



HOW TO ADJUST YOUR OBLIQUE HOLDER

First of all, the metal attachment on your holder should hold the pen just tight enough to keep it from falling out. If it is held too tight, it will bend the pen and cause one nib to be out of place. If it is too loose, pinch together at Point F, No. 1.

Illustration No. 1. For standard size pen points, the pen should be inserted into the metal attachment until it is even with the point indicated F. The point of the pen is in good writing position if the tip is anywhere from A to B as noted on the picture. Please note that B is on the center line of the holder.

Illustration No. 2. This is a side view and is meant to show that the pen line which is the slope of the pen point looking at it from the side - is upward from the center line. Many penmen prefer the point to extend even higher at the left as you look at this picture but we believe the adjustment as shown is better.

Illustration No. 3. This is one of the most important of all adjustments. The left edge and the right edge of the pen point must line up with the center of the holder. In other words, these three points must be in a straight line.

Illustration No. 4. This view of the end of the pen holder shows the tip of the point on the center line which would be point B, illustration 1. It shows the L and R lined up with C as in No. 3. It shows the point of the pen a little above center as in No. 2.

Illustration No. 5. This is the metal attachment removed from the holder. If you desire to be proficient, you will probably want to change the angle for smaller and larger pens. With a smaller pair of pliers, straighten the flanged edge. To make more angle, cut a little off the K end and rebend the flange. To make less angle, cut a little off the M end and rebend.

If you accidentally dip the metal attachment in ink, see that you clean it all out thoroughly before it becomes dry, as this ink will harden and spring your pen point out of shape. If you want to use a smaller pen point, you will have to adjust your metal attachment and this can be done easiest by placing the desired pen point in the attachment bending round to fit the point and then bending the attachment back slightly which will open the space slightly and keep from binding the pen point. Adjust after this for the result desired in No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3. At this point, be sure again that the pen does not bind in the metal. For small points, you will not be able to insert to the point marked F in No. 1.

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