

Fixed V-groove Fusion Splicer

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# TYPE-Q101-VS/M12

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Guide to operation



# IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS


This product has been designed and manufactured to assure personal safety. Improper use can result in fire, electric shock or injury to persons. Please read and observe all warnings instructions given in this operation manual.

Use your splicer only for its intended purpose.




## ◆ The meaning of these symbols

In the product and this operation manual, symbols are used to highlight warnings and cautions for you to read so that accidents can be prevented. The meanings of these symbols are as follows:



○Symbol used in the product

	This symbol, where it appears on the unit, indicates that hazardous voltage is present inside of the splicer.
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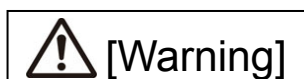
○The meaning of these symbols

	This symbol indicates a warning, caution, or danger and alerts you important instructions have been included on the product or in the manual.
	This symbol indicates actions that are prohibited.
	This symbol indicates actions that must be taken.


○The meaning of Warning and Caution

 Warning	This symbol indicates explanations about extremely dangerous matters. If users ignore this symbol and handle the splicer the wrong way, serious injury such as fire or electric shock, or death could result.
 Caution	This symbol indicates explanations about dangerous matters. If users ignore this symbol and handle the splicer the wrong way, bodily injury and damage to the equipment could result.

Be sure to read all the following warnings and cautions before use.




<Setting up and using splicer>



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This fusion splicer performs an arc discharge. Do not use the splicer in a hazardous location in which inflammable gas can generate or only electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmosphere can be used.</li> <li>2. Never use spray cleaners such as Freon or Flammable gas on the splicer. Decomposition of arc by heat will cause toxic gas, or abnormal arc may result in damage or fire.</li> </ol>
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3. Do not use and store the splicer out of the locations defined in a brochure and this manual. Doing so can cause splicer malfunction or deterioration, resulting in fire or electric shock.
4. To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock or malfunction, do not allow the splicer to be exposed to rain and get liquid such as water or a metallic object inside the splicer. Doing so can cause fire, electric shock or malfunction by shorting out internal components.
5. Never use the battery pack, AC adapter and battery charger, and power cables for the machines other than the specified splicer. Doing so can cause these items to damage, resulting in fire or heat generation.
6. Do not make mechanical or electrical modifications to the splicer since this may expose you to dangerous voltage or other hazards.
7. Do not touch the electrodes during and after arc discharge. Doing so can cause personal injury or electric shock.
8. The heating plate of the heat shrink oven may be hot during heating. Do not touch the protection sleeve directly after heating. Doing so can cause burn. A protection sleeve may also be hot after heating. Handle with care.
9. Do not operate the splicer in the rain. Doing so can cause AC adapter or battery pack to be short-circuited.
10. Do not expose the splicer to extremely high temperature and high humidity or to direct sunlight for prolonged periods.
11. Do not continuously use the heat shrink oven for long hours, keeping it high temperature. Doing so can cause heat shrink oven to malfunction.  
The following case is the exception for repairing and replacing the product free of charge:  
The Heating duration is set to a long time (e.g. 180 sec.) and the Finish temperature is set to a high temperature (e.g. 200 °C). The heat shrink oven is used for long hours by continuing to press the Heat key shortly after the heat cycle is completed.
12. Only use alcohol to clean the splicer. To prevent malfunction and damage, do not use any other kind of chemicals.
13. Never use spray cleaners such as Freon or flammable gas on the splicer. Heat by arc can cause chemical reactions to occur to gas component, which will deteriorate a microscope lens, resulting in a loss of splicing capability.
14. Parts that compose the heat shrink ovens might become high temperatures. When those parts are damaged, do not use it and contact our service center.
15. Because it is likely to injure by shards of glass when the monitor is damaged, do not use it and contact our service center.
16. When parts that compose this product and the accessory (battery pack, AC adapter, and power cord, etc.) are damaged, do not use it and contact our service center.
17. If this product gets wet with dew or the like, do not turn it on.
18. Do not use this product near the electronic equipment that handles a highly accurate control and the faint signal such as the heart pacer. The influence of the miss-operation of electronic equipment might be given.

	<p>19. Avoid places with too much dust or dirt. Dirt or dust that can accumulate in the fusion splicer causes short circuit and insufficient cooling, which may lead to splicer malfunction or deterioration, resulting in fire or electric shock.</p> <p>20. Only use the battery pack, AC adapter, battery charger and power supply cord for the splicer as defined in this manual. Failure to do so can cause these items or the fusion splicer to damage, resulting in fire or electric shock.</p> <p>21. Only use a voltage within the indicated power voltage. Failure to do so can cause fire or electric shock.</p> <p>22. Check for condensation before operation. If this product gets wet with dew or the like, leave it in a room temperature for about one day before turning it on. If water or other liquid, a metallic object or other foreign substance gets inside the splicer, immediately turn off the power and disconnect the power plug. Contact our qualified service personnel.</p> <p>23. In a high location, take safety measures to prevent fall of operators. Dropping the splicer could result in personal injury. Fix the splicer to a worktable or a tripod with the screw on the bottom of the splicer.</p> <p>24. If an abnormal condition such as unusual noise, smoke or unusual odor occurs, immediately turn off the power and disconnect the power plug. Next, contact our qualified service personnel.</p> <p>25. Be sure to turn off the splicer and unplug the power cord or remove the battery pack before replacing the electrodes.</p> <p>26. Only use Sumitomo genuine electrodes (ER-10). And use the splicer with electrodes installed in it. Failure to do so can cause the splicer to damage, resulting in fire, electric shock or malfunction.</p>
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### <Handling of power cord and plug >



	<p>1. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not plug/unplug the power cord or remove the battery pack with wet hands.</p>
	<p>2. Disconnect the power cord by grasping the plug, not the cord. Failure to do so can cause damage to the power cord, resulting in fire, electric shock or malfunction.</p> <p>3. Before charging the battery pack, make sure that the pins of the battery charge cord are not bent or broken. Using the battery charge cord with a bent or broken pin can cause internal short circuit, resulting in fire or electric shock.</p>

## <Handling of battery pack>



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Do not burn the battery pack or throw it into a fire. Doing so can cause heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>2. Do not place the battery pack in microwave ovens and high-pressure containers.</li><li>3. Do not let water or sea water wet or soak the battery pack. Safety and protective devices to prevent danger are built in the battery pack. If these devices are damaged, excessive current flow can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>4. Do not throw or impact the battery pack. Safety and protective devices to prevent danger are built in the battery pack. If these devices are damaged, excessive current flow can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>5. Do not pierce the battery pack with nails, strike the battery pack with a hammer, or step on the battery pack. Doing so can cause internal short circuit, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>6. Do not disassemble or modify the battery pack. Safety and protective devices to prevent danger are built in the battery pack. If these devices are damaged, excessive current flow can cause loss of control during charging or discharging of the battery pack, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>7. Make sure the polarities are correctly connected. Do not attempt to connect the battery pack or other equipment when you cannot do. Reversed connections can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>8. Do not solder any lead wires directly to the battery pack. Do not directly connect the positive and negative terminals with a conductive material such as a wire. Do not carry or store the battery pack together with any personal jewelry, hairpins or other Metallic objects. Doing so can cause an electrical short circuit. Also excessive current flow can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li></ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>9. Only use a specified battery charger. Failure to do so can cause the battery to be overcharged or excessive current flow can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>10. Use the battery pack only for the application for which it was designed. Failure to do so will result in a loss of performance and a shortened life expectancy. Also excessive current flow can cause loss of control during charging or discharging of the battery pack heat generation, bursting and fire.</li></ol>





## <Transportation and storage>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. This product is a precision instrument. When transporting the splicer, use its specified carrying case to protect the splicer from excessive shock or impact.</li><li>2. Do not use and store the splicer out of the locations defined in a brochure and this manual. Failure to do so can cause splicer malfunction or deterioration, resulting in fire or electric shock.</li><li>3. Do not store any items other than the product, package contents and optional accessories in the carrying case. Overloading the case can cause damage to the body of the carrying case, case handle, strap and latch.</li><li>4. Do not throw or fall the carrying case. Doing so can cause damage to the body of the carrying case, case handle, strap and latch.</li><li>5. Do not use a carrying case where there is a visible sign of damage and screw looseness.</li><li>6. Do not store the hand strap in the windshield. It causes damage to the machine.</li><li>7. Do not carry the machine grabbing the hood or the monitor.</li><li>8. Do not brandish the machine with the hand strap, and brandish neither AC adapter nor the power cord. There are fear of machine damage and the injury.</li><li>9. Do not use the machine with the lid of the battery Pack slot opened.</li></ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>10. When shipping this product, inform the transport company that this product contains the lithium-Ion battery. Follow the direction of the transport company.</li><li>11. Before carrying the case, make sure that there is no visible sign of damage and screw looseness on the handle and latch. If the case with damage and screw looseness is carried, it could drop down, causing personal injury or splicer malfunction.</li><li>12. Before picking up the case, ensure that the latch is completely locked. Carrying the case with the latch unlocked can cause the case to fall open and result in personal injury or splicer malfunction due to heavy impact.</li><li>13. Be careful that your fingers not to be caught in the hinge part and the lid when you open and shut the case.</li><li>14. Confirm the work table of the carrying case is surely fixed to the case when you carry it.</li><li>15. Do not modify the handle, strap or strap attachment points. Only use the carrying strap supplied by us.</li><li>16. Avoid places with too much dust or dirt. Dirt or dust that can accumulate in the fusion splicer causes short circuit and insufficient cooling, which may lead to splicer malfunction or deterioration, resulting in fire or electric shock.</li><li>17. If you are not going to use the splicer, remove the battery pack from the splicer. Failure to do so will shorten a battery life.</li><li>18. Unplug the fusion splicer or remove the battery pack before attempting any maintenance or if not using the splicer for a prolonged period. Failure to do so can cause fire.</li><li>19. The monitor, the hood, and the heater clamping, etc. do the opening and shutting operation. Be careful of your fingers not to be caught.</li></ol>


## <Battery handling and charging>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Make sure the polarities are correctly connected. Do not attempt to connect the battery pack or other equipment when you cannot do. Reversed connections can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>2. Do not carry or store the battery pack together with any personal jewelry, hairpins or other Metallic objects. Doing so can cause an electrical short circuit. Also excessive current flow can cause abnormal chemical reaction in battery fluid, heat generation, bursting and fire.</li><li>3. Do not use a dry cell battery and the batteries differing in capacity, type, and manufacturer. Doing so can cause heat generation, bursting and fire.</li></ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. The battery's optimum charging temperature range is 0 to 40°C. Under high temperature conditions such as in direct sunlight or near a fire, safety and protective devices to prevent danger which are built in the battery pack will be activated, resulting in failure of charging. Or if these devices are damaged, excessive current flow can cause loss of control during charging or discharging of the battery pack, heat generation, bursting and fire. Avoid charging the battery pack at extremely low temperature (below 0°C). Failure to do so may lead to deterioration in performance and battery leakage.</li><li>5. Always turn off the power to the splicer after use. Failure to do so can cause the battery to be over discharged and deteriorated in performance.</li><li>6. In the event the fluid inside the battery leaks, take extremely care not to expose it to your eyes and skin. If it does, immediately wash them thoroughly with clean water enough from the tap and consult a doctor urgently.</li><li>7. Unplug the fusion splicer or remove the battery pack before attempting any maintenance or if not using the splicer for a prolonged period. Failure to do so can cause fire.</li><li>8. Pay attention not to drop the battery pack when installing and removing it. Dropping the battery pack can cause personal injury.</li></ol>

## <Handling of optical fiber >

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Never look into optical fibers or the end of an optical cable attached to the optical output when the device is active. The laser radiation can seriously damage your eyesight.</li></ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Wear safety glasses at all times for protection from glass fibers.</li></ol>

## < Others >

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Do not press the keys on the keypad with a sharp object ( e.g. a ballpoint pen, screwdriver, or nail ) Doing so will damage the keypad.</li><li>2. Do not press strongly the touch screen with a sharp object.</li><li>3. Do not use or store the battery pack at high temperature, such as in strong direct sunlight, and in cars during hot weather. This can cause deterioration of the battery.</li><li>4. Even if you are not going to use the battery pack for a prolonged period, charge it once a year.</li><li>5. Do not press the liquid crystal display with force or the display may fail.</li><li>6. Take care to keep spliced fiber straight. Do not flex it back and forth. Doing so can cause the spliced fiber to be broken, resulting in loss of the long term reliability of the fiber.</li><li>7. Do not use a canned air for cleaning. Chemical reaction may deteriorate the lens, resulting in a loss of splicing capability.</li></ol>
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8. Check the voltage of AC power before use. The AC adapter should be grounded to earth. If voltage or frequency beyond the range stated flows in the AC adapter, a safety and protective device to prevent danger is activated and the AC adapter will stop. In that case, a new AC adapter should be purchased. Please contact our qualified service personnel.
9. Charge the battery pack within the following temperature range. Failure to do so may lead to deterioration in performance.  
\*Battery pack's required temperature range: 0°C ~ +40°C
10. Before using the battery pack for the first time, charge it.
11. The battery pack is consumables. Repeated charging and discharging decreases battery life.
12. Store the battery pack within the following temperature range. Failure to do so may lead to deterioration in performance.  
\*Battery pack storage temperature range: -20°C ~ +50°C (if stored for less than 1 months) -20°C ~ +40°C (if stored for less than 3 months) -20°C ~ +20°C (if stored for less than 1 year)
13. Charge the battery pack fully before storing it for a prolonged period.
14. Even if you are not going to use the battery pack for a prolonged period, charge it once a year.
15. If you are getting fewer than splice cycles per fully charged battery, consider replacing the battery pack by a new one.
16. When disposing of the battery pack, contact our qualified service personnel or follow the local regulations.
17. Although bright spots or dark spots may appear on the screen, this is a unique characteristic of liquid crystal displays, and such do not constitute or imply a machine defect.
18. We recommend your splicer to be annually over-hauled to keep it in good condition.
19. Glass fiber fragments are extremely sharp. Handle with care.
20. Turn off the splicer before maintenance work. Failure to do so can cause electric shock.
21. Be sure to remove moisture, alcohol or dust on the heater element with a dry cotton swab.
22. Only use Sumitomo genuine electrodes (ER-10). Failure to do so can cause the splicer to malfunction.
23. Do not clean the electrode. Doing so can cause unstable arcing performance.
24. Storing and transporting the splicer with the battery pack installed can cause the battery pack to be damaged or deteriorated, resulting in fire. Remove the battery pack from the splicer before storage.
25. Transporting the splicer with fiber holders loaded can cause the V-grooves or clamps to be damaged, resulting in the failure of splice. Remove the fiber holders from the splicer before storage.
26. Ensure that the strap should be completely secured.
27. Whenever you use the strap rings, be sure to hold the splicer with your hand. Failure to do so can cause the splicer to turn over and accessories such as fiber holder will drop.



## RoHS Directive (2011/65/EU)

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 optical fusion splicer is RoHS-compliant.

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The European Union has enacted a Directive 2002/96/EC on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE Directive). This directive is applicable in the European Union member states. The crossed out wheellie bin symbol found on our products indicates that it should not be disposed of together with household waste.

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# 1. General

Thank you very much for purchasing the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 Fusion Splicer.

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 automatically pre-inspects and aligns a pair of optical fibers with equipped microscopes, and then fuses them together with heat from an electric arc to form a low-loss splice. A protection sleeve is applied over the bare glass and cured in the built-in heat shrink oven.

Before using the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12, read all instructions completely.



Read this manual carefully in its entirety to fully understand machine capabilities.

## Product overview

### Optical fiber requirement

The TYPE-Q101-VS and the TYPE-101-M12 are different in specification. For more information, please see the next chapters.

	TYPE-Q101-VS	TYPE-Q101-M12
Material	Silica glass	
Profile types	SMF (ITU-T G.652), MMF (ITU-T G.651) DSF (ITU-T G.653), NZDSF (ITU-T G.655) BIF (ITU-T G.657)	
Cable types	Drop cable, Indoor cable	
Fiber count	1	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12
Fiber diameter	125 $\mu$ m	
Coating diameter	0.25mm, 0.5mm, 0.9mm	
Cleave length	10mm	



## Features overview

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The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 key features are:

- **Touch screen monitor** (For more information, refer to page 2-8.)  
4.1 inch LCD monitor with touch screen operation enables to confirm fiber images easily. The splicer can be operated by touching the icons on the screen. The working efficiency has improved dramatically.
- **Dual heat shrink oven** (For more information, refer to page 2-22, 5-4.)  
This product incorporates 2 heat shrink ovens.  
The ovens run individually and splicing operation can be improved more effectively.
- **Auto start** (For more information, refer to page 5-6.)  
In addition to the function that automatically starts the splicing process when the hood is closed, the function that automatically starts the heating cycle when fiber is placed into the heat shrink oven is provided.
- **Auto mode (Automatic splice mode)**
  - (1) Automatic fiber count detection (For more information, refer to 4-3.)  
The feature is active on Auto mode. In the splicing process, it automatically detects the fiber count loaded and selects a suitable splice program for the detected fiber count.
  - (2) Automatic arc compensation (For more information, refer to 2-15.)  
Auto mode has the feature to automatically compensate arc power at every fusion splice. Normally performing an arc test is not necessary.
- **Auto Clamping Adjustment System “ACAS”**  
(For more information, refer to 5-3.)  
The splicer automatically optimizes fiber clamping force (clamp pressure) according to the fiber count loaded. This can help reduce large fiber offset. In addition, an operator can adjust fiber clamping force manually while looking at a fiber offset value measured by the splicer.

## Standard package

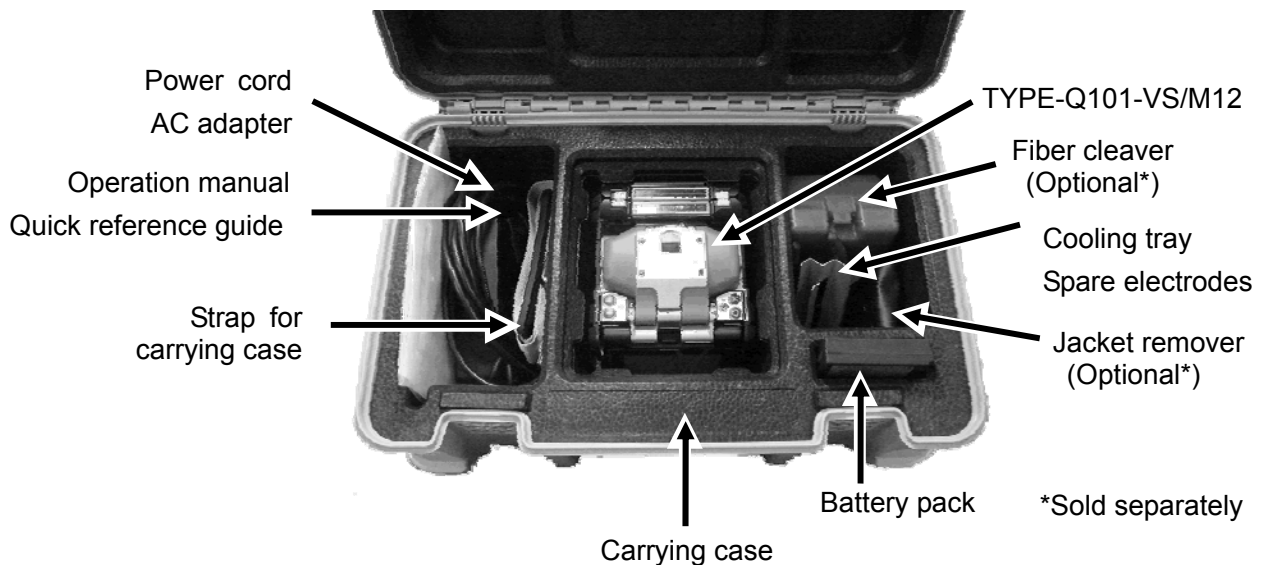
Here is an example of TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 standard package.

### Package contents (example)

Description	Part number	VS	M12
Fusion splicer	TYPE-Q101-VS	1 pc	—
	TYPE-Q101-M12	—	1 pc
AC adapter	ADC-1430A ADC-1430S	1 pc	
Power cord	PC-AC<*>	1 pc	
Battery pack	BU-11	1 pc	
Hand strap	—	1 pc	
Cooling tray	—	1 pc	
Spare electrodes	ER-10	1 pair (2 pcs)	
Operation manual (CD-ROM)	OME1224015-2	1 pc	
Quick reference guide	OME1224039-2*	1 pc	
Carrying case (with strap)	CC-71	1 pc	

\* [2] : for U.S.A.

The above package is an example. The package contents vary depending on the customers' requests.



## Optional accessories

The following optional accessories are provided for the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12. For further details, please contact our sales personnel.

Part name	Part No.	Description	Quantity
<b>&lt;Optional accessories for main unit&gt;</b>			
Battery pack	BU-11	Li-ion battery for TYPE-Q101-VS/M12	1 pc
Car battery cable	PCV-11	Plugged into a car's cigarette light jack to supply power to splicer	1 pc
AC adapter	ADC-1430A ADC-1430S	AC adapter for TYPE-Q101-VS/M12	1 pc
Fiber holders	FHS-025	For 0.25mm coated fiber	1 pair
	FHS-09	For 0.9mm coated fiber	1 pair
	FHS-05	For 0.5mm coated fiber	1 pair
	FHM-2	For 2 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-4	For 4 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-5	For 5 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-6	For 6 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-8	For 8 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-10	For 10 fiber ribbon	1 pair
	FHM-12	For 12 fiber ribbon	1 pair
FHD-1	For drop cable	1 pair	
Fiber coating clamp unit	FCCU-11M	For single fiber	1 pair
Dispenser	HR-3	Dispenser for alcohol	1 pc
<b>&lt;Tools&gt;</b>			
Fiber cleaver	FC-7/7R	Fiber cleaver for single fiber and 8 fiber ribbon	1 pc
	FC-6M/6RM	Fiber cleaver for single fiber and 12 fiber ribbon	1 pc
Jacket remover	JR-M03	Jacket remover for single fiber	1 pc
	JR-6	Hot jacket remover for ribbon fiber	1 pc
	BU-6	Li-ion battery for JR-6	1 pc

## Consumables

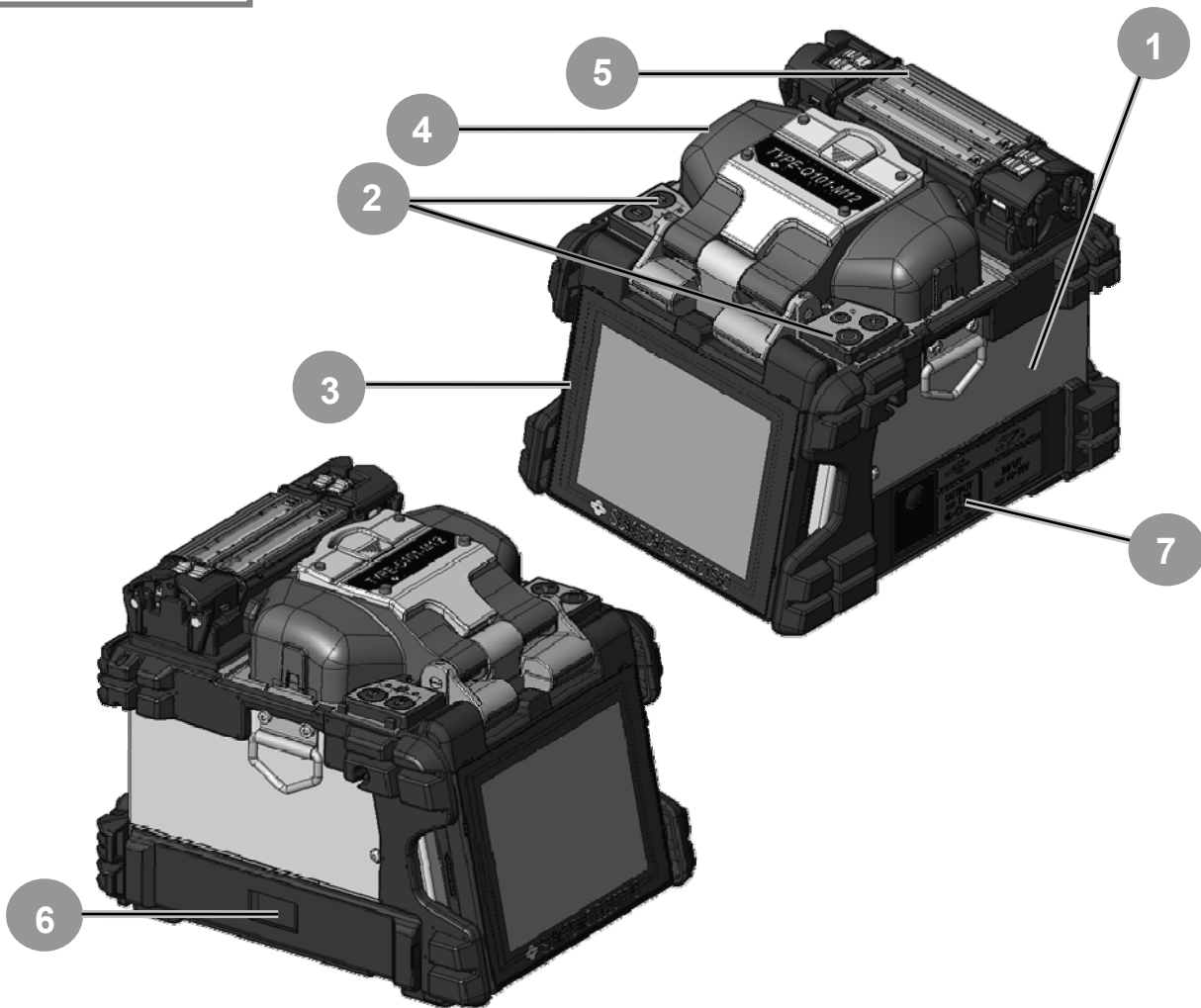
Fiber protection sleeves, electrodes and battery pack are consumables. Please place an order if you need any.

Part name	Part No.	Description	Quantity
Fiber protection sleeves	FPS-1	For single fiber $\phi 0.25\text{mm}\sim 0.9\text{mm}$ Length 60mm, Cleave length $\leq 16\text{mm}$	50 pcs/pack
	FPS-61-2.6	For single fiber $\phi 0.25\text{mm}\sim 0.9\text{mm}$ Length 60mm, Cleave length $\leq 16\text{mm}$	100 pcs/pack
	FPS-40	For single fiber $\phi 0.25\text{mm}\sim 0.9\text{mm}$ Length 40mm, Cleave length $\leq 10\text{mm}$	50 pcs/pack
	FPS-5	For single fiber and up to 8 fiber ribbon Length 40mm, Cleave length $\leq 10\text{mm}$	25 pcs/pack
	FPS-6	For single fiber and up to 12 fiber ribbon Length 40mm, Cleave length $\leq 10\text{mm}$	25 pcs/pack
Fiber protection sleeve for cable sheath	FPS-D60	For drop cable, small-sized indoor cable Length 60mm, Cleave length $\leq 10\text{mm}$	25 pcs/pack
Electrodes	ER-10	These parts degrade with time and usage and cannot be recycled. New parts as a replacement should be purchased.	1 pair
Battery pack	BU-11		1 pc

- Regarding standard equipment, consumables, or optional accessories, please order the new item you need with the item description and part number to our sales personnel.
- For repair, please read “Warranty and repair service” at page 6-2 and contact our maintenance service center.

