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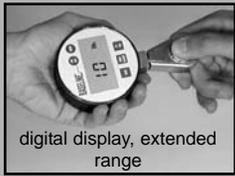
3-piece hand evaluation set



7-piece hand evaluation set



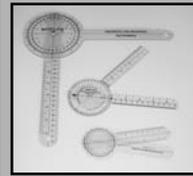
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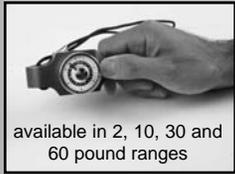
digital display, extended range



larger lifting platform



goniometers and inclinometers

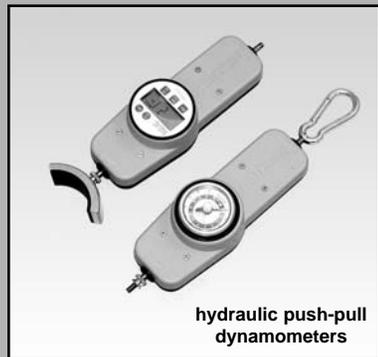


available in 2, 10, 30 and 60 pound ranges



300 pound large head extended range hand dynamometer

many new options...



hydraulic push-pull dynamometers



push-pull dynamometers

more Baseline® measurement

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**BASELINE® EVALUATION INSTRUMENTS**  
**HYDRAULIC HAND DYNAMOMETER**



Fabrication Enterprises Incorporated

**INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

Manufacturer and Master Distributor of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Products

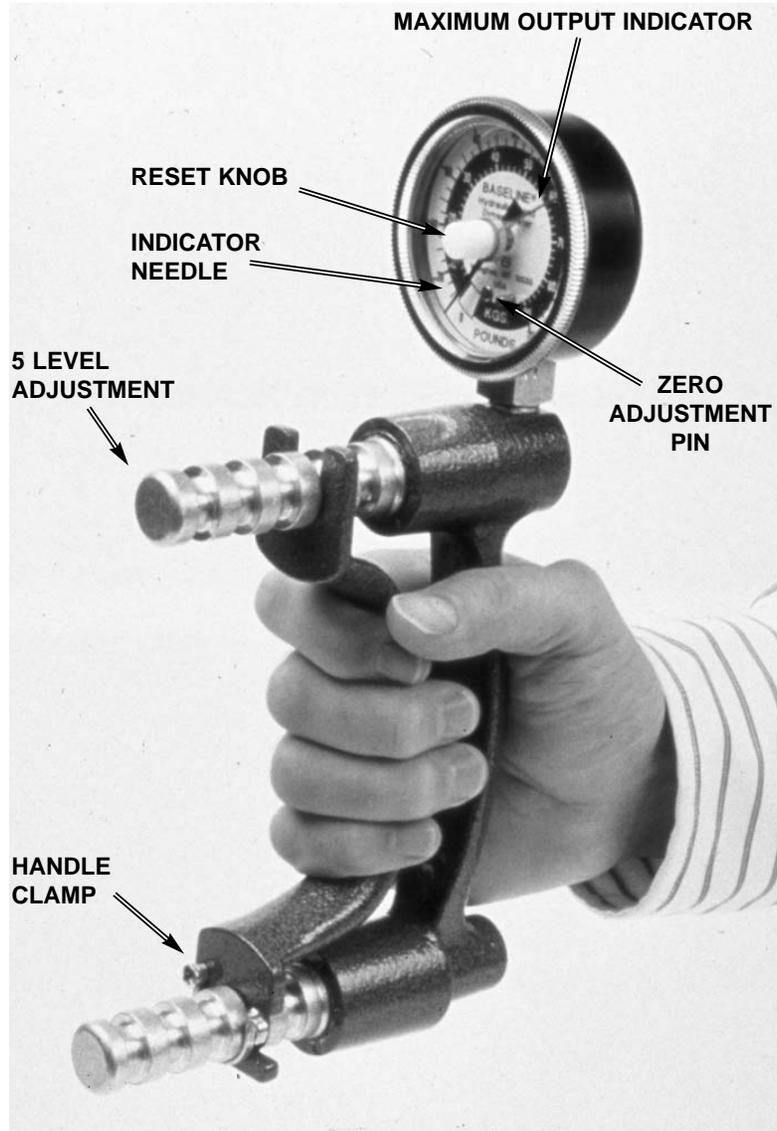
## PARTS/SPECIFICATIONS

## WARRANTY

The BASELINE® Hydraulic Hand Dynamometer is warranted for 1 (one) full year (parts and labor) from date of purchase. If unit needs repair contact your local dealer or Fabrication Enterprises, Inc.:

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<b>Specifications</b>	200 lb. / 90 kg capacity
<b>Grip adjust range</b>	1.35 in. / 3.35 in.
<b>Weight</b>	22.6 oz. / 638 gms.

