

FAMILY OF CABINET BLASTERS INSTRUCTION AND ASSEMBLY MANUAL

THESE INSTRUCTIONS PERTAIN TO ALL OF THE MODELS BELOW. PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME MODELS HAVE OPTIONAL FEATURES OR SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FEATURES.

MODEL	WORK AREA	DOOR OPTIONS	GUN OPTIONS	WEIGHT
155691	36" W 24" H 24" D	top door	trigger gun	265
155692	36" W 24" H 24" D	top door	foot pedal	269
155655	36" W 24" H 24" D	double doors	trigger gun	269
155693	36" W 24" H 24" D	double doors	foot pedal	272
155694	48" W 24" H 24" D	top door	trigger gun	296
155695	48" W 24" H 24" D	top door	foot pedal	300
155696	48" W 24" H 24" D	double doors	foot pedal	303
155697	60" W 24" H 24" D	double doors	foot pedal	333
155657	Dust collector- Optional			

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS COMPLETELY BEFORE STARTING ANY ASSEMBLY

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WARNING!

Do not use an ALC Cabinet Blaster until you have read this manual and you understand its contents and warnings. These warnings are included for the health and safety of the operator and those in the immediate vicinity. Keep this manual for future reference.

Dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities may contain chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm and respiratory illnesses. Some examples of the chemicals include:

- Lead from lead based paints
- Crystalline silica from bricks, cement and other masonry products
- 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 ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

Abrasive blasting produces harmful dust. Everyone in the blasting area must wear a properly fitted and properly maintained NIOSH approved air supplied respirator.

SILICOSIS AND OTHER DUST WARNINGS:

Breathing dust from silica sand may cause silicosis, a fatal lung disease. Breathing dust during blasting operations may also cause asbestosis and/or other serious or fatal diseases. A NIOSH-approved, well maintained air supplied abrasive blasting respirator must be used by anyone blasting, anyone handling or using media containing toxic substances or media with more than point one percent (.001) free crystalline silica and anyone in the area of the dust. Harmful dust can remain suspended in the air for long periods of time after blasting has ceased, causing serious injury or death.

Before removing respirator, use an air monitoring instrument to determine if atmosphere is safe to breathe. Contact local OHSA or NIOSH office to determine the proper respirator for your particular application.

Air supplied respirators do not remove or protect against carbon monoxide (CO) or any other toxic gas. Use a carbon monoxide removal device and monitoring device with the respirator to ensure grade D quality air. Follow all applicable OSHA standards and OSHA regulation 1910.134 (d).

CABINET OPERATION

- 1. Assemble light and siphon gun/Trigger gun or foot pedal per instructions.
- 2. Attach gloves to inner glove hole collar and secure with glove clamps included in parts kit.
- 3. Plug the light's electric cord into your 110 volt, 60 cycle electric line. Install light bulb (not included) 60 watt maximum.
- 4. If an optional dust collector was purchased with the cabinet, remove dust collector hose from bottom tank, insert one end of the hose near bottom of dust collector, and the other end into the hole provided at the upper right side of the cabinet.
- 5. Pour 25 to 50 pounds of dry abrasive blasting material into cabinet through door opening.
- 6. Attach air line to air inlet to blast gun. Maximum air pressure 110 PSI.
- 7. Connect siphon hose to blast gun and inner tube of pick up tube.
- 8. Place open end of pick up tube into bottom of hopper base, approximately 1" from the bottom of the cabinet.
- 9. Most blasting operations will be performed between 60 and 100 PSI. Regulate pressure at compressor as necessary. Maximum 110 PSI.

AIR COMPRESSOR RECOMMENDATION:

To permit efficient operation of your air compressor, follow these guidelines:

- 1. Use a smaller size nozzle and air jet to control the demand of air.
- 2. Do not blast continuously. Stop blasting operation periodically to allow the compressor to cool. No compressor is designed to constantly run at full RPM. Use 70% of the rated output.
- 3. Use a minimum 1/2" air hose or metal piping from your air compressor to the blaster. If your compressor is creating an excessive amount of moisture, we recommend using a water trap or a moisture separator.
- 4. The air compressor should be drained at the bottom of the supply tank through a drain valve and should be blown down daily. It is not unusual to drain three or four gallons of water from the supply tank on a high humidity day. An additional supply tank will help.
- 5. Keep dust and media created by blasting away from the air compressor unit. Observe maximum air pressure requirements for the blaster and either set your compressor to run within these limits or use a pressure regulator valve to reduce the air pressure to the appropriate range.

