

# Owner's Manual & Safety Instructions

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# WARRIOR™

## 6-7" VARIABLE SPEED ROTARY POLISHER/SANDER



— Polishing bonnet sold separately

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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

|  |  |
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|                 | 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><br><b>CAUTION</b>  | Addresses practices not related to personal injury.  |

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

### General Power Tool Safety Warnings

#### **WARNING**

**Read all safety warnings and instructions.**

*Failure to follow the warnings and instructions 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.*

### Work area safety

- 1. Keep work area clean and well lit.**  
*Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.*
- 2. 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.*
- 3. Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool.**  
*Distractions can cause you to lose control.*

## Electrical safety

1. **Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with grounded power tools.** *Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.*
2. **Avoid body contact with grounded surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.** *There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is grounded.*
3. **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** *Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.*
4. **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.*
5. **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.*
6. **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.*

## Personal safety

1. **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.*
2. **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.*
3. **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the Trigger is in the off-position before connecting to power source, picking up or carrying the tool.** *Carrying power tools with your finger on the Trigger or energizing power tools that have the Trigger on invites accidents.*
4. **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.*
5. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** *This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.*
6. **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.*
7. **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** *Use of these devices can reduce dust-related hazards.*
8. **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.*

## Power tool use and care

1. **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.*
2. **Do not use the power tool if the Trigger does not turn it on and off.** *Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the Trigger is dangerous and must be repaired.*
3. **Disconnect the plug from the power source before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools.** *Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.*
4. **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.*
5. **Maintain power tools. 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.*
6. **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** *Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.*

7. **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.**

## Service

**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.**

## Safety Warnings Common for Sanding or Polishing Operations

- This power tool is intended to function as a sander or polisher. 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.
- Operations such as grinding, wire brushing, or cutting-off are not recommended to be performed with this power tool.** Operations for which the power tool was not designed may create a hazard and cause personal injury.
- Do not use accessories which are not specifically designed and recommended by the tool manufacturer.** Just because the accessory can be attached to your power tool, it does not assure safe operation.
- The rated speed of the accessory must be at least equal to the maximum speed marked on the power tool.** Accessories running faster than their RATED SPEED can break and fly apart.
- The outside diameter and the thickness of your accessory must be within the capacity rating of your power tool.** Incorrectly sized accessories cannot be adequately guarded or controlled.
- The arbor size of wheels, flanges, backing pads or any other accessory must properly fit the spindle of the power tool.** Accessories with arbor holes that do not match the mounting hardware of the power tool will run out of balance, vibrate excessively and may cause loss of control.
- Do not use a damaged accessory. Before each use inspect the accessory such as abrasive wheels for chips and cracks, backing pad for cracks, tear or excess wear, wire brush for loose or cracked wires. If power tool or accessory is dropped, inspect for damage or install an undamaged accessory. After inspecting and installing an accessory, position yourself and bystanders away from the plane of the rotating accessory and run the power tool at maximum no-load speed for one minute.** Damaged accessories will normally break apart during this test time.
- Wear personal protective equipment.** Depending on application, use face shield, safety goggles or safety glasses. As appropriate, wear dust mask, hearing protectors, gloves and workshop apron capable of stopping small abrasive or workpiece fragments. The eye protection must be capable of stopping flying debris generated by various operations. The eye protection must be capable of stopping flying debris generated by various operations. The dust mask or respirator must be capable of filtering out particles generated by your operation. Prolonged exposure to high intensity noise may cause hearing loss.
- Keep bystanders a safe distance away from work area. Anyone entering the work area must wear personal protective equipment.** Fragments of workpiece or of a broken accessory may fly away and cause injury beyond immediate area of operation.
- Hold power tool by insulated gripping surfaces only, when performing an operation where the accessory may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** An accessory contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and shock the operator.
- Position the cord clear of the spinning accessory.** If you lose control, the cord may be cut or snagged and your hand or arm may be pulled into the spinning accessory.
- Never lay the power tool down until the accessory has come to a complete stop.** The spinning accessory may grab the surface and pull the power tool out of your control.
- Do not run the power tool while carrying it at your side.** Accidental contact with the spinning accessory could snag your clothing, pulling the accessory into your body.
- Regularly clean the power tool's air vents.** The motor's fan will draw the dust inside the housing and excessive accumulation of powdered metal may cause electrical hazards.