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Mr. Elliott Goldberg,  
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Dear Mr. Goldberg,

Recently, I completed the study to determine whether the Baseline and Jamar hydraulic dynamometers can be used interchangeable. A draft of the report has been completed and sent to you. In the summary, I concluded that, "The data from this study suggest that the Jamar and Baseline hydraulic hand dynamometers measure equivalently for practical purposes. As a result, individuals using the Baseline Dynamometer are justified in using the normative data, which was collected with the Jamar dynamometer (Mathiowetz et al., 1985; 1986)." This conclusion assumes that the same standard procedures are followed as were used in the original normative data studies.

Sincerely,



Virgil Mathiowetz, Phd, OTR  
Associate Professor &  
Research Consultant

## USAGE

Set handle to comfortable grip for patient. Re-set max indicator to zero. Have patient squeeze with maximum force, note reading. Re-set to zero for next test.

## CALIBRATION

The BASELINE® hand dynamometer is a sealed unit and calibrated at the factory. However, if indicator needle is out of "zero-range" it may be reset. Remove clear cover by turning counter clockwise. Adjustment pin located by 90Kg marking. Turn pin to reset to zero.

If unit is leaking hydraulic fluid it should be returned to factory for repair and recalibration.

## COMPONENTS

- ♦Machined aluminum handle, post and body
- ♦Bronze bellows
- ♦Stainless steel hydraulic tubing
- ♦Teflon bushings
- ♦Non-toxic mechanical hydraulic pump fluid
- ♦Gauge - Bourdon tube element with spring suspended movement. Constructed to ASME B 40.1 standards. Accuracy better than 98%.

## DATA

The BASELINE® hand dynamometer can utilize the large amount of data pertaining to the Jamar® hand dynamometer. The internal workings of both are hydraulic and bellows operated.

## NORMS FOR ADULT GRIP STRENGTH

A recent study by Dr. Virgil Mathiowetz indicates that "... individuals using the Baseline® dynamometer are justified in using the normative data that was collected with the Jamar® dynamometer ...".

For each test of grip strength, the subject was seated with shoulder adducted and neutrally rotated, elbow flexed at 90°, forearm in neutral position, and wrist between 0° and 30° dorsiflexion and between 0° and 15° ulnar deviation.

The standard test protocol used the mean of three strength tests as the resultant score. A score was taken with both the dominant (right) and non-dominant (left) hands.

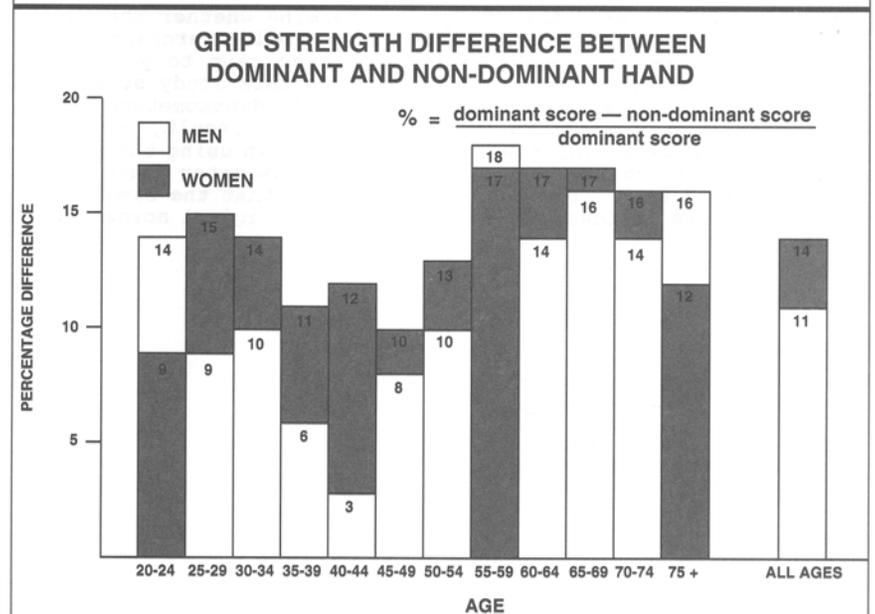
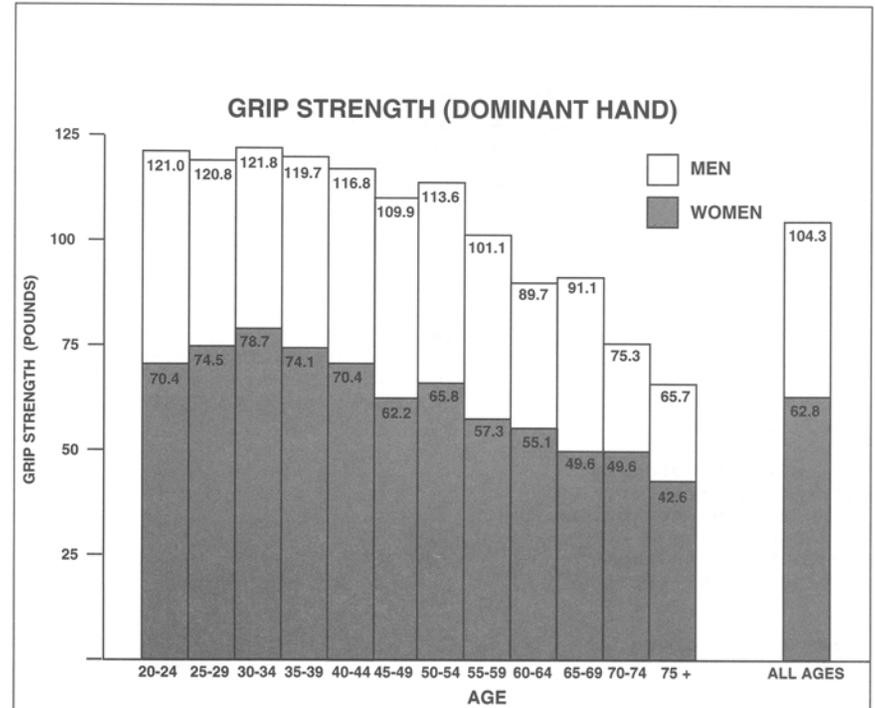
The test results show a relationship between:

