

SOVEREIGN

EASY GARDENING

450W Electric Hedge Trimmer

Item No. 577185

Model No. A041010



INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Please read these instructions fully before starting assembly.

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GENERAL SAFETY WARNINGS

SAFETY WARNINGS



WARNING! Read all safety warnings and instructions.

Failure to follow the warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.



WARNING! Read all safety warnings and instructions designated by the  symbol. 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.
- Always ensure anyone intending to operate this machine is fully conversant with the contents of this instruction manual prior to assembling, maintaining or operating the power tool.
- Perform assembly operations as described in this manual. Failure to observe this warning may lead to serious injury, death, or damage to the machine.
- Always take care when removing the packaging, to prevent damage to you or to the power tool.

IMPORTANT! Before assembling the power tool, check all the parts indicated in the manual are in the box. Inspect all the parts for signs of damage. Do not assemble the machine if you observe any damaged components.

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 cable suitable for outdoor use. Use of a cable suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
- f) 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.

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 a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce the risk of injuries.
- c) Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the 'OFF' position before connecting to a power source and/or battery pack. Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising 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 jewellery. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts. Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.

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. 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.

SAFETY WARNINGS FOR HEDGE TRIMMER:

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. Keep cable away from cutting area. During operation the cable may be hidden in shrubs and can be accidentally cut by the blade.
4. Hold the power tool by the insulated gripping surfaces only, because the cutter blade may contact hidden wiring or its own cable. Cutter blades contacting a “live” wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool “live” and could give the operator an electric shock.
5. Check the hedge for foreign objects, e.g. wire fences.
6. Use both hands when operating the hedge trimmer. Using one hand could cause loss of control and result in serious personal injury.
7. Recommendation for the use of a residual current device with a tripping current of 30 mA or less.

INTENDED USE

Your hedge trimmer has been designed for trimming light foliage, and is intended for DIY use only.

The device is not permitted to be used in public

gardens, parks, sports centres or at roadsides, as well as for agriculture or forestry. Use in any other way is considered contrary to the intended use. Compliance with the operation, service and repair (as specified in this instruction manual) also constitutes essential elements of the intended use.

WARNING SYMBOLS



Before any use, refer to the corresponding paragraph in the present manual.



Warning! This symbol, before a safety comment, indicates a precaution, a warning or a danger. Ignoring this warning could lead to an accident for yourself or for others. To limit the risk of injury, fire, or electrocution, always apply the recommendations indicated.



Wear ear protection.



Wear eye protection.



Wear a dust mask.



Do not expose or operate the power tool in rain.



Keep fingers away from moving cutting device!



Remove the plug from the mains supply immediately if the cable is damaged or cut.



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Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as household waste. All tools, hoses and packaging should be sorted, taken to the local recycling centre and disposed of in an environmentally safe way.



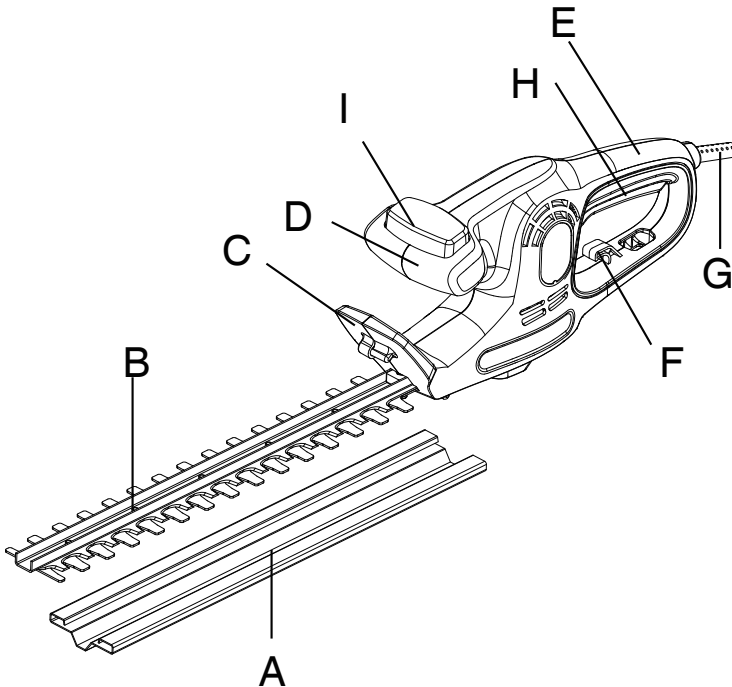
Guaranteed sound power level data (104dB), in accordance with Directive 2000/14/EC.



The product complies with the applicable European Directives, and an evaluation method of conformity for these directives was done.

IN THE BOX PARTS

- A. Blade sheath
- B. Blade
- C. Safety hand guard
- D. Front handle
- E. Rear handle
- F. Cable holder
- G. Cable and plug
- H. ON/OFF switch
- I. Safety switch



ASSEMBLY



WARNING!

Always take care when removing the packaging to prevent damage to you or to the hedge trimmer.

