



# RECIPROCATING AIR SAW SLIM BODY

MODEL NO: SA348

Thank you for purchasing a Sealey product. Manufactured to a high standard, this product will, if used according to these instructions, and properly maintained, give you years of trouble free performance.

**IMPORTANT:** PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. NOTE THE SAFE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, WARNINGS & CAUTIONS. USE THE PRODUCT CORRECTLY AND WITH CARE FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT IS INTENDED. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CAUSE DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY AND WILL INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY. KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS SAFE FOR FUTURE USE.



Refer to instruction manual



Wear protective gloves



Wear eye protection



Wear ear protection

## 1. SAFETY

- WARNING!** Ensure Health & Safety, local authority and general workshop practice regulations are adhered to when using this equipment.
- WARNING!** Disconnect from air supply before changing the blade or file, servicing or performing maintenance.
- ✓ Maintain the tool in good condition.
- ✓ Replace or repair damaged parts. Use genuine parts only. Unauthorised parts may be dangerous and will invalidate the warranty.
- ✓ Use in suitable, clean and tidy work area, free from unrelated materials. Ensure that there is adequate lighting.
- WARNING!** Always wear approved eye or face and hand protection when operating the saw.
- ✓ Remove ill fitting clothing. Remove ties, loose jewellery and contain and/or tie back long hair.
- ✓ Wear appropriate protective clothing and keep hands and body clear of working parts.
- ✓ Maintain correct balance and footing. Ensure the floor is not slippery and wear non-slip shoes.
- ✓ Keep children and unauthorised persons away from work area.
- ✗ **DO NOT** use blades that are cracked or deformed.
- ✗ **DO NOT** use hacksaw blade segments.
- ✓ Ensure that blades and files are clamped tightly to the airtool.
- ✓ Check moving parts alignment on a regular basis.
- ✓ Ensure workpiece is secure before operating the saw. Never hold a workpiece by hand. Use a vice or clamps.
- WARNING!** Ensure correct air pressure is maintained and not exceeded. Recommended pressure is 90psi.
- ✓ Keep air hose away from heat, oil and sharp edges. Check air hose for wear before each use and ensure that all connections are secure.
- ✓ Prolonged exposure to vibration from this tool poses a health risk. It is the employer's/owner's responsibility to correctly assess the hazard and issue guidelines for safe periods of use and offer suitable protective equipment.
- ✗ **DO NOT** use any power source except an air compressor.
- ✗ **DO NOT** operate the tool near any inflammable substance or on any container that has held an inflammable substance.
- ✗ **DO NOT** use tool for a task it is not designed to perform.
- ✗ **DO NOT** operate tool if any parts are damaged or missing as this may cause failure and/or personal injury.
- ✗ **DO NOT** carry the tool by the hose, or yank the hose from the air supply.
- ✗ **DO NOT** operate tool when you are tired or under the influence of alcohol, drugs or intoxicating medication.
- ✗ **DO NOT** carry the tool with your finger on the trigger.
- ✗ **DO NOT** direct air from the air hose at yourself or others.
- ✓ When not in use disconnect from air supply and store in a safe, dry, childproof location.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

Suitable for a variety of bodyshop applications such as cutting through panels, sills and chassis members. Excellent for initial crash-repair preparation when quick removal of damaged panels is required. Fitted with safety trigger device. Supplied with a starter pack of blades.

## 3. SPECIFICATION

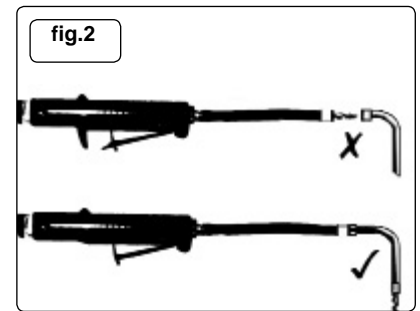
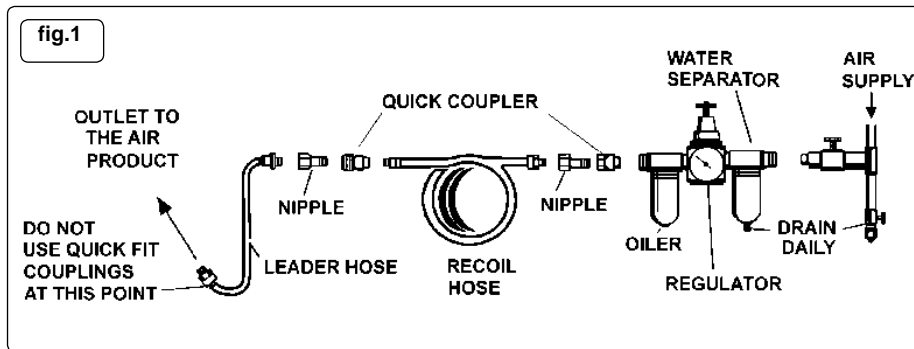
Model No.:..... **SA348**  
 Free Speed: ..... 9000bpm  
 Stroke: ..... 10mm  
 Maximum Cutting Capacity: ..... 2mm Steel, 3mm Aluminium  
 Air Consumption: ..... 3cfm  
 Operating Pressure: ..... 90psi  
 Air Inlet Size: ..... 1/4" BSP  
 Weight: ..... 0.425kg  
 Noise Power: ..... 99dB(A)  
 Noise Pressure: ..... 88dB(A)  
 Vibration/Uncertainty ..... 11.985/1.5m/s<sup>2</sup>

