Any question?

If you still have problems after carefully adjusting, please phone me under: 0049 (0)212 3830373. I will be happy to provide help over the telephone.

Readjusting

Now and again you should check the system to make sure it still fits correctly and, if necessary tighten at the buckles especially if in-between you have adjusted the belt-system to fit special clothing.

Tip

Before you lend your MAX to someone else, please remember that you will more than likely have to completely readjust it on return. It is similar to lending someone your car, when you get it back the seat and mirror adjustments have been altered.

Storage

Before packing the belt-system away, attach the karabiners to each other to prevent the belt becoming twisted during transportation.

Guarantee

A guarantee is not provided or liability accepted for damages caused due to: use other as specified, improper and negligent handling, failure to comply with the instruction manual, repairs carried out by oneself and the fitting of parts other than original parts.

Hints and tricks

The brochure included also applies to the Timba-Special-Version in most points.



Belt-Strap in ring after adjustment: MAX after correct adjustment.



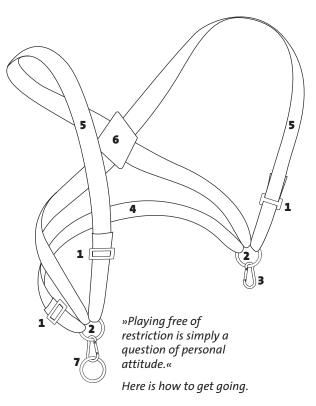
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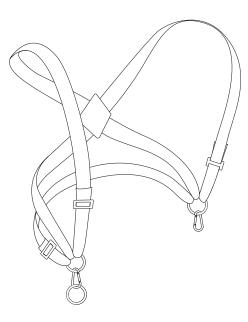


Adjusting Instructions Timba Special



Adjusting the Belt-System

The MAX-Belt-System has been designed to fit your requirements provided you invest a few minutes of your time to discover how it works. This means that adjusting the system to fit immediately before use will not work at all.



The belt-system has not been adjusted to fit on delivery; if this be the case then it is only coincidence.

There is no reason at all to tolerate the system being uncomfortable, it is possible to adjust and readjust until it fits comfortably.

It's you who has to decide how the burden should be distributed:

Equally? Or preferably more weight on the hips or on the shoulders?

First of all decide which method you prefer – (see image).

Version 1 – Timba with single fastening



Version 2 – Timba with double fastening



→ Switch over to the page of the version you have chosen and return here at the end.

Get the feeling of the system; is the Belt-System sitting comfortably and is the Timba at the correct height? Take a look in a mirror, is the Lozenge situated at the right position?

The hips, shoulders and the middle of your back should feel equally burdened. The Hip-Strap should fit snugly (will a fist fit between?) and the Shoulder-Straps should not slip off the shoulders.

You can now test the system whilst playing the instrument. The impact of the percussion will indicate whether the system has been adjusted to fit properly or whether the Timba is hanging too high or too low. Of course, the correct height depends on the way you play.

Fine Adjustments

After about one or two trials you should have developed a feeling for further adjustments. Carry this out in small steps of one centimetre at a time and, if necessary detach the instrument because its weight will make the adjustment of the buckles difficult.

After all, the Adjuster should be able to support a few kilos (large Surdo 6.8 kg) without slipping out of place. You can slide the Adjusters to any position you prefer independent of the Strap length.

Ready

For fixation subsequent to adjusting, make sure that all Strap-Ends are pulled down though the Adjuster for a second time and, make sure that there is still adequate Strap length to readjust in case thicker clothing is required. **Not until then** should one shorten ends in the case of them disturbing.





Version 1 – Single Timba fastening

Putting the Belt-System on

First of all open the Karabiner-Snap-Links 3, which are closed on delivery. For initial orientation hold the Lozenge 6 in your hand so that the MAX-Logo is horizontal and readable. All straps will now hang down, the Karabiners 3 towards the front. The Hip-Strap 4 will hang down between the two rings 2 on the side facing you.

Put the system on in the same manner as a rucksack. The rings 2 with the Karabiner-Snap-Links 3 are now hanging at your side. To decide where and what should be adjusted you must pull the rings 2 with the Karabiner Snap-Links 3 to your front meaning below and in front of your belly. This can be carried out by placing your thumbs in the rings 2. For the first fitting the system should be adjusted so that the Timba-Ring 7 is at the same level as your navel. The Hip-Strap 4 is too short if the two Karabiner Snap-Links 3 cannot be connected to each other.

