# **Maino Incubatrici**

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All our Incubators are manufactured in Italy, with the utmost care, taking into account all aspects of quality of materials and the environmental factors to produce a quality, efficient, incubator.

# **INCUBATOR USER'S MANUAL: MPS12A**

# How to use this manual.



Text by this symbol MUST be adhered to, as there may be a risk to the user or the incubator, including its contents.



Text by this symbol are operational instruction for best results.

Packing: To open the carton using a knife or similar tool. Carefully cut the tape on the top of the box, and open.

Inside the box -



Pa	acking List:
no.1 Incubator Base	
no.1 Incubator Top with	n working Parts
no.1 Mesh Egg Tray	
no.1 Water Basin	
no.1 Thermometer	
no.1 Egg Turning Tray, in	c Turning Bars



Before switching on the incubator, read through this instruction booklet. Make sure the electrical voltage (tension) is the same as on the written technical information (the label placed near the thermostat). Make sure the incubator plug that is used to connect the incubator to the power socket is suitable to use, and if not, contact your local electrician.

# 1. Setting Up The Incubator prior to use:

**1.1 Place the Egg Mesh Tray** in the base of the incubator. Lay the two angled pieces of metal along either long side of the base as shown below

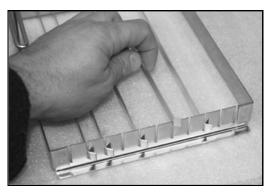
**1.2 Egg Tray** - Set the space required inbetween turning bars on the egg turning tray so as to ensure the eggs sit horizontally through the bars touching the Egg Mesh Tray underneath.



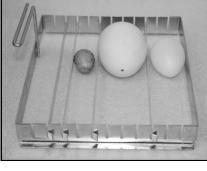
MPS12A Showing Incubator Base set-up

Important! - Eggs should not sit on the egg bars, the eggs must contact with the Ground Mesh. Otherwise it could breaks the turning motor and also because, if the egg does not touch the Ground Mesh, egg turning will not happen and then, after the incubation period, nothing will hatch!

**1.3 Water Pot -** Place the water pot on the Egg Mesh Tray. Fill with water.



Example of how set the turning bars for different egg sizes





**1.4 Place the Turning Tray on Top of the Ground Mesh**. Once you have adjusted the position of turning bars, Place the tray inside the incubator, Sides located on the two angled metal bars in the base.



Do Not Cover the Air Exchange Hole(s) over the fan on your incubator. All Embryos breathe in Oxygen and excrete Cardon Dioxide (like us), so by covering the air hole you can suffocate your chicks and they may die.

**1.5 Place the Lid** on the base, after first removing the thermometer, and its protective case, from the underside of the lid. Locate the turning pin in the turning tray as shown in the picture above.

**1.6 Thermometer -** Remove the thermometer from its protective shipping case, and carefully place vertically in the hole in the top of the incubator. It will only fit into one hole, and does not need to be forced in.

# 2.0 Siting your Incubator

Basic features of the room where you place the Incubator:

- The incubator must be placed in a clean, ventilated room, but away from draughts.
- It must be supported on a solid surface
- The room temperature must be between 18 23 °C. and 15 50 % Relative Humidity. Cold Air (Less than 18 °C will lead to uneven air temperature in the incubator, and could cause a reduce in element life.
- Do not use in greenhouses (temperature too variable) or bedrooms for humans or animals. Oxygen is needed by chick embryos in the incubator, eggs that breathing then expel carbon dioxide thus reducing the oxygen levels in the air! This is very harmful to both human and animal health.
- The machine should be placed OUT of contact with any liquids, that could prejudice the incubators operation and/or also become a very dangerous in operation!.
- The incubator is manufactured and designed to incubate eggs only. The incubator has not been designed or tested as a drying unit for any product.

**3.0 Plug in your incubator** and switch on the electrical socket. The fan should start operating and the LED on the control card glow red.

**3.1 Allow the incubator to settle.** Allow the incubator to reach and maintain temperature for 8 hours minimum. This is to ensure all components are operating correctly.

