# Instructions for the Double Handle PaintShaver® Pro

WARNING WHEN STRIPPING LEAD PAINT, ALWAYS ATTACH THE PAINTSHAVER® TO A HEPA VACUUM & FOLLOW EPA REGULATIONS. ALWAYS FOLLOW EPA & OSHA RULES & REG-ULATIONS WHEN OPERATING THE PAINTSHAVER®.

**NEVER USE ON ASBESTOS.** 

YOU MUST READ & UNDERSTAND THE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS & EPA RULES ON BACK SIDE OF THIS PAGE BEFORE OPERATING THE PAINTSHAVER®.

> If your PaintShaver® needs REPAIR OR TECHINICAL SUPPORT, please call 1-800-932-5872.

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Instructions for stripping paint with the PaintShaver® Professional

IMPORTANT: The PaintShaver ® Pro & MarineShaver™ Pro MUST be used with a vacuum system. Failure to do so, will cause damage to the motor and will void warranty.

To use the PaintShaver® Pro with Dust Collection, slide the 1 1/4" hose from your vacuum onto the exhaust port on the Paint Shaver® Pro aluminum guard. The PaintShaver® will strip paint from the face and butt of clapboards and shingles and most other flat surfaces. Turn the PaintShaver and vacuum ON and place the aluminum guard flat on the surface and move from right to left as shown. You may need to make several passes if your boards are wider than 2.5". To strip a left hand corner or a vertical board, turn the PaintShaver® 90° so the motor is on the right & move the PaintShaver® from top to bottom as shown.



Purchase Replacement Diamond Blades to use the PaintShaver® on flat concrete, fiberglass, steel and aluminum surfaces.

Do not adjust the depth of cut until you have tried the PaintShaver® on the surface to be stripped.



**Adjusting the Handle Grips** 

The two Handle Grips can be adjusted for the most comfortable position.

Use the 1/4" Hex Wrench provided to loosen the black socket head screw. Slide handle to the desired position and tighten screw securely.

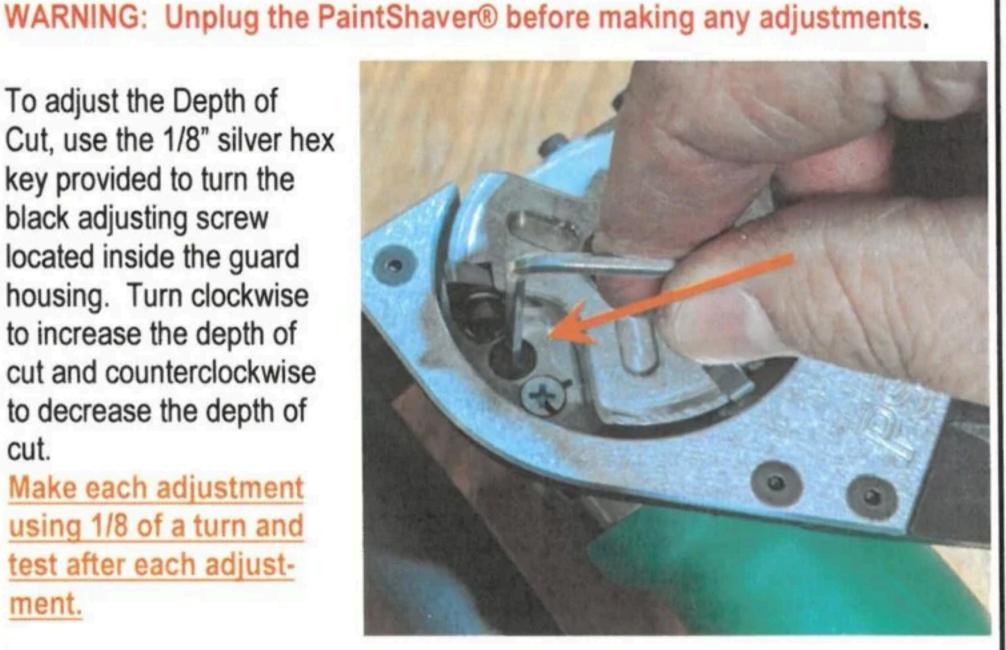
Note: Handle Grips need to be in the position closest to the motor to fit into the carrying case.



