Video Assembly Guide Here! (<a href="https://youtu.be/-1cHOcnosxE">https://youtu.be/-1cHOcnosxE</a> - coming soon)



<u>User Community Help on Discord Here!</u> (https://discord.gg/hxe9eMWseT)

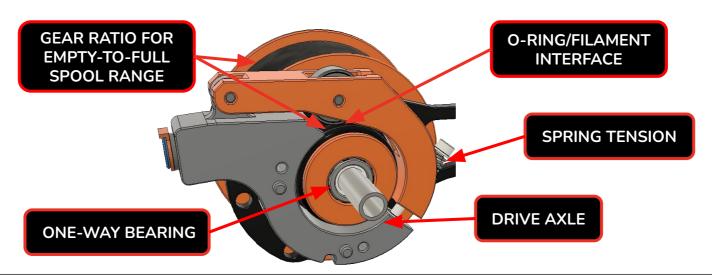


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### THEORY OF OPERATION

The Filamentalist is an integrated solution for buffering and spool holding, providing space savings as well as the potential for filament path reduction, and the associated drag/resistance that comes with long runs from spool to buffer to MMU.

- The Filamentalist uses the axial force delivered by the MMU gear motor along the filament to load and unload from the filament spool.
- An adjustable spring clamp forces the filament against two o-rings that sit on the Center Drive Roller (CDR) to create a high traction interface, for rotating the axle and filament spool.
- A one-way clutch style bearing locks against the Drive Axle and rotates the filament spool, to take up filament during an unload.
- For loading and print extruding, the clutch disengages allowing for effective free-spooling of the filament spool similar to a roller style spool holder.
- The difference in diameter of the filament driven CDR versus the larger Rim Roller that the filament spool sits on provides the needed gear ratio to produce enough rotations to take up, and unload a nearly empty or full filament roll.
- During unloading/buffering, to account for the varying diameter of a spool from full to empty, filament tension will cause the spring loaded arm to lift a small amount and release traction from the o-rings allowing slip to occur between the filament and the o-ring interface of the rewinder (full spool = max slip, empty spool = no/minimal slip). This grip/slip modulation effectively creates a variable gear ratio allowing for clean, tight wraps during unload with a minimum of system drag.



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### CONFIGURATION/OPTIONS CONSIDERATIONS

Things that you need to know include:

There are multiple options for the Filamentalist. Determine which versions/options you want and select the stl's to print accordingly.

- Unit Width: Standard width which supports spool widths from 28mm (i.e. 200gm spools) to 74mm and custom width via the Fusion 360 parametric model
- Drive and Idler Axle bearing size. Step and STL files are provided for the use of either 688 bearings (16mm OD X 8mm ID X 5mm width) or 608 bearings (22mm OD X 8mm ID X 7mm width). Either option can be selected in the provided Fusion 360 parametric model.
- Mounting Style: 2020 center rail mount, 2020 dual rail mount (fits the Filamentalist Enclosure), and Standalone mount

Feed Direction: The orientation of your MMU with respect to your filament spools location or enclosure may require a front, rear, or bottom loading capability from the rewinder. Front and Rear/Bottom feed Tensioner Mount options are provided to support this.

Pre-gate Sensors: If your MMU does not have pre-gate sensors, and the software you use supports them (like Happy Hare), there are CottonTail Lite, Filamentalist Tensioner Mount, and user mod pre-gate sensors that support this. (see the Filamentalist FAQ).

If you are using, or upgrading from an ERCFv1 or v2 version you may want/need a higher torque gear motor. Many in the Beta team ran NEMA 17's spec'd at 55 N-cm max torque and config'd them for 1-1.5A (probably overkill...). A NEMA 17 with 40N-cm or greater holding torque is sufficient. The LDO-42STH47-1684AC stepper is a good option. The ERCF direct drive version is recommended for gaining more speed from a high torque motor. This may not be required, so if you already have built your ERCF, try the Filamentalist with the motor/gearing you have and decide if you need more torque/speed.

### CONFIGURATION/OPTIONS CONSIDERATIONS (continued)

The standard width Filamentalist has a 50-75mm axle and supports a maximum spool width of 74mm and supports most standard 1, 0.5, and 0.2KG spool sizes and still be able to fit 6 rewinders across the top of a 350 size Voron printer. If you use spools wider than 74mm and you use Autodesk Fusion 360, the provided .f3d file in the CAD directory is a parametric based model allowing you to customize the width of your rewinder to suit your max/min spool widths and/or to design around other available 8mm steel axle lengths (see Parametric CAD Model section in this document). If you are unable to use the parametric model please ask for help on Discord (see cover page and/or page 31 for links).

Because the standard tuning of this design relies on some filament slip at the o-rings, the o-rings may ultimately wear-out. Testing and extrapolation estimates that the wear-out point is greater than 5K cycles. See the O-Ring Replacement section at the end of this document for o-ring swap/replacement instructions.

Enjoy the process of building and utilizing your Filamentalist Rewinder!

