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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

18V **Cordless** **Sweeper/ Blower**



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Full 2 Years Home Use Warranty

Whilst every effort is made to ensure your complete satisfaction with this tool, occasionally, due to the mass manufacturing techniques, a tool may not live up to our required level of performance and you may need the assistance of our service department.

This product is warranted for a 2-year period for home domestic use from the date of the original purchase. If found to be defective in materials or workmanship, the tool or the offending faulty component will be replaced free of charge with another of the same item. A small freight charge may apply.

The warranty replacement unit is only made available by returning the tool to the place of purchase with a confirmed register receipt. Proof of purchase is essential. We reserve the right to reject any claim where the purchase cannot be verified.

This warranty does not include damage or defects to the tool caused by or resulting from abuse, accidents, alterations or commercial or business use.

It also does not cover any bonus accessories unless the tool is a GMC Platinum Professional model.

Please ensure that you store your receipt in a safe place. Conditions apply to the above warranty.

If you need direction of what constitutes a free of charge warranty claim, please review the guide given on the rear of the Receipt Holder. An indication is given as to the types of claim that are permissible, and those that are not.

Dear Customer

If you require any help with your product, whether it is a Warranty claim, spare part or user information, please phone our Help Line for an immediate response. Phone 1300 880 001 in Australia or 0800 445 721 in New Zealand.

Introduction

Your new GMC power tool will more than satisfy your expectations. It has been manufactured under stringent GMC Quality Standards to meet superior performance criteria.

You will find your new tool easy and safe to operate, and, with proper care, it will give you many years of dependable service.

CAUTION. Carefully read through this entire Instruction Manual before using your new GMC Power Tool. Take special care to heed the Cautions and Warnings.

Your GMC power tool has many features that will make your job faster and easier. Safety, performance, and dependability have been given top priority in the development of this tool, making it easy to maintain and operate.

Environmental protection



Recycle unwanted materials instead of disposing of them as waste. All tools, hoses and packaging should be sorted, taken to the local recycling centre and disposed of in an environmentally safe way.

Description of symbols

The rating plate on your tool may show symbols. These represent important information about the product or instructions on its use.



Wear eye protection.

Wear hearing protection.

Wear breathing protection.



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Conforms to relevant standards for electromagnetic compatibility.

Specifications

Charger:	230–240Vac ~ 50 Hz
Nominal battery voltage:	18V
Battery pack:	2 x 18V, 1.2Ah
Charge time:	1 hour
No-load speed:	13000 min ⁻¹
Blow speed:	180 km/h
Weight:	2.6 kg

Safety instructions

WARNING. Read and understand 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 below refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

Save these instructions

Work area

- **Keep work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered and dark areas invite accidents.
- **Do not operate power tools in explosive 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 outlet.** Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools. Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce 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 cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts. Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.
- **When operating a power tool outdoors, use an outdoor extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use 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 safety equipment.** Always wear eye protection. Safety equipment such as a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
 - **Avoid accidental starting.** Ensure the switch is in the off-position before plugging in. Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or plugging in power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
 - **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the tool on.** A wrench or a key that is 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.
 - **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities ensure that these are connected and properly used.** Use of these devices can reduce dust-related hazards.
- ### Power tool use and care
- **Do not force the power tool.** Use the correct power tool for your application. The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
 - **Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off.** Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.

- **Disconnect the plug from the power source before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.
- **Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool.** Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- **Maintain power tools.** Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use. Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.
- **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- **Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits etc., in accordance with these instructions and in the manner intended for the particular type of power tool, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed.** Use of the power tool for operations different from intended could result in a hazardous situation.

Service

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

Additional safety rules for blowers

- Always wear adequate protective clothing when operating the tool to avoid injuries to face, eyes, hands, feet, head or hearing. Use safety glasses or a face shield, high boots or sturdy shoes, long trousers, work gloves, a hard hat and ear defenders.
- Do not start the tool when it is upside down or when it is not in the operating position.
- Switch the motor off and remove the battery when the tool is not being used, left unattended, being cleaned, being moved from one place to another.
- Do not operate the tool near people, especially children or pets. Turn it off if they get too close. Maintain a safe distance of at least 5m from other people when using the tool.
- Never direct the blower tube towards bystanders or pets. Never blow debris in the direction of bystanders or pets.
- Do not handle the battery or the tool with wet hands and do not use the tool in the rain.
- Keep all the air intakes and the blower tube free of dust, lint, hair and other material that may cause a reduction in air flow.
- Keep a balanced and stable stance while using the tool.
- Do not switch on the tool in enclosed or poorly ventilated spaces or in the presence of inflammable and/or explosive substances such as liquids, gasses and powders.
- Only operate the tool during broad daylight or with adequate artificial light.
- When the tool is not in use, store it in a dry place and out of reach of children.
- After use, remove the battery pack and check for damage. If you have the slightest doubts, contact an authorised service centre.
- Only use the tool according to the instructions given in this manual.

