

## **WARNING AIR COMPRESSOR SAFETY**

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. **YOU** are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface, or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. **If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

**⚠ WARNING:** Operating, servicing and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to [www.P65warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65warnings.ca.gov)

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**COMPRESSED AIR CAN CAUSE EXTREMELY SERIOUS INJURY. THE PRESSURIZED AIR CAN PIERCE SKIN, DAMAGE EYES, BURST EAR DRUMS. USE EXTREME CAUTION.**

**The air produced by this compressor is Not breathable. Do not breathe compressed air.**

**Always wear eye protection when operating this equipment!**

**Provide adequate ventilation when operating this equipment. Internal combustion engines consume oxygen and give off deadly carbon monoxide gas.**

**Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading or unloading this equipment. During and after operation the Muffler and other components are Extremely Hot and will cause Serious Burns.**

### **APPLICATION:**

The small, portable, gas engine air compressor has many applications and is widely used. The gasoline engine frees the user from dependency on electric outlets, thereby making it useful where electricity is not readily available. Their usage includes painting, supplying air for air nail guns, air staple guns, small impact wrenches, etc. Other usages include inflating tires, blowing out machinery, etc.

**CAUTION:** Air compressors are rated in volume - a 14 CFM air compressor pumps 14 cubic feet of air per minute at 75 pounds per square inch if it is a single stage machine. Do not confuse pressure (75 lbs. per square inch) with volume (14 CFM).

### **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:**

1. Do not under any circumstances point air at or in the direction of someone. Discharging air at this pressure is capable of putting out eyes, bursting eardrums, causing serious skin burns, and other injuries.
2. For safety's sake, never attempt to refill with fuel while engine is running. If engine is hot, allow it to cool off first.
3. Never attempt to do any maintenance on the compressor with the engine running. This is particularly true if you intend to work on an area near the pulley or belts.
4. Be sure hose is secure to prevent injury from hose whipping back and forth.
5. Avoid contact with hot engine or muffler as these can cause severe burns.
6. Do not run in an enclosed building as the exhaust gasses can kill you.
7. Be careful when starting engine as it may back fire and injure you, if it is a hand starting engine and you have the rope wrapped around your hand.

### **USE HINTS:**

1. **BEFORE STARTING** - Place unit in level position. Never operate unit in out-of-level position exceeding 10 degrees in any direction. This can cause improper lubrication of engine and compressor, causing failure.
2. Check oil level in engine and compressor at least every 4 hours.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. If there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment, **DO NOT USE!!**

**CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!!**

**FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH.**