

INSTRUCTION MANUAL



Cordless Hedge Trimmer

DUH501

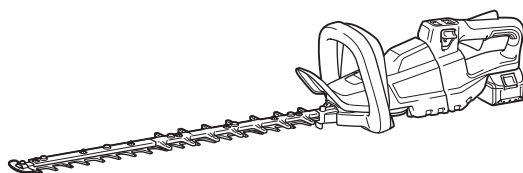
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Read before use.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model:	DUH501	DUH601	DUH751
Blade length	500 mm	600 mm	750 mm
Strokes per minute	0 - 2,000 / 0 - 3,600 / 0 - 4,400 min ⁻¹		
Overall length	1,016 mm	1,121 mm	1,261 mm
Rated voltage	D.C. 18 V		
Net weight	3.8 - 4.5 kg		

Model:	DUH502	DUH602	DUH752
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- Due to our continuing program of research and development, the specifications herein are subject to change without notice.
- Specifications may differ from country to country.
- The weight may differ depending on the attachment(s), including the battery cartridge. The lightest and heaviest combination, according to EPTA-Procedure 01/2014, are shown in the table.

Applicable battery cartridge

BL1815N / BL1820 / BL1820B / BL1830 / BL1830B / BL1840 / BL1840B / BL1850 / BL1850B / BL1860B

- Some of the battery cartridges listed above may not be available depending on your region of residence.

⚠ WARNING: Only use the battery cartridges listed above. Use of any other battery cartridges may cause injury and/or fire.

Symbols

The followings show the symbols used for the equipment. Be sure that you understand their meaning before use.



Read instruction manual.



Do not expose to moisture.



Only for EU countries
Do not dispose of electric equipment or battery pack together with household waste material!
In observance of the European Directives, on Waste Electric and Electronic Equipment and Batteries and Accumulators and Waste Batteries and Accumulators and their implementation in accordance with national laws, electric equipment and batteries and battery pack(s) that have reached the end of their life must be collected separately and returned to an environmentally compatible recycling facility.

Intended use

The tool is intended for trimming hedges.

SAFETY WARNINGS

General power tool safety warnings

⚠ WARNING: Read all safety warnings, instructions, illustrations and specifications provided with this power tool. Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.

Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.

The term "power tool" in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

Work area safety

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

Electrical Safety

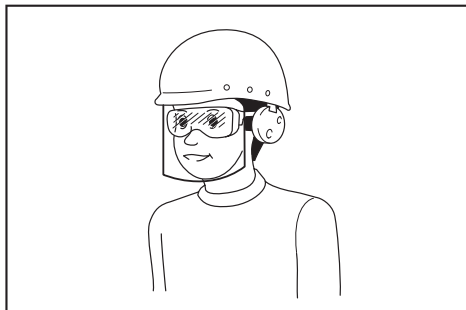
1. **Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools.** Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.

2. **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.
3. **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
4. **Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts.** Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.
5. **When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
6. **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD) protected supply.** Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.
7. **Power tools can produce electromagnetic fields (EMF) that are not harmful to the user.** However, users of pacemakers and other similar medical devices should contact the maker of their device and/or doctor for advice before operating this power tool.

Personal Safety

1. **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
2. **Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Protective equipment such as a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
3. **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the 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 energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
4. **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.
5. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
6. **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair and clothing away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
7. **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.
8. **Do not let familiarity gained from frequent use of tools allow you to become complacent and ignore tool safety principles.** A careless action can cause severe injury within a fraction of a second.

9. **Always wear protective goggles to protect your eyes from injury when using power tools. The goggles must comply with ANSI Z87.1 in the USA, EN 166 in Europe, or AS/NZS 1336 in Australia/New Zealand. In Australia/New Zealand, it is legally required to wear a face shield to protect your face, too.**



It is an employer's responsibility to enforce the use of appropriate safety protective equipments by the tool operators and by other persons in the immediate working area.

Power tool use and care

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

9. **When using the tool, do not wear cloth work gloves which may be entangled.** The entanglement of cloth work gloves in the moving parts may result in personal injury.

Battery tool use and care

1. **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.
2. **Use power tools only with specifically designed battery packs.** Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
3. **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.
4. **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.
5. **Do not use a battery pack or tool that is damaged or modified.** Damaged or modified batteries may exhibit unpredictable behaviour resulting in fire, explosion or risk of injury.
6. **Do not expose a battery pack or tool to fire or excessive temperature.** Exposure to fire or temperature above 130 °C may cause explosion.
7. **Follow all charging instructions and do not charge the battery pack or tool outside the temperature range specified in the instructions.** Charging improperly or at temperatures outside the specified range may damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.

Service

1. **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.
2. **Never service damaged battery packs.** Service of battery packs should only be performed by the manufacturer or authorized service providers.
3. **Follow instruction for lubricating and changing accessories.**