ABRASIVE (MEDIA) USAGE:

- 1. If moisture is in the media it will eventually damage the blaster tank or plug the system. Keep the media and compressor air dry to avoid this problem.
- 2. If media is moist, screen it and dry it before using.
- 3. Do not leave media in the tank after blasting because it can absorb moisture and impair blasting performance.
- 4. Store media in a dry place; keep media off the ground or concrete floors. Put it on a wooden skid.
- 5. If the humidity is excessively high, it may not be advisable to blast at that time.
- 6. Consider using different grades or different types of media to prevent nozzle clogging due to high moisture content.
- 7. Do not use sand.

WARNING AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Do not operate cabinet or air flow with cabinet door open or with cabinet lens removed.

Do not use fluids or mix fluids with blast media. This cabinet is designed for dry blasting only.

Do not exceed maximum operating pressure of 110 PSI.

WARNING!

Disconnecting hose while Unit is under pressure could cause serious injury or death. Use safety lock pins and safety cables in all coupling connections to help prevent hose couplings from accidental disconnection.

If twist-on type air hose couplings are used, they must be secured by safety lock pins or wires to prevent accidental disconnection while under pressure. Hose disconnection while under pressure could cause serious injury.

CABINET BLASTER SAFETY PROCEDURES

CAUTION: READ THESE SAFETY PROCEDURES IN THEIR ENTIRETY – PARTS OF THE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS ARE WITHIN THESE WARNINGS.

These procedures are not intended to be exhaustive due to the many variables in the abrasive blasting field. Therefore, we INSIST that the hands, ears, mouth, nose and eyes be covered with appropriate safety protection at all times.

ADDITIONAL WARNINGS! CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED BY USER AT ALL TIMES

- 1. Do not exceed maximum working pressure of 110 PSI. Failure to keep maximum working pressure below 110 PSI can cause the blast machine to burst, causing death or serious injury.
- 2. Everyone in the blast area including the equipment operator should correctly use and maintain a NIOSH approved air supplied respirator, even after blasting has ceased. Harmful dust can remain suspended in the air for long periods of time after blasting has ceased causing injury or death



- 3. Before using the pressure blaster: Put on eye protection, gloves, and NIOSH approved respirator. Always wear these protective items when operating and while servicing your abrasive blaster. A well maintained air supplied blasting respirator must be used by anyone blasting.
- 4. For safe operation, perform recommended preventive maintenance on blaster cabinet, and accessories. Replace all worn parts before they fail. Immediate replacement of worn components is required. Failure to replace worn components could result in exposing the operator or bystanders to high speed media and compressed air, causing serious injury.
- 5. Do not use corrosive materials of any type in unit. Use only clean, dry media.
- 6. Static electricity can be created by the use of this equipment. Do not use within fifty feet of any explosive, potentially explosive substances, or their vapors as an explosion can occur
- 7. Do not use this equipment in any area that might be considered hazardous or where flammable gases or liquids are present. Failure to do so may cause an explosion resulting in serious injury.

MAINTENANCE

Check siphon gun nozzle and air jet for wear when replacing. Proper matching of nozzle and air jet is very important for effective blasting. Match size or color small/small (gold), medium/medium (silver) and large/large (black). Replace media when worn or excessive dusting occurs. Check and clean dust collector and filter frequently.

WARNING!

The threads on the Siphon head and set screws must be inspected each time the nozzle is secured to the holder. Check the threads for wear, and make sure nozzle set screw securely grips the nozzle. The nozzle washer must also be inspected for wear. Worn nozzle washers cause erosion. A loose-fitting nozzle may eject from the holder under pressure and could cause severe injury.

WARNING!

