



OPERATOR'S MANUAL

MANUEL D'UTILISATION

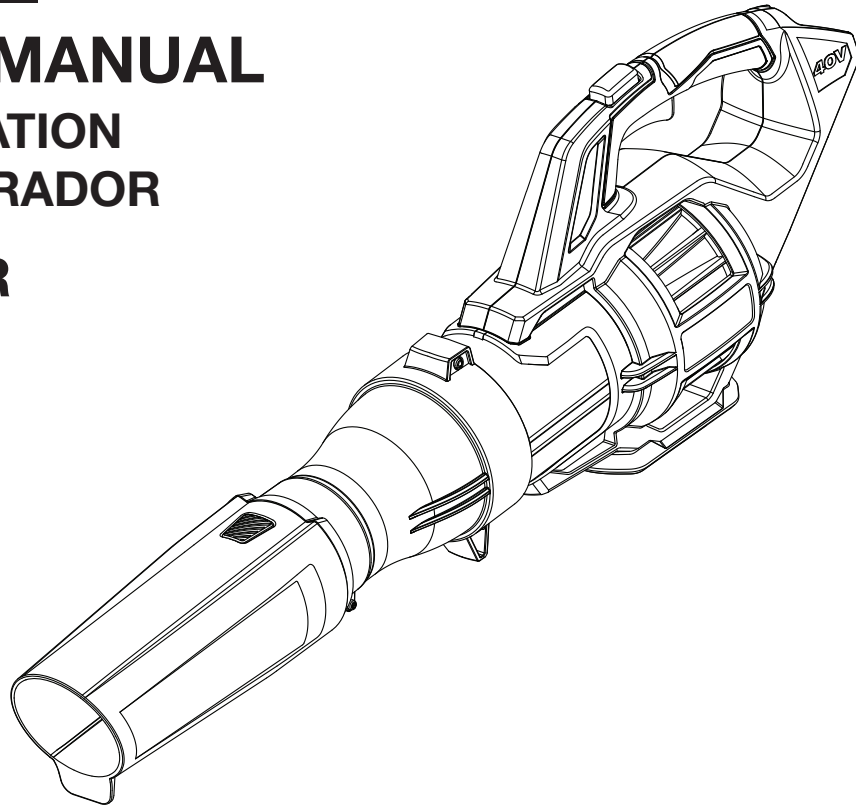
MANUAL DEL OPERADOR

40 VOLT BLOWER

SOUFFLANTE 40 V

SOPLADORA DE 40 V

RY40403



Your blower has been engineered and manufactured to our high standard for dependability, ease of operation, and operator safety. When properly cared for, it will give you years of rugged, trouble-free performance.

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, the user must read and understand the operator's manual before using this product.

Thank you for your purchase.

SAVE THIS MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Ce soufflante a été conçu et fabriqué conformément à nos strictes normes de fiabilité, simplicité d'emploi et sécurité d'utilisation. Correctement entretenu, cet outil vous donnera des années de fonctionnement robuste et sans problème.

⚠ AVERTISSEMENT :
Pour réduire les risques de blessures, l'utilisateur doit lire et veiller à bien comprendre le manuel d'utilisation avant d'employer ce produit.

Merci de votre achat.

**CONSERVER CE MANUEL POUR
FUTURE RÉFÉRENCE**

Su sopladora ha sido diseñado y fabricado de conformidad con nuestras estrictas normas para brindar fiabilidad, facilidad de uso y seguridad para el operador. Con el debido cuidado, le brindará muchos años de sólido funcionamiento y sin problemas.

⚠ ADVERTENCIA:
Para reducir el riesgo de lesiones, el usuario debe leer y comprender el manual del operador antes de usar este producto.

Le agradecemos su compra.

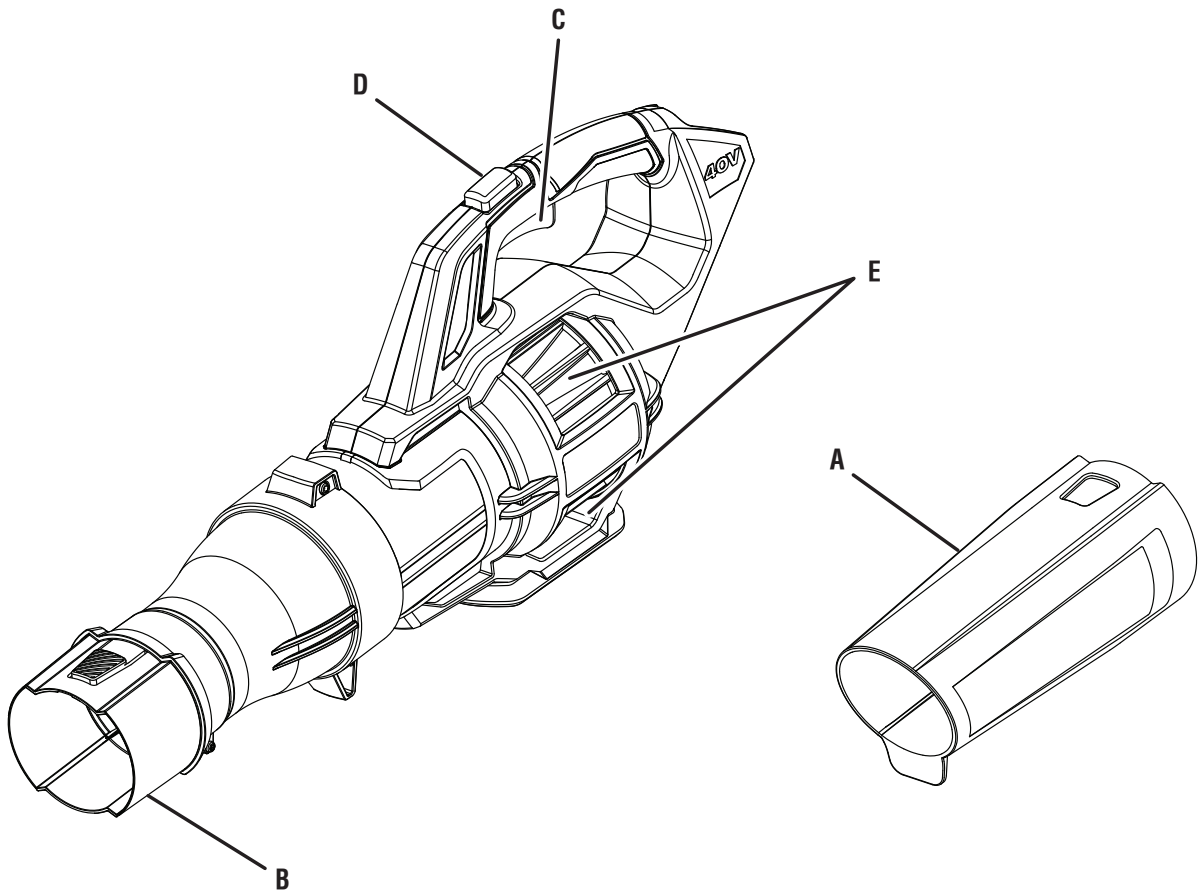
**GUARDE ESTE MANUAL PARA
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referenced in the operator's manual.**

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mentionnées dans le manuel d'utilisation.**

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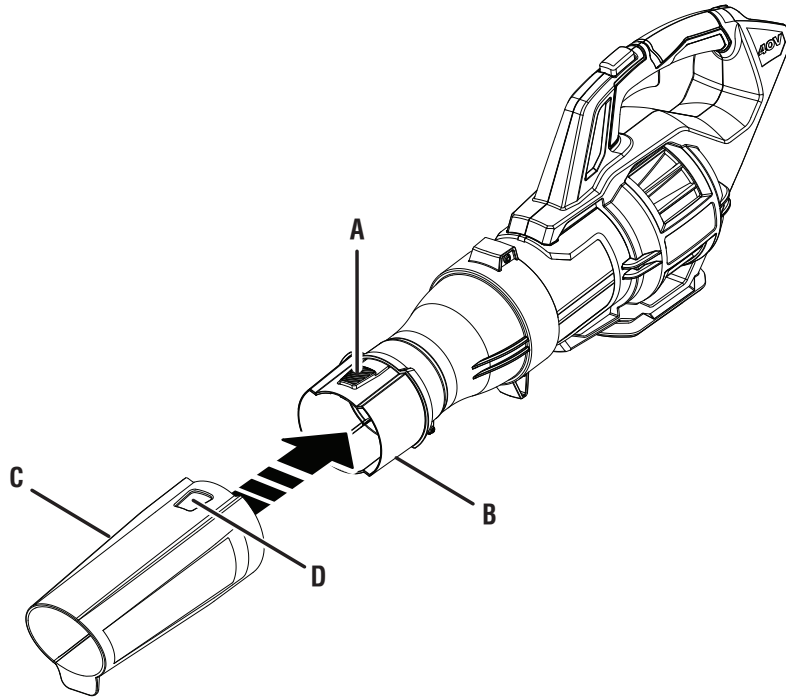
Fig. 1



