Bosch Router

Description
Router – 1618 EVS

Size / Horse power
2.25 HP / 8,000 – 25,000 RPM

Power source
120 Volts

Uses
Cutting edges on wood, laminate covered wood, and some plastics

Safety Precautions

Hazards
Flying debris (potential eye damage)
Electrical shock
Amputation
Entanglement of hair or clothing

Training
Shop Safety Fundamentals
Site Specific Training

Protective Equipment
Safety glasses
Hearing protection
Avoid loose fitting clothing
Tie back long hair

Operation

Startup
1. Put on PPE listed above
2. Ensure work area is clean and free of obstacles
3. Make necessary adjustments for safe operation
4. Inspect the tool for damage or obstructions to operation
5. Turn “ON” the power to the router by switching the power switch to the “I” position
6. Begin work by squeezing the trigger, the router can be locked “ON” by squeezing the trigger and depressing the “Lock-ON” button located just above the trigger and then releasing the trigger
7. Keep hands clear of bit

Shutdown
1. Turn “OFF” the router by releasing the trigger, if the “Lock-ON” feature is engaged, squeeze the trigger and release it without depressing the “Lock-ON” button
2. Allow the bit to come to a complete stop on its own
3. Turn “OFF” the power to the router by switching the power switch to the “O” position
4. Remove router from work piece

Maintenance

Storage

Care
Clean off router after you are done using. Always use a sharp bit
• Vacuum excess wood chips and saw dust
• Apply metal protectant to the table periodically

Accessories
• Collet Wrench
• Shaft Wrench
Installing / Removing Cutters

1. **Disconnect router from power supply**
2. Remove the chip shield
3. Hold the armature shaft in place with the shaft wrench
4. Use the collet wrench to loosen the collet chuck assembly in a counterclockwise direction
5. Remove router bit
6. Verify that the new bit’s shank is of the proper diameter for the collet to be used, insert the shank of the router bit into the collet chuck assembly as far as it will go, then back the shank out until the cutters are approximately 1/8” to 1/4” away from the collet nut face
7. With the shaft wrench holding the armature shaft, use the collet wrench to firmly tighten the collet chuck assembly in a clockwise direction

Variable Speed Control

1. To increase the speed and torque of your router, turn the variable speed control selector to a higher setting. Refer to the “**Speed Selection Chart**” for reference

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Set Depth of Cut

1. **Disconnect router from power supply.**
2. Hold the router in a horizontal position with the base clamp lever facing you.
3. Open the base clamp lever to release the motor.
4. To make a large depth adjustment, depress the coarse adjustment release lever and raise or lower to desired depth. There are three notches in the motor housing which are spaced 1/2” apart to facilitate this adjustment.
5. To make a fine depth adjustment, turn the fine adjustment knob clockwise to lower the router bit or counterclockwise to raise the bit.
6. Fasten the base clamp lever to secure adjustments.