Cordless Hedge Trimmer Safety Warnings

1. **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.** A moment of inattention while operating the hedge trimmer may result in serious personal injury.
2. **Carry the hedge trimmer by the handle with the cutter blade stopped. When transporting or storing the hedge trimmer always fit the cutting device cover.** Proper handling of the hedge trimmer will reduce possible personal injury from the cutter blades.
3. **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.
4. **DANGER - Keep hands away from blade.** Contact with blade will result in serious personal injury.
5. **Do not use the hedge trimmer in the rain or in wet or very damp conditions.** The electric motor is not waterproof.
6. **First-time users should have an experienced hedge trimmer user show them how to use the trimmer.**
7. **The hedge trimmer must not be used by children or young persons under 18 years of age.** Young persons over 16 years of age may be exempted from this restriction if they are undergoing training under the supervision of an expert.
8. **Use the hedge trimmer only if you are in good physical condition.** If you are tired, your attention will be reduced. Be especially careful at the end of a working day. Perform all work calmly and carefully. The user is responsible for all damages to third parties.
9. **Never use the trimmer when under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication.**
10. **Work gloves of stout leather are part of the basic equipment of the hedge trimmer and must always be worn when working with it. Also wear sturdy shoes with anti-skid soles.**
11. **Before starting work check to make sure that the trimmer is in good and safe working order. Ensure guards are fitted properly. The hedge trimmer must not be used unless fully assembled.**
12. **Make sure you have a secure footing before starting operation.**
13. **Hold the tool firmly when using the tool.**
14. **Do not operate the tool at no-load unnecessarily.**
15. **Immediately switch off the motor and remove the battery cartridge if the cutter should come into contact with a fence or other hard object. Check the cutter for damage, and if damaged repair immediately.**
16. **Before checking the cutter, taking care of faults, or removing material caught in the cutter, always switch off the trimmer and remove the battery cartridge.**
17. **Switch off the trimmer and remove the battery cartridge before doing any maintenance work.**
18. **When moving the hedge trimmer to another location, including during work, always remove the battery cartridge and put the blade cover on the cutter blades. Never carry or transport the trimmer with the cutter running. Never grasp the cutter with your hands.**
19. **Clean the hedge trimmer and especially the cutter after use, and before putting the trimmer into storage for extended periods. Lightly oil the cutter and put on the cover.** The cover supplied with the unit can be hung on the wall, providing a safe and practical way to store the hedge trimmer.

20. Store the hedge trimmer with the cover on, in a dry room. Keep it out of reach of children. Never store the trimmer outdoors.
21. Never point the shear blades to yourself or others.
22. If the blades stop moving due to the stuck of foreign objects between the blades during operation, switch off the tool and remove the battery cartridge, and then remove the foreign objects using tools such as pliers. Removing the foreign objects by hand may cause an injury for the reason that the blades may move in reaction to removing the foreign objects.
23. Avoid dangerous environment. Don't use the tool in damp or wet locations or expose it to rain. Water entering the tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
24. Do not dispose of the battery(ies) in a fire. The cell may explode. Check with local codes for possible special disposal instructions.
25. Do not open or mutilate the battery(ies). Released electrolyte is corrosive and may cause damage to the eyes or skin. It may be toxic if swallowed.
26. Do not charge battery in rain, or in wet locations.
27. Check the hedges and bushes for foreign objects, such as wire fences or hidden wiring before operating the tool.
6. Do not store the tool and battery cartridge in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 50 °C (122 °F).
7. Do not incinerate the battery cartridge even if it is severely damaged or is completely worn out. The battery cartridge can explode in a fire.
8. Be careful not to drop or strike battery.
9. Do not use a damaged battery.
10. The contained lithium-ion batteries are subject to the Dangerous Goods Legislation requirements.
For commercial transports e.g. by third parties, forwarding agents, special requirement on packaging and labeling must be observed.
For preparation of the item being shipped, consulting an expert for hazardous material is required. Please also observe possibly more detailed national regulations.
Tape or mask off open contacts and pack up the battery in such a manner that it cannot move around in the packaging.
11. Follow your local regulations relating to disposal of battery.
12. Use the batteries only with the products specified by Makita. Installing the batteries to non-compliant products may result in a fire, excessive heat, explosion, or leak of electrolyte.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

⚠ WARNING: DO NOT let comfort or familiarity with product (gained from repeated use) replace strict adherence to safety rules for the subject product. MISUSE or failure to follow the safety rules stated in this instruction manual may cause serious personal injury.

Important safety instructions for battery cartridge

1. Before using battery cartridge, read all instructions and cautionary markings on (1) battery charger, (2) battery, and (3) product using battery.
2. Do not disassemble battery cartridge.
3. If operating time has become excessively shorter, stop operating immediately. It may result in a risk of overheating, possible burns and even an explosion.
4. If electrolyte gets into your eyes, rinse them out with clear water and seek medical attention right away. It may result in loss of your eyesight.
5. Do not short the battery cartridge:
 - (1) Do not touch the terminals with any conductive material.
 - (2) Avoid storing battery cartridge in a container with other metal objects such as nails, coins, etc.
 - (3) Do not expose battery cartridge to water or rain.

A battery short can cause a large current flow, overheating, possible burns and even a breakdown.

⚠ CAUTION: Only use genuine Makita batteries. Use of non-genuine Makita batteries, or batteries that have been altered, may result in the battery bursting causing fires, personal injury and damage. It will also void the Makita warranty for the Makita tool and charger.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

Tips for maintaining maximum battery life

1. Charge the battery cartridge before completely discharged. Always stop tool operation and charge the battery cartridge when you notice less tool power.
2. Never recharge a fully charged battery cartridge. Overcharging shortens the battery service life.
3. Charge the battery cartridge with room temperature at 10 °C - 40 °C (50 °F - 104 °F). Let a hot battery cartridge cool down before charging it.
4. Charge the battery cartridge if you do not use it for a long period (more than six months).

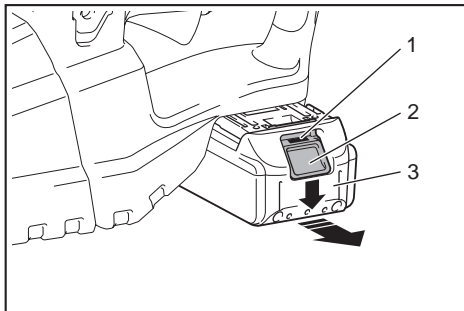
FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

⚠ CAUTION: Always be sure that the tool is switched off and the battery cartridge is removed before adjusting or checking function on the tool.

Installing or removing battery cartridge

⚠ CAUTION: Always switch off the tool before installing or removing of the battery cartridge.

⚠ CAUTION: Hold the tool and the battery cartridge firmly when installing or removing battery cartridge. Failure to hold the tool and the battery cartridge firmly may cause them to slip off your hands and result in damage to the tool and battery cartridge and a personal injury.



