Prewinding is necessary only on shades that drift downward after reaching the UP position. Most shades do not require prewinding. To determine if a shade requires prewinding: Install the shade per the “Automated Roller Shade Instructions Manual,” then run it through a full cycle of movement, from UP to DOWN to UP. If the shade drifts back down after reaching the UP position, then it requires a prewind using a Prewind Safety Wrench.

Read and understand all instructions before applying prewinds. Always wear personal protection equipment. Use a ladder per its manufacturer’s instructions whenever a shade is out of reach. Never over-wind a spring. Stand clear of the Safety Wrench at all times. Work safely!

Always wear personal protection equipment, including safety glasses and gloves, when adding prewinds. You will be winding a spring that could accelerate the wrench and/or send the wrench flying. Stand clear of the wrench at all times. If the shade is out of reach, use a ladder per its manufacturer’s instructions.

Install shade per “Automated Roller Shade Instruction Manual”
(1) Determine spring end of shade. Standard Roll Shade's Spring is on the shades right end. Reverse Roll Shade's Spring is on the shade's left end.

(2) Remove the spring end from its Mounting Bracket. To prevent damage to the motor end bracket, do not move spring end more than 4” from bracket.

(3A) Place the Prewind Safety Wrench (Part Number: 9500171) on the spindle by first seating the Shade Spindle into the Prewind Safety Wrench groove.

(3B) Rotate the Prewind Safety Wrench 90 degrees counter clockwise with the Spindle in the safety wrench groove.

(3C) Pull the Prewind Safety Wrench down so that the Spindle is properly seated and engaged in the Prewind Safety Wrench.

(4) To prewind the shade give 1/2 to 1 full rotation (depending on shade drift) in the direction opposite of the fabric roll-off. DO NOT over-wind the spring.

(5) While holding the spindle with the Prewind Safety Wrench firmly gripped, return the shade to its Mounting Bracket.

When the Spindle is fully seated in the Mounting Bracket, carefully remove the Prewind Safety Wrench by pushing up, then sliding the Wrench off and away from the Spindle, without unseating the Spindle from the Mounting Bracket.

Be Advised: The prewind on the shade spring will unwind when the spindle is removed from the Mounting Bracket.