### CONSUMABLES:

14 TPI Air Saw Blade ..... SA34/B14  
 24 TPI Air Saw Blade ..... SA34/B24  
 32 TPI Air Saw Blade ..... SA34/B32

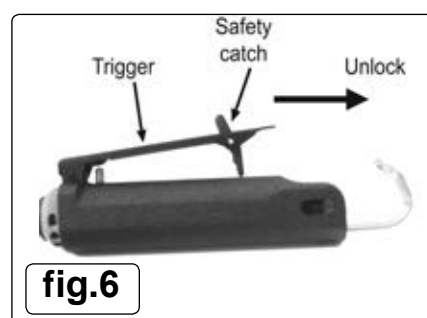
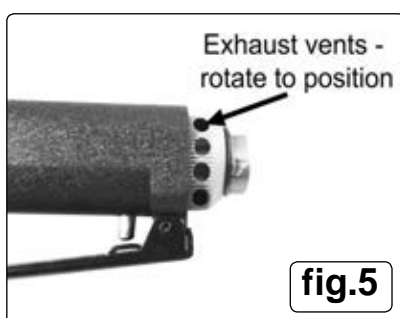
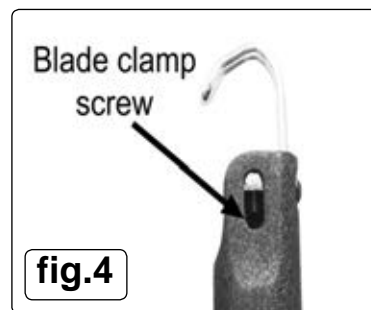
## 4. AIR SUPPLY

- 4.1. Recommended hook-up procedure is shown in fig.1.
- 4.1.1. Ensure air saw trigger is in "off" position before connecting to the air supply.
- 4.1.2. You will require an air pressure of 90psi, and an air flow according to specification.
- ▲ **WARNING!** Ensure the air supply is clean and does not exceed 90psi while operating the tool. Too high an air pressure and unclean air will shorten the product life due to excessive wear, and may be dangerous causing damage and/or personal injury.
- 4.1.3. Drain the air tank daily. Water in the air line will damage the tool.
- 4.1.4. Clean air inlet filter weekly.
- 4.1.5. Line pressure should be increased to compensate for unusually long air hoses (over 8 metres).
- 4.1.6. The minimum hose diameter should be 1/4" I.D. and fittings must have the same internal dimensions.
- 4.1.7. Keep hose away from heat, oil and sharp edges. Check hose for wear, and make certain that all connections are secure.
- 4.2. **COUPLINGS**
- 4.2.1. Vibration may cause failure if a quick change coupling is connected directly to the tool.
- 4.2.2. To overcome this, connect a leader hose to the tool. A quick change coupling may then be used to connect the leader hose to the air line recoil hose (fig.2). Available from your Sealey dealer (Model No. - AH2R)



