

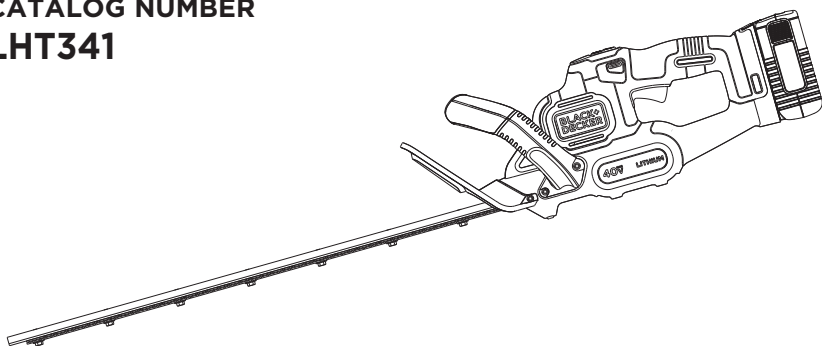
BLACK+ DECKER™

40V MAX* HEDGE TRIMMER

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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SAFETY GUIDELINES - DEFINITIONS

It is important for you to read and understand this manual. The information it contains relates to protecting YOUR SAFETY and PREVENTING PROBLEMS. The symbols below are used to help you recognize this information.

⚠ DANGER: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

⚠ WARNING: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

⚠ CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE: Used without the safety alert symbol indicates potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.

GENERAL POWER TOOL SAFETY RULES

⚠ WARNING: Read all safety warnings and all 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.

1) WORK AREA SAFETY

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

2) ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- a) **Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools.** *Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.*
- b) **Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.**
There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed or grounded.
- c) **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** *Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.*
- d) **Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts.** *Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.*

- e) **When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** *Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.*
- f) **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected supply.** *Use of a GFCI reduces the risk of electric shock.*

3) PERSONAL SAFETY

- a) **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** *A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.*
- b) **Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** *Protective equipment such as dust mask, nonskid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.*
- c) **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off position before connecting to power source and/ or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.** *Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energizing power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.*
- d) **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** *A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.*
- e) **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** *This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.*
- f) **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts.** *Loose clothes, jewelry or long hair can be caught in moving parts.*

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

4) POWER TOOL USE AND CARE

- a) Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application. *The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.*
- b) Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off. *Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.*
- c) Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or the battery pack from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools. *Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.*
- d) Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool. *Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.*
- e) Maintain power tools. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use. *Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.*
- f) Keep cutting tools sharp and clean. *Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.*
- g) Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits, etc. in accordance with these instructions, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed. *Use of the power tool for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.*

5) BATTERY TOOL USE AND CARE

- a) Recharge only with the charger specified by the manufacturer. *A charger that is suitable for one type of battery pack may create a risk of fire when used with another battery pack.*
- b) Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs. Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
- c) When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects like paper clips, coins, keys,

nails, screws, or other small metal objects that can make a connection from one terminal to another.

Shorting the battery terminals together may cause burns or a fire.

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

HEDGE TRIMMER SAFETY WARNINGS

- ⚠ DANGER:** Keep hands away from blade. Contact with blade will result in serious personal injury.
- Use both hands when operating the hedge trimmer. Using one hand could cause loss of control and result in serious personal injury.
 - Keep all parts of the body away from the cutter blade. Do not remove cut material or hold material to be cut when blades are moving. Make sure the switch is off when clearing jammed material. Blades coast after turn off. A moment of inattention while operating the hedge trimmer may result in serious personal injury.
- ⚠ WARNING:** Only use with bail handle and guard properly assembled to hedge trimmer. The use of the hedge trimmer without the proper guard or handle provided may result in serious personal injury.
- Carry the hedge trimmer by the handle with the cutter blade stopped. *Proper handling of the hedge trimmer will reduce possible personal injury from the cutter blades.*
 - Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces only, because the cutter blade may contact hidden wiring. *Cutter blades contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.*
 - Keep extension cord away from cutting area. *During operation the extension cord may be hidden in shrubs and can be accidentally cut by the blade.*
 - Check the hedge for foreign objects, e.g. wire fences.
- ⚠ CAUTION:** Do not expose to rain.

