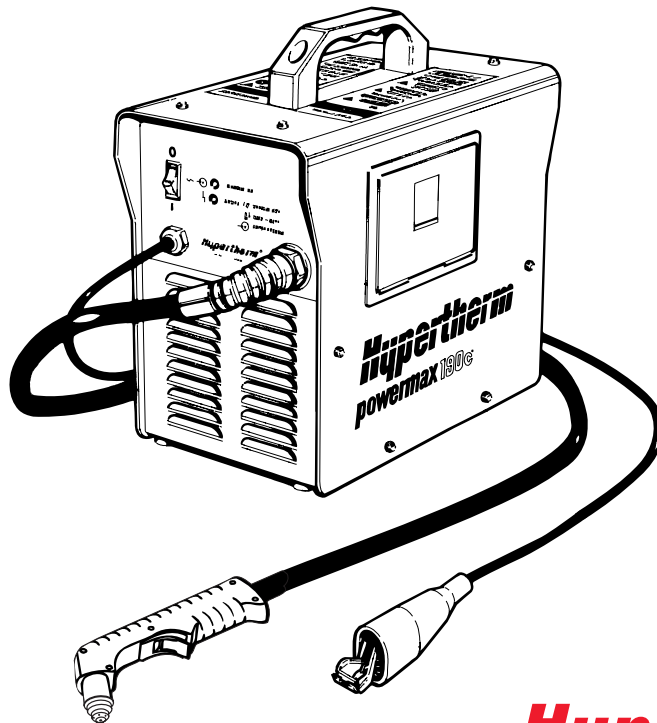


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EMC INTRODUCTION

Hypertherm's CE-marked equipment is built in compliance with standard EN50199. The equipment should be installed and used in accordance with the information below to achieve electromagnetic compatibility.

The limits required by EN50199 may not be adequate to completely eliminate interference when the affected equipment is in close proximity or has a high degree of sensitivity. In such cases it may be necessary to use other measures to further reduce interference.

This plasma equipment is designed for use only in an industrial environment.

INSTALLATION AND USE

The user is responsible for installing and using the plasma equipment according to the manufacturer's instructions. If electromagnetic disturbances are detected then it shall be the responsibility of the user to resolve the situation with the technical assistance of the manufacturer. In some cases this remedial action may be as simple as earthing the cutting circuit, see *Earthing of Workpiece*. In other cases it could involve constructing an electromagnetic screen enclosing the power source and the work complete with associated input filters. In all cases electromagnetic disturbances must be reduced to the point where they are no longer troublesome.

ASSESSMENT OF AREA

Before installing the equipment the user shall make an assessment of potential electromagnetic problems in the surrounding area. The following shall be taken into account:

- a. Other supply cables, control cables, signalling and telephone cables; above, below and adjacent to the cutting equipment.
- b. Radio and television transmitters and receivers.
- c. Computer and other control equipment.
- d. Safety critical equipment, for example guarding of industrial equipment.
- e. Health of the people around, for example the use of pacemakers and hearing aids.
- f. Equipment used for calibration or measurement.
- g. Immunity of other equipment in the environment. User shall ensure that other equipment being used in the environment is compatible. This may require additional protection measures.

h. Time of day that cutting or other activities are to be carried out.

The size of the surrounding area to be considered will depend on the structure of the building and other activities that are taking place. The surrounding area may extend beyond the boundaries of the premises.

METHODS OF REDUCING EMISSIONS

Mains Supply

Cutting equipment must be connected to the mains supply according to the manufacturer's recommendations. If interference occurs, it may be necessary to take additional precautions such as filtering of the mains supply. Consideration should be given to shielding the supply cable of permanently installed cutting equipment, in metallic conduit or equivalent. Shielding should be electrically continuous throughout its length. The shielding should be connected to the cutting mains supply so that good electrical contact is maintained between the conduit and the cutting power source enclosure.

Maintenance of Cutting Equipment

The cutting equipment must be routinely maintained according to the manufacturer's recommendations. All access and service doors and covers should be closed and properly fastened when the cutting equipment is in operation. The cutting equipment should not be modified in any way except for those changes and adjustments covered in the manufacturer's instructions. In particular, the spark gaps of arc striking and stabilizing devices should be adjusted and maintained according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Cutting Cables

The cutting cables should be kept as short as possible and should be positioned close together, running at or close to the floor level.

Equipotential Bonding

Bonding of all metallic components in the cutting installation and adjacent to it should be considered. However, metallic components bonded to the workpiece will increase the risk that the operator could receive a shock by touching these metallic compo-

nents and the electrode at the same time. The operator should be insulated from all such bonded metallic components.

Earthing of Workpiece

Where the workpiece is not bonded to earth for electrical safety, nor connected to earth because of its size and position, for example, ship's hull or building steelwork, a connection bonding the workpiece to earth may reduce emissions in some, but not all instances. Care should be taken to prevent the earthing of the workpiece increasing the risk of injury to users, or damage to other electrical equipment. Where necessary, the connection of the workpiece to earth should be made by a direct connection to the workpiece, but in some countries where direct connection is not permitted, the bonding should be achieved by suitable capacitances selected according to national regulations.

Note. The cutting circuit may or may not be earthed for safety reasons. Changing the earthing arrangements should only be authorized by a person who is competent to assess whether the changes will increase the risk of injury, for example, by allowing parallel cutting current return paths which may damage the earth circuits of other equipment. Further guidance is given in IEC TC26 (sec)94 and IEC TC26/108A/CD Arc Welding Equipment Installation and Use.

Screening and Shielding

Selective screening and shielding of other cables and equipment in the surrounding area may alleviate problems of interference. Screening of the entire plasma cutting installation may be considered for special applications.

WARRANTY

WARNING

Genuine Hypertherm parts are the factory-recommended replacement parts for your Hypertherm system. Any damage caused by the use of other than genuine Hypertherm parts may not be covered by the Hypertherm warranty.

WARNING

You are responsible for the safe use of the Product. Hypertherm does not and cannot make any guarantee or warranty regarding the safe use of the Product in your environment.

GENERAL

Hypertherm, Inc. warrants that its Products shall be free from defects in materials and workmanship, if Hypertherm is notified of a defect (i) with respect to the power supply within a period of two (2) years from the date of its delivery to you, with the exception of G3 Series power supplies, which shall be within a period of three (3) years from the date of delivery to you, and (ii) with respect to the torch and leads within a period of one (1) year from its date of delivery to you. This warranty shall not apply to any Product which has been incorrectly installed, modified, or otherwise damaged. Hypertherm, at its sole option, shall repair, replace, or adjust, free of charge, any defective Products covered by this warranty which shall be returned with Hypertherm's prior authorization (which shall not be unreasonably withheld), properly packed, to Hypertherm's place of business in Hanover, New Hampshire, or to an authorized Hypertherm repair facility, all costs, insurance and freight prepaid. Hypertherm shall not be liable for any repairs, replacement, or adjustments of Products covered by this warranty, except those made pursuant to this paragraph or with Hypertherm's prior written consent. **The warranty above is exclusive and is in lieu of all other warranties, express, implied, statutory, or otherwise with respect to the Products or as to the results which may be obtained therefrom, and all implied warranties or conditions of quality or of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or against infringement. The foregoing shall constitute the sole and exclusive remedy for any breach by Hypertherm of its warranty.** Distributors/OEMs may offer different or additional warranties, but Distributors/OEMs are not authorized to give any additional warranty protection to you or make any representation to you purporting to be binding upon Hypertherm.

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Except only in cases of products not manufactured by Hypertherm or manufactured by a person other than Hypertherm not in strict conformity with Hypertherm's specifications and in cases of designs, processes,

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LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

In no event shall Hypertherm be liable to any person or entity for any incidental, consequential, indirect, or punitive damages (including but not limited to lost profits) regardless of whether such liability is based on breach of contract, tort, strict liability, breach of warranties, failure of essential purpose or otherwise and even if advised of the possibility of such damages.

LIABILITY CAP

In no event shall Hypertherm's liability, whether such liability is based on breach of contract, tort, strict liability, breach of warranties, failure of essential purpose or otherwise, for any claim action suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to the use of the Products exceed in the aggregate the amount paid for the Products that gave rise to such claim.

INSURANCE

At all times you will have and maintain insurance in such quantities and types, and with coverage sufficient and appropriate to defend and to hold Hypertherm harmless in the event of any cause of action arising from the use of the Products.

NATIONAL AND LOCAL CODES

National and Local codes governing plumbing and electrical installation shall take precedent over any instructions contained in this manual. **In no event** shall Hypertherm be liable for injury to persons or property damage by reason of any code violation or poor work practices.

TRANSFER OF RIGHTS

You may transfer any remaining rights you may have hereunder only in connection with the sale of all or substantially all of your assets or capital stock to a successor in interest who agrees to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Warranty.

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RECOGNIZE SAFETY INFORMATION

The symbols shown in this section are used to identify potential hazards. When you see a safety symbol in this manual or on your machine, understand the potential for personal injury, and follow the related instructions to avoid the hazard.



FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Read carefully all safety messages in this manual and safety labels on your machine.

- Keep the safety labels on your machine in good condition. Replace missing or damaged labels immediately.
- Learn how to operate the machine and how to use the controls properly. Do not let anyone operate it without instruction.

- Keep your machine in proper working condition. Unauthorized modifications to the machine may affect safety and machine service life.

DANGER WARNING CAUTION

A signal word DANGER or WARNING is used with a safety symbol. DANGER identifies the most serious hazards.

