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# 230V WEED BURNER

68696



**Important:** The heating element has a protective coating. Due to vaporisation of this coating, some smoking may occur during the first 20 - 30seconds of use.

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# 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:** 230V Weed Burner

**Stock No:** 68696

**Part No:** G/WB2000D

## 1.2 Revisions

**Version 1:** December 2018

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.

**Important:** – Information or instructions of particular importance.

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# 3. Product Introduction

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## 3.1 Intended Use

This weed burner is designed for the removal of wild growth between paving slabs, on brick-paved areas, on walling, in flowerbeds and in lawns during the growth periods without the use of toxic chemicals, pesticides, gas or flames.

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.             | 68696          |
| Part No.              | G/WB2000D      |
| Rated voltage         | 230V/50Hz      |
| Rated output          | 2000W          |
| Heat settings         | 50°C and 600°C |
| Cord length (approx.) | 1.7M           |
| Net weight            | 1.15kg         |

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

## 4.1 General Health and Safety Precautions

- **FIRE RISK if the weed burner is not used with care.**



### **WARNING!** **Danger of fire!**

- Be aware heat can ignite combustible materials including those that are out of sight.
- Inspect the work area before using the weed burner.
- **DO NOT** point the weed burner at the same spot for extended periods. Hold in place for approximately 3 seconds or until the weeds blacken and shrivel.
- **ALWAYS** remain at a safe distance from conifers, evergreens and pine needles. Pine needles are highly flammable and can easily ignite.



### **WARNING!** **Risk of burns**

- **DO NOT** direct the flow of hot air at persons or animals.
- **DO NOT** use the weed burner as a hair dryer.
- **DO NOT** touch the hot metal cone/nozzle.
- This appliance 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 appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Local regulations may restrict the age of the operator.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Ensure the weed burner is switched off before connecting to the power supply.
- **DO NOT** abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the tool. Keep the cord away from heat, oil or moving parts. Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.



### **WARNING! Use of this product can pose a danger to wildlife. Before using this tool, check the area, particularly long grass and under bushes for signs of wildlife: if necessary relocate.**

- **Avoid blocking the air inlets. DO NOT** allow foreign objects to enter the air inlets.

- Keep work area clean and well it.
- Keep children and bystanders away while operating the tool.
- **DO NOT** expose the weed burner to rain or wet or windy conditions.
- Wear appropriate PPE (Personal protective equipment).
  - Wear protective gloves and **DO NOT** touch the nozzle/cone while it is hot.
- **DO NOT** hold the metal cone too close to the ground as the air flow may be restricted causing the weed burner to overheat. For best results hold the head 10 – 50mm above the target weed area.
- **DO NOT** look directly into the metal cone when the weed burner is switched on.
- For outdoor use only.
- For domestic use only.
- Never leave the weed burner unattended when switched on.
- Allow the weed burner to cool down gradually by turning to the lowest setting after each use.
- Place the weed burner on its stand and allow to cool completely before changing any attachments, after use and before storing away.
- To prevent accidental start up disconnect from the power supply before making any adjustments, changing accessories or storing the weed burner.
- Store out of the reach of children.
- Always check the weed burner, cord and plug before use. If damaged have the tool repaired by a qualified specialist using only recommended replacement parts.

## 4.2 Connection to the Power Supply



### **CAUTION! Risk of electric shock.** **DO NOT open.**

This appliance is supplied with an approved plug and cord for your safety.

If the power supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by Draper Tools, an authorised service agent or similarly qualified personnel in order to avoid a hazard.

The damaged or incomplete plug, when cut from the cord, shall be disabled to prevent connection to a live electrical outlet.

## 4. Health and Safety Information

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This appliance is a Class II<sup>†</sup> and is designed for connection to a power supply matching that detailed on the rating label and compatible with the plug fitted.

The value of the fuse fitted is marked on the pin face of the plug. Should the fuse need replacing, use a small plain-slot screwdriver to remove the fuse cover.

Ensure the substitute is of the correct rating, approved to BS 1362 and ASTA or BS Kite marked. This should only be performed by suitably qualified personnel.

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If an extension lead is required, use an approved and compatible lead rated for this appliance. Follow all the instructions supplied with the extension lead.

<sup>†</sup>Double insulated: This product is double insulated and does not require an earth connection to protect against electric shock from accessible conductive parts in the event of failure of the basic insulation.

