2012 Energy Best -- Tree Instruction Sheet

PRE-LIT & PRE-SHAPED CHRISTMAS TREE

Thank you for your purchase of this Pre-Lit & Pre-shaped Christmas tree. With proper use and care, your tree will provide years of trouble-free enjoyment. Carefully follow the instructions below to assemble and disassemble your tree.

If you should have any problems with your tree, or if the tree does not light in assembly, DO NOT RETURN IT to the place of purchase. Please refer to the trouble shooting section of this manual or call our toll free number **1-888-831-6656**, and a trained representative will assist you. Our Customer Service Center is open throughout the year.

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm CST

Last weekend of November: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm CST First weekend of December: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm CST

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ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

Carefully unpack all tree components from the carton (Fig 1). Your tree should include the following:

- 1 Folding metal tree stand with 3 eyebolts
- 1 ON/OFF foot pedal extension cord which is already connected to the tree
- 1 Bag of replacement bulbs included with these instructions
- 3 Tree Sections for 7.5' Tree



ASSEMBLY OF THE TREE STAND

- Remove the tree stand from the storage bag and open the tree stand to form an "X".
- 2. Align the holes for the insertion of the 3 eyebolts.
- 3. Insert each eyebolt and begin threading in a clock-wise motion for a couple of rotations only. Leave enough room for the tree pole to be inserted into the stand (Fig 2).
- 4. Place the tree stand in the desired location for your tree. Once the tree is fully assembled, it may be too difficult to move.



ASSEMBLY OF THE TREE

- 1. Locate the bottom section of the tree which is identified by a label on the outer branches marked "A".
- 2. Remove the protective plastic cap from the end of the pole and place that end into the tree stand. Be sure the end of the pole reaches the bottom of the stand.
- 3. Tighten the eyebolts on the tree stand until the pole is secure (Fig 3).



- 4. Carefully cut the red nylon strap holding the branches together. CAUTION: Be sure not to cut any of the light set wires.
- 5. Gently guide the branches downward into place.
- 6. Locate the next section of the tree identified by a label marked "B".
- 7. Remove the protective plastic cap from the end of the pole and insert that end into the pole from section "A" until it is fully seated.

8. Carefully cut the red nylon strap holding the branches together.

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- 9. Gently guide the branches downward into place.
- 10. To electrically connect the sections, locate the coaxial connectors labeled "1". There will be one connector in section "A" and one in section "B" of your tree (Fig 4).

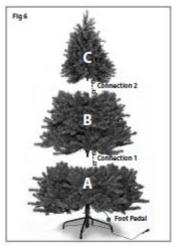
Note: Do not remove the connector labels, as they will help you disassemble and reassemble the tree in the future. To easily find the section connections, gently lift the section branches and where a light set wire is not connecting the next horizontal branch, you will find the coaxial connector label.



11. Align the flat ends of both connectors as shown and connect them together. Slide the screw cover from the "male" connector over the "female" connector and tighten (Fig 5).



12. Depending on the height of the tree you have purchased, you will continue to build your tree upward connecting each section by either a coaxial connector or an extension cord. The tree sections are labeled in alphabetical order from the bottom to the top of your tree (Fig 6).



<u>The 7.5 Ft tree</u> will have an extension cord to electrically connect Sections B (not a coaxial end). Thread the extension cord down the center of the pole and plug in at the outlet near the bottom of the tree.

7.5 Ft Tree Schematic

Section C Plug 2 into 2 in section B

Section B (Coaxial end remains unplugged) Plug Extension Cord to Section A Extension Cord

Section A w/foot pedal Plug Extension Cord to a wall outlet

- 13. The bottom section of your tree contains an extension cord with an ON/OFF foot pedal. Remove the twist tie from the cord and plug into a working wall outlet. Press once to activate; press again to deactivate. (Fig 7).
- 14. Check your tree for any loose, unlit or damaged bulbs. Although the tree will still operate, the bulbs must be replaced promptly to ensure the performance and life expectancy of your tree.



This product employs overload protection (fuse). A blown fuse indicates an overload or short-circuit situation. If the fuse blows, unplug the product from the outlet. Also unplug any additional strings or products that may be attached to the product. Replace the fuse as per the user servicing instructions (follow product marking for proper fuse rating) and check the product. If the replacement fuse blows, a short-circuit may be present and the product should be discarded.

Fuse replacement: Most often, fuses blow because too many sets have been strung end-to-end.

- a) Before changing fuses, make sure the set is unplugged.
- b) Grasp plug and remove from the receptacle or other outlet device. Do not unplug by pulling on the cord.
- c) Using a flathead screwdriver, open fuse cover. Slide open the fuse access cover on top of attachment plug towards blades.
- d) Remove fuses carefully.



- e) Risk of fire. Replace fuse only with 5 Amp, 125 Volt fuse (provided with product).
- f) Close fuse cover. Slide close the fuse access cover on top of attachment plug. Make sure door is fully closed and fuses are completely covered.
- g) Risk of fire. Do not replace attachment plug. Contains a safety device (fuse) that should not be removed. Discard product if the attachment plug is damaged.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- 1. If the tree does not illuminate, press the ON/OFF foot pedal. It may be in the OFF position.
- 2. Unplug the tree and check all coaxial connections as shown in Figure 5. The light sets are connected to the ON/OFF foot pedal extension cord through a converter plug (Fig 8). Be sure to check both the coaxial connection and the connection to the ON/OFF foot pedal extension cord.
- 3. If the tree is still not illuminated, unplug the tree and check the fused plug on the ON/OFF foot pedal extension cord for a missing or burned out (open) fuse. A replacement is located in the plug cavity. If additional fuses are needed, use only 5A 125V fuses.
- 4. If one section of the tree does not illuminate, check the coaxial connections in that section.



NOTE: DO NOT USE A DIMMER SWITCH OR INSTALL ANY ADDITIONAL CHRISTMAS LIGHTING OR ORNAMENTATION THAT IS POWERED BY A LIGHT BULB SOCKET. DOING THIS MAY RESULT IN DAMAGE TO YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE OR CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY. THIS ACTION WILL RESULT IN A VOID OF THE LIMITED WARRANTY OF THIS PRODUCT.

DISASSEMBLY & STORAGE OF THE TREE

- 1. Unplug the ON/OFF foot pedal from the wall outlet.
- 2. To disconnect the sections, locate the connection-labeled light strings, unscrew the cap, and gently pull apart the light strings. There will be two or three connections depending on the size of your tree (Fig 6).
- NOTE: It is not necessary to disconnect any light strings other than the ones with the numerical connection labels.
- 3. Lift each section straight up as you remove it from the section below. Gently fold the branches up toward the center and place in storage container.
- 4. To remove the bottom section of the tree from the stand, hold the tee pole upright while loosening the eyebolts located on the tree stand. Then, pull the bottom section up and out of the tree stand.
- 5. To close the tree stand for storage, unscrew all eyebolts and remove them from the stand. The tree stand will then fold together.
- 6. Store the tree in a cool, dry location protected from sunlight.

Though the light strings are rated for indoor or outdoor use, the complete tree is indoor use only.

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This is not a toy, for decorative use only.