- DANGER and WARNING safety labels are located on your machine near specific hazards.
- WARNING safety messages precede related instructions in this manual that may result in injury or death if not followed correctly.
- CAUTION safety messages precede related instructions in this manual that may result in damage to equipment if not followed correctly.



CUTTING CAN CAUSE FIRE OR EXPLOSION

Fire Prevention

- Be sure the area is safe before doing any cutting. Keep a fire extinguisher nearby.
- Remove all flammables within 35 feet (10 m) of the cutting area.
- Quench hot metal or allow it to cool before handling or before letting it touch combustible materials.
- Never cut containers with potentially flammable materials inside – they must be emptied and properly cleaned first.
- Ventilate potentially flammable atmospheres before cutting.
- When cutting with oxygen as the plasma gas, an exhaust ventilation system is required.

Explosion Prevention

- Do not use the plasma system if explosive dust or vapors may be present.
- Do not cut pressurized cylinders, pipes, or any closed container.
- Do not cut containers that have held combustible materials.



WARNING

Explosion Hazard
Argon-Hydrogen and Methane

Hydrogen and methane are flammable gases that present an explosion hazard. Keep flames away from cylinders and hoses that contain methane or hydrogen mixtures. Keep flames and sparks away from the torch when using methane or argon-hydrogen plasma.



WARNING

Hydrogen Detonation with
Aluminum Cutting

- When cutting aluminum underwater, or with the water touching the underside of the aluminum, free hydrogen gas may collect under the workpiece and detonate during plasma cutting operations.
- Install an aeration manifold on the floor of the water table to eliminate the possibility of hydrogen detonation. Refer to the Appendix section of this manual for aeration manifold details.



ELECTRIC SHOCK CAN KILL

Touching live electrical parts can cause a fatal shock or severe burn.

- Operating the plasma system completes an electrical circuit between the torch and the workpiece. The workpiece and anything touching the workpiece are part of the electrical circuit.
- Never touch the torch body, workpiece or the water in a water table when the plasma system is operating.

Electric Shock Prevention

All Hypertherm plasma systems use high voltage in the cutting process (200 to 400 VDC are common). Take the following precautions when operating this system:

- Wear insulated gloves and boots, and keep your body and clothing dry.
- Do not stand, sit or lie on – or touch – any wet surface when using the plasma system.
- Insulate yourself from work and ground using dry insulating mats or covers big enough to prevent any physical contact with the work or ground. If you must work in or near a damp area, use extreme caution.
- Provide a disconnect switch close to the power supply with properly sized fuses. This switch allows the operator to turn off the power supply quickly in an emergency situation.
- When using a water table, be sure that it is correctly connected to earth ground.

- Install and ground this equipment according to the instruction manual and in accordance with national and local codes.
- Inspect the input power cord frequently for damage or cracking of the cover. Replace a damaged power cord immediately. **Bare wiring can kill.**
- Inspect and replace any worn or damaged torch leads.
- Do not pick up the workpiece, including the waste cutoff, while you cut. Leave the workpiece in place or on the workbench with the work cable attached during the cutting process.
- Before checking, cleaning or changing torch parts, disconnect the main power or unplug the power supply.
- Never bypass or shortcut the safety interlocks.
- Before removing any power supply or system enclosure cover, disconnect electrical input power. Wait 5 minutes after disconnecting the main power to allow capacitors to discharge.
- Never operate the plasma system unless the power supply covers are in place. Exposed power supply connections present a severe electrical hazard.
- When making input connections, attach proper grounding conductor first.
- Each Hypertherm plasma system is designed to be used only with specific Hypertherm torches. Do not substitute other torches which could overheat and present a safety hazard.



CUTTING CAN PRODUCE TOXIC FUMES

Cutting can produce toxic fumes and gases that deplete oxygen and cause injury or death.

- Keep the cutting area well ventilated or use an approved air-supplied respirator.
- Do not cut in locations near degreasing, cleaning or spraying operations. The vapors from certain chlorinated solvents decompose to form phosgene gas when exposed to ultraviolet radiation.
- Do not cut metal coated or containing toxic materials, such as zinc (galvanized), lead, cadmium or beryllium, unless the area is well ventilated and the operator wears an air-supplied respirator. The coatings and any metals containing these elements can produce toxic fumes when cut.
- Never cut containers with potentially toxic materials inside – they must be emptied and properly cleaned first.
- This product, when used for welding or cutting, produces fumes or gases which contain chemicals known to the State of California to cause birth defects and, in some cases, cancer.



A PLASMA ARC CAN CAUSE INJURY AND BURNS

Instant-On Torches

Plasma arc comes on immediately when the torch switch is activated.

The plasma arc will cut quickly through gloves and skin.

- Keep away from the torch tip.
- Do not hold metal near the cutting path.
- Never point the torch toward yourself or others.



ARC RAYS CAN BURN EYES AND SKIN

Eye Protection Plasma arc rays produce intense visible and invisible (ultraviolet and infrared) rays that can burn eyes and skin.

- Use eye protection in accordance with applicable national or local codes.
- Wear eye protection (safety glasses or goggles with side shields, and a welding helmet) with appropriate lens shading to protect your eyes from the arc's ultraviolet and infrared rays.

Skin Protection Wear protective clothing to protect against burns caused by ultraviolet light, sparks and hot metal.

- Gauntlet gloves, safety shoes and hat.
- Flame-retardant clothing to cover all exposed areas.
- Cuffless trousers to prevent entry of sparks and slag.
- Remove any combustibles, such as a butane lighter or matches, from your pockets before cutting.

Arc Current
Up to 100 A
100-200 A
200-400 A
Over 400 A



Lens Shade	
AWS (USA)	ISO 4850
No. 8	No. 11
No. 10	No. 11-12
No. 12	No. 13
No. 14	No. 14

Cutting Area Prepare the cutting area to reduce reflection and transmission of ultraviolet light:

- Paint walls and other surfaces with dark colors to reduce reflection.
- Use protective screens or barriers to protect others from flash and glare.
- Warn others not to watch the arc. Use placards or signs.



GROUNDING SAFETY

Work Cable Attach the work cable securely to the workpiece or the work table with good metal-to-metal contact. Do not connect it to the piece that will fall away when the cut is complete.

Work Table Connect the work table to an earth ground, in accordance with appropriate national or local electrical codes.

Input Power

- Be sure to connect the power cord ground wire to the ground in the disconnect box.
- If installation of the plasma system involves connecting the power cord to the power supply, be sure to connect the power cord ground wire properly.
- Place the power cord's ground wire on the stud first, then place any other ground wires on top of the power cord ground. Fasten the retaining nut tightly.
- Tighten all electrical connections to avoid excessive heating.

COMPRESSED GAS EQUIPMENT SAFETY

- Never lubricate cylinder valves or regulators with oil or grease.
- Use only correct gas cylinders, regulators, hoses and fittings designed for the specific application.
- Maintain all compressed gas equipment and associated parts in good condition.
- Label and color-code all gas hoses to identify the type of gas in each hose. Consult applicable national or local codes.

**GAS CYLINDERS CAN EXPLODE IF DAMAGED**

Gas cylinders contain gas under high pressure. If damaged, a cylinder can explode.

- Handle and use compressed gas cylinders in accordance with applicable national or local codes.
- Never use a cylinder that is not upright and secured in place.
- Keep the protective cap in place over valve except when the cylinder is in use or connected for use.
- Never allow electrical contact between the plasma arc and a cylinder.
- Never expose cylinders to excessive heat, sparks, slag or open flame.
- Never use a hammer, wrench or other tool to open a stuck cylinder valve.

**NOISE CAN DAMAGE HEARING**

Prolonged exposure to noise from cutting or gouging can damage hearing.

- Use approved ear protection when using plasma system.
- Warn others nearby about the noise hazard.

**PACEMAKER AND HEARING AID OPERATION**

Pacemaker and hearing aid operation can be affected by magnetic fields from high currents. Pacemaker and hearing aid wearers should consult a doctor before going near any plasma arc cutting and gouging operations.

To reduce magnetic field hazards:

- Keep both the work cable and the torch lead to one side, away from your body.
- Route the torch leads as close as possible to the work cable.
- Do not wrap or drape the torch lead or work cable around your body.
- Keep as far away from the power supply as possible.

**A PLASMA ARC CAN DAMAGE FROZEN PIPES**

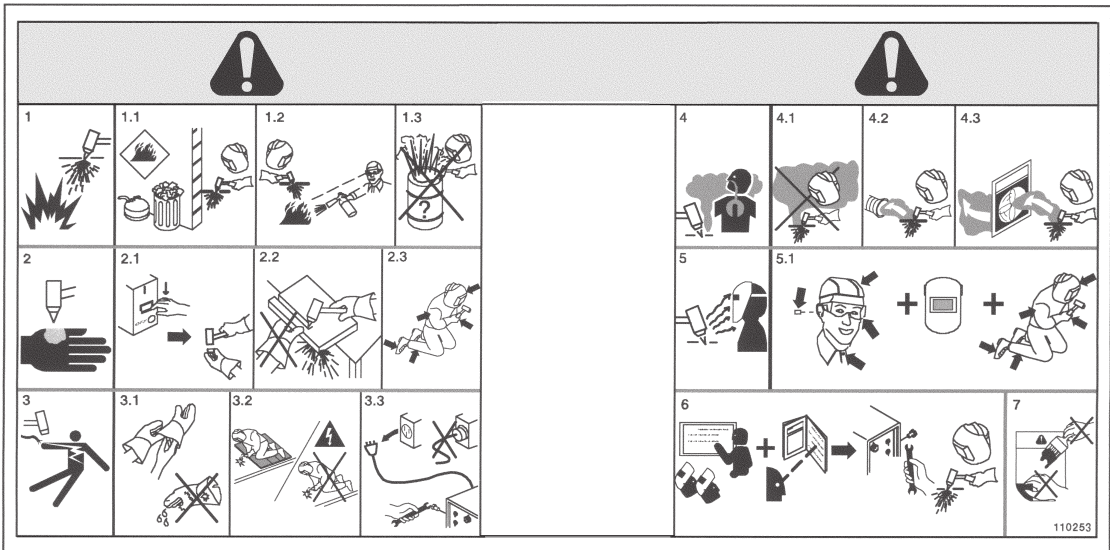
Frozen pipes may be damaged or can burst if you attempt to thaw them with a plasma torch.