#### PART PRINTING GUIDELINES

The ERCF team has provided the following print guidelines. We recommend you to follow them in order to have the best chance at success with your parts. There are often questions about substituting materials or changing printing standards, but we recommend you follow these.

The majority of mechanical issues users experience with the ERCF and its supporting components can be traced back to print quality and and accuracy. Please take the time to print the calibration tools and dial in your printer before moving forward.

#### **FDM MATERIAL**

The Filamentalist was designed for, and tested with ABS and ASA. Based on the tolerance requirements of the design we recommend to only use ABS OR ASA. Some users have built with other materials such as PLA but you may need to adjust your printer's calibration for some press-fit and tight tolerance parts.

LAYER HEIGHT

Recommended: 0.2mm First Layer: 0.25mm

**EXTRUSION WIDTH** 

Recommended: Forced 0.4mm

**INFILL TYPE** 

Grid, Gyroid, Honeycomb, Triangle or Cubic.

INFILL PERCENTAGE

Recommended: 40%

**WALL COUNT** 

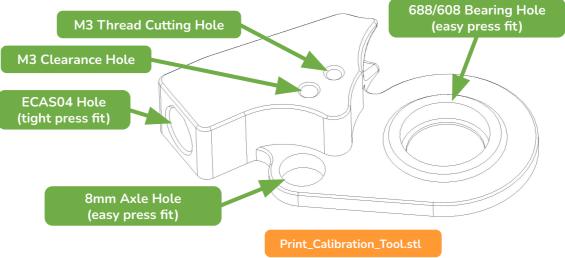
Recommended: 4

SOLID TOP/BOTTOM LAYERS

Recommended: 5

#### THE PRINT CALIBRATION TOOL

**IMPORTANT !!** The Filamentalist design relies on multiple press-fits for bearings, axle, and the ECAS04 fitting as well as thread-cut holes. As a result, printer calibration is important. The Print\_Calibration\_Tool.stl is included. It is highly recommended that you print this block first, check fits, and make adjustments to extrusion multipliers and/or slicer scaling if needed before printing the Filamentalist parts.



### **TESTS**

Insert the different pieces of hardware in their dedicated positions.

The ECAS fitting should be a tight press fit. If the plastic cracks after ECAS insertion or the ECAS is a loose fit then extrusion rates and/or interior hole settings need to be adjusted in your slicer. You may need to cut the print with clippers to remove the ECAS for reuse after checking fit.

You should be able to hand press in a 688/608 bearing into the pocket. It is acceptable if additional force, like light hammer taps is required to fully seat the bearing. The bearing can be removed by inserting an 8mm axle/rod through the bearing and rocking the rod back and forth while gently pulling on the rod, "walking" the bearing out of the pocket.

Screw an M3 screw into the provided 2.7mm diameter hole. The screw should tightly screw in and cut threads into the plastic. If the ECAS and 688/608 bearing press in nicely but this hole is tight, no print adjustments need to be made but M3 screw holes may need to be opened up hand twisting a 2.5mm drill bit.

### STL FILE NAMING KEY

#### **FILE NAMING**

By this time you should have already downloaded our STL files from the ERCF GitHub. This is how to use the naming conventions.

### [a]\_Part\_Name\_{Bearing\_Size}\_{Quantity\_Required}\_[option].stl

Example [a]\_Rim\_Roller\_688\_Bearing\_x2.stl

#### PRIMARY COLOR

### Example Tensioner\_Mount\_Std.stl

These files will have nothing at the start of the filename.

#### **ACCENT COLOR**

# Example [a]\_Tensioner\_Arm.stl

These files have an "[a]\_" prefix to denote that they should be printed with an accent color.

#### **BEARING SIZE**

Filenames with an "688\_Bearing" or "608\_Bearing" after the file name are specific to the bearing size option you choose to build.

### **QUANTITY REQUIRED**

Filenames ending with "\_x#" are telling you the **quantity** of that part required to build a single rewinder

### [option]

Filenames with an "[option]" after the filename are build options/alternatives such as:

- Mount style
- Pre-gate sensor included in Tensioner Mount
- Printed clutch vs One-Way bearing

#### HARDWARE REFERENCE



### FLAT HEAD COUNTERSUNK SCREW (FHCS)

Metric fastener with a cone shaped head and a flat top.

ISO 10642



### SOCKET HEAD CAP SCREW (SHCS)

Metric fastener with a cylindrical head and hex drive. The most common fastener used on the ERCF.

ISO 4762



#### **WASHER**

Plain metal stamped washer.

**DIN 125** 



#### 688/608 BEARING

For the Filamentalist, the 2RS (sealed) style is preferred but can be used with the open or ZZ (shielded) style.



### **HEAT SET INSERT**

Brass, threaded, with ridges on the outside. Heat to approx 250C with soldering iron and push into a hole in the plastic. Plastic cools and solidifies around the knurls/ridges for excellent resistance to torque and pull-out.



#### **SPRING**

For the Filamentalist, 304 Stainless Steel,6mm OD, 0.6mm Wire Size, 15mm Free Length spring used in Tensioner Assembly.