► 1. Red indicator 2. Button 3. Battery cartridge

To remove the battery cartridge, slide it from the tool while sliding the button on the front of the cartridge.

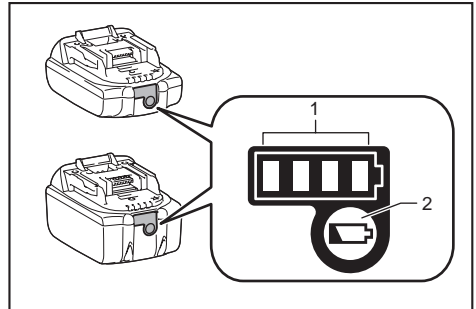
To install the battery cartridge, align the tongue on the battery cartridge with the groove in the housing and slip it into place. Insert it all the way until it locks in place with a little click. If you can see the red indicator on the upper side of the button, it is not locked completely.

⚠ CAUTION: Always install the battery cartridge fully until the red indicator cannot be seen. If not, it may accidentally fall out of the tool, causing injury to you or someone around you.

⚠ CAUTION: Do not install the battery cartridge forcibly. If the cartridge does not slide in easily, it is not being inserted correctly.











Indicating the remaining battery capacity

Only for battery cartridges with the indicator



► 1. Indicator lamps 2. Check button













Press the check button on the battery cartridge to indicate the remaining battery capacity. The indicator lamps light up for a few seconds.

Indicator lamps			Remaining capacity
 Lighted	 Off	 Blinking	
			75% to 100%
			50% to 75%
			25% to 50%
			0% to 25%
			Charge the battery.
<div> ↑ ↓ </div>			The battery may have malfunctioned.


NOTE: Depending on the conditions of use and the ambient temperature, the indication may differ slightly from the actual capacity.

Tool / battery protection system

The tool is equipped with a tool/battery protection system. This system automatically cuts off power to the motor to extend tool and battery life. The tool will automatically stop during operation if the tool or battery is placed under one of the following conditions:

Status	Indicator lamps		
	 On	 Off	 Blinking
Overload			
Overheat			
Over discharge			


Overload protection

If the tool is overloaded by entangled branches or other debris,  and the middle indicators start blinking and the tool automatically stops.

In this situation, turn the tool off and stop the application that caused the tool to become overloaded. Then turn the tool on to restart.


NOTICE: Depending on the usage conditions, the tool is automatically turned off without any indication if the tool is overloaded by entangled branches or debris. In this case, switch off the tool and remove the battery cartridge, and then remove entangled branches or debris using tools such as pliers. After removing the branches or debris, install the battery cartridge and turn on the tool again.

Overheat protection for tool or battery

There are two types of overheating; tool overheating and battery overheating. When the tool over heating occurs, all speed indicators blink. When the battery over heating occurs,  indicator blinks.

If the overheating occurs, the tool stops automatically. Let the tool and/or battery cool down before turning the tool on again.

Overdischarge protection

When the battery capacity becomes low, the tool stops automatically and  indicator blinks.

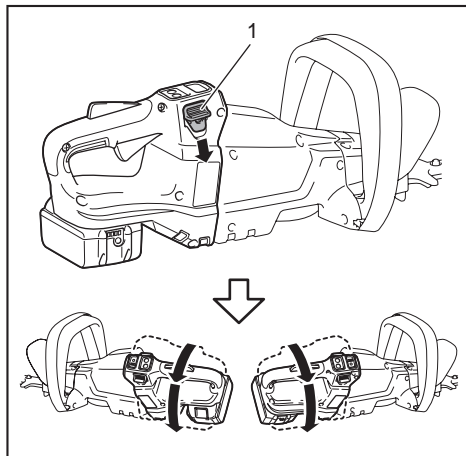
If the tool does not operate even when the switches are operated, remove the battery from the tool and charge the battery.

Angle setting of the handle

CAUTION: Always make sure that the handle is locked in the desired position before operation.

CAUTION: Do not pull down the lever to unlock the handle while pulling the switch trigger. Do not pull the switch trigger while pulling down the lever and turning the handle. Failure to do so may cause a malfunction of the tool.

You can set the angle of the handle to 0°, 45°, or 90° to the left or right. To change the angle of the handle, turn the handle while pulling down the lever, and then release the lever.



▶ 1. Lever

Power switch action

WARNING: For your safety, this tool is equipped with lock-off lever which prevents the tool from unintended starting. NEVER use the tool if it runs when you simply press the switch lever and pull the switch trigger without pressing the lock-off lever. Return the tool to our authorized service center for proper repairs BEFORE further usage.

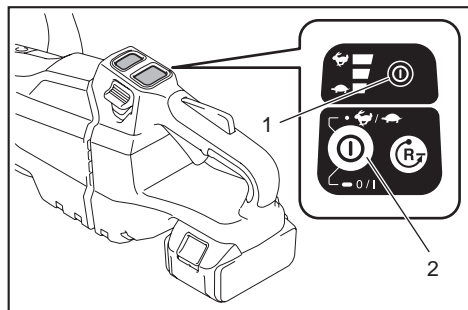
WARNING: NEVER tape down or defeat purpose and function of lock-off lever.

WARNING: Before installing the battery cartridge on the tool, always check to see that the switch trigger and switch lever actuate properly and return to the "OFF" position when released. Operating a tool with a switch that does not actuate properly can lead to loss of control and serious personal injury.

CAUTION: Never put your finger on the switch when carrying. The tool may start unintentionally and cause injury.

NOTICE: Do not pull the switch trigger hard without pressing the lock-off lever. This can cause switch breakage.