- Check for alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting, and any other conditions that may affect its operation. A tube or other part that is damaged should be properly repaired or replaced by an authorised service agent.
- Use only spare parts and accessories recommended by the manufacturer.
- Do not try to repair the tool or access internal parts. Contact authorised service centres only.
- Do not get distracted and always concentrate on what you are doing. Use common sense. Never operate the tool when you are tired, sick or under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
- Keep a balanced and stable stance while using the tool.
- Do not operate this appliance with long loose hair or loose fitting jewellery. Tie long loose hair back and remove loose fitting jewellery.
- Do not use the blower on gravel surfaces.
- The charger and battery packs supplied with it are specifically designed to work together. Do not attempt to charge the battery pack with any other charger than the one supplied.
- Do not place any object on top of the charger as it could cause overheating. Do not place the charger near any heat source.
- Do not pull on the lead of the charger to disconnect it from the power source.
- Make sure that the charger cable is positioned where it will not be stepped on, tripped over or otherwise subjected to damage or stress.
- Do not use an extension cord unless it is absolutely necessary. The use of an improper extension cord could cause the risk of fire, electric shock or electrocution.
- Do not use the charger if it has been subjected to a heavy knock, dropped or otherwise damaged in any way. Take the charger to an authorised service centre for a check or repair.

Additional safety rules for the charger

- Before using the charger, read all the instructions and cautionary markings on the charger and battery pack as well as the instructions on using the battery pack.
- Only charge your batteries indoors as the charger is designed for indoor use only.
- **DANGER.** If the battery pack is cracked or damaged in any other way, do not insert it in the charger. There is a danger of electric shock or electrocution.
- **WARNING.** Do not allow any liquid to come into contact with the charger. There is a danger of electric shock.
- To allow the battery pack to cool down after charging, do not place it in a hot environment such as a metal shed or open trailer left in the sun.
- 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.
- Do not disassemble the charger. Take it to an authorised service centre when service or repair is required. Incorrect re-assembly may result in the risk of fire, electric shock or electrocution.
- To reduce the risk of an electric shock, unplug the charger from the power supply before attempting to clean it. Removing the battery alone does not reduce the risk.
- Never attempt to connect two chargers together.
- Do not store or use the tool and battery pack in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 104°F (40°C) such as alongside sheds or metal structures in the summer.
- The charger is designed for use from a standard household electrical supply (230–240 volts). Do not attempt to connect the charger to a supply with a different supply.

- *If you wish to charge a second battery pack, unplug the charger from the mains supply and leave it for at least 15 minutes. After this time you can charge a second battery pack.*
- *The battery pack utilizes nickel-cadmium cells. Cadmium is considered to be a toxic material. Use an environmentally safe disposal unit at a municipal waste disposal centre to dispose of a damaged or worn out battery.*

Additional safety rules for the battery pack

- *The battery pack for this tool has been shipped in a low charge condition. You should charge the battery pack fully before use.*
- *Ensure the switch is in the off position before inserting battery pack. Inserting the battery pack into power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.*
- *Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs. Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.*
- *To ensure the longest battery life and best battery performance, always charge the battery when the air temperature is between 18–24°C. Do not charge the battery pack when the temperature is below 0°C, or above 40°C. This is important. Failure to observe this safety rule could cause serious damage to the battery pack.*
- *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 burns or a fire.*
- *Do not incinerate the battery pack even if it is seriously damaged or can no longer hold a charge. The battery pack can explode in a fire.*
- *Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If the plastic housing of the battery pack breaks open or cracks, immediately discontinue its use and do not recharge it.*
- *Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact. If contact accidentally occurs, flush with water. If liquid contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation or burns.*

Unpacking

Due to modern mass production techniques, it is unlikely that your power tool is faulty or that a part is missing. If you find anything wrong, do not operate the tool until the parts have been replaced or the fault has been rectified. Failure to do so could result in serious personal injury.

