

Wahl Trimming FAQs

Q: My Clipper or Trimmer is outside of the warranty repair period – can it still be repaired?

A: Yes, in 99% of cases your Clipper or Trimmer can be repaired. Any of the repairers listed at <http://www.wahl.com.au/images/repair.pdf> will be able to help you.

Q: My Clipper seems to pull the hair rather than cut it – does this mean it needs new blades?

A: This is not a simple answer, as several factors influence the cutting performance of your clipper.

1) Apply two drops of clipper oil to the blades and test cut again. (Oil lubricates the blades and allows them to run at the correct speed and ensure better cutting. It also helps the clipper run cooler.) If this does not help please read on:

2) To ensure your clipper is running at maximum power you will have to tune it to the power supply in your location. (This is because our power supply varies by +/- 10%)

You will need a Flat Head and Phillip Head screw driver to do the adjustment (the newest models only need a Phillips Head). With the clippers turned on, and oiled (as above) adjust the power level by slowly turning the tuning screw (fig 1.) clockwise (to the right). The clipper should go from its nice buzzing sound to a loud clattering sound. (No need to panic, this will not damage the clipper.) When you hear this noise, start turning the screw anti-clockwise (to the left) until it returns to normal running sound. Finish with an extra quarter turn counter clockwise. Switch the clipper on and off a few times to make sure that it does not clatter. Your clipper is now tuned for your location. (If the clipper does start clattering, turn the power screw anti-clockwise around ¼ turn and test again.)

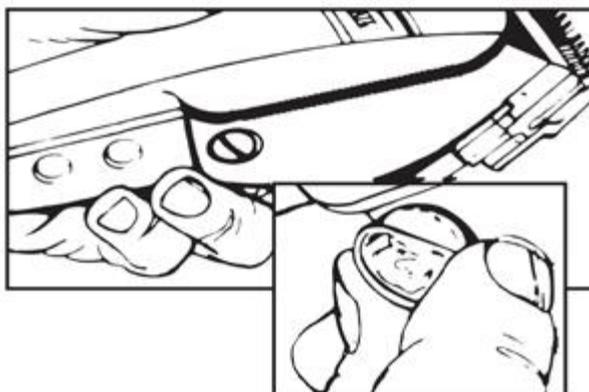
3) When you tune your clipper you will alter the alignment of the top (cutting) blade, so you will now need to re-align the blades. The top blade should be aligned slightly to the right (fig 2.) noting that gap A is greater than gap B. The last tooth on the right hand side of the top blade should line up with the right hand side of the bottom blade. The blades should be parallel to each other with a small gap (approx 2mm) apart. This can be adjusted by slightly loosening the screws at the back of the blade allowing the bottom blade to be aligned by hand then retighten the screws.

4) Now you can test your clipper again. If the above procedure does not overcome your cutting problem then it is most likely the clipper needs new blades or the services of an authorised repair agent.

(see <http://www.wahl.com.au/images/repair.pdf>)

FIG 1

A 5 cent piece is ideal for adjusting the power screw.



Q: My clipper is making a loud clattering noise – is it broken?

A: No, simply refer to sections 2 & 3 above, but start by tuning the power screw anti-clockwise as the first step.

Q: How often should I oil my clippers & trimmers?

OILING CAUTION - In order to ensure that you get the most life and performance out of your clipper or trimmer; we recommend that you oil your unit before each use. To oil properly, the unit should be held in such a way that the blades are in a downward position. With the clipper or trimmer blade running, dispense 2-3 drops of oil across the top blade (Use Wahl Clipper Oil ONLY! Other oils will gum up the blades). Wipe the excess oil so it does not run into the motor compartment. Oil in the motor compartment will eventually lead to a poor motor performance. Blades should be oiled after using disinfectant or sanitizing solution.

Q: How do I clean my clipper or trimmer blades?

The best way to clean your blades is to simply hold your unplugged clipper at a downward angle and wipe off excess hair with cleaning brush and follow with a drop of oil. Also make sure to unscrew the blades and brush out any cut hairs that may be jamming the blades. Reattach blades and align Wahl Clippers have adjustable blade alignment which needs to be reset after removing the blades or tuning your clipper, as this will affect the blade alignment. Reattach blades and align (see “How do I align my blades?” Below).

Q: How do I align my blades?

With the blade screws only semi tightened, you can move the bottom blade around to position it correctly as below:

- 1)** Move the taper lever upwards towards the lid of the clipper so the blades are in the closed position. i.e. closest cutting length.
- 2)** The top & bottom blades should be parallel with the top blade approx 0.8mm behind the bottom blade. (Do not have the top blade level with the bottom blade as this can cause skin pinching or cutting.) See Diagram Below.
- 3)** The extreme left hand tooth on the top blade should be positioned so it is over the gap between the two left hand teeth of the lower blade. i.e. the extreme left gap on the lower blade. See Diagram Below
- 4)** Slowly tighten each screw ensuring you do not alter the alignment in the process. The best way is to tighten each screw a little at a time swapping from one to the other.
- 5)** Check your alignment setting with the blades tightened and the lever in the closed position to ensure you cannot cause pinching or cutting of the skin.

FIG 2

