CHICAGO welding ELECTRIC systems

WELDING TORCH MINI-KIT

Model 95671

ASSEMBLY AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



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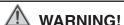
PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Item	Description		
Product	Used for jewelry, hobby crafts, metal sculptures, electronics, etc.		
Applications	Can be used with acetylene, hydrogen, propane, or natural gas.		
Required Gas	0.2mm Tip = 2 PSI Oxygen / 2 PSI Fuel		
Pressure	0.3mm Tip = 3 PSI Oxygen / 3 PSI Fuel		
	0.4mm Tip = 4 PSI Oxygen / 4 PSI Fuel		
	0.5mm Tip = 6 PSI Oxygen / 5 PSI Fuel		
	0.6mm Tip = 6 PSI Oxygen / 6 PSI Fuel		
Hose Assembly	6 Ft. Long / Color-Coded (Red & Green)		
	9/16" x 18 NPT Brass Connectors Braided		
Additional	Aluminum Alloy Body / Copper Tips with Rubber O-Rings		
Features	Oxygen Adjustment Knob / Fuel Gas Adjustment Knob		
Accessories	0.2mm Tip (Qty. 1) / 0.3mm Tip (Qty. 1)		
	0.4mm Tip (Qty. 1) / 0.5mm Tip (Qty. 1) / 0.6mm Tip (Qty. 1)		
Weight	0.35 Pound		

SAVE THIS MANUAL

You will need this manual for the safety warnings and precautions, assembly, operating, inspection, maintenance and cleaning procedures, parts list and assembly diagram. Keep your invoice with this manual. Write the invoice number on the inside of the front cover. Keep this manual and invoice in a safe and dry place for future reference.

GENERAL SAFETY RULES



READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL INSTRUCTIONS
Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in fire, and/or serious injury.

SAVETHESE INSTRUCTIONS

WORK AREA

- 1. **Keep your work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered benches and dark areas invite accidents.
- 2. Do not operate welding equipment in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases, or dust. Welding equipment create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.

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3. **Keep bystanders, children, and visitors away while operating welding equipment.** Distractions can cause you to lose control. Protect others in the work area from debris such as chips and sparks. Provide barriers or shields as needed. Children should not be allowed in the work area.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- 4. Stay alert. Watch what you are doing, and use common sense when operating welding equipment. Do not use welding equipment while tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication. A moment of inattention while operating welding equipment may result in serious personal injury.
- 5. 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.
- 6. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** Proper footing and balance enables better control of the tool in unexpected situations.

TOOL USE AND CARE

- 7. Use clamps (not included) or other practical ways 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.
- 8. **Do not force the 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.
- 9. **Store idle tools out of reach of children and other untrained persons.** Tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- 10. **Maintain tools with care. Keep the welding equipment clean.** Properly maintained tools are less likely to malfunction and are easier to control. Do not use a damaged tool. Tag damaged tools "Do not use" until repaired.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Use only accessories that are recommended by the manufacturer for your model. Accessories that may be suitable for one tool may become hazardous when used on another tool.

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SERVICE

- 13. **Tool service must be performed only by qualified repair personnel.** Service or maintenance performed by unqualified personnel could result in a risk of injury.
- 14. When servicing a tool, use only identical replacement parts. Follow instructions in the "Inspection, Maintenance, And Cleaning" section of this manual. Use of unauthorized parts or failure to follow maintenance instructions may create a risk of electric shock or injury.

SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES

- 1. **Maintain labels and nameplates on the Welding Torch Mini-Kit.** These carry important information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.
- 2. **Maintain a safe working environment.** Keep the work area well lit. Make sure there is adequate surrounding workspace. Always keep the work area free of obstructions, grease, oil, trash, and other debris.
- 3. **Prevent eye injury and burns.** Wearing and using personal safety clothing and safety devices reduce the risk for injury. Wear ANSI approved welding goggles (not included) featuring at least a number 10 shade lens rating. Leather leggings, fire resistant shoes or boots should be worn when using this product. Do not wear pants with cuffs, shirts with open pockets, or any clothing that can catch and hold molten metal or sparks. Keep clothing free of grease, oil, solvents, or any flammable substances. Wear dry, insulating gloves and protective clothing. Wear an approved head covering to protect the head and neck. Use aprons, cape, sleeves, shoulder covers, and bibs designed and approved for welding and cutting procedures. When welding or cutting overhead or in confined spaces, wear flame resistant ear plugs or ear muffs to keep sparks out of ears.
- 4. Prevent accidental fires. Remove any combustible material from the work area. When possible, move the work to a location well away from combustible materials. If relocation is not possible, protect the combustibles with a cover made of fire resistant material. Remove or make safe all combustible materials for a radius of 35 feet (10 meters) around the work area. Use a fire resistant material to cover or block all open doorways, windows, cracks, and other openings. Enclose the work area with portable fire resistant screens. Protect combustible walls, ceilings, floors, etc., from sparks and heat with fire resistant covers. If working on a metal wall, ceiling, etc., prevent ignition of combustibles on the other side by moving the combustibles to a safe location. If relocation of combustibles is not possible, designate someone to serve as a fire watch, equipped with a fire extinguisher, during the welding process and for at least one half hour after the welding is completed. Do not weld or cut on materials having a combustible coating or combustible internal

