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PISTOL GRIP

AIR NEEDLE SCALER

84131





1. Preface

These are the original product instructions. This document is part of the product; retain it for the life of the product, passing it on to subsequent holders. Read this manual in full before attempting to assemble, operate, or maintain this product.

This Draper Tools manual describes the purpose of the product and contains all the necessary information to ensure its correct and safe use. Following all the instructions and guidance in this manual will ensure the safety of both the product and the operator and increase the lifespan of the product.

All photographs and drawings within this manual are supplied by Draper Tools to help illustrate correct operation of the product.

Every effort has been made to ensure the information contained in this manual is accurate. However, Draper Tools reserves the right to amend this document without prior warning. Always use the latest version of the product manual.

1.1 Product Reference

User Manual for: Pistol Grip Air Needle Sander

Stock No: 84131 Part No: DAT-ANS

1.2 Revisions

Version 1: November 2017

First release

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1.3 Understanding the Safety Content of This Manual



WARNING! – Situations or actions that may result in personal injury or death.



CAUTION! – Situations or actions that may result in damage to the product or surroundings.

ATTENTION – Situations or actions that may result in damage to the product or surroundings.

Important: – Information or instructions of particular importance.

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3. Product Introduction

3.1 Intended Use

This pistol grip air scaler is designed to be used for a variety of descaling and corrosion removal applications such as the removal of heavy paint coating and rust from metallic surfaces.

Any other application beyond the conditions established for use will be considered misuse. Draper Tools accepts no responsibility for improper use of this product.

Read this manual in full before attempting to assemble, operate or maintain the product, and retain it for later use.

3.2 Specification

Stock No.:	84131
Part No.:	DAT-ANS
Quantity of needles:	19
Needle size:	3mm × 180mm
Blows per minute:	4500B/min
Stroke length:	24mm
Maximum operating air pressure:	90psi (6.2bar)
Average air consumption:	113L/Min (4cfm)
Maximum air line size (Internal diameter):	3/8" (10mm)
Air inlet connector:	1/4" BSP
Noise emissions:	
Sound pressure level:	84dB (A)
Sound power level:	95dB (A)
Vibration level:	9.4m/s²
Net weight:	1.95kg

Important: The declared vibration total values and noise emissions values have been measured in accordance with a standard test method and may be used for comparing one tool with another. These values may also be used in a preliminary assessment of exposure.



WARNING! The vibration and noise emissions during actual use of the product can differ from the declared values depending on the type of work and the area upon which it is used. Before each use, estimate the likely exposure resulting from the actual conditions of use. Take into account all parts of the operation cycle in order to identify any safety measures required to protect the operator.

4. Health and Safety Information



Important: Read all the Health and Safety instructions before attempting to operate, change accessories, maintain or repair this product. Failure to follow these instructions may result in injury or damage to the user, the product or the workpiece

4.1 General Health and Safety **Precautions**

- ONLY qualified and trained operators should use or adjust the air tool.
- **DO NOT** modify this tool. Modifications can reduce the effectiveness of safety measures and increase the risks to the operator.
- Retain the safety instructions for future reference and use by the operator.
- **NEVER** misuse the tool and **DO NOT** use the tool if it has been damaged.
- Inspect the tool periodically to verify that the ratings and markings required are attached and legible.
- Keep bystanders away during operation.
- **ALWAYS** Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) including eye, ear and hand protection.
- Have your tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.

4.2 Additional Safety Instructions for **Compressed Air**



WARNING! Compressed air can cause severe 🛂 injury.

- **ALWAYS** turn off and disconnect the air supply before changing accessories, making any adjustments to the product or leaving it unattended.
- **NEVER** direct this product towards yourself or
- Ensure that compressed air is not blocked by or in contact with any part of your body.
- **ONLY** use clean, dry and regulated compressed air.



WARNING! NEVER use oxygen, combustible gases or other bottled gases as a supply for this product. Use of these substances may cause the product to explode.

Draper Tools recommends the use of a whip hose between the tool and the air supply to reduce vibration.



WARNING! Whipping hoses can cause severe injury, ALWAYS check for and replace damaged or loose hoses and fittings.

- Ensure that the product is compatible with the air supply before use.
- Ensure all connections are securely tightened.
- Where universal twist couplings (claw couplings) are used, lock pins must be installed and whip check safety cables must be used to safeguard against possible hose-to-tool or hose-to-hose failure.
- **DO NOT** exceed the maximum stated air pressure.
- The use of an inline water separator, lubricator and pressure regulator should be used to control the pressure of the air being supplied to the tool.
- **DO NOT** obstruct the ability of the trigger to release once depressed.
- **NEVER** carry the tool by the air line.

Additional Safety Instructions for Air Needle Scalers



WARNING! Risk of injury to persons.