ADDITIONAL SAFETY INFORMATION

1. ANSI Standard Z49.1, *Safety in Welding and Cutting*, American Welding Society, 550 LeJeune Road P.O. Box 351020, Miami, FL 33135
2. ANSI Standard Z49.2, *Fire Prevention in the Use of Cutting and Welding Processes*, American National Standards Institute 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018
3. ANSI Standard Z87.1, *Safe Practices for Occupation and Educational Eye and Face Protection*, American National Standards Institute, 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018
4. AWS F4.1, *Recommended Safe Practices for the Preparation for Welding and Cutting of Containers and Piping That Have Held Hazardous Substances*, American Welding Society 550 LeJeune Road, P.O. Box 351040, Miami, FL 33135
5. AWS F5.2, *Recommended Safe Practices for Plasma Arc Cutting*, American Welding Society 550 LeJeune Road, P.O. Box 351040, Miami, FL 33135
6. CGA Pamphlet P-1, *Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Cylinders*, Compressed Gas Association 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202
7. CSA Standard W117.2, *Code for Safety in Welding and Cutting*, Canadian Standards Association Standard Sales 178 Rexdale Boulevard, Rexdale, Ontario M9W 1R3, Canada
8. NFPA Standard 51B, *Cutting and Welding Processes*, National Fire Protection Association 470 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, MA 02210
9. NFPA Standard 70-1978, *National Electrical Code*, National Fire Protection Association, 470 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, MA 02210
10. OSHA, *Safety and Health Standards*, 29FR 1910 U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402

WARNING LABEL

This warning label is affixed to some power supplies. It is important that the operator and maintenance technician understand the intent of these warning symbols as described. The numbered text corresponds to the numbered boxes on the label.



- 1. Cutting sparks can cause explosion or fire.
- 1.1 Keep flammables away from cutting.
- 1.2 Keep a fire extinguisher nearby, and have a watchperson ready to use it.
- 1.3 Do not cut on any closed containers.
- 2. The plasma arc can cause injury and burns.
- 2.1 Turn off power before disassembling torch.
- 2.2 Do not hold the material near cutting path.
- 2.3 Wear complete body protection.
- 3. Electric shock from torch or wiring can kill. Protect yourself from electric shock.
- 3.1 Wear insulating gloves. Do not wear wet or damaged gloves.
- 3.2 Insulate yourself from work and ground.
- 3.3 Disconnect input plug or power before working on machine.

- 4. Breathing cutting fumes can be hazardous to your health.
- 4.1 Keep your head out of the fumes.
- 4.2 Use forced ventilation or local exhaust to remove the fumes.
- 4.3 Use ventilating fan to remove the fumes.
- 5. Arc rays can burn eyes and injure skin.
- 5.1 Wear hat and safety glasses. Use ear protection and button shirt collar. Use welding helmet with correct shade of filter. Wear complete body protection.
- 6. Become trained and read the instructions before working on the machine or cutting.
- 7. Do not remove or paint over (cover) warning labels.

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IDENTIFIER LES CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ

Les symboles indiqués dans cette section sont utilisés pour identifier les risques éventuels. Si vous trouvez un symbole de sécurité, que ce soit dans ce manuel ou sur l'équipement, soyez conscient des risques de blessures et suivez les instructions correspondantes afin d'éviter ces risques.



SUIVRE LES INSTRUCTIONS DE SÉCURITÉ

Lire attentivement toutes les consignes de sécurité dans le présent manuel et sur les étiquettes de sécurité se trouvant sur la machine.

- Les étiquettes de sécurité doivent rester lisibles. Remplacer immédiatement les étiquettes manquantes ou abîmées.
- Apprendre à faire fonctionner la machine et à utiliser correctement les commandes. Ne laisser personne utiliser la machine sans connaître son fonctionnement.

- Garder la machine en bon état. Des modifications non autorisées sur la machine peuvent engendrer des problèmes de sécurité et raccourcir la durée d'utilisation de l'équipement.

DANGER AVERTISSEMENT PRÉCAUTION

Les signaux DANGER ou AVERTISSEMENT sont utilisés avec un symbole de sécurité, DANGER correspondant aux risques les plus sérieux.

- Les étiquettes de sécurité DANGER et AVERTISSEMENT sont situées sur la machine pour signaler certains dangers spécifiques.
- Les messages d'AVERTISSEMENT précèdent les instructions d'utilisation expliquées dans ce manuel et signalent les risques de blessures ou de mort au cas où ces instructions ne seraient pas suivies correctement.
- Les messages de PRÉCAUTION précèdent les instructions d'utilisation contenues dans ce manuel et signalent que le matériel risque d'être endommagé si les instructions ne sont pas suivies correctement.



LE COUPAGE PEUT PROVOQUER UN INCENDIE OU UNE EXPLOSION

Prévention des incendies

- Avant de commencer, s'assurer que la zone de coupage ne présente aucun danger. Conserver un extincteur à proximité.
- Éloigner toute matière inflammable à une distance d'au moins 10 m du poste de coupage.
- Tremper le métal chaud ou le laisser refroidir avant de le manipuler ou avant de le mettre en contact avec des matériaux combustibles.
- Ne jamais couper des récipients pouvant contenir des matières inflammables avant de les avoir vidés et nettoyés correctement.
- Aérer toute atmosphère potentiellement inflammable avant d'utiliser un système plasma.
- Lors de l'utilisation d'oxygène comme gaz plasma, un système de ventilation par aspiration est nécessaire.

Prévention des explosions

- Ne pas couper en présence de poussière ou de vapeurs.
- Ne pas couper de bouteilles, de tuyaux ou autres récipients fermés et pressurisés.
- Ne pas couper de récipients contenant des matières combustibles.



AVERTISSEMENT

Risque d'explosion argon-hydrogène et méthane

L'hydrogène et le méthane sont des gaz inflammables et potentiellement explosifs. Conserver à l'écart de toute flamme les bouteilles et tuyaux contenant des mélanges à base d'hydrogène ou de méthane. Maintenir toute flamme et étincelle à l'écart de la torche lors de l'utilisation d'un plasma d'argon-hydrogène ou de méthane.



AVERTISSEMENT

Détonation de l'hydrogène lors du coupage de l'aluminium

- Lors du coupage de l'aluminium sous l'eau, ou si l'eau touche la partie inférieure de la pièce d'aluminium, de l'hydrogène libre peut s'accumuler sous la pièce à couper et détonner lors du coupage plasma.
- Installer un collecteur d'aération au fond de la table à eau afin d'éliminer les risques de détonation de l'hydrogène. Se référer à l'annexe du manuel pour plus de renseignements sur les collecteurs d'aération.



LES CHOCS ÉLECTRIQUES PEUVENT ÊTRE FATALS

Toucher une pièce électrique sous tension peut provoquer un choc électrique fatal ou des brûlures graves.

- La mise en fonctionnement du système plasma ferme un circuit électrique entre la torche et la pièce à couper. La pièce à couper et tout autre élément en contact avec cette pièce font partie du circuit électrique.
- Ne jamais toucher le corps de la torche, la pièce à couper ou l'eau de la table à eau pendant le fonctionnement du système plasma.

Prévention des chocs électriques

Tous les systèmes plasma Hypertherm utilisent des hautes tensions pour le coupage (souvent de 200 à 400 V). On doit prendre les précautions suivantes quand on utilise le système plasma :

- Porter des bottes et des gants isolants et garder le corps et les vêtements au sec.
- Ne pas se tenir, s'asseoir ou se coucher sur une surface mouillée, ni la toucher quand on utilise le système plasma.
- S'isoler de la surface de travail et du sol en utilisant des tapis isolants secs ou des couvertures assez grandes pour éviter tout contact physique avec le travail ou le sol. S'il s'avère nécessaire de travailler dans ou près d'un endroit humide, procéder avec une extrême prudence.
- Installer un sectionneur avec fusibles appropriés, à proximité de la source de courant. Ce dispositif permet à l'opérateur d'arrêter rapidement la source de courant en cas d'urgence.
- En cas d'utilisation d'une table à eau, s'assurer que cette dernière est correctement mise à la terre.