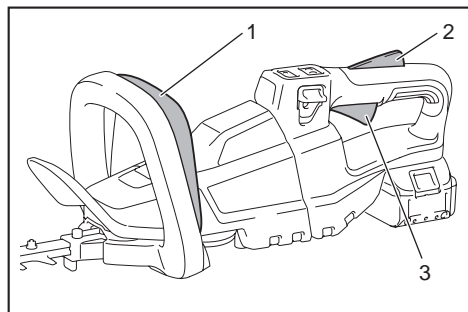
Press and hold the main power button to turn on the tool. The power lamp lights up when the tool is turned on. To turn off the tool, press and hold the main power button again. The power lamp goes off when the tool is turned off.



► 1. Power lamp 2. Main power button

NOTE: The tool is automatically turned off if the tool is not operated for a certain period.

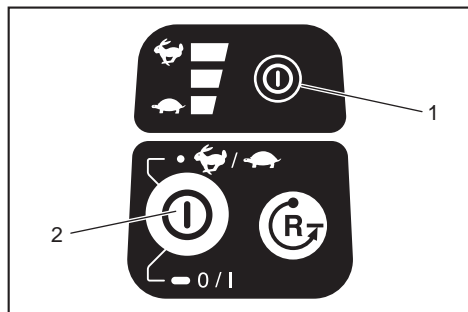
To prevent the switch trigger from being accidentally pulled, a lock-off lever is provided. To start the tool, depress the lock-off lever, and then press the switch lever and pull the switch trigger. The tool speed increases by increasing pressure on the switch trigger. Release the switch trigger to stop.









► 1. Switch lever 2. Lock-off lever 3. Switch trigger

Speed adjusting

You can adjust the tool speed by tapping the main power button. Each time you tap the main power button, the level of speed will change.



► 1. Power lamp 2. Main power button

Indicator	Mode	Stroke speed
 	High	4,400 min ⁻¹
 	Medium	3,600 min ⁻¹
 	Low	2,000 min ⁻¹

Reverse button for debris removal

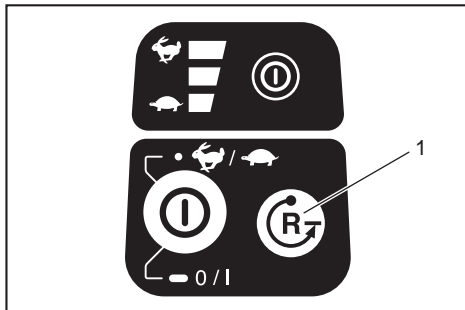
WARNING: If the entangled branches or debris cannot be removed by the reverse function, switch off the tool and remove the battery cartridge, and then remove the entangled branches or debris using tools such as pliers.

Failure to switch off the tool and remove the battery cartridge may result in serious personal injury from accidental start-up. Removing the entangled branches or debris by hand may cause an injury, since the shear blades may move in reaction to removing them.

This tool has a reverse button to change the direction of shear blades movement. It is only for removing branches and debris entangled in the tool.

To reverse the shear blades movement, tap the reverse button when the shear blades have stopped, then press the switch lever and pull the switch trigger while pressing the lock-off lever. The power lamp starts blinking, and the shear blades move in reverse direction.

When entangled branches and debris are removed, the tool returns to the regular movement and the power lamp stops blinking and lights up.



► 1. Reverse button

NOTE: If the entangled branches or debris cannot be removed, release and pull the switch trigger until they are removed.

NOTE: If you tap the reverse button while the shear blades are still moving, the tool comes to stop and to be ready for reverse movement.

ASSEMBLY

⚠ CAUTION: Always be sure that the tool is switched off and the battery cartridge is removed before carrying out any work on the tool.

⚠ CAUTION: When replacing the shear blades, always wear gloves so that your hands do not directly contact the blades.

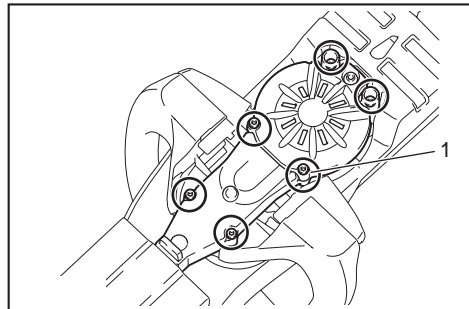
NOTICE: When replacing the shear blades, do not wipe off grease from the gear and crank.

Installing or removing the shear blades

⚠ CAUTION: Attach the blade cover before removing or installing the shear blades.

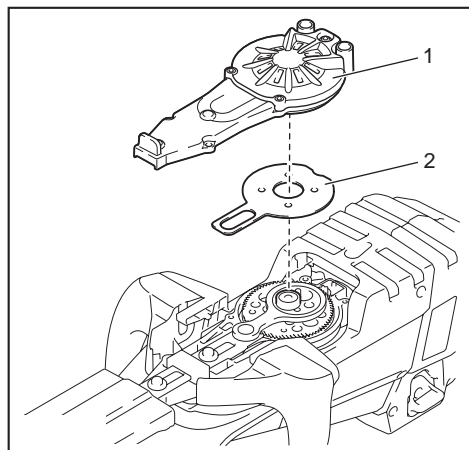
You can install 500 mm, 600 mm, or 750 mm shear blades to your tool.

1. Place the tool upside down, and then remove 6 screws.



- 1. Screw

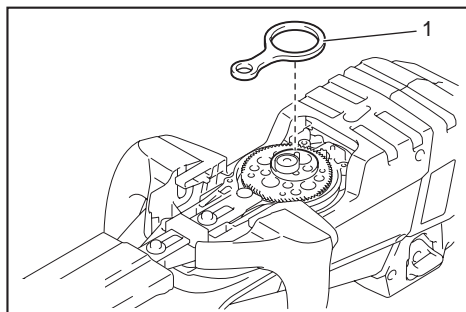
2. Remove the cover and the plate.



- 1. Cover 2. Plate

NOTE: The plate may remain on the cover.

