

# Owner's Manual & Safety Instructions

**Save This Manual** Keep this manual for the safety warnings and precautions, assembly, operating, inspection, maintenance and cleaning procedures. Write the product's serial number in the back of the manual (or month and year of purchase if product has no number). Keep this manual and the receipt in a safe and dry place for future reference.

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# 20v

## HYPERMAX™ LITHIUM



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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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### 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.
 <b>DANGER</b>	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
 <b>WARNING</b>	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
 <b>CAUTION</b>	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.
<b>NOTICE</b> <b>CAUTION</b>	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. **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** *Water entering a power tool will increase 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. **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.*
- k. **When using a handheld power tool, maintain a firm grip on the tool with both hands to resist starting torque.**

- l. **Do not leave the tool unattended when the Battery Pack is connected.** *Turn off the tool, and remove the Battery Pack before leaving.*
- m. **This product is not a toy.** *Keep it out of reach of children.*
- n. **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.*
- o. **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. **Never service damaged BATTERY packs.** *Service of BATTERY packs should only be performed by the manufacturer or authorized service providers.*
- c. **Maintain labels and nameplates on the tool.** *These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.*
6. **Safety instructions for reciprocating saws**
- a. **Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces, when performing an operation where the cutting accessory may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** *Cutting accessory contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.*
- b. **Use clamps or another practical way to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform.** *Holding the workpiece by hand or against your body leaves it unstable and may lead to loss of control.*
7. **Battery tool use and care**
- a. **Prevent unintentional starting.** *Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to battery pack, picking up or carrying the power tool. Carrying the power tool with your finger on the switch or energizing power tool that have the switch on invites accidents.*
- b. **Disconnect the battery pack from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tool.** *Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.*
- c. **Recharge only with the charger specified by the manufacturer.** *A charger that is suitable for one type of battery pack may create a risk of fire when used with another battery pack.*
- d. **Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs.** *Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.*
- e. **When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects, like paper clips, coins, keys, nails, screws or other small metal objects, that can make a connection from one terminal to another.** *Shorting the battery terminals together may cause burns or a fire.*
- f. **Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact.** *If contact accidentally occurs, flush with water. If liquid contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation or burns.*
- g. **Do not use a battery pack or power tool that is damaged or modified.** *Damaged or modified batteries may exhibit unpredictable behavior resulting in fire, explosion or risk of injury.*
- h. **Do not expose a battery pack or power tool to fire or excessive temperature.** *Exposure to fire or temperature above 140°F may cause explosion.*
- i. **Follow all charging instructions and do not charge the battery pack or power tool outside of the temperature range specified in the instructions.** *Charging improperly or at temperatures outside of the specified range may damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.*
- j. **Have servicing performed by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.** *This will ensure that the safety of the product is maintained.*
- k. **Do not modify or attempt to repair the power tool or the battery pack except as indicated in the instructions for use and care.**
- l.  The battery Charger gets hot during use. The Charger's heat can build up to unsafe levels and create a fire hazard if it does not receive adequate ventilation, due to an electrical fault, or if it is used in a hot environment. Do not place the Charger on a flammable surface. Do not obstruct any vents on the Charger. **Especially avoid placing the Charger on carpets and rugs; they are not only flammable, but they also obstruct vents under the Charger.** Place the Charger on a stable, solid, nonflammable surface (such as a stable metal workbench or concrete floor) at least 1 foot away from all flammable objects, such as drapes or walls. Keep a fire extinguisher and a smoke detector in the area. Frequently monitor the Charger and Battery Pack while charging.

## 8. Lithium Battery Safety Warnings



**LITHIUM BATTERIES STORE  
A LARGE AMOUNT OF ENERGY AND  
WILL VENT FIRE OR EXPLODE  
IF MISTREATED:**

- a. **Keep Battery Pack dry.**
- b. **DO NOT DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING  
TO THE BATTERY PACK:**
  - **Open,**
  - **Drop,**
  - **Short-circuit,**
  - **Puncture,**
  - **Incinerate, or**
  - **Expose to temperatures  
greater than 140°F.**
- c. Charge Battery Pack only according  
to its Charger's instructions.
- d. Inspect Battery Pack before every use;  
do not use or charge if damaged.