⚠ WARNING: Remove plug from the outlet immediately if the extension cord becomes damaged or cut.

⚠ WARNING: Some dust created by this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:

- compounds in fertilizers
- compounds in insecticides, herbicides and pesticides
- arsenic and chromium from chemically treated lumber

To reduce your exposure to these chemicals, wear approved safety equipment such as dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

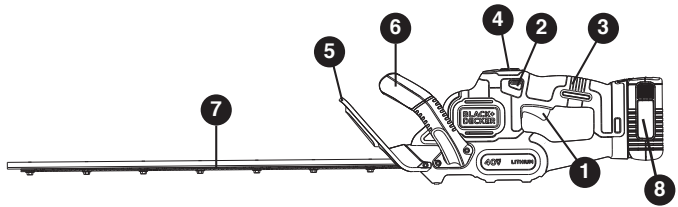
SYMBOLS

The label on your tool may include the following symbols. The symbols and their definitions are as follows:

- V.....volts
- A.....amperes
- Hz.....hertz
- W.....watts
- min.....minutes
- ~ or AC.....alternating current
- == or DC.....direct current
- n₀.....no load speed
- ⚠.....Class I Construction (grounded)
- ⚡.....earthing terminal
- ⚠.....safety alert symbol
-Class II Construction (double insulated)
- .../min or rpm.....revolutions or reciprocation per minute
- CSPM.....cut strokes per minute
- 🧴.....Use proper respiratory protection
- 📖.....Read instruction manual before use
- 🕶.....Use proper eye protection
- 👂.....Use proper hearing protection

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

1. Trigger Switch
2. Lock-off Button
3. Switch Handle
4. POWERCUT™ Button
5. Blade Guard
6. Bail Handle
7. Blade
8. Battery



BLACK+DECKER Battery and Charger Systems				
Chargers/Charge Time** (Hours) (0% - 100% charge)				
40V MAX* Batteries	Watt Hours	40V MAX* Chargers		
		LCS36	LCS40	LCS436
LBX36	47	1	1	3.25
LBXR36	60	1.25	1.25	3.75
LBX1540	60	1.25	1.25	3.75
LBXR2036	80	1.5	1.5	5
LBX2040	80	1.5	1.5	5
LBXR2540	100	1.75	1.75	6.25
LBX2540	100	1.75	1.75	6.25

**All charge times are approximate. Actual charge time may vary.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR BATTERY CHARGERS

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS: This manual contains important safety instructions for battery chargers.

- Before using charger, read all instructions

and cautionary markings on charger, battery pack, and product using battery pack.

⚠ WARNING: Shock hazard. Do not allow any liquid to get inside charger.

⚠ CAUTION: Burn hazard. To reduce the risk of injury, charge only designated BLACK+DECKER batteries. Other types of

batteries may burst causing personal injury and damage.

⚠ CAUTION: Under certain conditions, with the charger plugged in to the power supply, the charger can be shorted by foreign material. Foreign materials of a conductive nature such as, but not limited to, steel wool, aluminum foil, or any buildup of metallic particles should be kept away from charger cavities. Always unplug the charger from the power supply when there is no battery pack in the cavity. Unplug charger before attempting to clean.

⚠ WARNING: DO NOT attempt to charge the battery pack with any chargers other than the ones in this manual. *The charger and battery pack are specifically designed to work together.*

- **These chargers are not intended for any uses other than charging designated BLACK+DECKER rechargeable batteries.** *Any other uses may result in risk of fire, electric shock or electrocution.*
- **Do not expose charger to rain or snow.**
- **Pull by plug rather than cord when disconnecting charger.** *This will reduce risk of damage to electric plug and cord.*
- **Make sure that cord is located so that it will not be stepped on, tripped over, or otherwise subjected to damage or stress.**
- **Do not use an extension cord unless it is absolutely necessary.** *Use of improper extension cord could result in risk of fire, electric shock, or electrocution.*
- **An extension cord must have adequate wire size (AWG or American Wire Gauge) for safety.** *The smaller the gauge number of the wire, the greater the capacity of the cable, that is 16 gauge has more capacity than 18 gauge. When using more than one extension to make up the total length, be sure each individual extension contains at least the minimum wire size.*