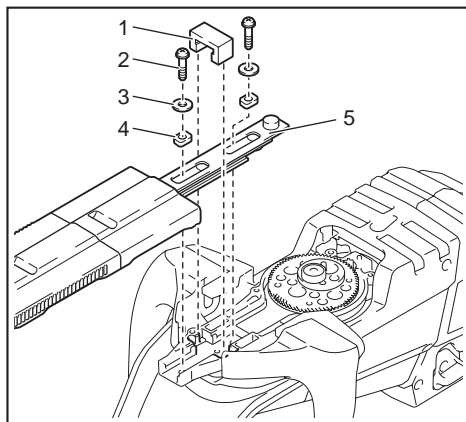
3. Remove the rod.



- 1. Rod

NOTE: The rod may remain on the cover.

4. Remove 2 screws, the felt pad, the washers, and the sleeves, and then remove the shear blades.

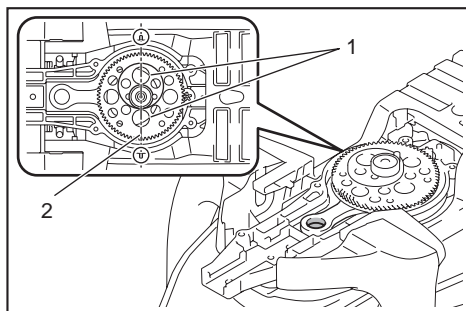


- 1. Felt pad 2. Screw 3. Washer 4. Sleeve 5. Shear blades

5. Remove the blade cover.

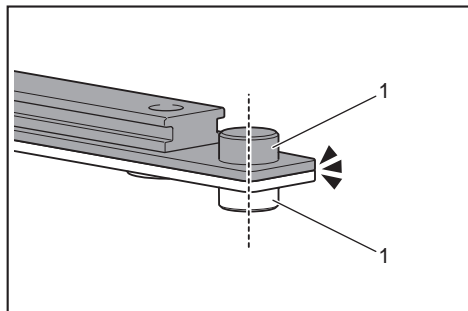
6. Attach the blade cover to the new shear blades.

7. Adjust the crank so that 2 holes are lined up on the alignment line.



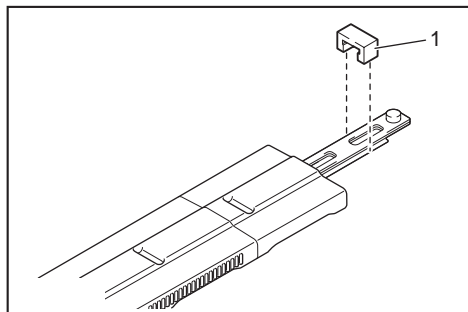
- 1. Hole 2. Alignment line

8. Align the protrusions on the shear blades vertically at the same position.



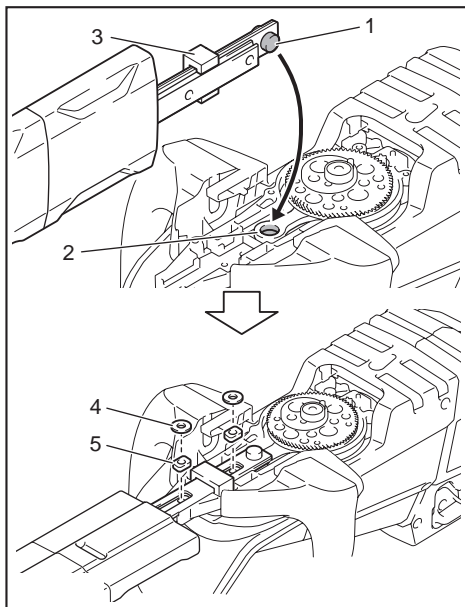
► 1. Protrusion

9. Attach the felt pad to the shear blades.



► 1. Felt pad

10. Insert the protrusion on the shear blades to the hole on the rod, then align the position of the felt pad with the holes on the tool, and then attach new sleeves and washers.

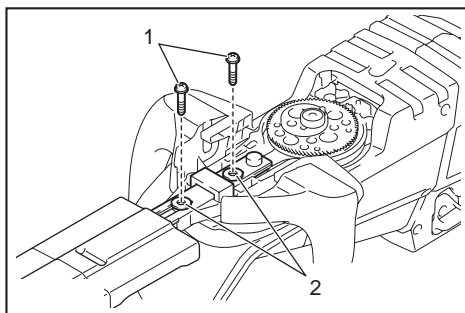


► 1. Protrusion 2. Hole 3. Felt pad 4. Washer
5. Sleeve

NOTICE: Apply a small amount of grease to the inner periphery of the hole of the rod.

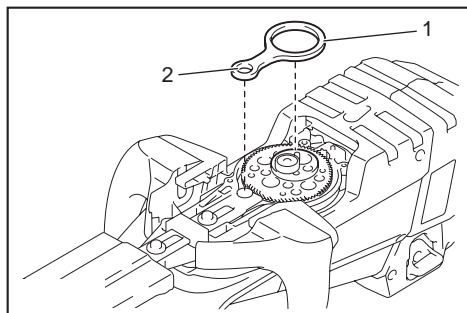
NOTICE: Be careful not to lose the washers and the sleeves.

11. Align the holes on the shear blades with the holes on the tool, and then tighten 2 screws to fix the shear blades.



► 1. Screw 2. Hole

12. Attach the rod.

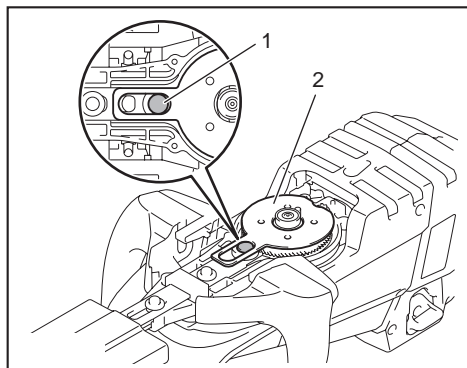


► 1. Rod 2. Small hole

NOTICE: Apply a small amount of grease to the inner periphery of the small hole of the rod.