## 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:**

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 charger. Do not use the charger 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.

## Extension Cords

**Note:** Extension cords must not be used with this item's Charger.

## Symbology

<b>V</b>	Volts		WARNING marking concerning Risk of Fire. Do not cover Charger ventilation ducts. Charge on fireproof surface only.
<b>≡</b>	Direct Current		WARNING marking concerning Risk of Electric Shock. Properly connect Charger's power cord to appropriate outlet.
<b>A</b>	Amperes		WARNING marking concerning Risk of Explosion. Do not puncture, short, or open battery packs and do not charge damaged battery packs.
n <sub>0</sub> 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.		

## Specifications

Battery Type	Bauer 20V Li-Ion 57007 (sold separately)
Charger type	Bauer 20V Li-Ion 57006 (sold separately)
No Load Speed	n <sub>0</sub> : 0-3000/min
Stroke Length	1-1/8" (28mm)
Cutting Capacity	5-7/8" (150mm)

## Setup - Before Use:

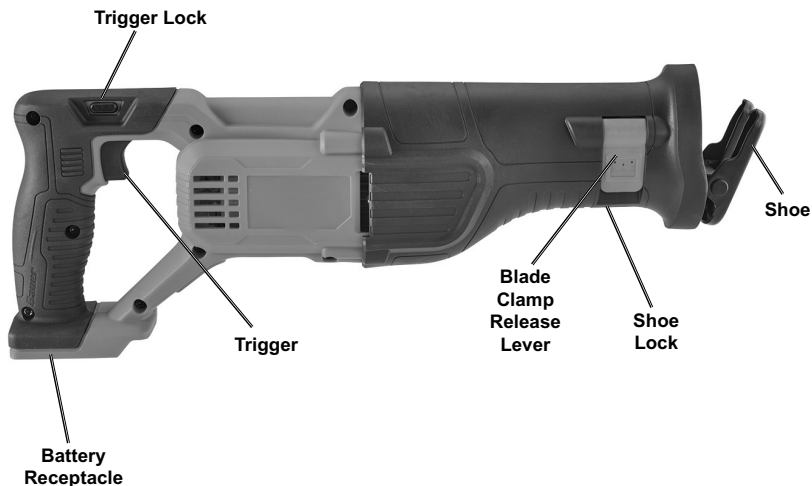


Read the **ENTIRE IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION** section at the beginning of this manual including all text under subheadings therein before set up or use of this product.

## Charging the Battery Pack

Charge the battery pack after unpacking and before using this tool. Follow instructions included with battery charger.

## Functions

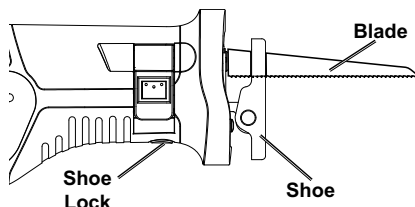


## Installing the Battery Pack

1. With the Trigger in the "OFF" position, insert a fully charged battery pack into the Battery Receptacle until it clicks in place.
2. To remove, push the latch on the battery pack and slide it out.

## Adjusting the Shoe

Press the Shoe Lock in and hold while adjusting (extend or shorten) the Shoe position. Release lock once desired position is achieved.



## Operating Instructions



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### WARNING

#### TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL OPERATION:

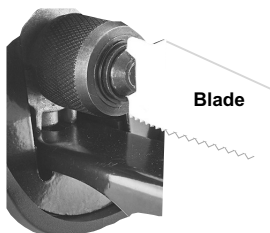
Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position and remove its Battery Pack before performing any procedure in this section.

## Installing/Removing the Blade

**Note:** Blade sold separately.

1. Lift the Blade Clamp Release Lever up and insert the blade fully into the Clamp. The blade's teeth should be pointing downward.
2. Once the blade is in place, release the lever to close.

3. With a gloved hand, check that the blade is securely locked in place by pulling on it. The blade should not move.
4. **To remove the blade**, lift the Blade Clamp Release Lever up and with gloved hand, pull blade out. Once the blade is out, release the lever.