#### **FCAS FITTING**

4mm Push -Fit PTFE tubing fitting.

### **TOOLS**

#### 2.5MM HEX DRIVER

Adjustment of the Tensioner screw in this design benefits from the use of a 2.5mm hex driver. The ball-end style is preferred. This driver is also used for the axle set screws on the Rim Rollers.

#### 2MM HEX DRIVER

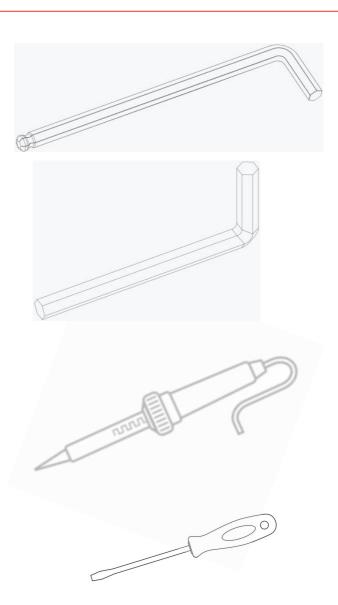
The 2mm hex driver is used on the M3 FHCS screws in this build.

### **SOLDERING IRON**

For the insertion of the single heat set insert in the Tensioner Mount part.

### SMALL FLAT BLADED SCREWDRIVER

To aid in the removal of built-in supports.



### ANGLE GRINDER/DREMEL

For cutting 8mm axle rods/tubes to length if required.

#### **VISE**

A vise is handy cutting 8mm axles and pressing the one-way bearing into the CDR.

#### **CAD SOFTWARE**

Filamentalist\_V3\_688/608\_bearing.step or Filamentalist\_V3\_(parametric).f3d

Software is a tool too! The CAD file for the Filamentalist was designed to be used along with this manual as a supplement or reference, even if you aren't a CAD Pro. You can use the free edition of Fusion360, or your choice of CAD program such as TinkerCAD, onshape, or FreeCAD.

### **SUPERGLUE**

Yes, we consider this a tool. Superglue may be useful if your print tolerances result in slip-fits for the bearings and ECAS. Cheap, single-use gel tubes are fine.

#### PRINT CALIBRATION TOOL

https://github.com/Enraged-Rabbit-Community/ERCF\_v2/tree/master/Recommended\_Options/Filamentalist\_Rewinder/Filamentalist\_FV3\_beta/Stls/Tools

It is highly recommended that you print this Print\_Calibration\_Tool.stl part first, check fits of M3 screws (both slip fit and thread cutting), 608/688 bearings, 8mm axle lightpress/slip fit, and the ECAS04 press fit. Make adjustments to extrusion multipliers and/or slicer scaling if needed before printing the Filamentalist parts.

#### **USING THE CAD FILES**

We have provided the Filamentalist CAD files

(https://github.com/Enraged-Rabbit-Community/ERCF\_v2/tree/master/Recommended\_Options/Filamentalist\_Rewinder/Filamentalist\_FV3\_beta/CAD/Filamentalist\_V3\_beta\_###\_Bearing\_v##.step and Filamentalist\_V3\_beta\_(parametric)\_V##.f3d), so that you can follow along with the instructions in a 3D view, if you like.

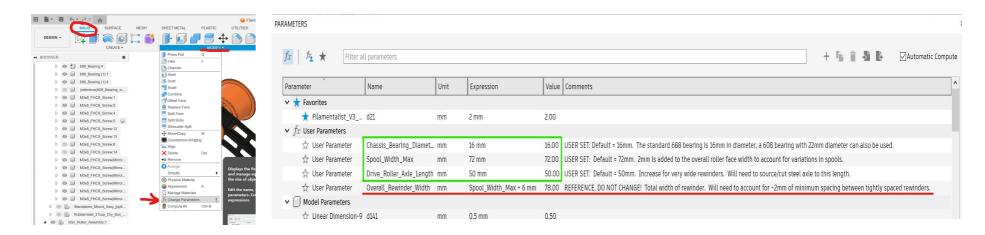
The CAD file is organized into folders based on assemblies referenced in this manual. First hide all the parts, and then reveal the parts up to the step you are on in this manual, and the CAD should match what you are building.

All of the non-printed parts are in each assembly's Hardware folder.

#### THE PARAMETRIC CAD MODEL

If you are using Autodesk Fusion 360 the "Filamentalist\_V3\_(parametric).f3d file provided in the CAD folder is a parametric based model allowing you to customize the width of your rewinder to suit your max/min spool widths and/or to design around a standard available steel axle length. The model will update and accurately show the results of these parameters to help you visualize the acceptability of the result as well as provide reference dimensions to aid in part sourcing.

To customize your Filamentalist width and axle sizing, load the model, make sure you are in the "Solid" menu, and then select "Modify" and "Change Parameters"



Adjust the following parameters to meet your needs:

**Chassis Bearing Diameter** - Set to 16mm if you are using 688 bearings for the Drive and Idler axles or 22mm for 608 bearings. This setting creates unique Chassis\_L/R, Rim Roller, and Rear Filamentalist Enclosure Mount parts. Any other setting than 16 or 22mm will result in errors in the model.