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structure, as in walls or ceilings, without an approved method for eliminating the hazard. Do not dispose of hot slag in containers holding combustible materials. Keep a fire extinguisher nearby and know how to use it. After welding or cutting, make a thorough examination for evidence of fire. Be aware that easily visible smoke or flame may not be present for some time after the fire has started. Do not weld or cut in atmospheres containing dangerously reactive or flammable gases, vapors, liquids, and dust. Provide adequate ventilation in work areas to prevent accumulation of flammable gases, vapors, and dust. Do not apply heat to a container that has held an unknown substance or a combustible material whose contents, when heated, can produce flammable or explosive vapors. Clean and purge containers before applying heat. Vent closed containers, including castings, before preheating, welding, or cutting.

5. **Avoid overexposure to fumes and gases.** Always keep your head out of the fumes. Do not breathe the fumes. Use enough ventilation or exhaust, or both, to keep fumes and gases from your breathing zone and general area. Where ventilation is questionable, have a qualified technician take an air sampling to determine the need for corrective measures. Use mechanical ventilation to improve air quality. If engineering controls are not feasible, use an approved respirator. Work in a confined area only if it is well ventilated, or while wearing an air-supplied respirator. Follow OSHA guidelines for Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL's) for various fumes and gases. Follow the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists recommendations for Threshold Limit Values (TLV's) for fumes and gases. Have a recognized specialist in Industrial Hygiene or Environmental Services check the operation and air quality and make recommendations for the specific welding or cutting situation.

Inhalation Hazard

Welding Produces TOXIC FUMES and GASSES.



Exposure to welding gasses can increase the risk of developing certain cancers, such as cancer of the larynx and lung cancer. Also, some diseases that may be linked to exposure to welding gasses or fumes are:

- Early onset of Parkinson's Disease
- Heart Disease
- Damage to the reproductive organs
- Ulcers
- Inflammation of the small intestine or stomach
- Kidney damage
- Respiratory diseases such as emphysema, bronchitis or pneumonia



Safety precautions, such as using natural or forced air ventilation and wearing an ANSI approved respirator, are ESSENTIAL to reduce the risk of developing the above illnesses.

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- 6. Always keep the Welding Hoses (7, 8) away from moving parts on the tool. Examine the Welding Hoses for cuts, burns, or worn areas before each use. If any damaged areas are found, replace the Welding Hoses immediately.
- 7. Read and understand all instructions and safety precautions as outlined in the manufacturer's manual for the material you will weld or cut.
- 8. **Proper cylinder care.** Secure cylinders to a cart, wall, or post, to prevent them from falling. All cylinders should be used and stored in an upright position. Never drop or strike a cylinder. Do not use cylinders that have been dented. Cylinder caps should be used when moving or storing cylinders. Empty cylinders should be kept in specified areas and clearly marked "empty".
- 9. Never use oil or grease on any inlet connector, outlet connector, or cylinder valves.
- 10. Always use reverse-flow check valves (not included) on the torch and regulator. This greatly reduces the possibility of mixing gases in the regulator or hose.
- 11. Working pressure on the Acetylene Regulator should NEVER be set above 6 PSI.
- 12. For the Cutting Attachment, inspect the tapered seating surfaces on the Tip and in the Torch Head. Have a qualified technician resurface the seat area if it has dents, burrs, or is burned. A poor seating surface may result in *backfire* or *flashback*.
- 13. **Backfire and flashback.** When the flame goes out with a loud "pop", it is called a *backfire*. Backfire can be caused by (1) operating the Torch at lower pressures than required for the Tip used, (2) touching the Tip against the workpiece, (3) overheating the Tip, or (4) an obstruction in the Tip. If backfire occurs, shut off the Torch Handle Valves (oxygen first) and after remedying the cause, relight the Torch. A *flashback* is a condition that results when the flame flashes back into the Torch and burns inside with a shrill hissing or squealing noise. If flashback occurs, close the Torch Handle Valves (oxygen first), IMMEDIATELY. Flashback generally indicates a problem that should be repaired. A clogged Tip, improper functioning of the Valves, or incorrect acetylene/oxygen pressure could lead to flashback. Make sure to find the cause before relighting the Torch.
- 15. MARNING! The brass components of this product contain lead, a

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chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects (or other reproductive harm). (California Health & Safety Code 25249.5 et seq.)

