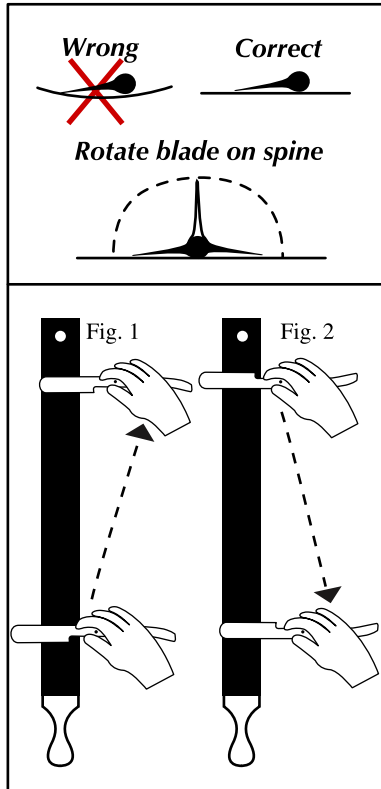


B&G PROFORMA STROP™



Your strop has been pretreated with neatsfoot oil, some staining may appear after treatment, this doesn't effect the strop in any way. (Treatment should be done approximately every 6-12 months or as needed depending on climate.)

Hold the handle of the strop firmly in the left or right hand so it cannot sag. Hold it close to the side, and as high as it is comfortable. Take razor into the empty hand, holding the shank of razor with the thumb and next two fingers so that the razor can be rolled in the same manner as a pencil. Strop the razor, by using a long diagonal stroke with even light pressure from the heel to the point.

Note: The direction of the razor in stropping is the reverse of that used in honing. SPINE LEADING

First stroke. Start about three quarters down the strop, as in Fig. 1. Lay the back (spine) of the razor on the strop rotating and setting the edge of the blade down on the surface facing toward you, slide the razor towards the eyelet on the strop for a distance of twelve to eighteen inches.

Second stroke. When the first stroke is completed, turn the razor on the back of the blade (spine) by rolling it in the fingers without turning the hand, as in Fig. 2. Now draw the razor twelve inches to eighteen inches toward you, thus completing the second stroke in honing. Bear just heavy enough on the strop to feel the razor draw. Rapid movement is necessary, and this will come to you gradually as you practice.

To add a sharpening paste to this strop, it is recommended to use the reverse side (rough side). Use a light even coat of paste rubbing it in with palm of hand.