If, however, the shutter is released too soon, making it impossible for the drivepin to retract completely after having caused the release, then shaft A should be turned in a counterclockwise direction, causing the drivepin C to be recessed inside shaft A at the beginning of the operation.

After the proper adjustment has been made, tighten part B by turning it in a clockwise direction. Your Kopil Selftimer is now ready for use.

Push the small release lever D (clutch) towards the back of the Selftimer. Wind large lever E with red handle as far as it will go in the direction of the arrow. Do not force it beyond the point to which it can be moved without resistance. It is about fully wound when the lever is in a horizontal position, at a right angle to the shaft A. Release timer by pushing lever D towards front. The shutter will be released five to fifteen seconds later.

Delay settings on the Kopil Selftimer are of necessity approximate, because of variations among shutters. However, they are adequate for the purpose which they serve and make the use of the Selftimer more convenient.

Model B

The model B is for the use of cable release operated same as models AC and DC.

The Kopil Selftimer has been tested at the factory and is guaranteed against defects in material and workmanship. It will be replaced, if found defective. This guarantee is void, if an examination indicates that the spring has been forced or the Selftimer has been abused in any manner.

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