UNPACKING

When unpacking, check to make sure all the parts shown on the **Parts List on page 11** are included. If any parts are missing or broken, please call Harbor Freight Tools at the number shown on the cover of this manual as soon as possible.

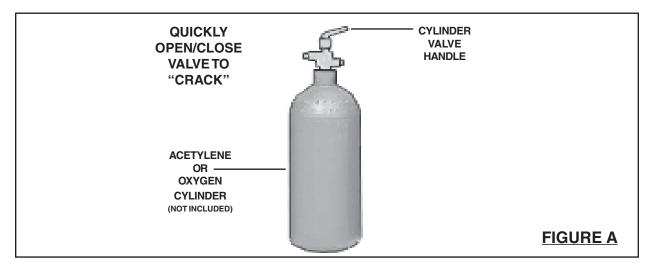
ASSEMBLY AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE:

For additional information regarding the parts listed in the following pages, refer to the **Assembly Diagram on page 11**.

- 1. **IMPORTANT!** The following instructions are for *acetylene* gas use only. Contact your gas supplier for instructions on the use of other fuel gases.
- 2. Make sure to secure the cylinders (as noted in the *Specific Safety Rules* section).
- 3. While standing to one side, "crack" each cylinder valve. "Cracking" is to quickly open and close the valve, allowing gas to escape and clearing the valve of any foreign material.

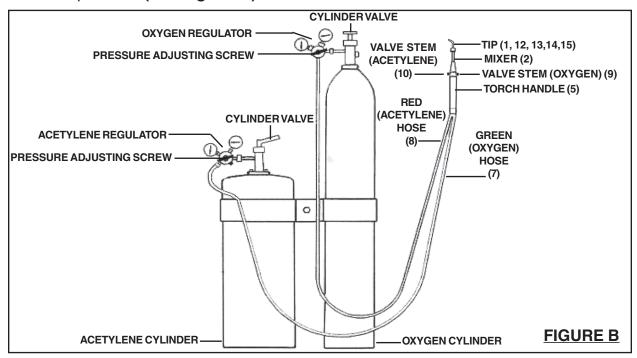
 MARNING! If oil or grease is found, discontinue using cylinder and immediately contact your supplier. (See Figure A.)



4. Attach the <u>GREEN</u> Oxygen Hose (7) to the oxygen cylinder. Then, attach the <u>RED</u> Acetylene Hose (8) to the acetylene cylinder. Make sure they are tightened in the correct directions (normally, clockwise for oxygen and counterclockwise for acetylene.) (See Figure B, <u>next page.</u>)

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5. <u>IMPORTANT!</u> The Pressure Adjusting Screw on the Acetylene Regulator (not included) and the Pressure Adjusting Screw on the Oxygen Regulator (not included) should be opened slightly by turning counterclockwise to relieve pressure on the regulator diaphragms before opening the cylinder valves. If this is not done, pressure from the cylinders may damage the diaphragms and render the regulators inoperable. (See Figure B.)



- 6. Check connections for leaks. Adjust the Acetylene Regulator and Oxygen Regulator operating pressure to coincide with the Tip used (1, 12, 13, 14, 15). Use an approved leak detection solution to check for leaks at the Welding Hoses (7, 8) and cylinder valve connections. If leaks are found, tighten the nuts more securely. If a leak still persists, discontinue use and call your gas supplier. (See Figures B and C.)
- 7. MARNING! NEVER set the Acetylene Regulator to a delivery pressure above that of which is required for a specific Tip (1, 12, 13, 14, 15) used. (See Figures B and C.)

FIGURE C Oxygen/Acetylene Gas Pressure Required			
Tip #1 (0.2mm)	Oxygen	2 P.S.I.	
	Acetylene	2 P.S.I.	
Tip #12 (0.3mm)	Oxygen	3 P.S.I.	
	Acetylene	3 P.S.I.	
Tip #13 (0.4mm)	Oxygen	4 P.S.I.	
	Acetylene	4 P.S.I.	
Tip #14 (0.5mm)	Oxygen	6 P.S.I.	
	Acetylene	5 P.S.I.	
Tip #15 (0.6mm)	Oxygen	6 P.S.I.	
	Acetylene	6 P.S.I.	