# Structure

## Fusion splicer



### 1 Main body

TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 fusion splicer

### 2 Keypad

Keys are used to turn on/off the power, perform a splice and heat shrink protection, and setup functions.

### 3 Touch screen monitor

Displays fiber image, splice data and menu. Touch screen operation enables to start splicing, heating and feature setting.

### 4 Hood

Provides protection from the environment.

### 5 Heat shrink oven

Used to heat and shrink fiber protection sleeves. 2 heat shrink ovens (front and rear) are equipped.

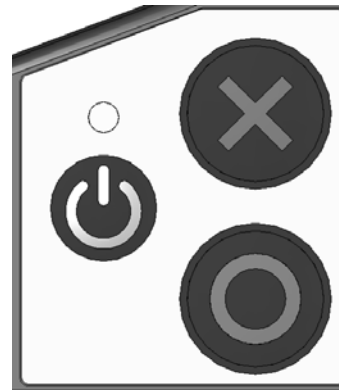
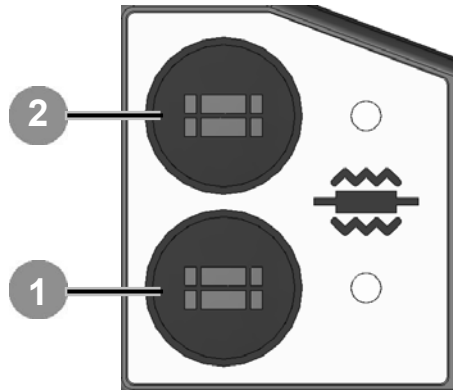
### 6 Battery pack slot

Battery is installed in this slot and covered with a protection lid.

### 7 Input/output panel

DC output terminal for hot jacket remover and USB port

## Keypad



### HEAT key 1 / LED

Starts/cancels the heating cycle of the front heat shrink oven. LED illuminates during the heat cycle.



### HEAT key 2 / LED

Starts/cancels the heating cycle of the rear heat shrink oven. LED illuminates during heating and blinks during cooling.



### Power key / LED

Used to turn on and off the splicer. LED illuminates while the splicer is on.



### RESET key

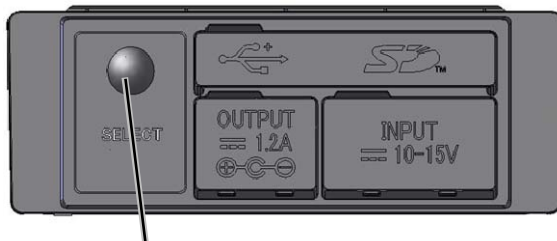
Used to cancel a splicing operation. Initialization



### SET key

Starts a splicing operation.

The keys above are mounted on the upper surface of the splicer. The features of SET, RESET and HEAT keys are also operated by the touch screen on the monitor.



### Select switch (on the Input/output panel)

Sets Splicer program to Auto and displays Heater Program options.

**\* Once the select switch is used with the following procedure, splice program is fixed to "Auto mode" and deactivated by touch screen operation. We recommend our service center be contacted soon if the touch screen function does not work.**

[Procedure]

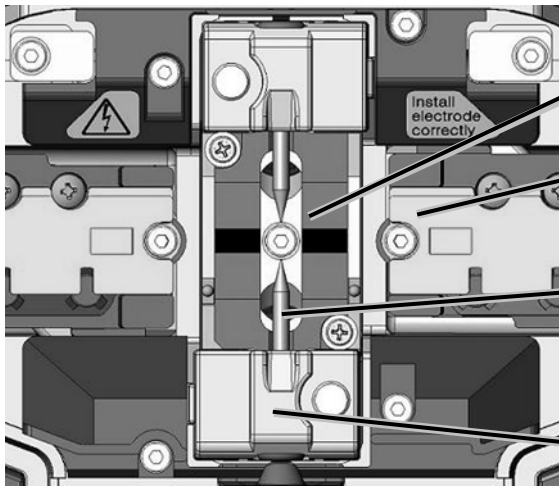
- 1) If you found the touch screen not to work, please turn the power OFF.
- 2) Turn the power ON with "select switch" being pushed.
- 3) Splice program is set to Auto and Heater program screen is displayed (Refer to page 4-2.) Press the HEAT key to choose heater program. Press the SET key to confirm.



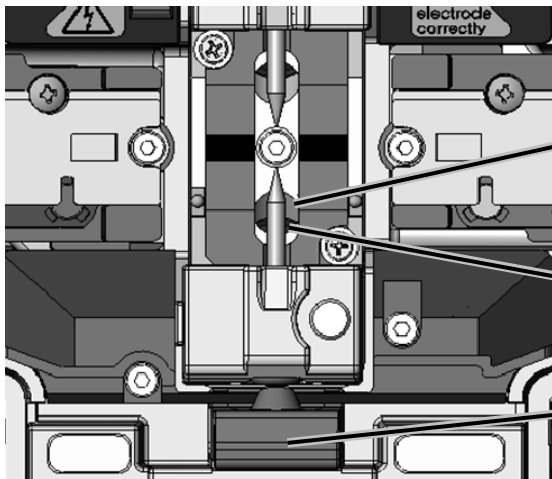
Caution

Do not press the keys on the keypad with a sharp object ( e.g. a ballpoint pen, screwdriver, or nail ) Doing so will damage the keypad.

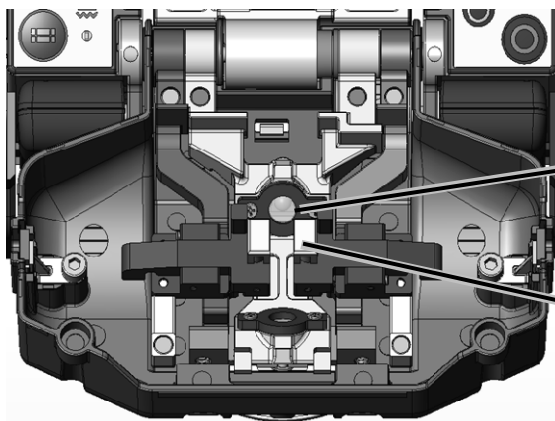
## V-grooves, electrodes, other components



- 1 V-grooves**  
Keep bare fibers aligned.
- 2 Fiber holder stage**  
A fiber holder is placed on the stage.
- 3 Electrodes**  
Arc is generated between the electrodes.
- 4 Electrode cover plate**  
Holds the electrode seated into the retaining groove.

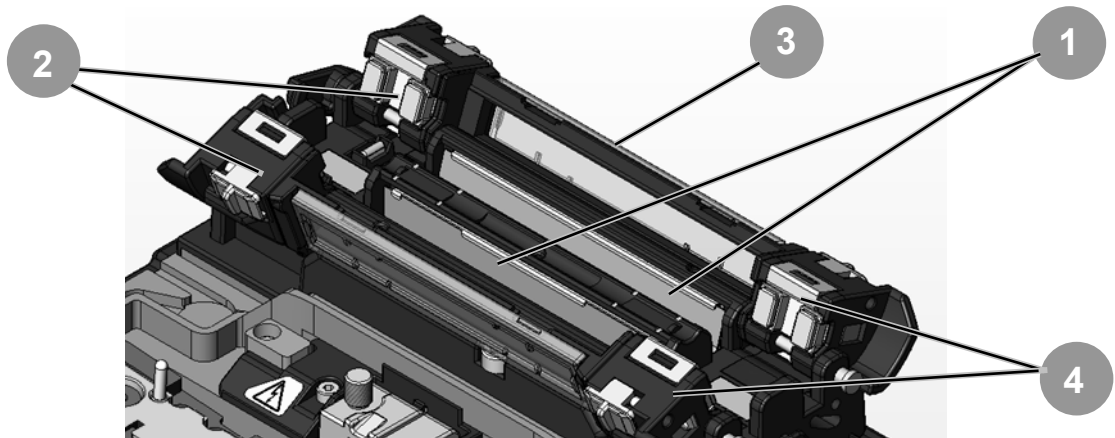


- 5 Microscope objective lens**  
Fiber is observed with the lens.
- 6 Lens protection glass**  
Protects the lens surface.
- 7 V-groove illumination**  
Illuminates the V-groove. Lit when the hood is opened.



- 8 LED for fiber observation**  
Illuminates the fiber and make an image on the microscope.
- 9 Bare fiber pads**  
Hold fibers seated into the V-grooves. Normally they are attached to the hood.

## Heat shrink oven



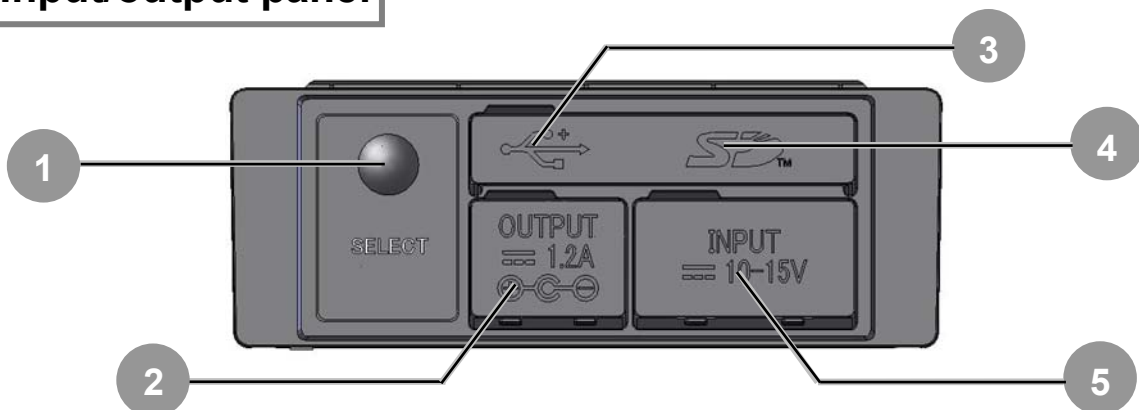
**1 Heating plate**  
Heats fiber protection sleeve.

**2 Left hand clamp**  
Hold fiber coating straight.

**3 Heat shrink oven lid**  
Closed during the heating process.  
Prevents the heating plate from  
being touched.

**4 Right hand clamp**  
Hold fiber coating straight. It is  
movable and applies slight tension  
to the fiber when the left hand  
clamp is closed. This prevents the  
fiber to slack.

## Input/output panel



**1 Select switch**  
Refer to page 1-6.

**2 DC output terminal**  
Used to supply DC power to a hot  
jacket remover.

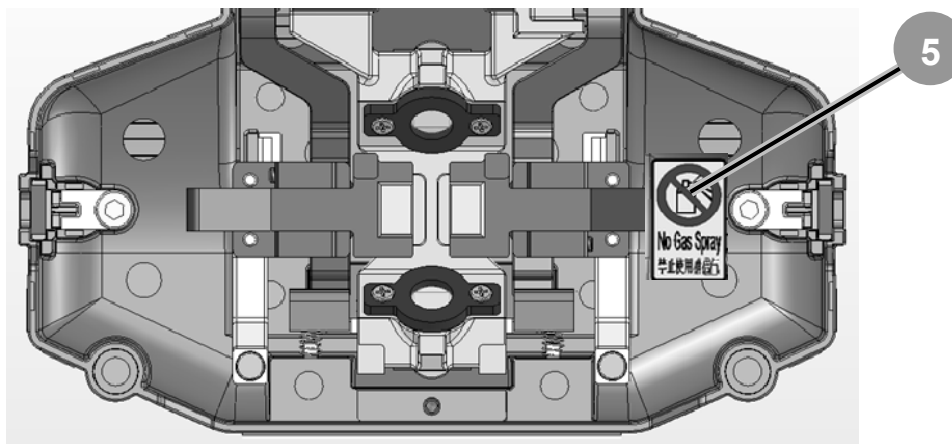
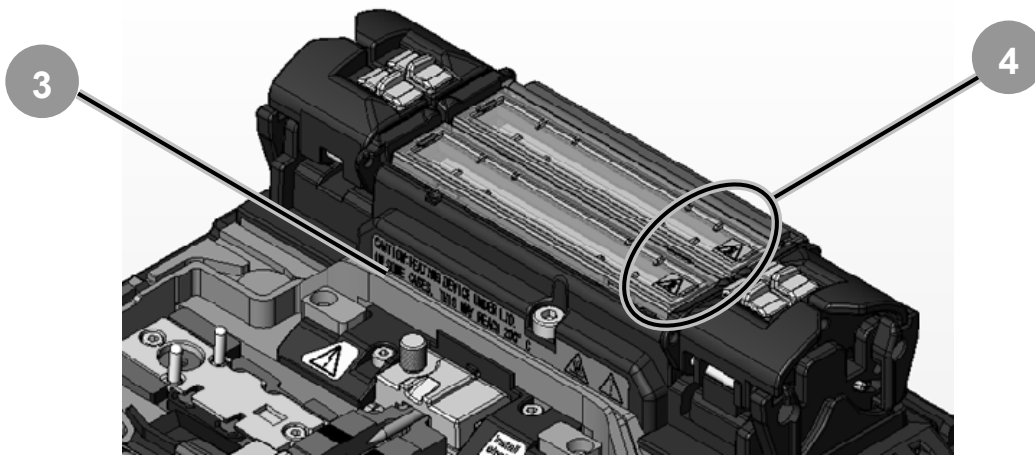
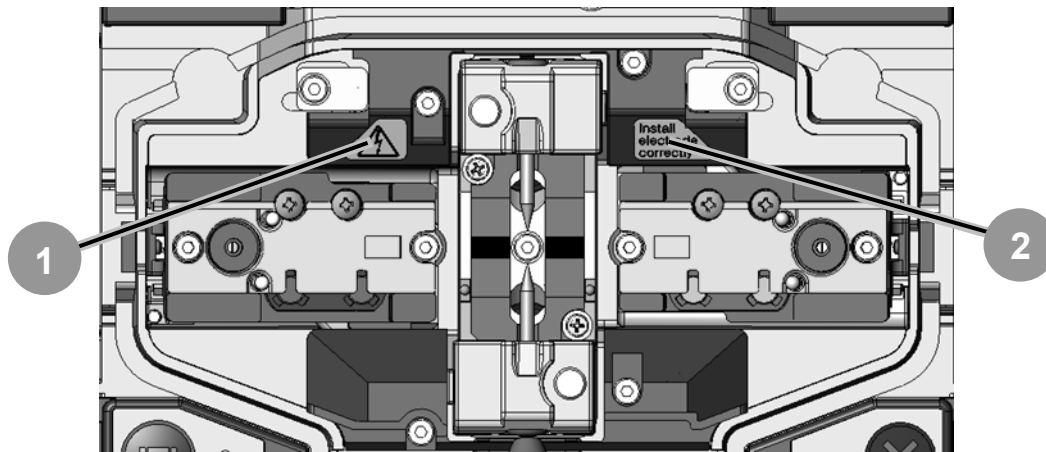
**3 USB port**  
Used to download stored splice  
loss data when connected to a  
PC.

**4 SD card slot**  
for splice data output.

**5 DC input terminal**  
input power via AC adapter.



## Caution label



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### High voltage

When the arc is discharged, a high voltage is generated in the electrode. Please pull out the power cord, and detach the battery pack when you touch the electrode.

2

### Installing electrode

Please confirm whether the electrode is installed without fail before splicing.

3

### High temperature heater

Heaters may reach 200°C. Please take care when you use heaters.

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### Prohibition of using spray

Do not use any gas spray such as gas duster or canned air.

## 2. Splice / Protection

### [Preparation for splicing]

Before splicing, collect all of the necessary equipment.

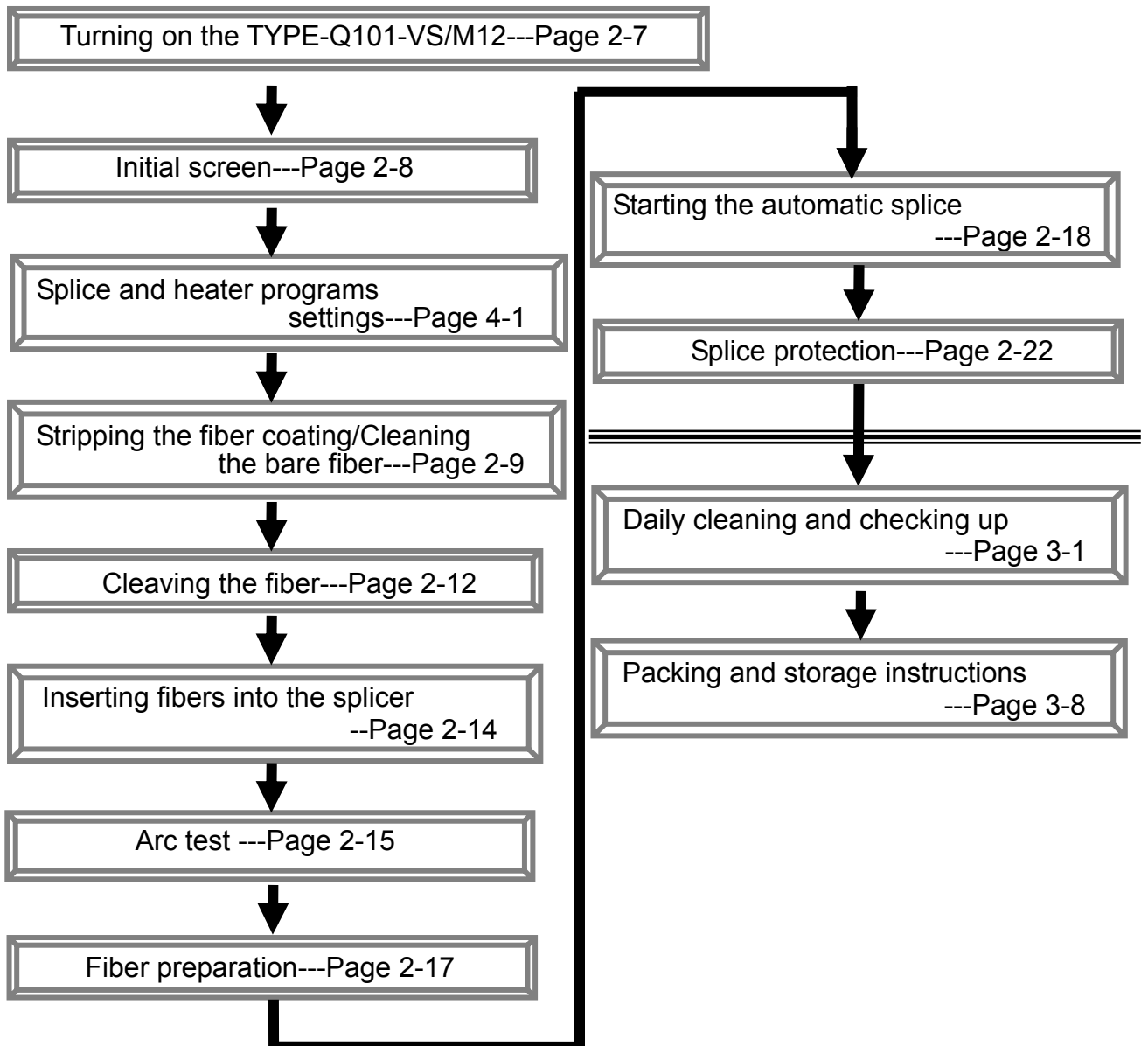
- TYPE-Q101-VS/M12
- Optical fiber being spliced
- Jacket remover
- Fiber cleaver

- Pure (more than 99%) alcohol
- Lint-free gauze wipes
- Fiber protection sleeves\*

\*The protection sleeves being used are different depending on the fiber being spliced.

### [Operating procedures]

The following is a summary of the steps required to make a splice with the fusion splicer. For further information on each step, please see the page described below.

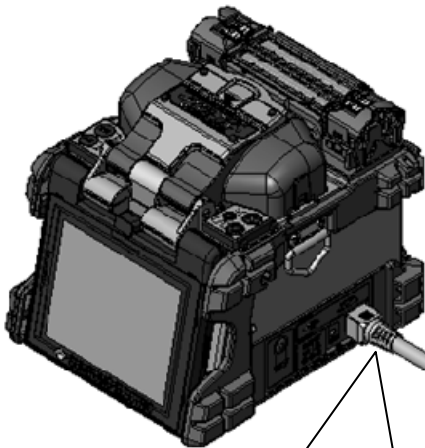


## Preparing power supply

The power for TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 is supplied by AC adapter or battery.

### AC operation

Please connect AC adapter (ADC-1430A/ADC-1430S) with TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 when you operate with the AC adapter.



Connect the output cord of AC adapter with DC input terminal of TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.

#### **Plugging**

Insert the power cord into the AC adapter completely. POWER LED lights up green when the power is supplied.



1. Please confirm the voltage of the AC power supply before using. Moreover, please earth the AC adapter by using the power cord with the earthing terminal.
2. The security function might work for safety when the voltage and the frequency outside the specification range are input to the AC adapter and the AC adapter stop operating. In this case, it is necessary to exchange AC adapter for a fee. Please contact our maintenance service center.
3. Please arrange the AC adapter to pull out the power cord immediately in the emergency. (Do not arrange the AC adapter out of reach.)

## Battery operation

Please install the battery pack (BU-11) in the battery pack slot of the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.

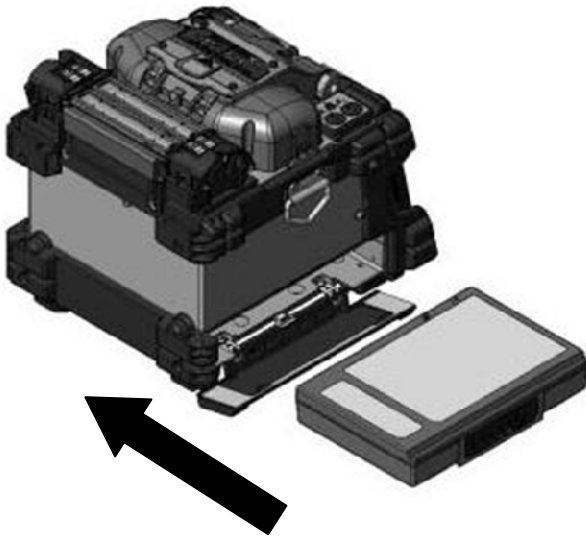
Turn off the splicer and disconnect the AC adapter before installing and removing the battery pack.

\*Please check the charge before the battery pack is installed.

(Please refer to the page 2-4 “battery level check”.)

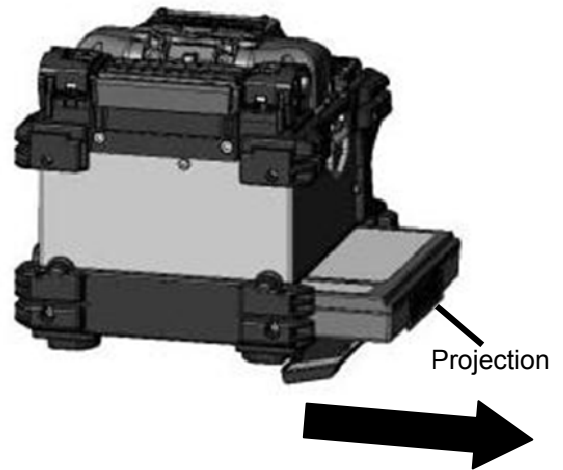
### Battery pack installation

Please insert the battery pack up to foundation of battery pack slot surely and vertically.



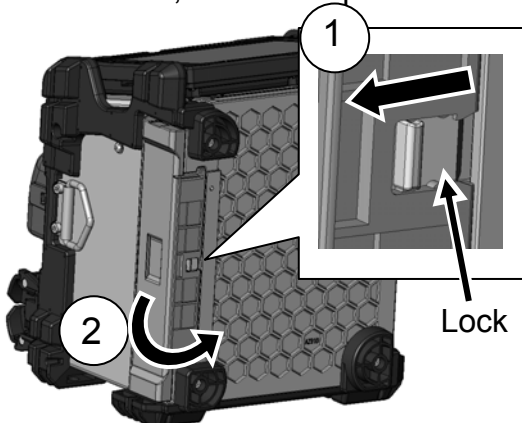
### Battery pack removal

Open the lid of the battery pack slot, then hang the finger on the projection of the battery pack, and draw out the battery pack in the direction indicated by the arrow.

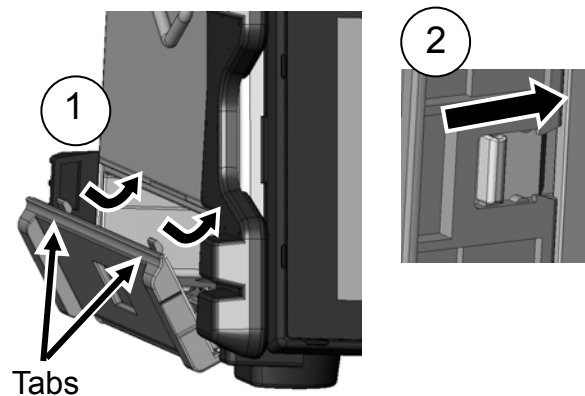


### How to open and close lid of battery pack slot

<Open> Release the lock by moving the lock in the direction indicated by the arrow, and then open the lid.

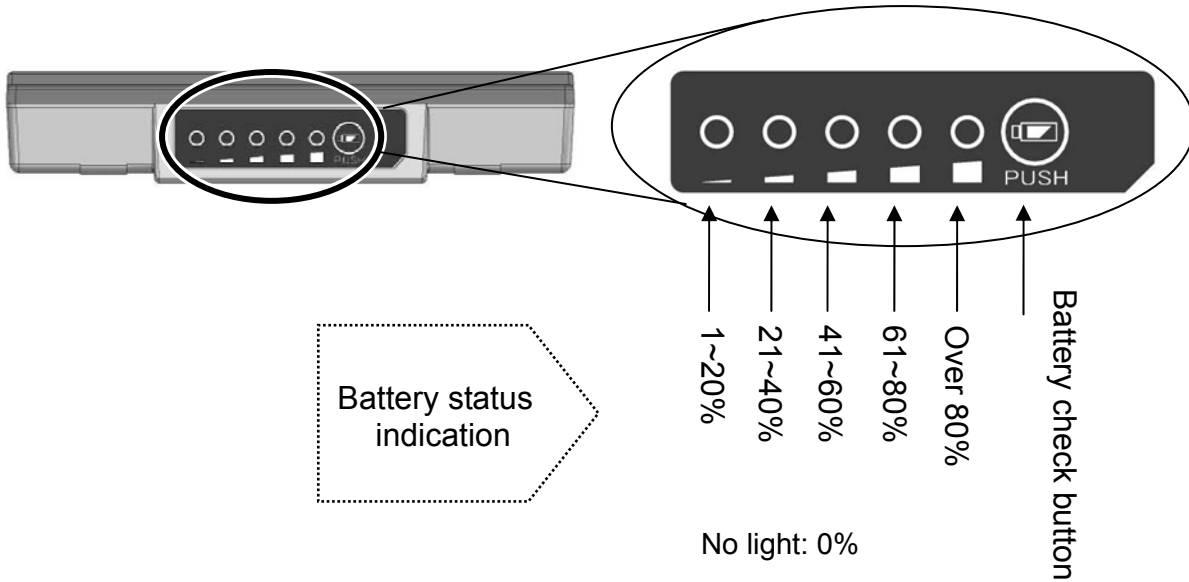


<Close> Insert the tabs of the lid into the battery pack slot, close the lid and move the lock in the direction indicated by the arrow.



## Battery level check

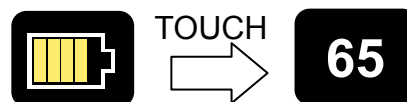
Press the battery check button. The LED will light up for a few seconds to indicate the battery status in one of four levels.



