Owner's Manual & Safety Instructions

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⚠WARNING

Read this material before using this product. Failure to do so can result in serious injury. SAVE THIS MANUAL.

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SAFETY

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WARNING SYMBOLS AND DEFINITIONS	
⚠	This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.
⚠ DANGER	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
⚠ WARNING	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
⚠ CAUTION	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.
NOTICE CAUTION	Addresses practices not related to personal injury.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

General Power Tool Safety Warnings

⚠ WARNING

Read all safety warnings, instructions, illustrations and specifications provided with this power tool.

Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.

Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.

The term "power tool" in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

1. **Work area safety**
   a. **Keep work area clean and well lit.** *Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.*
   b. **Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** *Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.*
   c. **Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool.** *Distractions can cause you to lose control.*

2. **Electrical safety**

   a. **Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools.** *Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.*

   b. **Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces, such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.** *There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed or grounded.*

   c. **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** *Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.*

   d. **Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts.** *Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.*

   e. **When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** *Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.*

   f. **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected supply.** *Use of a GFCI reduces the risk of electric shock.*

3. **Personal safety**

   a. **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** *A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.*

   b. **Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** *Protective equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.*

   c. **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.** *Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energizing power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.*

   d. **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** *A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.*

   e. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** *This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.*

   f. **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts.** *Loose clothes, jewelry or long hair can be caught in moving parts.*

   g. **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** *Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.*

   h. **Do not let familiarity gained from frequent use of tools allow you to become complacent and ignore tool safety principles.** *A careless action can cause severe injury within a fraction of a second.*

   i. Only use safety equipment that has been approved by an appropriate standards agency. Unapproved safety equipment may not provide adequate protection. Eye protection must be ANSI-approved and breathing protection must be NIOSH-approved for the specific hazards in the work area.

   j. Avoid unintentional starting. Prepare to begin work before turning on the tool.

   k. Do not lay the tool down until it has come to a complete stop. Moving parts can grab the surface and pull the tool out of your control.

   l. When using a handheld power tool, maintain a firm grip on the tool with both hands to resist starting torque.

   m. Do not depress the spindle lock when starting or during operation.

   n. Do not leave the tool unattended when it is plugged into an electrical outlet. Turn off the tool, and unplug it from its electrical outlet before leaving.

   o. This product is not a toy. Keep it out of reach of children.

   p. People with pacemakers should consult their physician(s) before use. Electromagnetic fields in close proximity to heart pacemaker could cause pacemaker interference or pacemaker failure. In addition, people with pacemakers should:
   • Avoid operating alone.
   • Do not use with Trigger locked on.
   • Properly maintain and inspect to avoid electrical shock.
   • Properly ground power cord.
   Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) should also be implemented – it prevents sustained electrical shock.

q. The warnings, precautions, and instructions discussed in this instruction manual cannot cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. It must be understood by the operator that common sense and caution are factors which cannot be built into this product, but must be supplied by the operator.

4. **Power tool use and care**

a. **Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application.** *The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.*

b. **Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off.** *Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.*

c. **Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or remove the battery pack, if detachable, from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools.** *Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.*

d. **Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool.** *Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.*

e. **Maintain power tools and accessories. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use.** *Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.*

f. **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** *Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.*

g. **Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits etc. in accordance with these instructions, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed.** *Use of the power tool for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.*

h. **Keep handles and grasping surfaces dry, clean and free from oil and grease.** *Slippery handles and grasping surfaces do not allow for safe handling and control of the tool in unexpected situations.*

5. **Service**

a. **Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.** *This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.*

b. Maintain labels and nameplates on the tool. These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.

6. **Cutting procedures**

a. **⚠DANGER: Keep hands away from cutting area and the blade.** *If both hands are holding the saw, they cannot be cut by the blade.*

b. **Do not reach underneath the workpiece.** *The guard cannot protect you from the blade below the workpiece.*

c. **Adjust the cutting depth to the thickness of the workpiece.** *Less than a full tooth of the blade teeth should be visible below the workpiece.*

d. **Never hold the workpiece in your hands or across your leg while cutting. Secure the workpiece to a stable platform.** *It is important to support the work properly to minimise body exposure, blade binding, or loss of control.*

e. **Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces, when performing an operation where the cutting tool may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** *Contact with a "live" wire will also make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.*

f. **When ripping, always use a rip fence or straight edge guide.** *This improves the accuracy of cut and reduces the chance of blade binding.*

g. **Always use blades with correct size and shape (diamond versus round) of arbor holes.** *Blades that do not match the mounting hardware of the saw will run off-center, causing loss of control.*

h. **Never use damaged or incorrect blade washers or bolt.** *The blade washers and bolt were specially designed for your saw, for optimum performance and safety of operation.*