Minimum Gauge for Cord Sets					
Volts	Total Length of Cord in Feet				
120V	0-25	26-50	51-100	101-150	
Ampere Rating		American Wire Gauge			
More Than	Not more Than				
0 - 6	18	16	16	14	
6 - 10	18	16	14	12	

- **Do not operate charger with damaged cord or plug — have them replaced immediately.**
- **Do not operate charger if it has received a sharp blow, been dropped, or otherwise damaged in any way.** *Take it to an authorized service center.*
- **Do not disassemble charger; take it to an authorized service center when service or repair is required.** *Incorrect*

reassembly may result in a risk of electric shock, electrocution or fire.

- **Disconnect the charger from the outlet before attempting any cleaning.** *This will reduce the risk of electric shock. Removing the battery pack will not reduce this risk.*
- **NEVER attempt to connect 2 chargers together.**
- **The charger is designed to operate on standard household electrical power (120 Volts). Do not attempt to use it on any other voltage.**

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTION FOR BATTERY PACKS

⚠ WARNING: *For safe operation, read this manual and manuals originally supplied with tool before using the charger.*

The battery pack is not fully charged out of the carton. Before using the battery pack and charger, read the safety instructions below. Then follow charging procedures outlined.

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS

- **Do not incinerate the battery pack even if it is severely damaged or is completely worn out.** *The battery pack can explode in a fire. Toxic fumes and materials are created when battery packs are burned.*
- **Do not charge or use battery in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** *Inserting or removing the battery from the charger may ignite the dust or fumes.*
- **If battery contents come into contact with the skin, immediately wash area with mild soap and water.** *If battery liquid gets into the eye, rinse water over the open eye for 15 minutes or until irritation ceases. If medical attention is needed, the battery electrolyte for Lithium-Ion batteries is composed of a mixture of liquid organic carbonates and lithium salts.*
- **Contents of opened battery cells may cause respiratory irritation.** *Provide fresh air. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.*

⚠ WARNING: Burn hazard. *Battery liquid may be flammable if exposed to spark or flame.*

- **Charge the battery packs only in BLACK+DECKER chargers.**
- **DO NOT splash or immerse in water or other liquids.** *This may cause premature cell failure.*
- **Do not store or use the tool and battery pack in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 105°F (40°C) (such as outside sheds or metal buildings in summer).**

⚠ WARNING: *Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If battery pack case is cracked or damaged, do not insert into charger. Do not crush, drop or damage battery pack. Do not use a battery pack or charger that has received a sharp blow, been dropped, run over or damaged in any way (i.e., pierced with a nail, hit with a hammer, stepped on). Damaged battery packs should be returned to service center for recycling.*



⚠ WARNING: **Fire hazard. Do not store or carry battery so that metal objects can contact exposed battery terminals.** *For example, do not place battery in aprons, pockets, tool boxes, product kit boxes, drawers, etc., with loose nails, screws, keys, etc. Transporting batteries can possibly cause fires if the battery terminals inadvertently come in contact with conductive materials such as keys, coins, hand tools and the like. The US Department of Transportation Hazardous Material Regulations (HMR) actually prohibit transporting batteries in commerce or on airplanes (i.e., packed in suitcases and carry-on luggage) UNLESS they are properly protected from short circuits. So when transporting individual batteries, make sure that the battery terminals are protected and well insulated from materials that could contact them and cause a short circuit. NOTE: Lithium-Ion batteries should not be put in checked baggage.*

STORAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The best storage place is one that is cool and dry away from direct sunlight and excess heat or cold.
2. Long storage will not harm the battery pack or charger.

CHARGING PROCEDURE

BLACK+DECKER chargers are designed to charge **BLACK+DECKER** battery packs.


1. Plug the charger into an appropriate outlet before inserting the battery pack.
2. Insert the battery pack into the charger.
-  3. The green LED will flash indicating that the battery is being charged.
-  4. The completion of charge is indicated by the green LED remaining on continuously. The pack is fully charged and may be used at this time or left on the charger.

Recharge discharged batteries as soon as possible after use or battery life may be greatly diminished. For longest battery life, do not discharge batteries fully. It is recommended that the batteries be recharged after each use.


