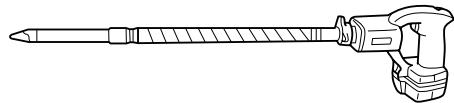




Cordless Concrete Vibrator

MODEL VR251D



I N S T R U C T I O N M A N U A L

⚠ WARNING:

For your personal safety, READ and UNDERSTAND before using.
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Model VR251D

Vibrations per minute	Vibration amplitude	Vibration head (diameter x length)	Flexible shaft assembly length	Overall length	Net weight
12,500 VPM	1.0 mm (1/32")	25 mm x 221 mm (1" x 8-11/16")	1,200 mm (47-1/4")	1,431 mm (56-11/32")	3.2 kg (7.0 lbs)

Battery Charger	DC1414			
Input	A. C. only 50 Hz - 60 Hz			
Output	D. C. 7.2 V - 14.4 V			
Battery Cartridge	1222	1233	1234	1235
Voltage	12 V			
Charging time	45 min.	50 min.	60 min.	70 min.

- Manufacturer reserves the right to change specifications without notice.
- Specifications may differ from country to country.

GENERAL SAFETY RULES

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(FOR ALL BATTERY OPERATED TOOLS)

WARNING:

Read and understand all instructions. Failure to follow all instructions listed below, may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Work Area

1. **Keep your work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered benches and dark areas invite accidents.
2. **Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases, or dust.** Power

tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.

3. **Keep bystanders, children, and visitors away while operating a power tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.

Electrical Safety

- 4. A battery operated tool with integral batteries or a separate battery pack must be recharged only with the specified charger for the battery.** A charger that may be suitable for one type of battery may create a risk of fire when used with another battery.
- 5. Use battery operated tool only with specifically designated battery pack.** Use of any other batteries may create a risk of fire.

Personal Safety

- 6. Stay alert, watch what you are doing, and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use tool while tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
- 7. Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Contain long hair. Keep your hair, clothing, and gloves away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewelry, or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
- 8. Avoid accidental starting. Be sure switch is in the locked or off position before inserting battery pack.** Carrying tools with your finger on the switch or inserting the battery pack into a tool with the switch on invites accidents.
- 9. Remove adjusting keys or wrenches before turning the tool on.** A wrench or a key that is left attached to a rotating part of the tool may result in personal injury.
- 10. Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** Proper footing and balance enable better control of the tool in unexpected situations.
- 11. Use safety equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection must be used for appropriate conditions.

Tool Use and Care

- 12. Use clamps or other practical way to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform.** Holding the work by hand or against your body is unstable and may lead to loss of control.
- 13. Do not force tool. Use the correct tool for your application.** The correct tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it is designed.
- 14. Do not use tool if switch does not turn it on or off.** A tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- 15. Disconnect battery pack from tool or place the switch in the locked or off position before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing the tool.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the tool accidentally.
- 16. Store idle tools out of reach of children and other untrained persons.** Tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- 17. When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects like: paper clips, coins, keys, nails, screws, or other small metal objects that can make a connection from one terminal to another.** Shorting the battery terminals together may cause sparks, burns, or a fire.
- 18. Maintain tools with care. Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained tools with sharp cutting edge are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- 19. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, and any other condition that may affect the tool's operation. If damaged, have the tool serviced before using.** Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained tools.
- 20. Use only accessories that are recommended by the manufacturer for your model.** Accessories that may be suitable for one tool may create a risk of injury when used on another tool.

SERVICE

21. Tool service must be performed only by qualified repair personnel. Service or maintenance performed by unqualified personnel may result in a risk of injury.

22. When servicing a tool, use only identical replacement parts. Follow instructions in the Maintenance section of this manual. Use of unauthorized parts or failure to follow Maintenance instructions may create a risk of shock or injury.

SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES

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DO NOT let comfort or familiarity with product (gained from repeated use) replace strict adherence to cordless concrete vibrator safety rules. If you use this tool unsafely or incorrectly, you can suffer serious personal injury.