7. **Kickback causes and related warnings**

- kickback is a sudden reaction to a pinched, jammed or misaligned saw blade, causing an uncontrolled saw to lift up and out of the workpiece toward the operator;
- when the blade is pinched or jammed tightly by the kerf closing down, the blade stalls and the motor reaction drives the unit rapidly back toward the operator;
- if the blade becomes twisted or misaligned in the cut, the teeth at the back edge of the blade can dig into the top surface of the wood causing the blade to climb out of the kerf and jump back toward the operator.

Kickback is the result of saw misuse and/or incorrect operating procedures or conditions and can be avoided by taking proper precautions as given below.

a. **Maintain a firm grip on the saw and position your arms to resist kickback forces. Position your body to either side of the blade, but not In line with the blade.** *Kickback could cause the saw to jump backwards, but kickback forces can be controlled by the operator, if proper precautions are taken.*

b. **When blade is binding, or when interrupting a cut for any reason, release the trigger and hold the saw motionless in the material until the blade comes to a complete stop. Never attempt to remove the saw from the work or pull the saw backward while the blade is in motion or kickback may occur.** *Investigate and take corrective actions to eliminate the cause of blade binding.*

c. **When restarting a saw in the workpiece, centre the saw blade in the kerf so that the saw teeth are not engaged into the material.** *If a saw blade binds, it may walk up or kickback from the workpiece as the saw is restarted.*

d. **Support large panels to minimise the risk of blade pinching and kickback.** *Large panels tend to sag under their own weight. Supports must be placed under the panel on both sides, near the line of cut and near the edge of the panel.*

e. **Do not use dull or damaged blades.** *Unsharpened or improperly set blades produce narrow kerf causing excessive friction, blade binding and kickback.*

f. **Blade depth and bevel adjusting locking levers must be tight and secure before making the cut.** *If blade adjustment shifts while cutting, it may cause binding and kickback.*

g. **Use extra caution when sawing into existing walls or other blind areas.** *The protruding blade may cut objects that can cause kickback.*

8. **Lower guard function**

a. **Check the lower guard for proper closing before each use. Do not operate the saw if the lower guard does not move freely and close instantly. Never clamp or tie the lower guard into the open position.** *If the saw is accidentally dropped, the lower guard may be bent. Raise the lower guard with the retracting handle and make sure it moves freely and does not touch the blade or any other part, in all angles and depths of cut.*

b. **Check the operation of the lower guard spring. If the guard and the spring are not operating properly, they must be serviced before use.** *Lower guard may operate sluggishly due to damaged parts, gummy deposits, or a build-up of debris.*

c. **The lower guard may be retracted manually only for special cuts such as "plunge cuts" and "compound cuts". Raise the lower guard by the retracting handle and as soon as the blade enters the material, the lower guard must be released.** *For all other sawing, the lower guard should operate automatically.*

d. **Always observe that the lower guard is covering the blade before placing the saw down on bench or floor.** *An unprotected, coasting blade will cause the saw to walk backwards, cutting whatever is in its path. Be aware of the time it takes for the blade to stop after switch is released.*

9. **Vibration Safety**

This tool vibrates during use.
Repeated or long-term exposure to vibration may cause temporary or permanent physical injury, particularly to the hands, arms and shoulders.
To reduce the risk of vibration-related injury:

a. Anyone using vibrating tools regularly or for an extended period should first be examined by a doctor and then have regular medical check-ups to ensure medical problems are not being caused or worsened from use. Pregnant women or people who have impaired blood circulation to the hand, past hand injuries, nervous system disorders, diabetes, or Raynaud's Disease should not use this tool. If you feel any symptoms related to vibration (such as tingling, numbness, and white or blue fingers), seek medical advice as soon as possible.

b. Do not smoke during use. Nicotine reduces the blood supply to the hands and fingers, increasing the risk of vibration-related injury.

c. Wear suitable gloves to reduce the vibration effects on the user.

d. Use tools with the lowest vibration when there is a choice.

e. Include vibration-free periods each day of work.

f. Grip tool as lightly as possible (while still keeping safe control of it). Let the tool do the work.