The Hip-Strap.

Adjust the length of the Belt-System with use of the Timba-Ring **7** supplied so that it can be fastened in front of your belly. For equal burden distribution the Hip-Strap **4** should be neither too long – it will not carry – nor too short. The system has been adjusted correctly for the first trial when under burden one is able to slide one's hand between the belt and one's back.

The Shoulder-Straps

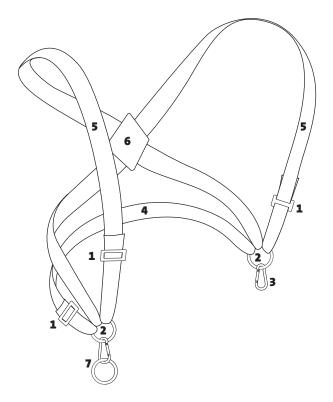
Adjust the length by means of the adjuster so that the rings 2 are situated at about the same level as your navel. Make sure that both Shoulder-Straps 5 are adjusted to the same length.

Lozenge

The correct positioning can be carried out following the preliminary adjustment of the belt lengths.

If the Lozenge **6** is situated too low instead of being between the shoulder blades then it has to be pushed up. If it is too high and above the shoulder blades then it must be pushed down.

To carry this out you or a helpful person must hold the Lozenge in the left hand and either pull the band out centimetre by centimetre towards the bottom right to move the Lozenge upwards or, towards the top right to move the Lozenge downwards. Carry this out accordingly for the other side until the Lozenge is situated centrally between the shoulder blades but feeling comfortable.



Attention: The Lozenge connects the Shoulder-Straps at the back at a level to suit your individual sense of feeling. The individual fitting of the complete system to suit the body, the flush fitting of the belt on the back and the distance of the Shoulder-Strap to the neck is mainly influenced by the Lozenge. This is an important factor for comfortable transportation and for providing your backbone with a slight impulse to straighten up.

Attaching the instrument.

»Attach« the Timba to the Timba-Ring **7** by means of one of the adjusting screws** (see image in basic adjustment) and get the feeling of the system.

→ Back to the basic adjustments.

Quick guide version 1

This guide will be adequate in only a few cases!
It is imperative that you read the complete instructions.

Belt-System is closed on delivery.

Open and for orientation hold the Lozenge (Diamond shaped component) in your hand so that the MAX-Logo is horizontal and readable. Put the system on in the same manner as a rucksack.

- Adjuster Serves the purpose of adjusting the strap length.
- 2 Rings Serve the purpose of attaching the Karabiner-Snap-Links.
- **3** Karabiner Serves the purpose of attaching to the Timba-Ring.
- 4 Hip-Strap* Adjust so that the Belt-System can fastened in front of the belly.
- 5 Shoulder-Strap* Adjust so that the Belt-System can be fastened at navel level.
- 6 Lozenge* Subsequent to adjusting the strap length push to situate centrally between the shoulder blades and readjust if necessary.
- 7 Timba-Ring Serves the purpose of securing the instrument's Adjustment-Screw.

Fasten the Belt-System in front of the belly by linking the Karabiner-Snap-Links 3 to the Timba-Ring 7 and secure the Timba-Adjusting-Screw to the Timba-Ring 7. Check to make sure that the Timba is at the right height to play and if necessary readjust the Hip- and Shoulder-Straps 4,5. Subsequent to this make sure that the Lozenge 6 is in the correct position. If necessary please make further adjustments subsequent to a trial run.

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^{*} This component can be adapted individually to fit your body (see description).

^{**} To protect clothing wrap suitable material around the Timba-Adjustment-Screw.

Version 2 – Double Timba fastening

The strap length is set for version 1 and may have to be shortened.

Putting the Belt-System on

First of all open the Karabiner-Snap-Links 3, which are closed on delivery. For initial orientation hold the Lozenge 6 in your hand so that the MAX-Logo is horizontal and readable. All straps will now hang down, the Karabiners 3 towards the front. The Hip-Strap 4 will hang down between the two rings 2 on the side facing you.