Indicator	Meaning
	Battery remains enough. Over 80%
	61 to 80%
	41 to 60%
	21 to 40%
	Battery remains little. 1 to 20%
	No battery. Please charge the battery immediately.
	Charging. Icon changes depending on the battery level.

The battery level is also displayed as a battery level indicator on the monitor.

Splice and heat cycles possible with remaining battery level is indicated when you touch the indicator.



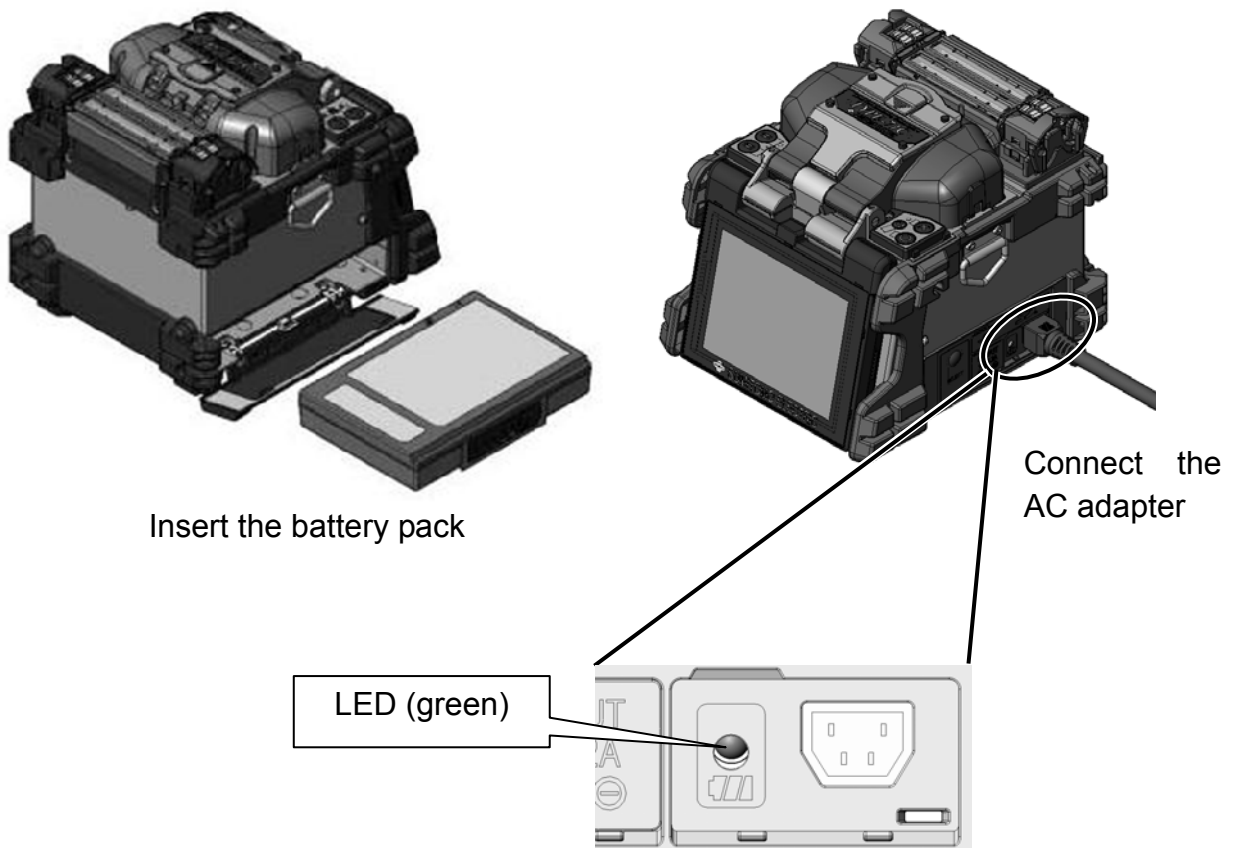
\*The frequency is estimated by the battery level. It changes according to the operational environment and condition.  
(No guaranteed value)

\*Be sure to charge the battery before use when the battery level is low.

\*There is no battery indicator when AC adapter is in use.

## Battery charging

1. Insert the battery pack into the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.
2. Connect the AC adapter with the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.
3. LED (green) on the side of the DC input terminal blinks, and the charge begins.
4. It takes 2 - 3 hour to finish charging though it changes according to the remaining battery capacity. LED (green) lights up when the charge ends.



•The battery pack can be charged while the splicer is in using. However, it takes a longer compared with the time when the splicer is powered off. (It takes about 14 hours.)

•Please charge the battery in the following temperature span. The battery pack might be deteriorated (decrease in capacity) at the temperature that exceeds this range.

**\*Temperature range for charging: 0°C~+40°C**

## DC operation (car battery)

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The car battery cable PCV-11 (option) is required to operate the splicer on DC power (car battery). Contact a sales representative.

## Precautions for battery pack

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- **Before using the battery pack for the first time, charge the battery pack. (The battery is not fully charged before shipping.)**
- The battery pack is a consumable. Repeated charging and discharging decreases battery life.
- Store the battery pack within the following temperature range. Failure to do so may lead to deterioration in performance.
  - \*Battery pack storage temperature range:
    - 20°C ~ +50°C (if stored for less than 1 month)
    - 20°C ~ +40°C (if stored for less than 3 months)
    - 20°C ~ +20°C (if stored for less than 1 year)
- Do not use or store the battery pack at high temperature, such as in strong direct sunlight, in cars during hot weather. This may cause leakage of battery fluid.
- If you are not going to use the battery pack for a long period, charge the battery pack once every 6 months.
- If you are not going to use the splicer, remove the battery pack from the splicer.

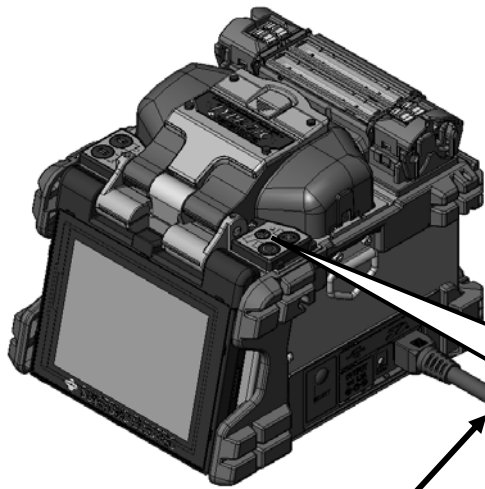
### When should the battery be replaced?

When the splice frequency decreased extremely with fully charged battery, please purchase a new battery pack.

When disposing of the battery pack, contact our maintenance service center or follow the local regulations.


# Operating procedures

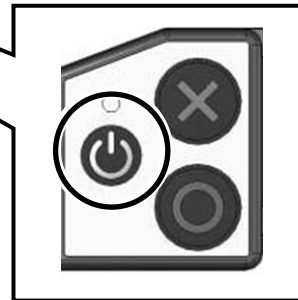
## Turning on the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12



Output cord of the AC adapter

The monitor viewing angle can be adjusted.

- 1: Ensure that the electrodes are fully inserted in the splicer.
- 2: Insert the output cord of the AC adapter into the DC input terminal.
- 3: Adjust the monitor for optimum viewing angles.
- 4: Press the power (  ) key for more than 1 second to turn on the power.



If you press the power key right after connecting the power cord to the power supply module, it may take a few seconds until the splicer is powered on.

### Special note on monitors

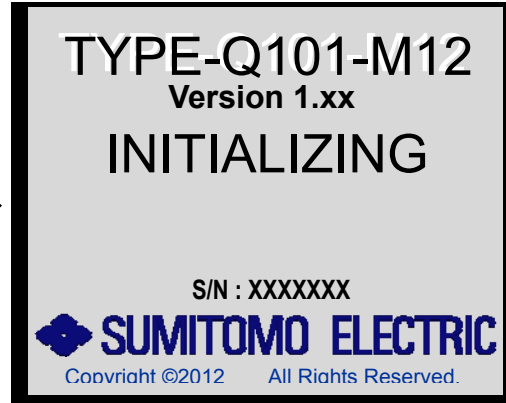
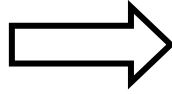
Although bright spots or dark spots may appear on the screen, this is a unique characteristic of liquid crystal displays, and such do not constitute or imply a machine defect.



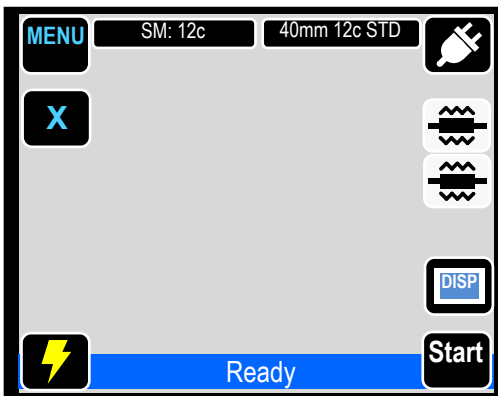
## Initial screen



Startup screen



Initialize screen



Initialization is complete.  
→ Ready screen

Each motor of the splicer is initialized after turning on the power supply, and the ready screen is displayed after a few seconds. TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 has the touch screen function that enables to operate by the icons on the screen.

The function of each icon in the ready screen is as follows.


**MENU** : Displays the main menu screen where various functions are selected.

**SM: 12c** : Shows splice program that is selected. You can go to splice program selection screen by touching it. Please refer to page 4-1 for how to select splice program.


**40mm 12c STD** : Shows heater program that is selected. You can go to heater program selection screen by touching it. Please refer to page 4-2 for how to select heater program.

**X** : Shows observation screen that is displayed on the monitor. The screen changes by every touch in this order X ⇒ Y ⇒ X/Y.


**Start** : Start to make a splice

 : Shows power supply type (AC power supply). When the battery pack is in use, the battery indicator is displayed. (→ page 2-4)

**DISP** : Display/hide icons

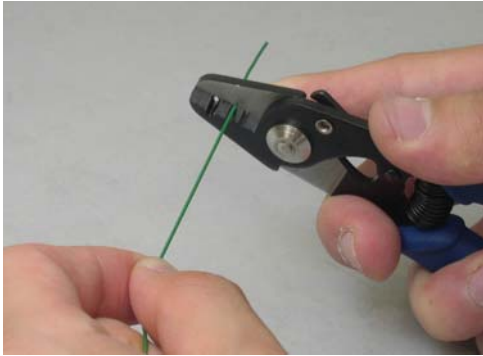
 : Start and cancel heating cycle

 : Arc test

 : operates the fiber clamp.

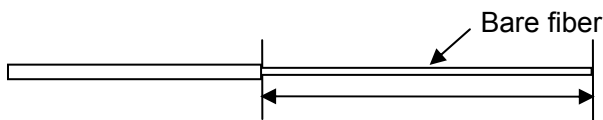
## Stripping the single fiber coating / Cleaning the bare fiber

- 0: Clean the fiber coating thoroughly to remove cable gel or other stains.
- 1: Strip the fiber coating. (An example shows use of Sumitomo JR-M03 tool, strip length shown apply to any stripping tool. If you use another jacket remover, please refer to its operation manual.)  
Use the correct groove of the remover suitable for the fiber coating diameter.  
→ See figure <1>.



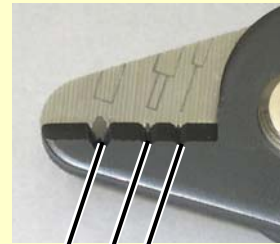
- 2: Strip Approx. 30~40mm of the fiber coating with the JR-M03 (ex). (If you use another remover, please refer to its operation manual.)

\*If the stripping length is too long, the fiber cleaver may not store the off-cut in the off-cut collector.



Stripping length= Approx. 30~40mm

<1> Check the fiber coating diameter.

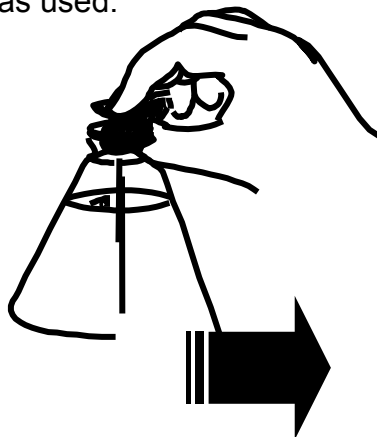


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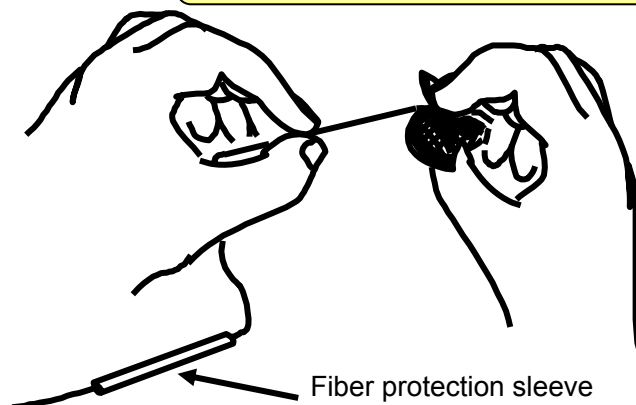
- (1) Fiber coating diameter : 1.6-3mm  
(2) Fiber coating diameter : 600-900 $\mu$ m  
(3) Fiber coating diameter : 250 $\mu$ m

The JR-M03 strips approx. 25mm of fiber coating at a time. To strip 30~40mm of the fiber coating, repeat the operation.

- 3: Repeat the stripping process for the other fiber.
- 4: Clean the bare fiber from the end of the fiber coating with a lint-free gauze pad moistened with pure alcohol. Pull the bare fiber through the gauze pad. Rotate the fiber by 90 degrees to remove any coating residue. Do not reuse the gauze pad that was used.



**Keep the fiber squeaky clean.**



## Stripping the ribbon fiber coating / Cleaning the bare fiber

An example shows use of Sumitomo JR-6 hot jacket remover. Please read the JR-6 operation manual before use. If you use another jacket remover, please refer to its operation manual.

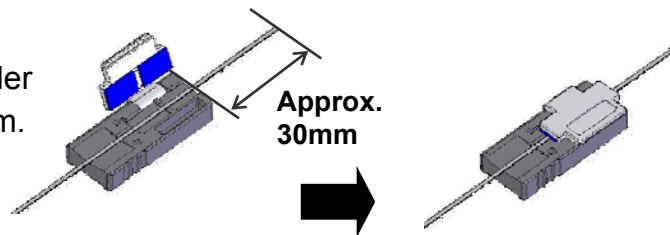
1: Turn on the power of the JR-6.



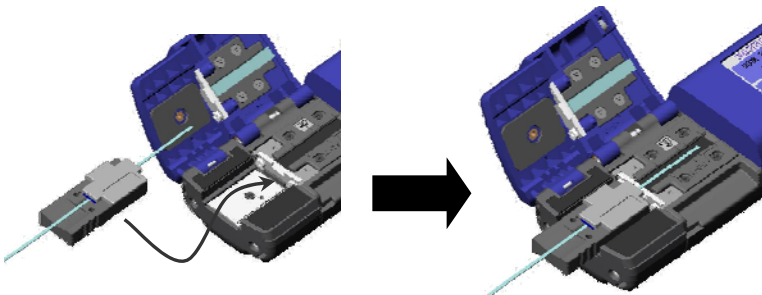
Press the POWER key for more than 1 second until the TEMP./BATT. indicator LEDs illuminate.

The indicator LEDs illuminate to indicate a current battery remaining capacity. Then the HEATER LED flashes in the red. The HEATER LED turns green when the JR-6 reaches the set temperature.

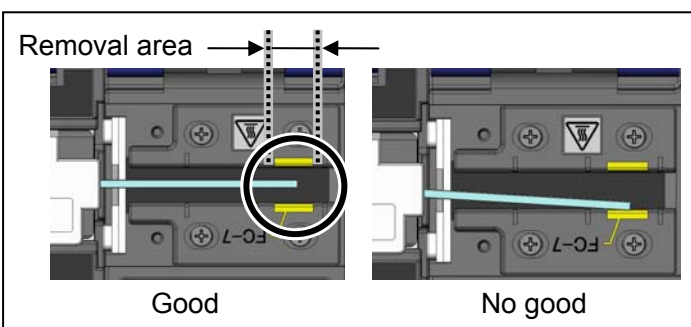
2: Place an optical fiber in a fiber holder with the ends protruding approx. 30mm.



3: Place the fiber holder in the holder receptacle.



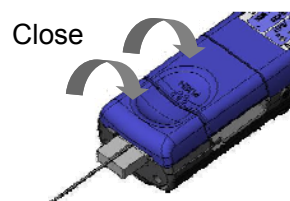
\*Touch the edge of the fiber holder against the JR-6.



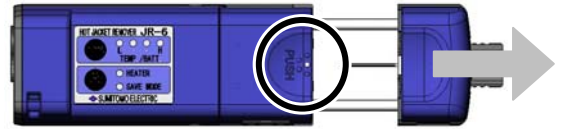
With use of Sumitomo fiber cleavers, ensure that the coating end is positioned in a specified area indicating "FC-7".

4: Close the main body lid and holder lid.

The HEATER LED flashes in green for approx. 5 seconds, and then keeps illuminated.

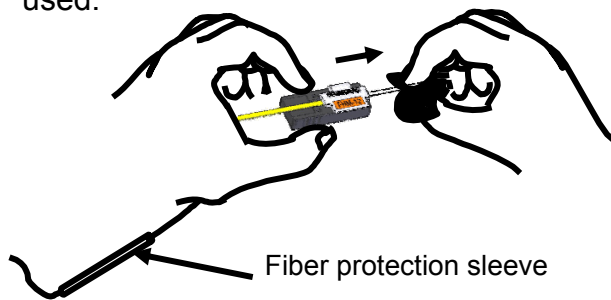


5: Ensure that the HEATER LED is lit in green and hold the JR-6, especially the “PUSH” portion of the main body lid firmly. Then slide the holder receptacle and holder lid slowly in the direction indicated by the arrow.



6: The fiber coating is removed. Take out the fiber holder from the JR-6.

7: Clean the bare fiber from the end of the fiber coating with a lint-free gauze pad moistened with pure (more than 99%) alcohol. Pull the bare fiber in the direction indicated by the arrow through the gauze pad. Do not reuse the gauze pad that was used.



**Keep the fiber squeaky clean.**

8: Lightly brush the ends with your finger to fan out all fibers in a straight line.

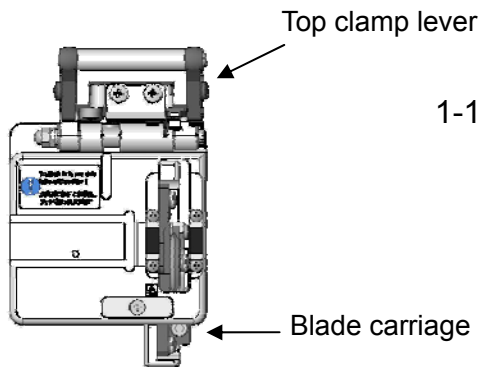


## Cleaving the fiber

An example shows use of Sumitomo FC-6M fiber cleaver. Please read the FC-6M operation manual before use. If you use another fiber cleaver, please refer to its operation manual.

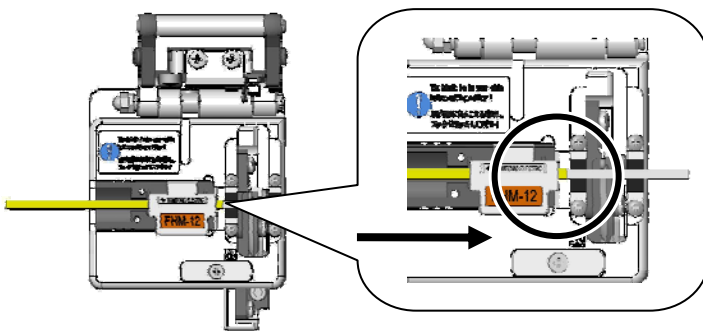
**Standard cleave length: 10mm**

1:



1-1: Open the coating clamp lid and the top clamp lever. The blade carriage should be in the forward position.

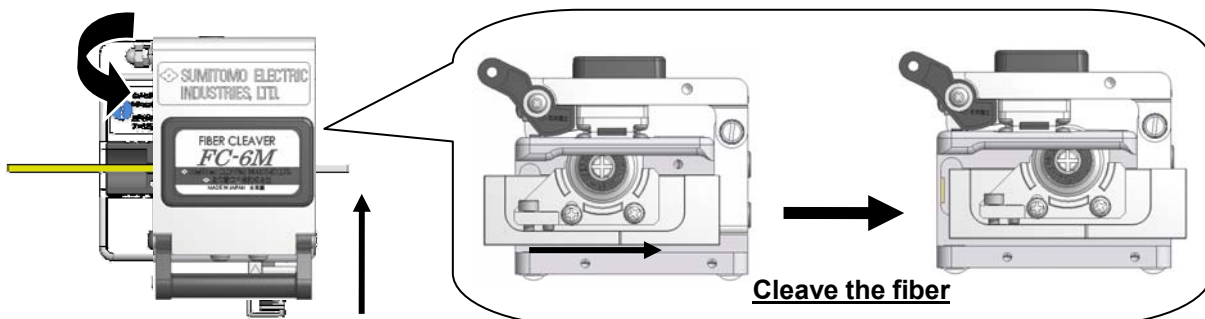
2:



2-1: Place the fiber holder in the FC-6M. (Touch the edge of the fiber holder against the FC-6M.)

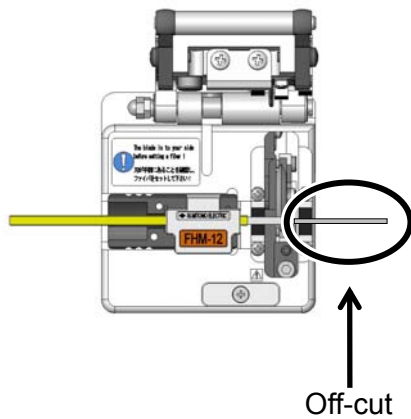
\* Keep the fiber in the fiber holder after stripping the fiber coating/cleaning the bare fiber.

3:



3-1: Lower the top clamp lever. Slide the blade carriage to the rear of the cleaver as indicated by the arrow.

4:



The fiber is cleaved.

4-1: Open the top clamp lever.

4-2: Lift the fiber holder.

4-3: Lift the off-cut and dispose of it properly.

\*Be careful not to touch the off-cut against the fiber end face.

4-4: Place the fiber holder into the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.

4-5: Cleave the other fiber in the same way.

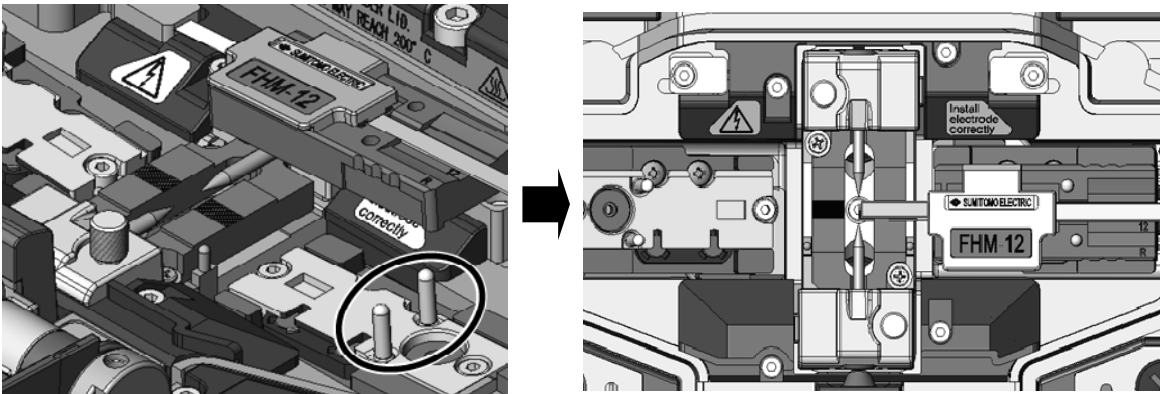


Caution

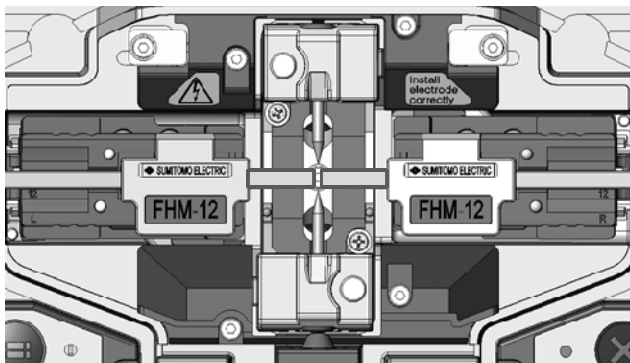
1. Do not re-clean the fiber after cleaving.
2. To avoid damaging or contaminating the delicate fiber ends, insert each fiber immediately after preparation.
3. Glass-fiber fragments are extremely sharp. Handle with care.

## Inserting fibers into the splicer

0: Open the hood.

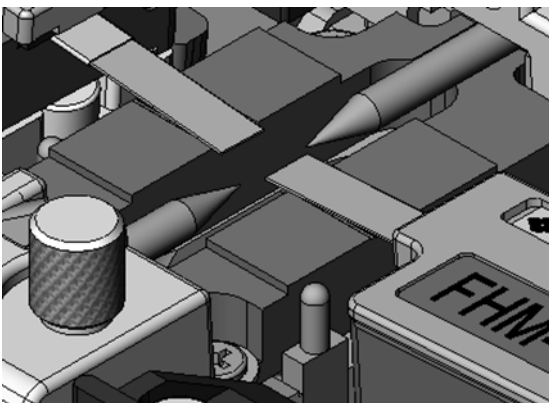


1: Place the fiber holder onto the holder stage, fitting the pin of the fiber holder stage into the hole of the fiber holder.



2: Place the other fiber holder in the same way.

**Do not touch the fiber end face against any surface.**



3: Ensure that the fibers are resting in the V-groove.

The position of fiber placement is different depending on the number of fibers.

Place the fiber in the correct V-groove according to the fiber being used.

4: Close the hood.

5: Start an arc test or the splicing process.

## Arc test

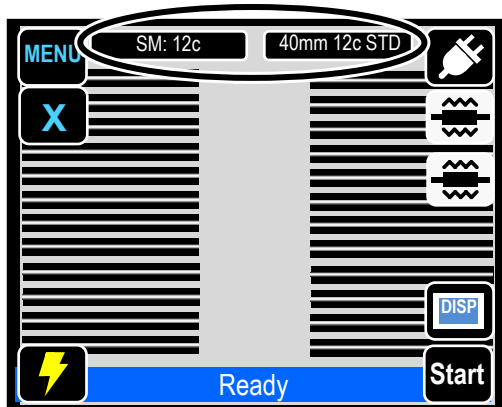
The fusion splicing is a method of melting and connecting the point of the optical fiber by heat of electrical discharge. Because optimum arc conditions are different depending on environment (atmospheric pressure and temperature) and the electrode condition (wear-out and adhesion of the glass) and the optical fiber (manufacturer and SMF/MMF, etc.), appropriate arc condition is necessary to make a low splice loss. If you make a splice on standard program such as “SM:1c”, perform an arc test with the fiber being spliced before fusion splicing.

In the Auto mode, TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 analyzes the arc and has the function to calibrate the arc condition automatically at each splice. Therefore, arc test is not needed usually in the Auto mode.