- 1. Always keep your hands and face away from vibrating head when operating.**
- 2. Switch off the tool immediately if you notice abnormal noise or something faulty during operation.**
- 3. Inspect the tool carefully for breakage, cracks or deformation if you accidentally drop it or strike it against something.**
- 4. Do not allow pieces of metal, water or other foreign objects to get into the charger port where the charging terminals are located.**
- 5. Do not carry the tool with finger on switch.**
- 6. Do not set the tool down and switch it on. The vibrating head may whip around out of control and cause an accident.**
- 7. Be careful not to allow water, wet concrete or the like to get into the tool. Do not let the tool fall into wet concrete.**
- 8. Insert the vibrating head carefully between iron/steel frames or reinforcing rods not to come in contact with them.**
- 9. Do not crush or twist the flexible hose.**
- 10. Do not overly bend the flexible hose.**
- 11. Use a wet cloth or the like to carefully wipe off any wet concrete left on the tool after use. Extra care should be given to thorough cleaning of the vents, switch area, cover openings, etc.**

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

⚠ WARNING:
MISUSE or failure to follow the safety rules stated in this instruction manual may cause serious personal injury.

SYMBOLS

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The followings show the symbols used for tool.

V volts

n_0 no load speed

\rightarrow direct current

.../min.....vibration per minute

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHARGER & BATTERY CARTRIDGE

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1. **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS-** This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for battery charger.
2. Before using battery charger, read all instructions and cautionary markings on (1) battery charger, (2) battery, and (3) product using battery.
3. **CAUTION -** To reduce risk of injury, charge only **MAKITA** rechargeable batteries marked on the charger label. Other types of batteries may burst causing personal injury and damage.
4. Do not expose charger to rain or snow.
5. Use of an attachment not recommended or sold by the battery charger manufacturer may result in a risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
6. To reduce risk of damage to electric plug and cord, pull by plug rather than cord when disconnecting charger.
7. Make sure cord is located so that it will not be stepped on, tripped over, or otherwise subjected to damage or stress.
8. An extension cord should not be used unless absolutely necessary. Use of improper extension cord could result in a risk of fire and electric shock. If extension cord must be used, make sure:
 - a. That pins on plug of extension cord are the same number, size, and shape as those of plug on charger;
 - b. That extension cord is properly wired and in good electrical condition; and
 - c. That wire size is at least as large as the one specified in the table below.

Table 1: RECOMMENDED MINIMUM AWG SIZE FOR EXTENSION CORDS FOR BATTERY CHARGERS

Length of Cord (Feet)	25	50	100	150
AWG Size of Cord	18	18	18	16

9. Do not operate charger with damaged cord or plug - replace them immediately.
10. Do not operate charger if it has received a sharp blow, been dropped, or otherwise damaged in any way; take it to a qualified serviceman.
11. Do not disassemble charger or battery cartridge; take it to a qualified serviceman when service or repair is required. Incorrect reassembly may result in a risk of electric shock or fire.

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12. To reduce risk of electric shock, unplug charger from outlet before attempting any maintenance or cleaning. Turning off controls will not reduce this risk.
 13. The battery charger is not intended for use by young children or infirm persons without supervision.
 14. Young children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the battery charger.
 15. If operating time has become excessively shorter, stop operating immediately. It may result in a risk of overheating, possible burns and even an explosion.
 16. If electrolyte gets into your eyes, rinse them out with clear water and seek medical attention right away. It may result in loss of your eyesight.



ADDITIONAL SAFETY RULES FOR CHARGER & BATTERY CARTRIDGE


1. Do not charge Battery Cartridge when temperature is BELOW 10°C (50°F) or ABOVE 40°C (104°F).
 2. Do not attempt to use a step-up transformer, an engine generator or DC power receptacle.
 3. Do not allow anything to cover or clog the charger vents.
 4. Do not short the battery cartridge:
 - (1) Do not touch the terminals with any conductive material.
 - (2) Avoid storing battery cartridge in a container with other metal objects such as nails, coins, etc.
 - (3) Do not expose battery cartridge to water or rain.
 5. Do not store the tool and Battery Cartridge in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 50°C (122°F).
 6. Do not incinerate the Battery Cartridge even if it is severely damaged or is completely worn out. The battery cartridge can explode in a fire.
 7. Be careful not to drop, shake or strike battery.
 8. Do not charge inside a box or container of any kind. The battery must be placed in a well ventilated area during charging.
- A battery short can cause a large current flow, overheating, possible burns and even a breakdown.


SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

SYMBOLS


The following show the symbols used for the charger. Be sure that you understand their meaning before use.


  Ready to charge

 Charging

 Charging complete

 Delay charge (Cooling)

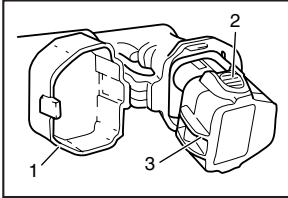
 Defective battery

 Conditioning

 Cooling abnormality

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

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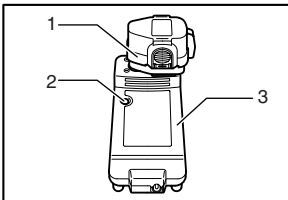


1. Cover
2. Button
3. Battery cartridge

Installing or removing battery cartridge

- Always switch off the tool before insertion or removal of the battery cartridge.
- To remove the battery cartridge, open the cover and withdraw it from the tool while pressing the buttons on both sides of the cartridge.
- To insert the battery cartridge, align the tongue on the battery cartridge with the groove in the housing and slip it into place. Always insert it all the way until it locks in place with a little click. If not, it may accidentally fall out of the tool, causing injury to you or someone around you.
- Do not use force when inserting the battery cartridge. If the cartridge does not slide in easily, it is not being inserted correctly.

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1. Battery cartridge
2. Charging light
3. Battery charger

Charging

1. Plug the battery charger into the proper AC voltage source. The charging light will flash in green color.
2. Insert the battery cartridge so that the plus and minus terminals on the battery cartridge are on the same sides as their respective markings on the high capacity battery charger. Insert the cartridge fully into the port so that it rests on the charger port floor.
3. When the battery cartridge is inserted, the charging light color will change from green to red and charging will begin. The charging light will remain lit steadily during charging.
4. When the charging light color changes from red to green, the charging cycle is complete.
5. If you leave the battery cartridge in the charger after the charging cycle is complete, the charger will switch into its "trickle charge (maintenance charge)" mode.
6. After charging, unplug the charger from the power source.

NOTE:

- The battery charger is for charging Makita battery cartridge. Never use it for other purposes or for other manufacturer's batteries.
- When you charge a new battery cartridge or a battery cartridge which has not been used for a long period of time, it may not accept a full charge. This is a normal condition and does not indicate a problem. You can recharge the battery cartridge fully after discharging it completely and recharging a couple of times.
- If you charge a battery cartridge from a just operated tool or a battery cartridge which has been left in a location exposed to direct sunlight or heat for a long time, the charging light may flash in red color. If this occurs, wait for a while. Charging will begin after the battery cartridge cools. The battery cartridge will cool faster if you remove the battery cartridge from the high capacity battery charger.
- If the charging light flashes alternately in green and red color, a problem exists and charging is not possible. The terminals on the charger or battery cartridge are clogged with dust or the battery cartridge is worn out or damaged.

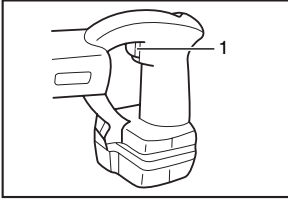
Trickle charge (Maintenance charge)

If you leave the battery cartridge in the charger to prevent spontaneous discharging after full charge, the charger will switch into its "trickle charge (maintenance charge)" mode and keep the battery cartridge fresh and fully charged.

Tips for maintaining maximum battery life

1. Charge the battery cartridge before completely discharged.
Always stop tool operation and charge the battery cartridge when you notice less tool power.
2. Never recharge a fully charged battery cartridge.
Overcharging shortens the battery service life.
3. Charge the battery cartridge with room temperature at 10°C - 40°C (50°F - 104°F).
Let a hot battery cartridge cool down before charging it.
4. Charge the Nickel Metal Hydride battery cartridge when you do not use it for more than six months.

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1. Switch trigger

Switch action

⚠ CAUTION:

- Before inserting the battery cartridge into the tool, always check to see that the switch trigger actuates properly and returns to the “OFF” position when released.