A - Blower tube (tube de soufflante, tubo de la sopladora)
B - Blower housing outlet (prise de boîtier de soufflante, salida del alojamiento de la sopladora)
C - Switch trigger (gâchette, gatillo)

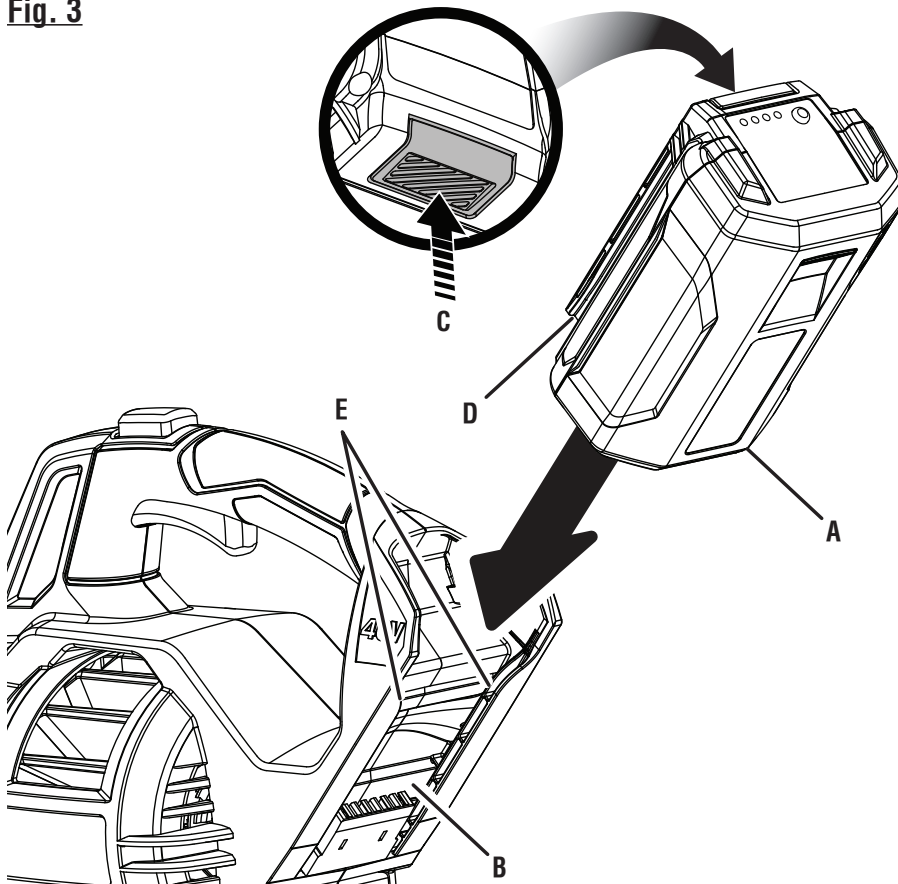
D - Turbo boost button (bouton de suralimentation, botón de la alimentación turbo)
E - Air inlet port (orifice d'entrée d'air, conexión de entrada de aire)

Fig. 2



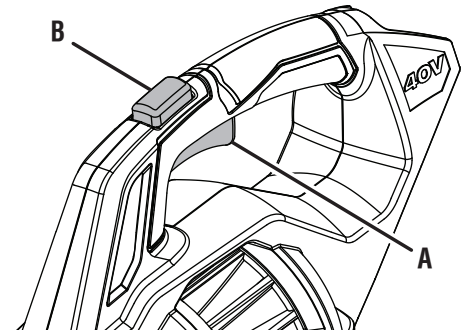
- A - Tab (languette, orejeta)
B - Blower housing outlet (prise de boîtier de soufflante, salida del alojamiento de la sopladora)
C - Blower tube (tube de soufflante, tubo de la aspiradora)
D - Slot (fente, ranura)

Fig. 3



- A - Battery pack (bloc-piles, paquete de baterías)
B - Battery port (logement de batteries, receptáculo para baterías)
C - Latch (loquet, pestillo)
D - Groove (rainure, ranura)
E - Raised rib (épaulements surélevés, costillas realzadas)

Fig. 4



- A - Switch trigger (gâchette, gatillo)
B - Turbo boost button (bouton de suralimentation, botón de la alimentación turbo)

Fig. 5

**PROPER OPERATING POSITION
BONNE POSITION DE TRAVAIL
POSICIÓN CORRECTA PARA EL MANEJO
DE LA HERRAMIENTA**

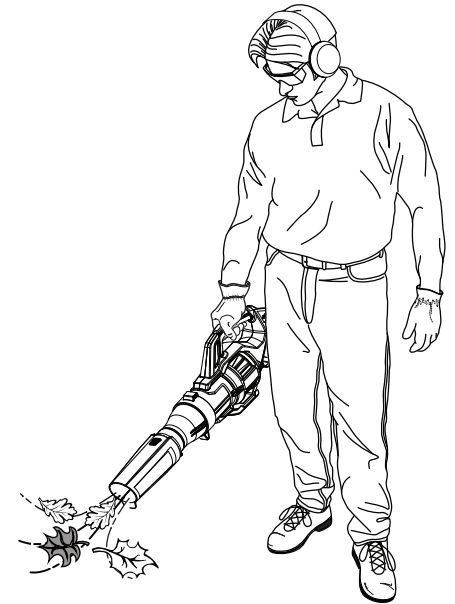


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INTRODUCTION

INTRODUCTION / INTRODUCCIÓN

This product has many features for making its use more pleasant and enjoyable. Safety, performance, and dependability have been given top priority in the design of this product making it easy to maintain and operate.

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Ce produit offre de nombreuses fonctions destinées à rendre son utilisation plus plaisante et satisfaisante. Lors de la conception de ce produit, l'accent a été mis sur la sécurité, les performances et la fiabilité, afin d'en faire un outil facile à utiliser et à entretenir.

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Este producto ofrece numerosas características para hacer más agradable y placentero su uso. En el diseño de este producto se ha conferido prioridad a la seguridad, el desempeño y la fiabilidad, por lo cual se facilita su manejo y mantenimiento.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

WARNING!

READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS BLOWER. To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

- **Know your power blower.** Read operator's manual carefully. Learn its applications and limitations, as well as the specific potential hazards related to this blower. Following this rule will reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or serious injury.
- **Do not permit children to use blower.** It is not a toy. Close attention is necessary when used near children.
- **Use only accessories that are recommended by the manufacturer for your model described in this manual.** Accessories that may be suitable for one blower may create a risk of injury when used on another blower. Use only as described in this manual.
- **Do not handle charger, including charger plug, and charger terminals with wet hands.**
- **Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce air flow.**
- **Do not charge the unit outdoors.**
- **Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.**
- **Turn off all controls before removing battery.**
- **Use extra care when cleaning on stairs or steps.**
- **Do not operate blowers in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases, or dust.** Blowers create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- **Keep your work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered benches and dark areas invite accidents.
- **Keep bystanders, children, and visitors at least 50 ft. away while operating a blower.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.
- **A battery operated blower with integral batteries or a separate battery pack must be recharged only with the specified charger for the battery.** A charger that may be suitable for one type of battery may create a risk of fire when used with another battery.
- **Use battery operated blower only with specifically designated battery pack.** Use of any other batteries may create a risk of fire.
- **Use only with charger listed.** For use with 40V lithium-ion battery packs, see tool/appliance/battery pack/charger correlation supplement 988000-842.
- **Do not operate charger with a damaged cord or plug, which could cause shorting and electric shock.** If damaged, have the charger replaced by an authorized service center.
- **If appliance is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to a service center.**
- **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power blower. Do not use blower while tired, upset, or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating blowers may result in serious personal injury.
- **Secure long hair above shoulder level to prevent entanglement in moving parts.**
- **Avoid accidental starting. Be sure switch is in the locked or off position before inserting battery pack.** Carrying blowers with your finger on the switch or inserting the battery pack into a blower with the switch on invites accidents.
- **Use safety equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection must be used for appropriate conditions.
- **Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Contain long hair.** Loose clothes, jewelry, or long hair can be drawn into air vents.
- **Do not use on a ladder, rooftop, tree, or other unstable support.** Stable footing on a solid surface enables better control of the blower in unexpected situations.
- **Do not use blower if switch does not turn it on or off.** A blower that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- **Disconnect battery pack from blower or place the switch in the locked or off position before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing the blower.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the blower accidentally.
- **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 sparks, burns, or a fire.
- **Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, and any other condition that may affect the blower's operation. If damaged, have the blower serviced before using.** Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained blowers.
- **Keep the blower and its handle dry, clean and free from oil and grease.** Always use a clean cloth when cleaning. Never use brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, or any strong solvents to clean your

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS




blower. Following this rule will reduce the risk of loss of control and deterioration of the enclosure plastic.