Instructions for Adjusting the Depth of Cut on the PaintShaver®

To adjust the Depth of Cut, use the 1/8" silver hex key provided to turn the black adjusting screw located inside the guard housing. Turn clockwise to increase the depth of cut and counterclockwise to decrease the depth of cut.

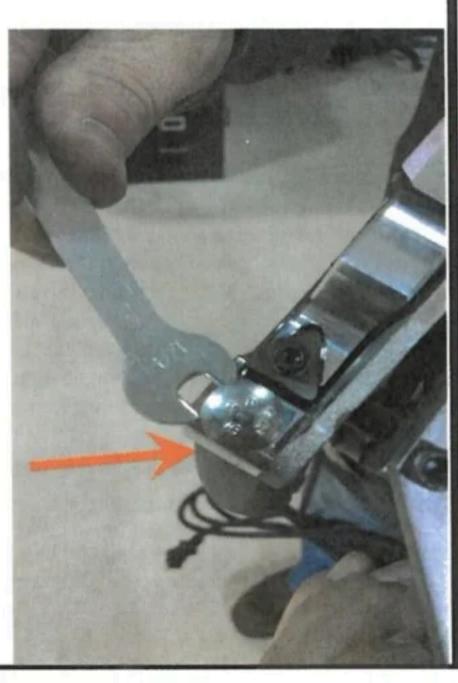
Make each adjustment using 1/8 of a turn and test after each adjustment.



Instructions for adjusting the depth of cut on the butt surface

WARNING: Unplug the PaintShaver® before making any adjustments.

To adjust the depth of cut on the Butt surface, use the 1/4" open-end wrench to turn the silver carriage bolt located on top of the guard housing. Turn clockwise to increase the depth of cut and counterclockwise to decrease the depth of cut. Make each adjustment using 1/8 of a turn and test after each adjustment.



Blade rotation or replacement

WARNING: Unplug the PaintShaver® before rotating or changing the blades

The carbide blades should be rotated when the Paint Shaver® stops cutting efficiently.

Using the 5/32" hex key provided, remove the socket head screws for all three blades and rotate all three blades exposing a new cutting edge. Replace the three screws and tighten securely. When all six cutting edges are worn, remove the blades and replace with a new set.



# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When operating an electric power tool, use common sense; follow basic safety precautions to reduce the risk of electrical shock, personal injury or fire.

Do not operate this tool in undesirable weather conditions such as rain, snow, etc. and never remove the guard or use the Paintshaver without the guard. Also, take the following precautions:

- 1. Use the PAINTSHAVER® on wood shingle and clapboard and other wood surfaces. Do not use this tool on Asbestos, ceramic tile or vinyl finishes, etc. Improper use could cause personal injury and will void your warranty.
- 2. Before operating this tool, check the "On-Off" switch to verify that the switch is in the "Off" position. Check the electrical cord and any extension cord to be used with this tool for breaks and/or exposed wire. If electrical cords are damaged, replace before using the tool. Every two hours of use, check and tighten screws holding the carbide blades to the cutting disk, if not tightened properly, parts could fly off tool while in operation.
- 3. Check tool for any broken parts and make sure all moving parts are aligned properly. If any parts are damaged or appear to be malfunctioning, do not operate tool. This tool must be repaired by an authorized repair center. For all repairs call: American-International Tool, 99 Calder Street, Cranston, RI 02920, 1-800-932-5872 or (401) 942-7855.
- 4. Before operating this tool, your must acquire and use proper personal protective equipment as prescribed by law and for your own personal protection and for the safety of any people in the immediate work area. Example of some types of equipment: safety glasses, respiratory equipment, etc.
- 5. When operating this tool, there should be no other people in the work area, so as to prevent bodily injury.
- 6. The PAINTSHAVER™ & MARINESHAVER™ should not be operated by minors, or people under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- 7. This tool should not be used in the rain or snow or near any type of flammable gas or liquids.
- 8. Do not ground your body against metal ground rods, metal staging, metal ladders, etc.; this will help prevent against electrical shock.
- 9. When servicing this tool, use only original AIT replacement parts, otherwise warranty will be void and personal injury may occur. Use only original replacement parts for the motor drive.
- 10. When the power tool is not in use, switch must be in "Off" position and stored in a safe, dry secured area.
- 11. When operating the SHAVER during the stripping operation, do not force the operation of the tool. This could cause a malfunction or personal injury. Stay alert when operating the tool and be positioned on stable footing. Do not over-reach when using the tool; this could cause loss of balance, possibly resulting in personal bodily injury.
- 12. VOLTAGE WARNING: Before connecting the power tool to a power supply (receptacle, outlet, etc.), be sure the voltage supplied is the same as that specified on the nameplate of the power motor drive. A power source with voltage greater than that specified for the power tool can result in serious injury to the user as well as damage to the tool. Using a power source with voltage less than the nameplate rating is harmful to the tool. Too much electrical supply or too little will void all warranties.
- 13. Do not wear loose clothing. Your clothing could be caught in the power tool and never allow the power tool to come in contact with hands or other body parts while running; this will cause bodily injury.