**As an exception, perform an arc test in the following situations to calibrate the arc power and position.**

- Poor splice performance  
(high or inconsistent splice losses, poor splice strength)
- After electrode replacement
- Extreme changes in temperatures, humidity or air pressure

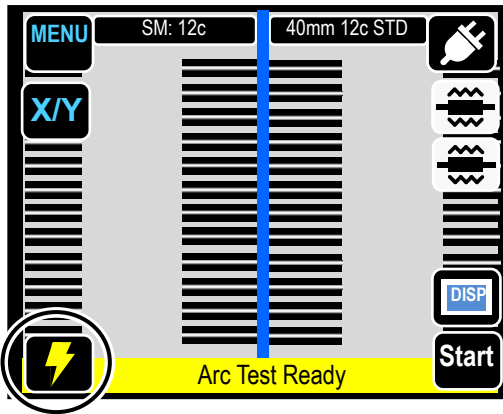
## Arc test procedure



- 1: Place fiber that has been prepared. (The coating is removed and fiber is cleaved.)
- 2: Make sure whether the selected splice program and heater program is correct on the ready screen.

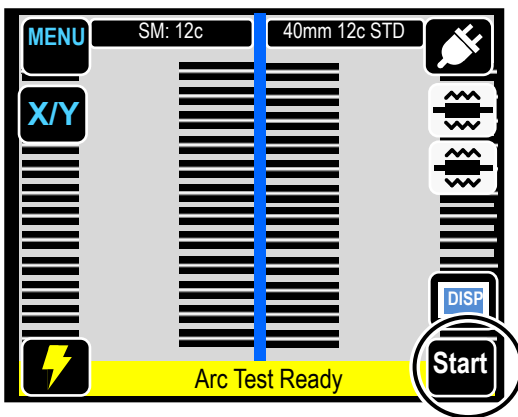
Regarding how to set and change program, please refer to the page 4-1 and 4-2 “Splice and heater programs setting”.







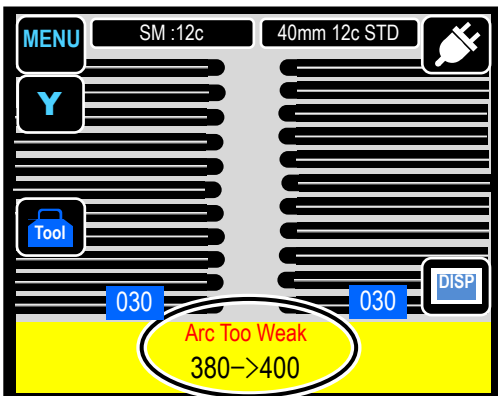
3: Touch the “Arc test” (  )

4: “Arc Test Ready” screen will be displayed.



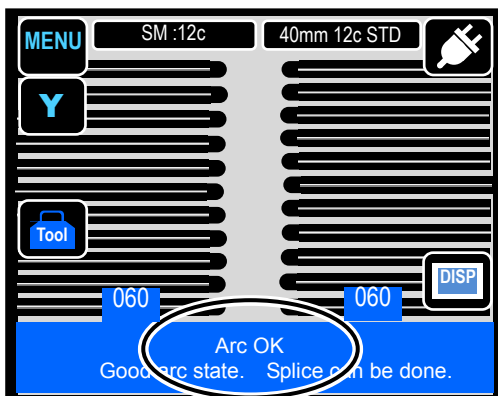
5: Touch the “Start” (  ) or push (  ).

6: An arc test is started. Fibers are not spliced because they are not moved forward during arc.

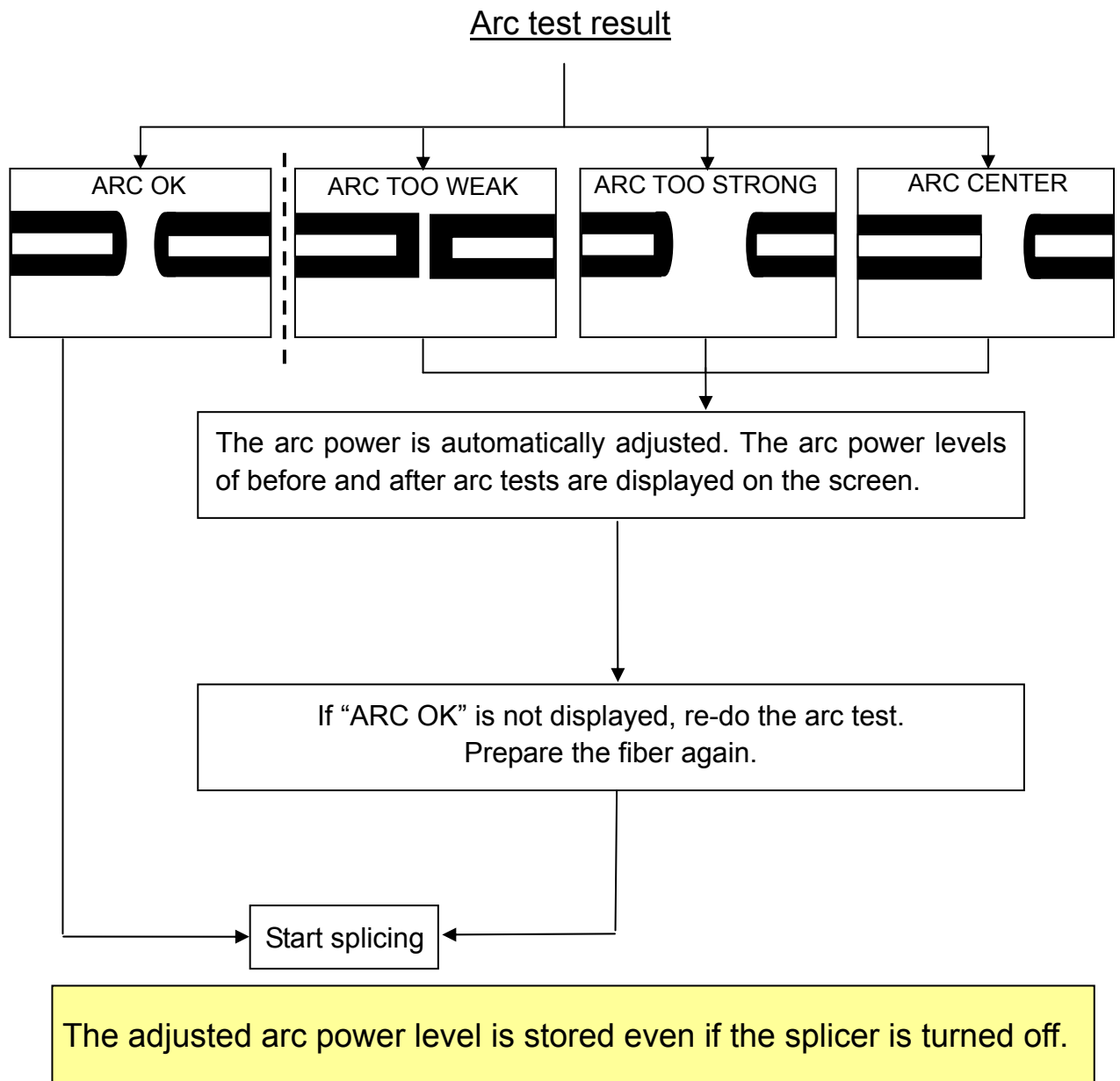


7: If “Arc Too Weak”, “Arc Too Strong” or “Arc Center” is displayed, prepare the fiber again and repeat the test until “ARC OK” is displayed.



The meltback distance of the left and right fibers and the arc center position which are measured via image processing are displayed on the monitor screen. (The arc center position is displayed only if the position is shifted.)

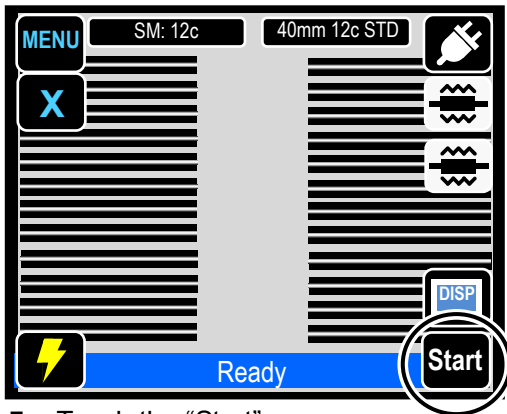


8: If “Arc OK” is displayed, begin the fiber preparation procedure to perform a splice. The splicer automatically initializes when the hood is opened.

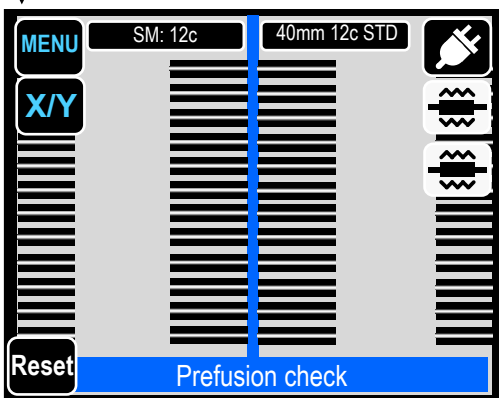


## Fiber preparation

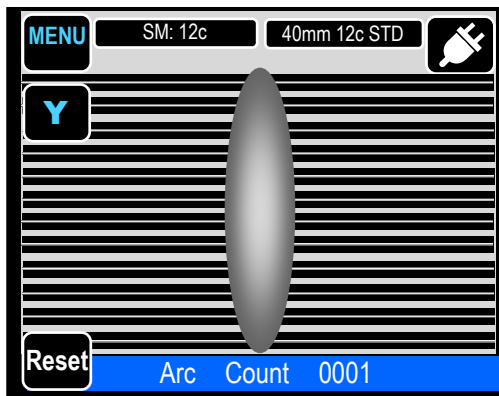
- 1: Be sure to slip the fiber protection sleeve over one of the fibers to be spliced before stripping and cleaving the fibers. The fiber protection sleeve cannot be installed after splicing.
- 2: Strip the fiber coating and clean the bare fiber.  
Refer to page 2-9.
- 3: Cleave the bare fiber to proper cleave length.  
Refer to page 2-12.
- 4: After setting the prepared fibers on TYPE-Q101-VS/M12, splicing starts by touching "Start" (  ) or pushing (  ). (Please refer to the next page.)



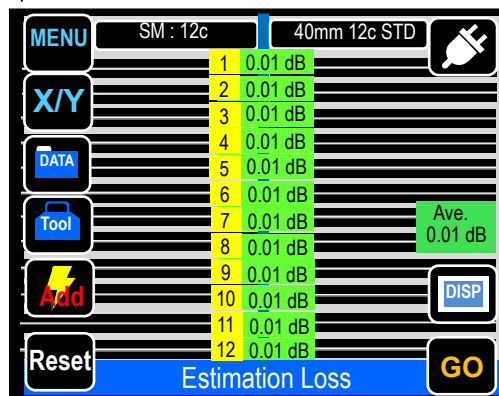
Touch the "Start".



Inspection of fiber end face & dust



Arc is generated.

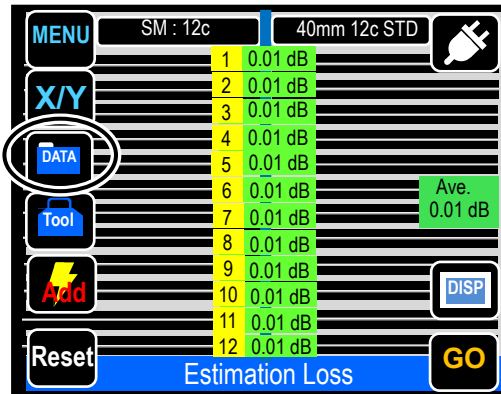


Estimated loss is displayed.

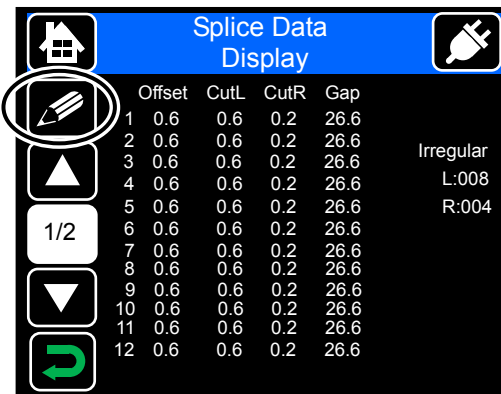
See the next page if you skip the checking of splice data and go on to the next step.

### Checking splice data

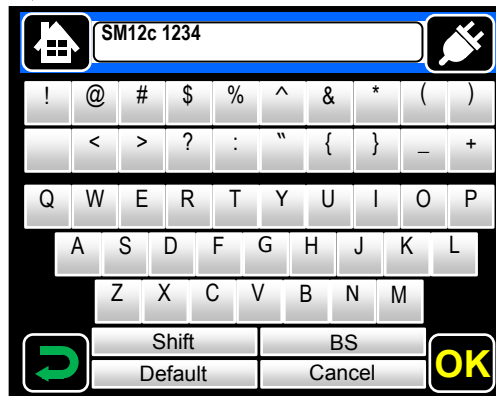
- After a splice, touch the "Data" ( ).



Confirm splice data.

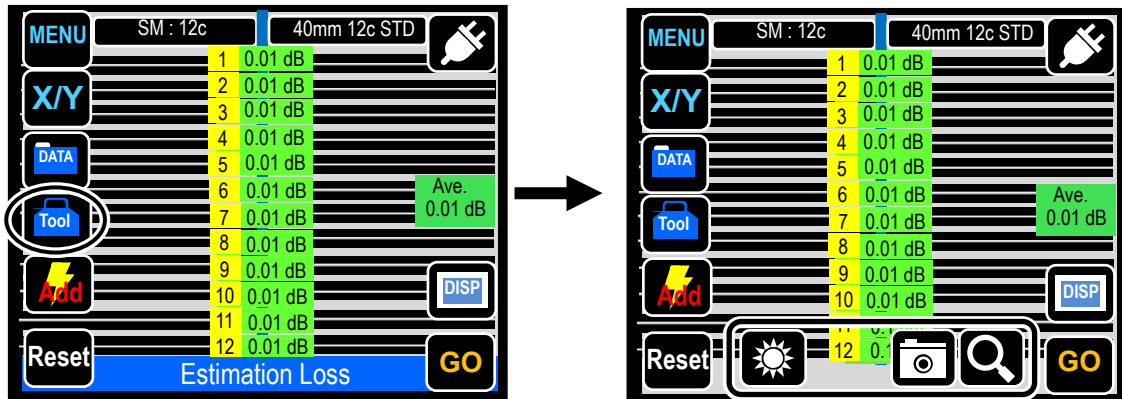



Add the memo by touching "MEMO" ( ).



See the next page if you skip the checking of splice image and go on to the next step.

### Checking splice image



Touch the “Tool” (  ) after splice process completed.

Icons of checking tools are displayed.

### Checking Tools



: By touching an arbitrary place of the image, it is zoomed in and enlarged.



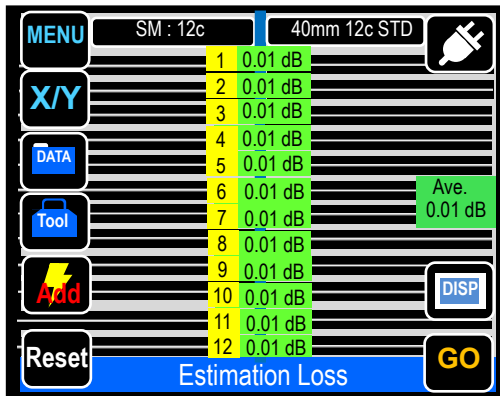
: Save the image to SD card.



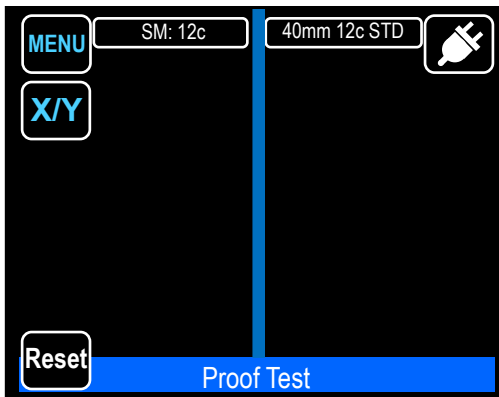
: Change the brightness of the image.

# Proof test

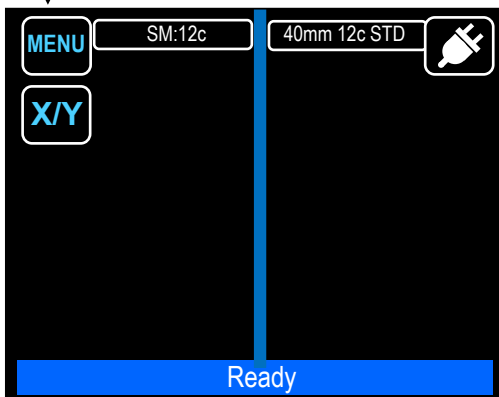
(if automatic proof test is selected)



Open the hood.

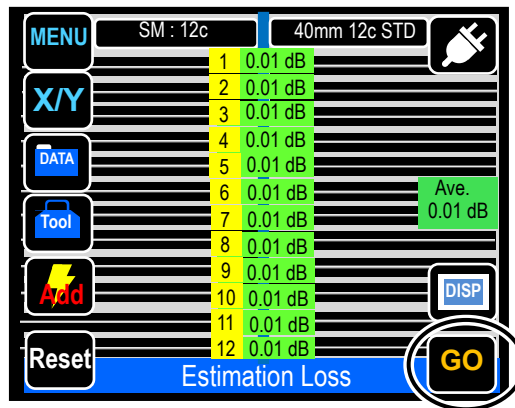


The proof test is automatically started.  
(The test cannot be canceled once started.)

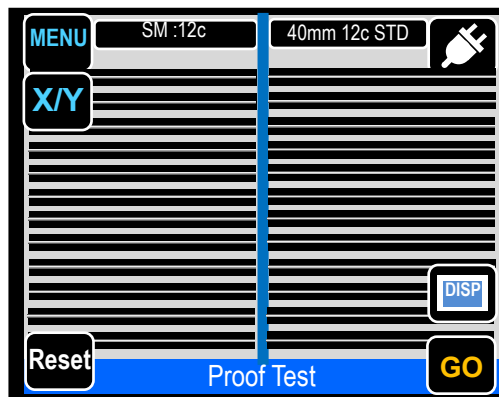


Remove the spliced fiber when the screen above is displayed.

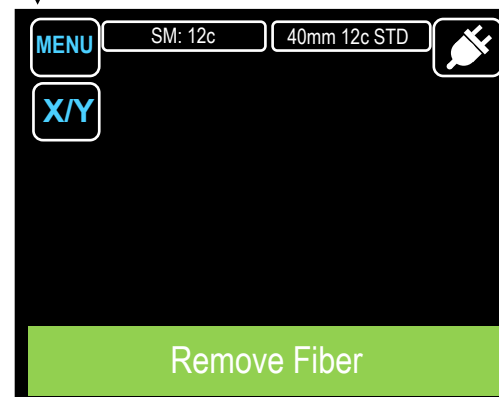
(if manual proof test is selected)



Touch "GO".



The proof test is started.  
(The test cannot be canceled once started.)

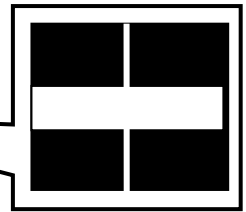
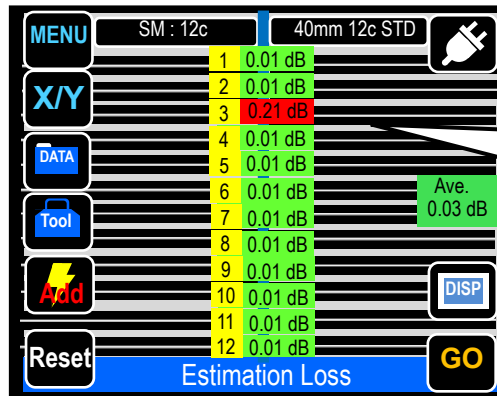


Open the hood and remove the spliced fiber when the screen above is displayed.

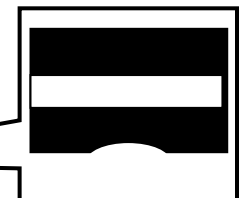
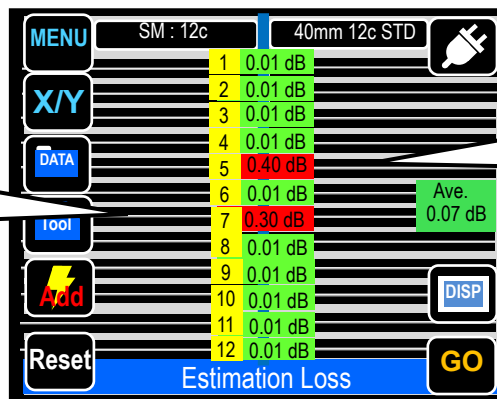
Take care to keep the spliced fiber straight. Do not flex it back and forth. Doing so will cause the spliced fiber to be broken, resulting in loss of the long term reliability of the fiber.

## Evaluating splice quality

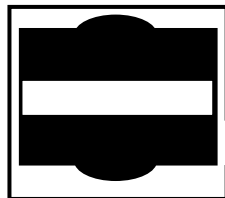
If the spliced fiber is as follows or estimated losses are high, re-do the entire splice.



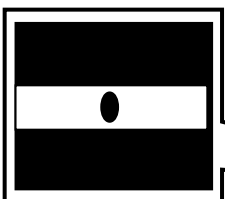
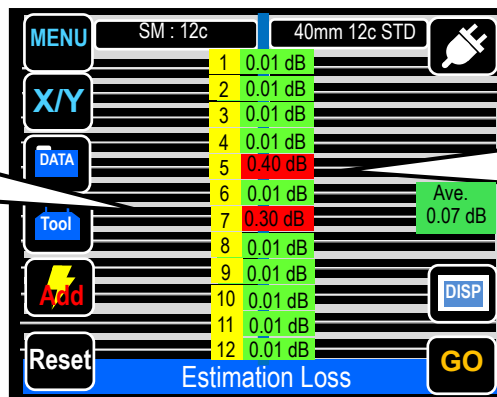
White line  
(Re-arc→NG→  
Re-do splicing)



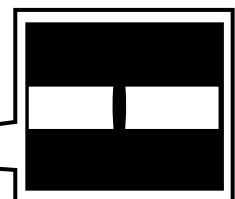
Neck-down  
(Re-do splicing)



Bulging  
(Re-do splicing.)



Bubble  
(Re-do splicing.)



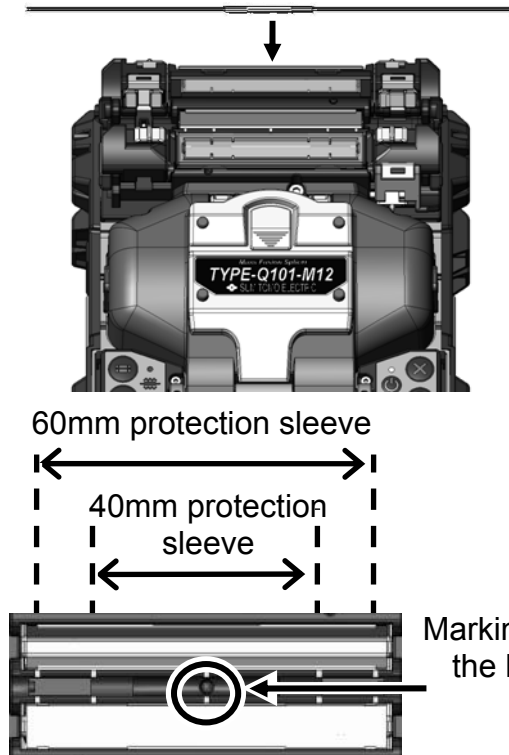
Black line  
(Re-do splicing.)

After MMF or dissimilar fiber splicing, a line sometimes appears at the splice point. But it does not affect splice quality, such as splice loss, tensile strength, and etc.

# Splice protection

- 0: Open the heat shrink oven lid and the heat shrink oven clamps.  
 Open the hood and the fiber coating clamps to release the spliced fiber.
- 1: Make sure that the fiber protection sleeve is centered over the spliced portion of the fiber.



The applicable fiber protection sleeves vary depending on the cleave length. For more information, refer to page 1-5.



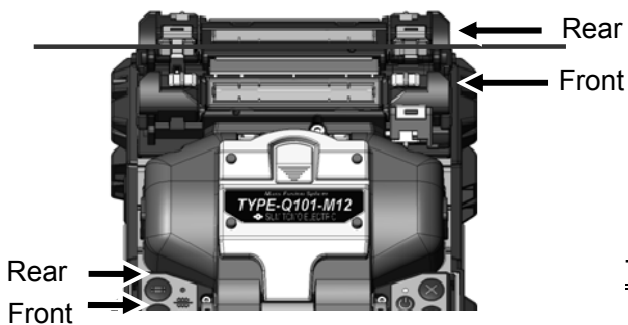
- 2: While maintaining a slight tension on the fiber end, lower the fiber onto the heat shrink oven and push down.

- Do not twist the fiber.
- Do not flex the fiber.

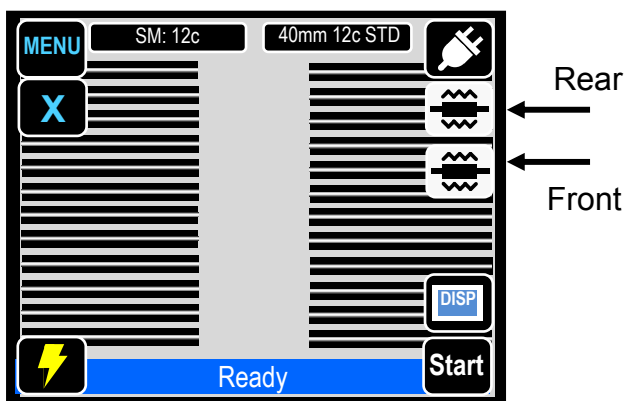
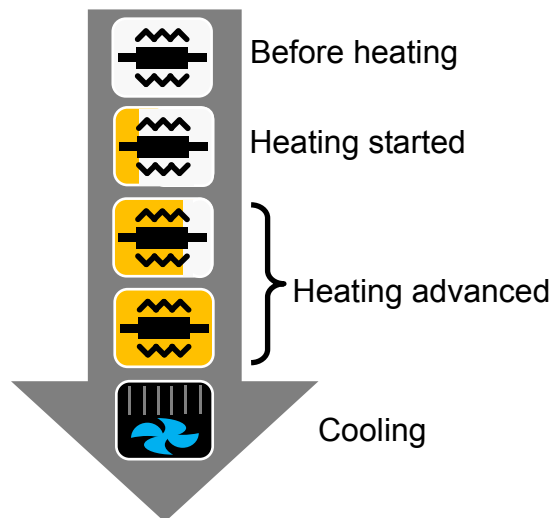
- 3: The 2 heat shrink oven clamps and the heat shrink oven lid are closed. When lowering the fiber onto the heat shrink oven, use the markings on the heat shrink oven as a reference.



- 4: Touch “heat” icon (  ) on the screen or press heat key (  ). The heat cycle is started.

If Auto start heating is set to ON, the heating operation is automatically started when the fiber is placed into the heat shrink oven.




The heat icon changes as follows.



If you would like to cancel the heating process, press the  (HEAT) key or touch “heat” (  ) again.

