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Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort Instruction Manual

Model: 0393-20

Introduction

The Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort (Model 0393-20) are engineered for efficient and precise trimming of hedges and shrubs. Featuring a patented gear transmission system, these shears provide enhanced cutting power, making your gardening tasks easier. The ergonomic design, including comfortable gel pads on the handles, ensures a pleasant user experience. An integrated branch cutter allows for tackling thicker branches with ease, while the 23 cm precision blades deliver clean and accurate cuts.


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Image: A person demonstrating the use of the Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort on a hedge.

Safety Instructions

Always prioritize safety when using garden tools. Adhere to the following guidelines:

- **Wear Protective Gear:** Always wear appropriate protective gloves and safety glasses to shield against debris and potential cuts.
- **Inspect Before Use:** Before each use, check the shears for any damage, loose parts, or dull blades. Do not use if damaged.
- **Keep Clear of Blades:** Ensure hands and other body parts are kept away from the cutting blades during operation.
- **Stable Footing:** Maintain stable footing and balance while trimming to prevent accidents.
- **Proper Handling:** Grip the handles firmly to maintain control of the shears.
- **Intended Use:** Use the shears only for their intended purpose of trimming hedges and shrubs.
- **Storage:** Store the shears in a safe, dry place, out of reach of children and pets.

Setup

The Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort are designed for immediate use with minimal setup.

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the shears from their packaging. Retain packaging for future storage or transport if desired.
2. **Initial Inspection:** Visually inspect the shears for any signs of manufacturing defects or shipping damage. Ensure the blades are clean and sharp, and the handles are securely attached.
3. **Blade Protection Removal:** Remove any blade protection covers before use. Keep these covers for safe storage after use.

Operating Instructions

Follow these steps for effective and safe operation of your hedge shears:

1. **Grip:** Hold the shears firmly with both hands, ensuring a comfortable and secure grip on the ergonomic handles.
2. **Positioning:** Position the open blades around the section of the hedge or shrub you intend to cut. For optimal results, aim to cut smaller sections rather than attempting to cut through large volumes of foliage at once.
3. **Cutting Action:** Apply steady, even pressure to close the handles. The patented gear transmission system will amplify your cutting force, allowing for smooth cuts through branches.
4. **Integrated Branch Cutter:** For thicker branches that are too large for the main blades, utilize the integrated branch cutter located near the pivot point of the blades. Place the branch into the notch and apply pressure.
5. **Technique:** Work systematically across the hedge, maintaining a consistent cutting line for an even finish.



Image: A detailed view of the Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort, highlighting the blades and ergonomic handles.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Gardena Rack Hedge Shears.

- **Cleaning Blades:** After each use, clean the blades thoroughly to remove sap, dirt, and plant debris. A damp cloth is usually sufficient. For stubborn sap, use a specialized blade cleaner or rubbing alcohol.
- **Lubrication:** Periodically apply a thin layer of machine oil or silicone spray to the blades and the pivot points. This prevents rust, reduces friction, and ensures smooth cutting action.
- **Sharpening:** Over time, the blades may become dull. Sharpen them using a suitable sharpening stone or file, following the original bevel angle of the blades. Ensure both sides of the blade are sharpened evenly.
- **Check Fasteners:** Occasionally check all screws and fasteners to ensure they are tight. Do not overtighten.

Storage

Proper storage protects your shears and extends their lifespan.

- **Clean and Dry:** Always clean and dry the shears completely before storing them.
- **Apply Blade Protection:** If available, reattach the blade protection cover to prevent accidental injury and protect the blades from damage.
- **Secure Location:** Store the shears in a dry, well-ventilated area, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Hang them if possible to prevent damage to the blades or handles.
- **Child Safety:** Ensure the storage location is inaccessible to children and unauthorized users.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your Gardena Rack Hedge Shears, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Blades not cutting cleanly or getting stuck.	Dull blades, sap/debris buildup, insufficient lubrication.	Clean blades thoroughly, sharpen blades, apply lubricant to blades and pivot points.
Handles feel stiff or difficult to operate.	Lack of lubrication at pivot points, dirt accumulation.	Clean the pivot mechanism, apply machine oil or silicone spray to all moving parts.
Unusual noises during operation.	Loose components, debris in the mechanism.	Check all screws and fasteners for tightness. Clean any visible debris from the gear mechanism. If the issue persists, contact Gardena support.

Specifications

- **Model:** 0393-20
- **Brand:** Gardena
- **Overall Length:** 60 cm
- **Blade Length:** 23 cm
- **Weight:** 900 grams
- **Blade Material:** Stainless Steel

- **Handle Material:** Plastic with gel pads
- **Special Features:** Patented gear transmission system (46% superior cutting power), Integrated branch cutter, Ergonomic handles.

Warranty and Support

For warranty information or technical support regarding your Gardena Rack Hedge Shears 600 Comfort, please refer to the official Gardena website or contact their customer service directly. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.
Gardena Official Website: www.gardena.com

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