SAFETY NOTICE:  WARNING statements describe conditions that may lead to personnel injury including potentially fatal injuries if the machine is not properly used and warnings are not properly followed.
Caution statements describe conditions that may lead to equipment damage.

WARNING: Do not operate this grinder-buffer until you are sure that you are completely familiar with the safe operation of the grinder-buffer, all accessories and safety equipment.  Improper use can lead to severe injury.  This manual defines proper use of this equipment. Before using this equipment for any other use, please seek expert advise if you do not understand any procedure or operation concerning this grinder-buffer or this manual.

WARNING: Prevent electrical shock hazard and accidental machine operation.  Always disconnect grinder-buffer from the power source before servicing, changing accessories (such as belt, wire wheel, tool rest, spark arrestor, etc.) or before performing maintenance.

WARNING: Avoid accidental starting. Make sure switch is in “OFF” position before connecting to power source.

WARNING: Be sure the system is properly grounded before applying power. Do not apply power before you ensure that grounds are connected. Electrical shock can cause serious or fatal injury.  Follow the National Electrical Code (NEC) and local codes for the safe installation of this equipment.

WARNING: Always use safety glasses with side shields (or full face shield) when operating grinder. Do not use ordinary eyeglasses.  Also use face or dust mask if cutting operation is dusty.

WARNING: Unsuitable accessories or attachments added to this machine can create hazards. Baldor accessories are specifically designed to be used with this grinder-buffer. Use accessories or attachments only in the proper intended manner. Accessories or attachments obtained from another source may cause hazards. Consult the manufacturer before use.

WARNING: To prevent injury, avoid contact with the wire wheel or belt or disc. The abrasive belt when running is an aggressive cutting tool. Extra care should be exercised when using coarse grit belts because of their rapid cutting action. Severe burns or cuts may result from contact.

WARNING: Keep guards in place and in working order. Guards are design to prevent injury. Never operate this equipment if a guard is damaged, missing or improperly installed.

WARNING: Remove adjusting keys and wrenches from this product after use. Check to see that keys and adjusting wrenches are removed from grinder-buffer before turning it on. Projectiles can cause severe injury to yourself or others.

WARNING: Keep work area clean and well lighted. Clutter and poor lighting invites accidents.

WARNING: Don’t use in dangerous environment. Don’t use grinder-buffers in damp or wet locations, or expose them to rain. Electrical shock can cause serious or fatal injury.  Follow the National Electrical Code (NEC) and local codes for the safe installation of this equipment.

WARNING: Do not wear loose clothing, neckties, rings, bracelets, or other jewelry to get caught in moving parts. Non-slip footwear is recommended. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair.

WARNING: Secure work. Use clamps to secure the work piece when practical. It’s safer than using your hand and it keeps hands away from wheel or belt.

WARNING: Check for damaged parts. Before further use, a guard or other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to assure that it will operate properly and perform its intended function. Check for alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting, and any other conditions that may affect its operation. A guard or other part that is damaged should be properly repaired or replaced.
SAFETY NOTICE  Continued

WARNING: When starting a grinder for the first time, or after installing a replacement belt or wire wheel, it is most important that the operator stand aside for at least one minute of rotation at full speed. This is the correct practice since a wire wheel can disintegrate if it received damage during shipping or handling.

WARNING: Use proper grounded extension cord. Make sure your extension cord is in good condition. When using an extension cord, be sure it is rated for the voltage and current rating of your product. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating. Use the correct wire size depending on cord length and nameplate ampere rating. If in doubt, use the next heavier gauge. The smaller the AWG gauge number, the heavier the cord.

WARNING: Always wear a dust mask to prevent dust inhalation when adequate ventilation or extraction is not available.

WARNING: Dust created during grinding, buffing, sawing, power sanding, drilling, and other activities may contain chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

WARNING: Keep children and visitors away. Remove starter keys turn off master switches. Padlock equipment or work area when not in use.

WARNING: Don’t over reach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. A rotating wheel can catch an article of clothing and cause personnel injury.

WARNING: Never leave grinder-buffer running unattended. Always turn power off after use.

Caution: Don’t force grinder-buffer. It will do the job better and safer at the feed rate for which it was designed.

Caution: Use right tool. Don’t force tool or attachment to do a job for which it was not designed.


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Use wire wheels that are rated to meet or exceed RPM shown in Table 1.
Overview

Belt grinding or finishing has many advantages over the use of conventional grinding wheels. It is possible to remove material up to 5 times faster than the equivalent grade of grinding wheel with far less heat. The electrostatic process used in the manufacture of an abrasive belt ensures that the sharp side of each piece of grit is facing outwards on the belt thus giving cleaner, smoother and faster cutting. The flexing of the belt has a self cleaning action and also it does not overheat, making it more suitable to any application where heat could damage the work, for example, grinding leather, plastics, tool sharpening etc.

