ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Stapler

RYOBI

R18ST50
Important!

It is essential that you read the instructions in this manual before assembling, operating and maintaining the product.

Subject to technical modification.
Safety, performance, and dependability have been given top priority in the design of your stapler.

INTENDED USE

The stapler is intended to be used only by adults who have read and understood the instructions and warnings in this manual, and can be considered responsible for their actions.

The product is intended to drive staples in soft materials such as wood. The product can be used for:

- driving staples into wood
- with the included accessory, driving staples to secure fencing wire and wire screen
- driving staples for upholstery (fabrics)
- driving staples into plastics
- driving staples into paper and cardboard
- driving staples to secure carpet underlays
- driving staples to hang insulation

The product is designed to be used with T-50 Staples. The product is not suitable for fixing electric cables. Do not use the product in any way other than those stated for intended use.

NOTE: Some timbers (such as very dry hardwood) may require shorter staples to fully drive in.

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

- Keep work area clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- 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.
- Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool. Distractions can cause you to lose control.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- 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.
- 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.
- Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions. Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- Keep control. 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.
- 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.
- 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.

POWER TOOL USE AND CARE

- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Keep cutting tools sharp and clean. Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- 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.
- 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.

**BATTERY TOOL USE AND CARE**

- 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.
- Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs. Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
- 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.
- Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact. If contact accidentally occurs, flush with water. If liquid contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation or burns.
- Do not use a battery pack or tool that is damaged or modified. Damaged or modified batteries may exhibit unpredictable behaviour resulting in fire, explosion or risk of injury.

- Do not expose a battery pack or tool to fire or excessive temperature. Exposure to fire or temperature above 130°C may cause explosion.
- 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**

- 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.
- Never service damaged battery packs. Service of battery packs should only be performed by the manufacturer or authorized service providers.

**STAPLER SAFETY WARNINGS**

- Always assume that the product contains fasteners. Careless handling of the stapler can result in unexpected firing of fasteners and personal injury.
- Do not point the product towards yourself or anyone nearby. Unexpected triggering will discharge the fastener causing an injury.
- Do not actuate the product unless the product is placed firmly against the workpiece. If the tool is not in contact with the workpiece, the fastener may be deflected away from your target.
- Disconnect the product from the power source when the fastener jams in the product. While removing a jammed fastener, the stapler may be accidentally activated if it is plugged in.
- Use caution while removing a jammed fastener. The mechanism may be under compression and the fastener may be forcefully discharged while attempting to free a jammed condition.
- Do not use the stapler for fastening electrical cables. It is not designed for electric cable installation and may damage the insulation of electric cables thereby causing electric shock or fire hazards.

**ADDITIONAL SAFETY WARNINGS**

- Always be aware that misuse and improper handling of the product can cause injury to yourself and others.
- The product is designed for single-hand use. Do not hold the product by the front of the magazine. Do not put hands, head, or other parts of your body near the bottom of the magazine where the fastener exits the product, as serious personal injury could be caused.
- Always ensure that the workpiece contact is fully positioned above the workpiece. Positioning the workpiece contact only partially above the workpiece could cause the fastener to miss the workpiece completely and result in serious personal injury.
- Do not drive fasteners near edge of material. The workpiece may split causing the fastener to ricochet, injuring you or a coworker. Be aware that the fastener may follow the grain of the wood, causing it to protrude.
unexpectedly from the side of the work material or deflect, possibly causing injury.

- Keep hands and body parts clear of immediate work area. Hold workpiece with clamps when necessary to keep hands and body out of potential harm. Be sure the workpiece is properly secured before pressing the fastener against the material. The workpiece contact may cause the work material to shift unexpectedly.

- Keep face and body parts away from back of the tool cap when working in restricted areas. Sudden recoil can result in impact to the body, especially when stapling into hard or dense material.

- During normal use the product will recoil immediately after driving a fastener. This is a normal function of the product. Do not attempt to prevent the recoil by holding the product against the work. Restriction to the recoil can result in a second fastener being driven from the product. Grip the handle firmly, let the product do the work and do not place second hand on top of the product or near exhaust at any time. Failure to heed this warning can result in serious personal injury.

- Do not drive fasteners on top of other fasteners or with the product at an overly steep angle as this may cause deflection of fasteners which could cause injury.

- Always check the work area for hidden wiring, gas lines, water lines, etc., before using the product on such work area.

- The adjusted driving depth of the fastener can be greater than the depth you require. It is advisable to test the depth on a scrap workpiece to determine the required depth for the application.

- Only fasteners matching the description in the product specifications table can be used with the product. Using incorrect fasteners may lead to jamming or other malfunctions.

### DEPTH ADJUSTMENT SAFETY WARNINGS

- Always remove the battery before adjusting the depth of drive.

- Do not pull back on the depth adjustment knob. The knob is designed to be rotated.

- Do not press the trigger while adjusting the depth of drive knob.

- Do not point the product towards yourself or anyone nearby when adjusting the depth of drive.

### ADDITIONAL SAFETY WARNINGS

**WARNING**

The product is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the product by a person responsible for their safety.

Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the product.

### ADDITIONAL BATTERY SAFETY WARNINGS

**WARNING**

To reduce the risk of fire, personal injury, and product damage due to a short circuit, never immerse your tool, battery pack or charger in fluid or allow a fluid to flow inside them. Corrosive or conductive fluids, such as seawater, certain industrial chemicals, and bleach or bleach-containing products, etc., can cause a short circuit.

### TRANSPORTING LITHIUM BATTERIES

Transport the battery in accordance with local and national provisions and regulations.

Follow all special requirements on packaging and labelling when transporting batteries by a third party. Ensure that no batteries can come in contact with other batteries or conductive materials while in transport by protecting exposed connectors with insulating, non-conductive caps or tape. Do not transport batteries that are cracked or leaking. Check with the forwarding company for further advice.

### RESIDUAL RISKS

Even when the product is used as prescribed, it is still impossible to completely eliminate certain residual risk factors. The following hazards may arise and the operator should pay special attention to avoid the following:

- **Damage to hearing**  
  **Note:** Always wear effective hearing protection and limit exposure to noise.

- **Injury to the eyes caused by incorrectly driven fasteners or flying dust and debris.**  
  **Note:** Always wear suitable eye protection.

- **Injury caused by vibration**  
  **Note:** Hold the product by designated handles and limit exposure to vibration. See Risk Reduction.

- **Lacerations caused by contact with sharp points.**  
  **Note:** Take extra care when handling or loading fasteners.

- **The product is heavy.**  
  **Note:** The product is heavy. Beware of muscle strain when operating the product for extended periods, especially if using overhead.
**RISK REDUCTION**

It has been reported that vibrations from handheld tools may contribute to a condition called Raynaud’s Syndrome in certain individuals. Symptoms may include tingling, numbness and blanching of the fingers, usually apparent upon exposure to cold. Hereditary factors, exposure to cold and dampness, diet, smoking, and work practices are all thought to contribute to the development of these symptoms. There are measures that can be taken by the operator to possibly reduce the effects of vibration:

- Keep your body warm in cold weather. When operating the product, wear gloves to keep the hands and wrists warm. It is reported that cold weather is a major factor contributing to Raynaud’s Syndrome.
- After each period of operation, exercise to increase blood circulation.
- Take frequent work breaks. Limit the amount of exposure per day.

If you experience any of the symptoms of this condition, immediately discontinue use and see your doctor about these symptoms.

**WARNING**

Injuries may be caused, or aggravated, by prolonged use of a tool. When using any tool for prolonged periods, ensure you take regular breaks.

**MAINTENANCE**

**WARNING**

The product should never be connected to a power supply when you are assembling parts, making adjustments, cleaning, performing maintenance, or when the product is not in use. Disconnecting the product will prevent accidental starting that could cause serious injury.

- When servicing, use only original manufacturer’s replacement parts, accessories and attachments. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage.
- Do not at any time let brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, penetrating oils, etc., come in contact with plastic parts. Chemicals can damage, weaken or destroy plastic which may result in serious personal injury.
- Avoid using solvents when cleaning plastic parts. Most plastics are susceptible to various types of commercial solvents and may be damaged by their use. Use clean cloths to remove dirt, carbon dust, etc.
- For greater safety and reliability, all repairs should be performed by an authorised service centre.

**LUBRICATION**

All of the bearings in the product are lubricated with a sufficient amount of high grade lubricant for the life span of the product under normal operating conditions. Therefore, no further lubrication is required.

Do not use lubricants on staplers, magazine or driving mechanism. Keep clean.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Recycle raw materials instead of disposing of as waste. The machine, accessories and packaging should be sorted for environment-friendly recycling.

**SYMBOLS ON THE PRODUCT**

- **Safety alert**
- **Volts**
- **Direct current**
- **Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM).** Product meets applicable regulatory requirements.
- **Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your local authority or retailer for recycling advice.**

**SYMBOLS IN THIS MANUAL**

- **Note**
- **Parts or accessories sold separately**

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

- **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.
CAUTION
(Without Safety Alert Symbol) Indicates a situation that may result in property damage.
KNOW YOUR PRODUCT

1. Activation foot
2. Wire and screen accessory
3. Drive force indicator
4. Depth adjustment knob
5. Magazine
6. Switch trigger
7. Handle, insulated gripping surface
8. Belt clip
9. Magazine latch
10. Battery port
11. 14.3 mm staples
12. 6.4 mm staples
## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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Measured sound values determined according to EN 60745:
- A-weighted sound pressure level $L_p = 87.0$ dB(A)
- Uncertainty $K$ = 3 dB(A)
- A-weighted sound power level $L_w = 98.0$ dB(A)
- Uncertainty $K$ = 3 dB(A)

Wear ear protectors.

The vibration total values (triaxial vector sum) determined according to EN 60745:
- Vibration emission value $a_h = 2.8$ m/s²
- Uncertainty $K$ = 1.5 m/s²

## REPLACEMENT PARTS

| Wire and screen attachment | 5131042232 |

## BATTERY AND CHARGER

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