- Installer et mettre à la terre l'équipement selon les instructions du présent manuel et conformément aux codes électriques locaux et nationaux.
- Inspecter fréquemment le cordon d'alimentation primaire pour s'assurer qu'il n'est ni endommagé, ni fendu. Remplacer immédiatement un cordon endommagé.
Un câble dénudé peut tuer.
- Inspecter et remplacer les câbles de la torche qui sont usés ou endommagés.
- Ne pas saisir la pièce à couper ni les chutes lors du coupage. Laisser la pièce à couper en place ou sur la table de travail, le câble de retour connecté lors du coupage.
- Avant de vérifier, de nettoyer ou de remplacer les pièces de la torche, couper l'alimentation ou débrancher la prise de courant.
- Ne jamais contourner ou court-circuiter les verrouillages de sécurité.
- Avant d'enlever le capot du système ou de la source de courant, couper l'alimentation électrique. Attendre ensuite 5 minutes pour que les condensateurs se déchargent.
- Ne jamais faire fonctionner le système plasma sans que les capots de la source de courant ne soient en place. Les raccords exposés de la source de courant sont extrêmement dangereux.
- Lors de l'installation des connexions, attacher tout d'abord la prise de terre appropriée.
- Chaque système plasma Hypertherm est conçu pour être utilisé uniquement avec des torches Hypertherm spécifiques. Ne pas utiliser des torches inappropriées qui pourraient surchauffer et présenter des risques pour la sécurité.



LE COUPAGE PEUT PRODUIRE DES VAPEURS TOXIQUES

Le coupage peut produire des vapeurs et des gaz toxiques qui réduisent le niveau d'oxygène dans l'air et peuvent provoquer des blessures, voire la mort.

- Conserver le poste de coupage bien aéré ou utiliser un masque respiratoire homologué.
- Ne pas procéder au coupage près d'endroits où s'effectuent le dégraissage, le nettoyage ou la vaporisation. Certains solvants chlorés se décomposent sous l'effet des rayons ultraviolets et forment du phosgène.
- Ne pas couper des métaux peints ou contenant des matières toxiques comme le zinc (galvanisé), le plomb, le cadmium ou le béryllium, à moins que la zone de travail

soit très bien ventilée et que l'opérateur porte un masque respiratoire. Les revêtements et métaux contenant ces matières peuvent produire des vapeurs toxiques lors du coupage.

- Ne jamais couper de récipients pouvant contenir des matières inflammables avant de les avoir vidés et nettoyés correctement.
- Quand on utilise ce produit pour le soudage ou le coupage, il dégage des fumées et des gaz qui contiennent des produits chimiques qui, selon l'État de Californie, provoquent des anomalies congénitales et, dans certains cas, le cancer.



L'ARC PLASMA PEUT PROVOQUER DES BLESSURES OU DES BRÛLURES

Torches à allumage instantané

L'arc plasma s'allume immédiatement après que la torche soit mise en marche.

L'arc plasma coupe facilement les gants et la peau.

- Rester éloigné de l'extrémité de la torche.
- Ne pas tenir de métal près de la trajectoire de coupe.
- Ne jamais pointer la torche vers soi ou d'autres personnes.



LES RAYONS DE L'ARC PEUVENT BRÛLER LES YEUX ET LA PEAU

Protection des yeux Les rayons de l'arc plasma produisent de puissants rayons visibles ou invisibles (ultraviolets et infrarouges) qui peuvent brûler les yeux et la peau.

- Utiliser des lunettes de sécurité conformément aux codes locaux ou nationaux en vigueur.
- Porter des lunettes de protection (lunettes ou masque muni d'écrans latéraux et encore masque de soudure) avec des verres teintés appropriés pour protéger les yeux des rayons ultraviolets et infrarouges de l'arc.

Protection de la peau Porter des vêtements de sécurité pour se protéger contre les brûlures que peuvent causer les rayons ultraviolets, les étincelles et le métal brûlant :

- Gants à crispin, chaussures et casque de sécurité.
- Vêtements ignifuges couvrant toutes les parties exposées du corps.
- Pantalon sans revers pour éviter que des étincelles ou des scories puissent s'y loger.
- Avant le coupage, retirer de ses poches tout objet combustible comme les briquets au butane ou les allumettes.

Courant de l'arc

Jusqu'à 100 A
100-200 A
200-400 A
Plus de 400 A



Puissance des verres teintés

AWS (É.-U.)

N° 8

N° 10

N° 12

N° 14

ISO 4850

N° 11

N° 11-12

N° 13

N° 14



Zone de coupage Préparer la zone de coupage afin de réduire la réverbération et la transmission de la lumière ultraviolette :

- Peindre les murs et autres surfaces de couleur sombre pour réduire la réflexion de la lumière.
- Utiliser des écrans et autres dispositifs de protection afin de protéger les autres personnes de la lumière et de la réverbération.
- Prévenir les autres personnes de ne pas regarder l'arc. Utiliser des affiches ou des panneaux.



MISE À LA MASSE ET À LA TERRE

Câble de retour Bien fixer le câble de retour (ou de masse) à la pièce à couper ou à la table de travail de façon à assurer un bon contact métal-métal. Ne pas fixer le câble de retour à la partie de la pièce qui doit se détacher.

Table de travail Raccorder la table de travail à la terre, conformément aux codes de sécurité locaux ou nationaux appropriés.

Alimentation

- S'assurer que le fil de terre du cordon d'alimentation est connecté à la terre dans le coffret du sectionneur.
- S'il est nécessaire de brancher le cordon d'alimentation à la source de courant lors de l'installation du système, s'assurer que le fil de terre est correctement branché.
- Placer tout d'abord le fil de terre du cordon d'alimentation sur le plot de mise à la terre puis placer les autres fils de terre par-dessus. Bien serrer l'écrou de retenue.
- S'assurer que toutes les connexions sont bien serrées pour éviter la surchauffe.

SÉCURITÉ DES BOUTEILLES DE GAZ COMPRIMÉ

- Ne jamais lubrifier les robinets des bouteilles ou les régulateurs avec de l'huile ou de la graisse.
- Utiliser uniquement les bouteilles, régulateurs, tuyaux et accessoires appropriés et conçus pour chaque application spécifique.
- Entretenir l'équipement et les pièces d'équipement à gaz comprimé afin de les garder en bon état.
- Étiqueter et coder avec des couleurs tous les tuyaux de gaz afin d'identifier le type de gaz contenu dans chaque tuyau. Se référer aux codes locaux ou nationaux en vigueur.



LES BOUTEILLES DE GAZ COMPRIMÉ PEUVENT EXPLOSER EN CAS DE DOMMAGES

Les bouteilles de gaz contiennent du gaz à haute pression. Si une bouteille est endommagée, elle peut exploser.

- Manipuler et utiliser les bouteilles de gaz comprimé conformément aux codes locaux ou nationaux.
- Ne jamais utiliser une bouteille qui n'est pas placée à la verticale et bien assujettie.
- Le capuchon de protection doit être placé sur le robinet sauf si la bouteille est en cours d'utilisation ou connectée pour utilisation.
- Éviter à tout prix le contact électrique entre l'arc plasma et une bouteille.
- Ne jamais exposer des bouteilles à une chaleur excessive, aux étincelles, aux scories ou aux flammes nues.
- Ne jamais utiliser des marteaux, des clés ou d'autres outils pour débloquer le robinet des bouteilles.



LE BRUIT PEUT PROVOQUER DES PROBLÈMES AUDITIFS

Une exposition prolongée au bruit du coupage ou du gougeage peut provoquer des problèmes auditifs.

- Utiliser un casque de protection homologué lors de l'utilisation du système plasma.
- Prévenir les personnes aux alentours des risques encourus en cas d'exposition au bruit.



PACEMAKERS ET PROTHÈSES AUDITIVES

Les champs magnétiques produits par les courants à haute tension peuvent affecter le fonctionnement des prothèses auditives et des pacemakers. Les personnes portant ce type d'appareil doivent consulter un médecin avant de s'approcher d'un lieu où s'effectue le coupage ou le gougeage plasma.

Pour réduire les risques associés aux champs magnétiques :

- Garder loin de soi et du même côté du corps le câble de retour et le faisceau de la torche.
- Faire passer le faisceau de la torche le plus près possible du câble de retour.
- Ne pas s'enrouler le faisceau de la torche ou le câble de retour autour du corps.
- Se tenir le plus loin possible de la source de courant.

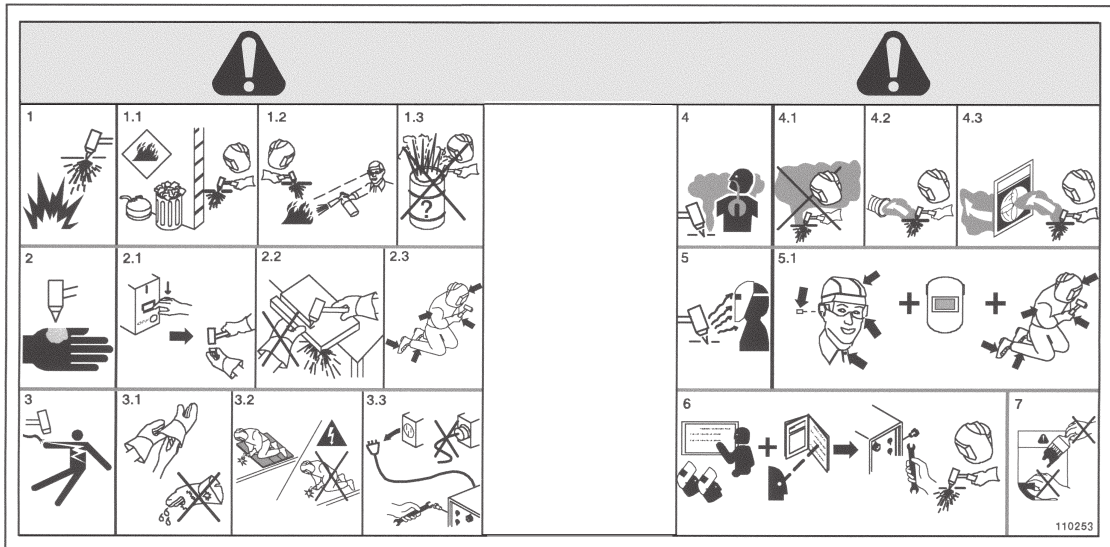


UN ARC PLASMA PEUT ENDOMMAGER LES TUYAUX GELÉS

Les tuyaux gelés peuvent être endommagés ou éclater si l'on essaie de les dégeler avec une torche plasma.

