



**RESENCE**

AHEAD OF TIME

**TYPE 8**

USER MANUAL





## PHILOSOPHY

RESSENCE watches are designed from the outside to the inside. Although strikingly innovative, the technologies implemented are relegated behind the scenes. The user experience being more important. ALL RESSENCE watches share the same inimitable DNA. The main dial, as well as the auxiliary hour dial, revolve continuously, behaving like moons around a planet. This means that the face of the watch changes continuously - which is the essence of Time.



## DESIGNED IN BELGIUM

MADE IN SWITZERLAND

We design and engineer our watches in Antwerp, Belgium. At the origin of every RESSENCE watch lays a similar question: How can we improve its functionality? How can we intensify its user experience? To meet the highest quality standards, your watch is produced and assembled in Fleurier, Switzerland.



## USER EXPERIENCE

DRIVEN BY INNOVATION

At RESSENCE, we go beyond providing useful functions on a watch. Our watches are a joy to own but most importantly to use, to feel, to touch. It is physical, almost magical yet always relevant.

RESSENCE's experience is ahead of its time.

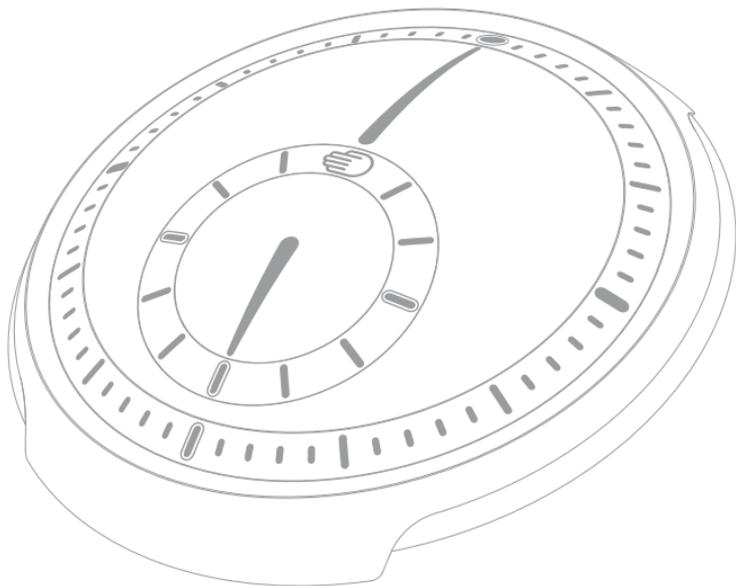


# INNOVATIONS

## CO-PLANAR DISCS TO INDICATE THE TIME

It was in 2010 on the ZERO SERIES prototypes that we unveiled for the first time the patented invention on which rests our new expression of Time: ROCS which stands for Ressence Orbital Convex System. Fully designed and developed in-house, this unique horological complication module is composed of co-planar discs and rings of different sizes, curved to match the bend of the glass that covers them. Recto, the discs create a flush dial. Verso, they serve as platina and bridges to the module with a large number of components - from 98 components for the TYPE 8 [ROCS 8] up to 391 components for the TYPE 2 [ROCS 2].

Each of the time indications of a RESSENCE watch is generated by the ROCS from a single piece of information provided by the automatic base movement: the minute. With the ROCS, time-information is displayed on a single surface, both eyes see a same image (like words on a sheet of paper), while on a traditional watch, where the hands and dial are superposed, the projected image is different for each of the two eyes because of its 3D nature. The choice to focus on the minute disc is also dictated by a concern for legibility. In most cases, this is the information you first look for when checking your watch. Every minute that passes, you observe a different dial.





# INNOVATIONS

## NO CROWN

In the pursuit of improved ergonomics, the organic design of the RESSENCE watches becomes imperative in obtaining a completely sleek surface. The case is virtually invisible and the crown has disappeared from the scene. Right and left-handers are now equally well-served. On TYPE 8 the crown is replaced by an alternative of ingenious simplicity, namely, the rotating case back of the watch, which assumes the functions of manual winding and time setting. Behind the easy setting / winding mechanism system also lies the logical principle that the watch only needs to be set when it has stopped. Simply setting the watch winds it at the same time.