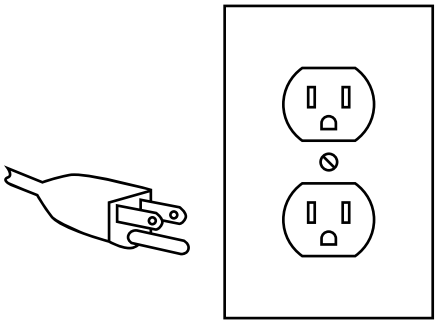
g. To reduce vibration, maintain the tool as explained in this manual. If any abnormal vibration occurs, stop use immediately.

Grounding

⚠WARNING

TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK AND DEATH FROM INCORRECT GROUNDING WIRE CONNECTION:
Check with a qualified electrician if you are in doubt as to whether the outlet is properly grounded. Do not modify the power cord plug provided with the tool. Never remove the grounding prong from the plug. Do not use the tool if the power cord or plug is damaged. If damaged, have it repaired by a service facility before use. If the plug will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

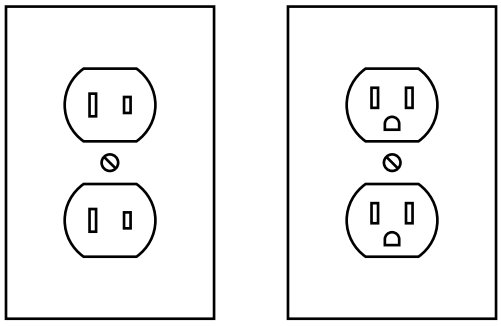
Grounded Tools: Tools with Three Prong Plugs



3-Prong Plug and Outlet

1. Tools marked with "Grounding Required" have a three wire cord and three prong grounding plug. The plug must be connected to a properly grounded outlet. If the tool should electrically malfunction or break down, grounding provides a low resistance path to carry electricity away from the user, reducing the risk of electric shock. **(See 3-Prong Plug and Outlet.)**
2. The grounding prong in the plug is connected through the green wire inside the cord to the grounding system in the tool. The green wire in the cord must be the only wire connected to the tool's grounding system and must never be attached to an electrically "live" terminal. **(See 3-Prong Plug and Outlet.)**
3. The tool must be plugged into an appropriate outlet, properly installed and grounded in accordance with all codes and ordinances. The plug and outlet should look like those in the preceding illustration. **(See 3-Prong Plug and Outlet.)**

Double Insulated Tools: Tools with Two Prong Plugs



Outlets for 2-Prong Plug

1. Tools marked "Double Insulated" do not require grounding. They have a special double insulation system which satisfies OSHA requirements and complies with the applicable standards of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., the Canadian Standard Association, and the National Electrical Code.
2. Double insulated tools may be used in either of the 120 volt outlets shown in the preceding illustration. **(See Outlets for 2-Prong Plug.)**

Extension Cords

1. ***Grounded*** tools require a three wire extension cord. ***Double Insulated*** tools can use either a two or three wire extension cord.
2. As the distance from the supply outlet increases, you must use a heavier gauge extension cord. Using extension cords with inadequately sized wire causes a serious drop in voltage, resulting in loss of power and possible tool damage. **(See Table A.)**
3. The smaller the gauge number of the wire, the greater the capacity of the cord. For example, a 14 gauge cord can carry a higher current than a 16 gauge cord. **(See Table A.)**
4. When using more than one extension cord to make up the total length, make sure each cord contains at least the minimum wire size required. **(See Table A.)**

5. If you are using one extension cord for more than one tool, add the nameplate amperes and use the sum to determine the required minimum cord size. **(See Table A.)**

6. If you are using an extension cord outdoors, make sure it is marked with the suffix “W-A” (“W” in Canada) to indicate it is acceptable for outdoor use.