Étiquette de sécurité

Cette étiquette est affichée sur la source de courant. Il est important que l'utilisateur et le technicien de maintenance comprennent la signification des symboles de sécurité. Les numéros de la liste correspondent aux numéros des images.



1. Les étincelles produites par le coupage peuvent provoquer une explosion ou un incendie.
 - 1.1 Pendant le coupage, éloigner toute matière inflammable.
 - 1.2 Conserver un extincteur à proximité et s'assurer qu'une personne soit prête à l'utiliser.
 - 1.3 Ne jamais couper de récipients fermés.
2. L'arc plasma peut provoquer des blessures et des brûlures.
 - 2.1 Couper l'alimentation avant de démonter la torche.
 - 2.2 Ne pas tenir la surface à couper près de la trajectoire de coupe.
 - 2.3 Porter des vêtements de protection couvrant tout le corps.
3. Un choc électrique causé par la torche ou les câbles peut être fatal. Se protéger contre les risques de chocs électriques.
 - 3.1 Porter des gants isolants. Ne pas porter de gants mouillés ou abîmés.
 - 3.2 S'isoler de la surface de travail et du sol.
 - 3.3 Débrancher la prise ou la source de courant avant de manipuler l'équipement.
4. L'inhalation des vapeurs produites par le coupage peut être dangereuse pour la santé.
 - 4.1 Garder le visage à l'écart des vapeurs.
 - 4.2 Utiliser un système de ventilation par aspiration ou d'échappement localisé pour dissiper les vapeurs.
 - 4.3 Utiliser un ventilateur pour dissiper les vapeurs.
5. Les rayons de l'arc peuvent brûler les yeux et provoquer des lésions de la peau.
 - 5.1 Porter un casque et des lunettes de sécurité. Se protéger les oreilles et porter une chemise dont le col peut être déboutonné. Porter un casque de soudure dont la protection filtrante est suffisante. Porter des vêtements protecteurs couvrant la totalité du corps.
6. Se former à la technique du coupage et lire les instructions avant de manipuler l'équipement ou de procéder au coupage.
7. Ne pas retirer ou peindre (recouvrir) les étiquettes de sécurité.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Introduction

The Powermax190c plasma cutting system uses a chopper power supply to cut mild steel, stainless steel, aluminum and other metals.

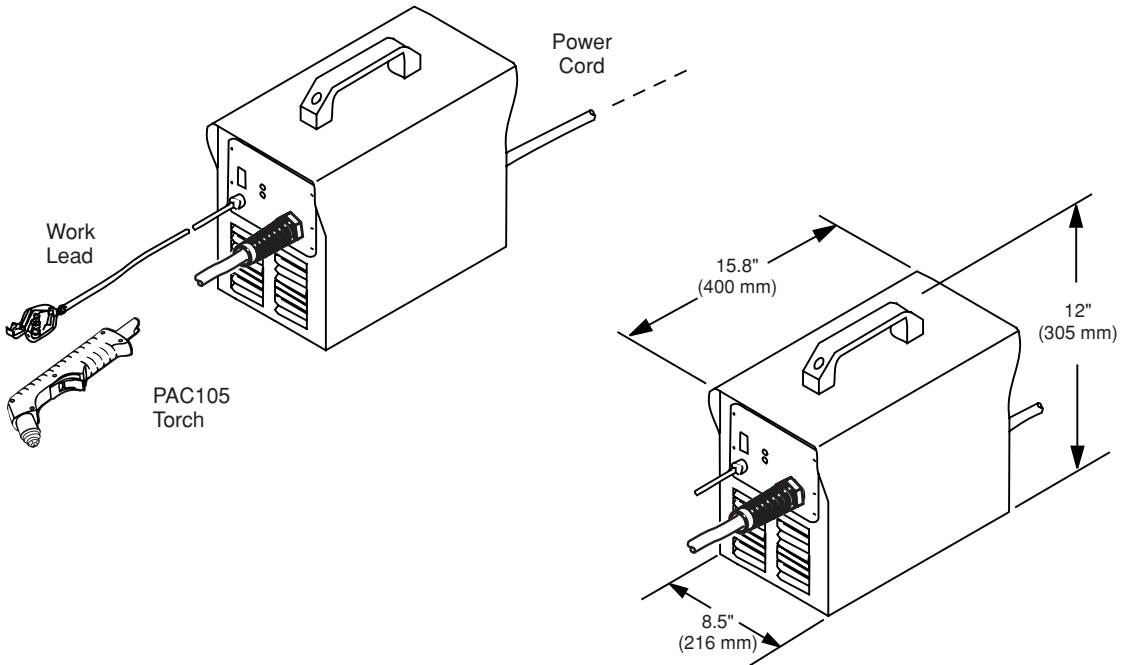
This operator manual provides information for the user to set up and operate the system and perform limited maintenance on the torch and power supply. This manual also provides a detailed list of safety practices so that the system can be safely operated and maintained. **READ THE SAFETY SECTION (Section 1) FIRST!**

The Powermax190c Service Manual provides higher-level troubleshooting and a more complete parts list.

Specifications

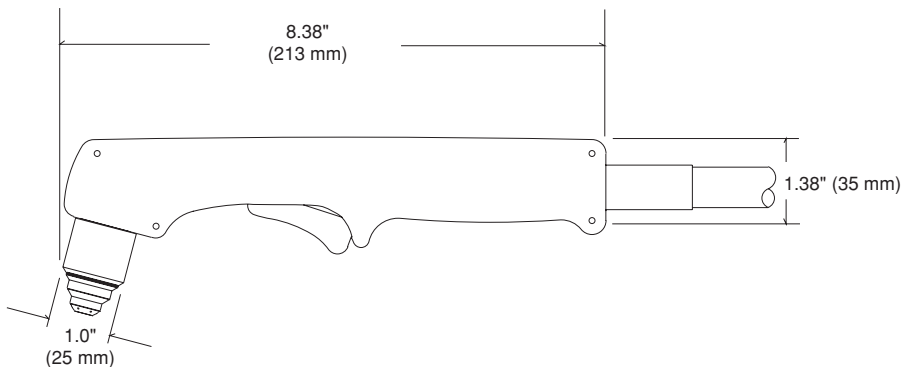
Power Supply

Rated Open Circuit Voltage (OCV) (U_0)	335 VDC @ 120 VAC 320 VDC @ 230 VAC
Rated Output Current (I_2)	12 amps
Duty Cycle (X) at 104° F (40° C), at rated output voltage (U_2), and at rated output current (I_2) using 20-amp service	35% ($U_2=110$ volts, $I_2=12$ amps) See power supply data tag for more information on duty cycle.
Temperature Operating Range	Power supplies will operate between 32° F (0° C) and 104° F (+40° C).
Input Voltage (U_1)/Input Current (I_{1max}) at 1.32 kw Output	120 VAC/20.3 amps 1-Ph, 60 Hz (Non CE) 230 VAC/10.0 amps 1-Ph, 50/60 Hz (CE)
Dimensions	See figure on page 2-3.
Weight:	
Power Supplies with Serial Numbers < 10,000	
120V Power Supply	43 lbs (19.5 kg) 46 lbs (20.9 kg) with torch
230V Power Supply	47 lbs (21.3 kg) 51 lbs (23 kg) with torch
Power Supplies with Serial Numbers ≥ 10,000	
120V Power Supply	47 lbs (21.3 kg) 50 lbs (22.7 kg) with torch
230V Power Supply	54 lbs (24.5 kg) 58 lbs (26.3 kg) with torch
Gas Type	Air (Compressor contained in power supply)
Air Pressure and Flow rate	40 psi (2.8 bar) @ 53.4 scfh/0.89 cfm (25 liters/min)



PAC105 Torch

Recommended Cutting Capacity	1/8 inch (3 mm) @ 12A (35% duty cycle)
Maximum Cutting Capacity	3/16 inch (4.5 mm) @ 12A (35% duty cycle)
Severance Cutting Capacity	1/4 inch (6 mm) @ 12A (35% duty cycle)
Air Pressure and Flow rate	40 psi (2.8 bar) @ 53.4 scfh/0.89 cfm (25 liters/min)
Weight	3 pounds (1.4 kg)
















SPECIFICATIONS

S MARK

The 230V Powermax190c system conforms to **CE** standard EN50192. The **S** mark indicates that the power supply and torch are suitable for use in environments with increased hazard of electrical shock. The torch must have shielded consumable parts to maintain **S** mark compliance.

IEC Symbols Used

	Direct current (DC).
	Alternating current (AC).
	Plasma cutting torch.
	AC input power connection.
	The terminal for the external protective (earthed) conductor.
	An inverter-based power source.
	Anode (+) work clamp.
	Temperature switch.
	Pressure switch.
	Plasma torch in the TEST position (cooling and cutting gas exiting nozzle).
	The power is on.
	The power is off.
	Volt/amp curve.