## TECHNICAL FEATURES

FUNCTIONS	· Hours, Minutes
DIAL (ROCS 8)	· Patented ROCS 8 - Ressence Orbital Convex System - driven by the minute axle · Grade 5 titanium convex dial [75mm radius] running on a jewel ball bearing with eccentric satellites rolling on jewel ball-bearings inclined at 9,75° [hours] · Engraved indications filled with Superluminova
MOVEMENT	· Customised and reinforced 2892/2 base calibre · Self-winding · 36 hours power reserve · 28,800 vibrations per hour · 31 jewels · 4 ball bearings
CASE	· Sandwich architecture · Polished / Satinated Grade 5 titanium · Domed sapphire crystals · 42,9mm [diameter] x 11,9 mm [thickness] · Caseback winding and time setting · 1 ATM splash-resistance
STRAP & BUCKLE	· Polished ardillon Buckle in grade 5 titanium · Calf strap 20-20mm
COMPONENTS	· 188
WEIGHT	· 42 grams including strap [33g ex-strap]



## HOW TO READ THE TIME





## SETTING YOUR WATCH

The TYPE 8 has a unique setting mechanism. Unlike traditional watches, the TYPE 8 has no crown for winding or setting the watch. The different actions normally carried out with a crown are done by turning the case back of the watch clockwise and/or counter clockwise. Important notice is to always turn slowly when winding or setting.

### WE RECOMMEND TO:

1

Manually wind the watch if necessary

2

Set the Hours

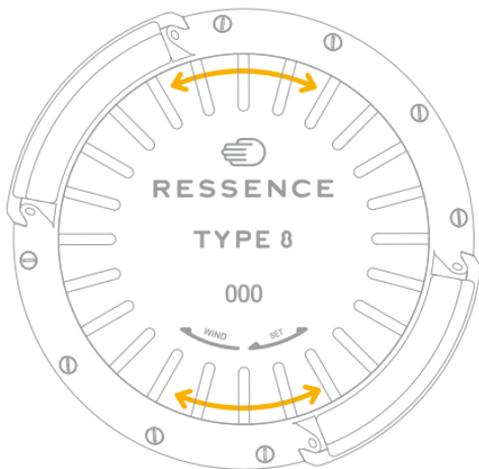
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Set the minutes



## 1. MANUAL WINDING

Turning the caseback clockwise (when looking at the caseback) will wind the watch manually over a short section. The winding section starts when you feel a stronger resistance. A winding sound is perceptible when rotating over the section followed by a “click” sound when leaving it. While manually winding, the time will change accordingly. It is therefore recommended to wind by slowly oscillating the caseback back and forth over the winding section about twenty times. (like a disc jockey would)



## 2. TIME SETTING

The hour indication is directly connected to the minute indication. This means you will need to turn the caseback one full turn to add one hour. It is recommended to set the time by turning the caseback counter-clockwise (when looking at the caseback). Turning both ways does not affect any internal organ of the watch.





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### **HOW CAN I CHANGE THE STRAPS?**

We use the standard system of push pins for the straps. To access the pin, slide the strap sideways over the lugs.

### **IS MY TYPE 8 SHOCK RESISTANT?**

We have developed a special shock absorber between the base calibre and the ROCS. Nevertheless, we recommend wearing a TYPE 8 as a dress watch and not as a sports watch. It is made for your everyday life but must be treated with the care it deserves.

### **IS MY TYPE 8 WATER RESISTANT?**

Your watch is what we call splash resistant. It is not meant to go under water.

### **WHEN DO I NEED TO SERVICE MY TYPE 8 ?**

Your TYPE 8 does not require more frequent servicing than a traditional watch. It is advisable to carry out a full service at an authorized Ressence Service Center once every three to five years. We recommend that you have the water resistance checked once a year. Please note the service frequency also depends on the climate and your own individual care of the watch.