NOTICE: Make sure that the protrusion on the shear blades fits in the small hole on the rod.

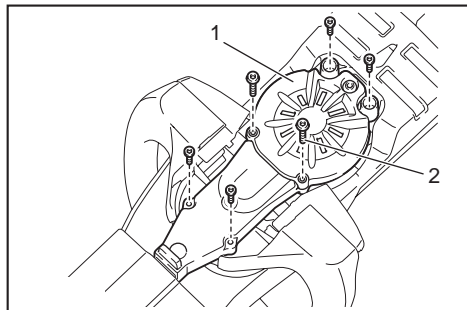
13. Attach the plate.



► 1. Protrusion 2. Plate

NOTICE: Make sure that the protrusion on the shear blades fits in the hole on the plate.

14. Attach the cover, and then tighten 6 screws.



► 1. Cover 2. Screw

NOTICE: Be sure to attach 2 long screws to the center holes.

NOTICE: If the shear blades do not move smoothly, the shear blades are not engaged with the rods properly. Install the shear blades again.

NOTICE: If the parts other than the shear blades such as the rods are worn out, ask Makita Authorized Service Centers for parts replacement or repairs.

Installing or removing the chip receiver

Optional accessory

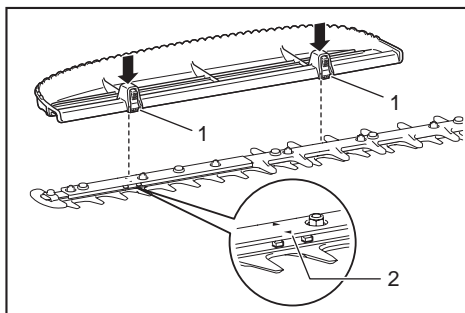
CAUTION: When installing or removing the chip receiver, always wear gloves so that your hands do not directly contact the shear blades.

NOTICE: The blade cover cannot be installed if the chip receiver is installed on the tool. Before carrying or storing the tool, uninstall the chip receiver, and then install the blade cover to avoid blade exposure.

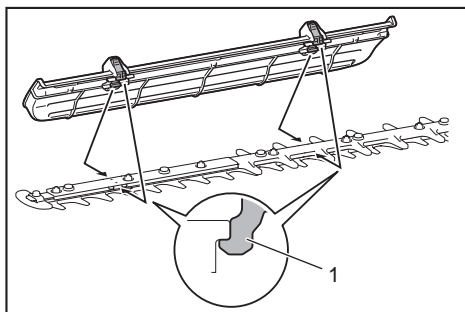
NOTICE: Be sure to remove the blade cover before installing the chip receiver.

The chip receiver gathers discarded leaves and makes clean-up afterward much easier. It can be installed on either side of the tool.

To install the chip receiver, align the hooks of the chip receiver with the arrow marks on the shear blades, and then press the chip receiver against the shear blades so that the hooks fit into the grooves on the shear blades.

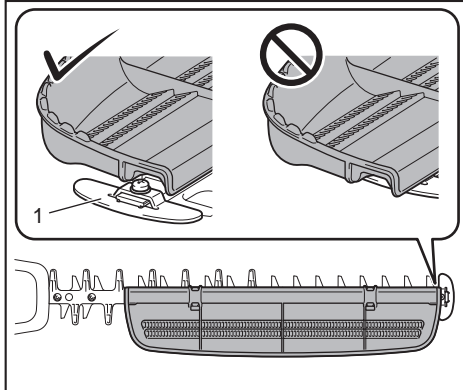


► 1. Hook 2. Arrow mark



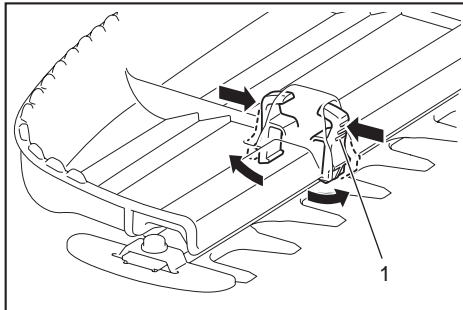
► 1. Hook

NOTICE: Make sure that the chip receiver does not overlap the branch catcher.



► 1. Branch catcher

To remove the chip receiver, press the levers on both sides to release the hooks.



► 1. Lever

NOTICE: Never try to remove the chip receiver by an excessive force with its hooks locked in the grooves of the shear blades.

OPERATION

WARNING: Keep hands away from shear blades.

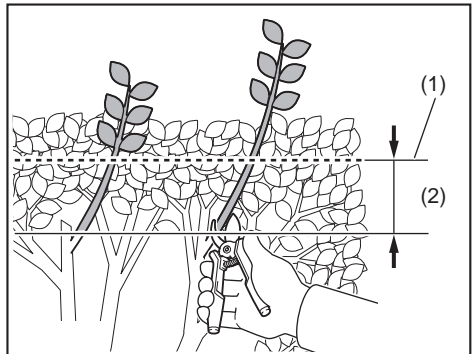
CAUTION: Avoid operating the tool in very hot weather as much as practicable. When operating the tool, be careful of your physical condition.

CAUTION: Be careful not to accidentally contact a metal fence or other hard objects while trimming. The shear blades may break and cause an injury.

CAUTION: Be careful not to allow the shear blades to contact the ground. The tool may recoil and cause an injury.

CAUTION: Overreaching with a hedge trimmer, particularly from a ladder, is extremely dangerous. Do not work while standing on anything wobbly or infirm.

NOTICE: Do not attempt to cut branches thicker than 10 mm in diameter with the tool. Cut branches to 10 cm lower than the cutting height using branch cutters before using the tool.