Failure to observe the following before performing any maintenance could cause serious injury or death from the sudden release of compressed air:

- Disconnect power supply.
- Lockout and tagout the compressed air supply.
- Bleed the air supply line to the blast gun.

Immediate replacement of worn components is required. Failure to replace worn components could expose the operator or bystanders to high speed media and compressed air could cause death or serious injury.

Leaks around couplings and nozzle holders indicate worn or loose fitting parts. Siphon head and couplings that do not fit tightly on hose and nozzles that do not fit tightly in nozzle holders could disconnect while under pressure. Impact from nozzles, couplings, hoses, or abrasive, and parts disconnected while under pressure could cause severe injury.

LIGHT ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Before assembly check to see that all components have been received with cabinet.

Part	Qty.	Description	Part	Qty.	Description
No.			No.		
11007	1	Light fixture	11012	1	Power cord connector
11008	1	Power cord	11014	1	Grommet (plastic plug)
11009	1	Switch	11013	1	Wire nut
11010	1	Electrical box	11160	4	8-32 x 1/2" machine screw
11011	1	Box cover	11161	4	8-32 hex nut

NOTE: Gasket and 8-32 x 1" machine screws are in light assembly.

Follow all electrical and safety codes, as well as the National Electric Code (NEC) and OSHA regulations.

Please read and follow instructions in sequence for proper installation. Refer to schematic for help in installation.

Install light bulb (not included) maximum 60 watt.







LIGHT ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Press grommet (plastic plug) into 3/4" diameter hole from inside of cabinet. (The purpose of the grommet is to prevent abrasion of the light wires.)
- Install electrical box to outside of cabinet using two 8-32 x 1/2" machine screws and two 8-32 hex nuts. Holes in box and cabinet are prepunched. NOTE: Use one of the machine screws to secure ground wire (green wire) to back of box. Power cord is secured to box and should face down when box is properly attached.
- 3. Route wires from light base through gasket and center of grommet into electrical box. Install light with gasket between cabinet wall and light base using two 8-32 x 1" machine screws and two 8-32 hex nuts.
- 4. Secure white wire from light and white wire from power cord with wire nut and leave in box.
- 5. The electrical switch has two screws on the side of the switch. Attach black lead from light to one screw and black lead from power cord to other screw. Attach switch to box and install box cover to switch.
- 6. Before installing bulb 60 Watt maximum (not included) and plugging in power cord, it is recommended that all connections be checked and light fixture hot, neutral and ground connections be checked using appropriate testing meters.

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM FOR BLAST CABINET

Below is the component breakdown for ALC Cabinet Blasters. Please see separate instructions and parts breakdowns for light assembly, siphon gun optional foot pedal and dust collector.

ltem No.	Part No.	Description	ltem No.	Part No.	Description
1	11635	Window frame	6	11161	8-32 hex nut (2)
2	40251	Window lens	7	40248	Gloves (pair)
3	4025300	Window lens underlayment	7	40240	Glove clamp (pair)
4	11601	1/2" x 1" sealing foam (per	8	10904	Drain plug
		foot)			
5	10199	1/4-20 x 1" machine screw	9	11574	Grommet for dust collector
		(18)			hose
5	10201	1/4-20 hex nut (18)	10	11589	Side door (optional)
5	10218	1/4" USS washer (4)	11	11610	Handle for side door (optional)
6	11109	Hasp	11	11611	CAM for side door handle
					(optional)
6	11160	8-32 x 1/2" machine screw		40343	Pick-up tube (optional)
		(2)			



* You may have the optional second side door





SIPHON GUN PARTS Replacement Parts and Optional Accessories



REPLACEMENT PARTS				
ALC Part	Description			
No.				
S1599	Blast gun with 1/4" nozzle, 1/8" air jet			
S1555	13/64" Steel nozzle (gold), 7 CFM @ 80 PSI** Nozzle Kit			
S1556	1/4" Steel nozzle (silver), 15 CFM @ 80 PSI Nozzle Kit			
	5/64" Air jet (gold)** Inc. in Nozzle Kt			
	1/8" Air jet (silver) Inc. in Nozzle Kit			
40142	Air jet washer			
155513	13/64" Ceramic nozzle, 7 CFM @ 80 PSI** Nozzle Kit			
155512	1/4" Ceramic nozzle, 15 CFM @ 80 PSI** Nozzle Kit			
40345	Siphon head			
40370	7' x 3/8" hose with 90° molded end			
** = optional, not included				