(parameter descriptions continued on next page)

### THE PARAMETRIC CAD MODEL (continued)



Adjust the following parameters to meet your needs (continued from previous page):

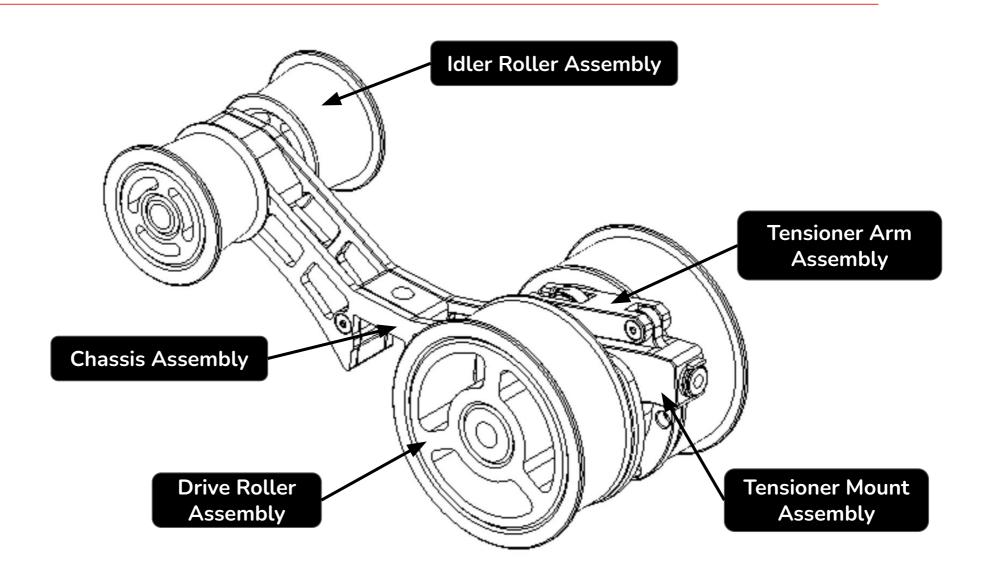
**Spool\_Width\_Max** - The default is 72mm which should accommodate 99% of the 1KG spools on the market. Set this to accommodate the widest filament spool you expect to use. 2mm will be added to this number in the design to allow for spool width and rim straightness/variation.

**Drive Roller Axle Length** - The default is 50mm. If you already have 80mm axles from the Classic Filamentalist version these can be used with no need to change the parameters in the model. Changing this setting allows you to visualize how a custom (long) axle length will fit, especially if you increase the Spool\_Width\_Max parameter for a custom wide rewinder.

**Overall\_Rewinder\_Width: REFERENCE PARAMETER. DO NOT CHANGE THIS!** This is included as an aid to assess the results of your inputs. You can iterate with changes to the above user inputs to arrive at the desired Overall Rewinder Width for your space, enclosure. Or application.

The model will update to show the results of these parameters to help you visualize the acceptability of the result.

**OVERVIEW** 



### **EXPLODED VIEW**

# TENSIONER ARM ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

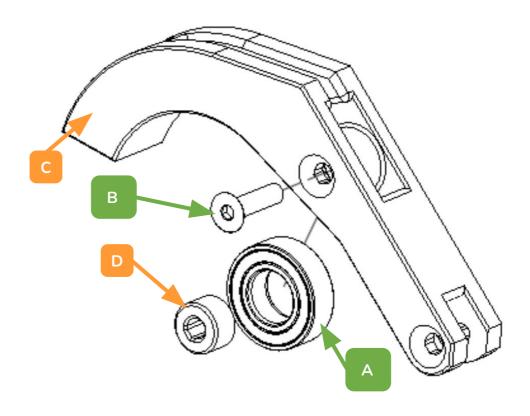


1x 688 Bearing 2x M3x12 Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)

## TENSIONER ARM ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)



1x [a]\_Tensioner\_Arm.stl 1x 688\_Bearing\_Bushing.stl



- 1. Insert the 688 Bearing Bushing printed part into 688 bearing bore and slide up into Tensioner Arm printed part.
- 2. Place M3x12 FHCS screw into Tensioner Arm and through the 688 Bearing Bushing and 688 Bearing, cutting threads into plastic of the Tensioner Arm. Only moderate force is required to cut the threads and secure the 688 bearing. Turning the screw with too much force will strip out the plastic threads.