7. Make sure the extension cord is properly wired and in good electrical condition. Always replace a damaged extension cord or have it repaired by a qualified electrician before using it.

8. Protect the extension cords from sharp objects, excessive heat, and damp or wet areas.

TABLE A: RECOMMENDED MINIMUM WIRE GAUGE FOR EXTENSION CORDS* (120/240 VOLT)

NAMEPLATE AMPERES (at full load)	EXTENSION CORD LENGTH				
	25´	50´	75´	100´	150´
0 – 2.0	18	18	18	18	16
2.1 – 3.4	18	18	18	16	14
3.5 – 5.0	18	18	16	14	12
5.1 – 7.0	18	16	14	12	12
7.1 – 12.0	18	14	12	10	-
12.1 – 16.0	14	12	10	-	-
16.1 – 20.0	12	10	-	-	-

*** Based on limiting the line voltage drop to five volts at 150% of the rated amperes.**

Symbology

⧈	Double Insulated
V	Volts
~	Alternating Current
A	Amperes
n_0 xxxx/min.	No Load Revolutions per Minute (RPM)

	WARNING marking concerning Risk of Eye Injury. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles with side shields.
	Read the manual before set-up and/or use.
	WARNING marking concerning Risk of Fire. Do not cover ventilation ducts. Keep flammable objects away.
	WARNING marking concerning Risk of Electric Shock. Properly connect power cord to appropriate outlet.

