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Model: TH1200C-11 | Brand: SKIL

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your SKIL PWR CORE 40 Brushless 40V 12-Inch Chainsaw Kit. Please read all instructions carefully before use and retain this manual for future reference.



Image: The SKIL PWR CORE 40 Brushless 40V 12-Inch Chainsaw Kit, featuring the red and black chainsaw with a 12-inch bar and chain, alongside its 40V 2.0Ah lithium battery and charger.

GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION

Always prioritize safety when operating power tools. Familiarize yourself with all safety warnings and instructions provided in this manual to prevent electric shock, fire, and serious injury.

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including safety glasses, hearing protection, gloves, and sturdy footwear.
- Ensure the work area is clear of obstructions, bystanders, and pets.
- Do not operate the chainsaw in wet conditions or in the presence of flammable liquids or gases.
- Maintain a firm grip with both hands on the chainsaw handles.
- Keep the chain sharp and properly tensioned for safe and efficient cutting.
- Always disconnect the battery before performing any maintenance, adjustments, or when the tool is not in use.

KIT CONTENTS

The SKIL PWR CORE 40 Brushless 40V 12-Inch Chainsaw Kit includes the following components:

- (1) SKIL PWR CORE 40 Brushless 40V 12-Inch Top Handle Chainsaw (TH1200C-00)
- (1) PWR CORE 40 2.0Ah Lithium Battery
- (1) 40V 60W Charger
- (1) Chain Scabbard



Image: An illustration of the SKIL PWR CORE 40 family of tools, highlighting the compatibility of the 40V battery across various outdoor power equipment.

SETUP

1. Battery Charging

Before initial use, fully charge the PWR CORE 40 2.0Ah Lithium Battery using the provided 40V 60W charger. The charger indicates charging status and full charge completion.

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Video: A demonstration of charging the SKIL PWR CORE 40 battery. The video shows the battery being inserted into the charger and the charging indicator lights.

2. Adding Bar & Chain Oil

The chainsaw requires bar and chain oil for proper lubrication. Locate the oil reservoir cap on the chainsaw body, unscrew it, and fill the reservoir with appropriate bar and chain oil. Ensure the oil level is visible through the clear window. This chainsaw features an auto-lubricating chain system.

IPX4 WEATHER RESISTANCE

/// For added durability



Image: Close-up view of the SKIL chainsaw highlighting the auto-lubricating chain mechanism and the oil reservoir cap.

3. Adjusting Chain Tension

Proper chain tension is crucial for safe and effective operation. The chainsaw features tool-free chain tensioning. Use the convenient dial on the side of the tool to adjust the chain tension. The chain should be snug against the guide bar, allowing you to lift it slightly with your fingers but not pull it away from the bar. Refer to the detailed instructions in the included manual for precise tensioning specifications.



Image: A close-up of the SKIL chainsaw showing the tool-free chain tensioning dial on the side, allowing for easy adjustments.

4. Inserting the Battery

Align the charged battery with the battery slot on the chainsaw and slide it in until it clicks securely into place. Ensure it is fully seated before operation.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Safety Features

The SKIL chainsaw is equipped with multiple safety features:

- **Two-Stage Trigger:** To activate the chainsaw, you must first engage the safety lever (usually a button or switch near the main handle) and then pull the main trigger. This prevents accidental starts.
- **Chain Brake:** A chain brake is located on the front handle. Pushing this lever forward engages the brake, stopping the chain immediately. Ensure the brake is disengaged (pulled back) before attempting to start the chainsaw.

2. Starting the Chainsaw

1. Ensure the battery is fully charged and securely inserted.
2. Verify the chain brake is disengaged (pulled back towards the operator).
3. Grip the chainsaw firmly with both hands.
4. Engage the two-stage safety lever/button.
5. Press the trigger to start the chain. Release the trigger to stop.

3. Cutting Techniques

Always maintain a stable stance and clear understanding of the cutting path. For optimal performance and safety, use the chainsaw for its intended purpose, such as trimming and pruning limbs. The 1/4-inch pitch chain is designed for smooth, precise cuts.



Image: A person operating the SKIL chainsaw to cut a tree branch, demonstrating its use in a garden setting.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and safe operation of your chainsaw.

- **Bar & Chain Oil:** Regularly check the oil level in the reservoir and refill as needed. Never operate the

chainsaw without sufficient bar and chain oil.

- **Chain Tension:** Periodically check and adjust the chain tension. A loose chain can derail, and an overly tight chain can cause premature wear.
- **Chain Sharpening/Replacement:** A dull chain requires more effort to cut and can be dangerous. Sharpen the chain regularly or replace it when necessary. Refer to the product manual for specific chain sharpening guidelines.
- **Cleaning:** After each use, clean sawdust and debris from the chainsaw, especially around the bar, chain, and motor housing.
- **Storage:** Store the chainsaw in a dry, secure location, out of reach of children. Always remove the battery before storing the tool for extended periods.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Chainsaw does not start	Battery not charged or improperly inserted; Chain brake engaged; Safety lever not pressed.	Ensure battery is charged and fully seated. Disengage chain brake. Press safety lever before pulling trigger.
Chain not moving or moving slowly	Chain tension too tight; Dull chain; Insufficient bar and chain oil.	Adjust chain tension. Sharpen or replace chain. Refill bar and chain oil reservoir.
Excessive smoke or overheating	Dull chain; Insufficient bar and chain oil; Overloading the motor.	Sharpen or replace chain. Refill bar and chain oil. Avoid forcing the saw through wood; let the tool do the work.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Skil
Model Number	TH1200C-11
Power Source	Battery Powered (40V)
Bar Length	12 inches
Chain Pitch	1/4-inch
Battery Type	PWR CORE 40 Lithium (2.0Ah included)
Charger	40V 60W Charger included
Weather Resistance	IPX4 Rated
Dimensions (L x W x H)	23.05"L x 9.46"W x 10.24"H
GTIN	195532201190

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

SKIL offers a 5-year warranty on this product. For warranty claims, technical support, or replacement parts, please contact SKIL customer service or visit their official website. Retain your proof of purchase for warranty validation. For additional information and support, please refer to the official SKIL website or contact their customer service line.