# TENSIONER MOUNT ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

1x Heat Set Insert

1x ECAS04

1x ECAS04 Locking Clip

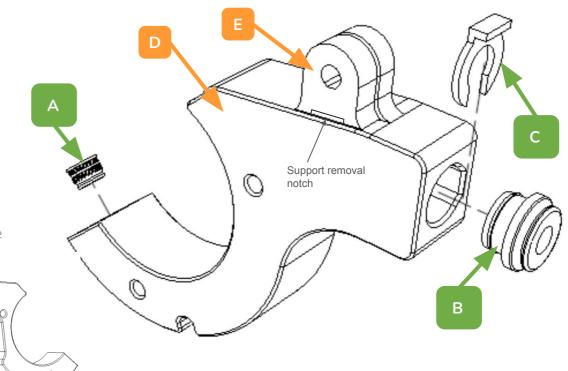
### TENSIONER MOUNT ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)

1x Tensioner Mount Std.stl or

1xTensioner\_Mount\_Microswitch\_[option].stl 1x [support]\_Tensioner\_Mnt\_Std.stl

(part of the Tensioner\_Mount stl but needs to be

included if making stl from CAD files)



**EXPLODED VIEW** 

Tensioner\_Mount\_Microswitch\_[option].stl

- 1. Remove built-in support (part E) from Tensioner Mount part. A small flat bladed screwdriver placed in the notch works well.
- Install the heatset insert into the Tensioner Mount part.
- Insert the ECAS04 into the Tensioner Mount. This should be a tight press fit. One method for installing is to place the ECAS04 on a sturdy surface like a table or counter top and press the Tensioner Mount part downward onto the ECAS04. Ensure the ECAS04 is fully seated against, and aligned to the face of the Tensioner Mount.
- Although not necessary to install now, use of an ECAS04 locking Clip is required once PTFE tubing is installed.

# [OPTIONAL] TENSIONER MOUNT MICROSWITCH ASSEMBLY

### TENSIONER MOUNT ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

A B C 1x D2F-01FL-D3 Microswitch

1x MR85 Bearing

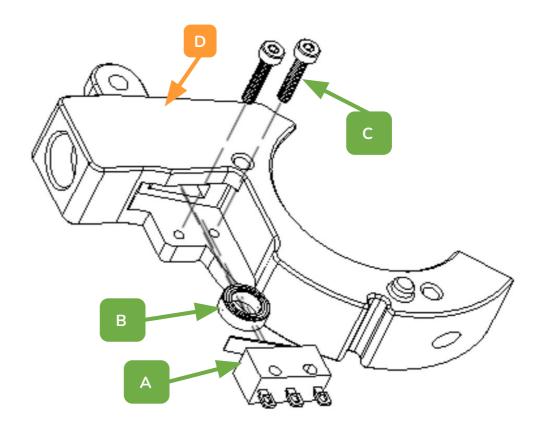
2x M2x8 screws (SHCS or BHCS)

# TENSIONER MOUNT ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)



1x 1xTensioner\_Mount\_Microswitch\_[option].stl

### **EXPLODED VIEW**



- 1. Install the MR85 bearing into the slot in the Tensioner Mount part.
- 2. Install the Microswitch into the Tensioner Mount with the lever facing towards the ECAS04 hole in the Tensioner Mount using the M2 screws cutting threads into the plastic.

# CENTER DRIVE ROLLER (CDR) ASSEMBLY

## TENSIONER ARM ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

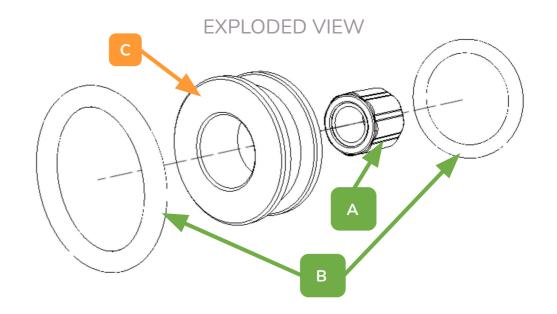


1x 1-Way Bearing 2x O-Ring

### TENSIONER ARM ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)



1x CDR.stl or 1x CDR\_Printed\_Clutch\_Assy\_[option]



- 1. Press the 1-Way Bearing into the CDR part. A bench vise, c-clamp, quick-grip/trigger ratcheting clamp, or soft jaw pliers can be used. Ensure the 1-Way bearing is centered within the CDR.
- 2. Stretch the (2) o-rings onto the CDR.

# CHASSIS ASSEMBLY OVERVIEW

# CHASSIS ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

A B 4x 688/608 Bearing 12x M3x8mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS) Tensioner Mount Assembly

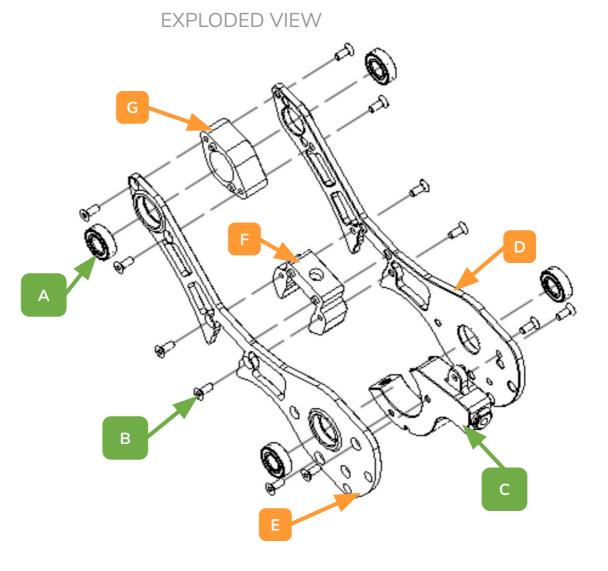
### CHASSIS ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)