## 5. OPERATION

- 5.1. **BLADE GUARD ADJUSTMENT (fig.3)**
- 5.1.1. Using the hexagonal key supplied, loosen the fastening on the top of the tool (fig.3). Slide the guard to the required position and fully retighten the fastening.
- 5.2. **BLADE MOUNTING (fig.4)**
- 5.2.1. Using the hexagonal key supplied, loosen blade fastening (fig.4). Slide the blade fully into the tool body and fix in place by fully tightening the fastening. **NOTE:** Ensure that the blade teeth are in the required orientation within the tool and that the blade is correct for the task.
- 5.3. **EXHAUST DIRECTION (fig.5)**
- 5.3.1. To direct exhaust air, rotate the collar such that the holes are facing the required direction.
- 5.4. **SPEED CONTROL (fig.6)**
- 5.4.1. Speed control of the cutting blade is achieved by use of the trigger mechanism.
- 5.5. Ensure that your workpiece is properly secured and, if necessary, marked out.
- 5.6. Start the saw by pushing the safety catch forward (fig.6), then pushing the trigger (fig.6) down.
- × **DO NOT** attempt to start the saw with the stationary blade in contact with the workpiece. Start the saw and bring the moving blade onto the workpiece.
- 5.7. If the cut ends within the sheet material, allow the blade to come to a stop before removing the saw from the workpiece.
- 5.8. If the cut starts within the bounds of the material, cut a starter slot by hand.
- × **DO NOT** allow the saw to run without load for any length of time as this will cause it damage.



## 6. MAINTENANCE

- ❑ **WARNING!** Disconnect saw from air supply before changing the blade or file, servicing or performing maintenance. Replace or repair damaged parts. *Use genuine parts only. Unauthorised parts may be dangerous and will invalidate the warranty.*
- 6.1. Unless the air supply system includes an oiler, lubricate the air saw daily with a few drops of air tool oil, dripped into the air inlet before use (Sealey part no's. ATO500S (500ml) or ATO1000S (1 Litre).
- 6.2. Loss of power or erratic action may be due to the following:
  - a) Excessive drain on the air line. Moisture or restriction in the air line. Incorrect size or type of hose connectors. To remedy, check the air supply and follow instructions in Section 4.
  - b) Grit or gum deposits in the saw may also reduce performance. If your model has an air strainer (located in the area of the air inlet), remove the strainer and clean it. Flush the saw out with gum solvent oil or an equal mixture of SAE No 10 oil and kerosene. Allow to **dry before use. If you continue to experience problems, contact your local Sealey service agent.**
- 6.3. For a full service, contact your local Sealey stockist.
- 6.4. When not in use, disconnect from air supply, clean saw and store in a safe, dry, childproof location.

### **WARNING! – Risk of Hand Arm Vibration Injury.**

**This tool may cause Hand Arm Vibration Syndrome if its use is not managed adequately.**

This tool is subject to the vibration testing section of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC.

This tool is to be operated in accordance with these instructions.

**Measured vibration emission value (a):** 11.985m/s<sup>2</sup>

**Uncertainty value (k):** 1.5m/s<sup>2</sup>

*Please note that the application of the tool to a sole specialist task may produce a different average vibration emission.*

*We recommend that a specific evaluation of the vibration emission is conducted prior to commencing with a specialist task.*

A health and safety assessment by the user (or employer) will need to be carried out to determine the suitable duration of use for each tool.

**NB:** Stated Vibration Emission values are type-test values and are intended to be typical.

Whilst in use, the actual value will vary considerably from and depend on many factors.

Such factors include; the operator, the task and the inserted tool or consumable.

**NB:** ensure that the length of leader hoses is sufficient to allow unrestricted use, as this also helps to reduce vibration.

*The state of maintenance of the tool itself is also an important factor, a poorly maintained tool will also increase the risk of Hand Arm Vibration Syndrome.*

#### **Health surveillance.**

We recommend a programme of health surveillance to detect early symptoms of vibration injury so that management procedures can be modified accordingly.

#### **Personal protective equipment.**

We are not aware of any personal protective equipment (PPE) that provides protection against vibration injury that may result from the uncontrolled use of this tool. We recommend a sufficient supply of clothing (including gloves) to enable the operator to remain warm and dry and maintain good blood circulation in fingers etc. Please note that the most effective protection is prevention, please refer to the Correct Use and Maintenance section in these instructions. Guidance relating to the management of hand arm vibration can be found on the HSC website [www.hse.gov.uk](http://www.hse.gov.uk) - Hand-Arm Vibration at Work.



#### **ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION**

Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as waste. All tools, accessories and packaging should be sorted, taken to a recycling centre and disposed of in a manner which is compatible with the environment. When the product becomes completely unserviceable and requires disposal, drain any fluids (if applicable) into approved containers and dispose of the product and fluids according to local regulations.

**Note:** It is our policy to continually improve products and as such we reserve the right to alter data, specifications and component parts without prior notice.

**Important:** No Liability is accepted for incorrect use of this product.

**Warranty:** Guarantee is 12 months from purchase date, proof of which is required for any claim.

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