SK 45540

SK Tools USA 3/8-inch Drive T40 TORX® Bit Socket Instruction Manual

Model: 45540 | Brand: SK Tools USA

1. Introduction

This instruction manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use, maintenance, and storage of your SK Tools USA 3/8-inch Drive T40 TORX® Bit Socket, model 45540. SK Chrome Sockets are manufactured to rigid specifications, ensuring reliability and performance for various applications. Please read this manual thoroughly before use.

2. Product Features

The SK Tools USA 3/8-inch Drive T40 TORX® Bit Socket incorporates several design elements for enhanced durability and functionality:

- **SUPERKROME Finish:** The high-polish SUPERKROME finish protects the socket from harsh working environments, providing long life and maximum corrosion resistance.
- **SUREGRIP Drive Design:** This design engages the side of the fastener, not the corner, which increases strength and helps prevent rounding of rusted or damaged fasteners.
- **Revolutionary Bit Holder:** A newly designed bit holder is engineered to be significantly stronger, reducing the likelihood of the bit slipping out of the socket during operation.
- **Quality Construction:** Built to last, this tool reflects SK Tools USA's commitment to manufacturing quality tools for professional use.
- **Made in USA:** This product is proudly manufactured in the USA.







Image 1: The SK Tools USA 3/8-inch Drive T40 TORX® Bit Socket, showcasing its chrome finish and TORX® bit head.

3. Setup and Installation

This TORX® bit socket is designed for use with a 3/8-inch square drive ratchet, breaker bar, or extension. Follow these steps for proper attachment:

1. Select a 3/8-inch drive tool (e.g., ratchet, extension).
2. Align the square drive opening of the socket with the square drive post of your chosen tool.
3. Push the socket firmly onto the drive tool until it clicks into place or is securely seated. Ensure the socket is fully engaged to prevent accidental detachment during use.



Image 2: A close-up view of the SK Tools USA 3/8-inch Drive T40 TORX® Bit Socket, highlighting the bit and drive end.

4. Operating Instructions

The T40 TORX® bit socket is used for fastening and unfastening components with a compatible T40 TORX® head. Always ensure the correct size and type of bit are used for the fastener to prevent damage to both the fastener and the tool.

1. **Fastener Identification:** Verify that the fastener requires a T40 TORX® bit. Using an incorrect size or type can strip the fastener head.
2. **Engagement:** Insert the T40 TORX® bit squarely into the fastener head. Ensure full engagement to maximize contact and prevent cam-out.
3. **Application of Force:** Apply steady, controlled force to the drive tool (ratchet, breaker bar) to turn the fastener. Avoid sudden jerking motions.
4. **Direction:** Turn clockwise to tighten and counter-clockwise to loosen.

5. **Safety:** Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as safety glasses, when using hand tools. Do not use damaged tools.

5. Maintenance

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and performance of your SK Tools USA TORX® bit socket.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, wipe the socket clean with a dry cloth to remove dirt, grease, and debris. For stubborn grime, a mild solvent or degreaser can be used, followed by thorough drying.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the socket for any signs of wear, cracks, or damage to the chrome finish or the bit itself. Pay close attention to the TORX® bit points and the square drive opening.
- **Storage:** Store the socket in a clean, dry environment, preferably in a tool tray or box, to protect it from moisture and impact.
- **Lubrication:** No lubrication is required for the socket itself.

6. Troubleshooting

While the SK Tools USA TORX® bit socket is designed for durability, issues can arise. Here are common scenarios and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Socket slips off drive tool	Incomplete engagement; worn drive tool or socket.	Ensure socket is fully pushed onto the drive tool. Inspect both the drive tool and socket for wear; replace if necessary.
Fastener head is stripping	Incorrect bit size; bit not fully engaged; excessive force or angle.	Verify T40 TORX® size. Ensure full, square engagement. Apply steady, controlled force. If fastener is already damaged, use a fastener extractor.
Socket appears damaged (cracked, bent)	Over-torquing; impact; improper use.	Discontinue use immediately. Damaged tools can be dangerous. Replace the socket.

7. Specifications

- **Brand:** SK
- **Model Number:** 45540
- **Drive Size:** 3/8 inches
- **Bit Type:** T40 TORX®
- **Finish Type:** Polished Chrome (SUPERKROME)
- **Number of Pieces:** 1
- **Item Weight:** Approximately 0.353 ounces
- **Product Dimensions:** Approximately 1.75 x 0.7 x 0.7 inches
- **UPC:** 025141455403

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