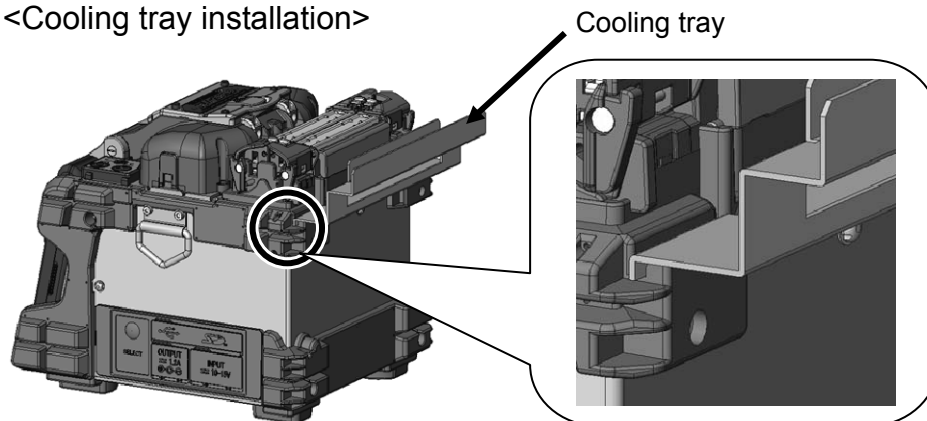
- 5: The splicer gives a beep sound indicating completion of the heating cycle. Take out the sleeve from the heat shrink oven after a beep sound is heard.
- 6: Place the protection sleeve onto the cooling tray.




Caution

The protection sleeve can be taken out from the heat shrink oven after a beep sound is heard. Also finish of heating cycle can be confirmed by the heat icon's change. If the sleeve is taken out from the oven before heat cycle completed, the splice loss might increase because the less cooling cause fiber bending or twisting. Please wait for the finish of heating cycle.

<Cooling tray installation>



Install the cooling tray into the splicer as shown above.



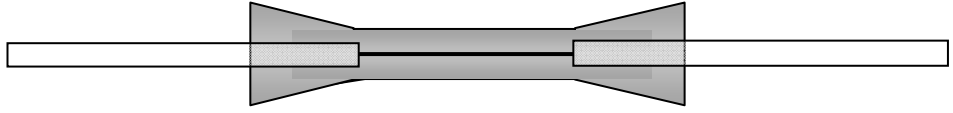
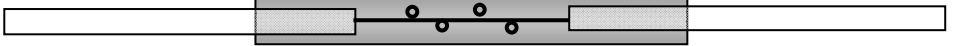


Caution

After the heat cycle is complete, the fiber protection sleeve may be hot. Handle with care.  
Never touch the surface of the heating plate during the heating operation. Doing so may cause personal injury and damage to the heat shrink oven.

## Evaluating protection sleeve

**NG**

- 1: The shrinking sleeve is not centered over the splice.
 
- 2: Bend in bare fiber
 
- 3: Incompletely shrunk (trumpet end)
 
- 4: Bubbles on bare fiber
 



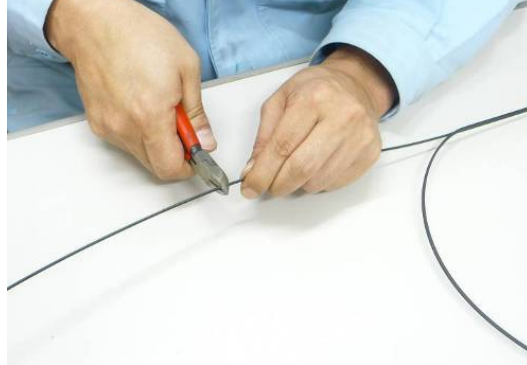
# Drop cable splicing

## Removing cable sheath

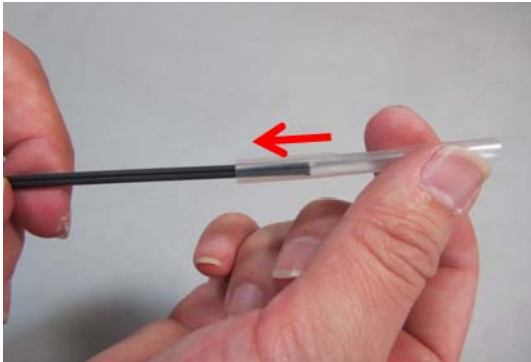
Clean the cable sheath thoroughly to remove cable gel or other stains.



1. Separate the steel wire from the cable using nippers.



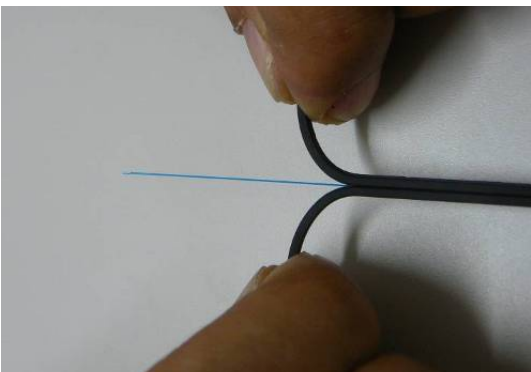
2. Cut the steel wire to a desired length.



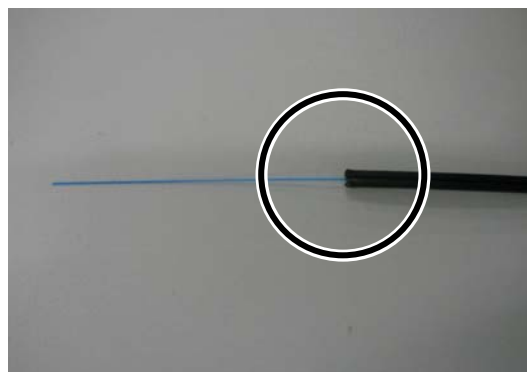
3. Insert a protection sleeve over the cable.



4. Make a slit along the groove of the cable sheath using nippers.



5. Split the cable sheath to expose 30~40mm of optical fiber. Cut off the split cable sheath.



6. The cable sheath is removed. Repeat step 1 to 5 for the other cable.



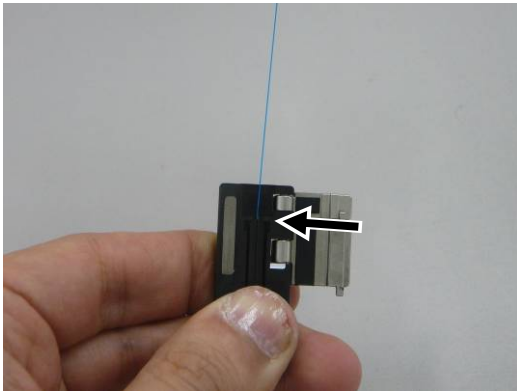
Caution

Take care not to damage the optical fiber when cutting the cable sheath.

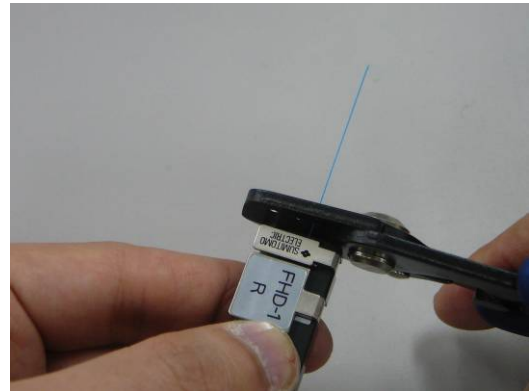


Cut each half of the cable sheath to the same length.

## Fiber preparation procedures



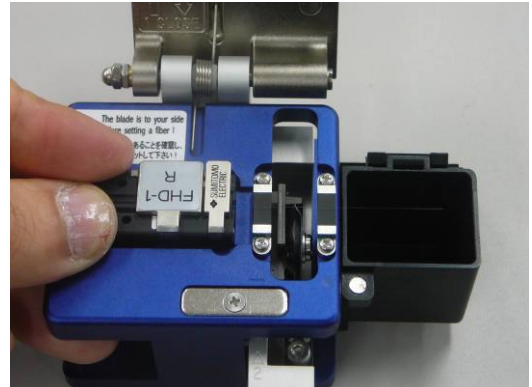
1. Load the cable with its sheath removed in the fiber holder. Make sure that the cable sheath touches the groove. Close the bigger lid of the holder first.



2. Remove the fiber coating at 2~4mm away from the edge of the fiber holder. (Touch the JR-M03 against the edge to remove, and you can remove the coating at 3mm away from the edge.)



3. Clean the bare fiber from the end of the fiber coating with a gauze pad moistened with pure alcohol. Pull the bare fiber through the gauze pad and rotate the fiber to remove any coating residue.



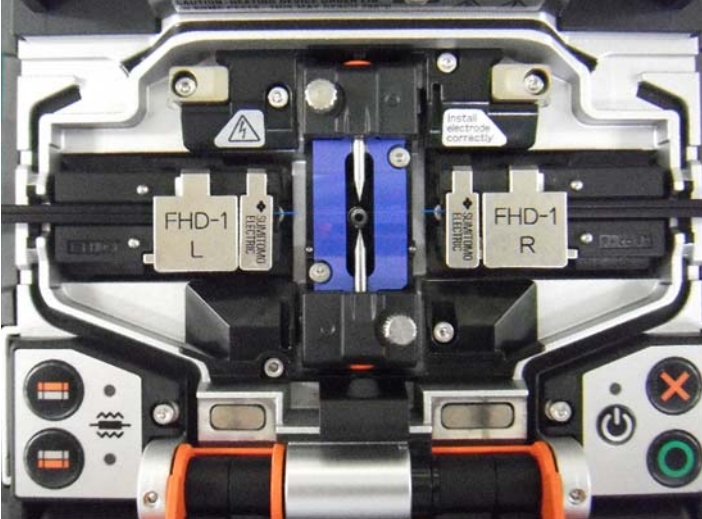
4. Place the fiber holder in the cleaver, touching the edge of the fiber holder against the edge of the fiber holder receptacle. Cleave the fiber referring to the cleaver instructions.

5. Repeat step 1~4 for the other cable.
6. Place the fiber holder in the splicer and start the splicing process.  
(Note: Perform an arc test prior to splicing.)



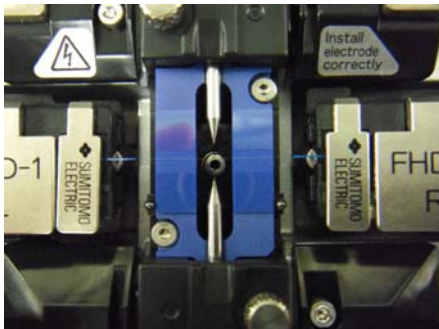
## Inserting the fiber into the splicer

0. Open the hood.
1. Place the fiber holder onto the fiber holder stage, fitting the pin of the stage into the hole of the fiber holder.



**Take great care not to touch the fiber end face against any surfaces.**

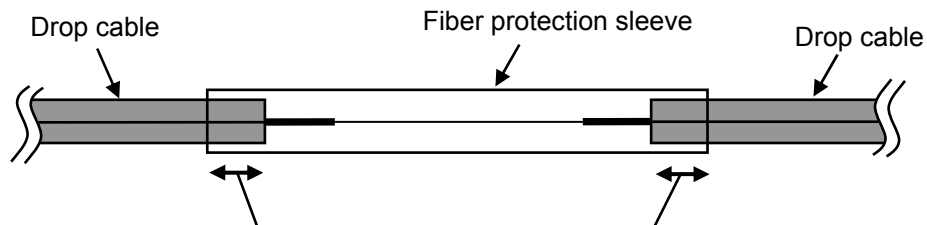
2. Make sure that the fiber sits in the V-groove correctly.



3. Close the hood.
4. Start the splicing process.  
(Note: Perform an arc test prior to splicing.)

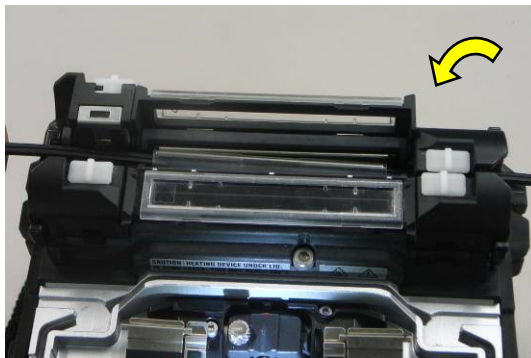
## Splice protection

0. Open the oven lid and oven clamps. Open the hood and all lids of the fiber holders. Make the left hand oven clamp linked with the oven lid and the right hand oven clamp independent.
1. Take out the cable and slide the fiber protection sleeve onto the fiber. Make sure that the protection sleeve is centered over the splice and at least 5mm of the sleeve overlaps the cable sheath at each end of the splice.



At least 5mm of the sleeve must overlap the cable sheath at each end of the splice.

2. While maintaining a slight tension on the cable ends, transfer the cable to the heat shrink oven and close the right hand oven clamp.

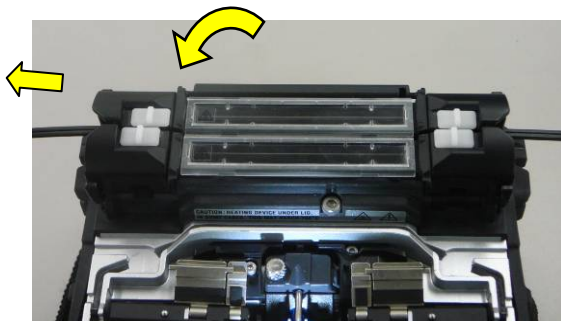


Caution

Pay attention not to bend and flex the cable. Failure to do so can cause the splice to break.

3. While applying a slight tension to the cable end, close the left hand oven clamp and oven lid. Start the heat shrink process.

4. After the heat shrink process is complete, open the oven lid and oven clamps and take out the cable.



**While maintaining a slight tension on the cable ends, close the oven clamps.**

### 3. Daily cleaning and checking up

To keep excellent splice quality, regular cleaning and inspection are required. Especially cleaning should be performed before and after each use. We recommend your splicer to be checked through our maintenance service once a year.

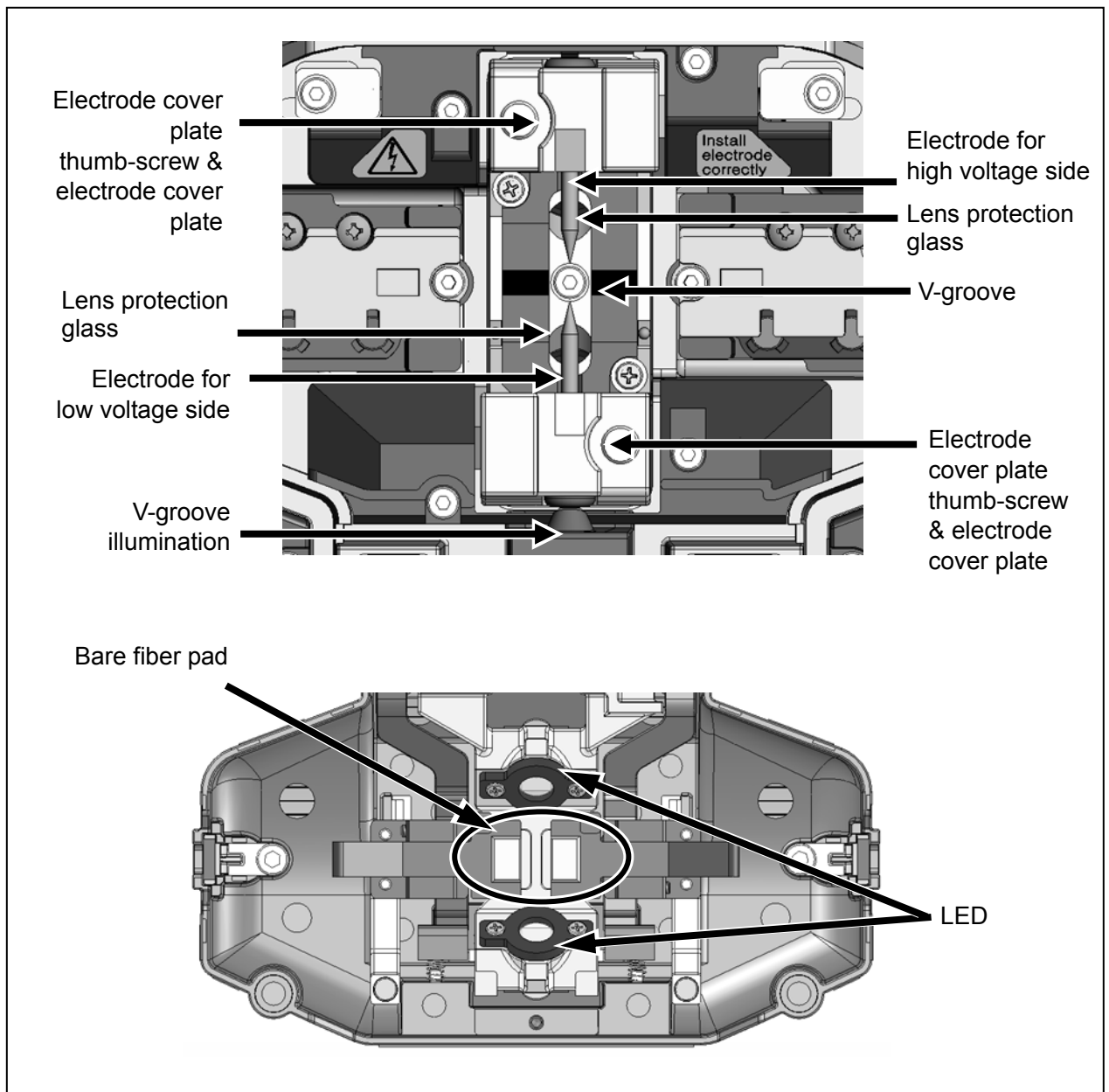


Turn off the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 before maintenance work. Failure to do so may cause electric shock.

#### Cleaning

Clean each part with a cotton swab. Please bear in mind that daily cleaning can maintain splicer performance. Clean components before and after use.

#### Names of components

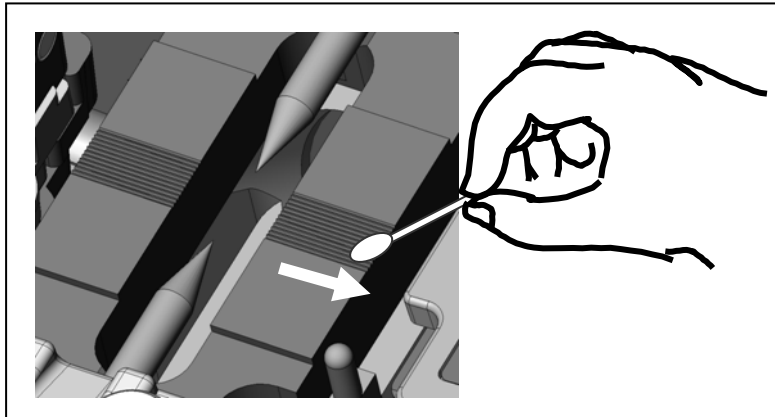


## Cleaning V-grooves

Even tiny bits of dust or dirt in the V-grooves might cause the fiber to be offset. To avoid offset, carefully clean the V-grooves with a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.

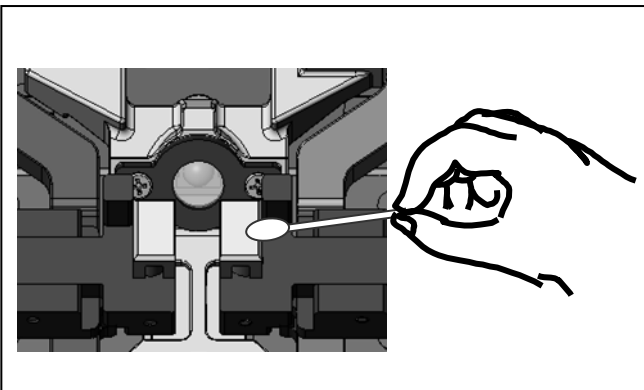
1: Prepare a V-groove cleaning brush or cotton swab moistened with alcohol.

2: Brush the surface of the V-grooves in the direction indicated by the arrow.



## Cleaning bare fiber pads

Dirt on a bare fiber pad will also cause the fiber to be offset. When fiber offset occurs, clean the bare fiber pad.



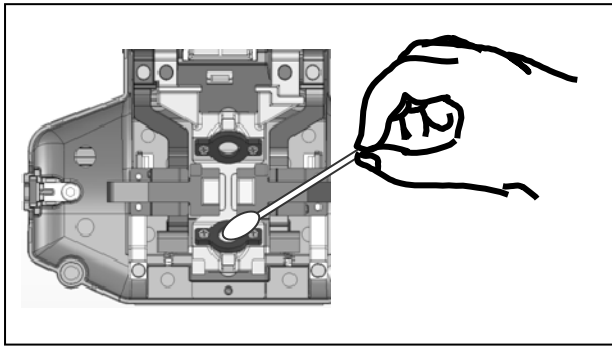
Do not apply too much force when cleaning.

1: Prepare a cotton swab moistened with alcohol and wipe the surface of bare fiber pads.

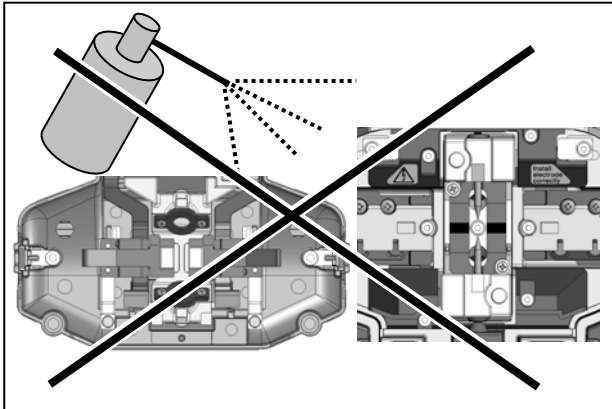
2: Use a dry cotton swab to wipe off any excess alcohol.

## Cleaning LEDs

When a LED surface is dirty, a fiber image is unclear, resulting in imperfect image processing. If the display is uneven or LED error occurs, clean them with a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.



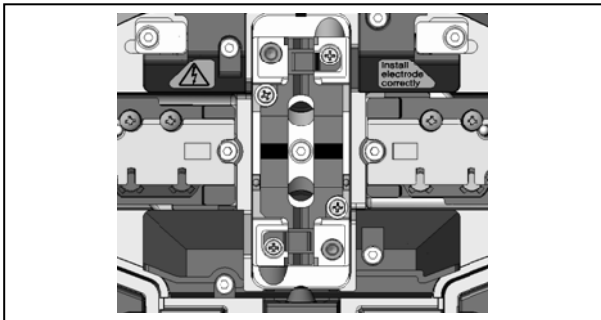
- 1: Prepare a cotton swab moistened with alcohol and wipe the surface of LED
- 2: Use a dry cotton swab to wipe off any excess alcohol.



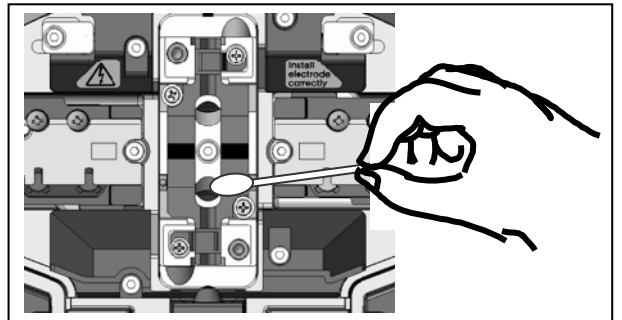
Do not use a canned air for cleaning.  
 Chemical reaction may deteriorate the LED, resulting in a loss of splicing capability.

## Cleaning lens protection glass

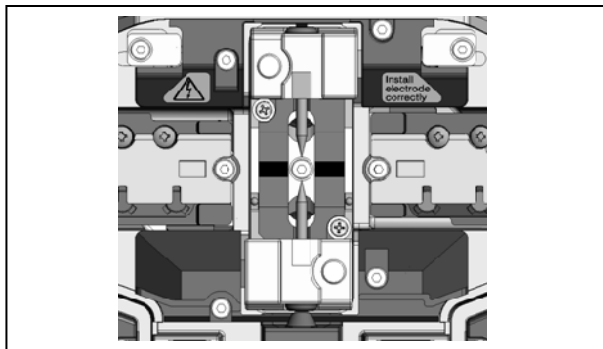
If an unclear fiber image is still displayed or LED error occurs again after cleaning LEDs, clean the lens protection glass.

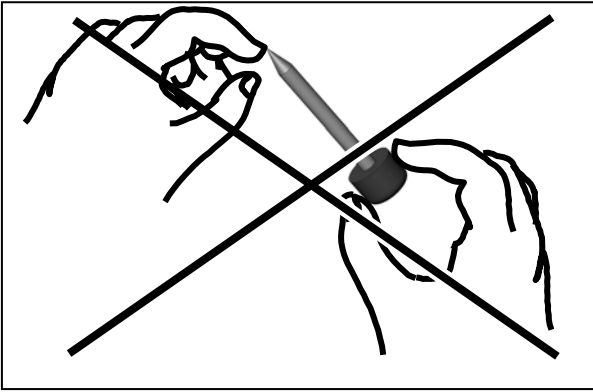


- 1: Remove the electrodes, referring to the "Replacing electrodes".

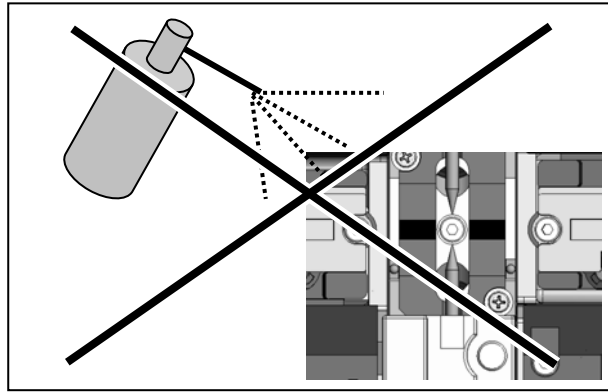


- 2: Prepare a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.
- 3: Gently wipe the lens protection glass in a circular motion.
- 4: Use a dry cotton swab to wipe off any excess alcohol.
- 5: Re-fit the electrodes.
- 6: Perform an arc test.





An electrode tip is extremely sharp.  
Handle with care.

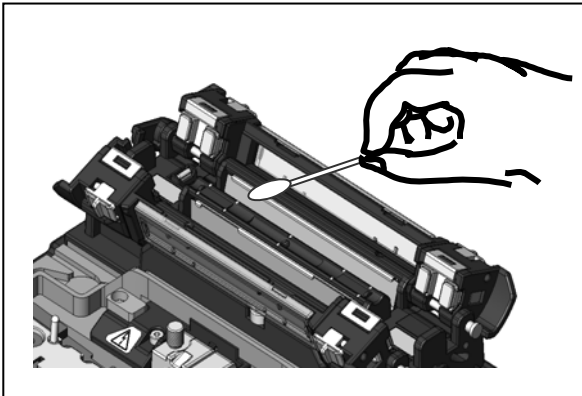


Prohibition

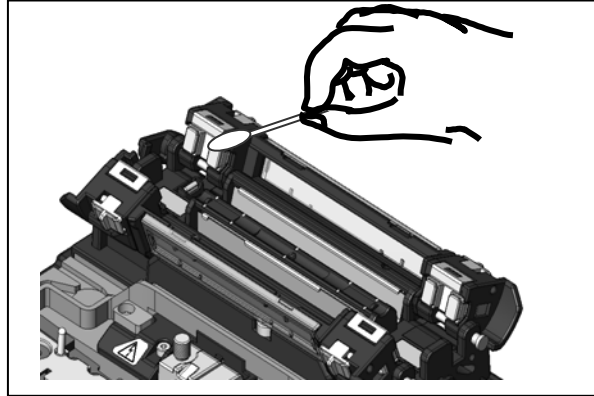
Do not use a canned air for cleaning.  
Chemical reaction may deteriorate the lens protection glass, resulting in a loss of splicing

## Cleaning heat shrink oven

Dirt and dust can accumulate in the heat shrink oven easily. Clean the heating plate regularly with a dry cotton swab.