15. **Do not operate the power tool near flammable materials.** *Sparks could ignite these materials.*
16. **Do not use accessories that require liquid coolants.** *Using water or other liquid coolants may result in electrocution or shock.*
17. Maintain labels and nameplates on the tool. These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.
18. Avoid unintentional starting. Prepare to begin work before turning on the tool.
19. Do not depress the spindle lock when starting or during operation.
20. 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.
21. Use clamps (not included) or other practical ways to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform. Holding the work by hand or against your body is unstable and may lead to loss of control and personal injury.
22. This product is not a toy. Keep it out of reach of children.
23. 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 power switch 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.
24. 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.

## Kickback and Related Warnings

Kickback is a sudden reaction to a pinched or snagged rotating wheel, backing pad, brush or any other accessory. Pinching or snagging causes rapid stalling of the rotating accessory which in turn causes the uncontrolled power tool to be forced in the direction opposite of the accessory's rotation at the point of the binding.

For example, if an abrasive wheel is snagged or pinched by the workpiece, the edge of the wheel that is entering into the pinch point can dig into the surface of the material causing the wheel to climb out or kick out. The wheel may either jump toward or away from the operator, depending on direction of the wheel's movement at the point of pinching. Abrasive wheels may also break under these conditions.

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

1. **Maintain a firm grip on the power tool and position your body and arm to allow you to**

**resist kickback forces. Always use auxiliary handle, if provided, for maximum control over kickback or torque reaction during start-up.** *The operator can control torque reactions or kickback forces, if proper precautions are taken.*

2. **Never place your hand near the rotating accessory.** *Accessory may kickback over your hand.*
3. **Do not position your body in the area where power tool will move if kickback occurs.** *Kickback will propel the tool in direction opposite to the wheel's movement at the point of snagging.*
4. **Use special care when working corners, sharp edges etc. Avoid bouncing and snagging the accessory.** *Corners, sharp edges or bouncing have a tendency to snag the rotating accessory and cause loss of control or kickback.*
5. **Do not attach a saw chain woodcarving blade or toothed saw blade.** *Such blades create frequent kickback and loss of control.*

## Safety Warnings Specific for Sanding Operations

**Do not use excessively oversized sanding disc paper.** Follow manufacturer's recommendations when selecting sanding paper. *Larger sanding paper extending beyond the sanding pad presents a laceration hazard and may cause snagging, tearing of the disc or kickback.*

## Safety Warnings Specific for Polishing Operations

**Do not allow any loose portion of the polishing bonnet or its attachment strings to spin freely.** Tuck away or trim any loose attachment strings. *Loose and spinning attachment strings can entangle your fingers or snag on the workpiece.*

## 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:

1. 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 medical or physical symptoms related to vibration (such as tingling, numbness, and white or blue fingers), seek medical advice as soon as possible.
2. Do not smoke during use. Nicotine reduces the blood supply to the hands and fingers, increasing the risk of vibration-related injury.
3. Wear suitable gloves to reduce the vibration effects on the user.
4. Use tools with the lowest vibration when there is a choice between different processes.
5. Include vibration-free periods each day of work.
6. Grip tool as lightly as possible (while still keeping safe control of it). Let the tool do the work.
7. To reduce vibration, maintain the tool as explained in this manual. If any abnormal vibration occurs, stop use immediately.
8. Center the Pad on the Backing Pad to reduce vibration.



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### Grounding

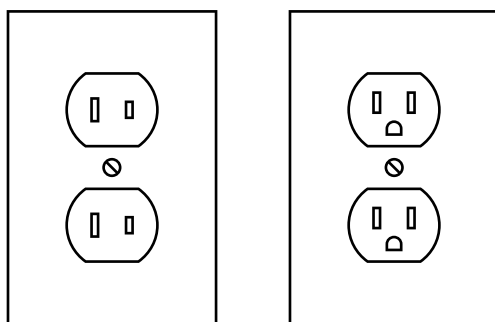
#### ⚠ WARNING



**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.

### 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.

**RECOMMENDED MINIMUM WIRE GAUGE FOR EXTENSION CORDS\* (120/240 VOLT)**

| NAMEPLATE<br>AMPERES<br>(at full load) | EXTENSION CORD<br>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  | -   | -    | -    |

**TABLE A**

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

## Symbology

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
|              | Double Insulated  |
| <b>V</b>     | Volts   |
| ~            | Alternating Current   |
| <b>A</b>     | Amperes   |
| n0 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 Hearing Loss. Wear hearing protection.                             |
|  | 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. |

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## Specifications

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Electrical Rating       | 120VAC / 60Hz / 10A |
| No Load Speed           | n:1500-3500         |
| Max. Accessory Diameter | 7" (180 mm)         |
| Spindle Thread          | 5/8" x 11 TPI       |

## 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.

## ⚠ WARNING

**TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL OPERATION:**  
Release the Trigger and unplug the tool from its electrical outlet before assembling or making any adjustments to the tool.

