

# ORIGINAL INSTRUCTION MANUAL



## McGregor 500W POLE HEDGE TRIMMER

7160589(Model: MEEHT5051P)

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### **CAUTION** Read the instructions before using the machine

These instructions contain important information that will help you get the best from your pressure washer, ensuring it is assembled correctly and safely. If you need help or have damaged or missing parts, call the Customer Helpline on **0345 605 2062**

**AFTER SALES SUPPORT**  
**0345 605 2062**  
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## Warning Symbol

The following warning symbols appear throughout this manual and indicate the appropriate safety measures you should take when operating and maintaining the pole hedge trimmer.



Warning!



To reduce the risk of injury, the user must read the instruction manual.



Wear ear protection.



Wear eye protection.



Wear head protection.



Wear suitable foot protection.



Wear suitable hand protection.



Keep bystanders away.



Conforms to relevant UK regulatory requirements



Conforms to relevant EU regulatory requirements.



**DANGER!** Keep hands away from the blades.



Do not operate or expose the product to rain or wet conditions.



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### Warning Symbol



Remove plug from the mains immediately if the cable is damaged or cut.



Keep sufficient distance away from electrical power lines



Guaranteed sound power level data is 100dB..



This marking indicates that this product should not be disposed of with other household waste. Follow the disposal instructions within this instruction manual.



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### General Safety Warnings



**WARNING! Read all safety warnings and all instructions provided on or with this power tool.** Failure to follow the warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury. The term 'power tool' in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

### **Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.**

1. This product 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 product by a person responsible for their safety.
2. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the product.
3. The garden power tool must be kept out of reach of children.

### Work area safety

- Keep work area clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- Do not operate power tools in explosive



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atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust. Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.

- Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool. Distractions can cause you to lose control.

### Electrical safety

- Power tool plugs must match the socket. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adaptor plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools. Unmodified plugs and matching sockets will reduce the risk of electric shock.
- 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.
- Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions. Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep the cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts. Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.



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- 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.
- If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD with a tripping current of 30mA or less) protected supply. Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.

### Personal safety

- 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.
- Use Personal Protective Equipment(PPE). Always wear eye protection. Protective equipment, such as a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to the power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.



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Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.

- 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.
- Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- 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.

### Pole Hedge trimmer safety warnings

- Only use the device in daylight or with sufficient artificial lighting.
- Always ensure that all guards are fitted when using the device. Never attempt to use an incomplete tool or a tool with unauthorised modifications.
- Always wear ear protection, goggles and a helmet during operation.
- To reduce the risk of electrocution, never use the extended-reach hedge trimmer near any electrical power lines. Contact with or use near





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power lines may cause serious injury or electric shock resulting in death. Beware of overhead power lines.

- Check the hedge for foreign objects before operation, e.g. wire fences.
- Always use two hands when operating the extended-reach hedge trimmer. Hold the extended-reach hedge trimmer with both hands to avoid loss of control.
- Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces only; 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.
- Always use head protection when operating the extended-reach hedge trimmer overhead. Falling debris can result in serious personal injury.
- Keep all parts of the body away from the cutter blade. Do not remove any cut material or hold material to be cut when the blades are moving. Make sure the switch is off when clearing jammed material. A moment of inattention while operating the hedge trimmer may result in serious personal injury.
- Take care to avoid hard objects (e.g. metal wire, railings) when trimming. Should you accidentally hit any such object, immediately switch the tool



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- off, and check for any damage.
- Should the tool start to vibrate abnormally, immediately switch it off, and check for any damage.
- Never attempt to force the blades to come to a standstill.
- Avoid operating while people, especially children and pets, are nearby.
- Regularly check the blades for damage and wear. Do not use the machine when the blades are damaged. Do not operate the tool with a damaged or excessively worn cutting blade.
- **WARNING!** The cutting elements continue to rotate a little after the trimmer has been switched off. Never touch the blades while the tool is running. Disconnect the plug from the power supply before carrying out investigation or maintenance on the hedge trimmer. Keep cable away from cutting area. During operation the cable may be hidden in shrubs and can be accidentally cut by the blade.

