



INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- **No tools needed**
- **Stays in place on the Bigsby vibrato tailpiece—do not remove to change strings**
- **The US and METRIC versions of the BUTCHIE BAR are installed the same way**

ATTACH

Do not use any striking tools (eg, a hammer) to install the BUTCHIE BAR.

1. Start with an unstrung guitar with the vibrato roll bar pins facing up.

2. Hold the top of the BUTCHIE BAR facing up.

 *When the BUTCHIE BAR is facing up, the roll pin holes (ie, the small holes) are on the right side of the BUTCHIE BAR and the string eyelet holes (ie, the large holes) are on the left side of the BUTCHIE BAR.*

 *Make sure the string eyelet holes are facing the guitar bridge and the words "PATENT PENDING" are visible on the right side and facing upside down.*

3. Align the 6 small roll pin holes of the BUTCHIE BAR to the w6 tension bar roll pins on the vibrato.

4. Gently and evenly press the BUTCHIE BAR onto the tension bar roll pins until the BUTCHIE BAR fully seats on the tension bar.

5. Install the vibrato's spring and nylon spacer, if required.

6. Swing the vibrato arm back to playing position. The BUTCHIE BAR is now in place and ready to string.

 *The words BUTCHIE BAR will be on the left side of the tension bar, facing the bridge.*

STRING

For Bigsby models B5, B7, B12, B50: Always string through the BUTCHIE BAR first, then route the guitar string(s) under the vibrato's front tension bar.

1. Run each guitar string through each of the large eyelet string holes of the BUTCHIE BAR like a stop tailpiece.

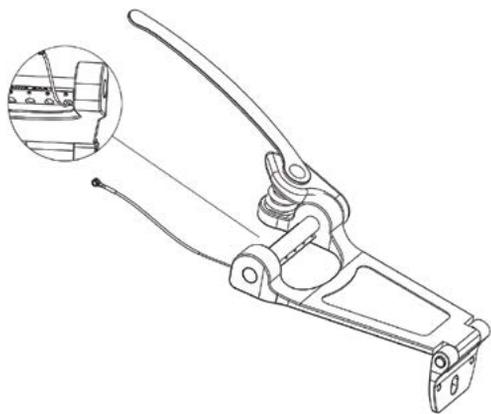
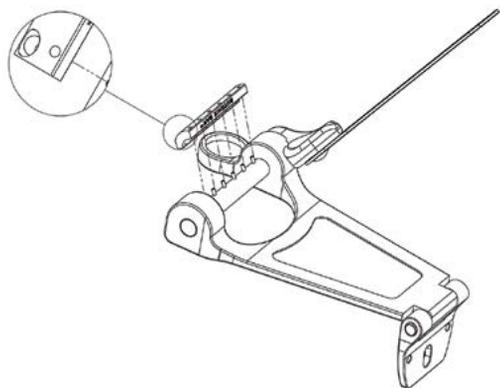
 *The ball end of each string should sit inside the large eyelet string hole.*

 *All guitar strings can be threaded through the BUTCHIE BAR without having to hold them in place.*

2. Repeat until all 6 strings are through the BUTCHIE BAR.

PLAY

You know what to do!





TO CHANGE STRINGS

1. DO NOT REMOVE THE BUTCHIE BAR.
2. Unwind the old/broken string from the tuning peg.
3. Grab the string from the right side of the BUTCHIE BAR and push it to the left until the string eyelet is visible on the left side of the BUTCHIE BAR.
4. Grab the eyelet and pull the string through the BUTCHIE BAR until it is clear.
5. Follow the STRING instructions above to replace the new string(s).

TO REMOVE THE BUTCHIE BAR

1. Unstring the guitar following the TO CHANGE STRINGS instructions.
2. Rotate the vibrato arm to an upright position so the tension bar roll pins and the BUTCHIE BAR face upward.
3. To remove the BUTCHIE BAR, gently and evenly rock it from left to right while simultaneously pulling it up and off the tension bar roll pins.

TROUBLESHOOTING

1. The BUTCHIE BAR doesn't fit on the tension bar.

- a. Did you purchase the right BUTCHIE BAR for your Bigsby vibrato tailpiece?

BUTCHIE BAR MODEL	BIGSBY MODEL
US: BBA-G and BBA-C	B3, B5, B6, B7, B11, B12, B16
*Metric: BBM-G and BBM-C	B30, B50, B60, B70
No version available	B500, B700

*The metric version of the BUTCHIE BAR has a dash to the left of the BUTCHIE BAR name



- b. Are the tension bar roll pins straight?

- If the tension bar roll pins aren't straight, the BUTCHIE BAR won't align properly
- To straighten the tension bar roll pins, take your guitar to a music shop/luthier

2. How do I string Bigsby models B5, B7, B12, and B50?

Always string through the BUTCHIE BAR first, then route the guitar string(s) under the vibrato's front tension bar.

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