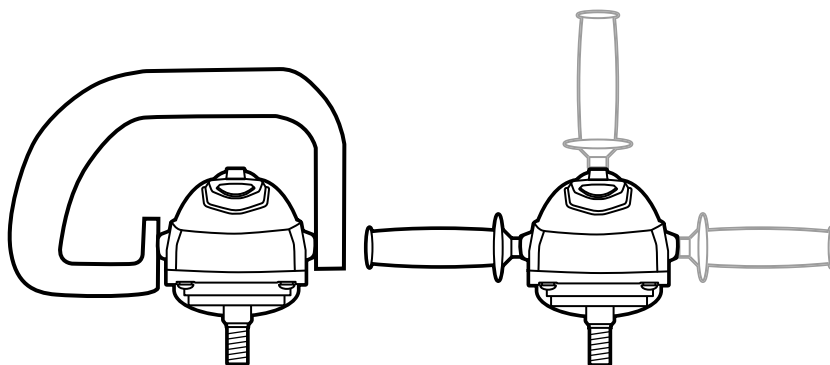
**Note:** For additional information regarding the parts listed in the following pages, refer to the Assembly Diagram near the end of this manual.

## ASSEMBLY

### Installing the Auxiliary Handles

## ⚠ WARNING

**TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:**  
Do not operate this tool with one hand only or without the Auxiliary Handle(s) properly installed.



**Figure A: Handle Installation Options**

This Polisher/Sander includes two types of auxiliary handles. The D-Handle may be installed for either right-hand or left-hand use. The Side Handle can be installed in one of three positions on the head of the Polisher/Sander.



## **Option 1: Using with the D-Handle Alone**

Attach the D-Handle alone to the sides of the Front Cover, using the Hex Key and two Hex Head Bolts.

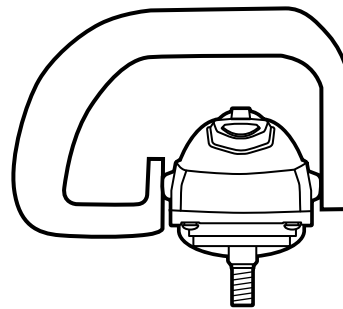


Figure B: Option 1

**Note:** Slide the Hex Key through the hole in the Handle to access the Bolt on the long side of the Handle.

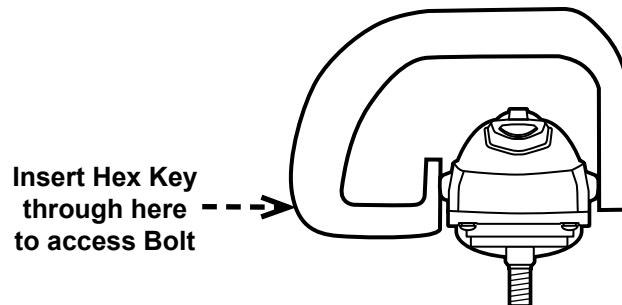


Figure C: Option 1A

## **Option 2: Using with the Side Handle Alone**

Attach the Side Handle to one of the three locations on the Polisher/Sander head by threading it securely in place.

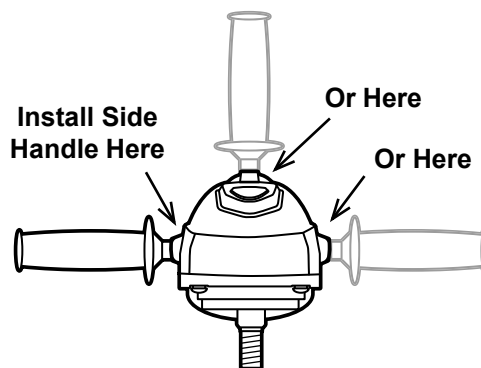


Figure D: Option 2

## Installing the Backing Pad

1. Press in and hold the Spindle Lock Button to prevent the Spindle from turning.
2. Thread the Backing Pad onto the Spindle until firmly secured in place.
3. Release the Spindle Lock Button.

## Lock Button

If desired, push in the Lock Button after pulling the Trigger, then release the Trigger to lock the tool in the ON position.

## Functions



## Operating Instructions



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.

### Tool Set Up

#### **⚠ WARNING**

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

Release the Trigger and unplug the tool from its electrical outlet before installing accessories.

#### **Installing an Accessory in Lieu of the Backing Pad**

1. The accessory **MUST** be:
  - rated to at least 3500 RPM.
  - no larger than 7" (180 mm) in diameter.
  - fitted with a threaded opening of 5/8" x 11 TPI.
  - undamaged.
2. Press in and hold the Spindle Lock button to prevent the Spindle from turning.
3. Remove the Backing Pad from the Spindle.
4. Thread the Accessory onto the Spindle until firmly secured in place.
5. Release the Spindle Lock button.
6. Reference the Accessory instructions for installation and operation information.