### Transportation

- Switch the product off and disconnect the plug from the power supply before transporting it anywhere.



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- Always carry the product by its handle/gripping surface.
- 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.
- Protect the product from heavy impact or strong vibrations which may occur during transportation in vehicles.
- Secure the product to prevent it from slipping or falling over.

## Service

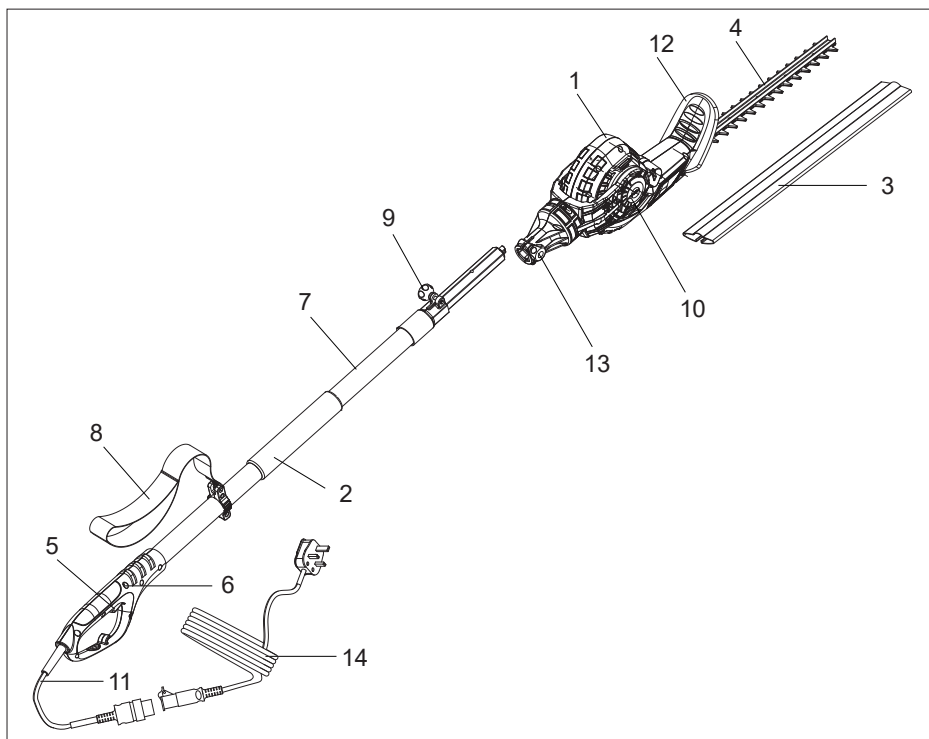
- Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts. This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.
- This will ensure the safe use of the power tool is maintained.

If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, its service agent or a similarly qualified person in order to avoid a hazard.

# In the Box

## Parts

- |                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1. Working head           | 8. Shoulder strap                          |
| 2. Padding                | 9. Telescopic pole locking knob            |
| 3. Blade sheath           | 10. Working head adjusting button          |
| 4. Blade                  | 11. Power cord with connector              |
| 5. Main switch            | 12. Safety guard                           |
| 6. Safety lock-off button | 13. Working head attachment locking knob   |
| 7. Telescopic pole handle | 14. Extension cord with connector and plug |



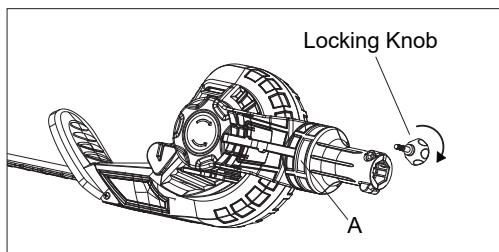
If there are any parts missing, please call the customer helpline on 0345 605 2062

# Assembly

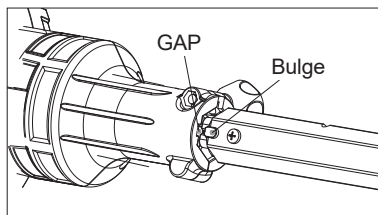
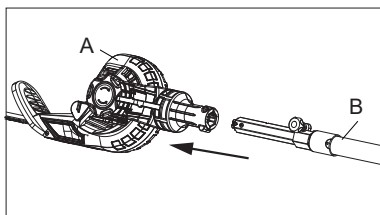
## Assemble the working head

Before using the pole hedge trimmer, a one-time assembly is required. When removed from the box, the two parts are disconnected.

