

400 DAY CLOCK SUSPENSIONS

400 Day or Anniversary clocks have been made in large numbers by numerous factories in Europe. Selecting a replacement suspension wire or unit is only successful if the actual model of movement is correctly identified. Trying to order a part for these is like asking a garage for a part for a Ford. Even if you quote the model and the year of manufacture, you may still need the engine number to get the correct piece. Sadly there are no records for all the 400 day clock makes and models in existence.

Due to the variations in the characteristics of spring steel and the fact that many older suspensions were made from bronze, it is impossible to supply a replacement wire simply by measuring the old one. Only a laboratory can establish the spring characteristics of the material. It is most important that the correct wire be fitted if a lot of wasted time is to be avoided.

Anniversary Clock Identification is a book by Mervyn Passmore which documents the vast majority of Anniversary Clocks made during the last 100 years, and contains information on the movements used, their specifications and details of the appropriate suspension wires, units, mainspringes and winding keys etc.

We accept that customers might not wish to purchase this book just to identify their movement, and we are happy, for a nominal charge, to identify their model. To do this, we need a scale drawing of the back-plate, together with any marks and numbers stamped on it. From this we can establish which factory made the movement.

The name on the dial is often quite irrelevant. You can still purchase a 400 day clock today with 'Harrods' on the dial, but with 'Made in Germany' on the back-plate.

An example of the tracings needed is shown below. If you would like us to identify the model, please let us have a similar drawing of your clock.

Please indicate whether a complete unit or just the wire is required. When only the wire is available, you may need to purchase a blocks and forks to make up a unit.

Alternatively, you can use our **free online movement identification system** at www.anniversaryclockidentification.com. All you should need is the width and height of the back plate of the movement, and any text or logos on the back. A few models need a little more information to make an accurate identification.

ANNIVERSARY CLOCK IDENTIFICATION

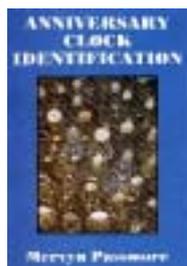
By Mervyn Passmore.

Contains details on almost all known models of 400 day clock movement made in the last 100 years, with illustrations of their backplates and details of correct suspension strengths, keys etc.

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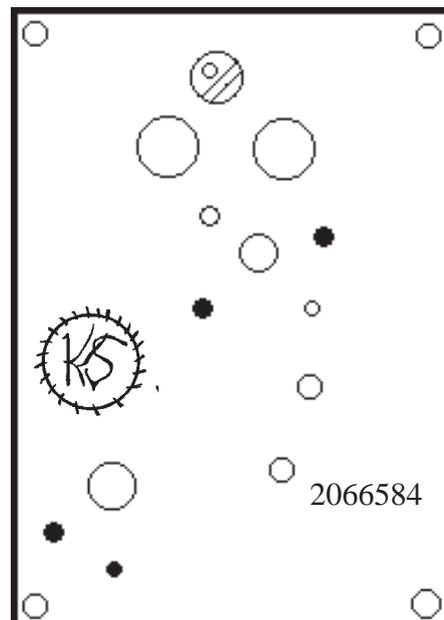
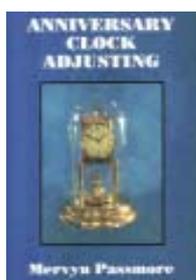
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By Mervyn Passmore

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An example of the type of scale drawing we need.

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