- Keep hands away from the needles.
- High speed splinters may be emitted from the air needle scaler during operation.
- ALWAYS wear a correctly fitted dust mask when using this needle scaler.
- Where dust or fumes are created, the priority should be to control them at the point of emission.
- Disconnect the tool from the energy supply before changing the inserted tool or accessory.
- Failure of the workpiece, accessories or even of the inserted tool itself can generate high-velocity projectiles.
- ALWAYS wear impact-resistant eye protection during the operation of the needle scaler. The grade of protection required should be assessed for each use.
- For overhead work, wear a safety helmet. The risk to others should also be assessed at this time.
- Ensure that the workpiece is securely fixed.
- **NEVER** operate a tool unless the inserted tool is retained with a proper retainer.
- To avoid injury, retainer parts shall be replaced when they become worn, cracked or distorted.

4. Health and Safety Information

- Adopt a suitable posture to counteract normal or unexpected movement due to reaction forces from the tool. Maintain a balanced body position and secure footing.
- Release the start and stop device in the case of an interruption of the energy supply.
- ONLY use lubricants recommended by the manufacturer.
- Avoid direct contact with the inserted tool during and after use as it can become hot.
- When using a needle scaler power tool to perform work-related activities, the operator can experience discomfort in the hands, arms, shoulders, neck or other parts of the body. While using the power tool, the operator should adopt a comfortable posture while maintaining a secure footing and avoiding awkward off-balanced postures.
- The operator should change posture during extended tasks, which can help avoid discomfort and fatigue.
- If the operator experiences symptoms, such as persistent or recurring discomfort, pain, throbbing, aching, tingling, numbness, burning sensations or stiffness, these warning signs should not be ignored. The operator should tell the employer and consult a qualified health professional.
- Use ONLY sizes and types of accessories and consumables that are recommended by the tool manufacturer.
- The tool is not intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres and is not insulated against coming into contact with electric power.
- Ensure there are no electrical cables, gas pipes, etc., that can cause a hazard if damaged by use of the tool.

Noise Hazards

- Exposure to high noise levels can cause permanent hearing loss and other problems.
 Perform a risk assessment and implement any appropriate controls for identified hazards before performing any operation.
- Use appropriate hearing protection in accordance with local occupational health and safety regulations.
- Operate and maintain the tool appropriately to prevent unnecessary increase in noise emissions.

Vibration Hazards

 Exposure to vibration can cause disabling damage to the nerves and blood supply of the hands and arms.

- Wear warm clothing when working in cold conditions and keep your hands warm and dry.
- If you experience numbness, tingling, pain or whitening of the skin in your fingers or hands, stop using the tool and consult a qualified health professional.
- Operate and maintain the tool appropriately to prevent unnecessary increase in vibration emissions.
- The risks from vibration hazards are increased when grip force on the tool is higher. – Hold the tool with a light but safe grip, keeping in mind that your grip may need to be altered to react to unexpected forces.

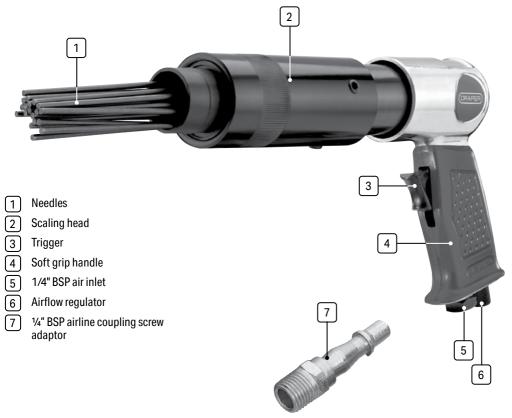
4.4 Residual Risk

The safety instructions in this manual cannot account for all possible conditions and situations that may occur. Exercise common sense and caution when using this product and protect against any additional conceivable risks.



Carefully remove the product from the packaging and examine it for any signs of damage that may have occurred during shipment. If any part is damaged or missing, **DO NOT** attempt to use the product. Please contact the Draper Helpline; contact details can be found at the back of this manual.

5.1 Product Overview



5.2 Packaging

Keep the product packaging for the duration of the warranty period for reference should the product need to be returned for repair.

WARNING! Keep packaging materials out of reach of children. Dispose of packaging correctly and responsibly and in accordance with local regulations.

Please visit drapertools.com for our full range of accessories and consumables.

6. Preparation Instructions

Important: Before preparing or adjusting this product, read and understand all the safety instructions listed in this manual.

6.1 Preparing the Air Supply for Use (Fig.1)

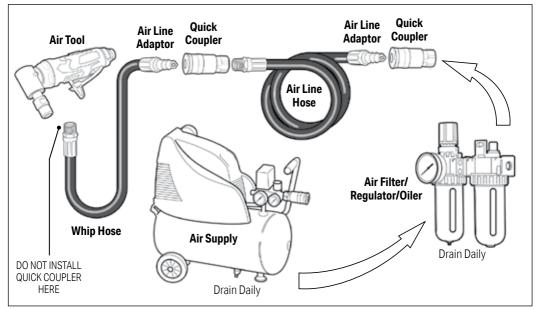


Fig. 1

- This air tool operates at a max. pressure of 6.2bar (90psi).
- ISO grade 22–32 (SAE grade 5W–15W) monograde oil should be used in this air tool.
- During use, the oil must be constantly supplied to the equipment to ensure complete lubrication and optimum performance.
- The compressed air system must be controlled by a combination pressure regulator, in-line lubricator and moisture filter. This will ensure a constant supply of dry air at all times, provided it is properly maintained.
 - **Important: ALWAYS** check the machine operating pressure before use.
- Water in the compressor tank may cause considerable corrosion to air tools; the compressor should be drained daily to avoid excessive water in the air supply. Dirty or wet air can significantly shorten the lifespan of the product.

