CORDLESS HEDGE TRIMMER KIT
18V Lithium Ion

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

SPECIFICATIONS
Voltage: 18V
Battery: 1.5Ah Li-ion
Charge Time: 2 Hours
Cutting Speed: 2,200 SPM
Max. Cutting Capacity: 11mm
Blade Length: 460mm
Weight: 2.45kg

WHAT'S IN THE BOX
Hedge Trimmer
Blade Cover
1.5Ah Battery Pack
Eco Charger

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5 YEAR REPLACEMENT WARRANTY
**1. ASSEMBLY**

**Blade Cover**

The blade cover protects the blade when not in use. Simply slide it off the blade before use. Once finished operating, place the cover back over the blade.

**Safety Guard**

Ensure the safety guard is fitted securely onto the hedge trimmer before use. Tighten the screws on either side if necessary.

**WARNING!** NEVER USE THE HEDGE TRIMMING UNLESS THE SAFETY GUARD IS FITTED.
2. BATTERY & CHARGING

Charging your lithium ion battery
The tools battery has been shipped in a low charge condition, and requires charging prior to use. Allow several cycles of charging and discharging (through use of the tool) for the battery to reach its optimum performance / runtime.

**CAUTION!**
IF THE BATTERY IS TOO HOT OR TOO COLD WHEN INSERTED INTO THE CHARGER, THE LED WILL FLASH RED AND GREEN. REMOVE BATTERY FROM CHARGER AND STORE AT ROOM TEMPERATURE 20ºC BEFORE CHARGING.

1. Connect the charger into a mains power outlet.

2. The charger LED will flash green showing power is being supplied to the charger.

3. With the battery sitting on a flat surface, align the raised ribs on the battery with the recess in the charger and slide onto the battery ensuring a firm connection.

4. The charger LED will illuminate red signifying that the battery is charging.

**Note:** The battery will not develop a memory, it does not have to be fully discharged before recharging

5. When removing the charger from the battery, first press the battery release tab, then slide the charger from its position.

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**Charger LED Indicator**

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<td>GREEN (Flashing)</td>
<td>Stand By (no battery pack is inserted)</td>
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<td>RED (Illuminated)</td>
<td>Battery is charging (low charge)</td>
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<td>GREEN (Illuminated)</td>
<td>Battery is fully charged</td>
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<td>RED (Flashing)</td>
<td>Battery or Charger fault</td>
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<td>RED &amp; GREEN (Flashing)</td>
<td>Battery pack is too hot or too cold (remove battery from charger and store at room temperature 20ºC. Insert battery again when at correct charging temperature). If this happens again, the battery is defective and needs to be replaced.</td>
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**Battery Charge Indicator**

The purchased battery is equipped with a battery charge indicator to show the state of the battery charge. Press the charge indicator button and look to see which LED lights.

- Battery requires immediate charging
- Low state of charge, requires charging soon.
- Mid state of charge
- Full state of charge.

**Note:** The battery needs to be removed from the tool to check the state of charge.

**Battery protection system**

The tool is equipped with the battery protection system, which helps to ensure a long service life.

The output power automatically cuts off during operation when the tool and/or battery are placed under the following situations:

- **When the tool is overloaded:**
  If this occurs, release the trigger switch and remove causes of overload, then pull the switch trigger again to restart.
- **When the remaining battery capacity becomes low:**
  Recharge the battery pack.

**Note:** The battery protection system does not in any way damage the tool.

**Note:** The indicated capacity may be lower than the actual level during use or immediately after using the tool.
3. INSERTING & REMOVING THE BATTERY

Inserting the Battery into the Hedge Trimmer
1. Align the ribs of the battery with the recess in below the handle.

2. Slide the battery in so that it clicks into place.

Removing the Battery from the Hedge Trimmer
1. Press and hold the battery release tab to release the battery.

2. Slide the battery out.

4. CONTROLS & OPERATION

Switching On and Off
1. Press and hold the safety switch.

2. To start the hedge trimmer, squeeze the on/off trigger.

3. To stop operating, release the on/off trigger.

Top cutting
Use a wide sweeping motion. A slight downward tilt of the cutting blades in the direction of motion gives the best cutting results.

