# **DEWALT**



# **SAFETY MUSTS: PERSONAL SAFETY FOR POWER TOOL USE, CARE & SERVICE**



## **GENERAL USE**

#### ALWAYS FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE IN THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Read all safety warnings, instructions, illustrations and specifications for the specific model of the product you are using. Failure to follow the specific product's manual instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.



## **PERSONAL SAFETY**

#### 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.

#### 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. Consult the Safety Manager for further guidance.

#### ALWAYS WEAR CERTIFIED SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

- ANSI Z87.1 eye protection (CAN/CSA Z94.3),
- ANSI S12.6 (S3.19) hearing protection,
- · NIOSH/OSHA/MSHA respiratory protection.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### DO NOT OVERREACH

Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.

### DRESS PROPERLY

Air vents often cover moving parts and should be avoided. 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.

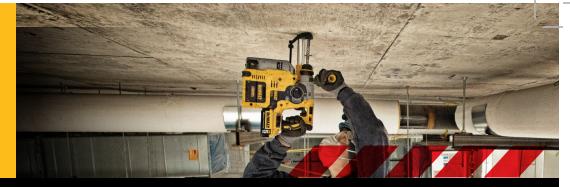
#### DO NOT LET FAMILIARITY GAINED FROM FREQUENT USE OF TOOLS ALLOW YOU TO BECOME COMPLACENT AND IGNORE TOOL SAFETY PRINCIPLES

A careless action can cause severe injury within a fraction of a second.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE SAFE AND PROPER OPERATION OF POWER TOOLS (I.E., A SAFETY VIDEO) IS AVAILABLE FROM THE POWER TOOL INSTITUTE

1300 Sumner Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115-2851 (www.powertoolinstitute.com). Information is also available from the National Safety Council, 1121 Spring Lake Drive, Itasca, IL 60143-3201. Please refer to the American National Standards Institute ANSI 01.1 Safety Requirements for Woodworking Machines and the U.S. Department of Labor OSHA 1910.213 Regulations.

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#### **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.
- NEVER SERVICE DAMAGED BATTERY PACKS
  Service of battery packs should only be performed by the manufacturer or authorized service providers.
- NEVER MODIFY THE POWER TOOL OR ANY PART OF IT. DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY COULD RESULT



## **POWER TOOL USE & CARE**

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.

- 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.
- 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.

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.

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.

KEEP CUTTING TOOLS SHARP AND CLEAN

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

- 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.
- 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.

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### **DUST MANAGEMENT**

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.

SOME DUST CREATED BY POWER SANDING, SAWING, GRINDING, DRILLING, AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION
ACTIVITIES CONTAINS CHEMICALS KNOWN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CAUSE CANCER, BIRTH
DEFECTS OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM

Some examples of these chemicals are:

- lead from lead-based paints,
- · crystalline silica from bricks and cement and other masonry products,
- · arsenic and chromium from chemically-treated lumber.

Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well-ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to grease tube cavity out microscopic particles.

- WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND WASH EXPOSED AREAS WITH SOAP AND WATER Allowing dust to get into your mouth, eyes, or lie on the skin may promote absorption of harmful chemicals. Direct particles away from face and body.
- AVOID PROLONGED CONTACT WITH DUST FROM POWER SANDING, SAWING, GRINDING, DRILLING, AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

Wear protective clothing and wash exposed areas with soap and water. Allowing dust to get into your mouth, eyes, or lay on the skin may promote absorption of harmful chemicals. Tools can generate and/or disperse dust, which may cause serious and permanent respiratory or other injury. Always use NIOSH/OSHA approved respiratory protection appropriate for the dust exposure. Direct particles away from face and body.