Section 3

SETUP

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Upon Receipt

1. Verify that all parts and items on your order have been received. Alert your distributor if any parts or items are damaged or missing.
2. Inspect the power supply for any physical damage that may have occurred during shipping. If there is evidence of damage, refer to the *Claims* section below.

All communications regarding this equipment must include the model number and serial number located on the back of the power supply.

3. Before setting up and operating the system, read the **Safety** section of this manual.

Claims

Claims for damage during shipment – If your unit was damaged during shipment, you must file a claim with the carrier. Hypertherm will furnish you with a copy of the bill of lading upon request. If you need additional assistance, call Customer Service listed in the front of this manual or your authorized Hypertherm distributor.

Claims for defective or missing merchandise – If any of the merchandise is defective or missing, call your authorized Hypertherm distributor. If you need additional assistance, call Customer Service listed in the front of this manual or your authorized Hypertherm distributor.

Location of Power Supply

Locate the power supply near a wall receptacle. Allow at least 10 inches (0.25 m) of space at the front and back of the power supply for proper ventilation.

Note: Special installation may be required where gasoline or volatile liquids are present. Consult local or national codes.

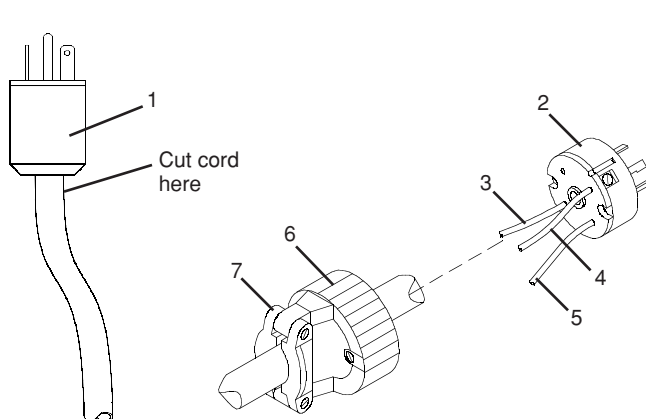
Grounding Requirements

To ensure personal safety, proper operation and to reduce electromagnetic interference (EMI), the power supply must be properly grounded:

- The power supply must be grounded through the power cord according to national or local electrical codes.
- Single-phase service must be of the 3-wire type with a green or green/yellow wire for protective earth ground and must comply with national or local electrical requirements. Do not use a 2-wire cord.
- Also see *Grounding Safety* in the Safety section of this manual.

Power Cord Plugs

The 120V power supplies are shipped with a plug on the power cord. The 230V units are shipped without a plug on the power cord. For the 230V machine, obtain a plug that meets national or local electrical codes. The plug should be connected to the power cord by a licensed electrician. Also, note that some 120V receptacles may require a plug that is different from the plug on the power cord. To install the required plug, refer to the figure below. The installed 120V plug and cords must conform to national or local electrical codes.



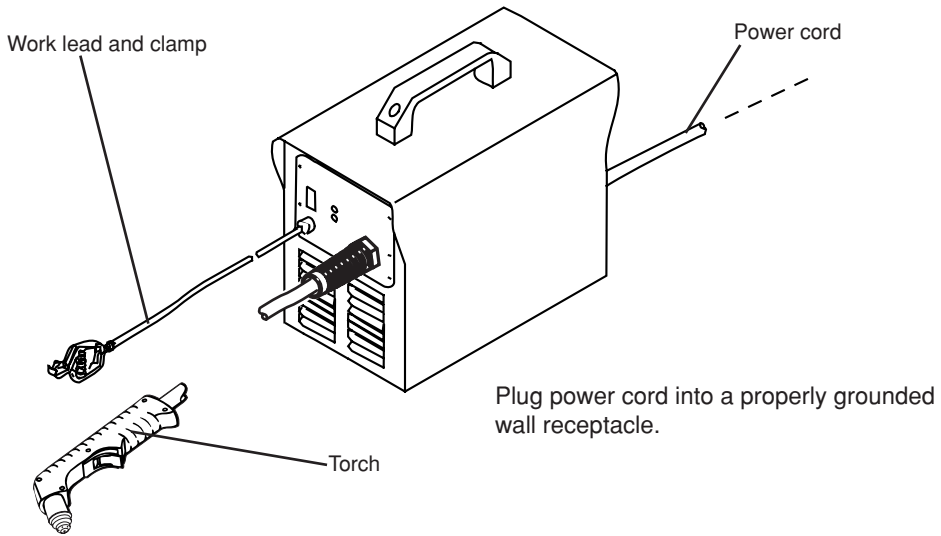
- 1 Power cord plug (120V shown)
 - Cut cord close to plug.
- 2 230V plug
- 3 To load 1 (brass) terminal
- 4 To load 2 (brass) terminal
- 5 To ground (green) terminal
- 6 Outer shell
- 7 Cord grip

Strip cord insulation back in order to separate conductors. Strip conductor insulation back in order to make good contact with plug terminals. Make connections, reinstall outer shell and cord grip and secure with screws. Do not overtighten.

Power Hookup

System Circuit Recommendations

- 120V power supply: An individual 30A branch circuit is recommended, protected by time-delay fuses or circuit breaker
- 230V power supply: An individual 20A branch circuit is recommended, protected by time-delay fuses or circuit breaker



Extension Cord

Choose an extension cord that is larger in diameter than the power cord provided with the power supply. Actual voltage loss from cord impedance will vary with line and load conditions.

Use a cord that is certified by national or local codes. The cord should be installed by a licensed electrician following national or local codes.

Minimum recommended cord size:

- 120V power supply: 10 AWG (6 mm²) for up to 75 ft (23 m)
8 AWG (10 mm²) for up to 140 ft (46 m)

- 230V power supply: 2.5 mm² (14 AWG) for up to 23 m (75 ft)
4 mm² (12 AWG) for up to 46 m (140 ft)

Note: Special installation may be required where gasoline or volatile liquids are present. Consult national or local codes.

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Controls and Indicators

Power Switch

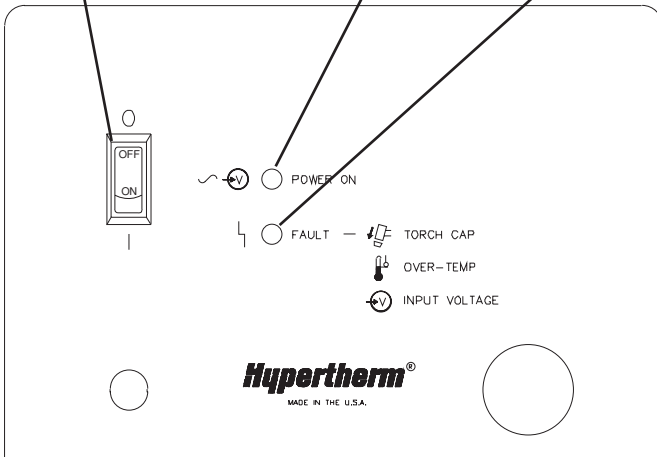
POWER ON


When illuminated, indicates that the power supply is energized and ready to operate. Lamp will extinguish if input power is not within specified range.

FAULT

The fault lamp will illuminate under the following conditions:

- 1. The torch retaining cap is removed or not securely screwed down.** In this condition, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on before operation can begin.
- 2. The power supply overheats.** In this condition, the fan will continue to run. Wait 15 minutes for the unit to cool, or until the FAULT lamp is extinguished.
- 3. The input voltage is not within specification: (120 VAC +/- 20%) or (230 VAC +/- 20%).** after the input voltage has been corrected The power supply must be turned off and then turned on before operation can continue.





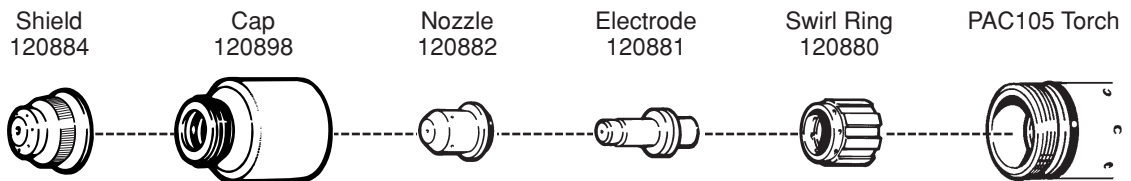
	WARNING
Before operating this system, read the Safety section of this manual thoroughly!	

Operation

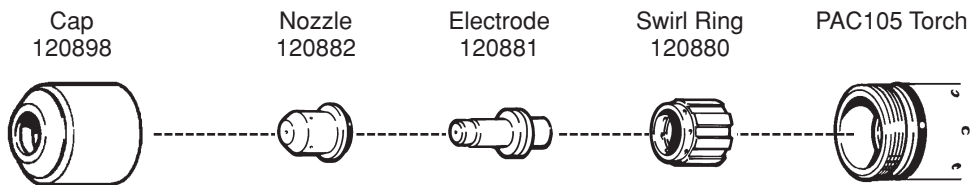
1. Install Torch Consumables

Note: Hand-tighten only

		WARNING – INSTANT-ON TORCHES PLASMA ARC CAN CAUSE INJURY AND BURNS
Plasma arc comes on immediately when the torch switch is activated. The plasma arc will quickly cut through gloves and skin. Make sure power is off before changing consumables.		