Know your product

Before using the cordless blower, familiarise yourself with all the operating features and safety requirements.

1. On/off trigger switch
2. Blower tube
3. Battery
4. Battery release tabs
5. Charger



Fitting and removing the battery pack

To remove the battery pack from the blower firmly press the battery release tabs (4) at either side of the battery pack, and slide the battery backward out of the tool.

To install the battery pack, align rails, on the tool with the tabs on the battery pack and slide the battery pack on to the blower. Ensure the battery pack is sitting straight on the runners and correctly entering the runners. The battery should slide fully on to the drill foot until the battery pack “clicks” into position.



Battery charging

1. Connect charger (5) to power source. The green light (a), should light up. This indicates the charger is ready to begin charging.
2. Position battery pack on charger, align rails (d), on battery charger with (e) on battery pack. Slide battery forward onto charger until it clicks into position.
3. The red light (b), should begin to glow continuously, indicating that the battery



pack is receiving a “Fast Charge”.

4. After approximately one hour, the “Fast Charge” indicator red light (b) should go out indicating that the battery pack is fully charged and that the charger is now in a “Maintenance Charge” mode, this is confirmed by the light (a) coming back on. The battery pack can be left on “Maintenance Charge” until you are ready to use it, however it is not recommended to leave the battery on charge for longer than 24 hours.
5. To remove the battery pack from the charger depress the battery pack release tabs (4) and slide the battery off.



WARNING. Do not leave batteries charging for longer than 24 hours. Note. Depending on room temperature, line voltage, and existing charge level, initial battery charging may take longer than one hour.

NOTE. Disconnect charger from power source when not in use.

To obtain the best life for the battery

- Never allow the drill to come to a complete stand still before recharging. The battery should be placed on charge whenever the battery is noticeably running down or the drill no longer performs a task it previously performed.
- Avoid conducting short charges. Make sure that the battery is fully charged every time by allowing the charger to complete its full charging cycle.
- Avoid allowing loose items like screws or nails etc to be stored with battery packs as these or similar items can short battery packs and cause a fire or explosion.
- Always unplug the charger when not in use and store in a dry secure place.
- Avoid charging or storing your battery in temperatures below 0°C and above 40°C.

Attaching the blower tube

CAUTION. Always ensure that the tool is switched off and the battery is removed before making any adjustments or maintenance procedures.

Slide the blower tube (2) onto the blower housing, ensuring the hole in the tube matches up with the raised section in the housing.



Turning the blower on and off

1. Ensure the battery pack (3) is inserted.
2. To switch on squeeze the trigger switch (1).
3. To switch off, release the trigger switch.



Operation of the blower

Hold the blower firmly and rotate from side to side, holding the tube several inches above the ground. Slowly move forward directing the debris to the desired location.

- Prior to using the blower, ensure you have read and understood this instruction manual.
- Ensure you are wearing suitable clothing and also safety equipment like safety glasses, ear protection and a mask if necessary.
- Ensure the attachments to the blower are correctly fitted and adjusted.
- Be aware of other people and animals in the area where you are to be operating the blower.



Tips for using your blower

The following points may assist you in the operation of the blower.

- *Always try and blow dry leaves, cuttings or general garden debris, wet material is difficult to move.*
- *If the leaves etc. are damp, then use the blower to pile the leaves etc. into one area for collection.*

Maintenance and storage information

Prior to cleaning or any maintenance, always ensure the battery pack has been removed from the tool.

When you have finished using the blower, always check to make sure the product is clean and free of dirt and debris.

Do not use solvents to clean the blower.

Store the blower in a dry place, and out of reach of children.

Carefully read the entire *Instruction Manual* before using this product.

Before returning this product for a Warranty Claim or any other reason
Please Call 1300 880 001 (Australia)
or 0800 445 721 (New Zealand)

When you make your call, please have the following information at hand:

- **GMC Product Type**
- **GMC Product Code**

A GMC Service Engineer will take your call and, in most cases, will be able to solve your problem over the phone.

You are welcome to use this phone-in service to make suggestions or give comments about any GMC product.

With continuing product development changes may have occurred which render the product received slightly different to that shown in this instruction manual. The manufacturer reserves the right to change specifications without notice. Note: Specifications may differ from country to country.



The GMC 777 Helpline operates from 7am to 7pm, 7 days a week (EST). This allows you to contact GMC directly with any queries and technical questions you have regarding our products.



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