

A combination reel, what's that?

For a better understanding , first lets have a look at the two basic designs

Direct Drive

Distinguishing feature:

The retrieving handle is directly attached to the spool.
The handle spins around as a fish takes line.

Disadvantage :

The spinning handle can hit your fingers. Whenever you are holding the handle, the drag system will not operate and can cause the fish to break off.

Advantage :

The ability to apply pressure to the fish, overriding the drag system.

Anti Reverse

Distinguishing feature:

There is a clutch between handle and the spool. This allows a fish to pull line with a force greater than the drag setting. As line is pulled off of the reel, the handle does not spin with the spool.

Disadvantage :

The clutch can slip because you cannot override the drag setting, when landing a fish.

Advantage :

Whenever a fish pulls line with a force greater than the drag setting, he will pull line off of the reel protecting from break-offs. Besides the handle cannot hurt your fingers.

A combination reel combines the advantages of the Direct Drive and Anti Reverse reel designs.

reeling in : advantage Direct Drive

fish takes line : advantage Anti Reverse

Whenever the fisherman lets go of the crank, or moves the crank back from retrieving direction, the reel operates like an Anti Reverse reel so that the fish can take line against a preset brake setting. The fisherman can move the crank in either direction **at any time** (changing modes) while fighting a fish. Since the linkage method of the combination reels *by Henschel®* is achieved by increased friction, there is no intermediate undefined position as in some reels which engages by form locking.

***Henschel Reels* manufactures its combination reels exclusively with friction locking action which allows the fisherman to concentrate on fighting the fish and not be distracted by his gear and broken tippetts.**

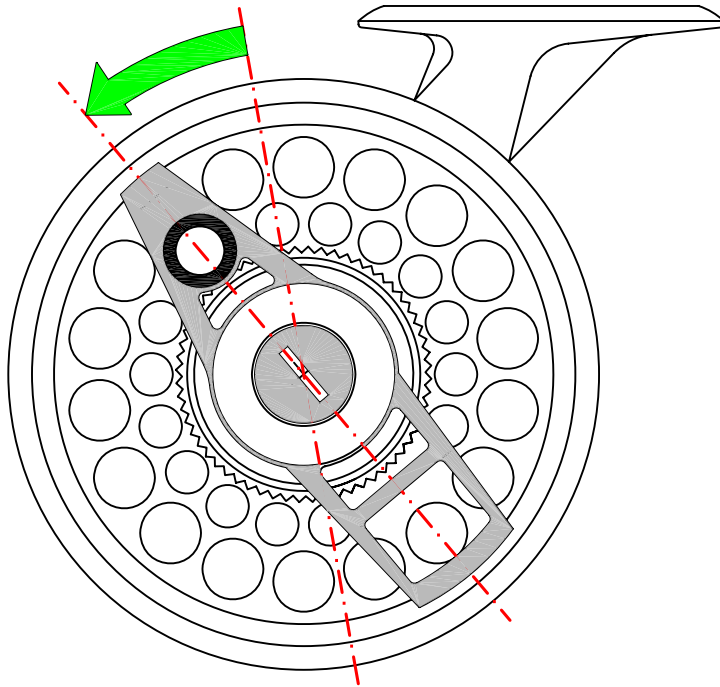
Dual Mode the combination reels with the **classic design**

Ulti Mode the combination reels with the **Large Arbor design** and the **quick change spool**

Power & Speed the combination reel with the **outstanding design**

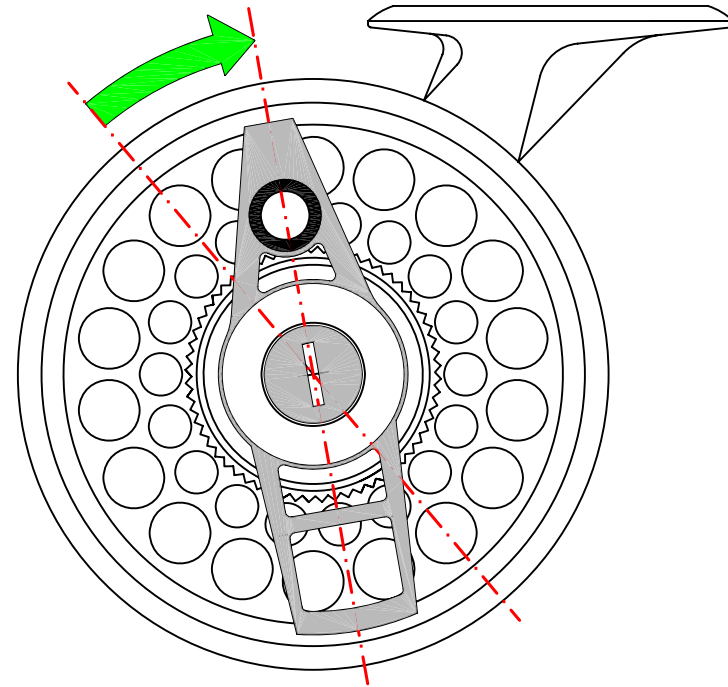
Explanation of how a Combination Reel switches from Direct Drive to Anti Reverse and back again

Switching from Anti Reverse to Direct Drive is simply done by moving the retrieving handle in the direction of the retrieve. Moving the handle forward, engages the Direct Drive.



Reeling in, or pressing the handle in the retrieve direction shifts the reel into Direct Drive Mode.

Switching from Direct Drive to Anti Reverse is done by letting go of the handle or moving the retrieving handle against the direction of retrieve.



Moving the handle against the retrieving direction, or letting go of the handle shifts the reel into Anti Reverse Mode.