Clean the heating plate with a dry cotton swab.



Clean the clamps of the heat shrink oven with a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.



Caution

Remove moisture or alcohol on the heat shrink oven with a dry cotton swab.

## Cleaning fiber holders



Clean the fiber holders with a cotton swab moistened with alcohol.



## Replacing electrodes

Electrodes are worn out or contaminated due to silica glass evaporated during arc, and the electrode condition changes day by day. To achieve a repetitive and stable arc for excellent quality splicing, electrodes should be replaced periodically. Continuing to use the same electrodes may result in high splice losses and poor splice strength.

On the TYPE-Q101-M12, electrodes typically need replacing after approximately 1,500 arc discharges.

If the number of arc discharge exceeds 1,200, Arc Count on the screen will be highlighted in yellow for warning, with a message “Electrodes need changing soon”.

If the number exceeds 1,500 times, a warning message appears every time the splicer is powered on and until you replace electrodes according to the replacement procedures described in the next page.

On the TYPE-Q101-VS, electrodes typically need replacing after approximately 3,000 arc discharges.

If the number of arc discharge exceeds 2,500, Arc Count on the screen will be highlighted in yellow for warning, with a message “Electrode need changing soon”.

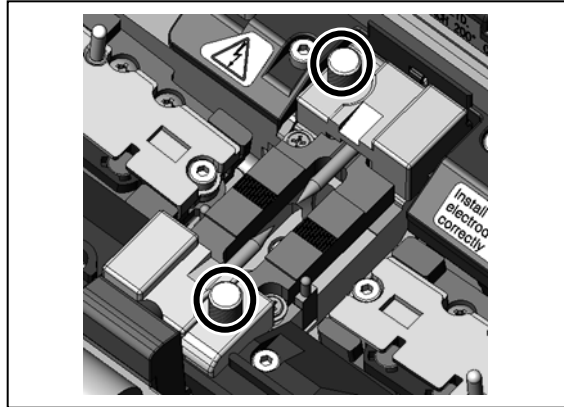
If the number exceeds 3,000 times, a warning message appears every time the splicer is powered on and until you replace electrodes according to the replacement procedures described in the next page.

## Electrode replacement procedures

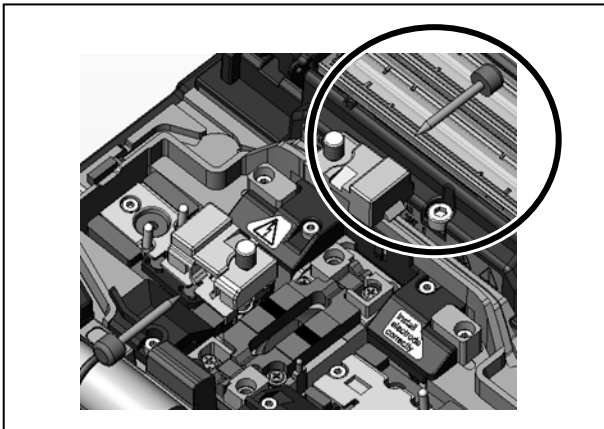
To keep the excellent performance of the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12, replace electrodes with new ones after 1,500 arc discharges for the TYPE-Q101-M12, and after 3,000 arc discharges for the TYPE-Q101-VS. The tip of an electrode is extremely sharp. Handle with care



1: Turn off the splicer and unplug the power cord.



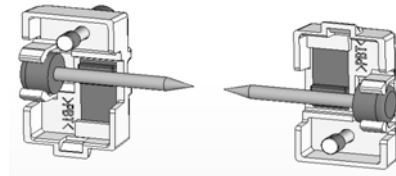
2: Using your fingers, loosen the thumbscrews.



3: Lift the electrode cover plate as shown in the left figure.

4: Remove the old electrode.

5: Install a new electrode.

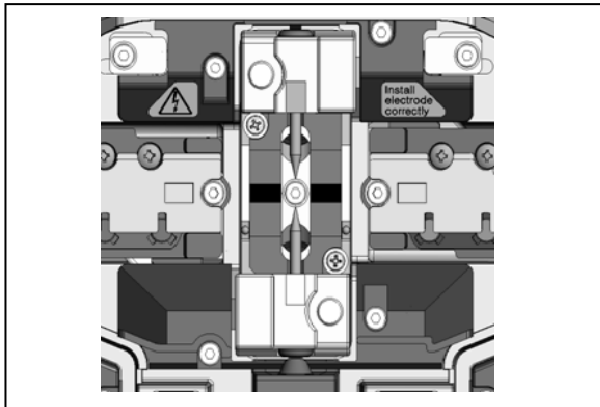


[Back view of electrode and cover plate]



Caution

When handling the electrodes, avoid touching the electrode tips with anything.

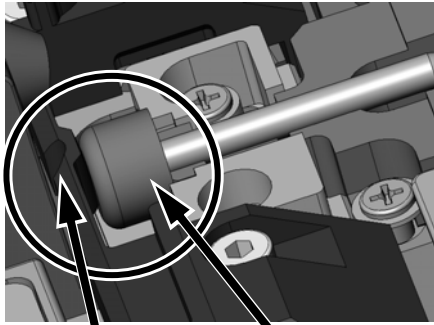


6: Tighten the thumbscrew while pressing the electrode below at each electrode cover plate.

7: Repeat step 2 to 5 for the other electrode. Always replace both electrodes at a time.

8: Plug the power cord into the splicer and turn on the power to condition the electrodes. (Refer to page 4-11.) After conditioning the electrodes, the Arc count is automatically reset.

**Only use genuine Sumitomo electrodes. Failure to do so may cause the splicer to work incorrectly.**



Protrusion

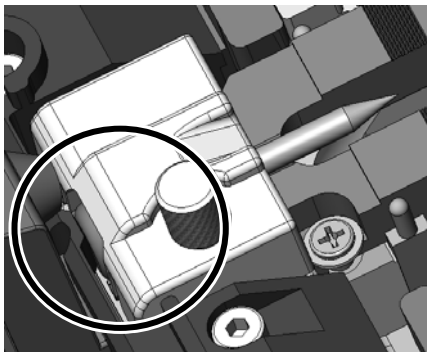
Plastic button



Caution

Make sure the plastic button of the electrode is certainly pushed against the protrusion.

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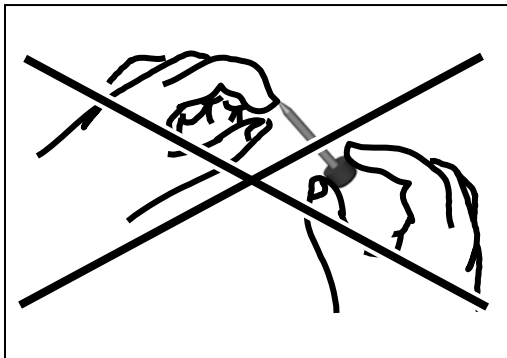


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Caution

Splice performance will be unstable or a part of the splicer is damaged if electrodes are not installed in place correctly



Caution

An electrode tip is extremely sharp. Handle with care.



Caution

- Be sure to turn off the splicer and unplug the power cord or remove the battery pack before replacing the electrodes.
- Discard the old electrodes properly.

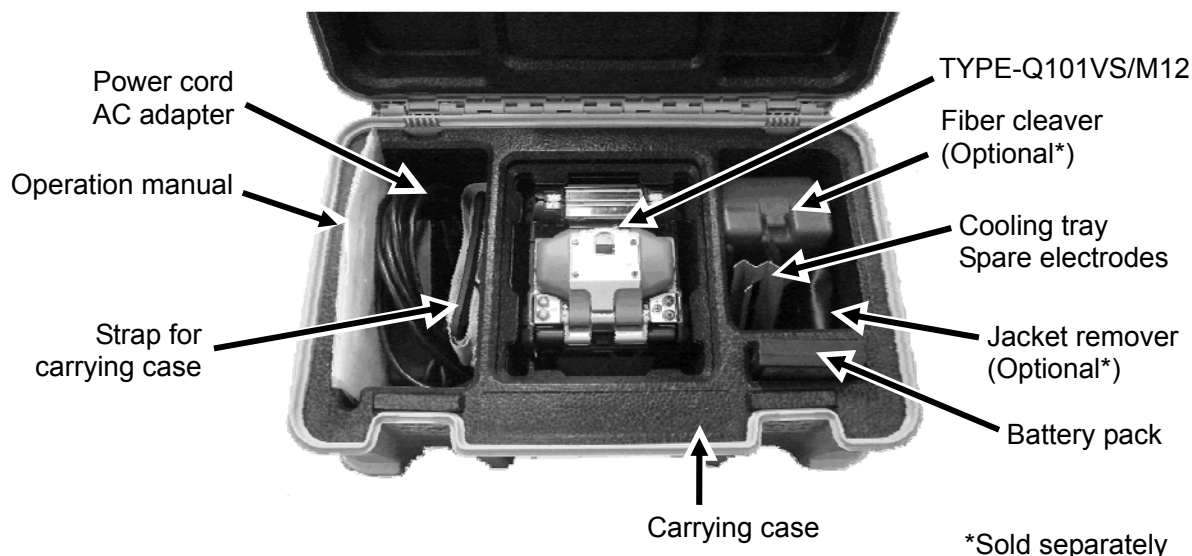


Caution

- Do not clean the electrode. Doing so may cause unstable arcing performance.

## Packing and storage instructions

- Store the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 and its accessories in a designated place in the case referring to the photo below.
- Store the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 in the direction shown in the photo below.
- The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 with a cooling tray cannot be stored in the case. Remove the cooling tray from the splicer and store it in the pocket.



The fusion splicer is a precision instrument. Its rugged shipping case is custom designed to protect it from impact, dust, dirt, and moisture. Always store and transport the machine in its case. Observe the following instructions.

- Clean the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 and all accessories before storing them.
- Be sure to remove the battery pack from the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 and store it in a given place.



Keeping the battery in the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 may cause the battery terminal to be damaged or deteriorated, resulting in fire.

- Reposition the monitor before storing.
- Discard the liquid solvent properly, or lock the dispenser completely and put it in a plastic bag before packing the dispenser in the case.



Warning

Take extreme care of the handling of alcohol.

- Before storing the fiber cleaver, dispose of the fiber fragments collected in the off-cut collector in a proper way.



Caution

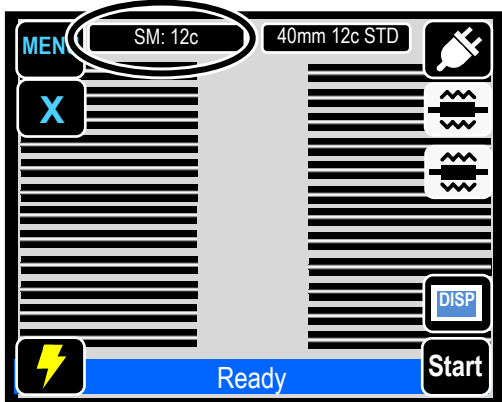
Glass fiber fragments are extremely sharp. Handle with care.

- Close the carrying case completely and latch it before transportation.
- Pay attention to storage temperature and dew condensation when storing the splicer. The battery is self-discharged during storage. Perform temperature control and charge and discharge the battery once every 6 months.
  - Storage temperature -20°C ~ +50°C (if stored for less than 1 month)**
  - 20°C ~ +40°C (if stored for less than 3 months)**
  - 20°C ~ +20°C (if stored for less than 1 year)**

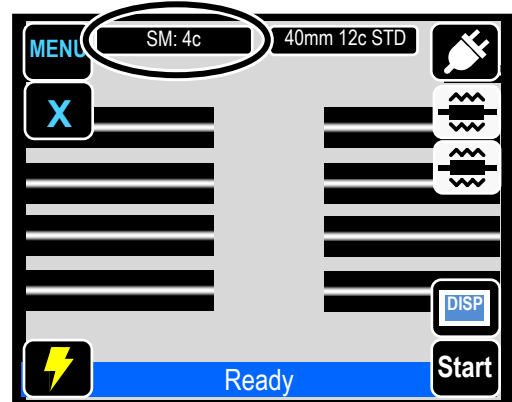
# 4. Functions

## Splice and heater programs setting

### <Splice program setting>



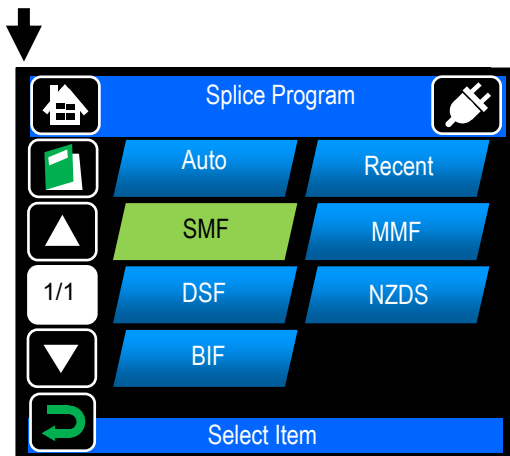
Touch splice program icon once. The icon will expand. Then touch it again.



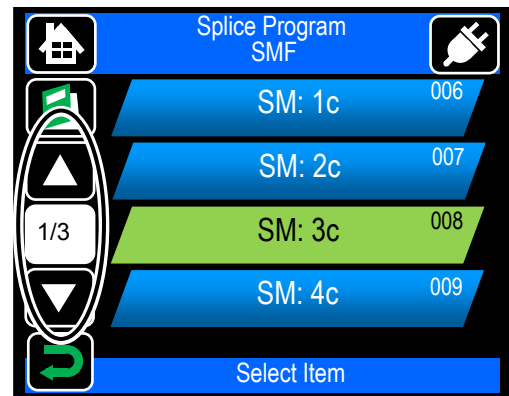
Splice program is changed.

For the details of splice programs, refer to page 4-3.

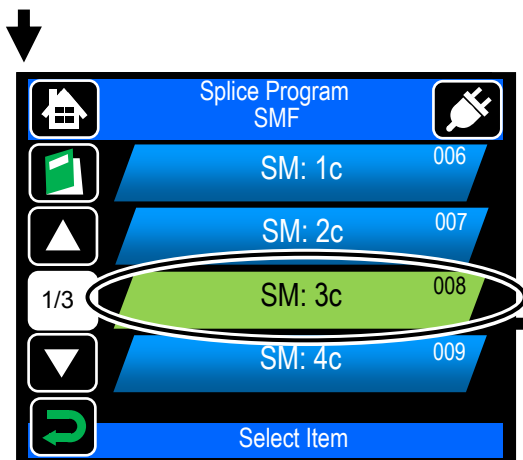
If you would like to change splicer program parameters, refer to page 4-6.



Select the category of the fiber.

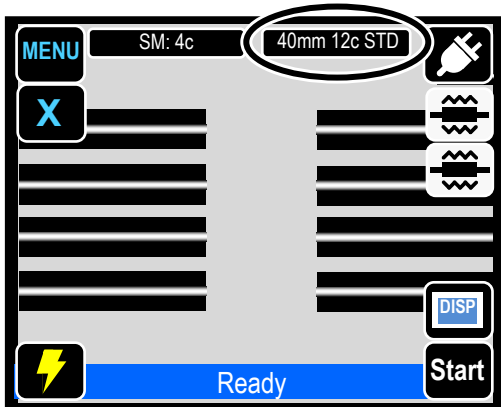


If the page icon (  $\frac{x}{x}$  ) displays the number except "1/1", that means there are other pages. Touch the "move" (  $\blacktriangle$  ,  $\blacktriangledown$  ) to go next page or touch the page icon to order the page directly.

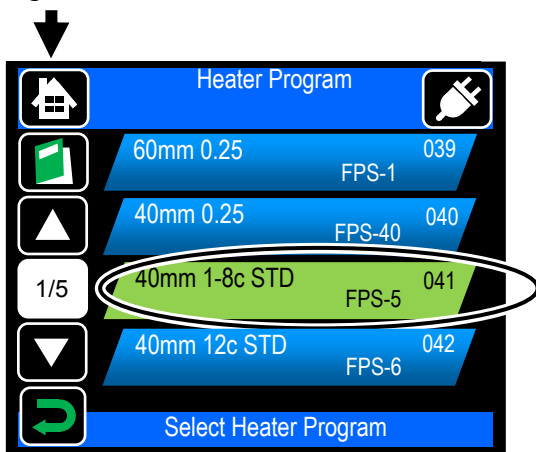


Touch splice program once. The icon will change its color. Then touch it again to determine selection.

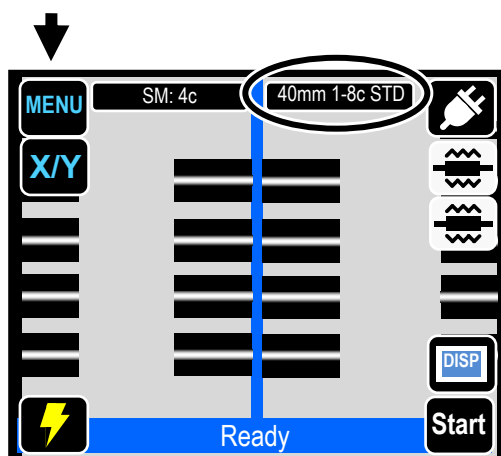
## <Heater program setting>



Touch heater program icon once. The icon will expand. Then touch it again.



Touch heater program once. The icon will be highlighted in light green. Then touch it again to determine selection.



Heater program is changed.

For the details of heater programs, refer to page 4-5.

If you would like to change heater program parameters, refer to page 4-6.

## Splice programs

Category	Splice Program	Details	VS	M12
Auto	SM : Auto	Used to splice identical standard SMF (ITU-T G.652).	○	○
	MM : Auto	Used to splice identical standard MMF (ITU-T G.651).	○	○
	DS/NZ: Auto	Used to splice identical standard DSF (ITU-T G.653), NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	○	○
Recent	---	Displays recently selected splice program.	○	○
SMF	SM : 1c	Used to splice identical standard single SMF (ITU-T G.652).	○	○
	SM : 2c	Used to splice identical standard 2 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 3c	Used to splice identical standard 3 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 4c	Used to splice identical standard 4 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 5c	Used to splice identical standard 5 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 6c	Used to splice identical standard 6 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 8c	Used to splice identical standard 8 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 10c	Used to splice identical standard 10 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
	SM : 12c	Used to splice identical standard 12 count ribbon SMF (ITU-T G.652).	---	○
MMF	MM : 1c	Used to splice identical standard single MMF (ITU-T G.651).	○	○
	MM : 2c	Used to splice identical standard 2 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○
	MM : 4c	Used to splice identical standard 4 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○
	MM : 5c	Used to splice identical standard 5 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○
	MM : 6c	Used to splice identical standard 6 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○
	MM : 8c	Used to splice identical standard 8 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○
	MM : 12c	Used to splice identical standard 12 count ribbon MMF (ITU-T G.651).	---	○

\*1: In Auto mode, the splicer automatically detects the fiber count loaded and selects a suitable splice program for the fiber count. As it automatically optimizes arc power every fusion splice, normally it is not necessary to perform an arc test.

\*2: Perform an arc test before splicing if using splice programs other than Auto mode.



## Splice programs

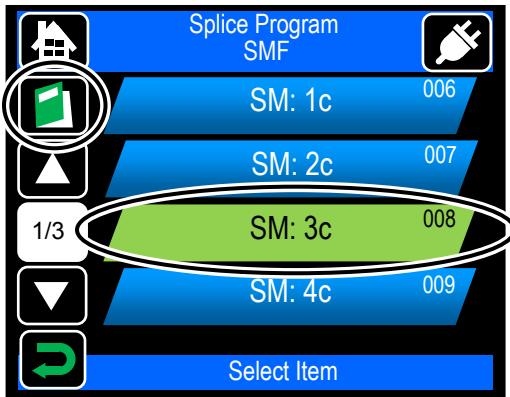
Category	Splice Program	Details	VS	M12
DSM	DSM : 1c	Used to splice identical standard single DSF (ITU-T G.653).	○	○
	DSM : 2c	Used to splice identical standard 2 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
	DSM : 4c	Used to splice identical standard 4 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
	DSM : 5c	Used to splice identical standard 5 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
	DSM : 6c	Used to splice identical standard 6 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
	DSM : 8c	Used to splice identical standard 8 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
	DSM : 12c	Used to splice identical standard 12 count ribbon DSF (ITU-T G.653).	---	○
NZDS	NZDS : 1c	Used to splice identical standard single NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	○	○
	NZDS : 2c	Used to splice identical standard 2 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
	NZDS : 4c	Used to splice identical standard 4 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
	NZDS : 5c	Used to splice identical standard 5 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
	NZDS : 6c	Used to splice identical standard 6 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
	NZDS : 8c	Used to splice identical standard 8 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
	NZDS : 12c	Used to splice identical standard 12 count ribbon NZDSF (ITU-T G.655).	---	○
BIF	BIF : 1c	Used to splice identical standard single BIF (ITU-T G.657).	○	○


## Heater programs

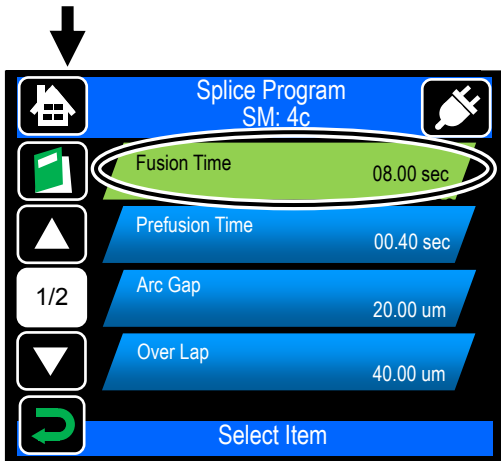
Heater programs are optimized for Sumitomo protection sleeves. Select an appropriate heater program for the protection sleeve you use.

Heater program	Details	VS	M12
<b>60mm 0.25 FPS-1</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 60mm protection sleeves for 0.25mm coated single fiber. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-1.	○	○
<b>40mm 0.25 FPS-40</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for 0.25mm coated single fiber. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-40.	○	○
<b>40mm1-8c STD FPS-5</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for single fiber and up to 8 fiber ribbon. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-5.	○	○
<b>40mm 12c STD FPS-6</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for single fiber and up to 12 fiber ribbon. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-6.	○	○
<b>40mm 1-8c FPS-5</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for single fiber and up to 8 fiber ribbon.	○	○
<b>40mm 12c FPS-6</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for single fiber and up to 12 fiber ribbon.	○	○
<b>60mm Thin SPS-60</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 60mm semi pre-shrunk protection sleeves. Best suitable program for Sumitomo SPS-60.	○	○
<b>40mm Thin SPS-40</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm semi pre-shrunk protection sleeves. Best suitable program for Sumitomo SPS-40.	○	○
<b>60Thin +5s SPS-60+5s</b>	Program where the heating time for “60mm Thin” program is increased by 5 seconds.	○	○
<b>60Thin -5s SPS-60-5s</b>	Program where the heating time for “60mm Thin” program is decreased by 5 seconds.	○	○
<b>40Thin +5s SPS-40+5s</b>	Program on which the heating time for “40mm Thin” program is increased by 5 seconds.	○	○
<b>40Thin -5s SPS-40-5s</b>	Program on which the heating time for “40mm Thin” program is decreased by 5 seconds.	○	○
<b>60mm 0.9 FPS-1</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 60mm protection sleeve for 0.9mm coated single fiber. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-1.	○	○
<b>40mm 0.9 FPS-40</b>	Used to heat shrink standard 40mm protection sleeves for 0.9mm coated single fiber. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-40.	○	○
<b>LYNX</b>	Used to heat shrink dedicated protection sleeves for Sumitomo splice-on-connector “Lynx-CustomFit”.	○	○
<b>LYNX MPO</b>	Used to heat shrink dedicated protection sleeves for Sumitomo splice-on-connector “Lynx MPO-CustomFit”.	---	○
<b>Drop 1c FPS-D60</b>	Used to heat shrink 60mm protection sleeve for drop cable. Best suitable program for Sumitomo FPS-D60.	○	○
<b>40mm 0.4 FPS-N4-40</b>	Used to heat shrink Sumitomo 40mm Nano sleeve FPS-N4-40.	○	○

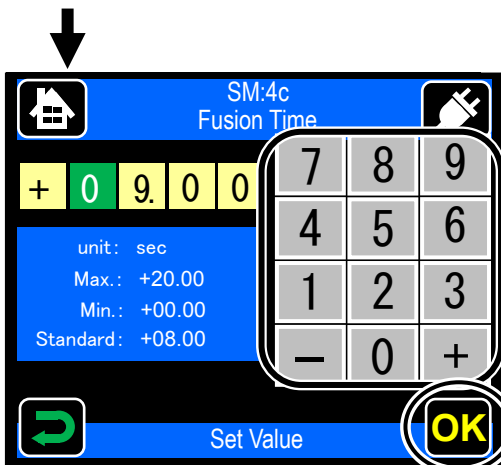
<Change splice program parameter>




In the splice program setting screen (page 4-1), select the program (highlighted), then touch “Setting” icon (  ). Item select screen is displayed.

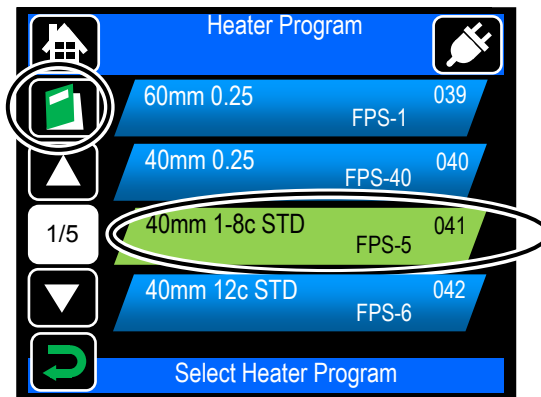



Touch the item once. The icon will be highlighted in light green. Then touch it again to determine selection.

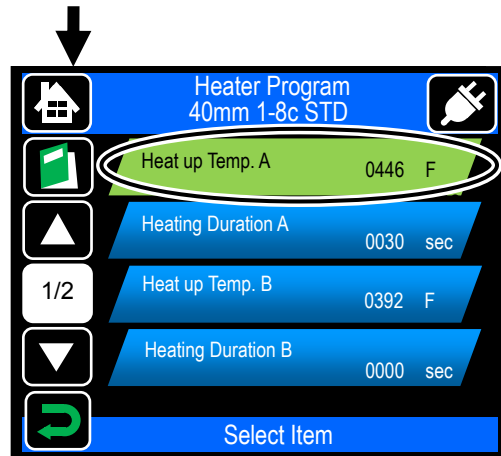


Input the value by touching number keys, then touch “OK” (  ).

