BULOVA

A-15 PILOT

A-15 PILOT WATCH In 1943, the United States Army Air Forces initiated a project to test a new pilots' watch that was developed by Bulova. The test watch was described by the USAAF as a "Type A-15 Elapsed Time Watch" and was designed to meet the specific requirements of pilots navigating by radio aids, dead reckoning, or pilotage. The type A-15 was developed with

- Automatic movement
- Powered by the natural motion of the wearer's arm with 42-hour power reserve
- 21-jewel bearings reduce friction and improve accuracy
- Dial features two rotating inner rings that are operated by the 2H and 4H crowns. They measure elapsed time in minutes and hours, and the hours ring can also be set to indicate a second time zone
- · Sapphire Domed Crystal with anti-reflective coating
- · Supple top-stitched leather strap to complete the look
- · Crafted in solid stainless steel
- · Water resistant to 30 meters

SETTING INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: Pull out the crown. Turn crown to move the hands forward (clockwise) to set the time. Set the minute hand approximately 5 minutes ahead of the desire minute marker, then back to the same marker. STEP 2: Push the crown back to the "IN" position.

SPECIAL ELAPSED TIME FEATURE

There are two movable rings at the outer edge of the watch dial:

- One ring for hours that have numbers 0 (∇) to 11.
- One ring for minutes that has numbers 0 (♥) to 55.
 These rings are adjusted using the crowns located at the right side of the watch at the 2 and 4 o'clock positions.

A. To Keep Track of Elapsed Minutes:

Turn the crown at 2 o'clock until the arrow ('zero' minutes on the movable minute ring) is in line with the minute hand. Once it is set, as the minute hand moves, elapsed minutes will be indicated on the outer minute ring.

B. To Keep Track of Elapsed Hours:

Turn the crown at 4 o'clock until the arrow ('zero' minutes on the movable hour ring) is in line with the hour hand. Once it is set, as the hour hand moves, elapsed hours will be indicated on the outer hour ring.