Side cutting
When trimming the sides of the hedge, begin at the bottom and cut upwards. Trim the side of a hedge so that it will be slightly narrower at the top. This shape will expose more of the hedge, resulting in a more uniform growth.

WARNING!
DO NOT USE ANY ATTACHMENTS OR ACCESSORIES NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE MANUFACTURER OF THIS PRODUCT, AS IT CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY.

WARNING!
CLEAR THE AREA TO BE CUT BEFORE EACH USE. REMOVE ALL OBJECTS, SUCH AS CORDS, LIGHTS, WIRE, OR STRING WHICH CAN BECOME ENTANGLED IN THE CUTTING BLADE AND CREATE A RISK OF SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY.

WARNING!
IF THE BLADE JAMS ON ANY ELECTRICAL CORD OR LINE, DO NOT TOUCH THE BLADE! IT CAN BECOME ELECTRICALLY LIVE AND VERY DANGEROUS. CONTINUE TO HOLD THE HEDGE TRIMMER BY THE INSULATED REAR HANDLE OR LAY IT DOWN AND AWAY FROM YOU IN A SAFE MANNER. DISCONNECT THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO THE DAMAGED LINE OR CORD BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO FREE THE BLADE. FAILURE TO HEED THIS WARNING MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR POSSIBLE DEATH.
MAINTENANCE

ALWAYS ENSURE THE TOOL HAS COMPLETELY STOPPED AND THE BATTERY IS REMOVED PRIOR TO ANY MAINTENANCE.

Sharpening the cutting blade
1. Start and stop your hedge trimmer until the cutter blade and the guard are slightly offset.
2. Remove the battery pack from your hedge trimmer.
3. Clamp the blade assembly in a vise and file the exposed cutting surface of each blade tooth. Remove as little material as possible.
4. Remove the hedge trimmer from the vise and insert the battery pack. Repeat steps 1-3 for the unsharpened edges of the blade teeth.

Note: Do not operate your hedge trimmer with dull or damaged cutting blades. This may cause overload and will give unsatisfactory cutting results.

Lubricating the blade
For best operation and longer blade life, lubricate the hedge trimmer blade with light weight machine oil before and after each use.

1. Remove the battery pack from the hedge trimmer.
2. Lay the hedge trimmer on a flat surface. Apply a light weight machine oil along the edge of the top blade.

WARNING! DO NOT OIL WHILE THE HEDGE TRIMMER IS RUNNING.

Cleaning and Storage
• Keep air intake clean and air vents free of debris to avoid overheating the motor.
• Do not use cleaning agents to clean the plastic parts of the tool. A mild detergent on a damp cloth is recommended. Water must never come into contact with the tool.
• If the trimmer vibrates abnormally, stop motor immediately. Abnormal vibration usually indicates a mechanical problem continued operation could lead to injury or damage.
• Always place the blade cover on the blade before storing or transporting the hedge trimmer. Use caution to avoid the sharp teeth of the blade.
• Store the hedge trimmer indoors, in a dry place that is inaccessible to children.

Note: Ozito Industries will not be responsible for any damage or injuries caused by the repair of the trimmer by an unauthorised person or by mishandling of the trimmer. This tool is designed for DIY use - use in commercial or industrial environments will void the warranty.

TROUBLESHOOTING

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**ELECTRICAL SAFETY**

**WARNING!** When using mains-powered tools, basic safety precautions, including the following, should always be followed to reduce risk of fire, electric shock, personal injury and material damage.

Read the whole manual carefully and make sure you know how to switch the tool off in an emergency, before operating the tool.

Save these instructions and other documents supplied with this tool for future reference.

The charger has been designed for 230V and 240V only. Always check that the power supply corresponds to the voltage on the rating plate.

Note: The supply of 230V and 240V on Ozito tools are interchangeable for Australia and New Zealand.

This tool’s charger is double insulated in accordance with AS/NZS 60745-1; therefore no earth wire is required.

**GENERAL POWER TOOL SAFETY WARNINGS**

**WARNING!** Read all safety warnings and all instructions. Failure to follow the warnings and instructions 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.

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.
   d. Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.

