SAFETY RULES

WARNING!

Read all instructions. Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury. The term “power tool” in all of the warnings listed below refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

- Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs. Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
- Recharge only with the charger specified by the manufacturer. A charger that is suitable for one type of battery pack may create a risk of fire when used with another battery pack.
- Use batteries only with chargers listed.
  **BATTERY PACK:** R84008, R840084
  **CHARGER:** 140276006, 140276010 (R840091)
- When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects like: paper clips, coins, keys, nails, screws, or other small metal objects that can make a connection from one terminal to another. Shorting the battery terminals together may cause sparks, burns, or a fire.
- Do not place battery tools or their batteries near fire or heat. This will reduce the risk of explosion and possibly injury.
- Do not crush, drop or damage battery pack. Do not use a battery pack or charger that has been dropped, run over, received a sharp blow or damaged in any way. A damaged battery is subject to explosion. Properly dispose of a dropped or damaged battery immediately.
- Batteries can explode in the presence of a source of ignition, such as a pilot light. To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, never use any cordless product in the presence of open flame. An exploded battery can propel debris and chemicals. If exposed, flush with water immediately.
- Do not charge battery in a damp or wet location. Following this rule will reduce the risk of electric shock.
- For best results, your battery should be charged in a location where the temperature is more than 50°F but less than 100°F. Do not store outside or in vehicles.
- Save these instructions. Refer to them frequently and use them to instruct others who may use this tool. If you loan someone this tool, loan them these instructions also to prevent misuse of the product and possible injury.

OPERATION

CAUTION:

If at any point during the charging process none of the LEDs are lit, remove the battery pack from the charger to avoid damaging the product. DO NOT insert another battery. Return the charger and battery to your nearest service center for service or replacement.

CAUTION:

Charge in a well ventilated area. Do not block charger vents. Keep them clear to allow proper ventilation.

BATTERY PROTECTION FEATURES

RIDGID 18 V lithium-ion batteries are designed with features that protect the lithium-ion cells and maximize battery life. Under some operating conditions, these built-in features may cause the battery and the tool it is powering to act differently from nickel-cadmium batteries.

During some applications, the battery electronics may signal the battery to shut down, and cause the tool to stop running. To reset the battery and tool, release the trigger and resume normal operation.

NOTE: To prevent further shut down of the battery, avoid forcing the tool. Switching to a lower speed will also prevent shut down.

If releasing the trigger does not reset the battery and tool, the battery pack is depleted. If depleted, the battery pack will begin charging when placed on the lithium-ion charger.

TO CHARGE

A fully discharged battery pack with a temperature between 32°F and 150°F will charge in about an hour.

- Use battery pack only with the recommended charger.
- Connect the charger to a power supply. Make sure the power supply is normal household voltage, 120 volts, AC only, 60 Hz.
- Attach the battery pack to the charger by aligning the raised ribs on the battery pack with the grooves in the charger, then slide the battery pack onto the charger. See Figure 1.
- Do not place the charger and battery pack in an area of extreme heat or cold. They will work best at normal room temperature.
NOTE: The charger and battery pack should be placed in a location where the temperature is more than 50°F but less than 100°F.

- The battery pack will become slightly warm to the touch while charging. This is normal and does not indicate a problem.
- After charging is complete, the green LED will remain on until the battery pack is removed from the charger or charger is disconnected from the power supply.
- When batteries become fully charged, unplug the charger from the power supply and remove the battery pack.

CHARGING A HOT BATTERY PACK
If the battery pack is above normal temperature range, the red LED will begin flashing and the green LED will be off. When the battery pack cools down to approximately 150°F, the charger will automatically begin fast charge mode.

CHARGING A COOL BATTERY PACK
If the battery pack is below normal temperature range, the red LED will begin flashing and the green LED will be off. When the battery warms to a temperature of more than 32°F, the charger will automatically begin charge mode.

COLD WEATHER OPERATION
The lithium-ion battery pack can be used in temperatures down to -4°F. Put the battery pack on a tool and use the tool in a light duty application. After about a minute, the pack will have warmed up and begin operating normally.

MAINTENANCE
This battery pack is equipped with lithium-ion rechargeable batteries. Length of service from each charging will depend on the type of work you are doing.

These batteries have been designed to provide maximum trouble-free life. However, like all batteries, they will eventually wear out. Do not disassemble battery pack and attempt to replace the batteries. Handling of these batteries, especially when wearing rings and jewelry, could result in a serious burn.

To obtain the longest possible battery life from RIDGID lithium-ion batteries, we suggest the following:
- Remove the battery pack from the charger once it is fully charged and ready for use.

For battery pack storage longer than 30 days:
- Store the battery pack where the temperature is below 80°F and away from moisture.
- Store battery packs in a 30%-50% charged condition.
- Every six months of storage, charge the pack as normal.

BATTERY PACK REMOVAL AND PREPARATION FOR RECYCLING
To preserve natural resources, please recycle or dispose of batteries properly. This product contains lithium-ion batteries. Local, state or federal laws may prohibit disposal of lithium-ion batteries in ordinary trash.

Consult your local waste authority for information regarding available recycling and/or disposal options.

WARNING:
Upon removal, cover the battery pack’s terminals with heavy-duty adhesive tape. Do not attempt to destroy or disassemble battery pack or remove any of its components. Lithium-ion batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly. Also, never touch both terminals with metal objects and/or body parts as short circuit may result. Keep away from children. Failure to comply with these warnings could result in fire and/or serious injury.