E

1x Chassis\_L.stl 1x Chassis\_R.stl

F

1x 2020\_Mnt\_Center\_Spacer.stl (or, mount options pg. 23) 1x 2020\_Mnt\_Spacer\_Rear.stl (or, mount options below pg. 23)



(Rear Load configuration shown)

### STANDALONE FRONT/REAR MOUNT BOM (PER REWINDER)

Α

2x M3x8mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)

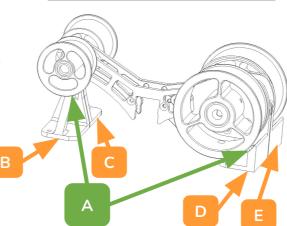
### STANDALONE FRONT/REAR MOUNT PARTS (PER REWINDER)

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1x Standalone\_Mnt\_Rear\_R\_[option]

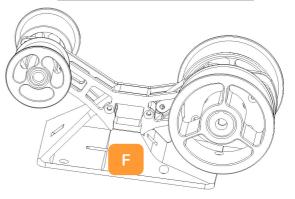
1x Standalone\_Mnt\_Front\_R\_[option]

1x Standalone\_Mnt\_Front\_L\_[option]



STANDALONE FRONT/REAR MOUNT

#### STANDALONE CENTER MOUNT



### STANDALONE CENTER MOUNT PARTS (PER REWINDER)



1x Standalone\_Cntr\_Mnt\_[option].stl

# FILAMENTALIST ENCLOSURE MOUNT BOM (PER REWINDER)

A B

2x M3x8mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS) 4x M3x12mm Socket Head Cap Screw (SHCS)

FILAMENTALIST ENCLOSURE MOUNT PARTS (PER REWINDER)

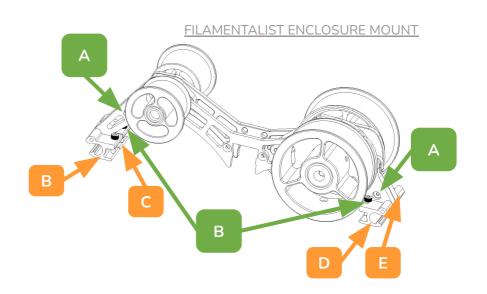


1x Fil\_Encl\_Rear\_Mnt\_R\_[option]

1x Fil\_Encl\_Rear\_Mnt\_L\_[option]

1x Fil\_Encl\_Frnt\_Mnt\_R\_[option]

1x Fil\_Encl\_Frnt\_Mnt\_L\_[option]



### CHASSIS ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

A

2x 688/608 Bearing

6x M3x8mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)

Tensioner Mount Assembly

# CHASSIS ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)

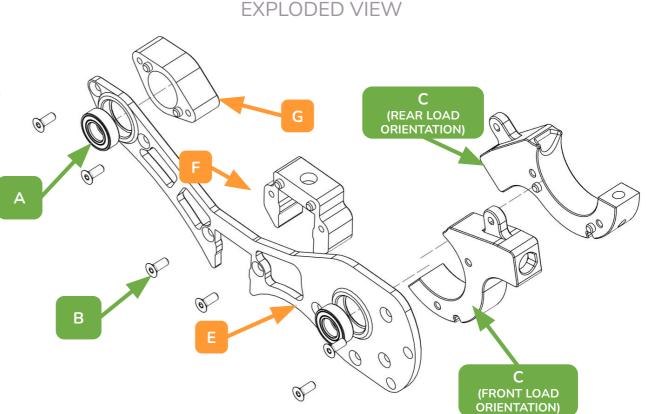
E

1x Chassis\_R.stl

1x 2020\_Mnt\_Center\_Spacer.stl (or, see Chassis Mount options pg. 23)

1x 2020\_Mnt\_Rear\_Spacer.stl

(or, see Chassis Mount options pg. 23)



- 1. Hand press (2) 688 or 608 bearings (depending on version printed) into the bearing pockets of the Chassis\_R part.
- 2. Align the pegs of 2020\_Mnt\_Rear\_Spacer with the peg pockets in Chassis\_R and secure with (2) M3x8mm FHCS screws.
  - 2.1. If using Filamentalist Enclosure mounts use Fil\_Encl\_Rear\_Mnt\_R\_[option] in place of the Spacer part (see next page).
- 3. Align the pegs of 2020\_Mnt\_Center\_Spacer with peg pockets in Chassis\_R part and secure with (2) M3x8mm FHCS screws.
  - 3.1. If not mounting to a 2020 center rail and you want a stiffer chassis, install the 1x Chassis\_Cntr\_Spacer\_[option]. If using the center Standalone mount then install the 1x Standalone\_Mnt\_R\_[option]
  - 3.2. Or, if using the Standalone mount install the Standalone\_Cntr\_Mnt part.
- 4. Secure the Tensioner Mount assembly with (2) M3x8mm FHCS screws in either the front or rear load orientation.