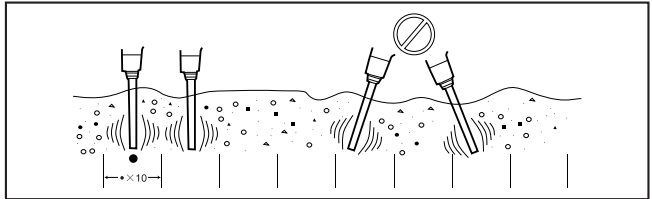
To start the tool, simply pull the switch trigger. Release the switch trigger to stop.

OPERATION

Hold the tool straight when inserting/operating. Use the tool within the effective vibrations range at equidistant intervals. The effective air bubble removal range is about ten times diameter of the vibrating head, or around 250 mm (9-27/32”).

Do not use this tool to move concrete within a form. The mortar will just move away and the coarse aggregate will remain, causing segregation.

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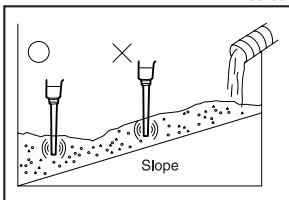
Effective leveling and removal of air bubbles

Removal of the air bubbles is complete after you have worked the tool throughout each effective range, the concrete stops shrinking, and the mortar has risen evenly to the surface, giving off a light appearance. Gently remove the operating tool not to leave holes.

NOTE:

- Vibrating too long in a single place causes concrete segregation.
- When the coarse aggregates segregates when placing concrete, shovel out the coarse aggregate and put it where there is plenty of mortar. Then use the tool on it. Don't leave coarse aggregate in the segregated condition.

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When concreting a slope site, always pour from the bottom at the beginning. This way the weight of the freshly poured concrete and vibration will lead to effective removal of air bubbles. Conversely, if the pouring is done first from above, the mortar will separate and eventually slide to the bottom.

MAINTENANCE

⚠ CAUTION:

- Always be sure that the tool is switched off and the battery cartridge is removed before attempting to perform inspection or maintenance.

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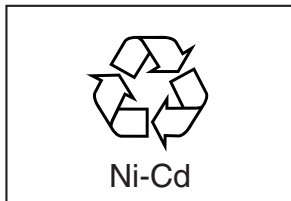
Recycling the Battery

The only way to dispose of a Makita battery is to recycle it. The law prohibits any other method of disposal.

To recycle the battery:

1. Remove the battery from the tool.
2. a) Take the battery to your nearest Makita Factory Service Center
or
b) Take the battery to your nearest Makita Authorized Service Center or Distributor that has been designated as a Makita battery recycling location.

Call your nearest Makita Service Center or Distributor to determine the location that provides Makita battery recycling. See your local Yellow Pages under "Tools-Electric".



ACCESSORIES

⚠ CAUTION:

- These accessories or attachments are recommended for use with your Makita tool specified in this manual. The use of any other accessories or attachments might present a risk of injury to persons. Only use accessory or attachment for its stated purpose.

If you need any assistance for more details regarding these accessories, ask your local Makita service center.

- Plastic carrying case
- Various type of Makita genuine batteries and chargers

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CUSTOMER'S RECORD

<p>When you need service: Send complete tool (prepaid) to one of the Makita Factory Service Centers listed, or to an Authorized Makita Service Center. Be sure to attach a letter to the outside of the carton detailing the problem with your tool.</p>	Date Purchased
	Dealer's Name & Address
	Model No.
	Serial No.

WARNING

Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:

- lead from lead-based paints,
- crystalline silica from bricks and cement and other masonry products, and
- arsenic and chromium from chemically-treated lumber.

Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

MAKITA LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY

Warranty Policy

Every Makita tool is thoroughly inspected and tested before leaving the factory. It is warranted to be free of defects from workmanship and materials for the period of ONE YEAR from the date of original purchase. Should any trouble develop during this one year period, return the COMPLETE tool, freight prepaid, to one of Makita's Factory or Authorized Service Centers. If inspection shows the trouble is caused by defective workmanship or material, Makita will repair (or at our option, replace) without charge.

This Warranty does not apply where:

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