Select the correct belt for the application, see Table 2.

Disc grinding is a very useful and versatile part of the attachment. It is very useful for dressing small castings and components, patterns, models, etc., often eliminating costly machining.

![Diagram of belt grinder]

**Figure 1**

**Belt/Disc Specifications**  
Belt size 36" x 2" (915 x 50); Disc size 7" (178).

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WARNING: When starting a grinder for the first time, or after installing a replacement wire wheel, it is most important that the operator stand aside for at least one minute of rotation at full speed. This is the correct practice since a wire wheel can disintegrate if it received damage during shipping or handling.

Installation

When you receive your unit, there are several things you should do immediately.

1. Observe the condition of the shipping container and report any damage immediately to the commercial carrier that delivered the product.
2. Verify that the part number you received is the same as the part number listed on your purchase order.
3. Mount grinder-buffer on solid bench. The grinder-buffer must be securely bolted to a rigid mounting surface. If a pedestal is used, first bolt pedestal securely to floor and then bolt grinder-buffer to pedestal.
4. Check grinder-buffer nameplate to make certain the rating is correct for the power source, voltage and frequency.

Wire Wheel Adjustments (see Figure 1)

1. Disconnect AC Power Cord from 115VAC receptacle.
2. Adjust spark arrestor for approximately $\frac{1}{16}"$ clearance between it and the wheel. Maintain $\frac{1}{8}"$ or less clearance between spark arrestor and the wheel as wheel wears.
3. Adjust angle of tool rest on support to desired position and tighten nut securely. Adjust tool rest support on guard to attain approximately $\frac{1}{16}"$ clearance between tool rest and grinding wheel (or wire brush) and tighten nut securely. Maintain $\frac{1}{8}"$ or less clearance between tool rest and wheel (or brush) as wheel wears.
4. Adjust eyeshield to position aligning center of eyeshield in line of sight to tool rest.

Belt Grinder Adjustments (see Figure 1)

If the correct belt is not installed on the belt grinder, perform the following:

1. Disconnect AC Power Cord from 115VAC receptacle.
2. Remove the belt. To remove belt simply push down on underside of belt to compress belt tensioning spring. Catch automatically holds slide in retracted position. Remove the belt from idler pulley and drive pulley.
3. Install the correct belt. Be sure belt lap faces in correct direction and the arrows on the back side of belt face the correct direction of rotation. See Figure 1.
4. Apply tension to belt. When belt is installed, release catch by lifting it.
5. Check Belt Tracking. Manually rotate the belt while watching the belt movement. Manually rotate the belt. Belt should track centered on the drive and idler pulleys. To adjust belt left, move tracking lever down. To adjust right, move lever up. If tracking lever is set in full Up or full Down position, refer maintenance section.

Optional Table Installation

1. Disconnect AC Power Cord from 115VAC receptacle.
2. Assemble Table hardware as shown in Figure 2 and mount Table Support Bracket in the location identified in Figure 1.

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Figure 2
Operation

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WARNING: When starting a grinder for the first time, or after installing a replacement wheel or belt, it is most important that the operator stand aside for at least one minute of rotation at full speed. This is the correct practice since belts and wire wheels can disintegrate if they have received damage during shipping or handling.

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Power On Procedure

1. Be sure the On-Off switch is in the Off position, and the wire wheel and belt grinder move freely.
2. Connect the AC power cord to a properly grounded 115VAC receptacle.
3. Put on full face shield.
4. Stand to either side of the grinder-buffer and place the On-Off switch in the On position. Wait at least one full minute of grinder rotation to verify that no pieces of the wire wheel or belt are being thrown from the grinder. A damaged wheel or belt can disintegrate and must be replaced.
5. Place the On-Off switch in the Off position to stop grinder-buffer operation.

Wire Wheel Operation

Always use guard and eyeshield. Operating the grinder-buffer without the guard and eyeshield or with damaged guard and eyeshield must not be attempted because of the hazard this introduces.

Maintain $\frac{1}{8}$" or less clearance between tool rest and wheel. This clearance is necessary in preventing the work piece from becoming wedged between the wheel and tool rest and restricting nip areas in the machine.

Buff on face of brush only.

1. Put on full face shield.
2. Place the On-Off switch in the On position. Grinder-buffer should come up to speed smoothly and without vibration. If grinder-buffer does not, turn off grinder-buffer immediately and determine reason.
3. Place work piece on tool rest and buff the work piece on the wire brush face only.
4. Place the On-Off switch in the Off position to stop grinder-buffer operation.

Belt Grinder Operation

Always use guard and eyeshield. Operating the grinder-buffer without the guard and eyeshield or with damaged guard and eyeshield must not be attempted because of the hazard this introduces.