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- 8. Depending on use, attach a Tip (1, 12, 13, 14, 15) to the Mixer (2) on the Torch Handle (5). **(See Figure B.)**
- 9. Open the Oxygen Valve Stem (9) on the Torch Handle (5). Adjust the Oxygen Regulator to the desired working pressure. Then, close the Oxygen Valve Stem on the Torch Handle. (See Figure B.)
- 10. Open the Acetylene Valve Stem (10) on the Torch Handle. Adjust the Acetylene Regulator to the desired working pressure. Then, close the Acetylene Valve Stem on the Torch Handle. (See Figure B.)
- 11. Hold the Torch Handle (5) in one hand and a flint lighter (not included) in the other hand. (See Figure B.)
- 13. Open the Acetylene Valve Stem (10) about 1/4 turn, and ignite the acetylene gas coming out of the Tip (1, 12, 13, 14, 15). (See Figure B.)
- 14. Slowly open the Acetylene Valve Stem (10) further until the smoke subsides and the flame jumps away from the end of the Tip (1, 12, 13, 14, 15) slightly. (See Figure B.)
- 15. Slowly open the Oxygen Valve Stem (9) until a brilliant neutral flame is reached. (If the flame has a smooth inner cone, the flame is called *neutral*.) (See Figure B.)
- 17. Once the welding or cutting job is competed, turn off the Oxygen Valve Stem (9). Then, turn off the Acetylene Valve Stem (10). (See Figure B.)
 - <u>NOTE:</u> Reversal of this procedure may cause damage to the Torch Handle (5). (See Figure B.)
- 18. Shut off both cylinder valves. (See Figure B.)
- 19. Drain the gas from the Oxygen Regulator by opening the Oxygen Valve Stem (9). Complete this Step on the acetylene side. (See Figure B.)
- 20. Release the pressure on the Acetylene and Oxygen Regulators by turning their Pressure Adjusting Screws counterclockwise. (See Figure B.)

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INSPECTION, MAINTENANCE, AND CLEANING

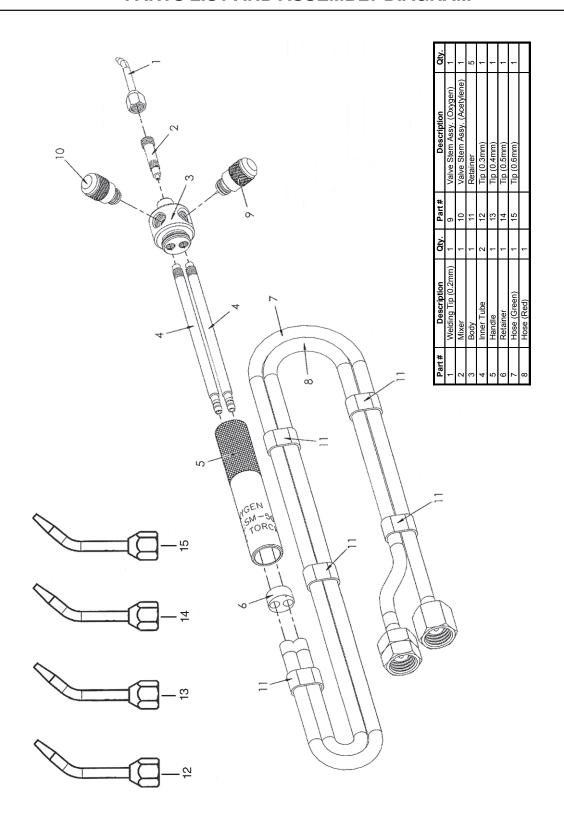
- 1. WARNING! Make sure the Welding Torch Mini-Kit is cool to the touch and disconnected from its oxygen and acetylene cylinders before performing any inspection, maintenance, or cleaning procedures.
- 2. **BEFORE EACH USE**, inspect the general condition of the Welding Torch Mini-Kit. Check for loose screws, misalignment or binding of moving parts, cracked or broken parts, damaged Welding Hoses (7, 8), and any other condition that may affect its safe operation. If a problem occurs, have the problem corrected before further use. **Do not use damaged equipment.**
- 3. **PERIODICALLY,** use a Tip Cleaner (not included) to clean out dirt and debris from the Tips (1, 12, 13, 14, 15). Make sure to use the correct size Tip Cleaner for each individual Tip.
- 4. **TO CLEAN,** use a clean cloth. If necessary, a mild detergent may be used. Do not immerse any part of the Welding Torch Mini-Kit in liquid.

 <u>Do not use solvents or other flammable agents to clean the Welding Torch Mini-Kit.</u>

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PARTS LIST AND ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM



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