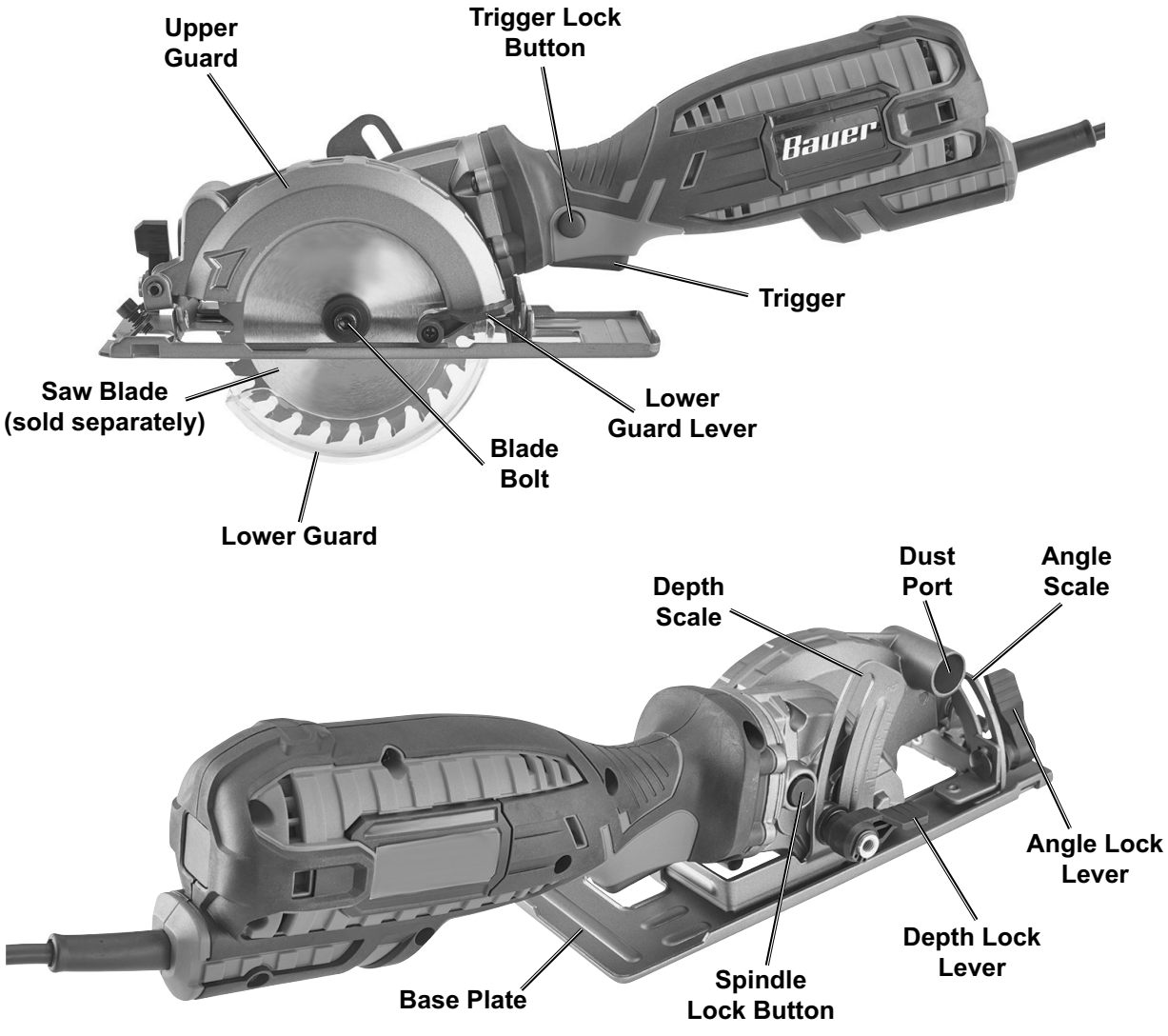
Specifications

Electrical Rating	120VAC / 60Hz / 5.8A
Blade Speed	3500 RPM
Maximum Blade Diameter	4-1/2" (115mm)
Maximum Depth of Cut	1-11/16" at 90° 1-3/16" at 45°
Bevel Capacity	45°
Arbor	3/8" round

Setup - Before Use:

Read the ENTIRE IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION section at the beginning of this manual including all text under subheadings therein before set up or use of this product.

Functions



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Tool Set Up

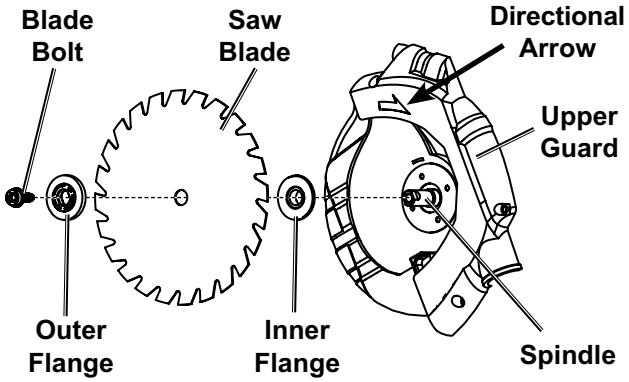
⚠WARNING

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL OPERATION:
Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position and unplug the tool from its electrical outlet before performing any procedure in this section.

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM FLYING FRAGMENTS:
Do not use blades made from high-speed steel, abrasive blades, or metal- or masonry-cutting blades. The guards of this saw are not designed to protect against the failure of such blades.

Mounting and Removing Blade (sold separately)

1. Unplug power cord and place the Saw on a flat surface.
2. Hold in the Spindle Lock Button while removing the Blade Bolt using the provided Hex Wrench, turning Bolt **CLOCKWISE**.



Blade Installation

3. Remove the Outer Flange.
4. Push the Lower Guard Lever forward to move the Lower Guard back and remove the Blade. Leave the Inner Flange in place.
5. Install the new blade, with the directional arrow on the blade pointing the same as the directional arrow on the Upper Guard.
6. Release the Lower Guard Lever so the Lower Guard moves back into place.
7. Place the Outer Flange on the spindle, recessed side first.
8. Hold the Spindle Lock Button while using the Hex Wrench to replace the Blade Bolt, turning Bolt **COUNTERCLOCKWISE**. Tighten Bolt securely.

Adjusting Depth

1. Set the Base Plate flat against the edge of the workpiece.
2. Turn the Depth Lock Lever counter clockwise to loosen the Base Plate's rear tilt.
3. Hold the Base Plate flat against the workpiece edge and raise or lower Saw until the blade is at the desired depth of cut using the Depth Scale as a guide.

WARNING! To reduce the risk of serious injury, adjust the depth of cut to just barely clear the workpiece and remove shavings.

4. After adjustment, turn the Depth Lock Lever clockwise until tight.

WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Tighten Depth Lock Lever before use.