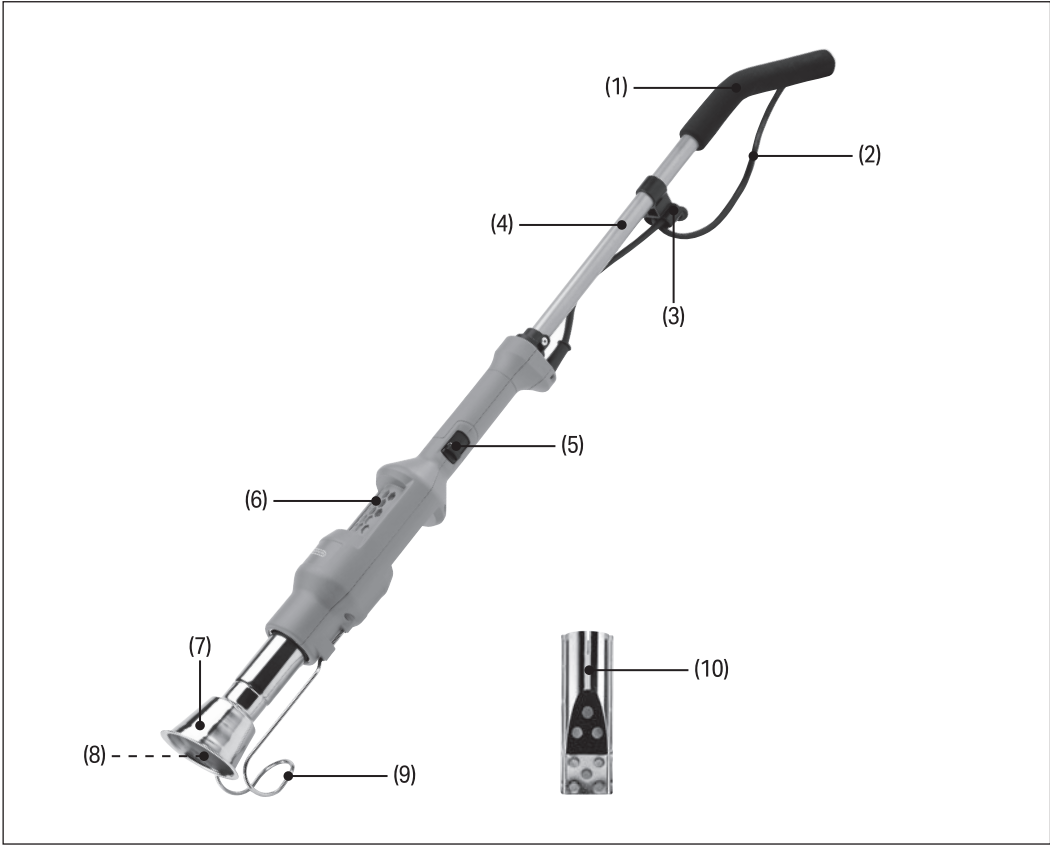
### 4.3 Residual Risk

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.

# 5. Identification and Unpacking

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



- |                             |                               |                                  |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (1) Soft grip handle        | (5) <b>ON/OFF/Heat</b> switch | (8) Hot air output               |
| (2) Power cord and plug     | (6) Ventilation vents         | (9) Fixed safety stand           |
| (3) Power cord hook         | (7) Cone                      | (10) BBQ/charcoal lighter nozzle |
| (4) Detachable handle shaft |                               |                                  |

## 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.**

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## 6. Preparation Instructions

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

### 6.1 Attaching the Cone (Fig.1)

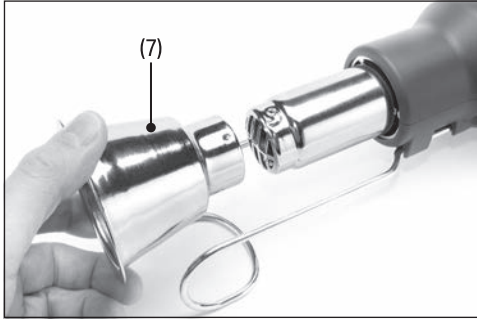


Fig. 1

- Push the cone (7) onto the end of the weed burner.
- Note: It is designed to be tight fit.

### 6.2 Attaching the Handle Shaft (Fig.2 – Fig.3)

1. Align the handle shaft (4) with the weed burner and push together.

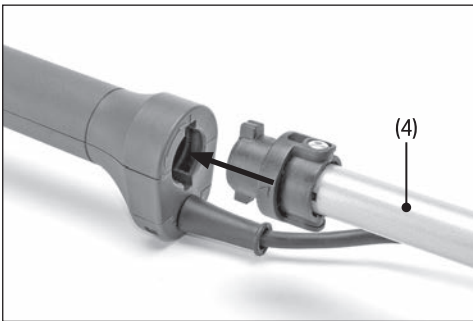


Fig. 2

2. Twist the pole 90° clockwise to secure in place.

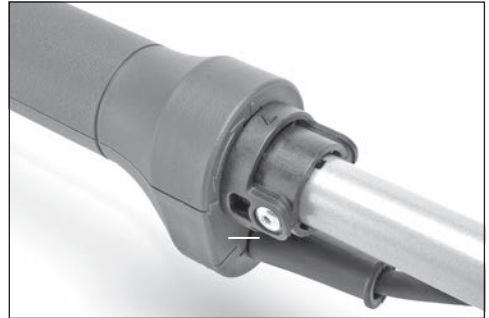


Fig. 3

#### To remove the detachable Handle

- Twist the pole 90° anticlockwise and pull out.

