

Gas Powered Blower

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Hazards Present:	PPE or Devices Required:	Additional Training Required:
Pinch points	Steel Toed Boots	
Flying debris	Hi Vis Vest; Safety Glasses	

Safe Work Procedure:

Assembling the Blower:

1. Line up the arrows on the flower tube with the housing stub. Push the tube into the fan housing stub.
2. Push the union nut over the fan housing stub and turn in the direction of the arrow until the tab engages the opening.
3. Push the nozzle onto the blower tube as far as the lug position and rotate it in the direction of the arrow to lock in position.
4. To remove the blower tube, insert a suitable tool through the opening in the union nut to press down the tab
5. Rotate the union nut in the direction of the arrow as far as the stop.
6. Remove the blower tube.

Assembling the Vacuum Shredder:

1. To mount the elbow into the catcher bag, push the elbow into the catcher bag as far as the mark (smaller arrow).
2. Tighten the strap on the neck of the catcher bag and press down the tab.
3. Close the zipper on the catcher bag.
4. To mount the bag and elbow to the housing, line up the arrows on the elbow with the arrows on the housing.
5. Push the elbow into the fan housing stub as far as the stop.
6. Push the union nut over the fan housing stub and turn it in the direction of the arrow until the tab engages the opening in the union nut.
7. Attach the suction tube by lining up the arrows on the suction tube with the arrows on the extension tube. Push together and lock in position.
8. Mount the suction tube onto the housing by inserting a screwdriver into the tap on the intake screen. Swing the screen to the right to disengage and open the intake screen.
9. Push the suction tube into the fan housing and line up the arrows. Push it in as far as the stop.
10. Push the union nut over the fan housing stub and turn it in the direction of the arrow until the tab engages the opening in the union nut.
11. Continue turning the union nut in the direction of the arrow and tighten it down firmly.
12. To remove the elbow or the suction tube, insert a suitable tool through the opening in the union nut to press down the tab. Rotate the union nut in the direction of the arrow as far as the stop
13. Remove the elbow or suction tube. After removing the suction tube close the intake screen and lock it into position.

Operating the blower :

1. The blower is designed for one-handed operation. It must be carried by the control handle in the right hand.
2. The vacuum shredder is designed for two-handed operation. Hold and operate the unit with your right hand on the control handle and your left hand on the assist handle.
3. Wear the catcher bag shoulder strap over your left shoulder, not across your chest. This enables you to quickly remove the power tool and catcher bag in an emergency.
4. If conditions are very dusty, dampen the surfaces before starting work. Pull out the nozzle to full length so that the airstream is at ground level to minimize dust. If dust levels are too high ask your supervisor for a dust mask.
5. To reduce the risk of injury from thrown objects, do not allow other persons within 5 meters of your own position
6. The blower produces toxic exhaust fumes as soon as the engine is running. Never run the engine indoors or in poorly ventilated locations

If an emergency situation occurs while conducting this task, or there is an equipment malfunction, engage the emergency stop and follow the lock out procedure
REPORT ANY HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS TO YOUR SUPERVISOR

<p style="text-align: center;">Guidance Documents/Standards:</p> <p>MB Workplace Safety & Health Act & Regulations:</p>	<p>This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed any time the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum of every three years</p> <p>Reviewed By WSH Committee:</p> <p>Date:</p>
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