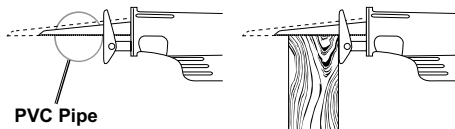


## Workpiece and Work Area Set Up

1. 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.
2. Secure loose workpieces using a vise or clamps (not included) to prevent movement while working.
3. There must not be objects, such as utility lines, nearby that will present a hazard while working. This is especially critical for plunge cuts.
4. Using a glove, push blade holder all the way back. The workpiece must be thinner than minimum blade extension.

**CAUTION!** To prevent injury, do not use on workpieces thicker than the minimum blade extension at their maximum thickness. Blade tip can strike workpiece and may shatter.

#### Properly Sized Workpieces



#### Workpieces that are Too Thick

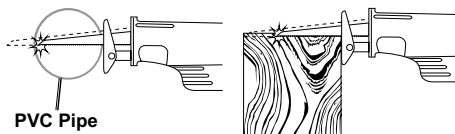


Figure A: Maximum Workpiece Thickness



# General Operating Instructions

The Saw features a variable speed Trigger. For increased strokes per minute, squeeze the Trigger harder. For decreased strokes per minute, apply less pressure to the Trigger.

**Note:** When cutting softer materials, use a faster speed. When cutting harder materials, use a slower speed.

**WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:** Do not use a dull or cracked Blade. Check that the Blade and Shoe are secured tightly before every use.

## General Cutting

1. Install the Blade and adjust the Shoe for the job.
2. Make sure that the Trigger Lock is to the right (locked position) and the Trigger is in the off-position, then attach the Battery Pack.
3. **Operate the Saw with two hands.** Hold the Housing and Trigger with one hand. Hold the front end of the tool with your other hand. Keep all fingers behind the handle recess but do not cover the vent holes.
4. Once the Blade is securely installed, push the Trigger Lock to the left to release the Trigger.
5. To begin sawing, rest the front of the Shoe on your workpiece with the blade above the work.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not start the Saw if the Blade is in contact with anything before operation.

6. Gently squeeze the Trigger to start the Saw. Allow the Saw to come up to speed before making contact with the workpiece.
7. Guide the blade into the workpiece, allowing the Saw to do the cutting for you. Follow the cut. Do not exert excessive pressure on the workpiece.

**WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:** Keep the Shoe pressed firmly against the workpiece while cutting to prevent tool kickback.

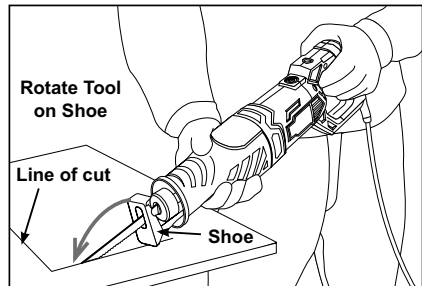
8. To stop the Saw, release the Trigger. Allow the Saw to come to a complete stop and then set the Trigger Lock to the right (locked position) before setting tool down.
9. To prevent accidents after use, turn off the tool and be sure the Trigger Lock is in the locked position. Remove the Blade and Battery Pack. Clean, then store the tool indoors out of children's reach.

## Plunge Cutting

Plunge cut into plywood and thin board panels. Do not attempt to plunge cut into thick, hard wood or metal panels.

**WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ELECTRICAL SHOCK AND FIRE:** Do not cut into areas where you cannot identify possible hazards behind or inside the surface being cut.

1. Clearly mark the line of cut.
2. From a convenient starting point within the cutting area, place the tip of the Blade over that point with the Saw parallel to the line of cut.
3. Place the edge of the Shoe on the work piece with the Blade NOT touching the work material. Squeeze the Trigger to start the tool operating. **Never start a plunge cut with the Blade tip touching the work piece.** This will cause an immediate kick back, that can damage the work piece, blade or cause injury.