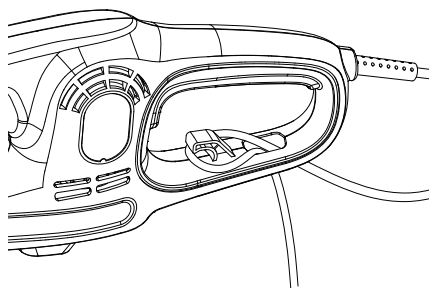
Make sure that you have sufficient space to put the hedge trimmer down. Keep your feet apart so that you have a stable position; bend at the knees and keep your back straight.

Always recycle the packaging in accordance with local recycling regulations.

MAINS SUPPLY CABLE STRAIN RELIEF

To prevent excessive strain on the cable connections, the hedge trimmer is fitted with a cable restraint.

Before switching 'ON', push a loop of cable through the space in the handle and secure it over the cable restraint.



OPERATION

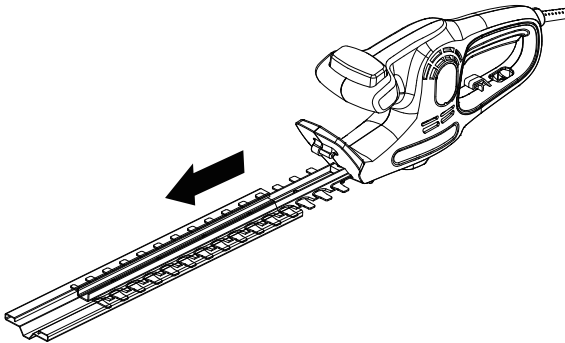
PREPARE TO OPERATE



Warning!

Before switching 'ON', make sure that all personnel, particularly children and domestic animals, are at a safe distance. Inspect the hedge to be trimmed, and make sure there are no obstacles or foreign objects in the work area. If any parts are missing, damaged or broken, do not operate your hedge trimmer until all damaged parts have been replaced or repaired. Failure to do so could result in serious personal injury.

Before starting your hedge trimmer, remove the blade sheath, as shown.



SWITCH ON

Hold the rear handle with one gloved hand. Squeeze the ON/OFF switch. With the other gloved hand, hold the front handle and grip the safety switch. The hedge trimmer will then start.

SWITCH OFF

To switch the hedge trimmer 'OFF', release either the safety switch or the ON/OFF switch.

TRIMMING HEDGE



Warning!

Before using this hedge trimmer, make sure that you have read all of the safety instructions.

Be aware of the position of the cable at all times. Keep it away from the blade.

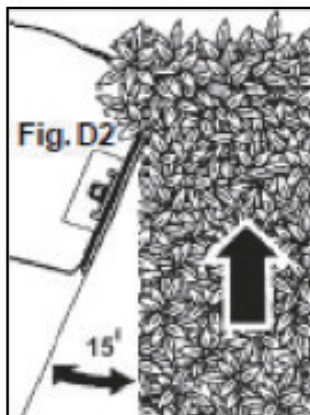
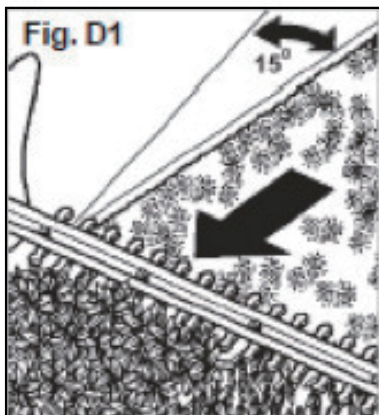
When operating the unit, check for the following: Wear eye protection and appropriate clothing.

Hold the front handle with one hand and auxiliary handles with the other hand.

1. Start trimming at the point nearest to the power supply and work away from it.
2. Keep the mains cable behind you at all times. Make sure that it is not in the path of the blade.
3. When trimming, the blade should be tilted towards the hedge. Always trim from the bottom upwards.
4. Trim the sides of the hedge first and then trim the top.
5. If the branches are very long, they should be cut back in several stages.
6. Make sure that there are no hard objects in the hedge, such as railings, that could damage the blade.
7. If the blade becomes jammed, switch off and disconnect from the mains supply before clearing the obstruction.
8. Do not force the hedge trimmer to cut oversized branches. These should be cut by hand using secateurs or shears.

Note: Evergreen hedges and shrubs that retain their leaves in the winter, should be trimmed in April and August.

Conifers and other fast-growing shrubs can be trimmed every six weeks from May onwards, throughout the growing season.



MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE



WARNING!

Before cleaning, inspecting or repairing your power tool, make sure the switch is 'OFF'. Disconnect the plug from the mains supply.

CLEANING



Warning! Before lubricating, make sure your hedge trimmer is disconnected from the mains supply. Apply oil so that it runs between the two blades.

1. Never use water or chemical cleaners to clean your power tool. Wipe clean with a dry cloth.
2. Always check the cutting head and guard before each use.
3. Always store your power tool in a safe, dry place.
4. Keep the motor ventilation slots clean.
5. Have the unit professionally repaired should there be any damaged parts.
6. Do not allow cuttings and other debris to become dry and hard on any of the hedge trimmer surfaces. This will directly affect the cutting performance.
7. Make sure that the blade is kept clean of all cuttings and other debris.