2. **Electrical safety**
   a. Power tool plug 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 cord suitable for outdoor use. Use of a cord 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 dust mask, non-slip safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce risk of injury.
   c. 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.
   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.
   g. 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.

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. Station 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. **Battery tool use and care**
   a. Charge 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.
   b. Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs. Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
   c. 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.
   d. Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact. If liquid contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation or burns.

6. **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.

**HEDGE TRIMMER SAFETY WARNINGS**

• 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 cleaning jammed material. A moment of inattention while operating the hedge trimmer may result in serious personal injury.
• 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.
• 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.
• Perform visual inspection on the hedge being trimmed. To ensure no wire fences or foreign objects that the hedge trimmer may contact during operation.
• Never allow children or people unfamiliar with these instructions to use the Hedge Trimmer.
• Avoid using the Hedge Trimmer, while people, especially children or pets, are nearby.
• Use the Hedge Trimmer only in daylight or good artificial light.
• Never operate the Hedge Trimmer when leaving the Hedge Trimmer unattended.
• Always remove the battery from the Hedge Trimmer before carrying out maintenance or cleaning work.
• Inspect and maintain the Hedge Trimmer regularly. Have the Hedge Trimmer repaired only by an authorized repairer.
• When not in use, store the Hedge Trimmer out of the reach of children.
• Face the cutting blades away from yourself, other people and animals while the power is connected to the Hedge Trimmer (especially during operation).
• Use both handles.
• Keep ventilation openings clear of debris. Keep handles dry, clean and free of oil and grease.
• Never reach underneath the Hedge Trimmer (the cutting blade area) until it has completely stopped and the power has been disconnected.

**WARNING!** When servicing, use only identical replacement parts. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage. To ensure safety and reliability, all repairs should be performed by a qualified service technician.

**WARNING!** This appliance is not intended for use by young or infirm persons unless supervised by a responsible person to ensure that they can use the appliance safely. Young children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

**SPARE PARTS**

Spare parts can be ordered from the Special Orders Desk at your local Bunnings Warehouse.

For further information, or any parts not listed here, visit www.ozito.com.au or contact Ozito Customer Service:

Australia 1800 069 486
New Zealand 0508 069 486
E-mail: enquiries@ozito.com.au
IN ORDER TO MAKE A CLAIM UNDER THIS WARRANTY YOU MUST RETURN THE PRODUCT TO YOUR NEAREST BUNNINGS WAREHOUSE WITH YOUR BUNNINGS REGISTER RECEIPT. PRIOR TO RETURNING YOUR PRODUCT FOR WARRANTY PLEASE TELEPHONE OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE HELPLINE:

Australia 1800 069 486
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TO ENSURE A SPEEDY RESPONSE PLEASE HAVE THE MODEL NUMBER AND DATE OF PURCHASE AVAILABLE. A CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE WILL TAKE YOUR CALL AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE RELATING TO THE WARRANTY POLICY OR PROCEDURE.

WARNING

The following actions will result in the warranty being void.

• If the tool has been operated on a supply voltage other than that specified on the tool.
• If the tool shows signs of damage or defects caused by or resulting from abuse, accidents or alterations.
• Failure to perform maintenance as set out within the instruction manual.
• If the tool is disassembled or tampered with in any way.

The benefits provided under this warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies which are available to you at law. Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded at law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

Generally you will be responsible for all costs associated with a claim under this warranty, however, where you have suffered any additional direct loss as a result of a defective product you may be able to claim such expenses by contacting our customer service helpline above.

3 YEAR REPLACEMENT WARRANTY WITH 2 YEAR EXTENSION UPON REGISTRATION

Your Product is guaranteed for a period of 36 months from the original date of purchase and is intended for DIY (Do It Yourself) use only. If a product is defective it will be replaced in accordance with the terms of this warranty. You have the option to register your product with Ozito on www.ozito.com.au/registrations for an extended warranty of 2 years within four weeks of purchase. The registration confirmation, which is sent out by e-mail, and the original receipt showing the date of purchase will serve as proof of the extended warranty. Lithium Ion batteries and chargers are covered by a 36 month warranty and are excluded from the warranty extension. Warranty excludes consumable parts, for example: blade, blade cover.