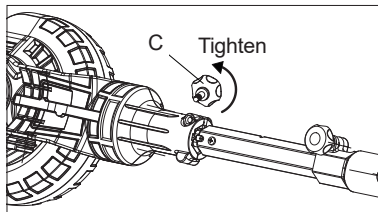
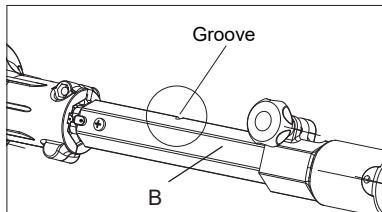
- 1 Assemble/disassemble the working head to the telescopic pole handle. Remove the locking knob(preassembled) from working head (A).



- 2 Insert the working head (A) to target telescopic pole handle(B). Making sure the bulge on the pole lines up with the gap on the working head. Push to two parts together fully.



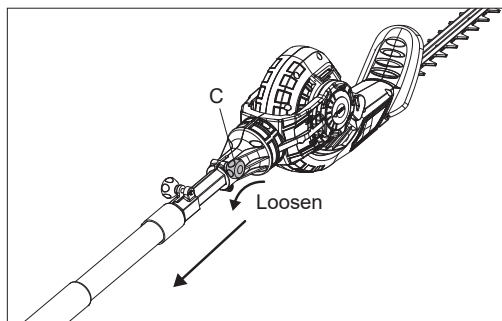
- 3 Tighten the lock knob (C) to lock two parts fully. When inserting the locking knob, make sure the locking knob screw goes across the groove on the telescopic pole handle (B), otherwise, the knob may not be locked tightly.



# Assembly

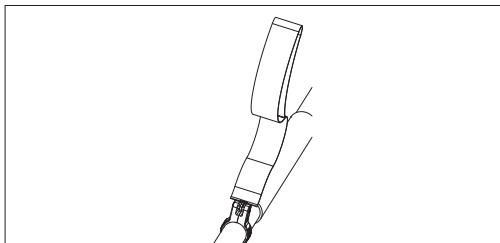
## Disassemble the working head

When removing, loosen the locking knob (C), pull the telescopic pole handle.



## Attach the shoulder strap

Fix the hook of the shoulder strap into the lifting lug on the handle pole of the appliance.



# Prepare



**WARNING:** If any parts are damaged or missing, do not operate this product until the parts are replaced. Failure to heed this warning could result in serious personal injury.

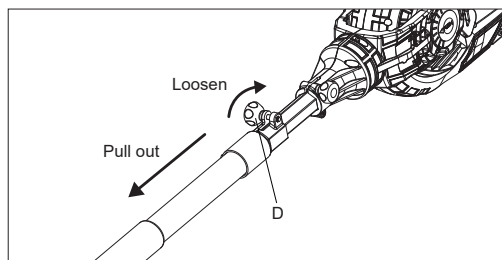


Do not attempt to modify this product or create accessories not recommended for use with this product. Any such alteration or modification is misuse and could result in a hazardous condition leading to possible serious personal injury.

Unpack all parts and lay them on a flat, stable surface.

## Adjust the telescopic handle

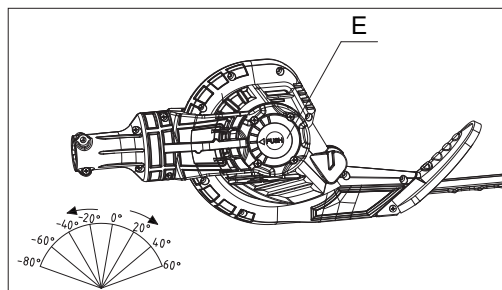
Loosen the locking knob (D) on pole telescopic handle and extend the upper part of handle to your desired handle length. Then tight the locking knob (D) to fix the tube.