PLUG REPLACEMENT

If you need to replace the fitted plug then follow the instructions below.

IMPORTANT

The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Blue = Neutral

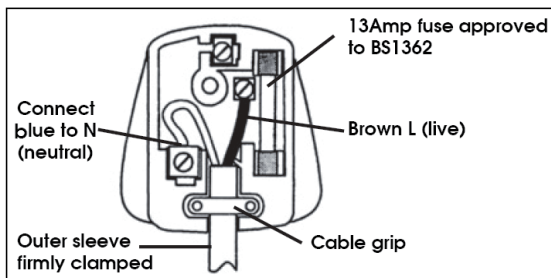
Brown = Live

The colour of the wires in the electrical cable may not correspond with the coloured markings within your plug terminal. Please therefore take care to ensure the blue wire is connected to the terminal marked 'N'. And the brown wire is connected to the terminal marked 'L'.



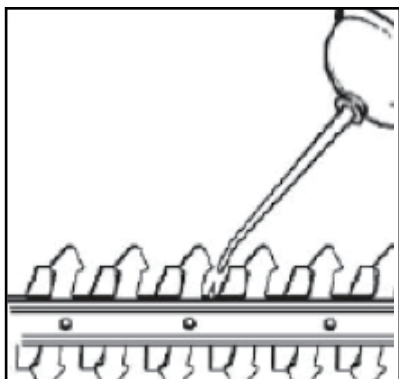
WARNING! Never connect live or neutral wires to the earth terminal of the plug. Only fit an approved 13Amp BS1363/A plug and the correct rated fuse.

Note: If a moulded plug is fitted and has to be removed, take great care in disposing of the plug and severed cable; it must be destroyed to prevent engaging into a socket.



MAINTENANCE

For easier operation and longer life, lubricate the cutting blades before and after each use.



STORAGE

IMPORTANT! Make sure that the hedge trimmer has been thoroughly cleaned before storing it in a clean, dry and safe place, out of the reach of children.

Always fit the transportation blade guard when storing the hedge trimmer.

1. Switch the product 'OFF' and disconnect it from the power supply before transporting it anywhere.
2. Attach the blade sheath.
3. Always carry the product on its gripping surfaces.
4. Protect the product from any heavy impact or strong vibrations, which may occur during transportation in vehicles.
5. Secure the product to prevent it from slipping or falling over.

TROUBLESHOOTING



WARNING!

Only perform the steps described within these instructions! All further inspection, maintenance and repair work must be performed by an authorised service centre or a similarly qualified specialist, if you cannot solve the problem yourself! The following table provides solutions to common problems encountered with the hedge trimmer:

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
Product does not start	1. Not connected to power supply	1. Connect to the power supply
	2. Power connection is loose	2. Connect to the power supply properly
	3. Other electrical defect to the product	3. Check with a specialist electrician
Product does not reach full power	1. Extension cable not suitable	1. Use a proper extension cable
	2. Power source (e.g. generator) has too low voltage	2. Connect to another power source
	3. Air vents are blocked	3. Clean the air vents
Does not cut	Cutting device worn	Have a specialist replace it

TECHNICAL DATA

Model no.	A041010
Rated voltage	AC 220-240V; 50Hz
Input power	450W
No load speed	3800min ⁻¹
Cutting length	380mm
Tooth gap	18mm
Protection class	II / 
Machine weight	2.5kg

NOISE AND VIBRATION DATA

A weighted sound pressure(LpA)	89.9dB(A), k=3dB(A)
A weighted sound power (LwA)	100.9dB(A), k=3dB(A)
The guaranteed sound power level	104dB(A)
Vibrations	3,6 m/s ² (front handle) (K=1,5 m/s) 3,3 m/s ² (rear handle) (K=1,5 m/s)

The declared vibration value has been measured in accordance with a standard test method and may be used for comparing one tool with another. The declared vibration value may also be used in a preliminary assessment of exposure.



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Depending on the actual use of the product, the vibration

values can differ from the declared total!

Adopt proper measures to protect yourself against vibration exposures! Take the whole work process into consideration, including times the product is running under no load or switched off!

Proper measures include, among others, regular maintenance and care of the product and cutting attachments, keeping hands warm, periodical breaks and proper planning of work processes!

The sound intensity level for the operator may exceed 85dB(A) and ear protection measures are necessary.

RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL

Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your local authority or store for recycling advice.

Warranty

This product is covered by a 1 year warranty.

The warranty covers any manufacturing defect in materials, workmanship and finish.

Any claim under this warranty must be made by going to your nearest Homebase store, taking your proof of purchase with you, and claims must be made within 1 year of the date of purchase.

We will offer you a free repair of the item where this is possible, or a replacement or a refund. Your statutory rights remain unaffected, in particular any rights you may have under the Consumer Rights Act 2015.

This warranty is given by HHGL Limited, MK9 1BA; HHGL (ROI) Limited, D02 X576.

Please note This warranty does not apply to products misused or neglected and only covers domestic use. It does not apply to commercial use of the product.