### CHASSIS ASSEMBLY BOM (PER REWINDER)

A B 2x 688/608 Bearing 6x M3x8mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS) Tensioner Mount Assembly

### CHASSIS ASSEMBLY PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)

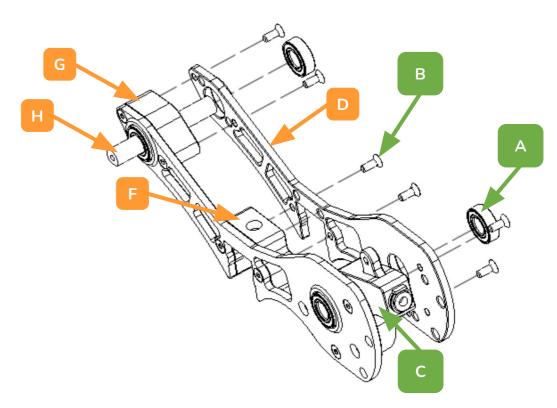
D F 1x Chassis\_L.stl

1x 2020\_Mnt\_Center\_Spacer.stl

G 1x 2020\_Mnt\_Rear\_Spacer.stl

1x Idler\_Roller\_Axle.stl

### EXPLODED VIEW



- 1. Hand press (2) 688 or 608 bearings (depending on version printed) into the bearing pockets of the Chassis\_L part.
- 2. Insert the Idler\_Roller\_Axle part through the 2020\_Mount\_Rear\_Spacer part and bearing.
- 3. If using the Filamentalist Enclosure or Front/Rear Standalone Mount options (see pg. 23) screw the two front mounts together with a M3x8 FHCS screw and insert into the peg holes at the front of the Chassis\_R part.
- 4. Secure the Chassis\_L part with (6) M3x8mm FHCS screws at the 2020\_Mnt\_Center\_Spacer, 2020\_Mnt\_Rear\_Spacer, and Tensioner Mount Assembly aligning hole locations.

### CDR/TENSIONER ARM BOM (PER REWINDER)

B C D

E F G 1x CDR Assembly

1x Tensioner Arm Assembly

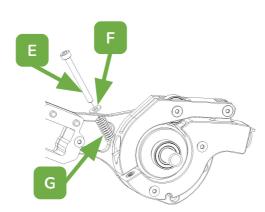
1x 8mm Steel Axle

1x M3x12mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)

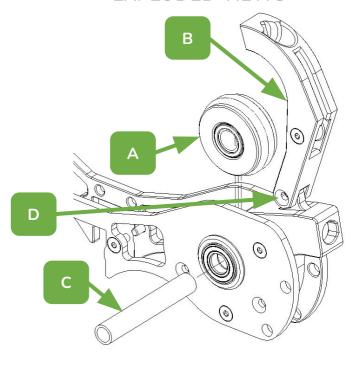
1x M3x30mm Socket Head Cap Screw (SHCS)

1x M3 Washer

1x Spring

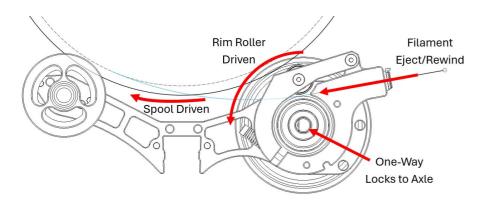


### **EXPLODED VIEWS**

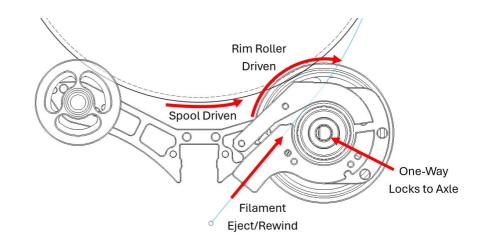


- 1. Attach Tensioner Arm Assembly with 1x M3X12mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)
- 2. Check for correct CDR/One-Way bearing orientation per pg. 27 and then drop CDR Assembly into Tensioner Mount "pocket".
- 3. Insert 8mm axle through chassis bearings and CDR assembly.
- 4. Verify correct CDR/One-Way bearing orientation per pg. 27 and repeat steps 2 and 3 if necessary.
- 5. Place an M3 washer followed by the spring onto a M3x30 SHCS screw, insert through slot in Tensioner Arm, and screw into heat set insert in the Tensioner Mount (leave spring untensioned for now).