Adjusting Bevel

1. Turn the Angle Lock Lever counter clockwise to loosen the Base Plate's side tilt.
2. Adjust the Base Plate to desired angle, between 0° and 45°, using the Angle Scale as a guide.
3. After adjustment, turn the Angle Lock Lever clockwise until tight.

WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Tighten Angle Lock Lever before use.

Dust Extraction Set Up

1. Insert the small end of the Dust Hose into the Dust Port on side of the Saw.
2. Connect the large end of the Dust Hose to a shop vacuum or dust collection system (not included).

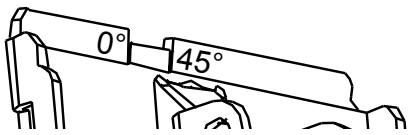
Workpiece and Work Area Set Up

1. Workpiece selection:
   a. Workpiece must be free of foreign objects and loose knots.
   b. Do not use to cut logs, tree limbs, or uneven lumber.
   c. Wet lumber, green (unseasoned) lumber, and pressure treated lumber all have an increased potential for kickback and should only be cut with a blade designed for cutting that lumber. Wear a NIOSH-approved respirator and have appropriate ventilation whenever cutting pressure treated lumber.
2. Designate a work area that is clean and well lit. The work area must not allow access by children or pets to prevent distraction and injury.
3. Route the power cord along a safe route to reach the work area without creating a tripping hazard or exposing the power cord to possible damage. The power cord must reach the work area with enough extra length to allow free movement while working.
4. Secure loose workpieces using a vise or clamps (not included) to prevent movement while working.
5. There must not be objects, such as utility lines, nearby that will present a hazard while working. This is especially critical for plunge cuts.

General Instructions for Use

1. Make all necessary adjustments to the Saw.
2. Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position, then, plug the power cord into the nearest 120 volt, grounded electrical outlet.
3. **Make sure that all guards are in place and in proper working order, and that all adjustment levers/screws are tight before operation.**
4. Mark a cutting line on the workpiece.
5. Turn on the shop vacuum or dust collection system (if used).
6. **Operate the Saw with two hands.** Hold the Housing with one hand. Hold the front end and Trigger with your other hand. Keep all fingers behind the handle recess but do not cover vent holes.
7. Rest the front part of the Base Plate flat on the workpiece surface with the **blade not making contact.**
8. Align the Saw with the cut line on the workpiece. **The blade should not be making contact with the workpiece**. Grip the tool with both hands and start the tool by depressing the Trigger Lock Button and squeezing the Trigger.
9. Allow the Saw to come to full speed before contacting the workpiece.
10. Gently push the Saw forward along the cut line. Feed the blade through the material, allowing the Saw to do the cutting for you. Do not exert excessive pressure on the workpiece.
11. There are two notches on the front edge of the Base Plate that can be used as alignment aids:
    a. For a straight 90° cut, align the cutting line on the workpiece with the notch marked **0°**.
    b. When making a bevel cut, align the cutting line on the workpiece with the notch marked **45°**.

Front of Base Plate



Note: When cutting across the grain, wood fibers can lift and tear. Move the Saw slowly to minimize tearing.

WARNING! The tool will restart automatically if stalled.

WARNING! Make straight cuts only. DO NOT pull backward or twist Saw while cutting. The Saw blade may walk out or "bind" in the workpiece causing kickback, potential serious injury, and/or damage to the workpiece and Saw.

12. After completing the cut, release the Trigger and allow the blade to come to a complete stop before removing it from the workpiece. After removing it from the workpiece, make sure the Lower Guard closes immediately.
13. To prevent accidents, turn off the tool and unplug it after use. Clean, then store the tool indoors out of children's reach.