#### WARRANTY

### The warranty on the PaintShaver® Pro 6 Amp is 2 YEARS. The PaintShaver® Pro 8/9 Amp is 5 YEARS and 12 Amp has a LIFETIME WARRANTY.

Every American International Tool Ind., Inc. tool is thoroughly inspected and tested before leaving the factory. All workmanship and materials are warrantied for a period of one year from date of purchase. This warranty extends only to the first consumer purchase of the Paint Shaver® and not to subsequent owners, transferees or users of the Paint Shaver®.

This Warranty does not apply where: Repairs have been made or attempted by a person other than an authorized American International Tool service personnel. The tool has been abused or improperly maintained. Misuse is evident for overloading the tool beyond its rated capacity or use of the tool after partial failure. In no event shall American International Tool be liable for any indirect, incidental or consequential damages from the sale or use of this product. This disclaimer applies both during and after the term of this warranty. The foregoing obligation is American International Tool's sole liability under this warranty. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other legal rights, which vary from state to state.

## **EPA WARNING**

## Warning: Please read all documentation before operating the PaintShaver® Pro

The Paintshaver® Pro and Sandervac™ Pro & Dust will collect approximately 90% of the stripped debris into your vacuum. The debris that is not collected will get on the operator and fall to the ground. You should always wear an air respirator, eye protection, gloves, hat, long pants, and long sleeves. Always follow EPA rules for stripping lead paint. Visit

## http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/lead/pubs/renovation.htm for complete EPA rules. Below are some general EPA guidelines for stripping lead paint:

§ 745.85 Work practice standards. ii) Exterior renovations. The firm must:

(A) Close all doors and windows within 20 feet of the renovation. On multi-story buildings, close all doors and windows within 20 feet of the renovation on the same floor as the renovation, and close all doors and windows on all floors below that are the same horizontal distance from the renovation.

(B) Ensure that doors within the work area that will be used while the job is being performed are covered with plastic sheeting or other impermeable material in a manner that allows workers to pass through while confining dust and debris to the work area. (C) Cover the ground with plastic sheeting or other disposable impermeable material extending 10 feet beyond the perimeter of surfaces undergoing renovation or a sufficient distance to collect falling

paint debris, whichever is greater, unless the property line prevents 10 feet of such ground covering. (D) In certain situations, the renovation firm must take extra precautions in containing the work area to ensure that dust and debris from the renovation does not contaminate other buildings or other

areas of the property or migrate to adjacent properties.

(3) Prohibited and restricted practices. The work practices listed below shall be prohibited or restricted during a renovation as follows: (i) Open-flame burning or torching of lead-based paint is prohibited.

(ii) The use of machines that remove lead-based paint through high speed operation such as sanding, grinding, power planing, needle gun, abrasive blasting, or sandblasting, is prohibited unless such machines are used with HEPA exhaust control.

(iii) Operating a heat gun on lead-based paint is permitted only at temperatures below 1100 degrees Fahrenheit.

(4) Waste from renovations —(i) Waste from renovation activities must be contained to prevent releases of dust and debris before the waste is removed from the work area for storage or disposal. If a chute is used to remove waste from the work area, it must be covered.

(ii) At the conclusion of each work day and at the conclusion of the renovation, waste that has been collected from renovation activities must be stored under containment, in an enclosure, or behind a barrier that prevents release of dust and debris out of the work area and prevents access to dust and debris.

(iii) When the firm transports waste from renovation activities, the firm must contain the waste to prevent release of dust and debris.