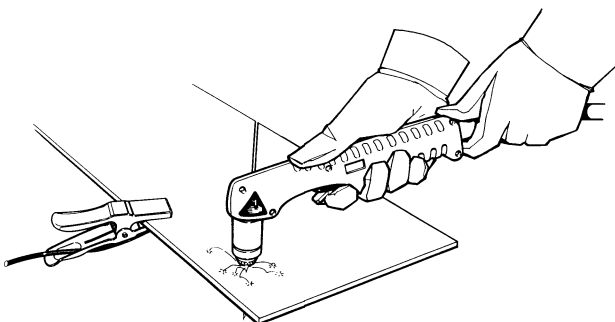
Shielded Consumables (for easier dragging or template cutting)



Unshielded Consumables

For CE compliance, do not use the unshielded consumables.

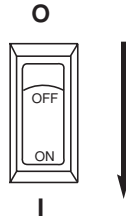
2. Attach the Work Clamp



1. Attach the work clamp securely to the workpiece.
2. Attach the work clamp as close as possible to the area being cut to reduce exposure to electric and magnetic fields (EMF).
3. Do not attach it to the portion of the workpiece that will fall away.

Operation (continued)

3. Turn on Power



Position the power switch to ON (I)

4. Check the Indicator Lamps



POWER ON

Check that the POWER ON lamp is illuminated



FAULT

Check that the FAULT lamp is extinguished. If the FAULT lamp is illuminated, verify that:

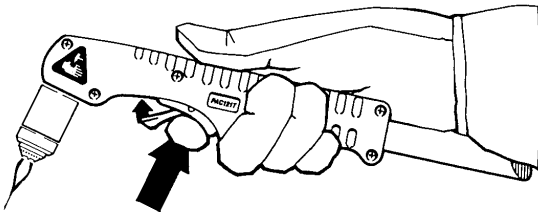
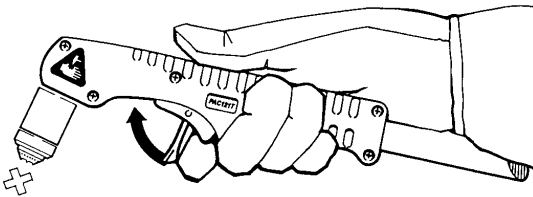
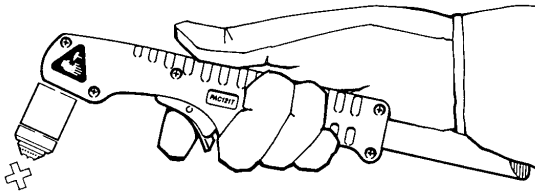
- The torch cap is screwed securely to the torch.
- The power supply is not overheated.
- The input voltage is within specification.

Correct any fault condition and restart the system.

Operation (continued)

5. Begin Cutting

		<p>WARNING INSTANT-ON TORCHES PLASMA ARC CAN CAUSE INJURY AND BURNS</p>
<p>Plasma arc comes on immediately when the torch switch is activated. The plasma arc will quickly cut through gloves and skin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep away from the torch tip. • Do not hold the workpiece, and keep your hands clear of the cutting path. • Never point the torch toward yourself or others. 		



Avoid firing the torch when it is not in contact with the workpiece.

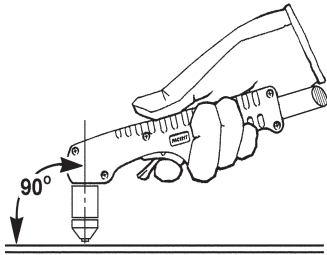
Pilot arc will extinguish if transfer to workpiece is not sensed within 5 seconds.

After cutting, there is approximately 12 seconds of post-flow to cool the torch nozzle. If the trigger is pulled during post-flow, the gas stops flowing and the pilot arc will be restarted.

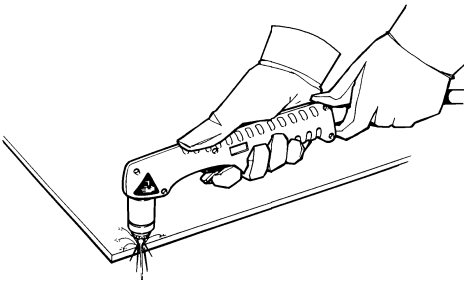
Note: Torch illustrations typical

Operating Tips

Starting a Cut from the Edge of the Workpiece



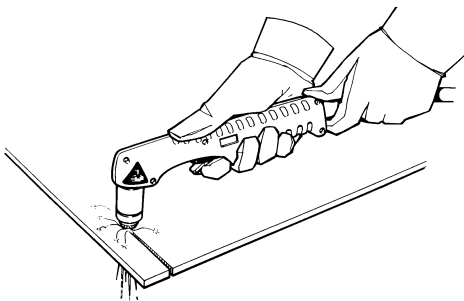
1. Hold the torch nozzle vertical at the edge of the workpiece.



2. Start cutting from the edge of the workpiece.

Pause at the edge until the arc has completely cut through the workpiece.

The pilot arc will extinguish in approximately 5 seconds if there is no transfer to the workpiece.





3. Proceed with the cut.

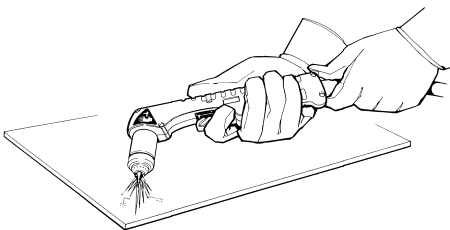
The nozzle or shield may be dragged in direct contact with the workpiece or held at a slight standoff (1/16" or 1-2 mm) for increased capacity on thicker metals.

Operating Tips (continued)

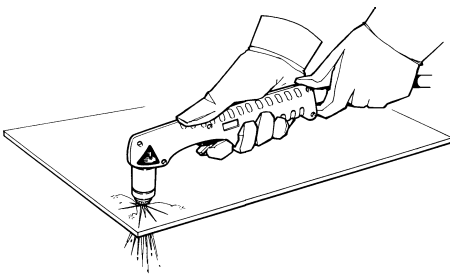
Piercing

		<p>WARNING SPARKS AND HOT METAL CAN INJURE EYES AND BURN SKIN</p>
<p>When firing the torch at an angle, sparks and hot metal will spray out from the nozzle. Point the torch away from yourself and others.</p>		

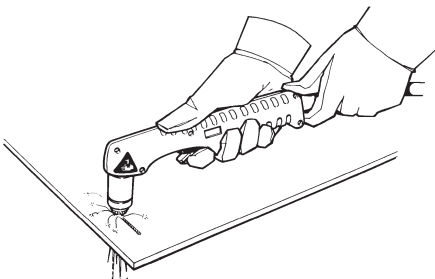
Hold the torch so that the nozzle is within 1/16" (1.5 mm) from the workpiece before firing the torch.



1. Fire the torch at an angle to the workpiece, then slowly rotate it to an upright position.



2. When sparks are exiting from the bottom of the workpiece, the arc has pierced through the material.



3. When the pierce is complete, proceed with the cut.

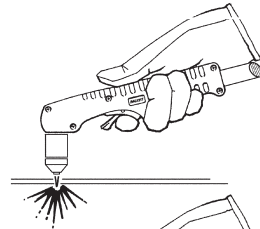
Operating Tips (continued)

Hand Torch Cutting Technique

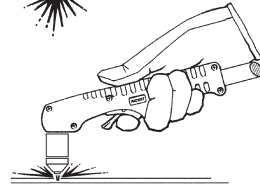
Firing the torch unnecessarily reduces nozzle and electrode life.



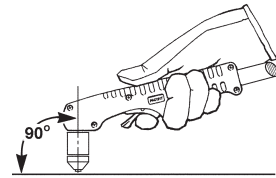
When cutting, make sure that sparks are exiting from the bottom of the workpiece.



If sparks are spraying up from the workpiece, you are moving the torch too fast. The arc below the workpiece should lag the torch by approximately 15° from vertical.










Hold the torch nozzle at a vertical position and watch the arc as it cuts along the line.



- Do not push down on the torch when cutting. Lightly drag the torch across the workpiece to maintain a steady cut.
- Pulling the torch through the cut is easier than pushing it.
- For straight-line cuts, use a straight edge as a guide. To cut circles, use a template or a radius cutter attachment.

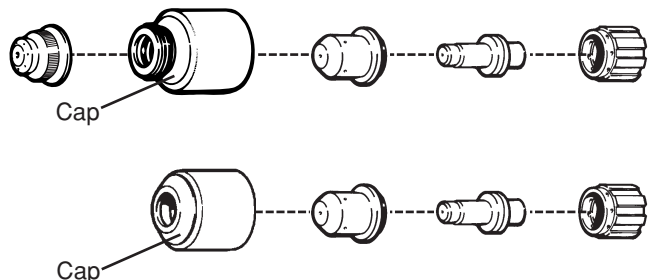
Inspecting and Replacing Consumables

	Part	Verify	Action if defective
	Shield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center hole is round. Side holes not blocked 	Replace Replace
	Shielded Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Threads are undamaged Internal o-ring is in place and undamaged 	Replace Replace
	Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> O-ring inside of front opening is undamaged 	Replace
	Nozzle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center hole is round. Side holes not blocked 	Replace Replace
	Electrode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center surface not pitted more than 1/16" (1.5 mm) deep 	Replace
	Swirl Ring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No damage or wear Side holes not blocked O-ring inside of front opening is undamaged 	Replace Replace Replace
	Torch O-ring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No damage or wear Lubricated 	Replace Apply a thin film of silicone lubricant

Correct Alignment of Consumables

Check the torch safety switch: Listen for a “click” when the cap is replaced on the torch.