### 6.3 Cord Retainer Hook (Fig.4 – Fig.5)

1. Form a loop in the cord and push through the slot in the cord hook (3).

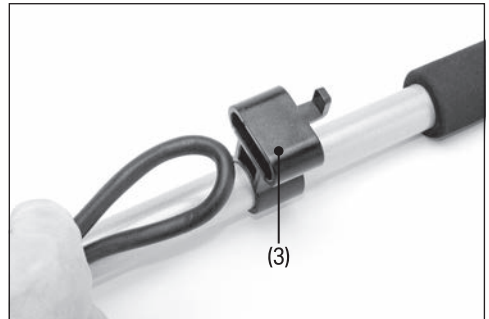


Fig. 4

2. Then pull the cord over and hook over the retainer.



Fig. 5

**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.

## 7.1 ON/OFF Heat Setting Switch (Fig.6 – fig.7)

1. Connect the weed burner to the power supply.

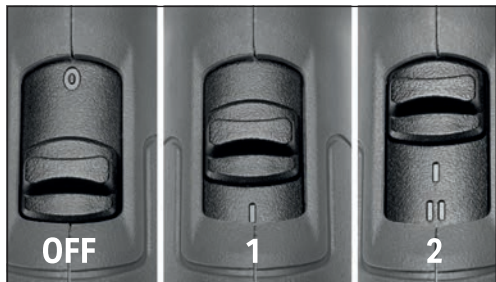


Fig. 6

2. Move the heat setting switch (5) to setting 2 (II). Leave for approximately 45seconds to reach the operating temperature.
3. Place the cone (7) 10 - 50mm above the weeds.
4. Hold in place for approximately 3seconds until the weeds blacken and shrivel.
  - Large thick weeds may require multiple applications.
5. After use move the switch to setting 1 (I) and allow to cool down for at least 1 minute.



Fig. 7

6. Switch to the 'OFF/O' position and place on the stand (9) to finish cooling down before storing.

### Thermal Protection

- The thermal protection will automatically shut off the main heating elements if the internal temperature gets too high.

- Switch off and allow to cool down for at least 2 minutes for the thermal protection to reset. Then switch on as normal.

## 7.2 Hints and Tips

- The weed burner is best suited for controlling small young weeds approximately 50 – 75mm in height. Trim down taller weeds before using the weed burner.
- **DO NOT** attempt to burn the weeds completely. Most weeds will blacken and die completely within 2- 3 days. Stronger weeds with woody stems and those with deeper roots may require multiple applications.
- **DO NOT** use the weed burner on decking.

## 7.3 BBQ/Charcoal Lighter (Fig.8)

- **ALWAYS** remove the detachable handle shaft when using the BBQ/Charcoal lighter.
1. Switch off and unplug the weed burner. Then remove the extension pole by twisting the pole 90° anticlockwise and pulling it out.
  2. Fit the nozzle (10) to the end of the weed burner shaft.
  3. Move the heat setting switch (5) to setting 2 (II). Leave for approximately 45seconds to reach the operating temperature.
  4. Place the nozzle under the coal or wood – use the safety stand (9) to firmly support the lighter in the correct position.
  5. Remove the nozzle from the coals or wood as soon as the start to glow.
  6. Blow hot air into the coals/wood from a distance of 5 – 10cm until they are burning properly.
  7. After use move the switch to setting 1 (I) and allow to cool down for at least 1 minute.
  8. Then Switch to the 'OFF/O' position and place on the stand (9) to finish cooling down before storing.



Fig. 8

## 8. Maintenance and Disposal

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- **Important:** Always switch off, unplug from the power supply and allow to cool before carrying out any servicing or maintenance.
- Regularly inspect and clean the weed burner to keep it in good working condition.
- Wipe over with a damp cloth only.
- **DO NOT** use solvents or abrasives to clean the product.
- Keep the ventilation slots clean and free from debris.
- When not in use store the product in a dry safe place out of the reach of children.

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

- **DO NOT** dispose of this product with domestic waste; most local authorities provide appropriate recycling facilities.
- **DO NOT** incinerate.



## 9. Warranty

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Read the instruction manual



**Warning!**



Do not incinerate or throw onto fire



**Warning!**  
Heated surfaces



**Warning!**  
Keep bystanders away



**Warning!**  
Risk of danger to wildlife



**Warning!**  
Unplug when not in use



**DO NOT** use in wet conditions



Wear suitable eye protection



Wear protective gloves



Cable length



Rated output



Heat setting temperature



Class II construction  
(Double insulated)



WEEE –  
Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment  
Do not dispose of Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment  
in with domestic rubbish



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