(5) Cleaning the work area. After the renovation has been completed, the firm must clean the work area until no dust, debris or residue remains. (i) Interior and exterior renovations. The firm must:

(A) Collect all paint chips and debris and, without dispersing any of it, seal this material in a heavy-duty bag.

(B) Remove the protective sheeting. Mist the sheeting before folding it, fold the dirty side inward, and either tape shut to seal or seal in heavy-duty bags. Sheeting used to isolate contaminated rooms from non-contaminated rooms must remain in place until after the cleaning and removal of other sheeting. Dispose of the sheeting as waste. (ii) Additional cleaning for interior renovations. The firm must clean all objects and surfaces in the work area and within 2 feet of the work area in the following manner, cleaning from higher to lower:

(A) Walls. Clean walls starting at the ceiling and working down to the floor by either vacuuming with a HEPA vacuum or wiping with a damp cloth.

(B) Remaining surfaces. Thoroughly vacuum all remaining surfaces and objects in the work area, including furniture and fixtures, with a HEPA vacuum. The HEPA vacuum must be equipped with a beater bar when vacuuming carpets and rugs. (C) Wipe all remaining surfaces and objects in the work area, except for carpeted or upholstered surfaces, with a damp cloth. Mop uncarpeted floors thoroughly, using a mopping method that keeps

the wash water separate from the rinse water, such as the 2-bucket mopping method, or using a wet mopping system. (b) Standards for post-renovation cleaning verification —(1) Interiors. (i) A certified renovator must perform a visual inspection to determine whether dust, debris or residue is still present. If dust,

debris or residue is present, these conditions must be removed by re-cleaning and another visual inspection must be performed. (ii) After a successful visual inspection, a certified renovator must:

(A) Verify that each windowsill in the work area has been adequately cleaned, using the following procedure.

- (1) Wipe the windowsill with a wet disposable cleaning cloth that is damp to the touch. If the cloth matches or is lighter than the cleaning verification card, the windowsill has been adequately cleaned.
- (2) If the cloth does not match and is darker than the cleaning verification card, re-clean the windowsill as directed in paragraphs (a)(5)(ii)(B) and (a)(5)(ii)(C) of this section, then either use a new cloth or fold the used cloth in such a way that an unused surface is exposed, and wipe the surface again. If the cloth matches or is lighter than the cleaning verification card, that windowsill has been adequately cleaned.
- (3) If the cloth does not match and is darker than the cleaning verification card, wait for 1 hour or until the surface has dried completely, whichever is longer.
- (4) After waiting for the windowsill to dry, wipe the windowsill with a dry disposable cleaning cloth. After this wipe, the windowsill has been adequately cleaned.
- (B) Wipe uncarpeted floors and countertops within the work area with a wet disposable cleaning cloth. Floors must be wiped using an application device with a long handle and a head to which the cloth is attached. The cloth must remain damp at all times while it is being used to wipe the surface for post-renovation cleaning verification. If the surface within the work area is greater than 40 square feet, the surface within the work area must be divided into roughly equal sections that are each less than 40 square feet. Wipe each such section separately with a new wet disposable cleaning cloth. If the cloth used to wipe each section of the surface within the work area matches the cleaning verification card, the surface has been adequately cleaned.
- (1) If the cloth used to wipe a particular surface section does not match the cleaning verification card, re-clean that section of the surface as directed in paragraphs (a)(5)(ii)(B) and (a)(5)(ii)(C) of this section, then use a new wet disposable cleaning cloth to wipe that section again. If the cloth matches the cleaning verification card, that section of the surface has been adequately cleaned.
- (2) If the cloth used to wipe a particular surface section does not match the cleaning verification card after the surface has been re-cleaned, wait for 1 hour or until the entire surface within the work area has dried completely, whichever is longer.
- (3) After waiting for the entire surface within the work area to dry, wipe each section of the surface that has not yet achieved post-renovation cleaning verification with a dry disposable cleaning cloth. After this wipe, that section of the surface has been adequately cleaned.
- (iii) When the work area passes the post-renovation cleaning verification, remove the warning signs.
- (2) Exteriors . A certified renovator must perform a visual inspection to determine whether dust, debris or residue is still present on surfaces in and below the work area, including windowsills and the ground. If dust, debris or residue is present, these conditions must be eliminated and another visual inspection must be performed. When the area passes the visual inspection, remove the warning signs.