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM FOR DUST COLLECTOR (OPTIONAL)

Below is the component breakdown for ALC 100 CFM dust collector. The dust collector is assembled and ready for use. Dust collector hose is located in the bottom drum of the collector and must be removed and attached to dust collector and cabinet.

Item No.	Part No.	Description	Item No.	Part No.	Description
1	11568	Cap for dust collector	6	11567	Motor screen
1	10759	Protective edging	7	40287	Vacuum motor
2	11637	Switch	8	11602	Motor support bracket
3	11012	Connector	9	11564P	Top drum
3	11008	Electric cord	10		n/a
4	40267	Filter bag	11	11565P	Bottom drum
	SM				
5		n/a	12	11575	Dust collector Hose 2 1/4"
					x 6"

OPTIONAL DUST COLLECTOR





TROUBLESHOOTING TIPS

PROBLEM/CAUSE

Surging of blast flow: Air pressure too low

Excessive media consumption:

Air pressure too low

Clogging and plugging of blast flow:

Debris in media Media size too large Nozzle plugs Wet media

Moisture in abrasive media: Wet media Water in air

Humid weather:

Moderate humidity Moderate humidity High humidity

Overtaxed Compressor:

Compressor too small Nozzle size too large Too many leaks in plumbing Holes in abrasive hose Air filter on compressor plugged

Lack of air pressure:

Compressor too small Supply valves not on full position Nozzle size too large Leaks in plumbing Holes in abrasive hose Air filter on compressor plugged

Lack of abrasive flow:

Blaster empty Moisture in media Not enough air pressure Abrasive hose kinked Debris in media

POSSIBLE SOLUTION

Check pressure gauge on compressor

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Purge and screen Use smaller grit size Use larger nozzle and correct Dry media, drain water from air

Change or use dry media Drain water from air lines

Keep media as dry as possible Use drier or moisture separator Avoid that period of use if possible

Restrict time used Use smaller size Seal and tighten plumbing Replace hose Clean or replace filter

Use smaller nozzle Open valves Use smaller size Seal and tighten plumbing Replace hose Clean or replace filter

Fill cabinet Dry media Check system Straighten hose Clean or screen media



Coal Slag # S1584

Coal Slag is used when paint and rust has to be removed from steel, such as car bodies, tanks or heavy machinery. Coal Slag is faster cutting, can be re-used, is moisture free, and will not pack or absorb moisture. (25 Lb. container)

Steel Grit #1587

Steel grit is extremely fast cutting on rusty metal and hard to remove paint. Steel Grit is popular because it leaves a very smooth finish. It is also comparable in price to most other specialty abrasives. Steel Grit is recommended in reclaim systems or cabinets. (25 Lb. container)

Glass Bead #S1586

Glass Bead is used in creating a satin or matte finish. Glass Bead is recommended in reclaim systems or cabinets. (25 Lb. container)

Aluminum Oxide #S1585

Aluminum Oxide is a high quality abrasive that is sharper than sand (not recommended) and cuts twice as fast as sand. It leaves a smooth textured finish with no pits or burrs. Aluminum Oxide is rougher than glass bead and can be used over and over again. It is one of the most economical abrasives you can use in any reclaim systems or cabinets. (4/25 Lb. container)

Plastic Grit #155686

Primarily used to strip aluminum and fiberglass. Great for stripping paint, light oxidation and surface rust. Recommended for use in blast cabinets because it creates very little dust. Works quickly, last a long time and increases visibility within the cabinet. (10 Lb. container)

Walnut Shells #S1588

Walnut shells are recommended for use on "soft" surfaces such as aluminum, glass, wood, and other areas where no pitting is desired. Leaves a smooth, dull finish. (10 Lb. container)



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