 When using an air tool with a hose over 25ft long, Draper Tools recommends increasing the bore of the hose to the next largest available size (i.e. increase 3/8" to 1/2"). This will ensure adequate pressure and volume of air to power the tool.

6. Preparation Instructions



6.2 Connection to the Air Supply (Figs.2 – 3)

Important: ALWAYS disconnect from the air supply before assembling, carrying out adjustments, servicing or maintenance.

To connect the air needle scaler to an air line, a 1/4" BSP male thread whip hose \boxed{A} will be required.

 Wind a length of PTFE tape B around the thread of the whip hose.

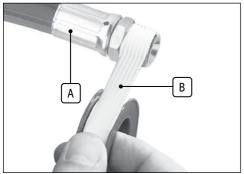


Fig. 2

 Remove the bung from the air inlet 5 and attach the hose via the 1/4" BSP air inlet 5. The connection must be tight for an airtight union.

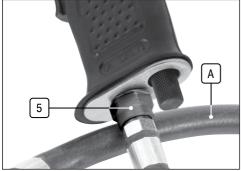
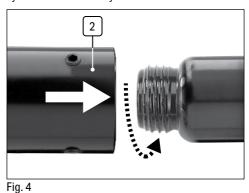


Fig. 3

6.3 Attaching the Scaling Head (Fig.4)

 Screw the head 2 clockwise onto the threaded cylinder of the tool body.



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7. Operating Instructions

Important: Before operating this product, read and understand all the safety instructions listed in this manual. Ensure that the product is fully assembled and correctly prepared for use.

Note:

- Before connecting the tool to the air supply reduce the line pressure according to the specification.
- Before tool operation and work commences, ensure the compressor reservoir is drained of condensate along with all connected air lines. Check and drain the air line regulator's water trap and fill up the lubrication reservoir.

7.1 Trigger Switch (Fig.5)

- Push the trigger 3 to operate the needle scaler.
- · Release the trigger to stop.

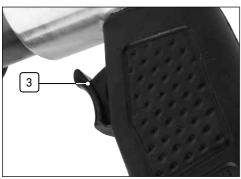


Fig. 5

7.2 Airflow Regulator (Fig.6)

• Turn the airflow regulator 6 to adjust the airflow as required.

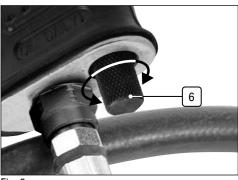


Fig. 6

7.3 Dust and Swarf

- Wear a correctly fitted dust mask suitable for the activity being carried out.
- A mask rated at FFP2 rated or above is recommended for activities involving fine particles and dust.

8. Maintenance and Troubleshooting



WARNING!

- Disconnect from the air supply before carrying out any adjustments, servicing or maintenance.
- Replace the bung in the end of the air line inlet 5 when the tool disconnected from the air supply and before storing.

8.1 Every-Day Maintenance Checks

Before connection to the air supply:

- Drain the compressor reservoir of condensate.
- Drain the air lines of condensate.

- Drain the combined separator filter, regulator, water trap.
- Fill up the combined separator filter, regulator, lubricant reservoir.
- Check the line pressure is correct for the tool.

8.2 After Use Maintenance Checks

- Repeat the above procedures.
- Lubricate the tool with approximately 1.5ml of oil directly down the air inlet.
- When not in use store in a dry clean place out of the reach of children.



8.3 Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy	
Tool will not operate.	 Motor or throttle seized with dirt. Rotor vane seized. 	 Check for dirt in air inlet. Pour air tool lubricating oil into air inlet. Operate trigger in short bursts. If tool fails to move, contact Draper Tools for advice. 	
Piston seized.	 Motor vane broken Gears broken or jammed	 Switch off and detach the air line. Clean and remove any obstructions. 	
Tool will not shut off.	O' rings throttle valve dislodged from seat inlet valve.	Replace the 'O' ring - Contact Draper Tools for advice.	

9. Spares, Returns and Disposal

For spare parts, servicing, and repair and replacement options, please contact the Draper Tools Product Helpline for details of your nearest authorised agent.

Draper Tools will endeavour to hold any spare parts, if applicable, for seven years from the date that it sells the final matching stock item.

Any servicing or repairs carried out by unauthorised personnel or installation of spare parts not supplied by Draper Tools will invalidate your warranty.

At the end of its working life, dispose of the product responsibly and in line with local regulations. Recycle where possible.

10. Warranty

6months from date of purchase – Visit **drapertools.com/warranty** for more information. However, if the tools are hired out, the warranty period is 90 days from the date of purchase.

11. Explanation of Symbols



Read the instruction manual.



Warning!



Wear ear defenders and safety glasses



European conformity.



Wear protective gloves



UK Conformity Assessed.



Wear appropriate protective clothing



Keep out of the reach of children

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