## Adjust the telescopic head

Hold the handle tightly. Push in the working head adjusting button (E) and then turn the cutter head to the desired position. Release the working head adjusting knob again and check whether the cutter head is locked in place.

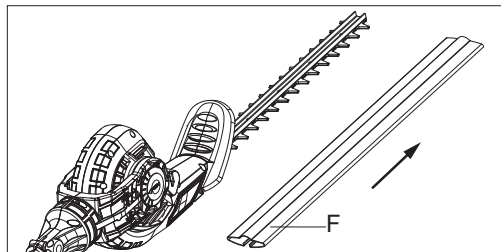
Note: The cutter head can be locked in eight positions (-80°, -60°, -40°, -20°, 0°, 20°, 40°, 60°).



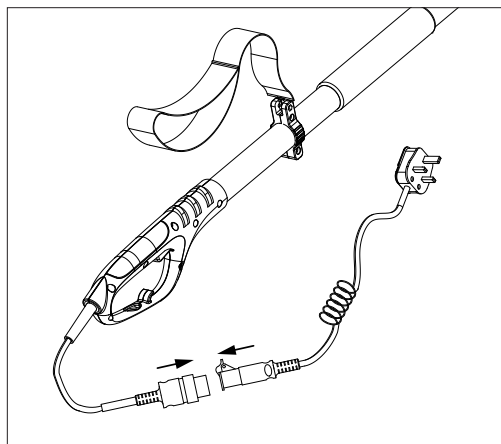
# Prepare

## Remove the blade sheath

Remove the blade sheath (F) from the blade of appliance carefully.



Connect the power cord and extension cable with connectors.





# Operation

## General operation

- Check the product, its power cord and plug as well as accessories for damage before each use. Do not use the product if it is damaged or shows wear.
- Double check that accessories and cutting device are properly fixed in place.
- Always hold the product by its handles. Keep the handles dry to ensure safe support.
- Ensure that the air vents are always unobstructed and clear. Clean them if necessary with a soft brush. Blocked air vents may lead to overheating and damage of the product.
- Switch the product off immediately if you are disturbed while working by other people entering the working area. Always let the product come to a complete stop before putting it down.
- Do not overwork yourself. Take regular breaks, ensuring full concentration is maintained whilst operating the product, obtaining full control.



### **WARNING:**

**Do not allow familiarity with the product to cause carelessness. One careless second is enough to potentially inflict serious injury.**



### **WARNING:**

**Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields when operating power tools. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes, resulting in possible serious injury.**



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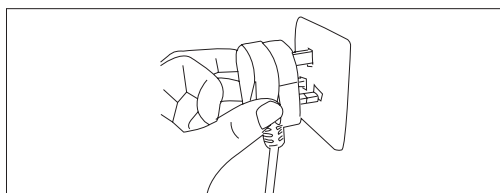
**Do not use any attachments or accessories not recommended by the manufacturer of this product. The use of attachments or accessories not recommended can result in serious personal injury.**



**WARNING! If any parts are missing, damaged or broken, do not operate your hedge trimmer until all damaged parts have been replaced or repaired. Failure to do so could result in serious personal injury.**

## Connect to power supply

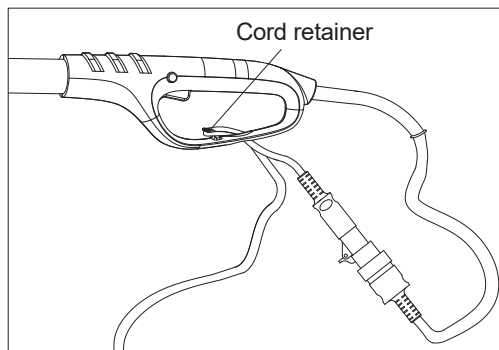
Connect the garden tool plug to a power supply.