Pocket Cut

1. Disconnect the power cord before making any adjustments.
2. Mark a cutting line on the workpiece.
3. Set the Saw's Depth Adjustment so that the depth of cut just barely clears the workpiece.
4. With the Trigger in the off-position, connect the power cord to the nearest 120 volt, grounded electrical outlet.
5. With both hands gripping the Saw, angle the front edge of the Base Plate to sit flat on the workpiece with the blade directly above the cut line. **The blade should not be touching the workpiece**.
6. Move back the Lower Guard by pushing the Lower Guard Lever forward.
7. Hold the Lower Guard Lever forward with one hand and use the other hand to depress the Trigger Lock Button and squeeze the Trigger. Allow the Saw to come to full speed and slowly lower the Saw.
8. Once the Saw makes contact with the workpiece, immediately release the Lower Guard Lever so the Lower Guard moves back in place. **Make sure both hands are gripping the Saw as you move the blade into the workpiece.**
9. Once the Saw's Base Plate is flush with the surface of the workpiece, gently push the Saw forward. Feed the blade through the material, allowing the Saw to do the cutting for you. Do not exert excessive pressure on the workpiece.
10. When finished with the cut, release the Trigger and allow the Saw to come to a full stop before removing it from the workpiece.

CAUTION! Do not pull the Saw backward as the blade will climb out of the cut resulting in kickback. Instead, stop the Saw, turn it around and finish the cut as explained above, sawing forward.

Cutting Large Sheets of Wood

CAUTION! Cutting without leveling and supporting the workpiece may result in the blade binding and cause kickback, potential injury, and/or damage to the workpiece and Saw.

1. Large sheets of wood must be level and require support to prevent bending or sag.
2. To support the workpiece, use two-by-fours (2″ x 4″) close to the cut.
3. If the workpiece is too large for the workbench, place the workpiece on the floor supported by two-by-fours.

NOTICE: Be sure to set the Saw's Depth Adjustment so the blade does not touch the workbench/floor when cutting the workpiece.

Maintenance and Servicing Instructions

Procedures not specifically explained in this manual must be performed only by a qualified technician.

⚠WARNING

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL OPERATION:
Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position and unplug the tool from its electrical outlet before performing any procedure in this section.

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM TOOL FAILURE:
Do not use damaged equipment. If abnormal noise or vibration occurs, have the problem corrected before further use.

Cleaning, Maintenance, and Lubrication

1. **BEFORE EACH USE,** inspect the general condition of the tool. Check for:
   - loose hardware
   - misalignment or binding of moving parts
   - damaged cord/electrical wiring
   - cracked or broken parts
   - any other condition that may affect its safe operation.
2. **AFTER USE,** wipe external surfaces of the tool with clean cloth.
3. For blade changing instructions see *Tool Set Up* on page 9.
4. **⚠WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: If the plug or the supply cord of this power tool is damaged, it must be replaced only by a qualified service technician.**

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Causes	Likely Solutions
Tool will not start.	1. Cord not connected. 2. No power at outlet. 3. Tool's thermal reset breaker tripped (if equipped). 4. Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or Trigger, for example.)	1. Check that cord is plugged in. 2. Check power at outlet. If outlet is unpowered, turn off tool and check circuit breaker. If breaker is tripped, make sure circuit is right capacity for tool and circuit has no other loads. 3. Turn off tool and allow to cool. Press reset button on tool. 4. Have technician service tool.
Tool operates slowly.	1. Forcing tool to work too fast. 2. Extension cord too long or cord diameter too small.	1. Allow tool to work at its own rate. 2. Eliminate use of extension cord. If an extension cord is needed, use one with the proper diameter for its length and load. See *Extension Cords* in *Grounding* section on page 6.
Performance decreases over time.	1. Carbon brushes worn or damaged. 2. Blade dull or damaged.	1. Have qualified technician replace brushes. 2. Keep blades sharp. Replace as needed.
Excessive noise or rattling.	Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or bearings, for example.)	Have technician service tool.
Overheating.	1. Forcing tool to work too fast. 2. Blade misaligned. 3. Blade dull or damaged. 4. Blocked motor housing vents. 5. Motor being strained by long or small diameter extension cord.	1. Allow tool to work at its own rate. 2. Check and correct blade alignment. 3. Keep blades sharp. Replace as needed. 4. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and NIOSH-approved dust mask/respirator while blowing dust out of motor using compressed air. 5. Eliminate use of extension cord. If an extension cord is needed, use one with the proper diameter for its length and load. See *Extension Cords* in *Grounding* section on page 6.

Follow all safety precautions whenever diagnosing or servicing the tool.
Disconnect power supply before service.

Record Product's Serial Number Here:_____

Note: If product has no serial number, record month and year of purchase instead.

Note: Replacement parts are not available for this item. Refer to UPC 193175503596.

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