CHARGER DIAGNOSTICS

This charger is designed to detect certain problems that can arise with the battery packs or the power source. Problems are indicated by one LED flashing in different patterns.

BAD BATTERY

 The charger can detect a weak or damaged battery. The red LED flashes in the pattern indicated on the label. If you see this bad battery blink pattern, do not continue to charge the battery. Return it to a service center or a collection site for recycling.

HOT/COLD PACK DELAY

 When the charger detects a battery that is excessively hot or excessively cold, it automatically starts a Hot/Cold Pack Delay, suspending charging until the battery has normalized. After this happens, the charger automatically switches to the Pack Charging mode. This feature ensures maximum battery life. The red LED flashes in the pattern indicate **IN THE CHARGER**. The charger and battery pack can be left connected with the green LED glowing indefinitely. The charger will keep the battery pack fresh and fully charged.

IMPORTANT CHARGING NOTES

1. Longest life and best performance can be obtained if the battery pack is charged when the air temperature is between 65°F and 75°F (18°- 24°C). DO NOT charge the battery pack in an air temperature below +40°F (+4.5°C), or above +105°F (+40.5°C). This is important and will prevent serious damage to the battery pack.
2. The charger and battery pack may become warm to touch while charging. This is a normal condition, and does not indicate a problem. To facilitate the cooling of the battery pack after use, avoid placing the charger or battery pack in a warm environment such as in a metal shed, or an uninsulated trailer.
3. If the battery pack does not charge properly:
 - a. Check current at receptacle by plugging in a lamp or other appliance
 - b. Check to see if receptacle is connected to a light switch which turns power off when you turn out the lights.
 - c. Move charger and battery pack to a location where the surrounding air temperature is approximately 65°F - 75°F (18°- 24°C).
 - d. If charging problems persist, take the tool, battery pack and charger to your local service center.
4. The battery pack should be recharged when it fails to produce sufficient power on jobs which were easily done previously. DO NOT CONTINUE to use under these conditions. Follow the charging procedure. You may also charge a partially used pack whenever you desire with no adverse affect on the battery pack.
5. Foreign materials of a conductive nature such as, but not limited to, steel wool,

aluminum foil, or any buildup of metallic particles should be kept away from charger cavities. Always unplug the charger from the power supply when there is no battery pack in the cavity. Unplug charger before attempting to clean.

6. Do not freeze or immerse charger in water or any other liquid.

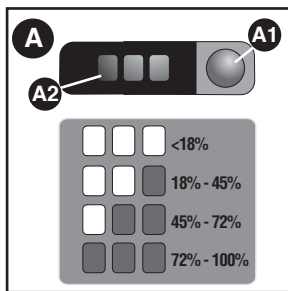
⚠ WARNING: Shock hazard. Do not allow any liquid to get inside charger. *Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If the plastic housing of the battery pack breaks or cracks, return to a service center for recycling.*

STATE OF CHARGE INDICATOR

The battery is equipped with a state of charge indicator. This can be used to display the current level of charge in the battery during use and during charging. It does not indicate tool functionality and is subject to variation based on product components, temperature and end-user application.

Checking state of charge during use:

- Press the state of charge indicator button (A1).
- The three LEDs (A2) will illuminate, indicating the percent of charge in the battery. See chart in **Figure A**.
- If LED light does not illuminate, charge battery.

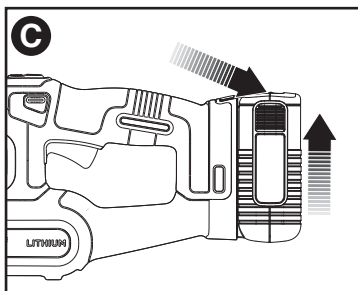
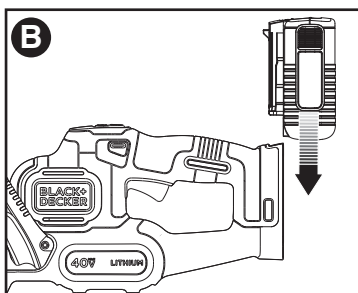


INSTALLING AND REMOVING THE BATTERY PACK FROM THE TOOL

⚠ WARNING: Make certain the lock-off button is engaged to prevent switch actuation before removing or installing battery.