- **Always wear safety glasses with side shields.** Everyday glasses have only impact resistant lenses. They are NOT safety glasses. Following this rule will reduce the risk of eye injury.
- **Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1 along with hearing protection when operating this equipment.**
- **Protect your lungs. Wear a face or dust mask if the operation is dusty.** Following this rule will reduce the risk of serious personal injury.
- **Protect your hearing. Wear hearing protection during extended periods of operation.** Following this rule will reduce the risk of serious personal injury.
- **Battery blowers do not have to be plugged into an electrical outlet; therefore, they are always in operating condition. Be aware of possible hazards when not using your battery powered blower or when changing accessories.** Following this rule will reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or serious personal injury.
- **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.
- **Do not use a battery pack or appliance that is damaged or modified.** Damaged or modified batteries may exhibit unpredictable behavior resulting in fire, explosion or risk of injury.
- **Do not expose a battery pack or appliance to fire or excessive temperature.** Exposure to fire or temperature above 265°F may cause explosion.
- **Follow all charging instructions and do not charge the battery pack or appliance 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.
- **Do not modify or attempt to repair the appliance or the battery pack except as indicated in the instructions for use and care.**
- **Do not place battery powered blowers or their batteries near fire or heat.** This will reduce the risk of explosion and possibly injury.
- **Don't expose blowers to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a blower will increase the risk of electric shock.
- **Wear heavy long pants, long sleeves, boots, and gloves.** Avoid loose garments or jewelry that could get caught in moving parts of the machine or its motor.
- **Do not operate the equipment while barefoot or when wearing sandals or similar lightweight footwear.** Wear protective footwear that will protect your feet and improve your footing on slippery surfaces.
- **Keep firm footing and balance. Do not overreach.** Overreaching can result in loss of balance.
- **Check the work area before each use.** Remove all objects such as rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, or string which can be thrown or become entangled in the machine.
- **Do not point the blower nozzle in the direction of people or pets.**
- **Never run the unit without the proper equipment attached.** Always ensure the blower tubes are installed.
- **When not in use, blower should be stored indoors in a dry, locked up place—out of the reach of children.**
- **Do not hang unit so that the switch trigger is depressed.**
- **Keep all bystanders, children, and pets at least 50 ft. away.**
- **Do not dispose of a severely damaged or worn out battery pack or this blower by incinerating.** The battery can explode in fire.
- **Blower service must be performed only by qualified repair personnel.** Service or maintenance performed by unqualified personnel may result in a risk of injury.
- **When servicing a blower, use only identical replacement parts.** Follow instructions in the Maintenance section of this manual. Use of unauthorized parts or failure to follow Maintenance Instructions may create a risk of shock or injury.
- **Never use blower near fires, fireplaces, hot ashes, barbecue pits, etc.** Use near fires or ashes can spread fires and result in serious injury and/or property damage.
- **Never use blower to spread chemicals, fertilizers, or any other toxic substances.** Spreading these substances could result in serious injury to the operator or bystanders.
- **Never place blower on any surface, except a hard, clean surface when motor is running.** Gravel, sand, and other debris can be picked up by the air inlet and thrown at the operator or bystanders, causing possible serious injuries.
- **For household use only.**
- **Save these instructions.** Refer to them frequently and use them to instruct others who may use this tool. If you loan someone this tool, loan them these instructions also.












SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

SYMBOLS

The following signal words and meanings are intended to explain the levels of risk associated with this product.

SYMBOL	SIGNAL	MEANING
	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, may result in minor or moderate injury.
	NOTICE:	(Without Safety Alert Symbol) Indicates information considered important, but not related to a potential injury (e.g. messages relating to property damage).

Some of the following symbols may be used on this product. Please study them and learn their meaning. Proper interpretation of these symbols will allow you to operate the product better and safer.

SYMBOL	NAME	DESIGNATION/EXPLANATION
	Safety Alert	Indicates a potential personal injury hazard.
	Read Operator's Manual	To reduce the risk of injury, user must read and understand operator's manual before using this product.
	Eye and Hearing Protection	Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1 along with hearing protection when operating this equipment.
	Impeller Blades	Rotating impeller blades can cause severe injury.
	Wet Conditions Alert	Do not expose to rain or use in damp locations.
	Keep Bystanders Away	Keep all bystanders at least 50 ft. away.
	Long Hair	Failure to keep long hair away from the air inlet could result in personal injury.
	Blower Tube	Do not operate without tube in place.
	Loose Clothing	Failure to keep loose clothing from being drawn into air intake could result in personal injury.
	Ricochet	Thrown objects can ricochet and result in personal injury or property damage.
	Recycle Symbol	This product uses lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries. Local, state, or federal laws may prohibit disposal of batteries in ordinary trash. Consult your local waste authority for information regarding available recycling and/or disposal options.

SYMBOLS

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SYMBOL	NAME	DESIGNATION/EXPLANATION
V	Volts	Voltage
min	Minutes	Time
==	Direct Current	Type or a characteristic of current
n_0	No Load Speed	Rotational speed, at no load
.../min	Per Minute	Revolutions, strokes, surface speed, orbits etc., per minute

FEATURES

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Motor	40 Volts DC
Air Velocity	
MPH	110
CFM	480

KNOW YOUR BLOWER

See Figure 1.

The safe use of this product requires an understanding of the information on the tool and in this operator's manual as well as a knowledge of the project you are attempting. Before use of this product, familiarize yourself with all operating features and safety rules.

BLOWER TUBE

The blower tube can be installed on the blower without using any tools.

OVERMOLD HANDLE

Ergonomic handle with overmold improves comfort and grip.

TURBO BOOST

The turbo boost feature temporarily increases air flow to maximum velocity.

ASSEMBLY

UNPACKING

This product requires assembly.

- Carefully remove the product and any accessories from the box. Make sure that all items listed in the packing list are included.

WARNING:

Do not use this product if any parts on the Packing List are already assembled to your product when you unpack it. Parts on this list are not assembled to the product by the manufacturer and require customer installation. Use of a product that may have been improperly assembled could result in serious personal injury.

- Inspect the product carefully to make sure no breakage or damage occurred during shipping.
- Do not discard the packing material until you have carefully inspected and satisfactorily operated the product.
- If any parts are damaged or missing, please call 1-800-860-4050 for assistance.

PACKING LIST

Blower

Blower Tube

Operator's Manual

WARNING:

If any parts are damaged or missing do not operate this product until the parts are replaced. Use of this product with damaged or missing parts could result in serious personal injury.

WARNING:

Do not attempt to modify this product or create accessories not recommended for use with this blower. Any such alteration or modification is misuse and could result in a hazardous condition leading to possible serious personal injury.

WARNING:

To prevent accidental starting that could cause serious personal injury, always remove the battery pack from the tool when assembling parts.

ASSEMBLING THE BLOWER TUBE

See Figure 2.

- With the logo area facing up, slide the blower tube over the outlet on the blower housing.
- Press down on the tab on the blower housing outlet.
- Push tube on the blower housing outlet until tab locks into place through the slot in the blower tube.
- To remove the blower tube, push tab down and slide tube off.

OPERATION

WARNING:

Do not allow familiarity with products to make you careless. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.

WARNING:

Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1, along with hearing protection. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes resulting in possible serious injury.

WARNING:

Do not use any attachments or accessories not recommended by the manufacturer of this product. The use of attachments or accessories not recommended can result in serious personal injury.

APPLICATIONS

You may use this product for the purposes listed below:

- Clearing leaves and other debris from your lawn
- Keeping decks and driveways free from grass clippings, leaves, pine needles, and other debris

This product will accept Ryobi 40 V lithium-ion battery packs.

For complete charging instructions, refer to the Operator's Manuals for your Ryobi battery pack and charger models.

BATTERY PROTECTION FEATURES

Ryobi lithium-ion batteries are designed with features that protect the lithium-ion cells and maximize battery life.

If the tool stops during use, release the trigger to reset and resume operation. If the tool still does not work, the battery needs to be recharged.

TO INSTALL/REMOVE BATTERY PACK

See Figure 3.

WARNING:

Always remove battery pack from your tool when you are assembling parts, making adjustments, cleaning, or when not in use. Removing battery pack will prevent accidental starting that could cause serious personal injury.

To install:

- Place the battery pack in the blower. Align the raised rib on the battery pack with groove in the blower's battery port.

WARNING:

Make sure the latch on the bottom of the battery pack snaps in place and the battery pack is fully seated and secure in the blower battery port before beginning operation. Failure to securely seat the battery pack could cause the battery pack to fall out, resulting in serious personal injury.