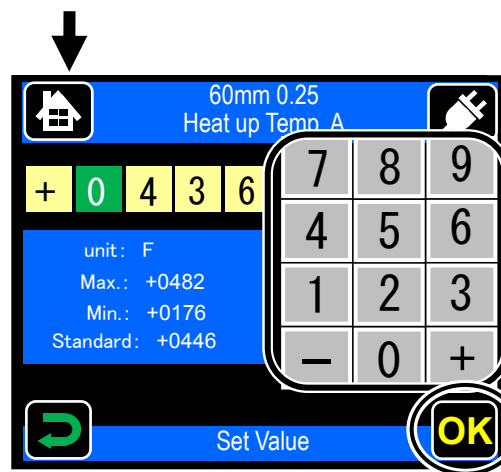
<Change heater program parameter>




In the heater program setting screen (page 4-2), select the program (highlighted), then touch “Setting” icon (  ). Item select screen is displayed.



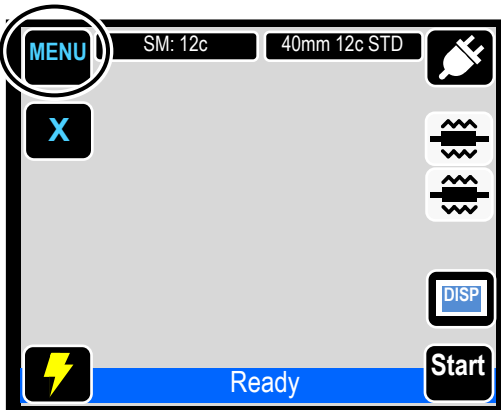
Touch the item once. The icon will be highlighted in light green. Then touch it again to determine selection.




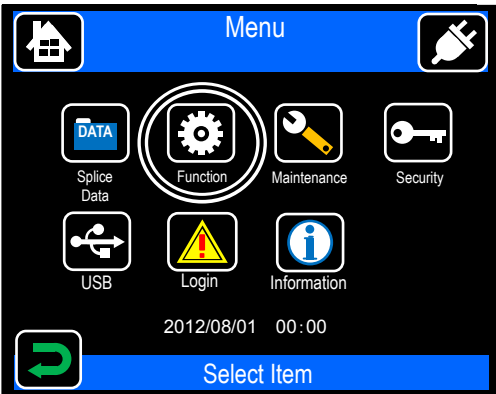
Input the value by touching number keys, then touch “OK” (  ).


Page	Splice program items
1/2	<b>&lt;Fusion Time&gt;</b>
	Fusion time is the duration of arc discharge. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Prefusion Time&gt;</b>
	Pre-fusion time is the time in seconds the fiber ends wait after the arc discharge begins before beginning the overlap (feed). (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Arc Gap&gt;</b>
	Arc gap is the distance between the left and right fibers before fusion takes place. (Numerical input)
2/2	<b>&lt;Over Lap&gt;</b>
	Overlap is the amount of overlap between the left and right fibers that occurs when the right fiber is fed forward during the arc fusion. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Arc Power&gt;</b>
	Expressed in a unit-less step value as [Standard +XX]. Arc power controls the amount of heat the fibers are exposed to during the fusion arc. As the power is automatically set after an arc test and compensated at every splices, normally an operator does not need to change it manually. "Standard" means compensated arc power of the splice program, and added value can be manually set by operator. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Arc Center&gt;</b>
	Arc center is the position of the arc center. Usually it is set automatically by the splicer. (Numerical input)

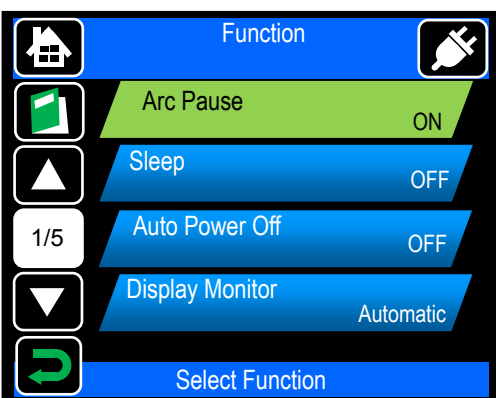
Page	Heater program items
1/2	<b>&lt;Heat up Temp A&gt;</b>
	Heating element rise up to the set temperature in the first term of heating cycle. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Heating Duration A&gt;</b>
	Duration of the first term of heating cycle. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Heat up Temp B&gt;</b>
	Heating element rise up to the set temperature in the middle term of heating cycle. (Numerical input)
2/2	<b>&lt;Heating Duration B&gt;</b>
	Duration of the middle term of heating cycle. (Numerical input)
	<b>&lt;Finish Temp&gt;</b>
	The temperature of finishing heating cycle after cooling by the fan. (Numerical input)



Touch "Menu" (  ) to go to menu screen.

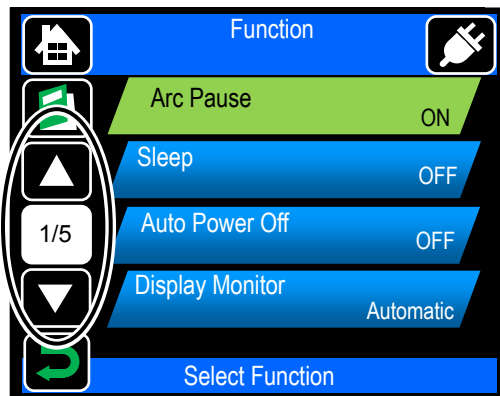





Touch "Function" (  ) to go to function screen.



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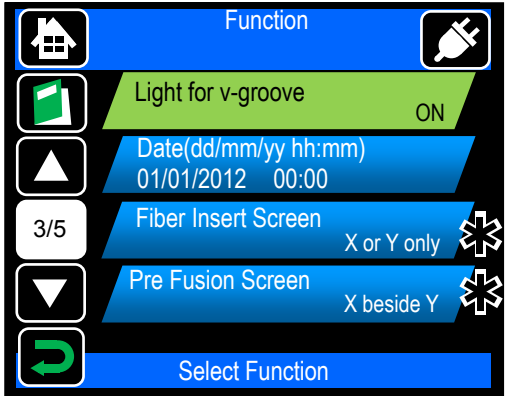
For more details of the items of function, please refer to the page 4-12.



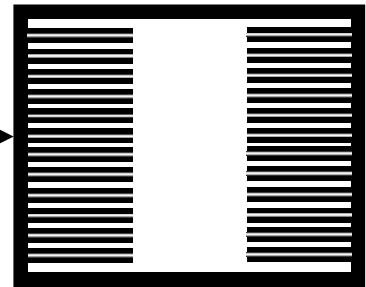
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### Screen indication

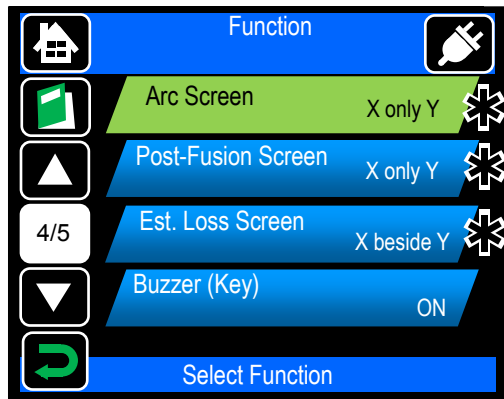
In the function setting item of following \* sign, the displaying method of the screen can be selected.



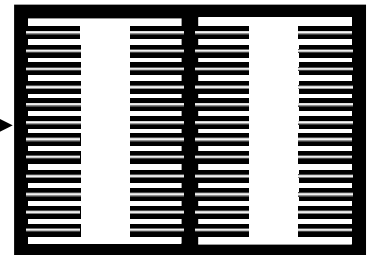
X or Y only



If "X or Y only" is selected, X or Y screen is displayed on the screen.



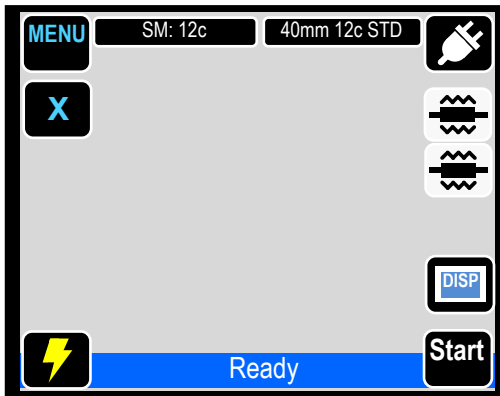
X beside Y



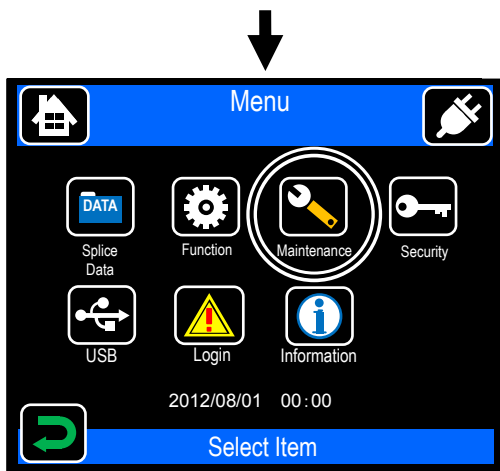
If "X beside Y" is selected, X and Y screens are horizontally displayed on the screen.

Page	Functions
1/5	<p data-bbox="228 199 1367 241" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Arc Pause&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 241 1367 315">This function stops the splicing process before arcing occurs. If you would like to check offset and fiber end faces, set this function to ON.</p> <p data-bbox="228 315 1367 358" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Sleep&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 358 1367 506">If the splicer is not interrupted for a certain span of time, to minimize power consumption on standby, the monitor and 12VDC will be turned off. (The Power LED will be lit in orange.) To return to normal operation, press any key, except the Power key.</p> <p data-bbox="228 506 1367 548" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Auto Power Off&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 548 1367 622">If the splicer is in Sleep mode and is not interrupted for another certain span of time, the splicer is automatically powered off. You need to switch on the splicer again.</p> <p data-bbox="228 622 1367 665" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Display Monitor&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 665 1367 696">Front monitor type or Back monitor type can be selected.</p>
2/5	<p data-bbox="228 696 1367 739" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Auto Start&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 739 1367 813">This function starts the splicing process when the fiber is inserted in the splicer and the hood is closed.</p> <p data-bbox="228 813 1367 855" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Language&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 855 1367 929">The language being displayed can be selected. (Some languages cannot be selected.)</p> <p data-bbox="228 929 1367 972" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Temperature Unit&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 972 1367 1003">This function switches the temperature units.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1003 1367 1046" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Heater Auto Start&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1046 1367 1115">This function starts the heating process when the fiber is placed into the heat shrink oven.</p>
3/5	<p data-bbox="228 1115 1367 1158" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Light for v-groove&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1158 1367 1189">This function sets the V-groove illumination to ON or OFF.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1189 1367 1232" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Date&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1232 1367 1263">This function sets the built-in clock of the splicer to local time.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1263 1367 1305" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Fiber Insert Screen&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1305 1367 1348" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Pre-Fusion Screen&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1348 1367 1422">Single (X or Y) screen type or dual (X and Y) screen type can be selected in each step of the splicing process. For further details, please refer to page 4-9.</p>
4/5	<p data-bbox="228 1422 1367 1464" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Arc Screen&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1464 1367 1507" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Post-Fusion Screen&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1507 1367 1550" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Est. Loss Screen&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1550 1367 1624">Single (X or Y) screen type or dual (X and Y) screen type can be selected in each step of the splicing process. For further details, please refer to page 4-9.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1624 1367 1666" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Buzzer (Key)&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1666 1367 1729">Buzzer sound of touching icons or pressing keys can be selected. "Mute" can be selected too.</p>
5/5	<p data-bbox="228 1729 1367 1771" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Buzzer (Stop)&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1771 1367 1803">Buzzer sound of arc pause can be selected. "Mute" can be selected too.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1803 1367 1845" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Buzzer (Error)&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1845 1367 1877">Buzzer sound of detecting errors during splice. "Mute" can be selected too.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1877 1367 1919" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Bright&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1919 1367 1951">The brightness of the monitor can be adjusted by eight stages.</p> <p data-bbox="228 1951 1367 1993" style="text-align: center;"><b>&lt;Audio Volume&gt;</b></p> <p data-bbox="228 1993 1367 2049">The volume of the speaker can be adjusted by four stages.</p>

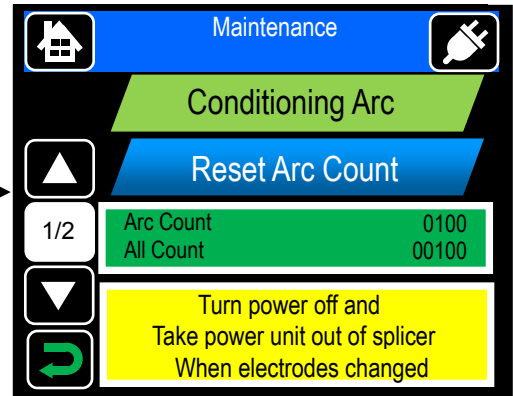
# Maintenance settings



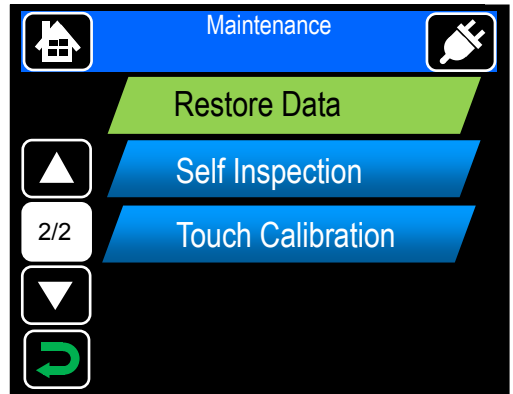
Touch "MENU" ( ) to go to Menu screen.



In the menu screen, touch "Maintenance" icon ( ) to go to Maintenance screen.



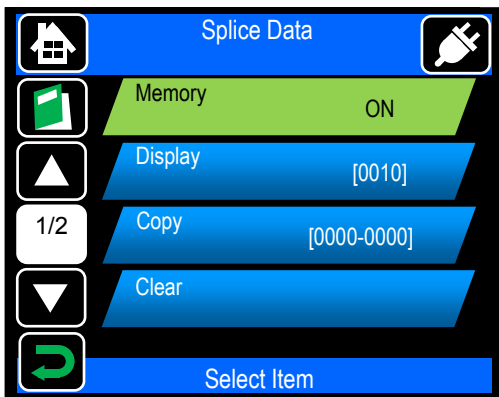
Touch the item once. The icon will be highlighted in light green. Then touch it again to determine selection. Touch the "move" ( , ) to advance to next pages.




Page	Maintenance
1/2	<b>&lt;Conditioning Arc&gt;</b> After the electrodes are replaced, this function is used to condition a new electrode. The number of conditioning arc is preset. Arc Count is automatically reset after conditioning arc is performed.
	<b>&lt;Reset Arc Count&gt;</b> Arc Count can be reset, while All Count cannot.
	<b>&lt;Restore Data&gt;</b> All parameters except Arc Count and All Count are returned to the factory setting.
2/2	<b>&lt;Self Inspection&gt;</b> The circuit board, optical unit, motors and heat shrink ovens are automatically inspected.
	<b>&lt;Touch Calibration&gt;</b> Perform touch calibration when icons and items could not be selected correctly with touching operation.

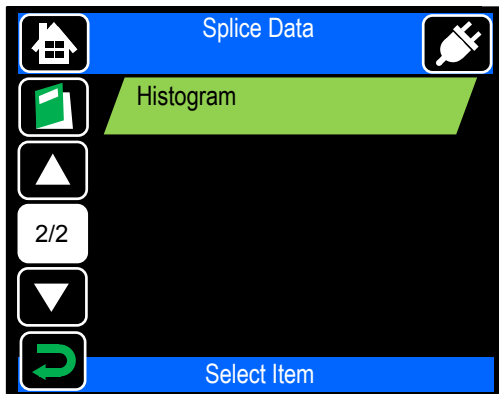


## Splice data storage function



Touch the “Splice Data” icon (  ) on the menu screen to go to DATA screen. Please set "Memory" to ON before splicing if you want to save splice data.

To display stored splice data, select “Display”. Enter the memory location you would like to view.

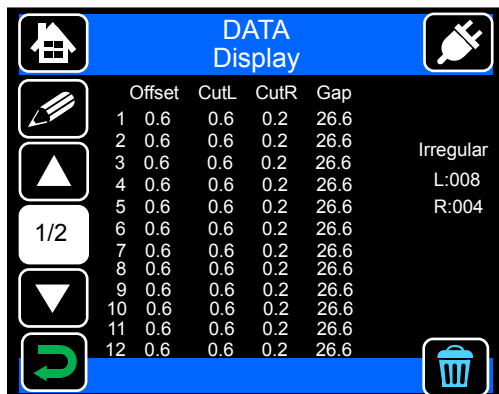


If "Copy" is selected, saved data is copied onto a SD card in CSV format.

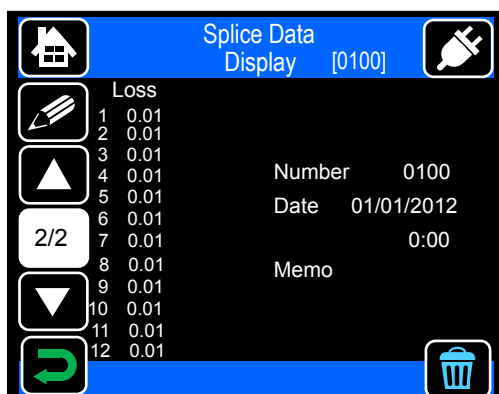
In "Histogram", the histogram of estimated loss and angle can be displayed based on the data that has been saved.


### Description of data

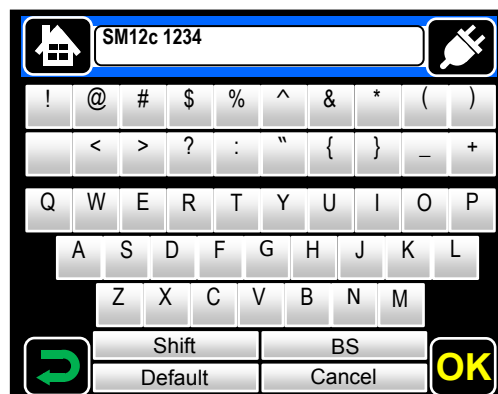
- ◆ Offset: Inspected offset of diameter axis.
- ◆ CutL: Inspected cleave angle of left fiber.
- ◆ CutR: Inspected cleave angle of right fiber.
- ◆ Gap: Inspected arc gap
- ◆ Irregular: Inspected irregularity in fiber end position for left or right fibers.
- ◆ Loss: Estimated losses



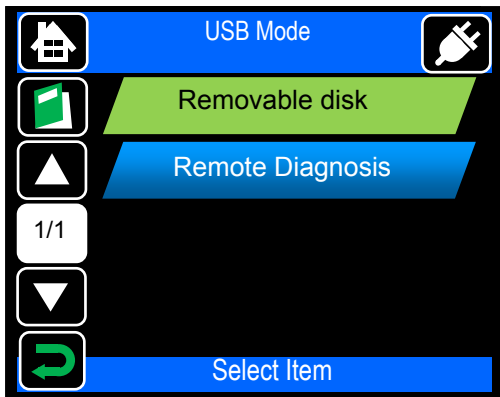
If the dust box icon (  ) is touched, the referred data is deleted.




Add a memo by touching “MEMO” (  ).



## USB connection function



Touch the USB icon (  ) in the menu screen to go to the USB mode screen. The following functions can be used by connecting the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 to a PC via USB cable, and selecting each item.

<Removable disk> :

While a SD card is inserted in the SD card slot, data stored in the SD card can be read and written from the PC.

<Remote Diagnosis> :

Select this item if you would like to have remote diagnosis service for the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.

## Software download via internet

By accessing to the URL below and getting a maintenance application, customers can upgrade newest software via internet. For further information, please access to the URL and refer to the manual.

<http://www.rim-plus.sei.co.jp/>

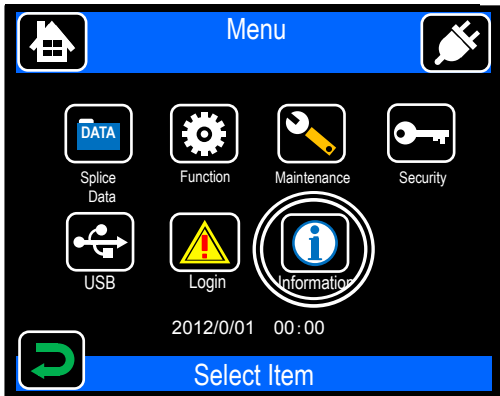
## Login function


By inputting the pass code, expanded functions for an administrator can be used. Please refer to "Administrator menu operation instructions" for further details.

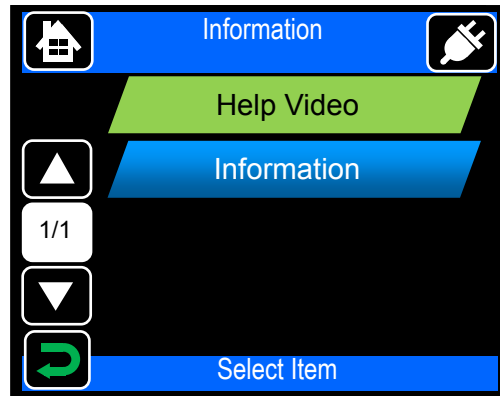


## Help function

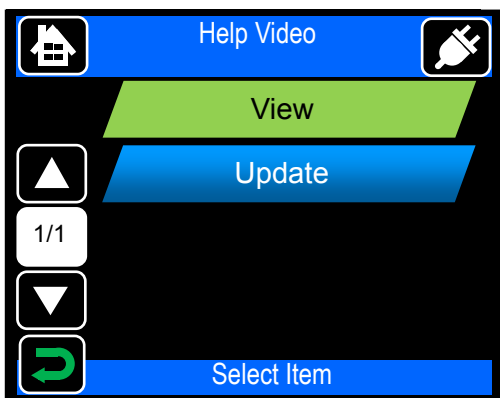
The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 has a function to show user training videos as to fiber preparation, daily maintenance and cleaning. It is possible to play back and pause, which enables an operator to go over operating procedures.



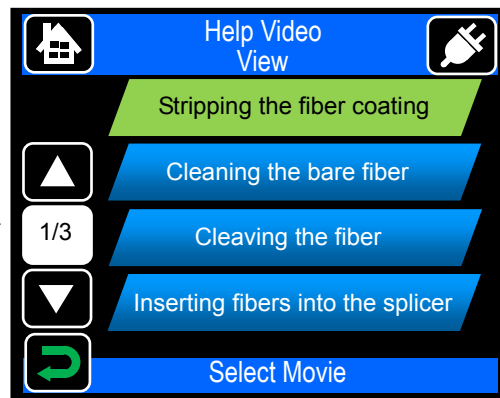
Touch the "Information" icon (  ) in menu screen to go to movie screen.



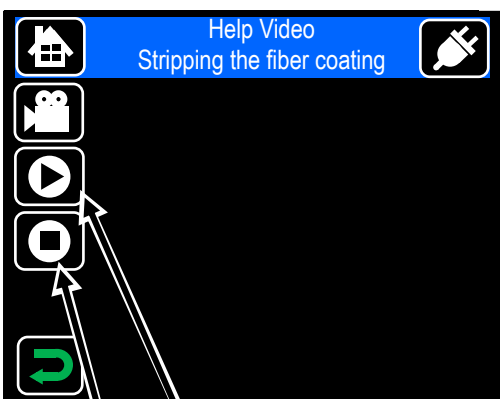
Select "Help Video".



Select "View" item.



Select the video you would like to watch.



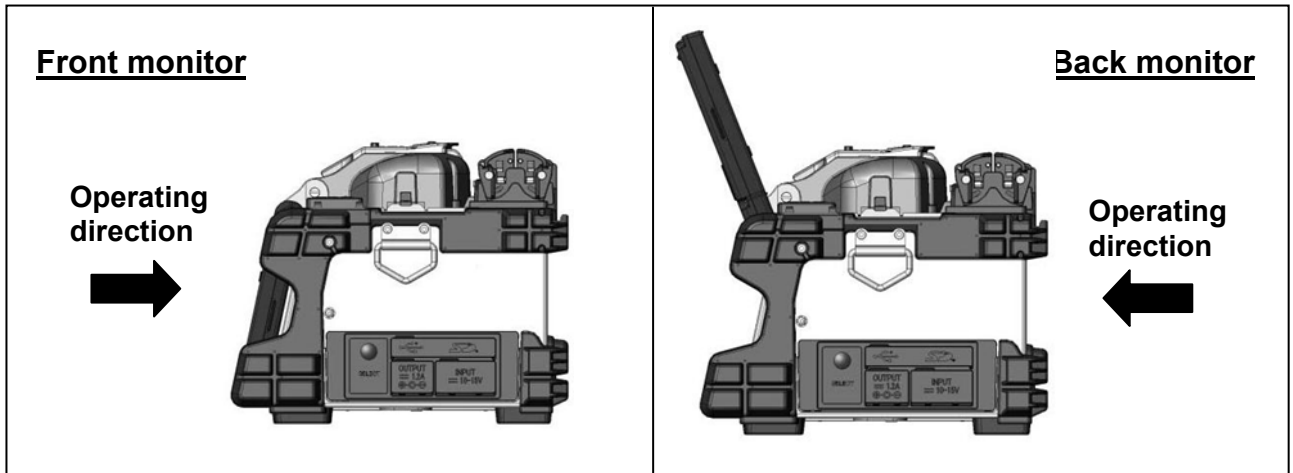
Play / Pause  
Stop

## 5. Other convenient functions

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 is provided with various functions. Set up the functions as necessary.

### Back monitor type

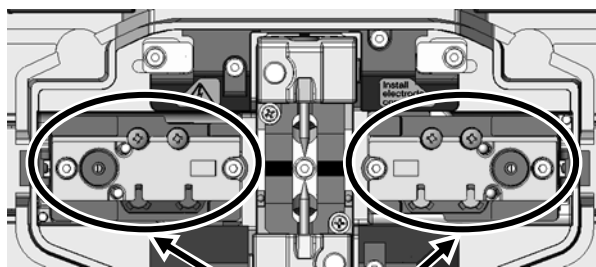
The back monitor type is convenient when you would like to place the fiber to be spliced for installation closer to you.



The monitor display reverses automatically when the monitor is moved to the position of the back monitor type. (Refer to the page 4-10.)

### Fiber coating clamp type (option)

The fiber coating clamp can be fitted to the splicer.