### FRONT LOAD CONFIGURATION



### REAR/BOTTOM LOAD CONFIGURATION



One-Way bearing locks when Rim Roller/Axle is held and Center Drive Roller is rotated in the direction of filament unload/eject (in the pictures above clockwise for front load configuration, counter clockwise for rear/bottom load)

## RIM/IDLER ROLLER BOM (PER REWINDER)

A

2x Rubber Band

B C 2x M3x12-16mm Screw (Socket Head preferred)

2x M3x12mm Flat Head Cap Screw (FHCS)

### RIM/IDLER ROLLER PRINTED PARTS (PER REWINDER)



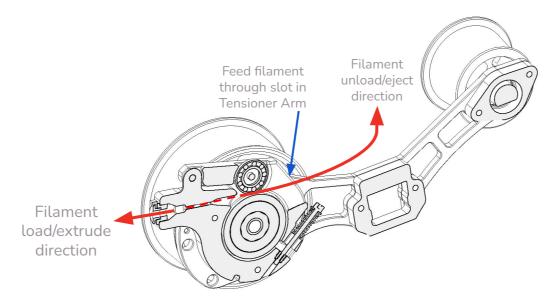
2x Rim Roller 2x Idler Roller

**EXPLODED VIEW** 

- 1. Stretch Rubber Bands onto Rim Rollers.
- 2. Ensure axle is centered within the chassis bearings within +/-1mm.
- 3. Slide Rim Rollers onto steel axle and snugly against chassis bearings. Insert M3 screws (length 12mm through 16mm) and tighten with moderate pressure against axle.
- 4. Slide Idler Rollers onto Idler Axle. Drive M3x12mm FHCS screws will be driven through the thin support web on the Idler Roller and into the Idler Axle.

Tune by setting the Tensioner Arm clamping force. The Tensioner Arm does not need an extreme amount of tension.

- 1. As a bench test (not connected to the MMU yet), insert an ~500mm length of filament into the Tensioner Arm slot, through the o-ring/bearing interface, and out the ECAS side of the Tensioner Mount.
- 2. Hold one RimRoller and try to pull the filament out in the eject direction.
- 3. The slip force/resistance should "light-to-moderate" ( $\sim$ 0.2-0.3 kg or  $\sim$ 7-10 oz). Adjust the spring tensioner screw accordingly and err on the light side for a starting point.
- 4. Once a spool is loaded on the rewinder pull ~1m of filament in the load direction. Filament should stay tight on the spool (no loose loops). If loose loops form this indicates that the One-Way Bearing/Center Drive Assembly may be installed backwards (return to CDR/TENSIONER ARM ASSEMBLY step), or the One-Way bearing is too tight on the Center Drive Roller Axle (see <u>Filamentalist Troubleshooting Guide</u>.).
- 5. Starting with a tightly packed filament roll, push filament back onto the spool to simulate an MMU unload/eject. If loose filament is forming around the filament spool during unload, tighten the spring tensioning screw. If no loose filament is forming around the filament roll, gradually reduce the spring tension until loose filament starts to accumulate and then increase tension in ~1/2 screw turn increments until you feel you have the lightest tension that results in a tightly packed unload.
- 6. Initial tuning is complete and the rewinder can now be installed into your system. Steps 4 and 5 above can be followed after rewinder installation if additional tuning is required.



You may never need to replace o-rings. Testing and extrapolation estimates that the wear-out point is greater than 5000 cycles. The impact of o-ring wear-out can be reduced by periodically swapping highly used rewinders with low use rewinders in your line-up. Also, o-rings with grooves worn in them can be swapped with their opposing partners to present the unworn side/face to the filament to extend the life of a set. For o-ring replacement, FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW:

- 1. Remove one Rim Roller and slide drive axle out of the rewinder.
- 2. Unscrew the M3x30mm Tensioner Screw, pivot the Tensioner Arm out of the way, and remove the CDR Assembly.
- 3. Remove the old o-rings (a dental pic or small flat bladed screwdriver works great).
- 4. Install a new pair of o-rings or reposition the worn o-rings to present unworn surfaces to the filament interface.
- 5. Replace the "fresh" CDR Assembly bak into the rewinder verifying that the Center Drive Roller Assembly/One-Way Bearing is in the correct orientation (see pg. 27) and reassemble the unit.

- 1. If your rewinder is not functioning properly please reference the Troubleshooting guide on Github here:

  <a href="https://github.com/Enraged-Rabbit-Community/ERCF\_v2/blob/master/Recommended\_Options/Filam-entalist-Rewinder/troubleshoot.md">https://github.com/Enraged-Rabbit-Community/ERCF\_v2/blob/master/Recommended\_Options/Filam-entalist-Rewinder/troubleshoot.md</a>
  - a. A video demonstrating the heat rework procedure for tight one-way bearings can be found at 4:20 in the Assembly Video here: <a href="https://youtu.be/-1cHOcnosxE">https://youtu.be/-1cHOcnosxE</a>
- Common questions are answered in the FAQ on Github here:
   https://github.com/Enraged-Rabbit-Community/ERCF\_v2/blob/master/Recommended\_Options/Filamentalist Rewinder/Filamentalist FAQ.md
- 3. There is an active community supporting and improving the Filamentalist rewinder on Discord here: <a href="https://discord.gg/hxe9eMWseT">https://discord.gg/hxe9eMWseT</a>