NOTICE:

When placing battery pack in the tool, be sure raised rib on battery pack aligns with the bottom of the tool and latches into place properly. Improper installation of the battery pack can cause damage to internal components.

To remove:

- Locate the latch on the bottom of the battery pack and depress to release the battery pack from the blower.

WARNING:

Battery tools are always in operating condition. Therefore, switch should always be in the OFF position when not in use or carrying at your side. Remove battery pack when transporting or carrying blower to avoid accidental starting, which could result in serious injury.

STARTING/STOPPING THE BLOWER

See Figure 4.

- To start the blower, depress the switch trigger.
- To stop the blower, release the switch trigger.

TURBO BOOST

See Figure 4.

- While the switch trigger is depressed, press the turbo boost to increase the air flow to the maximum velocity.

NOTE: The blower will return to the previously selected speed when the button is released.

OPERATING THE BLOWER

See Figure 5.

- To keep from scattering debris, blow around the outer edges of a debris pile. Never blow directly into the center of a pile.

OPERATION

- To reduce sound levels, limit the number of pieces of equipment used at any one time.
- Use rakes and brooms to loosen debris before blowing. In dusty conditions, slightly dampen surfaces when water is available.
- Conserve water by using power blowers instead of hoses for many lawn and garden applications, including areas such as gutters, screens, patios, grills, porches, and gardens.
- Watch out for children, pets, open windows, or freshly washed cars, and blow debris safely away.
- After using blowers or other equipment, CLEAN UP! Dispose of debris properly.

WARNING:

Battery tools are always in operating condition. Therefore, switch should always be in the OFF position when not in use or carrying at your side.

MAINTENANCE

WARNING:

When servicing, use only identical replacement parts. Use of any other parts can create a hazard or cause product damage.

WARNING:

Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1, along with hearing protection. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes resulting in possible serious injury.

WARNING:

To avoid serious personal injury, always remove the battery pack from the product when cleaning or performing any maintenance.

WARNING:

Do not at any time let brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, penetrating oils, etc., come in contact with plastic parts. Chemicals can damage, weaken or destroy plastic which can result in serious personal injury.

Only the parts shown on the parts list are intended to be repaired or replaced by the customer. All other parts should be replaced at an Authorized Service Center.

STORAGE

- Clean all foreign material from the blower.
- Store indoors in a secure place that is inaccessible to children. Keep away from corrosive agents such as garden chemicals and de-icing salts.
- Do not hang unit so that the switch trigger is depressed.

BATTERY PACK REMOVAL AND PREPARATION FOR RECYCLING

WARNING:

Upon removal, cover the battery pack's terminals with heavy-duty adhesive tape. Do not attempt to destroy or disassemble battery pack or remove any of its components. Lithium-ion and nickel-cadmium batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly. Also, never touch both terminals with metal objects and/or body parts as short circuit may result. Keep away from children. Failure to comply with these warnings could result in fire and/or serious injury.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Avoid using solvents when cleaning plastic parts. Most plastics are susceptible to damage from various types of commercial solvents and may be damaged by their use. Use clean cloths to remove dirt, dust, oil, grease, etc.

WARRANTY

LIMITED WARRANTY STATEMENT

Techtronic Industries North America, Inc., warrants to the original retail purchaser that this RYOBI® brand outdoor product is free from defect in material and workmanship and agrees to repair or replace, at Techtronic Industries North America, Inc.'s, discretion, any defective product free of charge within these time periods from the date of purchase.

- Five years if the product is used for personal, family or household use;
- 90 days, if used for any other purpose, such as commercial or rental.

This warranty extends to the original retail purchaser only and commences on the date of the original retail purchase.

Any part of this product found in the reasonable judgment of Techtronic Industries North America, Inc. to be defective in material or workmanship will be repaired or replaced without charge for parts and labor by an authorized service center for RYOBI® brand outdoor products (Authorized Ryobi Service Center).

The product, including any defective part, must be returned to an authorized Ryobi service center within the warranty period. The expense of delivering the product to the service center for warranty work and the expense of returning it back to the owner after repair or replacement will be paid by the owner. Techtronic Industries North America, Inc.'s, responsibility in respect to claims is limited to making the required repairs or replacements and no claim of breach of warranty shall be cause for cancellation or rescission of the contract of sale of any RYOBI® brand outdoor product. Proof of purchase will be required by the dealer to substantiate any warranty claim. All warranty work must be performed by an authorized service dealer.

This warranty is limited to ninety (90) days from the date of original retail purchase for any RYOBI® brand outdoor product that is used for rental or commercial purposes, or any other income-producing purpose.

This warranty does not cover any product that has been subject to misuse, neglect, negligence, or accident, or that has been operated in any way contrary to the operating instructions as specified in this operator's manual. This warranty does not apply to any damage to the product that is the result of improper maintenance or to any product that has been altered or modified. The warranty does not extend to repairs made necessary by normal wear or by the use of parts or accessories which are either incompatible with the RYOBI® brand outdoor product or adversely affect its operation, performance, or durability. In addition, this warranty does not cover:

- A. Tune-ups – Spark Plugs, Carburetor, Carburetor Adjustments, Ignition, Filters
- B. Wear items – Bump Knobs, Outer Spools, Cutting Lines, Inner Reels, Starter Pulleys, Starter Ropes, Drive Belts, Tines, Felt Washers, Hitch Pins, Mulching Blades, Blower Fans, Blower and Vacuum Tubes, Vacuum Bag and Straps, Guide Bars, Saw Chains

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ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE STATED WARRANTY PERIOD. ACCORDINGLY, ANY SUCH IMPLIED WARRANTIES INCLUDING MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR OTHERWISE, ARE DISCLAIMED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE APPROPRIATE FIVE-YEAR OR NINETY-DAY WARRANTY PERIOD. TECHTRONIC INDUSTRIES NORTH AMERICA, INC.'S, OBLIGATION UNDER THIS WARRANTY IS STRICTLY AND EXCLUSIVELY LIMITED TO THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE PARTS AND TECHTRONIC INDUSTRIES NORTH AMERICA, INC., DOES NOT ASSUME OR AUTHORIZE ANYONE TO ASSUME FOR THEM ANY OTHER OBLIGATION. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU. TECHTRONIC INDUSTRIES NORTH AMERICA, INC., ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR OTHER DAMAGES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EXPENSE OF RETURNING THE PRODUCT TO AN AUTHORIZED RYOBI SERVICE CENTER AND EXPENSE OF DELIVERING IT BACK TO THE OWNER, MECHANIC'S TRAVEL TIME, TELEPHONE OR TELEGRAM CHARGES, RENTAL OF A LIKE PRODUCT DURING THE TIME WARRANTY SERVICE IS BEING PERFORMED, TRAVEL, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY, LOSS OF REVENUE, LOSS OF USE OF THE PRODUCT, LOSS OF TIME, OR INCONVENIENCE. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

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

This warranty applies to all RYOBI® brand outdoor products manufactured by or for Techtronic Industries North America, Inc., and sold in the United States and Canada.

To locate your nearest Authorized Ryobi Service Center, dial 1-800-860-4050.



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SOUFFLANTE 40 V / SOPLADORA DE 40 V

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CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65

⚠ WARNING:

This product and substances that may become airborne from its use may contain chemicals, including lead, known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. *Wash hands after handling.*

PROPOSITION 65 DE L'ÉTAT DE CALIFORNIE

⚠ AVERTISSEMENT :

Ce produit et les autres substances rejetées dans l'air suite à son utilisation peuvent contenir des produits chimiques, notamment du plomb qui, selon l'État de la Californie, peuvent causer le cancer, des anomalies congénitales et d'autres dommages au système reproducteur. *Bien se laver les mains après toute manipulation.*

CALIFORNIA - PROPUESTA DE LEY NÚM. 65

⚠ ADVERTENCIA:

Este producto y las sustancias que puedan llegar a ser aerotransportadas por su uso pueden contener sustancias químicas (incluido el plomo) reconocidas por el estado de California como causantes de cáncer, defectos congénitos y otras afecciones del aparato reproductor. *Lávese las manos después de utilizar el aparato.*