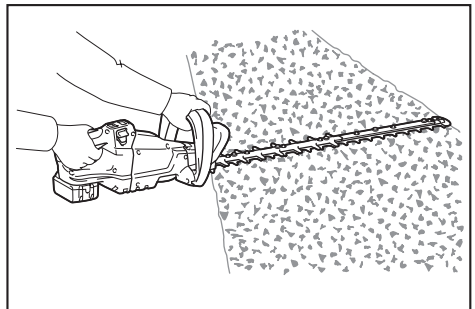


► (1) Cutting height (2) 10 cm

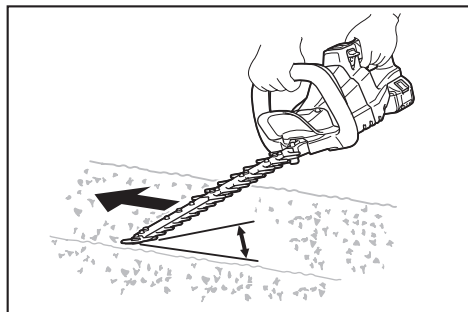
NOTICE: Do not cut down dead trees or similar hard objects. Doing so may damage the tool.

NOTICE: Do not trim the grass or weeds while using the shear blades. The shear blades may become tangled in the grass or weeds.

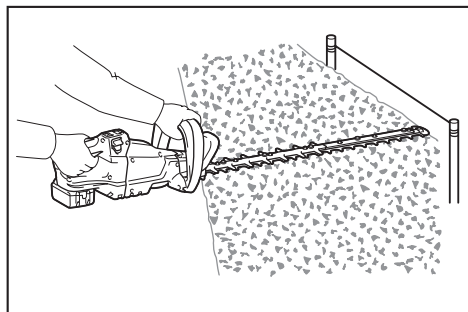
Hold the tool with both hands, press the switch lever and pull the switch trigger while pressing the lock-off lever, and then move it forward.



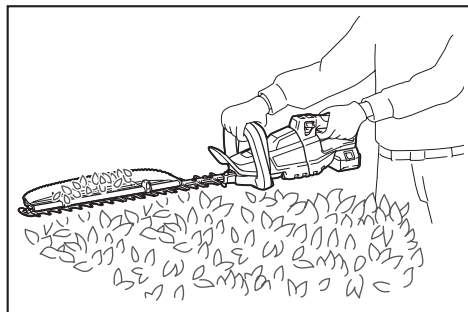
For basic operation, tilt the shear blades toward the trimming direction and move it calmly and slowly at the speed rate of 3 to 4 seconds per meter.



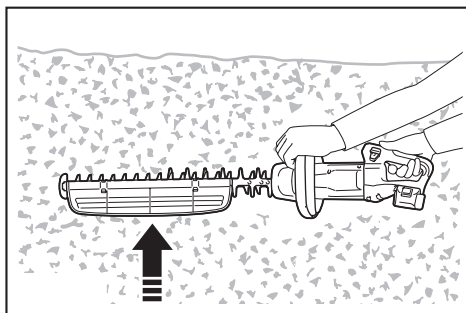
To cut a hedge top evenly, tie a string at the desired height and trim along it.



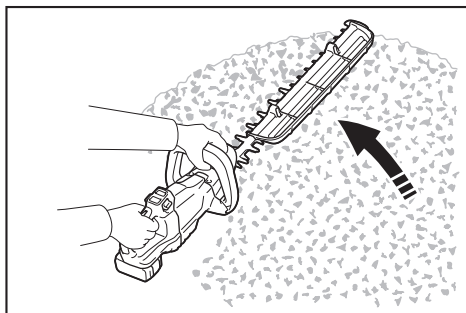
If the chip receiver is attached to the shear blades, it gathers discarded leaves and makes clean-up afterward much easier.



To cut a hedge side evenly, cut from the bottom to the top.



When trimming to make a round shape (trimming boxwood or rhododendron, etc.), trim from the root to the top for a beautiful finish.



MAINTENANCE

CAUTION: Always be sure that the tool is switched off and the battery cartridge is removed before attempting to perform inspection or maintenance.

To maintain product SAFETY and RELIABILITY, repairs, any other maintenance or adjustment should be performed by Makita Authorized or Factory Service Centers, always using Makita replacement parts.

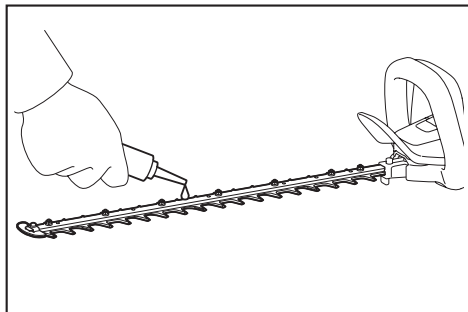
Cleaning the tool

Clean the tool by wiping off dust with a dry cloth or one dipped in soapy water and wrung out.

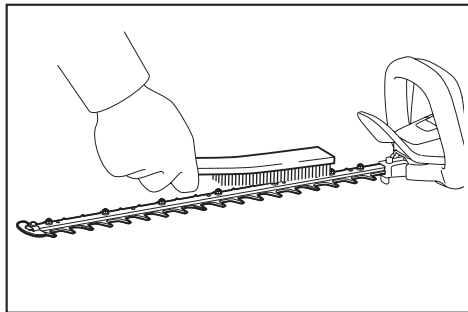
NOTICE: Never use gasoline, benzine, thinner, alcohol or the like. Discoloration, deformation or cracks may result.

Shear blade maintenance

Before the operation or once per hour during operation, apply low-viscosity oil (machine oil, or spray-type lubricating oil) to the shear blades.



After operation, remove dust from both sides of the shear blades with a wired brush, wipe it off with a cloth and then apply low-viscosity oil (machine oil, or spray-type lubricating oil) to the shear blades.