TO INSTALL BATTERY PACK: Insert battery (5) into tool until an audible click is heard (**Figure B**). Ensure battery pack is fully seated and fully latched into position.

TO REMOVE BATTERY PACK: Depress the battery release button (6) as shown in **Figure C** and pull battery pack out of tool.



ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

⚠ WARNING: Make certain the battery is removed before assembly or disassembly of any parts.

ASSEMBLY TOOLS REQUIRED (NOT SUPPLIED):

- Phillips Screwdriver

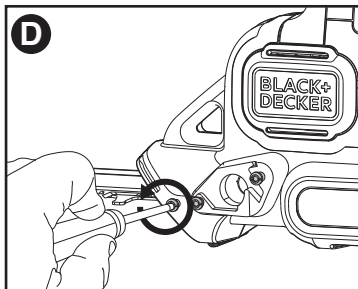
ATTACHING GUARD AND BAIL HANDLE TO TRIMMER

⚠ WARNING: Only use with handle and guard properly assembled to hedge trimmer. The use of the hedge trimmer without the proper guard or handle provided may result in serious personal injury.

The trimmer is shipped with the guard and bail handle attached to the trimmer with a plastic zip tie.

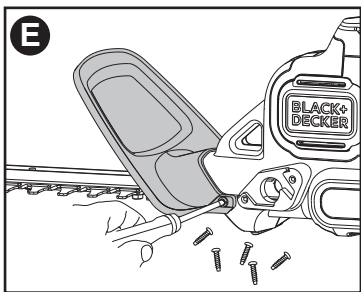
To assemble to trimmer:

- Cut the plastic zip tie.
- Remove the six screws that are partially run into the trimmer housing (**figure D**).

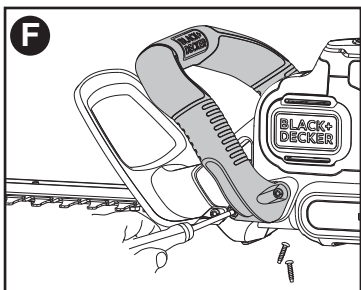


- Slide the guard (5) onto the front of the trimmer housing as shown in **figure E**.

- Insert two of the six screws into the openings on the sides of the guard and tighten securely.



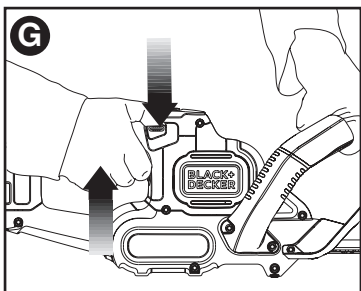
- Slide the bail handle (6) onto the front of the trimmer housing behind the guard as shown in figure F.
- Insert the remaining four screws into the openings on the sides of the bail handle and tighten securely.



OPERATION SWITCH

- To turn the unit on, push the lock off button (2) down and squeeze the trigger (1), as shown in Figure G. Once the unit is running, you may release the lock-off button. In order to keep the unit running you must continue to squeeze the trigger.
- To turn the unit off, release the trigger.

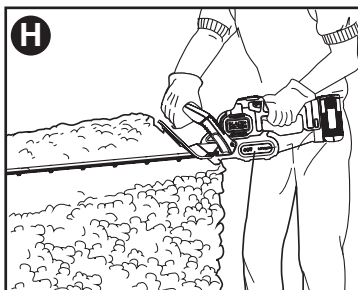
⚠ WARNING: NEVER ATTEMPT TO LOCK A SWITCH IN THE ON POSITION.



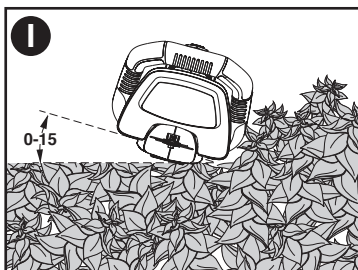
TRIMMING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. WORKING POSITION** – Maintain proper footing and balance and do not overreach. Wear safety goggles, non-skid footwear when trimming. Hold the unit firmly in both

hands and turn the unit ON. Always hold the trimmer, as shown in the illustrations in this manual, with one hand on the switch handle and one hand on the bail handle (Figure H). Never hold the unit by the blade guard.