### 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. 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.
3. Secure loose workpieces using a vise or clamps (not included) to prevent movement while working.
4. If working on items not attached to a vehicle, secure loose workpieces using a vise or clamps (not included) to prevent movement while working.
5. There must not be hazardous objects, such as utility lines or foreign objects, nearby that will present a hazard while working.
6. You must use personal safety equipment including, but not limited to, ANSI-approved eye and hearing protection.

# Polishing Instructions

## ⚠ WARNING

**TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:** Grip the tool firmly in both hands.

1. Wash the work surface thoroughly, and make sure it is free of dust, dirt, oil, grease, etc.
2. Place a clean Wool or Foam Pad (sold separately) securely onto the Backing Pad. Center the Pad on the Backing Pad to reduce vibration and allow proper control of the tool.

**NOTICE:** Only use the slower speeds (1 through 4) for polishing. Otherwise, damage may occur to the paint being polished. Harbor Freight Tools is not responsible for damage to a vehicle's finish due to improper use of this tool.

3. Apply a line 3-5 inches long of product (compound or polish, sold separately) on the work surface.
4. Make sure that the Trigger is not locked on, and plug the Power Cord into an electrical extension cord (not included). Then, plug the extension cord into a grounded, GFCI-protected, 120 volt electrical outlet.

**WARNING!** TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: To prevent electric shock, keep cord connection off ground.

**CAUTION!** Start and stop the tool only while it is held firmly against the surface of the vehicle. Failure to do so may result in the Foam Pad or Polishing Bonnet being thrown from the Polishing Pad.

5. Rotate Speed Dial to select desired setting.
6. Position the Pad to the right of the line of product. Align the tool so that the line of product aligns to roughly 10 o'clock on the Pad.
7. Hold the Polisher with both hands, slightly lift (roughly 10 degrees) the leading edge of the Pad and gently pull the Trigger to start the tool and begin moving the Pad from right to left over the line of product on the surface. This will pull the product into and under the Pad, rather than shooting it out and splattering it on the panel. Keep pressure off of the tool when operating. The Pad should LIGHTLY contact the polishing surface.
8. To lock the Trigger in the ON position, press in on the Lock Button with the Trigger fully depressed and then release the Trigger. Pull the Trigger firmly to release the Lock Button.

9. The entire process of picking up the line of product should take only a second or two, then immediately return the Pad face to being flat on the work surface and spread product over a work area no larger than 2 feet by 2 feet to begin working.

**NOTICE:** To prevent damage to the Pad and vehicle finish, only apply the Pad flat against the surface when polishing.

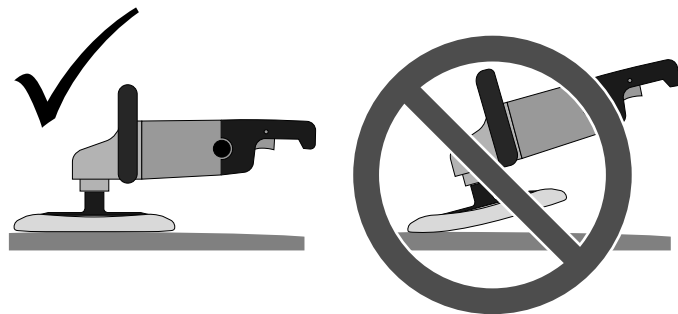


Figure E

**Note:** The most common error when polishing is applying too much product. If the Pad becomes saturated with product, removing product will be more difficult and will take longer. Applying too much product may also reduce life of the Pad. If the Pad continually comes off the Backing Pad during use, too much product may have been applied.

10. Apply the product to all flat surfaces with broad, sweeping strokes in a crisscross pattern to ensure complete and even coverage.
11. Repeat previous steps to add more product. Clean the Pad often with compressed air or a Pad cleaning brush or spur.

**NOTICE: TO PREVENT TOOL DAMAGE:** Only use the tool for 15-20 minutes at a time. Allow the tool to cool completely before next use.

12. Release the Trigger to stop the tool.
13. Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position, then plug in the tool.

**WARNING!** TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Allow the tool to come to a complete stop before setting it down.

14. When finished, clean the Pad, unplug Power Cord, then remove Pad and properly store it indoors and out of children's reach.

