



## #MG22 FLASH SILK VANISHER

Read these directions very carefully. This product uses flammable material and is for professional use only. The manufacturer is not responsible for any injury or *liability* that is the result of the user's failure to follow the specific instructions stated below.

### **DIRECTIONS:**

Prepare the Flash Silk Vanisher for use by attaching the elastic to you or your coat. There are two standard methods of wearing an elastic pull gimmick: (#1) Loop the elastic around your waist ending up with the gimmick hanging hip high at your side, or (#2) pin the gimmick to the back inside of your suit jacket at the top near the collar. The gimmick must not hang lower than your waist (back center). With any method, adjust the elastic tension to suit your individual needs.

Note the heavy duty striker wheel on the gimmick; it strikes towards the center of the cavity (see diagram below). Strike it a few times to break it in. Now take a small wad of Flash Cotton, Q-tip size, fluff it up and put it under the clip so that sparks from the wheel will hit it.

The Flash Silk Vanisher is now ready for use. From this time forward, don't point it at any person or flammable object. At the appropriate time in your act, strike the wheel and immediately release the gimmick. The gimmick disappearing in a flash of fire will result.

### **CAUTION**

Remember that heat rises. Be sure that your palms are below, or to the side of the Cotton before you strike the wheel.

NEVER USE FLASH PAPER; it burns too slowly for this effect and can be very dangerous.

### **TIPS:**

We know you'll find your own style to handle this prop, but the basic way is as follows: Secretly grab the gimmick with one hand, at the same time cause a distraction by picking up a silk with your other hand. Your suit jacket must be open to make a natural steal of the gimmick. As soon as you grab the gimmick, quickly extract it into a closed fist, simultaneously turning it so that the cotton is palm up. Instantly, with the silk in your other hand, start stuffing it into the concealed gimmick. When the silk is completely enclosed, strike the wheel toward the silk chamber opening with either thumb. After a few tests you'll quickly learn to release the pull simultaneously when the flash occurs. Further practice will aid you in not flinching and in proper handling.

Occasionally, the flint in the striker wheel assembly will have to be replaced. Flints are readily available at most drug stores. To replace, grasp the striker wheel assembly firmly with pliers and pull it out. The bottom of the assembly will unscrew, exposing the flint chamber. Be careful not to lose the spring and spring head inside. Drop in a new flint and reassemble.

When the wheel gets hard to turn, remove the flint and spring as above. Then run the wheel under hot tap water and spin it. This will dissolve residue build-up. Allow the wheel to dry before replacing the flint.

### **WARNING!!!**

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