Put the system on in the same manner as a rucksack. The rings **2** with the Karabiner-Snap-Links **3** are now hanging at your side. To decide where and what should be adjusted place your thumbs in the rings **2** and pull them slightly forward to the side of your body.

The Hip-Strap.

Shorten the Hip-Strap 4 by means of the adjuster 1 so that the rings 2 are positioned at the side of the hips. For equal burden distribution the Hip-Strap 4 should be neither too long – it will not carry – nor too short. The system has been adjusted correctly for the first trial when under burden one is able to slide one's hand between the belt and one's back.

The Shoulder-Straps.

Adjust the length so that the rings **2** are situated at about the same level as your hips.

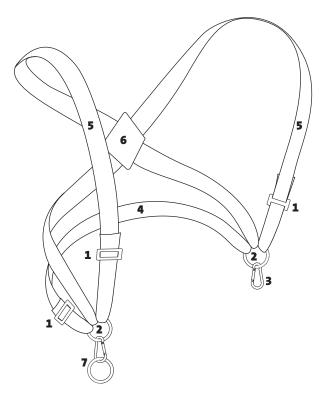
Make sure that both Shoulder-Straps **5** are adjusted to the same length.

Lozenge

The correct positioning can be carried out following the preliminary adjustment of the belt lengths.

If the Lozenge **6** is situated too low instead of being between the shoulder blades then it has to be pushed up. If it is too high and above the shoulder blades then it must be pushed down.

To carry this out you or a helpful person must hold the Lozenge in the left hand and either pull the band out centimetre by centimetre towards the bottom right to move the Lozenge upwards or, towards the top right to move the Lozenge downwards. Carry this out accordingly for the other side until the Lozenge is situated centrally between the shoulder blades but feeling comfortable.



Attention: The Lozenge connects the Shoulder-Straps at the back at a level to suit your individual sense of feeling. The individual fitting of the complete system to suit the body, the flush fitting of the belt on the back and the distance of the Shoulder-Strap to the neck is mainly influenced by the Lozenge. This is an important factor for comfortable transportation and for providing your backbone with a slight impulse to straighten up.

Attaching the instrument.

Attach the Karabiner-Snap-Links 3 to two Timba-Adjusting-Screws that are next to each other (see image in basic adjustment). If the length of the Karabiner-Snap-Link 3 is not adequate, lengthen the Hip-Strap 4 (and if necessary readjust the Shoulder-Straps 5) and/or use the two Timba-Rings 7 included in the delivery as extensions and also to suspend. In this case attach the Timba-Rings 7, which are attached to the Karabiner-Snap-Link 3, to the end of the Adjustment-Screw and get the feeling of the system. (In case of any problems please phone me – I will be happy to help).

→ Back to the basic adjustments.

Quick guide version 2

This guide will be adequate in only a few cases!
It is imperative that you read the complete instructions.

Belt-System is closed on delivery.

Open and for orientation hold the Lozenge (Diamond shaped component) in your hand so that the MAX-Logo is horizontal and readable. Put the system on in the same manner as a rucksack.

- Adjuster Serves the purpose of adjusting the strap length.
- 2 Rings Serve the purpose of attaching the Karabiner-Snap-Links.
- **3** Karabiner Serves the purpose of attaching to the Timba-Adjustment-Screws.
- 4 Hip-Strap* Adjust so that the rings are positioned at the side of the hips.
- 5 Shoulder-Straps* Adjust so that the rings are at waist level.
- 6 Lozenge* Subsequent to adjusting the strap length push to situate centrally between the shoulder blades and readjust if necessary.
- 7 Timba-Rings Serve the purpose as Karabiner extensions and/or simplified Timba attachments.

Attach the instrument by latching it to two Timba-Adjustment-Screws that are next to each other and check that the Timba is at the right height to play. With use of the Timba-Rings 7 it is possible to extend the connection to the instrument, either attach these to the bottom of the Adjustment-Screws or lengthen the Hip-Strap 4. If necessary readjust the Hip- and Shoulder-Straps 4,5. Subsequent to this make sure that the Lozenge 6 is in the correct position. If necessary please make further adjustments subsequent to a trial run.

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