# Operation

## Loop the cord

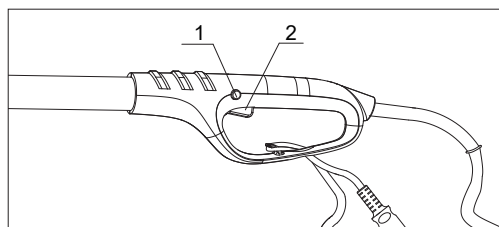
Loop the cord through the hole and around the cord retainer.



**NOTE:** Use only an approved outdoor extension cord as described previously in this manual. Grasp the telescopic pole with one hand and the rear handle with your other hand. Adjust hand placement on the telescopic pole of garden tool to keep proper balance. Do not attempt to use the garden tool at a length which does not allow you to achieve proper footing and balance at all times.

## Switch on/off

- 1 Push in the safety lock-off button and then press the main switch on the handle. Release the safety lock-off button.
- 2 Release the main switch on the handle.

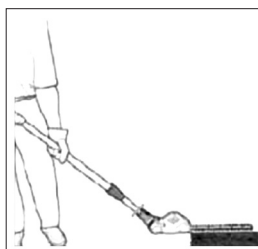


# Operation

## Cutting



**WARNING! DO NOT** exceed the cutting capacity of this product! With its unique design, the pole trimmer can be used to trim and shape hard to reach areas on hedges and bushes, such as those shown below.



Seasonal hedges and shrubs that lose their leaves in the winter should be trimmed in June and October.

Evergreen hedges and shrubs that retain their leaves in the winter should be trimmed in April and August.

Conifers and other fast-growing shrubs can be trimmed every six weeks from May onwards throughout the growing season.



**WARNING!**

**Always keep both hands on the hedge trimmer handles. Never hold shrubs with one hand and operate hedge trimmer with the other. Failure to heed this warning can result in serious injury.**



**WARNING!**

**Clear the area to be cut before each use. Remove all objects such as cords, lights, wire, or loose string which can become entangled in the cutting blade and create a risk of serious personal injury.**

# Maintenance and Storage



## WARNING!

Before any maintenance, always disconnect the plug from the power supply and wear protective gloves.

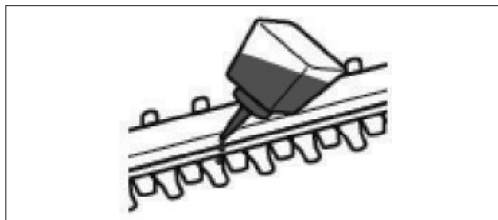
- Never use water to clean the unit.
- Always clean the hedge trimmer immediately after use. Brush the blade using a stiff nylon brush to remove any debris.
- Always store the unit in a dry place.
- Inspect the hedge trimmer before each use.
- Have the unit professionally repaired if any damage occurs.
- The blade rail should be cleaned and treated with fine lubricating oil after each use.
- Use the blade sheath for transportation and storage.

## Lubrication of the blade

For easier operation and longer life, lubricate the cutting blades before and after each use.

Before lubricating, make sure the pole hedge trimmer is disconnected from the power supply.

Apply the oil (any kind of lubrication oil) so that it runs between the two blades.



## Storage

After cleaning the unit thoroughly. Store the unit in a safe, dry room, allowing the motor to cool down beforehand.

Store the unit out of the reach of children.

Use the original packaging to store the unit, whenever possible.

# Troubleshooting

## General Troubleshooting

Although your new hedge trimmer is really easy to operate, if you do experience problems, please check the following:

Problem	Possible case	Solution
1 Pole hedge trimmer does not operate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not connected to power supply</li><li>• Power cord or plug is defective</li><li>• Cable connectors do not be firmly connected.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Connect to a proper power supply</li><li>• Call after sales support at 0345 605 2062</li><li>• Check and connect the connectors fully.</li></ul>
2. Pole hedge trimmer does not reach full power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Extension cord is not suitable for this product</li><li>• Power source (e.g. generator) has too low a voltage</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use a proper extension cord</li><li>• Connect to another proper power supply</li></ul>
3 Cutting blade hot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cutting blade dull</li><li>• Cutting blade is damaged</li><li>• Too much friction, due to lack of lubricant</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have blade sharpened.</li><li>• Have blade inspected/over-hauled</li><li>• Apply lubricant spray</li></ul>

