

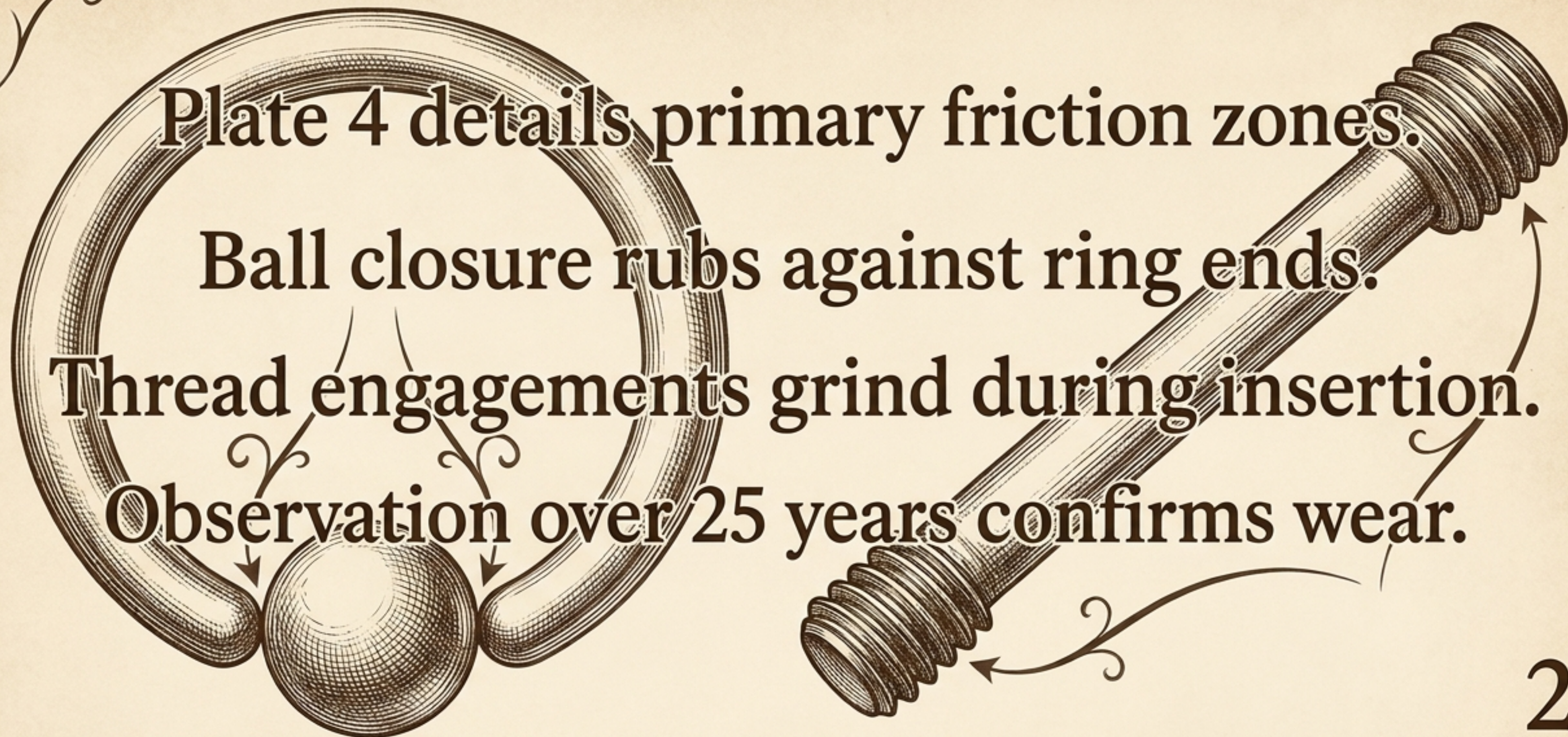
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Plate 4 details primary friction zones.

Ball closure rubs against ring ends.

Thread engagements grind during insertion.

Observation over 25 years confirms wear.



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Daily contact and movement cause friction at jewellery closures.
Scratched titanium dioxide repairs itself.