**3.2 Adjusting the temperature.** Once the temperature is settled, take a thermometer reading. You can adjust the temperature up or down by turning the little stick near the red LED hole. Only little movements are needed.Clockwise turns up the temperature and anti-clockwise lowers the temperature. Leave the incubator to settle for 30 minutes between adjustments.

**4.0 Selection of Optimum Hatching Eggs.** With most eggs, they should be no older than within 8 days from the date they were laid. Each with good weight, size and without defects or cracks. Eggs should be from healthy breeding flocks . Do not incubate eggs collected on the day they were laid.

**4.1 Setting the Hatching Eggs.** The eggs should be placed horizontally in the egg tray, inbetween the spacers that you've adjusted before to your size of eggs (See Instruction 1.2)

Remember that eggs should be placed horizontally in the egg turning tray inbetween the spacer bars, not on the spacer bars.



**The Turning Motor** is always on from the time the electric socket is switched on. It is a slow continual movement, taking 4 hours. This also means when you are checking the turning mechanism, you must check a different time each day as the egg tray will be in the same position every 4 hours.



To Switch off the incubator, turn off the electric socket at the wall and remove the plug from the socket. The incubator will return to its previous settings when it is plugged back in annd switched on.

### 5.0 Humidity.

Hatching Eggs, during Incubation, need to lose about 13-15% of their egg weight in water vapour, so that the Air Sac is the correct size for hatching. Loss of too much or too little water vapour can cause the chick embryos not to hatch. By reading the Relative Humidity (RH%) we know what percentage of the air is water vapour, and whether to add more water or take away some. Through experience you will get to know the best percentage Relative Humidity to run your incubator at for your eggs. Our advice to start you off is to use the settings in the Species Chart

To read Relative Humidity you need a Hygrometer Accessory.

If you do not wish to use a hygrometer, keep the water pot full throughout the incubation. DO NOT add more water than in the water pot as this can increase the humidity level too high and cause damage to the incubator. (More can be added if you are using a Hygrometer accessory)



Humidity is directly proportional to the surface area of water in an incubator. To increase humidity, add more surface area, (add another container); to decrease humidity, remove surface area. i.e.Cover a container with tape. Increasing the depth of water does not increase humidity, only means that it will last longer at the current humidity



IN ALL CASES DO NOT ALLOW YOUR INCUBATOR TO HAVE WATER CONDENSATION IN IT FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME AS THIS CAN CAUSE IRREPAIRABLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS. **6.0 Egg Candling.** Egg candling should be done after 8 or 18 days after insertion of the eggs in the incubator. When candling an egg, you are looking: at the embryo development, and with some candlers you may be able to see life; the air sac size, checking it's growing, and that it is not floating; Identify Eggs that do not have an embryo in them; and to identify diseased eggs. Eggs that are imperfect or infertile should be discarded. Candling is a skill that will develop with experience.



**7.0 The Hatch Period** - The LAST 3 DAYS of the whole period of incubation (see Species Chart) the eggs should NOT BE TURNED. Remove the turning tray 3 days before hatching by lifting it out without having to handle the eggs. Fill up the base of the incubator to increase the humidity, replace the lid, and leave the incubator alone. Only open the door to refill base to maintain humidity, then leave it again.

Once the chicks start hatching, leave them in the incubator. The chicks can live 3 days after they are born, even without eating or drinking and without any kind of problem.

The chicks should not drink because they have to absorb the yolk sac completely. If chicks drink, they may not absorb it completely & it may cause many deaths and deformities.

Leave chicks alone until the last chick hatched is dry and fluffy.



NEVER SPRAY OR SPRINKLE WATER INSIDE THE INCUBATOR AS THIS CAN CAUSE THE ELEMENT TO FAIL, KILLING ALL YOUR EMBRYOS. If you must spray your eggs, take the tray of eggs out of the incubator and spray away from the incubator, then replace them.