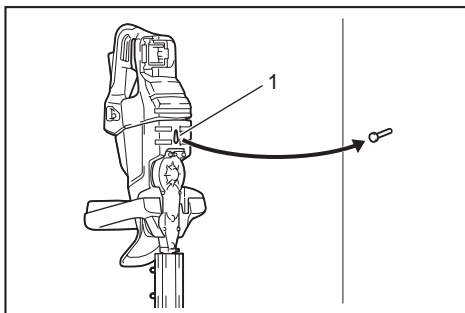
NOTICE: Do not wash the shear blades in water. Doing so may cause rust or damage to the tool.

NOTICE: Dirt and corrosion cause excessive blade friction and shorten the operating time per battery charge.

Storage

The hook hole in the tool bottom is convenient for hanging the tool from a nail or screw on the wall.

Attach the blade cover to the shear blades so that the blades are not exposed. Store the tool out of the reach of children. Store the tool in a place not exposed to moisture or rain.

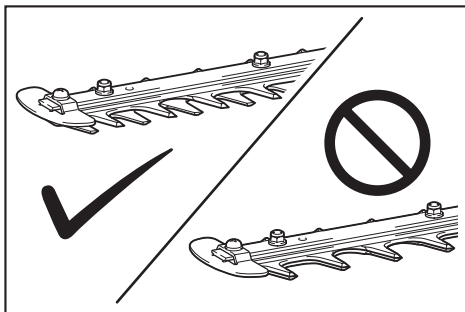


► 1. Hole

Grinding the shear blades

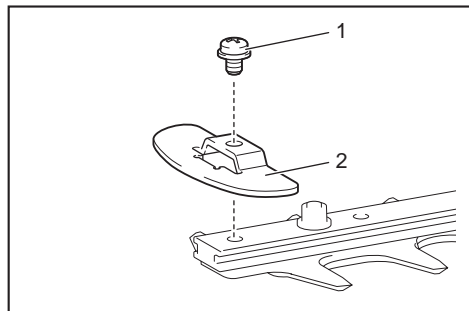
NOTICE: If the shear blades have considerably deformed by grinding, replace the shear blades with new ones.

1. Install the battery cartridge to the tool.
2. Turn on and start the tool so that the upper blade and lower blade are positioned alternately.



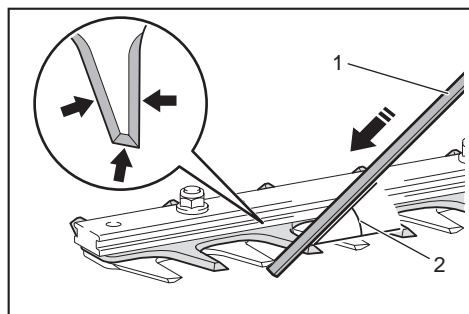
3. Turn off the tool and remove the battery cartridge from the tool.

4. Remove the screw, and then remove the branch catcher.



► 1. Screw 2. Branch catcher

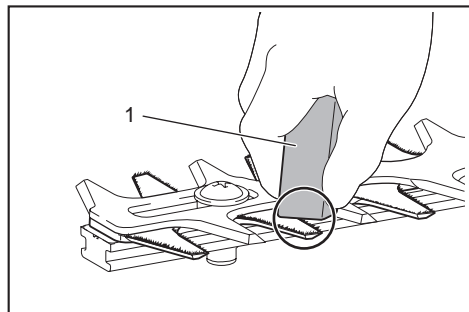
5. Set the angle of a file to 45°, and grind the upper blade from 3 directions with the file.



► (1) File (2) 45°

CAUTION: Before grinding the shear blades, make sure that the tool is switched off and the battery cartridge is removed from the tool.

6. Place the tool upside down, and then remove the burrs from the shear blades with the file.



► 1. File

7. Set the angle of the file to 45°, and grind the lower blade from 3 directions with the file.

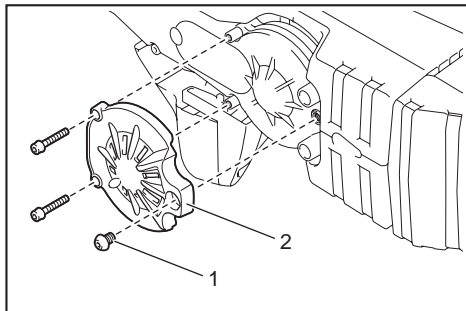
8. Return the tool to normal position, and then remove the burrs from the shear blades with the file.

9. Attach the branch catcher by tightening the screw.

Grease lubrication

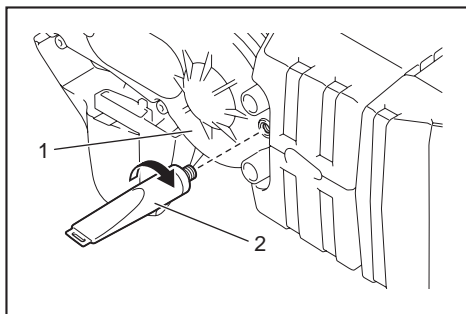
Interval of lubrication: Every 100 operating hours

1. Remove 3 screws, and then remove the bottom cover.



► 1. Screw 2. Bottom cover

2. Remove the cap from the grease vessel, and then attach the grease vessel to the hole on the cover by turning the grease vessel.



► 1. Cover 2. Grease vessel

3. Apply the grease to the tool (Approximately 5 g as a guide).
4. Remove the grease vessel.
5. Attach the bottom cover, and then tighten 3 screws.

OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

CAUTION: These accessories or attachments are recommended for use with your Makita tool specified in this manual. The use of any other accessories or attachments might present a risk of injury to persons. Only use accessory or attachment for its stated purpose.

If you need any assistance for more details regarding these accessories, ask your local Makita Service Center.

- Shear blade assembly
- Shear blade cover
- Chip receiver
- Grease vessel
- Makita genuine battery and charger

NOTE: Some items in the list may be included in the tool package as standard accessories. They may differ from country to country.

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