# **Owner's Manual**

# POWERTEC.

# **Bench Grinder Sharpening Jig Kit**



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You will need this manual for safety instructions, operating procedures, and warranty. Put it and the original sales invoice in a safe, dry place for future reference.

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# SAFET WARNING

For your own safety, read and understand all warnings and operating instructions in this manual and in the grinder manual before using any tool or equipment.

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Some dust created by operation of power tool contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals, work in a well ventilated area and work with approved safety equipment. Always wear OSHA/NIOSH approved, properly fitting face mask or respirator when using such tools.

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Failure to follow these rules may result in serious personal injury. Remember that being careless for even a fraction of a second can result in severe personal injury.

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Think safety! Safety is a combination of operator common sense and alertness at all times when tool is being used.

# WARNING

Do not attempt to operate tool until it is completely assembled according to the instructions.

# UNPACKING

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ASSEMBLY

Refer to Figure 1.

Check for shipping damage. Check immediately whether all parts and accessories are included.

This Bench Grinder Sharpening Jig Kit is to be used with a bench grinder.

NOTE: Most Grinders work with the V Arm, Skew jig as long as the 6 1/4 -6 1/2 measurement shown in Figure 2 is achieved.

DESCRIPTION QUANTITY ITEM V Arm A 1 В 2 Bases С **Platform Assembly** 1 D Skew Jig 1 Е Screws (mounting hardware) 4 F Versa-Grind 1 G **Jig Locking Levers** 4

# ASSEMBLY

#### Figure 1





# WARNING

Do not use the Bench Grinder Sharpening Jig Kit until it is completely assembled and you have read and understood the entire operating manuals.

#### **TOOLS NEEDED**

The following tools (not included) are needed to assemble and adjust the Bench Grinder Sharpening Jig Kit:

1 Cross Head Screwdriver

#### MOUNTING BASES

Refer to Figure 2

For best results mount the grinding jig bases onto a board or bench. Mount one base under each grinding wheel.

- Center the base under the grinding wheel with the front of the base flush with the wheel.
- Slide the V Arm into the base and ensure the center of the V Arm pocket aligns with center of grinding wheel.
- Use screws (supplied) to secure the base to board or bench.
- Insert jig locking levers into holes in base, Do not tighten securely.

#### NOTE:

- Remove the grinder rubber feet and install them underneath the mounting board, if required.
- The 6 1/4" 6-1/2" (159–165 mm) minimum dimension shown in Figure 2 must be achieved to prevent base from interfering with the wheel guards. Add a spacer block or shims under the grinder if needed.

#### Figure 2





(if needed ) Wheel

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# OPERATION

#### TOOL TERMINOLOGY

Refer to Figure 3

#### Figure 3



#### V ARM SET UP

Refer to Figure 4

The V Arm is used to sharpen bowl-gouges, roughing gouges and skews.

- Turn the grinder off.
- Slide the V Arm into the base.
- Rest the handle of the tool in the V Arm pocket.
- Slide the V Arm in and out until the existing bevel meets the wheel. Lock the V Arm in place.
- Lift the tool off the wheel and turn the grinder on.
- Gently touch the tool to the wheel. Check the position of the V Arm:
- Lift the tool off the wheel and check the grind marks on the bevel.
  - If the grind marks are even on the whole bevel, then the V Arm is adjusted properly.

- If the grind marks are just on the cutting edge, move the V Arm in.
- If the grind marks are on the heel of the tool, away from the cutting edge, move the V Arm out.

**TIP:** Coloring the existing bevel with a black felt tip marker allows the new grinding marks to be seen.



# OPERATION

#### SHARPENING

### Bowl Gouge

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Refer to Figure 5

- Set up V Arm following the V Arm Set Up instructions.
- Touch the bevel to the wheel and rotate the tool back and forth. The further you roll the tool, the further back the corners will be ground.