# Technical Data

Technical Data Table

Model	MEEHT5051P
Rated input voltage	230-240V ~,50Hz
Rated Input Power	500W
No load speed	1600rpm
Cutting length/tooth spacing	51cm/16mm
Total length	195-255cm
Fuse in plug	13A

Part Number	Accessories
ABAH011073	Blade cover
ABAH011016	Shoulder strap
ABAH011001	Extension cable

A-weighted sound pressure level  $L_{pA}$ : 84dB(A),  $K=3$ dB(A)

A-weighted sound power level  $L_{wA}$ : 100dB(A),  $K=1$ dB(A)

Vibration  $a_h = 3,0 \text{ m/s}^2$ ,  $K = 1,5 \text{ m/s}^2$



**WARNING!** The sound values have been determined according to the noise test code given in EN 62841-4-2, using the basic standards EN ISO 11094 and EN ISO 3744.

The sound intensity level for the operator may exceed 80dB(A) and ear protection measures are necessary.

The declared vibration value (according to EN 62841-1) has been measured in accordance with a standard test method, and may be used for comparing one product with another. The declared vibration value may also be used in a preliminary assessment of exposure.

Depending on the actual use of the product, the vibration values can differ from the declared total. Adopt proper measures to protect yourself against vibration exposures. Take the whole work process into consideration, including times the product is running under no load or switched off.



**WARNING!** This tool may cause Hand-Arm Vibration Syndrome (HAVS) if its use is not adequately managed.

Preventative measures include, among others, regular maintenance and care of the product and cutting attachments, keeping hands warm and periodical breaks, as well as proper planning of work processes.

# Recycling and Disposal

## Recycling and disposal



The product comes in a package that protects it against damage during shipping. Keep the packaging until you are sure that all parts have been delivered and the product is functioning properly. Recycle the packaging afterwards.

Old products are potentially recyclable and do not, therefore, belong in your household waste. You are requested to assist us and our contribution to saving resources and protecting the environment by handing this product at an equipped collection centre.

# Getting Help

## Customer Helpline 0345 605 2062

Our dedicated UK based customer service centre is open 7 days a week to assist you with assembly, parts queries and technical support. We are open during office hours. Our experts are here to get you back enjoying your garden in no time.

Calling our service does not affect your statutory rights.  
UK/Ireland 0345 605 2062

# Guarantee

## Dear Customer,

In the unlikely event that your device develops a fault, please contact our Customer service department on the telephone number shown below.

1. These guarantee terms cover additional guarantee rights and do not affect your statutory warranty rights. Claims must be accompanied by Proof of Purchase. This must be in the form of a Sales receipt or Bank statement and must show that the product has been purchased within 2 years prior to the claim, from the retailer that it was originally sold to.
2. Our guarantee covers problems caused by material or manufacturing defects, and will result in the repair of these defects or replacement of the device with a like for like or similar article. Please note that our devices have not been designed for use in commercial, trade or industrial applications. Consequently, the guarantee is invalidated if the equipment is used in commercial, trade or industrial applications or for other equivalent activities.
3. The following are also excluded from our guarantee :
  - A. Faults due to accidents, customer misuse or unauthorised repairs
  - B. Consumable parts such as shoulder strap, blade cover and other accessories that are compatible with the product.
  - C. Failure due to lack of routine maintenance.
  - D. Failure as a result of not using the equipment in accordance with the manual and safety instructions
4. The guarantee is valid for a period of 2 years starting from the purchase date of the device. Guarantee claims should be submitted before the end of the guarantee period within two weeks of the defect being noticed. No guarantee claims will be accepted after the end of the guarantee period. The original guarantee period remains applicable to the device even if repairs are carried out or parts are replaced. In such cases, the work performed or parts fitted will not result in an extension of the guarantee period, and no new guarantee will become active for the work performed or parts fitted. This also applies when an on-site Service is used.
5. Please keep your sales receipt in a safe place. If is covered by our guarantee your device will either be repaired under the terms of guarantee or we will send you a replacement device. This device may be re-conditioned or like for like replacement .