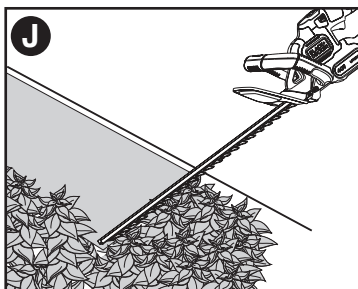


- 2. TRIMMING NEW GROWTH** – (Figure I) A wide, sweeping motion, feeding the blade teeth through the twigs is most effective. A slight downward tilt of the blade, in the direction of motion gives the best cutting.

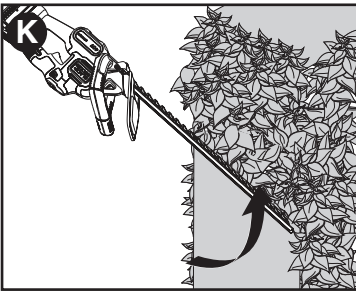


⚠ CAUTION: DO NOT CUT STEMS GREATER THAN 3/4 INCH (19MM). USE THE TRIMMER ONLY FOR CUTTING NORMAL SHRUBBERY AROUND HOUSES AND BUILDINGS.

- 3. LEVEL HEDGES (Figure J)** – To obtain exceptionally level hedges a piece of string can be stretched along the length of the hedge as a guide.



- 4. SIDE TRIMMING HEDGES (Figure K)** – Hold the trimmer as shown and begin at the bottom and sweep up.

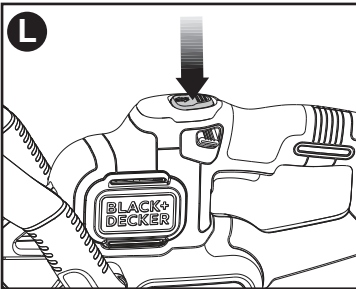


5. **POWERCUT™** – If you encounter a jam, depress the **POWERCUT™** button (4) shown in **Figure L**. The blades will move back and forth in a slower, more forceful rhythm to help cut through difficult branches. Release the button to return to normal hedge trimming usage.

NOTE: Once the button is released, the blades will immediately return to full speed.

NOTE: The blades will stop when the button is held for 15 seconds. To reengage the **POWERCUT™** feature, release the button and depress it again.

DO NOT continuously hold the **POWERCUT™** button during normal hedge trimming.



⚠ WARNING: TO GUARD AGAINST INJURY, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:

- READ INSTRUCTION MANUAL BEFORE USING. SAVE INSTRUCTION MANUAL.
- CHECK THE HEDGE FOR FOREIGN OBJECTS SUCH AS WIRE OR FENCES BEFORE EACH USE.
- KEEP HANDS ON HANDLES. DON'T OVERREACH.
- DO NOT USE UNDER WET CONDITIONS.

⚠ CAUTION: BLADE MAY COAST AFTER TURN OFF.

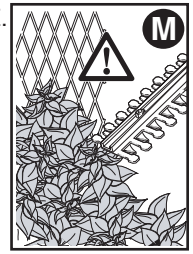
⚠ DANGER: KEEP HANDS AWAY FROM BLADES.

MAINTENANCE

⚠ WARNING: REMOVE BATTERY PACK BEFORE SERVICING, CLEANING OR REMOVING MATERIAL FROM THE

GARDENING APPLIANCE.

The cutting blades are made from high quality, hardened steel and with normal usage, they will not require resharpening. However, if you accidentally hit a wire fence (**Figure M**), stones, glass or other hard objects, you may put a nick in the blade.



There is no need to remove this nick as long as it does not interfere with the movement of the blade. If it does interfere, remove the battery and use a fine toothed file or sharpening stone to remove the nick. If you drop the trimmer, carefully inspect it for damage. If the blade is bent, housing cracked, or handles broken or if you see any other condition that may affect the trimmer's operation contact your local BLACK+DECKER Service Center for repairs before putting it back into use.