# Sanding Instructions

## **⚠ WARNING**

**TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: Grip the tool firmly in both hands.**

1. Wipe the work surface clean of all dirt and debris, especially that of previous coarser sanding sessions, which will scratch the surface of a finer grit sanding session.
2. Attach the desired grit Sanding Disk (sold separately) onto the Backing Pad.
3. Make sure that the Trigger is in the off-position, then plug in the tool.
4. Rotate the Speed Dial to select the desired speed setting.
5. To start, grip the Sander firmly with both hands, press the Lock Button, and gently pull the Trigger, release Lock Button once the tool is activated. Release the Trigger to stop. To lock the Trigger in the ON position, press in on the Lock Button with the Trigger fully depressed and then release the Trigger. Pull the Trigger firmly to release the Lock Button. Release the Lock Button and continue to hold in the Trigger.
6. Wait until the Sander has reached full speed, then gently contact the work surface.
7. Keep heavy pressure off of the Sander when operating. Allow the sanding disk to do the work.
8. Move the Sander in a uniform pattern up and down or side to side as you sand to ensure even sanding.
9. Periodically, stop the tool and check for disc wear. Replace worn sanding discs as needed.
10. When finished, release the Trigger and unplug the Power Cord.
11. Allow the tool to come to a complete stop before setting it down.
12. **TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS, AFTER USE:**  
Turn off the tool.  
**WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY:**  
**Allow the tool to come to a complete stop before setting it down.**  
Unplug the tool. Clean, then store the tool indoors out of children's reach.

## Maintenance and Servicing



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

### **WARNING**


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

Release the Trigger and unplug the tool from its electrical outlet before performing any inspection, maintenance, or cleaning procedures.


#### **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,
  - cracked or broken parts,
  - damaged electrical wiring, and
  - any other condition that may affect its safe operation.
2. **AFTER USE**, wipe external surfaces of the tool with clean cloth.
3. Periodically, wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and NIOSH-approved breathing protection and blow dust and grit out of the motor vents using dry compressed air.
4. Periodically recheck all nuts, bolts, and screws for tightness.
5. Remove Wool/Foam Pad from Backing Pad when Polisher/Sander is not in use. This will allow Backing Pad to dry and retain its original shape. Wash with mild soap and water before storing.
6. The Polishing Bonnet may be machine washed in cold water with mild detergent. Do not put in the dryer.
7. Use only a clean cloth and mild detergent to clean the body of the Polisher. Do not use solvents. Do not immerse any part of the tool in liquid.
8. Over time, if the performance of the tool diminishes, or it stops working completely, it may be necessary to replace the Carbon Brushes. This procedure should be completed by a qualified technician.
9.  **WARNING! TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY: If 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.  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cord not connected.</li> <li>2. No power at outlet.</li> <li>3. Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or switch, for example.)</li> </ol>                                     | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check that cord is plugged in.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>3. Have technician service tool.</li> </ol>   |
| Tool operates slowly.   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Excess pressure applied to workpiece.</li> <li>2. Power being reduced by long or small diameter extension cord.</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Decrease pressure, allow tool to do the work.</li> <li>2. Eliminate use of extension cord. If an extension cord is needed, use one with the proper diameter for its length and load. See <i>Extension Cords</i> in <i>GROUNDING</i> section.</li> </ol>   |
| Performance decreases over time.  | Carbon brushes worn or damaged.  | Have qualified technician replace brushes.  |
| Excessive noise or rattling.  | Internal damage or wear. (Carbon brushes or bearings, for example.)  | Have technician service tool.   |
| Overheating.  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Forcing tool to work too fast.</li> <li>2. Blocked motor housing vents.</li> <li>3. Motor being strained by long or small diameter extension cord.</li> </ol>                    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Allow tool to work at its own rate.</li> <li>2. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and NIOSH-approved dust mask/respirator while blowing dust out of motor using compressed air.</li> <li>3. Eliminate use of extension cord. If an extension cord is needed, use one with the proper diameter for its length and load. See <i>Extension Cords</i> in <i>GROUNDING</i> section.</li> </ol> |
| Tool does not sand or polish effectively.   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Disc accessory may be loose on Spindle.</li> <li>2. Disc accessory may be damaged, worn or wrong type for the material.</li> <li>3. Product sprays off polishing pad.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Be sure disc accessory arbor is correct and Outer Flange/Arbor Nut (if applicable) is tight.</li> <li>2. Check condition and type of disc accessory. Use only proper type of disc accessory in good condition.</li> <li>3. Reduce RPM to minimum setting. See <i>Polishing</i> in <i>GENERAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS</i> section.</li> </ol>   |
|  <b>Follow all safety precautions whenever diagnosing or servicing the tool. Disconnect power supply before service.</b> |  |   |

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