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Model: SPX4001-PRO

Brand: Sun Joe

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Sun Joe SPX4001-PRO Electric Pressure Washer. This powerful tool is designed to tackle a wide range of cleaning tasks around your home, outdoors, and for auto care. With its 14.5-amp motor, it generates significant pressure to effectively remove dirt, grease, gunk, and grime. This manual provides essential information for the safe operation, assembly, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your pressure washer. Please read it thoroughly before first use and keep it for future reference.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using this appliance, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury. Always read and understand all instructions before operating the unit.

- **Grounding Instructions:** This product must be grounded. If it should malfunction or break down, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock.
- **Avoid Hazardous Environments:** Do not use appliances in damp or wet locations. Do not expose to rain. Keep work area well lit.
- **Keep Children Away:** All visitors should be kept at a safe distance from the work area.
- **Dress Properly:** Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. They can be caught in moving parts. Use of rubber gloves and substantial footwear is recommended when working outdoors.
- **Use Safety Glasses:** Always use safety glasses with side shields.
- **Do Not Overreach:** Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
- **Maintain Appliance With Care:** Follow instructions for lubricating and changing accessories. Inspect appliance cord periodically and if damaged, have it repaired by an authorized service facility.
- **Disconnect Appliance:** Disconnect the appliance from the power supply when not in use, before servicing, or when changing accessories.
- **Avoid Unintentional Starting:** Ensure the switch is in the OFF position before plugging in.

- **Use Right Appliance:** Do not use the appliance for any job other than that for which it is intended.
- **Check Damaged Parts:** Before further use of the appliance, a guard or other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function.
- **Do Not Direct Discharge at Persons:** Never direct the water stream at people, pets, or electrical devices.
- **Water Supply:** Ensure the water supply is clean and free of debris. Do not use hot water.

3. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Sun Joe SPX4001-PRO is designed for efficient and effective cleaning. Familiarize yourself with its main components and features before operation.

Key Components and Features:

- **Powerful 14.5 Amp Motor:** Provides robust cleaning power for various tasks.
- **Pressure Select Technology:** Allows selection between two powerful cleaning options: LOW for everyday dirt, grease, and grime, and HIGH for tougher cleaning tasks.
- **Quick-Connect Spray Tips:** Includes 5 interchangeable tips (0°, 15°, 25°, 40°, and soap) to tackle light, medium, and heavy-duty cleaning tasks.
- **Onboard Hose Reel:** Keeps the 20-foot high-pressure hose organized for quick and easy clean-up and storage.
- **Detergent Tank:** An onboard 54.1 fl oz (1.6 L) detergent tank allows for easy application of cleaning solutions.
- **Total Stop System (TSS):** Automatically shuts off the pump when the trigger is not engaged, saving energy and prolonging pump life.



Figure 3.1: Main view of the Sun Joe SPX4001-PRO Electric Pressure Washer.



Figure 3.2: The pressure washer shown with its various components and accessories, including the spray gun, high-pressure hose, and quick-connect nozzles.

4. SETUP

Proper assembly and initial setup are crucial for the safe and effective operation of your pressure washer.

4.1 Unpacking

Carefully remove all items from the packaging. Ensure all parts listed in the packing list are present and undamaged. If any parts are missing or broken, do not assemble or use the unit; contact customer service.

4.2 Assembly Steps

1. **Attach the Handle:** Slide the upper handle assembly onto the main unit frame until it clicks into place or can be secured with provided fasteners.
2. **Install Wheels:** If not pre-assembled, attach the wheels to the axle on the main unit frame.
3. **Connect High-Pressure Hose:** Securely connect one end of the high-pressure hose to the outlet on the pressure washer unit and the other end to the spray gun. Ensure connections are tight to prevent leaks.
4. **Attach Spray Gun and Wand:** Connect the spray wand to the spray gun.



Figure 4.1: The pressure washer partially assembled, illustrating the connection points for the handle and hose.

4.3 Connecting Water Supply

Connect a standard garden hose (minimum 1/2 inch diameter) to the water inlet on the pressure washer. Ensure the water supply is clean and free of debris. Turn on the water supply fully before starting the unit.

4.4 Connecting Power

Plug the pressure washer's power cord into a grounded 120V AC electrical outlet. Ensure the outlet is protected by a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI).

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps for safe and effective operation of your Sun Joe pressure washer.

5.1 Starting the Unit

1. Ensure the water supply is fully open.
2. Squeeze the trigger on the spray gun to purge air from the system until a steady stream of water emerges.
3. Turn the power switch to the ON position. The motor will start, and the unit will build pressure.