Fertilizers and other garden chemicals contain agents which greatly accelerate the corrosion of metals. Do not store the unit on or adjacent to fertilizers or chemicals. With the battery removed, use only mild soap and a damp cloth to clean the unit. Never let any liquid get inside the unit; never immerse any part of the unit into a liquid. Prevent the blades from rusting by applying a film of light machine oil after cleaning.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation.

If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.

- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment. This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

ACCESSORIES

⚠ WARNING: DO NOT use the hedge trimmer with any type of accessory or attachment. Such usage might be hazardous.

The RBRC® Seal

The RBRC® (Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation) Seal on the nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium-ion batteries (or battery packs) indicates that the costs to recycle these batteries (or battery packs) at the end of their useful life have already been paid by BLACK+DECKER. In some areas, it is illegal to place spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium-ion batteries in the trash or municipal solid waste stream and the Call 2 Recycle® program provides an environmentally conscious alternative.

Call 2 Recycle, Inc., in cooperation with BLACK+DECKER and other battery users, has established the program in the United States and Canada to facilitate the collection of spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium-ion batteries. Help protect our environment and conserve natural resources by returning the spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium-ion batteries to an authorized BLACK+DECKER service center or to your local retailer for recycling. You may also contact your local recycling center for information on where to drop off the spent battery. RBRC® is a registered trademark of Call 2 Recycle, Inc.



SERVICE INFORMATION

All BLACK+DECKER Service Centers are staffed with trained personnel to provide customers with efficient and reliable power tool service. Whether you need technical advice, repair, or genuine factory replacement parts, contact the BLACK+DECKER location nearest you. To find your local service location, call: **1-800-544-6986** or visit **www.blackanddecker.com**

THREE-YEAR LIMITED HOME USE WARRANTY

BLACK+DECKER warrants this product for three years against any defects in material or workmanship. The defective product will be replaced or repaired at no charge in either of two ways.

The first, which will result in exchanges only, is to return the product to the retailer from whom it was purchased (provided that the store is a participating retailer). Returns should be made within the time period of the retailer's policy for exchanges (usually 30 to 90 days after the sale). Proof of purchase may be required. Please check with the retailer for their specific return policy regarding returns that are beyond the time set for exchanges.

The second option is to take or send the product (prepaid) to a BLACK+DECKER owned or authorized Service Center for repair or replacement at our option. Proof of purchase may be required.

This warranty does not apply to accessories. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may have other rights which vary from state to state or province to province. Should you have any questions, contact the manager of your nearest BLACK+DECKER Service Center. This product is not intended for commercial use.

FREE WARNING LABEL REPLACEMENT: If your warning labels become illegible or are missing, call **1-800-544-6986** for a free replacement.

LATIN AMERICA: This warranty does not apply to products sold in Latin America. For products sold in Latin America, check country specific warranty information contained in the packaging, call the local company or see the website for warranty information.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem

- Slow running, noisy or hot blades.

Possible Cause

- Dry, corroded blades.
- Blades or blade support bent.

Possible Solution

- Lubricate blades.

- Unit will not start.

- Bent or damaged teeth.
- Loose blade bolts.
- Battery not installed properly.
- Battery not charged.

- Straighten teeth.
- Tighten blade bolts.
- Check battery installation.

operated.

- Battery won't charge.

- Lock off not fully down prior to moving main trigger.
- Battery not inserted into charger.

- Check battery charging requirements.
- Check that lock-off is fully pressed

- Charger not plugged in.

- Insert battery into charger until green LED appears. Charge up to 8 hours if battery totally drained.

- Plug charger into a working outlet. Refer to "Important Charging Notes" for more details.

- Check current at receptacle by plugging in a lamp or other appliance.

- Check to see if receptacle is connected to a light switch which turns power off when you turn out the lights.

- Surrounding air temperature too hot or too cold.

- Move charger and tool to a surrounding air temperature of above 40 degree F (4.5°C) or below 105 degree F (+40.5°C).

- Blades jammed on branch.

- Blade unable to cut through thick branch.

- Depress the POWERCUT™ button to cut through the branch.

For assistance with your product, visit our website www.blackanddecker.com for the location of the service center nearest you or call the BLACK+DECKER help line at **1-800-544-6986**

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