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Skil PL201201

SKIL 6.5 AMP Electric 3-1/4 Inch Corded Planer

Model: PL201201
Brand: Skil

Introduction

From flattening to smoothing, the SKIL 3-1/4 Inch Electric Planer is designed for precision woodworking tasks. It is ideal for flattening and creating smooth surfaces on rough lumber, beveling edges, and reclaiming old wood. This manual provides essential information for safe and effective use of your planer.

Key Features:

- **Clean and Clear Sightlines:** The dual chip exhaust system helps keep the workspace free of sawdust, enabling more precise cuts.
- **Precision Planing:** Features a smooth kickstand to prevent blade contact with finished surfaces and integrated wrench storage for convenience during projects.
- **Safety First:** Equipped with a lock-off switch to prevent unintended startups, enhancing user safety.

Safety Information

Always read and understand the instruction manual before operating the planer. Wear eye protection during use to reduce the risk of injury. Ensure the work area is clear and well-lit. Disconnect the power supply before making any adjustments or changing accessories.

WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, user must read and understand instruction manual. Wear eye protection.

Setup

Before first use, ensure all components are present and undamaged. The planer comes with a dust bag, parallel guide, rebate fence, and spanner. Attach the dust bag to the dual chip exhaust port to manage sawdust effectively. Familiarize yourself with the multi-positional handle and depth adjustment knob.



Image: The SKIL 6.5 AMP Electric Planer shown with the dust bag attached to the exhaust port, ready for operation.

Operating Instructions

Adjusting Planing Depth:

The planing depth can be adjusted using the knob located at the front of the tool. Rotate the knob to select the desired depth of cut. Start with a shallow cut and gradually increase the depth as needed for optimal results.

Planing Technique:

Ensure the workpiece is securely clamped. Hold the planer firmly with both hands, applying even pressure. Guide the planer smoothly across the wood surface, maintaining a consistent speed. The machined rear foot and smooth kickstand help ensure a clean finish and prevent damage to the workpiece.



Image: A user demonstrating the operation of the SKIL electric planer on a wooden board, showing proper grip and dust collection.



Image: A close-up view of the planer's front, highlighting the depth adjustment knob and the front shoe.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and performance of your planer. Always unplug the tool before performing any maintenance. Keep the blades clean and sharp. The planer uses two reversible carbide blades. Refer to the instruction manual for detailed blade replacement procedures. Regularly empty the dust bag to maintain efficient dust collection.



Image: The SKIL electric planer shown with its dust bag detached, illustrating the exhaust port for cleaning and maintenance.

Troubleshooting

If the planer does not start, check the power connection and ensure the lock-off switch is disengaged. If the planing quality is poor, inspect the blades for dullness or damage and replace them if necessary. Excessive vibration may indicate loose components or unbalanced blades; discontinue use and consult the full instruction manual or a qualified service technician.

Specifications

Attribute	Value
Brand	Skil
Model Number	PL2012-00
Material	Metal, Plastic, Aluminum
Color	Multi
Product Dimensions	13.5"L x 6.61"W x 8.27"H

Item Weight	5.99 Pounds
Power Source	Corded Electric
Cutting Depth	2 Millimeters
Cutting Width	3.25 Inches
Amperage	6.5 Amps
Maximum Rotational Speed	16000 RPM
Voltage	120 Volts
Included Components	Dust Bag, Parallel Guide, Planer, Rebate Fence, Spanner
UPC	039725998316

Warranty and Support

Warranty Information:

This SKIL planer comes with a 1 Year Limited Warranty. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. For full details regarding warranty coverage and terms, refer to the complete instruction manual provided with your product.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, replacement parts, or service inquiries, please visit the official Skil website or contact their customer service department. Contact information can typically be found in the full product manual or on the manufacturer's website.

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