

Technical Advisory Bulletin (TAB)

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Product: MELCO EMT16X

Implementation: ☐ Urgent ☐ Mandatory ☐ As Required ☒ Info Only

Reference: EC3402

Subject: Tabletop Compatibility for EMT16X / NPT Lower Arm Assemblies
Hook Guard Mounting Problem in Combination with Tabletop

SITUATION:

The EMT16X features a new Lower Arm Extrusion and Needle Plate design (NPT). Due to the design change, previous versions of the Large (P/N 34730), Medium (P/N 33279), and Small (P/N 33280) Tabletops do not fit on the EMT16X or any previous model machines upgraded with the NPT Upgrade Kit (slot width in these Tabletops is not wide enough to accommodate the EMT16X Lower Arm Extrusion and Needle Plate design).

NOTE RELATED TO HOOK GUARD USE WITH MOUNTED TABLETOP:

With the current Tabletop Assembly design, the Tabletop T-Nut, once assembled to the Lower Arm Extrusion, does not provide enough room to allow the Hook Guard to be assembled back onto the machine. Machines that a Tabletop is mounted on will need to be run without the Hook Cover. This is the case for all machine models from AMAYA XT to EMT16X and has been this way since the inception of the Tabletops.

SOLUTION:

The design for the three sizes of Tabletops has been updated to properly work with the EMT16X, or any previous model machines that have been upgraded with the NPT Upgrade Kit. The updated Tabletop design is backward compatible with pre-EMT16X models.

Design updates were implemented as of Jan. 31, 2020, to shorten the T-Nut and update the Tabletop Mounting Bracket position on the Small and Medium Tabletops to address this issue going forward.

New Tabletop part numbers to be used with the EMT16X:

Large	34730-01
Medium	33279-01
Small	33280-01

Remaining inventory of 34730, 33279, and 33280 can be used up for all non-EMT16X machine models.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None

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