## **Capacities**

Kind of Eggs\Model	Hen   Duck   Black Turkey	Pheasant   Bantam	Quail   Grey Partridge	Red Partridge	Goose   Tur- key   Peacock
MPS12 (UK18)	12	15	30	25	6

# ELECTRIC INCUBATOR FOR ANY TYPE OF EGG

ELECTRICAL FEATURES: 230 Volt AC + 10/-15% @ 50 Hz ± 0.5% **Plugs:** Schuko plug (CEE) or British plug (2 poles + E # 13A fuse – British Standard: BS 1363A/95)

# **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:**

Species	Days of Incubation	Temperature °C	% Incubation Humidity	Move to Hatching Period After:	% Hatching Humidity
Hen	21	37.7	40/45	18 days	60/70
Duck/Small turkey	28	37.2/37.5	40/45	25 days	60/70
Dumb Duck	35-42	37.2	40/45	31 days	60/70
Goose	28-42	37.2	45/50	25 days	60/70
Pheasant	24	37.7	40/45	21 days	65/85
Giant Turkey	28-30	37.2	40/45	25 days	60/70
Grey and Red Leg Partridge	23-24	37.7	40/45	20 days	60/70
Quail and Pigeon	17	37.7	40/45	15 days	60/70

### **Incubator Servicing**

Incubators used for hatching build up a large amount of chick down, dust and general dirt!. After every hatch your incubator should be cleaned down. This prevents a build up of disease and prolongs the life of your incubator components. If you use your incubator as a setter only(i.e. do not hatch in the incubator), then a 3 monthly clean down is advised to prevent a build up of domestic dust on components.

### S2.0 General Cleaning

Don't forget to remove the thermometer first, and place in a safe location. Remove heavy dirt and dust using a clean paint brush, and/or compressed air from a can or air-line from around the control card, and the element. Do not get the electrical components wet.

Wash in water the incubator base, and Egg Grid, allowing to dry out thoroughly before reusing. Disinfect as required using an approved disinfectant.



**NEVER SPRAY or wipe Disinfectants into the top of the incubator. Disinfectants are corrosive and will destroy the coatings protecting the control board, drastically reducing its working life.** It is not necessary to completely sterilise this area of the incubator. The base and Turning tray can be disinfected if required.

#### S1.0 Fans

#### S1.1 R000610 Square Black Fan

1.11 Undo the screws holding the fan in the incubator

1.12 Remove the label on the fan to expose rubber stopper / cover that protects the bearing brass 1.13 Using a screwdriver to remove the rubber stopper

1.14 With an oil can, put a few drops of oil on the brass bearing and then close with the rubber stopper. Reassemble into the incubator



#### S1.2 R000800 Turning Motor

1.21Undo the screws holding the turning motor in place 1.22 Using a flat blade screwdriver, unclip the clip holding the motor onto the gearbox 1.23 Oiling point in the middle of the Gear Box

1.24 Put a few drops of light oil into the gearbox





Spare Parts List - MPS 12A				
Control Board	R000510	Fan	R000610	
Thermometer	RTD200	Element	R00A700	
Turning Motor	R000800			
Optional Accessories				
R009010CC	Fluorescent 240v Candler	RHD300	LCD Hygrometer	

### **GUARANTEE and Certificate Of Conformity**

Before using the incubator, you should read this instruction manual in full. All instructions, without exception, given in this manual are given in good faith, and we or our dealer / distributor, cannot be held responsible for any damage arising from these instructions, however caused. This includes, without restriction, damages, and hypothetical damage refered to in the use of this given instructions, such as: loss of goods, profits and income; loss of biological value; restoration and replacement cost or other similar costs; or any other special, casual or consequential damage. This information has been written very carefully. We have used best available knowledge in drawing it up, incorporating best technologies and best techniques. However its accuracy and its reliability are in no wise and in no case due to the dealer/ distributor. The authorization to make use of this information is strictly reserved for personal use. Every part of the appliance has been tested by the producer before the delivery and consignment date. Therefore the maker's guarantee does not include damages resulting from an incorrect transportation of the appliance. The guarantee does not include damages to the electronic parts resulting from an incorrect transportation of the appliance. The guarantee work is done at the Producers company, or their agent, and will not include refunds of the appliance, or refunds of the damages suffered during the manufacture. The repairs will only have to be done by authorized staff. Not complying with this clause will cause the annulment of the guarantee.

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