## WARRANTY

### 2 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE

We go to great lengths to ensure that our watches are both genuine and enjoy many years of good service. Each watch comes with an individual identification serial number, which can be checked against our records to prove its authenticity. Even our warranty cards are protected against tampering - made by Prooftag, each card displays a randomly generated pattern of bubbles that is unique in positioning, shape and size. The card cannot be replicated - not even by Prooftag.

The card - once completed, dated, signed and stamped by the authorised RESSENCE retailer who sold the watch - makes the warranty valid. This guarantees our watches against all manufacturing defects for 2 years from the date of purchase. To make a claim against this warranty, please simply present your watch and completed warranty card to any authorised RESSENCE retailer. Any card stamped by a non authorised RESSENCE retailer is invalid.

The warranty does not cover damage caused by inappropriate use or handling of the watch. It excludes wear and tear, damage caused by accident or careless handling accordingly to the warranty terms.

One last thing: in the unlikely event that your RESSENCE watch needs repairing, or when the time comes to duly maintain it, all work must be conducted by an authorised Ressence Service Center. Unfortunately, failure to observe the above conditions invalidates the warranty.



## MAINTENANCE

### EVERY 3 TO 5 YEARS

A RESSENCE watch comprises many dozens of tiny, often delicate parts, carefully combined to make a robust, high precision timepiece. Each example is assembled with the utmost care - but some things are beyond our control. Shocks, magnetic fields and even gravity can, over time, affect the performance of its regulating parts - those that work to count out the passing of time, normally with such accuracy. This is true of any mechanical watch.

As such, we recommend that it undergoes a complete overhaul every 3 to 5 years, depending on how tough a life it has led. This will ensure that your RESSENCE watch enjoys a long, trouble-free life as an exemplar of precision time-keeping and high grade mechanics, and will preserve its value. This overhaul should only be conducted

at an authorised Ressence Service Center. This will be best placed to appreciate and restore the particular intricacies of a RESSENCE watch.

We also advise that each year your RESSENCE watch undergoes a water-resistance test. This will ensure that the gaskets that protect your watch from humidity and dust remain at maximum efficiency.

The service centre can also demagnetise your watch, which will help re-establish the normal rate of operation and accuracy. It is just a fact of modern life that, thanks to our use of electronic devices, TVs and, occasionally, x-ray machines, the environment is replete with sources of strong magnetism. These can affect the running of a mechanical watch.



All RESSENCE watches undergo rigorous quality control in compliance with the highest standards of the Swiss watchmaking industry. After being pre-tested in Switzerland, the entire watch cased-up is controlled internally over a period of 500 hours. The R500H - RESSENCE 500 Hours - takes place in our headquarters and consists of the 6 following operations.

Rating Regularity Control

Water Resistance: 1 to 10 ATM

Power-Reserve Control: 36 hours

Shock Resistance

Temperature Resistance: 5°C to 45°C

Aesthetics Control

# OUR MILESTONES

2022

**TYPE 8**, Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.

2020

**TYPE 2**, The first mechanical watch with a smart crown. e-Crown® is a patented and in-house-developed technology that sets the Type 2 automatically to the correct time.

2018

2018 We introduce the Type 2 e-Crown® Concept.  
The first mechanical watch with a smart crown.

2017

**TYPE 1<sup>2</sup>**, the first cushion shaped RESSENCE is launched.

2016

The Cultural Council of the FHH certifies that RESSENCE meets **HAUTE HORLOGERIE** standards of excellence, the techniques of watchmaking in symbiosis with the applied arts.

2015

**TYPE 5**, the first mechanical diver watch to be perfectly readable underwater regardless of the viewing angle, is launched.

2014

The **TYPE 3**, the first ever oil-filled mechanical watch takes the watch industry by surprise. It is applauded as one of the most innovative watches of the year.

2013

We release the **TYPE 1**, our most stripped back watch to date.

2012

We introduce the **SERIES ONE**, a 150 piece edition based on the ZERO SERIES.

2011

The **ZERO SERIES**, a limited run of 50 pieces, is launched to meet the demand of connoisseurs around the globe. It sells out.

2010

Benoît Mintiens introduces three functional **PROTOTYPES** at Baselworld. Our new concept receives ecstatic reviews.

# NOTES

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