4. Wait for the Saw to reach full speed, then slowly rotate the tool on the Shoe as the Blade contacts the work piece. Hold the tool firmly.
5. Continue to slowly rotate the tool until the Blade has penetrated through the work material. Press the Shoe firmly against the work material and continue to make the cut.

## Metal Cutting

1. Install a metal cutting blade.
2. Coat the cutting surface with cutting oil to prevent the blade from overheating.
3. Follow general cutting procedure above.

## 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 remove its Battery Pack 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:
  - leaking, swollen, or cracked battery pack,
  - loose hardware,
  - misalignment or binding of moving parts,
  - cracked or broken parts, and
  - any other condition that may affect its safe operation.
2. **AFTER USE**, wipe external surfaces of the tool with clean cloth.
3. Li-Ion BATTERY MUST BE RECYCLED OR DISPOSED OF PROPERLY. Do not open, crush, heat above 140° F or incinerate.
4. For blade changing instructions see Installing/Removing the Blade on page 10.
5. Disconnect battery pack and store battery pack, charger, and tool in dry, indoor area out of reach of children and away from metal objects (i.e., paperclips, coins) to prevent shorting.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Causes	Likely Solutions
Tool will not start.	<div>1. Battery Pack not properly connected.</div> <div>2. Battery Pack not properly charged.</div> <div>3. Battery Pack burnt-out.</div> <div>4. Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or Trigger, for example.)</div>	<div>1. Remove Battery Pack, make sure there are no obstructions, reinsert the Battery Pack according to its shape (it should only fit one way), and press firmly until the Battery Pack locks in place.</div> <div>2. Make sure Charger is connected and operating properly. Give enough time for Battery Pack to recharge properly.</div> <div>3. Dispose of old Battery Pack properly or recycle. Replace Battery Pack.</div> <div>4. Have technician service tool.</div>
Tool operates slowly.	<div>1. Forcing tool to work too fast.</div> <div>2. Battery Pack wearing out.</div>	<div>1. Allow tool to work at its own rate.</div> <div>2. Dispose of old Battery Pack properly or recycle. Replace Battery Pack.</div>
Performance decreases over time.	<div>1. Carbon brushes worn or damaged.</div> <div>2. Blade dull or damaged.</div>	<div>1. Have qualified technician replace brushes.</div> <div>2. Keep blades sharp. Replace as needed.</div>
Excessive noise or rattling.	Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or bearings, for example.)	Have technician service tool.
Overheating.	<div>1. Forcing tool to work too fast.</div> <div>2. Blade dull or damaged.</div> <div>3. Blocked motor housing vents.</div>	<div>1. Allow tool to work at its own rate.</div> <div>2. Keep blades sharp. Replace as needed.</div> <div>3. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and NIOSH-approved dust mask/respirator while blowing dust out of motor using compressed air.</div>
<div> <b>Follow all safety precautions whenever diagnosing or servicing the tool. Disconnect Battery Pack and Charger power supply before service.</b></div>		

Record Product's Serial Number Here: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Note:** Some parts are listed and shown for illustration purposes only, and are not available individually as replacement parts. Specify UPC 193175501578 when ordering parts.

## Limited 90 Day Warranty

Harbor Freight Tools Co. makes every effort to assure that its products meet high quality and durability standards, and warrants to the original purchaser that this product is free from defects in materials and workmanship for the period of 90 days from the date of purchase. This warranty does not apply to damage due directly or indirectly, to misuse, abuse, negligence or accidents, repairs or alterations outside our facilities, criminal activity, improper installation, normal wear and tear, or to lack of maintenance. We shall in no event be liable for death, injuries to persons or property, or for incidental, contingent, special or consequential damages arising from the use of our product. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation of exclusion may not apply to you. THIS WARRANTY IS EXPRESSLY IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS.

To take advantage of this warranty, the product or part must be returned to us with transportation charges prepaid. Proof of purchase date and an explanation of the complaint must accompany the merchandise. If our inspection verifies the defect, we will either repair or replace the product at our election or we may elect to refund the purchase price if we cannot readily and quickly provide you with a replacement. We will return repaired products at our expense, but if we determine there is no defect, or that the defect resulted from causes not within the scope of our warranty, then you must bear the cost of returning the product.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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