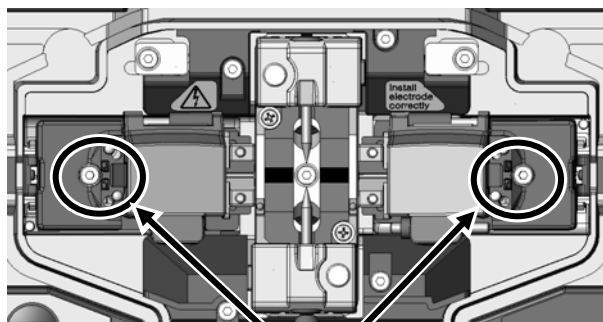


Holder stage

1. Loosen the holder stage fixing screw to remove the holder stage.



Coating clamp



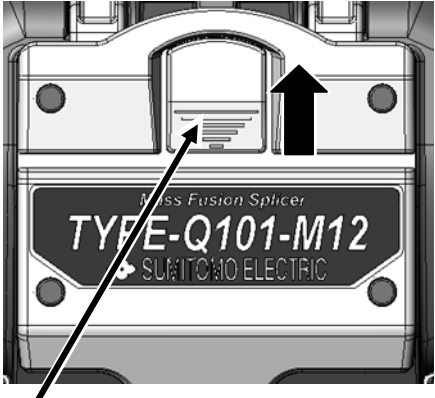
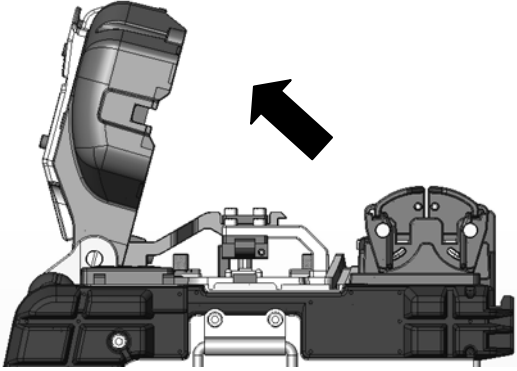
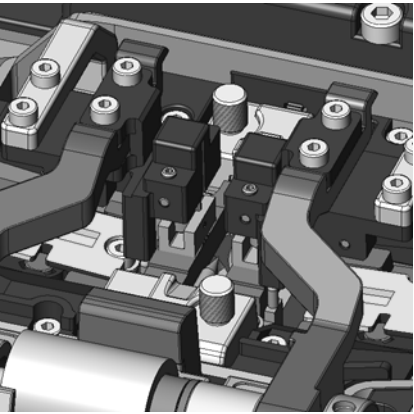
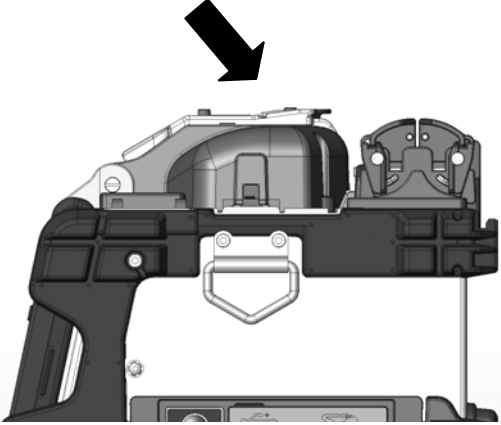
Coating clamp fixing screw

2. Tighten the fiber coating clamp fixing screw to fit it to the splicer.

## Detachable/attachable bare fiber pads

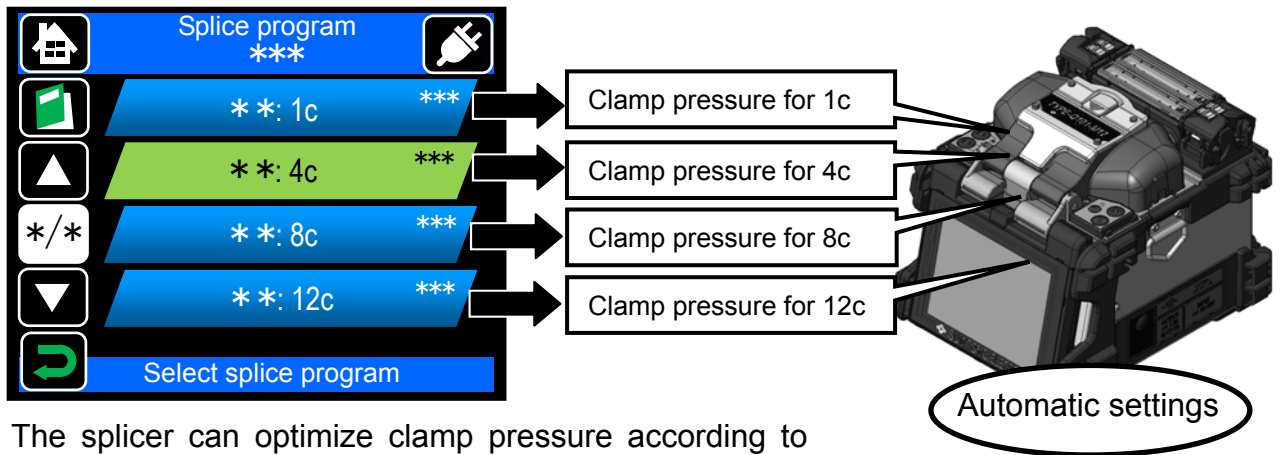
The bare fiber pad is moved in conjunction with opening and closing of the hood. It can be disengaged from the hood to check to see if the fiber is clamped properly. The clamping condition can be corrected independently by moving the clamps one by one.

### Detaching and attaching bare fiber pads

<p>1.</p>  <p>Bare fiber pad release button</p>	<p>2.</p> 
<p>Slide the bare fiber pad release button in the direction indicated by the arrow.</p>	<p>When the hood is opened, the bare fiber pad is disengaged from the hood.</p>
<p>3.</p> 	<p>4.</p> 
<p>You can check if the fiber is seated in the V-groove properly by the pad.</p>	<p>When the hood is closed, the hood catches the bare fiber pad. The hood and the pad operate together.</p>

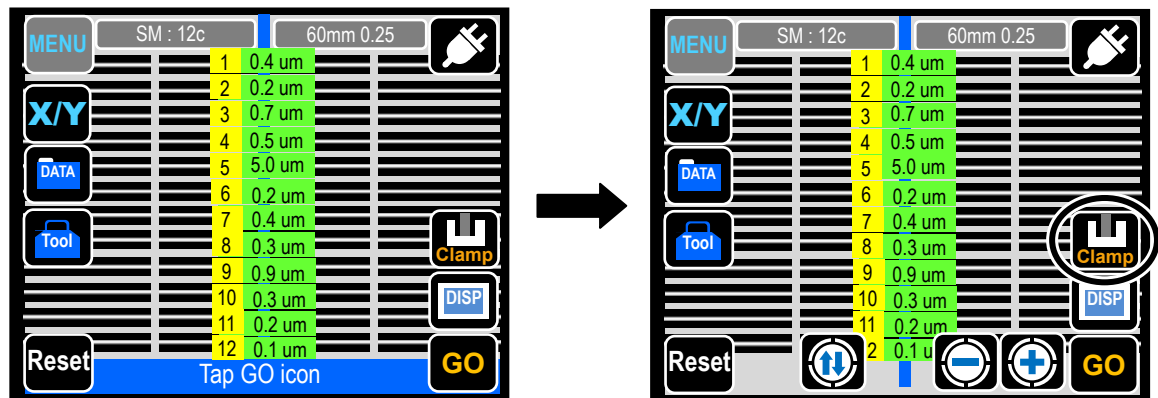
## Auto Clamping Adjustment System “ACAS”

The splicer can optimize clamp pressure according to the selected fiber count.




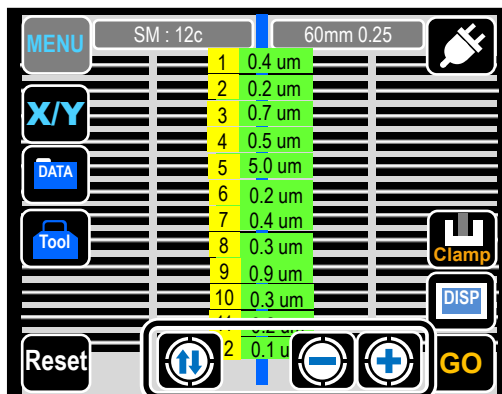
The splicer can optimize clamp pressure according to the fiber count selected from splice program menu.




You can also use the following feature at arc pause screen.



Set “Arc Pause” to “ON” and start the splicing process. The splicer pauses after inserting fibers. At the moment fiber offset value is displayed in the center of the screen.

Touch the clamp (  ) icon, and the three icons for this feature appear in the lower area of the screen.

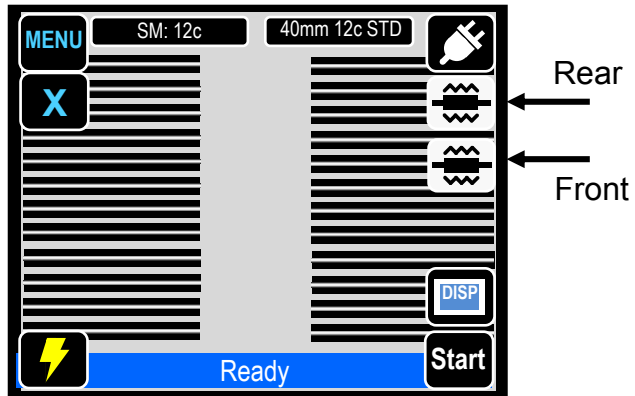


Touch the arrow (  ) icon, and the clamp releases and clamp the fibers again automatically. Touch the positive (  ) icon, and the clamp pressure becomes stronger. Touch the negative (  ) icon, and the clamp pressure becomes weaker. Each action changes the fiber offset values indicated on the screen. This may help reduce the fiber offset value.

## Dual heat shrink oven

2 heat shrink ovens are equipped with the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12. These ovens run individually and splicing operation can be improved more effectively.\*

\* Two ovens can be operated at the same time.



### Heat cycle status indicator

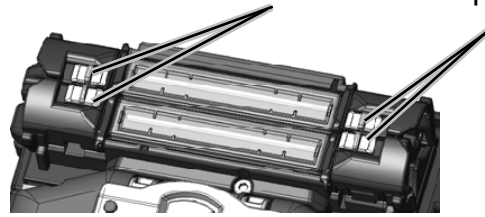
The advancement of the heating cycle can be confirmed on the screen. The icon changes as the heating cycle advances.

(Refer to the page 2-22.)

## Heater clamp operation

Heater lid and heater clamp can be detached, or be synchronized by moving the lever of the heater clamp of both left and right.

Heater clamp lever



<Changing the operation>



<p>1.</p>	<p>2.</p>
<p>Slide the heater clamp lever to the direction indicated by the arrow. *This example only shows right hand clamp.</p>	<p>The clamp lid and the heater lid move separately.</p>
<p>3.</p> <p>40mm sleeve end</p> <p>Protection sleeve</p>	<p>4.</p>
<p>The position of protection sleeve can be adjusted by hand by moving the heater lid and the heater clamp separately. *This example shows use of 40mm protection sleeve.</p>	<p>The clamp lid and the heater lid move together again by sliding the heater clamp lever to the direction indicated by the arrow.</p>



## Auto start

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 is provided with Auto start function that automatically starts the splicing process and the heating operation.

### Auto start splicing

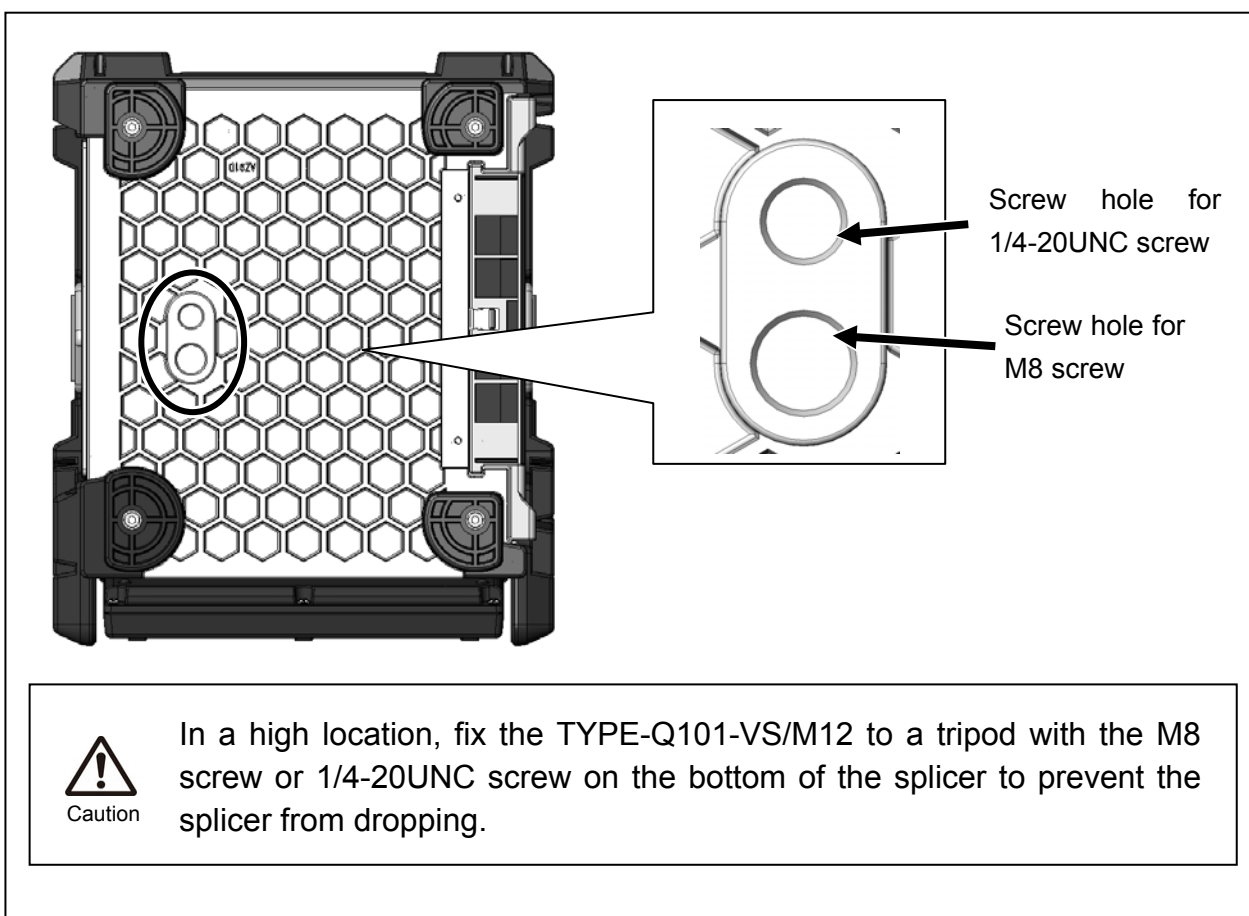
When the fiber is inserted into the splicer and the hood is closed, the splicing process is automatically started. No need to press (  ) or to touch “start” (  ).  
(See also page 4-10.)

### Auto start heating

When the fiber is placed into the heat shrink oven, the heating operation is automatically started. No need to press (  ) or to touch “heat” (  ).  
(See also page 4-10.)

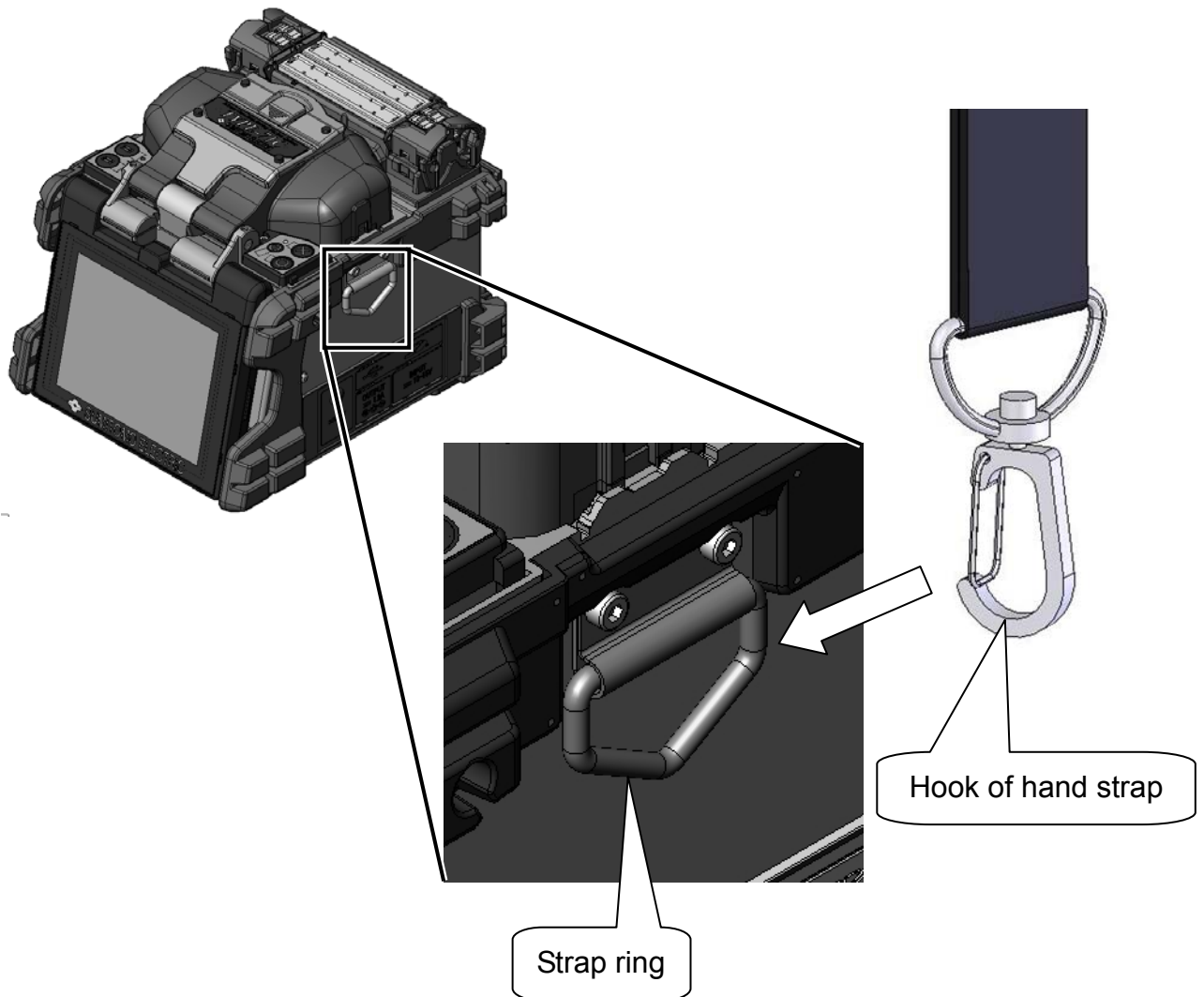
## Tripod fixing screws

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 has screw holes for M8 screw and 1/4-20UNC screw. In a high location, fix the splicer to a tripod to prevent it from dropping.



## Hand strap

The TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 comes with a hand strap. Please attach it to the splicer surely according to the following procedure.



Please open and pass the hook of the hand strap through a strap ring at the left and right sides of the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12.



If the hand strap is not hooked to the strap ring completely, the TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 may drop down.

## 6. Troubleshooting

For repair and technical support, contact maintenance service center address described in the back cover.

### Arc problems

Electrodes typically need replacing after 1,500 splices for TYPE-Q101-M12, 3,000 splices for TYPE-Q101-VS. Some common symptoms that indicate the electrodes need replacing are:

- High or inconsistent splice losses
- Bubbles in the fibers after splicing
- Diameter faults
- Fluttering or unstable arc observed on the monitor
- Fiber burned in half
- Sizzling noise while arcing

Refer to page 3-6, "Electrode replacement procedures".

If an electrode tip touches something, it will be deformed, causing poor arcing problems. Take care of the handling of electrodes.

### Fiber breaking

When the splicing process is complete, a proof test may be performed on the fibers while in the fiber chucks. If the fibers are breaking when the proof test is performed, re-do an arc test. If the arc power level is too weak, the splice may be poor, resulting in fiber breaking.

If the fibers are breaking in spite of a good arc test result, clean the V-grooves and the bare fiber pads completely. Deterioration of a jacket remover/fiber cleaver may lead to fiber breaking. Clean the jacket remover/fiber cleaver completely.

### Splicer does not power up

If the fusion splicer fails to turn on when the ON key is pressed, check the following:

- Verify that the battery pack is installed in the module bay properly
- Verify that the power plug is seated properly (the power cord is connected to the AC adapter.)
- Verify that the LED of the AC adapter lights up.
- If using battery operation, ensure that the battery is fully charged.

If the splicer still does not power up after checking the above, contact our maintenance service center.

## Warranty and repair service

Before requesting a repair, try to locate the problem and identify the cause by referring to “6 Troubleshooting” at page 6-1. If you ensure that your machine is really in need of a repair, contact our maintenance service center.

### REGION LIMITATION

**This product is sold for the use in a limited sales area (refer to the information which appears on the splicer screen) and the technical support of the product moved out of the said region may be refused or require extra charges.**

### Warranty period

1. About the warranty period of this product, please ask to the distributor that you purchased the product from.

### Services after warranty period

After the warranty period expires, all products may be repaired for a reasonable service charge.

2. The following cases are the exception for repairing and replacing the product free of charge.
  - (1) Damage or malfunction caused by misuse, mishandling, non qualified repair, disassembly, modification, or any other irregular execution
  - (2) Damage or malfunction caused by drop, fall or any other faulty treatment such as to be explained in precautions on this manual.
  - (3) Damage or malfunction caused by actions that are beyond Sumitomo's control including for example, fire, water flood, earthquake, lightening or similar disaster, or any other accident.
  - (4) Damage or malfunction caused by the use of Product in conjunction with accessories, products, or consumables not specified or approved by Sumitomo.
  - (5) Replacement of consumables
  - (6) Travel expense that is charged if a trip for repair is requested by the customer.
  - (7) Damage or malfunction caused by use of batteries and battery chargers not specified or approved by Sumitomo.
  - (8) Products founds corroded due to exposure to water or dew condensation, or cracked or deformed circuit board.
3. The customer shall bear the cost of returning the product to Sumitomo.

### <Availability of spare parts>

The availability of spare parts for the splicer must be guaranteed for a period of 7 years from the end of the sale. However due to parts manufacturer's reason, spare parts for repair might be impossible to get within such period.

## Error message list

Please contact maintenance service center when it is not recovered if you take the measures below.

Error message	Countermeasure
The fibers are not placed correctly into the V-groove.	Place the fiber correctly into the V-groove again. >Refer to page 2-14.  There is a possibility that dust or dirt is on the V-groove and the fiber clamp when the error occurs repeatedly. Please execute the cleaning. >Refer to page 3-2.
The splicer failed to adjust the LED brightness.	Please clean the microscope lens and LED. >Refer to page 3-2 and 3-3.
The splicer is unable to start splicing because the hood is open.	Please close the hood. Very high voltage is generated with the splicing. The splicer never starts splicing with opening hood for safety.
The splicer could not detect the fiber.	Please place the fiber correctly into the V-groove again. >Refer to page 2-14.
The splicer failed to inspect the right and left fibers.	Place the fiber correctly into the V-groove again. >Refer to page 2-14.  Please cleave the fibers again. >Refer to page 2-12 and 2-13.
The offset of the fiber exceeds the allowable limit.	Place the fiber correctly into the V-groove again. >Refer to page 2-14. Please execute the cleaning. >Refer to page 3-2. Please cleave the fibers again. >Refer to page 2-12 and 2-13.
The cleave angle of the fiber exceeds the allowable limit.	
A lip is observed on the right and left fiber ends.	
A chip is observed on the fiber end.	If the error occurs repeatedly, the cleaver blade might be deteriorated. Change the blade position or replace the blade. For further information, refer to the operation manual of the cleaver.
The splicer failed to splice the fibers.	Please adjust arc power level by performing >Refer to page 2-15 to 2-17.

## [TYPE-Q101-VS/M12 specifications]

Item		VS	M12
Optical fiber requirement	Material	Silica glass	
	Profile types	SMF (ITU-T G.652), MMF (ITU-T G.651) DSF (ITU-T G.653), NZDSF (ITU-T G.655), BIF (ITU-T G.657)	
	Cable types	Drop cable, small-sized indoor cable	
	Fiber diameter	125μm	
	Fiber coating diameter	0.25mm, 0.5mm, 0.9mm	
	Cleave length	10mm	
	Fiber count <sup>*1</sup>	1	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12
Size and weight	Size (main body) <sup>*2</sup>	120W×154D×130H (mm)	
	Weight (including BU-11)	Approx. 1.9kg	Approx. 2.0kg
	Monitor	4.1" touch screen color LCD display	
Standard performance	Typical splice loss <sup>*3</sup>	SMF: 0.05dB, MMF: 0.02dB, DSF: 0.08dB, NZDSF: 0.08dB	
	Typical splice time <sup>*3</sup>	Approx. 9 sec	Approx. 14 sec
	Typical heating time <sup>*4</sup>	Approx. 28 sec	Approx. 55 sec
	Splicing/heating operation per fully charged battery <sup>*5</sup>	Approx. 180	Approx. 110
Functions	Loss estimation	Provided	
	Splice data storage	10,000 splices	
	Splice image capture	64 splices	
	Proof test <sup>*6</sup>	1.96N (200gf)	
	Arc test function	Provided	
	Automatic arc compensation	Provided	
	Automatic fiber count detection	---	Provided
	Auto Clamping Adjustment System	---	Provided
	Heat shrink oven	2 built-in heat shrink ovens	
	User defined heater clamp operation	Provided	
	V-groove white LED illumination	Provided	
	Communication interface	USB 2.0 mini-B type	
	Recording medium	SD / SDHC memory card	
	Help videos	Provided	
	Software update	Internet	
Internet remote diagnosis	Provided		
Programs	Splice programs	Max. 200	
	Heating programs	Max. 100	
Power supply	AC operation	With ADC-1430A/ADC-1430S Input: AC 100-240V 50/60Hz 1.1A	
	DC operation	Input: DC 10-15V, 4.5A	
	Battery operation	(With BU-11) 11.1V (4600mAh)	
	DC output	12V For Sumitomo's hot jacket remover	
Environmental conditions	Operation temperature <sup>*7</sup>	-10 °C ~ +50 °C	
	Storage temperature <sup>*7 *8</sup>	-40 °C ~ +80 °C	
	Altitude	Max. 3,660m	
	Windproof	Max. 15m/s	
	Water & Dust resistance	Equivalent to IP52 <sup>*9</sup>	
	Shock resistance	Drop from 76cm on 5 faces <sup>*10</sup>	
Electrode life <sup>*11</sup>		3,000	1,500

- \*1 The applicable fiber protection sleeves vary depending on the fiber count.
- \*2 The protrusion part is not included.
- \*3 With Sumitomo identical fiber (in room temperature. Varies depending on the condition of fiber.)
- \*4 With the AC adapter in room temperature (20°C). If the battery pack is used, the heating time varies depending on the temperature and the remaining battery capacity.
- \*5 With a new battery pack, 1 splice cycle time (splice + protection) completes in 90 seconds, in room temperature. Splice & heat cycles may vary depending on the operating environment.
- \*6 Performed on the fiber stage after splicing.
- \*7 Non-condensing
- \*8 The Battery pack storage temperature range: -20°C ~ +50°C (if stored for less than 1 month), -20°C ~ +40°C (if stored for less than 3 months), -20°C ~ +20°C (if stored for less than 1 year).
- \*9 Water resistance: Operates normally after being exposed to water dripping at 3mm/min, for at least 2.5 min on each of 4 surfaces tilted at 15°. The test is held with the battery operation, carried out by Sumitomo, but does not guarantee that the product is free of faults or damage.  
Dust resistance: Operates normally after 8 hours in a dust chamber containing dust of particle size 75µm or below. The test is held with the battery operation, carried out by Sumitomo, but does not guarantee that the product is free of faults or damage.
- \*10 The machine spliced the fiber successfully after dropped from 76cm height on 5 faces (excluding top face) at free-fall. The test is held with the battery operation, carried out by Sumitomo, but does not guarantee that the product is free of faults or damage.
- \*11 Electrode life is not guaranteed. This number may vary depending on the operating environment.

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