**NOTE:** A good general purpose bevel angle is 45 degrees. Most turners will grind the corners back 10 to 20 degrees.

#### Figure 5



Bowl Gouge Side View

#### **Roughing Gouge**

Refer to Figure 6

- Set up V Arm following the V Arm Set Up instructions.
- Touch the bevel to the wheel and rotate the tool back and forth. Grinding the ears back 20 degrees, the end of the tool should remain square.

**NOTE:** Tools grind away at different speeds. Pay attention to the corners during grinding.

#### Figure 6



#### Chisels

- Set up V Arm following the V Arm Set Up instructions.
- Touch the chisel bevel to the wheel and grind the chisel with small sideways motions and light cutting pressure.
  NOTE: Most chisels are carbon steel which softens and turns blue with heat, cool these often.

#### Skews

Refer to Figure 7

- Set up V Arm following the V Arm Set Up instructions.
- Touch the bevel to the wheel. Using light pressure, slide the tool back and forth with a small sideway motion.
- Turn the tool over often sharpening both sides of the skew.

#### Figure 7



#### PLATFORM OPERATION

Refer to Figure 8

The platform can be assembled to the right or left side of the grinder.

- Turn the grinder off.
- Slide the platform into the base.
- Lock the platform in place.
- Release the platform locking lever.
- Place the tool onto the platform and adjust the platform until the existing bevel meets the wheel. Lock the platform in place.
- Turn the grinder on and gently touch the tool to the wheel.

**TIP:** Coloring the existing bevel with a black felt tip marker allows the new grinding marks to be seen.

#### Figure 8



**OPERATION** 

#### SKEW JIG OPERATION

Refer to Figure 8 and 9

The skew jig saves time when sharpening skews. Using the skew increases safety, creates a flat bevel, bevel and cutting edge will be parallel, creates the same bevel every time and there is a minimal material waste.

- Turn the grinder off.
- With V Arm is assembled, slide the skew jig onto the V arm pocket and secure with locking knob.
- Rest the handle of the tool in one of the skew jig pocket, depending on desired angle.
- Slide the V Arm in and out until the existing bevel meets the wheel.
- Lock the V Arm in place.
- Lift tool from wheel and turn the grinder on.
- Lift the tool off the wheel and check the grind marks on the bevel.
  - If the grind marks are even on the whole bevel, then the V Arm is adjusted properly.
  - If the grind marks are just on the cutting edge, move the V Arm in.
  - If the grind marks are on the heel of the tool, away from the cutting edge, move the V Arm out.

**TIP:** Coloring the existing bevel with a black felt tip marker allows the new grinding marks to be seen.

- Touch the bevel to the wheel. Using light pressure, slide the tool back and forth with a small sideway motion.
- Turn the tool over often sharpening both sides of the skew.

**TIP:** Applying pressure to the side with the short point creates more skew. Applying pressure to the long point reduces skew.

#### Figure 9



#### **VERSA-GRIND OPERATION**

Refer to Figure 10

Consistently achieve the fingernail grind, bowl gouge grind and side or Irish grind by using the Versa-Grind attachment.

- Turn the grinder off.
- Insert the tool into the Versa-Grind. Tighten locking knob.

**NOTE:** The tool should protrude 1-1/2" (38.1 mm) to create the best results. This measurement should be the same each time the tool is ground. Use a wood block with a hole drilled to the desired depth to save time.

- Adjust the Versa-Grind arm to desired angle. **NOTE:** Adjusting the arm with the arm adjustment knob will alter the angle to be ground.
- With the V Arm assembled, rest the arm of the Versa-Grind onto the V arm pocket.
- Slide the V Arm in and out until the desired angle meets the wheel.
- Lock the V Arm in place.
- Lift tool from wheel and turn the grinder on.
- With one hand ensure the the Versa-Grind arm rest in the bottom of the V arm, use the other hand to control the sweep of the Versa-Grind. Let the weight of the tool do the work.

**NOTE:** Frequently dip the tool in water to keep it cool.

#### Figure 10





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- 2) damage due to accidents, natural disasters, power outage, or power overload.
- 3) commercial or rental use.

4) alteration, modification or repair by other than an authorized service center for **POWERTEC** product.

WARRANTY

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