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MANUFACTURING NO. _____

SERIAL NO. _____

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OPERATOR'S MANUAL

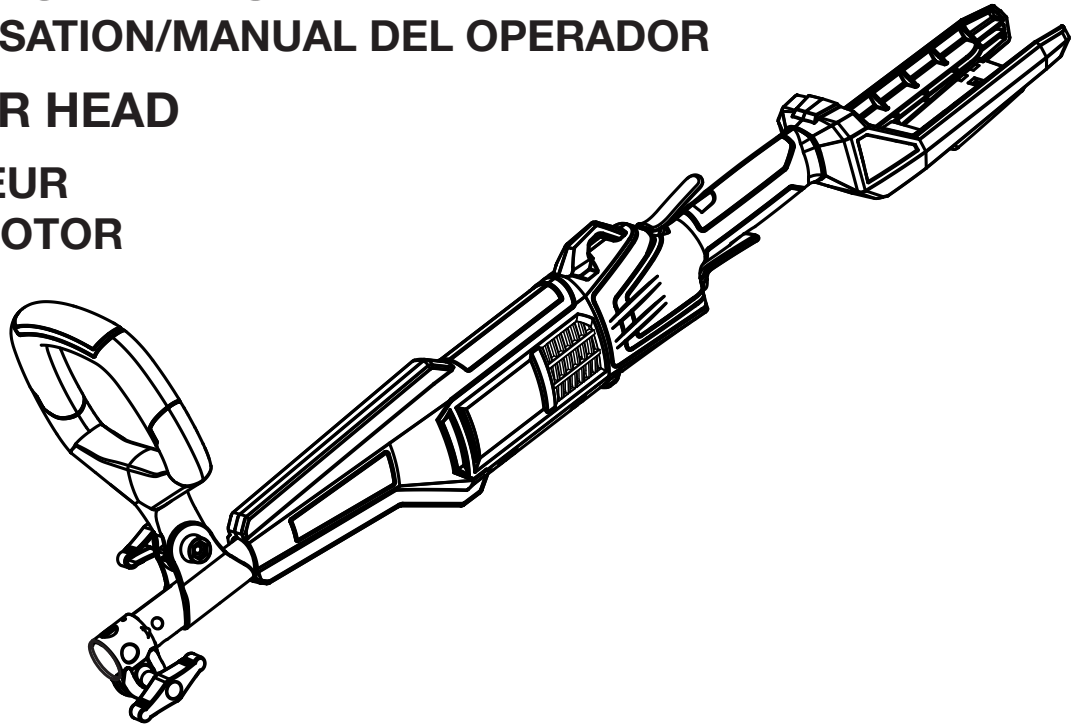
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40 VOLT POWER HEAD

40 V BLOC MOTEUR

40 V CABEZAL MOTOR

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Your power head has been engineered and manufactured to our high standard for dependability, ease of operation, and operator safety. When properly cared for, it will give you years of rugged, trouble-free performance.

WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, the user must read and understand the operator's manual before using this product.

Thank you for your purchase.

SAVE THIS MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Le bloc-moteur a été conçue et fabriquée conformément à nos strictes normes de fiabilité, simplicité d'emploi et sécurité d'utilisation. Correctement entretenue, elle vous donnera des années de fonctionnement robuste et sans problème.

AVERTISSEMENT : Pour réduire les risques de blessures, l'utilisateur doit lire et veiller à bien comprendre le manuel d'utilisation avant d'employer ce produit.

Merci de votre achat.

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ADVERTENCIA: Para reducir el riesgo de lesiones, el usuario debe leer y comprender el manual del operador antes de usar este producto.

Le agradecemos su compra.

**CONSERVER CE MANUEL POUR
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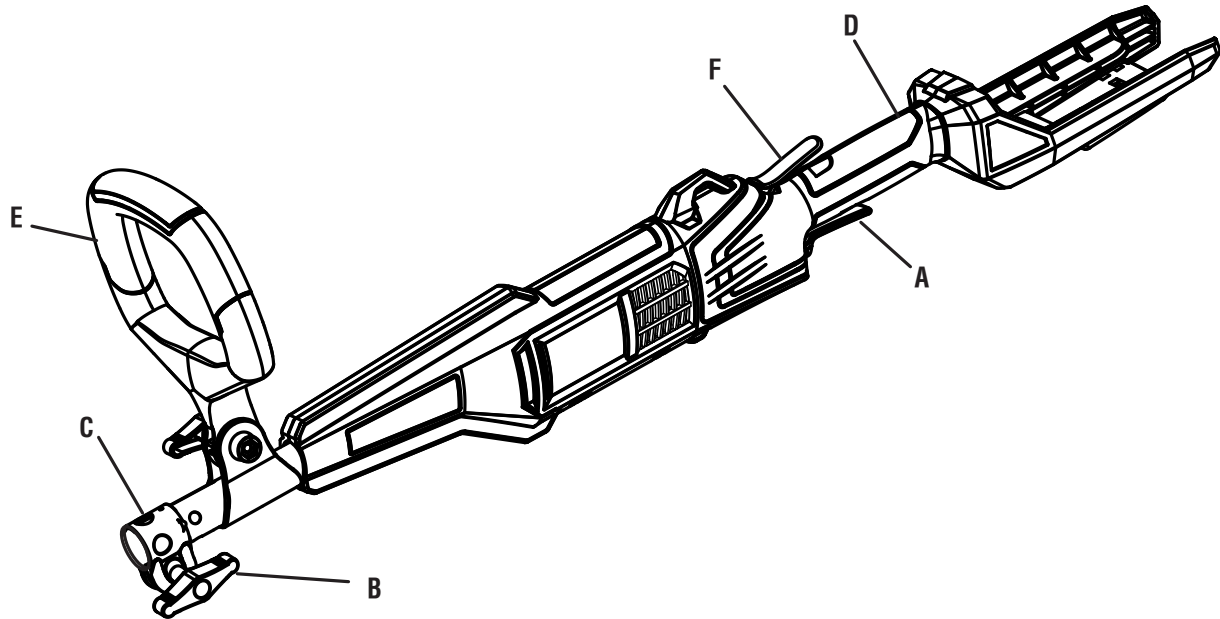
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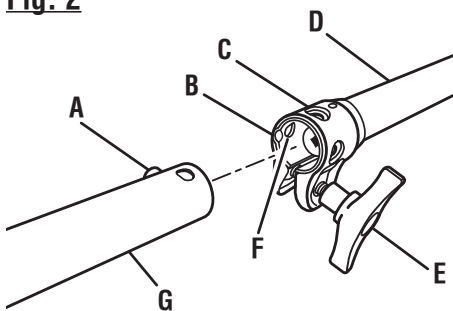
Fig. 1



A - Switch trigger (gâchette, gatillo del interruptor)
 B - Knob (bouton, perilla)
 C - Coupler (coupleur, acoplador)
 D - Rear handle (poignée arrière, mango trasero)

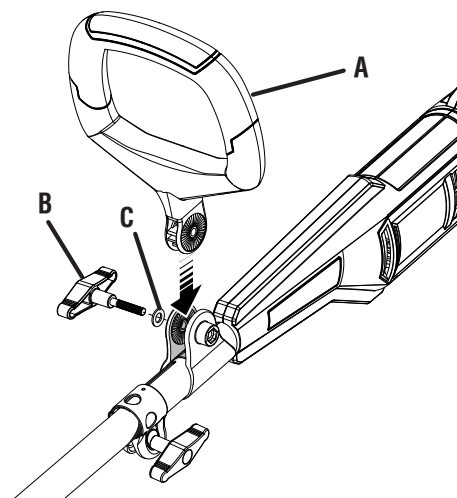
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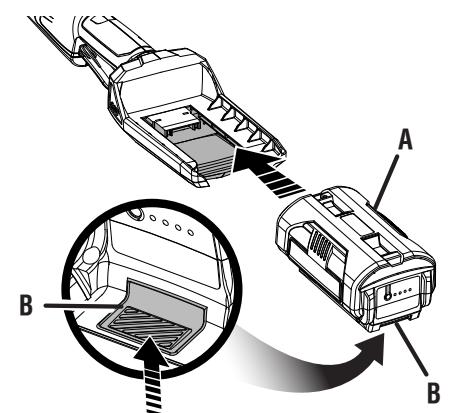
A - Button (bouton, botón)
 B - Guide recess (logement guide, hueco guía)
 C - Coupler (coupleur, acoplador)
 D - Power head shaft (arbre du bloc moteur, eje del cabezal motor)
 E - Knob (bouton, perilla)
 F - Positioning hole (trou de positionnement, orificio de posicionamiento)
 G - Attachment shaft (arbre d'accessoire, eje del aditamento)

Fig. 3



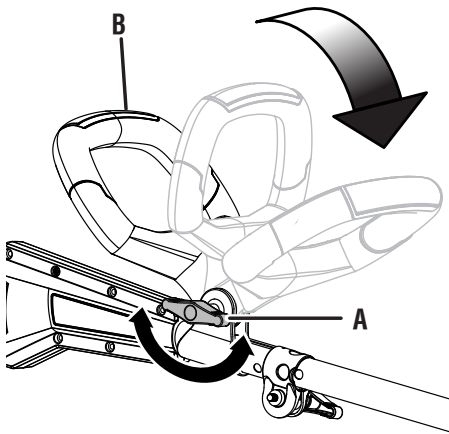
A - Front handle (poignée avant, mango delantero)
 B - Wing bolt (boulon à oreilles, perno de mariposa)
 C - Washer (rondelle, arandela)