Note: Hand-tighten only



Common Cutting Faults

- The workpiece is not totally penetrated. Causes can be:
 - The cut speed is too high.
 - The torch parts are worn.
 - The metal being cut is too thick.
 - The work clamp is not properly attached to the workpiece.
- Dross forms on the bottom of the cut. Causes can be:
 - The cutting speed is too slow.
 - The torch parts are worn.
 - The metal being cut is too thick.
- Arc “sputters” and torch consumable life is reduced. Cause can be:
 - Humid conditions in the cutting area causing moisture in the torch. The Powermax190c internal compressor uses ambient air to produce the plasma cutting gas. If this air is moist, water droplets can be introduced to the torch. This condition is not harmful to the torch.

Duty Cycle and Overheating



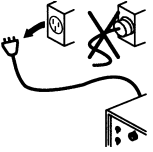
- The duty cycle is the amount of time, in minutes, that a pilot or plasma arc can remain “on” within a 10-minute period when operating at 104° F (40° C).
 - At 12 amps, the arc can remain on 3.5 minutes out of every 10 minutes without causing the temperature sensors to disable the unit.
- If the power supply overheats, the FAULT lamp will illuminate, the arc will shut off and the cooling fan will continue to run.
- To resume cutting, wait for the FAULT lamp to extinguish (usually 15 minutes or less).

MAINTENANCE/PARTS

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Routine Maintenance

		<p style="text-align: center;">WARNING ELECTRIC SHOCK CAN KILL</p>
	<p>Disconnect electrical power before performing any maintenance. All work requiring removal of the power supply cover must be performed by a qualified technician.</p>	

Under severe conditions, routine maintenance should be performed more frequently.

Before Each Use

- Check the torch and consumables for wear. See *Inspecting and Replacing Consumable Parts* in Section 4.

Every Week

- Check the torch cap-on sensor system by listening for the micro-switch to “click” when the retaining cap is loosened.

3 Months

- Replace damaged or unreadable labels.
- Replace any cracked parts.
- Check the torch body and torch lead.
- Replace the torch lead if the insulation is broken.

6 Months

- Clean the inside of the power supply with air pressure or vacuum.

Basic Troubleshooting

Problem

1. No pilot arc; difficulty in establishing an arc, difficulty in achieving arc transfer.

2. No cutting output; POWER ON LED extinguished, FAULT LED extinguished; fan not running

3. No cutting output; POWER ON illuminated; FAULT LED extinguished; fan running

4. FAULT LED illuminated

Solution


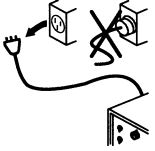
- 1.1 Clean or replace worn consumables as necessary.
- 1.2 Check for proper installation of swirl ring.
- 1.3 Check for proper input voltage. Check that the power cord/extension cord is not under size per Section 3.
- 1.4 Check that the work clamp is connected to the workpiece.
- 1.5 Be certain that the torch tip is in close contact with the workpiece. The pilot arc will extinguish after 5 seconds if arc transfer is not established.

- 2.1 Place the Power switch to On (I)
- 2.2 Plug in the power cord.
- 2.3 Check line disconnect fuses and replace if needed or reset circuit breakers.

- 3.1 Check that the work clamp is connected.
- 3.2 Clean or replace worn consumables as necessary.
- 3.3 Over-heated compressor see Solution 4.2.

- 4.1 Check that all torch consumable parts are in place and that the retaining cap is tight. In this fault condition, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on before operation can begin.
- 4.2 Thermostat in power supply may be open (overheating). Allow the fan to run; the thermostat closes when the unit has cooled (see Section 4, *Duty Cycle and Overheating*).
- 4.3 Input voltage not within specification (120 VAC +/- 20% or 230 VAC +/- 20%). In this fault condition, the power supply must be turned off and then turned on before operation can begin.
- 4.4 Refer to Service Manual IM-366 (803660) for more detailed troubleshooting.

Torch Lead and Work Lead Replacement

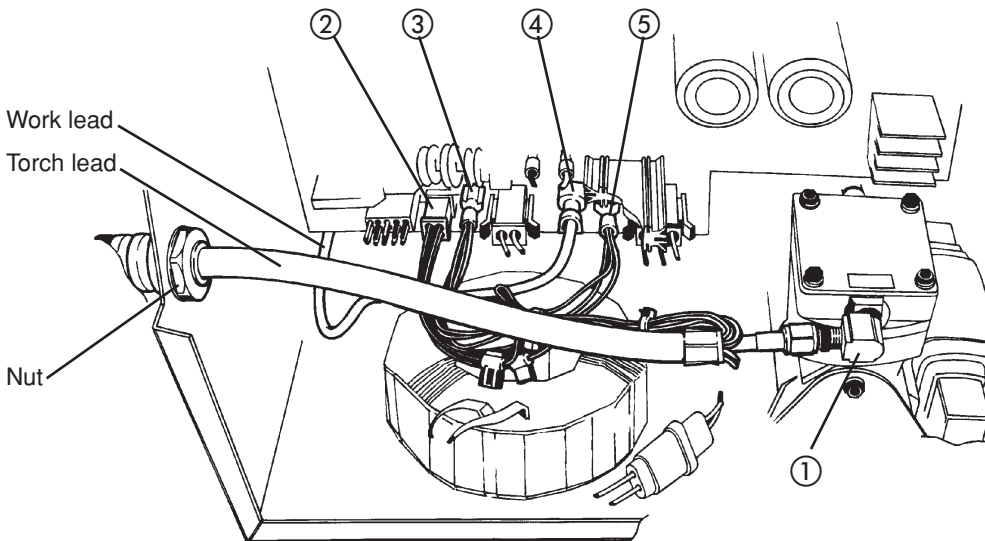
	<p>WARNING ELECTRIC SHOCK CAN KILL</p>
	<p>Disconnect electrical power before performing any maintenance. All work requiring removal of the power supply cover must be performed by a qualified technician.</p>

Torch Lead Connections

1. Remove the power supply cover.
2. Insert the torch lead through the strain relief and secure with nut.
3. Connect the air line to the compressor (1).
4. Make electrical connections (2), (3) and (4) to the circuit board as shown below.
Note: Do not tie any wires to the torch lead.

Work Lead Connection

1. Insert work lead through the strain relief, and install the strain relief into the front panel.
2. Connect the work lead (5) to the circuit board as shown below.



Technical Questions

If you are unable to fix the problem with your system by following this basic troubleshooting guide or if you need further assistance:

1. Call your distributor. He will be able to help you, or refer you to an authorized Hypertherm repair facility.
2. Call Hypertherm's Technical Service group or the nearest Hypertherm office, listed in the front of this manual.
3. See the Service Manual IM-366 (803660) for wiring diagrams, higher-level troubleshooting and more parts list information.

Parts

Powermax190c Power Supplies

Part Number	Description
070068	120 VAC, 1-Ph, 60 Hz
070070	230 VAC, 1-Ph, 50/60 Hz
070784	120 VAC, 1-Ph, 60 Hz (S/N ≥ 10,000)
070786	230 VAC, 1-Ph, 50/60 Hz (S/N ≥ 10,000)

Powermax190c Systems

Part Number	Description
070067	120 VAC, 1-Ph, 60 Hz, with torch and 20 ft (6 m) torch lead
070069	230 VAC, 1-Ph, 50/60 Hz, with torch and 20 ft (6 m) torch lead
070783	120 VAC, 1-Ph, 60 Hz, with torch and 20 ft (6 m) torch lead (S/N ≥ 10,000)
070785	230 VAC, 1-Ph, 50/60 Hz, with torch and 20 ft (6 m) torch lead (S/N ≥ 10,000)

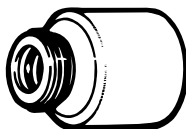
Consumable Parts

Part Number	Description
120880	Swirl Ring
120881	Electrode
120882	Nozzle
120883	Retaining Cap
120898	Shielded Retaining Cap
120884	Shield

Shield
120884



Shielded Retaining Cap
120898



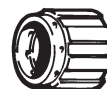
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Electrode
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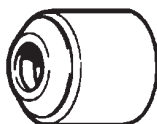


Swirl Ring
120880



Shielded Consumables

Retaining Cap
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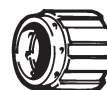
Nozzle
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Electrode
120881



Swirl Ring
120880



Unshielded Consumables

For CE compliance, do not use the unshielded consumables.

PAC105 Torch Assembly and 20 ft (6.1 m) Torch Lead – 128833

Item	Part Number	Description
1	001288	Handle
2	027254	Spring
3	002244	Safety Trigger Assembly
4	120874	Torch Main Body with Switch, PAC105
5	058503	O-Ring: VITON .625 X .070
6	075339	Screws (5), P/S, # 4 X 1/2, PH, RND, S/B
7	128478	Torch Lead Replacement Kit, 20 ft (6.1 m)
8	005202	Switch, Torch Pushbutton
	120880*	Swirl Ring
	120881*	Electrode
	120882*	Nozzle
	120898*	Shielded Retaining Cap
	120884*	Shield

* See page 5-6 for consumable parts.

