

# SWITCH KICK® QUICK RELEASE BASS DRUM BEATER SYSTEM

## WARNING!

1. Possible **FINGER PINCH POINT!** Be careful when handling the Switch Kick in your hands, as you could pinch your fingers when trying to adjust the beater head and stainless steel adapter shaft. We recommend installing it on your bass drum pedal before adjusting.

2. Possible **DRUMHEAD DAMAGE** by the fixed stainless steel adapter shaft. **DO NOT** use or leave the stainless steel adapter shaft on your bass drum pedal without a Switch Kick beater head on it. By doing so, someone could inadvertently play your bass drum pedal and possibly dent or puncture your drumhead.

**ALWAYS** keep a Switch Kick beater head on your stainless steel adapter shaft.

## HOW IT WORKS: F.A.S.T. = FLIP, ADJUST, SWITCH, TOOL-LESS

### Flip the beater 180 degrees

If using a double sided beater head, such as the Two-Way Kick, you can use either side of the head by simply rotating the beater 180 degrees to the left or the right.

### Adjust the height to 9 different levels

Depending on the size of your bass drum or the feel you want for the style of music you are playing, you can adjust the height of the beater to most any height you desire.

To do so, disengage the Switch Kick by turning the beater head 90 degrees to the left or the right. Then pull up or push down to adjust to your desired height. Once you set the height, turn the beater head 90 degrees to the left or the right to lock and engage.

*Note: The lower the height of the beater head the lighter and quicker the beater feels. The higher the height of the beater head the more powerful and “behind the beat” it feels.*

### Switch to over 10 different beater heads

We offer a wide variety of additional beater heads to fit all your drumming needs. Visit [AheadDrumsticks.com](http://AheadDrumsticks.com) to see the full line.

To switch out your Switch Kick beater head:

1. Simply turn the beater head 90 degrees to the left or the right until it is disengaged.

2. Pull up and remove the existing Switch Kick beater head from the stainless steel adapter shaft.

3. Install the new Switch Kick beater head by inserting the beater head and sliding it sideways onto the stainless steel adapter shaft to the desired height. Then, turn the beater head 90 degrees to the left or the right to lock and engage.

### Tool-less design

Once you have installed the fixed stainless steel adapter shaft and mounted it with a drum key to your bass drum pedal assembly, you don't need to use a drum key to Flip, Adjust or Switch!

## HOW TO INSTALL

1. Your new Switch Kick beater should be pre-set and ready to go right out of the box, just insert the “**flat part**” of the adapter shaft into the pedal assembly facing the setscrew. Then tighten the setscrew and you are ready to go.

2. If not pre-set, insert the fixed stainless steel adapter shaft into your bass drum pedal assembly, making sure to align the “**flat part**” at the bottom of the adapter shaft (designed to face/align with the bass drum pedal assembly setscrew) while also aligning the adapter shaft so that the “**rounded tooth**” section is facing the drumhead.

**DO NOT** insert the adapter shaft in all the way; allow an 1/8” or more so that the beater head can go to the lowest setting. For extra length, pull the adapter shaft out of the pedal assembly as much as an additional 1/2”.

*Note: DW 9000 pedals will need to use the additional adjacent flat part of adapter shaft.*

3. Then insert the aluminum Two-Way Kick beater head and slide it sideways onto the stainless steel adapter shaft to the desired height for you and your bass drum. To lock and engage, turn the Two-Way Kick beater head 90 degrees to the left or the right.

For more information visit our website at [www.AheadDrumsticks.com](http://www.AheadDrumsticks.com)

# 1 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

The AHEAD Switch Kick comes with a **1 YEAR Limited Warranty** against manufacturer's defects. AHEAD warrants its Switch Kick against defects in material and workmanship for a period of **1 YEAR** from the date of purchase, subject to the following:

1. Because AHEAD cannot control usage of this product. AHEAD's sole responsibility will be replacement of defective merchandise. AHEAD will not be responsible for damage to person or equipment due to the use of this product. **There is a possible finger pinch point!** Be careful when handling the Switch Kick in your hands, as you could pinch your fingers when trying to adjust the beater head and stainless steel adapter shaft. We recommend installing it on your bass drum pedal before adjusting.

2. There is possible drumhead damage by the fixed stainless steel adapter shaft. **DO NOT** use or leave the stainless steel adapter shaft on your bass drum pedal without a Switch Kick beater head on it. By doing so, someone could inadvertently play your bass drum pedal and possibly dent or puncture your drumhead. **ALWAYS** keep a Switch Kick beater head on your stainless steel adapter shaft.

3. The warranty is not applicable to misuse and does not apply if any alterations have been made.

For all warranty claims purchased in the USA, Canada and Mexico, the defective product must be sent with a copy of the sales receipt, post paid to:

**AHEAD Drumsticks**  
**c/o Big Bang Distribution**  
**9420 Reseda Blvd., PMB 350**  
**Northridge, CA 91324**

Allow up to 2-4 weeks for shipping and handling. For AHEAD Switch Kick components purchased outside of the USA, Canada and Mexico, please refer to your local distributor.

For a list of distributors, visit [www.AheadDrumsticks.com](http://www.AheadDrumsticks.com)