- hand strength vs. age
- hand strength of men vs. hand strength of women
- dominant hand strength vs. non-dominant hand strength

AVERAGE PERFORMANCE OF ALL SUBJECTS ON GRIP STRENGTH (POUNDS) - TEST RESULTS												
MEN					Age	Hand	WOMEN					
Mean	SD	SE	Low	High			Mean	SD	SE	Low	High	
121.0	20.6	3.8	91	167	20-24	R	70.4	14.5	2.8	46	95	
104.5	21.8	4.0	71	150		L	61.0	13.1	2.6	33	88	
120.8	23.0	4.4	78	158	25-29	R	74.5	13.9	2.7	48	97	
110.5	16.2	4.4	77	139		L	63.5	12.2	2.4	48	97	
121.8	22.4	4.3	70	170	30-34	R	78.7	19.2	3.8	46	137	
110.4	21.7	4.2	64	145		L	68.0	17.7	3.5	36	115	
119.7	24.0	4.8	76	176	35-39	R	74.1	10.8	2.2	50	99	
112.9	21.7	4.2	73	157		L	66.3	11.7	2.3	49	91	
116.8	20.7	4.1	84	165	40-44	R	70.4	13.5	2.4	38	103	
112.8	18.7	3.7	73	157		L	62.3	13.8	2.5	35	94	
109.9	23.0	4.3	65	155	45-49	R	62.2	15.1	3.0	39	100	
100.8	22.8	4.3	58	160		L	56.0	12.7	2.5	37	83	
113.6	18.1	3.6	79	151	50-54	R	65.8	11.6	2.3	38	87	
101.9	17.0	3.4	70	143		L	57.3	10.7	2.1	35	76	
101.1	26.7	5.8	59	154	55-59	R	57.3	12.5	2.5	33	86	
83.2	23.4	5.1	43	128		L	47.3	11.9	2.4	31	76	
89.7	20.4	4.2	51	137	60-64	R	55.1	10.1	2.0	37	77	
76.8	20.3	4.1	27	116		L	45.7	10.1	2.0	29	66	
91.1	20.6	4.0	56	131	65-69	R	49.6	9.7	1.8	35	74	
76.8	19.8	3.8	43	117		L	41.0	8.2	1.5	29	63	
75.3	21.5	4.2	32	108	70-74	R	49.6	11.7	2.2	33	78	
64.8	18.1	3.7	32	93		L	41.5	10.2	1.9	23	67	
65.7	21.0	4.2	40	135	75 +	R	42.6	11.0	2.2	25	65	
55.0	17.0	3.4	31	119		L	37.6	8.9	1.7	24	61	
104.3	28.3	1.6	32	176	All Subjects	R	62.8	17.0	0.96	25	137	
93.1	27.6	1.6	27	160		L	53.9	15.7	0.88	23	115	

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\* charts generated from data published in Mathiowetz's article "Grip and Pinch Strength: Normative Data for Adults", *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* 66: 69-74, 1985.

## Using the digital gauge

Press on/off button to turn system on. Press zero button to ensure the measurement starts at zero. Press max clear to clear any previous maximum value stored in memory. Administer test on patient. Press max to view the maximum reading of test. Press max clear to clear max and administer next test. Repeat as needed. Press on/off to turn system off.

Change batteries when LoBAT text appear in the upper left hand corner of the LCD screen. Use two “AAA” batteries.

## Functions

**On/Off** To turn system on press on/off button. You will see a series of numbers indicating the gauge is callibrating. Press same button to turn system off.

**Zero** Zeros the system to ensure that the starting state of any test is at zero pounds or kilograms of force. Press before administering test.

**Max clear** Clears the maximum value of the previous test.

**Max** Displays the maximum value from the previous test.

**lb./kg.** Toggles measurement between pounds and kilograms.