Fig. 4



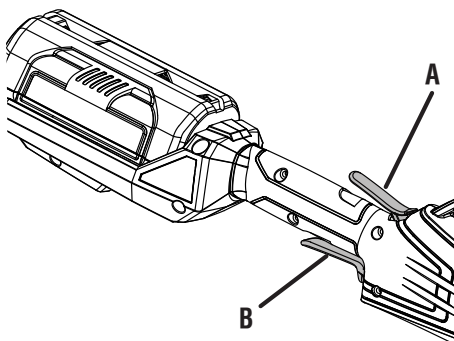
A - Battery pack (bloc-piles, paquete de baterías)
 B - Latch (loquet, pestillo)

Fig. 5



A - Knob (bouton, perilla)
 B - Adjustable front handle (poignée avant réglable, mango delantero ajustable)

Fig. 6



A - Trigger lock-out (gâchette avec verrou, gatillo con seguro)
 B - Switch trigger (gâchette, gatillo del interruptor)

Fig. 7

**PROPER EDGER ATTACHMENT
 OPERATING POSITION**
**ACCESSOIRE COUPE-BORDURES
 POSITION DE TRAVAIL**
**POSICIÓN CORRECTA PARA EL
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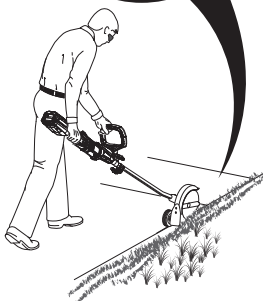
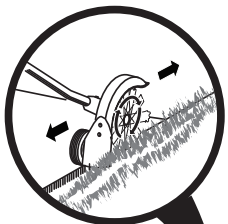


Fig. 8

**PROPER BLOWER ATTACHMENT
 OPERATING POSITION**
**ACCESSOIRE SOUFFLANTE
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**POSICIÓN CORRECTA PARA EL
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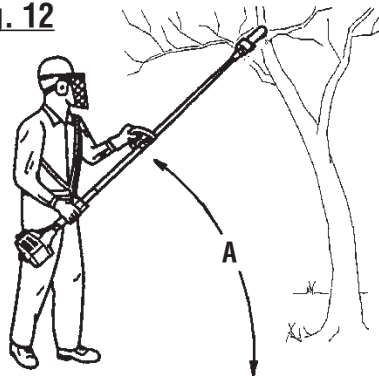


Fig. 9

**PROPER STRAIGHT SHAFT TRIMMER
 ATTACHMENT OPERATING POSITION**
**ACCESSOIRE TAILLE-BORDURES À ARBRE DROIT
 POSITION DE TRAVAIL**
**POSICIÓN CORRECTA PARA EL MANEJO DE ADITA-
 MENTO PARA RECORTADORA DE EJE RECTO**



Fig. 12



**PROPER
 PRUNER ATTACHMENT
 OPERATING POSITION**
**ACCESSOIRE D'ÉLAGAGE
 DROIT POSITION DE TRAVAIL**
**POSICIÓN CORRECTA
 PARA EL MANEJO DE ADITAMENTO
 PARA ACCESORIO PARA PODAR**

A - 60° maximum (60° maximum, 60° máximo)

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INTRODUCTION

INTRODUCTION / INTRODUCCIÓN

This product has many features for making its use more pleasant and enjoyable. Safety, performance, and dependability have been given top priority in the design of this product making it easy to maintain and operate.

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Ce produit offre de nombreuses fonctions destinées à rendre son utilisation plus plaisante et satisfaisante. Lors de la conception de ce produit, l'accent a été mis sur la sécurité, les performances et la fiabilité, afin d'en faire un outil facile à utiliser et à entretenir.

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Este producto ofrece numerosas características para hacer más agradable y placentero su uso. En el diseño de este producto se ha conferido prioridad a la seguridad, el desempeño y la fiabilidad, por lo cual se facilita su manejo y mantenimiento.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING!

When using electric gardening appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and personal injury.

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS

- For safe operation, read and understand all instructions before using this product. Follow all safety instructions. Failure to follow all safety instructions listed below, can result in serious personal injury.
- Do not allow children or untrained individuals to use this unit.
- Check the work area before each use. Remove all objects such as rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, or string which can be thrown or become entangled in any part of the machine.
- Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1. Following this rule will reduce the risk of serious personal injury.
- Use Safety Glasses – Always use face or dust mask if operation is dusty.
- Protect your lungs. Wear a face or dust mask if the operation is dusty. Following this rule will reduce the risk of serious personal injury.
- Dress Properly – Use of rubber gloves and substantial footwear is recommended when working outdoors. Wear heavy, long pants, long sleeves, boots, and gloves. Do not wear loose fitting clothing, short pants, sandals or similar lightweight footwear, jewelry of any kind, or go barefoot. Use of footwear and gloves with electrical protection is recommended. Footwear should protect feet and improve footing on slippery surfaces.
- Secure long hair above shoulder level to prevent entanglement in moving parts.
- Keep children away – Keep all bystanders, children, and pets at least 50 ft. away.
- Stay alert – Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate this unit when you are tired, ill, upset, or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication.
- Do not operate in poor lighting.
- Keep all parts of your body away from any moving part.
- 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.
- 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.
- Avoid Dangerous Environments – Don't expose appliance to rain or wet conditions. Water entering an appliance will increase the risk of electric shock.
- Use Right Appliance – Do not use appliance for any job except that for which it is intended. Use the correct tool for your application.
- Don't Force Appliance – It will do the job better and with less likelihood of a risk of injury at the rate for which it was designed.
- Do not overreach – Keep firm footing and balance. Overreaching can result in loss of balance.
- Avoid accidental starting – Be sure switch trigger is in the locked or off position before inserting battery pack. Carrying tools with your finger on the switch trigger or inserting the battery pack into a tool with the switch on invites accidents.
- Do not use tool if switch trigger does not turn it on or off. Any tool that cannot be controlled with the switch trigger is dangerous and must be repaired.
- Disconnect power head – Disconnect battery pack from the appliance before storing, servicing, or changing accessories such as cutting line. Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the tool accidentally.
- Use only identical manufacturer's replacement parts and accessories. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage.
- Maintain appliance with care – Replace string head if cracked, chipped, or damaged in any way. Be sure the string head is properly installed and securely fastened. Failure to do so can cause serious injury. Follow instructions for lubrication and changing accessories. Inspect charger cord periodically and, if damaged, have it replaced. Keep power head handles dry, clean, and free from grease and oil.
- Check Damaged Parts – Before further use of the appliance, a guard or other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its function. Check for alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting and any other condition that may effect its operation. A guard or other part that is damaged should be properly repaired or replaced by an authorized service center unless indicated elsewhere in this manual.
- Keep hands and feet away from cutting area.
- Make sure all guards, straps, deflectors and handles are properly and securely attached.
- Use only the manufacturer's replacement string in the cutting head when using a string trimmer attachment. Do not use any other cutting attachment, for example, metal wire, rope, or the like. To install any other brand of cutting head to the string trimmer attachment can result in serious personal injury.




IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Never operate unit without the grass deflector in place and in good condition.
- Maintain a firm grip on both handles while trimming. Keep string head below waist level. Never cut with the string head located over 30 in. or more above the ground.
- Store idle appliances indoors - When not in use, power head and attachments should be stored indoors in a dry, locked place out of the reach of children.
- Never use flailing devices, wire or rope on any attachment.
- Keep the air vents clean and free of debris to avoid overheating the motor. Clean after each use.
- Stop the unit and disconnect the power source when not in use. Carry the unit with the motor stopped.
- Store out of the reach of children.
- Do not hang unit so that the switch trigger is depressed.
- Battery tools do not have to be plugged into an electrical outlet; therefore, they are always in operating condition. Be aware of possible hazards when not using your battery tool or when changing accessories. Following this rule will reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or serious personal injury.
- Do not charge battery tool in rain, or damp or wet location. Following this rule will reduce the risk of electric shock.
- Do not use battery-operated appliance in rain.
- Do not grasp the exposed cutting blades or cutting edges when picking up or holding the appliance.
- Keep hands away from blades.
- Do not allow power head to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- Do not handle charger, including charger plug, and charger terminals with wet hands.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Remove or disconnect battery before servicing, cleaning or removing material from the gardening appliance.
- Use battery only with charger listed. For use with 40V lithium-ion battery packs. See Tool/Appliance/Battery Pack/Charger Correlation Supplement 988000-842.
- Do not dispose of the batteries in a fire. The cell may explode. Check with local codes for possible special disposal instructions.
- Do not open or mutilate the batteries. Released electrolyte is corrosive and may cause damage to the eyes or skin. It may be toxic if swallowed.
- Do not place battery tools or their batteries near fire or heat. This will reduce the risk of explosion and possibly injury.
- Batteries can explode in the presence of a source of ignition, such as a pilot light. To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, never use any cordless product in the presence of open flame. An exploded battery can propel debris and chemicals. If exposed, flush with water immediately.
- Do not crush, drop or damage battery pack. Do not use a battery pack or charger that has been dropped or received a sharp blow. A damaged battery is subject to explosion. Properly dispose of a dropped or damaged battery immediately.
- Exercise care in handling batteries in order not to short the battery with conducting materials such as rings, bracelets, and keys. The battery or conductor may overheat and cause burns.
- For best results, your battery tool should be charged in a location where the temperature is more than 50°F but less than 100°F. To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, do not store outside or in vehicles.
- Under extreme usage or temperature conditions, battery leakage may occur. If liquid comes in contact with your skin, wash immediately with soap and water, then neutralize with lemon juice or vinegar. If liquid gets into your eyes, flush them with clean water for at least 10 minutes, then seek immediate medical attention. Following this rule will reduce the risk of serious personal injury.
- Save these instructions. Refer to them frequently and use them to instruct others who may use this power tool. If you loan someone this power tool, loan them these instructions also.









**ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES CAN BE FOUND
IN THE APPLICABLE ATTACHMENT'S OPERATOR'S MANUAL**

SYMBOLS

The following signal words and meanings are intended to explain the levels of risk associated with this product.

SYMBOL	SIGNAL	MEANING
	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, that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.
	NOTICE:	(Without Safety Alert Symbol) Indicates information considered important, but not related to a potential injury (e.g. messages relating to property damage).

Some of the following symbols may be used on this product. Please study them and learn their meaning. Proper interpretation of these symbols will allow you to operate the product better and safer.

SYMBOL	NAME	DESIGNATION/EXPLANATION
	Safety Alert	Indicates a potential personal injury hazard.
	Read Operator's Manual	To reduce the risk of injury, user must read and understand operator's manual before using this product.
	Eye Protection	Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1.
	Wet Conditions Alert	Do not expose to rain or use in damp locations.
	Keep Bystanders Away	Keep all bystanders at least 50 ft. away.
	Ricochet	Thrown objects can ricochet and result in personal injury or property damage.
	No Blade	Do not install or use any type of blade on a product displaying this symbol.
	Recycle Symbol	This product uses lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries. Local, state, or federal laws may prohibit disposal of batteries in ordinary trash. Consult your local waste authority for information regarding available recycling and/or disposal options.
—	Direct Current	Type or a characteristic of current
n_0	No Load Speed	Rotational speed, at no load
.../min	Per Minute	Revolutions, strokes, surface speed, orbits etc., per minute
V	Volts	Voltage
Hz	Hertz	Frequency (cycles per second)
min	Minutes	Time

FEATURES

KNOW YOUR POWER HEAD

See Figure 1.

The safe use of this product requires an understanding of the information on the tool and in this operator's manual as well as a knowledge of the project you are attempting. Before use of this product, familiarize yourself with all operating features and safety rules.

ADJUSTABLE FRONT HANDLE

The front handle assembly can be adjusted for ease of operation and to help prevent loss of control.

HANDLE OVERMOLD

Handle overmold provides added user comfort.

TRIGGER LOCK-OUT

The trigger lock-out prevents accidental starting.

VARIABLE SPEED SWITCH TRIGGER

This tool has a variable speed switch that delivers higher speed with increased trigger pressure. Speed is controlled by the amount of switch trigger depression.

ASSEMBLY

UNPACKING

This product requires assembly.

- Carefully remove the product and any accessories from the box. Make sure that all items listed in the packing list are included.

WARNING:

Do not use this product if any parts on the Packing List are already assembled to your product when you unpack it. Parts on this list are not assembled to the product by the manufacturer and require customer installation. Use of a product that may have been improperly assembled could result in serious personal injury.

- Inspect the product carefully to make sure no breakage or damage occurred during shipping.
- Do not discard the packing material until you have carefully inspected and satisfactorily operated the product.
- If any parts are damaged or missing, please call 1-800-860-4050 for assistance.

PACKING LIST

Power Head

Front Handle

Operator's Manual

WARNING:

If any parts are damaged or missing do not operate this product until the parts are replaced. Use of this product with damaged or missing parts could result in serious personal injury.

WARNING:

Do not attempt to modify this product or create accessories not recommended for use with this product. Any such alteration or modification is misuse and could result in a hazardous condition leading to possible serious personal injury.

WARNING:

To prevent accidental starting that could cause serious personal injury, always remove the battery pack from the product when assembling parts.

INSTALLING AN ATTACHMENT TO THE POWER HEAD

See Figure 2.

WARNING:

Read and understand entire Operator's Manual for each optional attachment used on this power head and follow all warnings and instructions. Failure to follow all instructions could result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

WARNING:

This 40 V power head is designed to be used only with the attachment models that are specified in this Operator's Manual. It is not designed to be used with brush cutters or other attachment models. Use of other attachments could cause serious personal injuries or property damage.

ASSEMBLY

WARNING:

Never install, remove, or adjust any attachment while power head is running. Failure to stop the motor can cause serious personal injury. Never operate power head without an attachment.

This 40 V power head may be used with only the following Ryobi Expand-It attachments:

- RY15518, RYEDG11, and RYEDG12 Edgers
- RY15519, RYBLW22, and RYAXA22 Blowers
- RY15523, RY15523A and RYSST44 Straight Shaft String Trimmers
- RY15525 and RYCST55 Curved Shaft String Trimmers
- RY15550 and RYTIL66 Cultivators
- RY15520 and RYPRN33 Pruners

The attachment connects to the power head by means of a coupler device.

- Stop the motor and remove the battery pack.
- Loosen the knob on the coupler of the power head shaft and remove the end cap from the attachment.
- Push in the button located on the attachment shaft. Align the button with the guide recess on the power head coupler and slide the two shafts together. Rotate the attachment shaft until the button locks into the positioning hole.

NOTE: If the button does not release completely in the positioning hole, the shafts are not locked into place.

Slightly rotate from side to side until the button is locked into place.

- Tighten the knob securely.

WARNING:

Be certain the knob is fully tightened before operating equipment; check it periodically for tightness during use to avoid serious personal injury.

REMOVING THE ATTACHMENT FROM THE POWER HEAD

- Stop the motor and remove the battery pack.
- Loosen the knob.
- Push in the button and twist the shafts to remove and separate ends.

ATTACHING THE FRONT HANDLE

See Figure 3.

- Loosen and remove the wing bolt and washer from the handle.
- Install the handle on the power head shaft in the area indicated by the illustration.
- Adjust handle up or down, if necessary, to desired operating position.
- Reinstall the washer and wing bolt. Tighten wing bolt to secure.

OPERATION

WARNING:

Read and understand entire Operator's Manual for each optional attachment used on this power head and follow all warnings and instructions. Failure to follow all instructions could result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

WARNING:

Do not allow familiarity with products to make you careless. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.

WARNING:

Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1. Hearing and/or head protection may also be required depending on the type of attachment used and as prescribed in the attachment's Operator's Manual. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes and other possible serious injuries.

WARNING:

Do not use any attachments or accessories not recommended by the manufacturer of this product. The use of attachments or accessories not recommended can result in serious personal injury.

OPERATION

NOTICE:

Before each use, inspect the entire product for damaged, missing, or loose parts such as screws, nuts, bolts, caps, etc. Tighten securely all fasteners and caps and do not operate this product until all missing or damaged parts are replaced. Please contact customer service or a qualified service center for assistance.

This product will accept Ryobi 40 V lithium-ion battery packs only.

For complete charging instructions, refer to the Operator's Manuals for your Ryobi battery pack and charger models.

WARNING:

Always remove battery pack from your tool when you are assembling parts, making adjustments, cleaning, or when not in use. Removing battery pack will prevent accidental starting that could cause serious personal injury.

INSTALLING/REMOVING BATTERY PACK

See Figure 4.

To install battery pack:

- Place the battery pack in the power head. Align raised ribs on battery pack with grooves in the power head's battery port.

WARNING:

Make sure the latch on the bottom of the battery pack snaps in place and the battery pack is fully seated and secure in the power head battery port before beginning operation. Failure to securely seat the battery pack could cause the battery pack to fall out, resulting in serious personal injury.

To remove battery pack:

- Press and hold the battery latch button at the bottom of the battery pack.
- Remove battery pack from the power head.

WARNING:

To avoid serious personal injury, always remove the battery pack and keep hands clear of the trigger lock-out when carrying or transporting the tool.

ADJUSTING THE FRONT HANDLE

See Figure 5.

The angle of the front handle can be adjusted 180°.

