

## “Pfaff Creative Grand Hoop Lesson”

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Before embroidering *any design* in the “Grand Hoop, you will need to calibrate the hoop in your 2140.2144/2170 **each time you use it!** You need to be sure that you have the two embroidery files that make up the Grand Hoop (example: PAsewing.vp3 & PBsewing.vp3) as well as the **ESQ** file (example filename: Sewing.esq) in the same place on your machine, whether they are in a Grand Hoop folder that you created, in the Sequence folder on your machine or on a Pfaff blank card. (See Instructions for creating the ESQ file)

#### Preparing your fabric:

1. Unscrew **BOTH** screws on the hoop and *carefully* hoop your fabric and stabilizer together on a flat surface. (*Hint: Adhere the stabilizer to the fabric, if possible; makes for a better stitch out.*) Now, tighten **both screws** simultaneously with even pressure. When finished, put on the hoop clips.
2. Put your Grand Hoop table on the machine and attach **Side A** to the machine.

Now, let’s calibrate the machine for the Grand Hoop.

#### Calibrating the Grand Hoop

1. Side A is already attached to the machine.
2. From the Main Menu, tap **Embroidery**.
3. Tap the **More Options** icon and then tap the **Hoop** icon and then touch **AUTO**. Tap **OK**.
4. Tap the **Context Menu** (Red icon at the bottom of the screen).
5. Scroll down to **Adjust Grand Hoop**.
6. Follow the **on screen instructions exactly**. Tap **OK**.  
*You might want to consider removing the “embroidery foot” when you are instructed to put a mark on your fabric so you have a clearer view of where the needle penetrates the fabric.*  
You will be on **Side B** when you finish with the calibration and that’s OK.
7. Tap the **Mini Menu** then **Card/Machine** then tap the **Machine icon**. Scroll with arrows and select the **ESQ** file stored on your machine or card. Tap **OK**.  
*The designs should be aligned. If not, do so at this time using the .*

You are already set up with the hoop in the machine so just Tap the **Baste icon** and follow the on-screen instructions, rotating the hoop when message is displayed.

When you are finished basting then you will get a message to rotate hoop for the other side, just follow the instructions and start your embroidery with **Side B**. It doesn’t matter what side you start embroidering on when you have sent your embroidery designs to the machine through File Assistant and then created the ESQ file (The exception would be if alignment stitches have been put in the embroidery files specifying what side to embroider first). If you send your Grand Hoop designs to the machine via the Send 1 from the *computer*, Side A will embroider first.