TIPS FOR SUCCESS WITH GLIDE THREAD – These tips come from the manufacturer and were given to a long arm quilting customer.

- USE THREAD NETS ON TOP THREAD AND ON CONE USED TO WIND BOBBIN
- USE # 14, 16 OR 18 NEEDLES, BUT TEST FIRST***
- MOST SUCESSFUL WITH MAGNA GLIDE BOBBINS (AFTER REMOVING BACKLASH SPRING FROM YOUR BOBBIN CASE).
- BEST TO HAVE A SEPARATE BOBBIN CASE.
- IF USING YOUR OWN BOBBINS, REMOVE BACKLASH SPRING & ADD SILICONE 'M' SIZE MAGIC GENIE BOBBIN WASHER
- USE THE PIGTAIL
- MOST PEOPLE LOOSEN THE TENSION, WHEN THEY SHOULD BE TIGHTENING BECAUSE GLIDE IS VERY SLICK.
- USE TITANIUM OR TEFLON COATED NEEDLE (TL GROZ BECKERTS ARE TITANIUM)
- TOWA BOBBIN CASE SETTING SHOULD BE IN RED ZONE (35-45)
- TOP THREAD TENSION SHOULD FEEL SAME AS ANY OTHER THREAD WHEN PULLING FROM NEEDLE (Have thread above foot. Foot down. Wrap thread around forefinger and hold thread directly behind eye of needle. Now apply pressure to thread with thumb. Needle should deflect very slightly and tug of thread should feel same as any other thread.
- OTHER THREADS CAN CREATE A "CHANNEL" IN THE EYE OF THE NEEDLE, CAUSING THE GLIDE TO FRAY, SO ALWAYS USE A FRESH NEEDLE FOR GLIDE.

*** TO TEST NEEDLE: Before putting needle in machine, cut a piece of thread 2-3 feet long. Thread one end onto needle. hold one end of the thread up and the other down. Needle should slide freely along thread. If it catches at all, or doesn't slide easily from end to end of the thread, the needle eye is too small or it could have a burr. Either way, try a different needle.

Note: The manufacturers are currently trying and testing new techniques and coatings to make Glide more user-friendly, so keep your eyes and ears open for these improved products!