Ensure the correct belt is installed so the Belt Lap faces the correct direction, see Figure 1.

1. Put on full face shield.
2. Place the On-Off switch in the On position. Grinder-buffer should come up to speed smoothly and without vibration. If grinder-buffer does not, turn off grinder-buffer immediately and determine reason.
3. Belt grind the work piece using one of the methods described.
4. Place the On-Off switch in the Off position when done.
Several methods for belt grinding can be used: see Figure 1.

1. **Platen Grinding** (Horizontal or Vertical)
   a. Be sure the platen is properly adjusted, see Maintenance section of this manual.
   b. Work of any length can be surfaced using the platen. For example the sawn edges of wood from short pieces up to lengths of several meters.

2. **Disc Grinding** When possible, remove belt (to reduce wear) when disc grinding. Use only grinding area indicated in Figure 3.
   a. Tool and cutter sharpening is a simple task and there is less chance of burning the work edges. When using the optional table, lengths and angles are easy to adjust. Dressing end grain flat and square has always been a difficult task but now it is a simple and quick operation, making perfect joints possible. A rubber cleaning stick should be used regularly to prevent built up of wood resin.
   b. Three options are available in abrasive discs. 1. Self-Adhesive. 2. Fur backed - which must be used with an optional hook and loop backing pad. 3. Plain paper or cloth backed disc which must be attached with a contact adhesive. When changing a disc pad, remove all remaining adhesive from the disc with solvent (acetone or lacquer thinner). Do not use household cleaners.

![Figure 3 Disc Grinding](image)

3. **Contact Wheel Grinding Polishing and Sanding**
   a. Using the front contact wheel avails the user of material removal many times faster than a conventional grinding wheel. The unique smooth cutting action is cooler, faster and safer than conventional grinding methods. A good example of one of the many uses is the smoothing of welds and casting blemishes prior to plating.
   b. Using the extremely fast and easy belt change it is possible to go from a rough weld finish to a flat, smooth polish suitable to chrome plate in only two belt changes, e.g. Remove rough weld with 40; 60 or 80 grit belt. Remove grinding marks with 240 grit belt. Change ground finish to smooth, brushed finish for plating - Scotch brite super fine.
   c. Wood shaping and finishing can be done in a similar manner but belts should always be kept exclusively for wood especially in the finer grades. A rubber belt cleaning stick helps prevent clogging on wood use.

4. **Free Strapping**
   a. Free strapping is a method of belt grinding, sanding or polishing where no backing is used behind the belt. It is especially suitable for round and contoured work and some sharpening operations. It is done on the underneath side of the belt opposite the platen.
   b. It is ideally suited to narrow belt widths as small as \( \frac{1}{2} \)“ (13mm). Belt grades of 180 to 400 are recommended because of the rapid cutting action of narrow belts.
**Maintenance**

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Replace worn wire brush wheel as necessary. The wheel should be replaced after the diameter is reduced by 1 or 2 inches from original size. When replacing a worn wheel, remove all dust and other materials from wheel guard.

Motor and pulley bearings are lubricated for life and do not require additional lubrication.

Replacement wheels may be purchased directly from your local industrial supply dealers, abrasive dealers, tool dealers, etc.

Remove grinding dust from exhaust ports to prevent accumulation.

Replace damaged parts immediately to maintain safety of machine.

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**Figure 4 Belt Adjustments**

**Tracking Adjustment**  
see Figure 4

Always ensure belt entirely covers rubber Drive Pulley. Adjustment is made when running or when belt rotated by hand. To adjust left, move tracking lever down. To adjust right, move lever up. If tracking lever is set fully in up or down position, coarse tracking adjustment must be made.

**Coarse Tracking**

1. Set Tracking Lever in the mid position so it is horizontal.
2. If belt was changed, release the catch so spring loaded idler pulley is in full contact with belt. Manually rotate belt a few times and observe the position of the belt.
3. If belt wanders toward the disc, loosen Top Bolt slightly and tap Top Plate a small amount toward the grinder. If belt wanders toward the grinder, loosen Top Bolt slightly and tap Top Plate a small amount toward the disc.
4. When belt runs evenly on drive pulley and idler pulley, tighten the Top Bolt.
5. Put on full face shield.
6. Place the On-Off switch in the On position. Grinder-buffer should come up to speed smoothly and without vibration. If grinder-buffer does not, shut grinder-buffer off immediately and determine reason.
7. Verify the belt runs evenly on drive pulley and idler pulley.
8. Place the On-Off switch in the Off position when done.

**Fine Tracking** The Tracking Lever is used for the final fine adjustment.

1. Move Tracking Lever slightly Down to move belt left on the platen or Up to move belt right on the platen.
2. Move Tracking Lever slightly Up or Down as needed to obtain \(1/4\)" (6mm) clearance between Disc and Top Plate.
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