- Remove the battery pack.
- Set the power head on a flat surface and turn the knob counterclockwise to loosen the handle.
- Adjust the handle as desired.
- Turn the knob clockwise until the handle is securely tightened before reinstalling the battery pack.

STARTING/STOPPING THE POWER HEAD

See Figure 6.

To start:

- Press and hold the trigger lock-out.
- Depress the switch trigger.

To stop:

- Release the switch trigger to stop the power head.
- Upon release of the switch trigger, the trigger lock-out will automatically reset to the locked position.

OPERATING THE POWER HEAD

See Figures 7 - 12.

Hold the power head with your right hand on the rear handle and your left hand on the front handle. Keep a firm grip with both hands while in operation. Power head should be held at a comfortable position with the rear handle about hip height.

Always operate power head with switch trigger completely depressed. If debris becomes wrapped around the attachment, **RELEASE THE SWITCH TRIGGER**, remove the battery pack, and remove the debris.

WARNING:

Always hold the power head away from the body keeping clearance between the body and the tool. Any contact with an attachment cutting head can result in burns and/or other serious personal injury.

WARNING:

Extreme care must be taken when using a blade attachment to ensure safe operation. Read the safety information for safe operation when using a blade attachment and refer to the safety rules and instructions in your attachment manual. Never use a brush cutter attachment with this power head. Improper operation of a blade or any attachment could result in serious injury.

MAINTENANCE

WARNING:

To avoid serious personal injury, always remove the battery pack from the tool when cleaning or performing any maintenance.

WARNING:

Always wear eye protection with side shields marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1. Hearing and/or head protection may also be required depending on the type of attachment used and as prescribed in the attachment's Operator's Manual. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes and other possible serious injuries.

WARNING:

When servicing, use only identical replacement parts. Use of any other parts can create a hazard or cause product damage.

NOTICE:

Before each use, inspect the entire product for damaged, missing, or loose parts such as screws, nuts, bolts, caps, etc. Tighten securely all fasteners and caps and do not operate this product until all missing or damaged parts are replaced. Please contact customer service or a qualified service center for assistance.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Avoid using solvents when cleaning plastic parts. Most plastics are susceptible to damage from various types of commercial solvents and may be damaged by their use. Use clean cloths to remove dirt, dust, oil, grease, etc.

WARNING:

Do not at any time let brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, penetrating oils, etc., come in contact with plastic parts. Chemicals can damage, weaken or destroy plastic which can result in serious personal injury.

Only the parts shown on the parts list are intended to be repaired or replaced by the customer. All other parts should be replaced at an Authorized Service Center.

CLEANING THE POWER HEAD

- Stop the motor and remove the battery pack.
- Clean dirt and debris from the power head using a damp cloth with a mild detergent.

NOTICE:

Do not use any strong detergents on the plastic housing or the handle. They can be damaged by certain aromatic oils such as pine and lemon, and by solvents such as kerosene.

STORING THE POWER HEAD

- Remove the battery pack from the power head before storing.
- Clean all foreign material from the power head.
- Store it in a place that is inaccessible to children.
- Keep away from corrosive agents such as garden chemicals and de-icing salts.

TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Motor fails to start when switch trigger is depressed.	Battery is not secure.	To secure the battery pack, make sure the latch on the bottom of the battery pack is snapped into place.
	Battery is not charged.	Charge the battery pack according to the instructions included with your model.

WARRANTY

LIMITED WARRANTY STATEMENT

Techtronic Industries North America, Inc., warrants to the original retail purchaser that this RYOBI® brand outdoor product is free from defect in material and workmanship and agrees to repair or replace, at Techtronic Industries North America, Inc.'s, discretion, any defective product free of charge within these time periods from the date of purchase.

- Five years if the product is used for personal, family or household use;
- 90 days, if used for any other purpose, such as commercial or rental.

This warranty extends to the original retail purchaser only and commences on the date of the original retail purchase.

Any part of this product found in the reasonable judgment of Techtronic Industries North America, Inc. to be defective in material or workmanship will be repaired or replaced without charge for parts and labor by an authorized service center for RYOBI® brand outdoor products (Authorized Ryobi Service Center).

The product, including any defective part, must be returned to an authorized Ryobi service center within the warranty period. The expense of delivering the product to the service center for warranty work and the expense of returning it back to the owner after repair or replacement will be paid by the owner. Techtronic Industries North America, Inc.'s, responsibility in respect to claims is limited to making the required repairs or replacements and no claim of breach of warranty shall be cause for cancellation or rescission of the contract of sale of any RYOBI® brand outdoor product. Proof of purchase will be required by the dealer to substantiate any warranty claim. All warranty work must be performed by an authorized service dealer.

This warranty is limited to ninety (90) days from the date of original retail purchase for any RYOBI® brand outdoor product that is used for rental or commercial purposes, or any other income-producing purpose.

This warranty does not cover any product that has been subject to misuse, neglect, negligence, or accident, or that has been operated in any way contrary to the operating instructions as specified in this operator's manual. This warranty does not apply to any damage to the product that is the result of improper maintenance or to any product that has been altered or modified. The warranty does not extend to repairs made necessary by normal wear or by the use of parts or accessories which are either incompatible with the RYOBI® brand outdoor product or adversely affect its operation, performance, or durability. In addition, this warranty does not cover:

- A. Tune-ups – Spark Plugs, Carburetor, Carburetor Adjustments, Ignition, Filters
- B. Wear items – Bump Knobs, Outer Spools, Cutting Lines, Inner Reels, Starter Pulleys, Starter Ropes, Drive Belts, Tines, Felt Washers, Hitch Pins, Mulching Blades, Blower Fans, Blower and Vacuum Tubes, Vacuum Bag and Straps, Guide Bars, Saw Chains

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To locate your nearest Authorized Ryobi Service Center, dial 1-800-860-4050.



OPERATOR'S MANUAL
MANUEL D'UTILISATION / MANUAL DEL OPERADOR
40 VOLT POWER HEAD
40V BLOC MOTEUR / 40V CABEZAL MOTOR
RY40002

CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65

⚠ WARNING:

This product and substances that may become airborne from its use may contain chemicals, including lead, known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. *Wash hands after handling.*

PROPOSITION 65 DE L'ÉTAT DE CALIFORNIE

⚠ AVERTISSEMENT :

Ce produit ainsi que les substances rejetées dans l'air à la suite de son utilisation peuvent contenir des produits chimiques, notamment du plomb qui, selon l'État de la Californie, peuvent causer le cancer, des anomalies congénitales et d'autres dommages au système reproducteur. *Bien se laver les mains après toute manipulation.*

CALIFORNIA - PROPUESTA DE LEY NÚM. 65

⚠ ADVERTENCIA:

Este producto y sustancias que puedan llegar a ser aerotransportadas por su uso pueden contener sustancias químicas (por ejemplo, plomo) consideradas por el estado de California como causantes de cáncer, defectos de nacimiento u otras alteraciones reproductivas. *Lávase las manos después de utilizar el aparato.*

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• **PARTS AND SERVICE:** Prior to requesting service or purchasing replacement parts, please obtain your item, manufacturing, and serial numbers from the product data plate.

ITEM NO. _____

MANUFACTURING NO. _____

SERIAL NO. _____

HOW TO OBTAIN REPLACEMENT PARTS: A replacement parts list is available online at www.ryobitools.com. Replacement parts can be purchased online or by calling 1-800-860-4050. Replacement parts can also be obtained at one of our service centers.

HOW TO LOCATE A SERVICE CENTER: Service centers can be located online at www.ryobitools.com or by calling 1-800-860-4050.

HOW TO OBTAIN CUSTOMER OR TECHNICAL SUPPORT: To obtain customer or technical support please contact us at 1-800-860-4050.



• **PIÈCES ET SERVICE :** Avant de faire la demande de service ou l'achat de pièces de remplacement, veuillez obtenir le numéro d'article, le numéro de fabrication et le numéro de série à partir de la plaque de données du produit.

NUMÉRO D'ARTICLE _____

NUMÉRO DE FABRICATION _____

NUMÉRO DE SÉRIE _____

COMMENT OBTENIR LES PIÈCES DE REMPLACEMENT : Une liste des pièces de rechange est disponible en ligne sur le site www.ryobitools.com. Les pièces de remplacement peuvent être achetées en ligne ou par téléphone au 1-800-860-4050. Les pièces de remplacement peuvent être obtenues à un de nos centres de service.

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NÚMERO DE ARTÍCULO _____

NÚMERO DE FABRICACIÓN _____

NÚMERO DE SERIE _____

CÓMO OBTENER PIEZAS DE REPUESTO: Una lista de piezas de repuesto está disponibles en línea en la dirección www.ryobitools.com. Las piezas de repuesto se pueden comprar en nuestro sitio o llamando al 1-800-860-4050. Las piezas de repuesto también se pueden obtener en uno de nuestros centros de servicio.

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