5.2 Pressure-Select Technology

The SPX4001-PRO features a dial to select between two pressure settings:

- **LOW:** Ideal for everyday dirt, grease, and grime on delicate surfaces.
- **HIGH:** For tackling tougher cleaning tasks on durable surfaces.

Rotate the dial on the unit to select the desired pressure setting.

5.3 Using Quick-Connect Spray Tips

The pressure washer comes with five quick-connect spray tips, each designed for specific cleaning applications:

- **0° Red Tip (Pencil Jet):** Maximum pressure, highly concentrated stream. Use for stubborn spots on concrete or metal. *Caution: Can damage surfaces.*
- **15° Yellow Tip (Fan Spray):** High pressure, 15-degree fan spray. Use for intense cleaning of small areas, removing paint, grease, or grime.
- **25° Green Tip (Fan Spray):** Medium pressure, 25-degree fan spray. General cleaning for most surfaces, such as decks, patios, and driveways.
- **40° White Tip (Wide Fan Spray):** Low pressure, 40-degree wide fan spray. Ideal for cleaning delicate surfaces like vehicles, boats, and siding.
- **Black Soap Tip:** Lowest pressure, wide fan spray. Used for applying detergent.

To change tips, pull back the collar on the spray wand, insert the desired tip, and release the collar to lock it in place. Always ensure the tip is securely seated before operating.



Figure 5.1: The five quick-connect spray tips (0°, 15°, 25°, 40°, and soap) for various cleaning tasks.

5.4 Applying Detergent

Fill the onboard detergent tank with a pressure washer-safe cleaning solution. Attach the black soap tip to the spray wand. The unit will automatically draw detergent when operating at low pressure with the soap tip attached. Apply detergent to the surface, allow it to soak, then switch to a high-pressure tip for rinsing.



Figure 5.2: The pressure washer in operation, demonstrating the effective spray pattern on a surface.

5.5 Shutting Down

1. Turn the power switch to the OFF position.
2. Turn off the water supply.
3. Squeeze the spray gun trigger to release any remaining pressure in the system.
4. Disconnect the garden hose and power cord.

6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your pressure washer.

6.1 Cleaning the Nozzles

If a nozzle becomes clogged, use the included needle clean-out tool to clear any obstructions. Always disconnect the unit from power and water before cleaning nozzles.

6.2 Winterizing and Storage

To prevent damage from freezing temperatures, it is essential to winterize your pressure washer if it will be stored in an unheated area. Follow these steps:

1. Disconnect all water connections.
2. Turn on the machine for a few seconds until any remaining water drains from the pump. Do not allow the pump to run dry for more than a few seconds.
3. Store the unit in a dry, heated location where temperatures will not drop below freezing.
4. Alternatively, use a pump protector/antifreeze solution designed for pressure washers.

Store the pressure washer in a clean, dry, and protected area. Coil the high-pressure hose neatly on the onboard reel and secure the power cord.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter and provides solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Motor does not start	Unit not plugged in; GFCI tripped; Power switch OFF; Low voltage	Ensure plug is fully inserted; Reset GFCI; Turn power switch ON; Check power supply.
No pressure or low pressure	Water supply OFF; Clogged nozzle; Air in pump; Kinked hose; Insufficient water flow	Turn on water; Clean nozzle; Purge air by squeezing trigger; Straighten hose; Ensure adequate water supply.
Water leaks	Loose connections; Damaged O-rings; Cracked hose	Tighten all connections; Replace damaged O-rings; Replace hose if cracked.
Detergent not siphoning	Detergent tank empty; Black soap tip not installed; Clogged detergent tube	Fill tank; Install black soap tip; Clean detergent tube.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed technical specifications for the Sun Joe SPX4001-PRO Electric Pressure Washer.

Specification	Value
Brand	Sun Joe
Model Number	SPX4001-PRO
Power Source	Corded Electric
Maximum Pressure	2030 Pound per Square Inch (PSI)
Maximum Flow Rate	1.76 Gallons Per Minute (GPM)
Hose Length	20 Feet
Detergent Tank Volume	54.1 Fluid Ounces (1.6 Liters)
Item Weight	41.9 pounds (19.05 Kilograms)

Specification	Value
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	21.5" x 23" x 22"
Color	Green



9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Sun Joe stands behind its products. For specific warranty details and to register your product, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Sun Joe website.

Customer Support

If you have any questions, require assistance, or need to order replacement parts, please contact Sun Joe customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or the official Sun Joe website.