

# American Pneumatic Tools BACKFILL TAMPERS

# **TOOL MAINTENANCE & REPAIR INFORMATION**

### FIELD OPERATION:

### Before use:

- 1. Check the tamping butt lock screw, it must be tightened securely.
- 2. Check to see that the piston has sufficient drag. Adjust packing nut accordingly.
- Fill the oil reservoir in cylinder head with air tool oil or 10W equivalent. 3.
- 4. Tighten extension pipe to cylinder head.
- 5. Tighten cylinder head securely to cylinder. Lock in place with locking device.
- Clean any water and/or dirt from air hose before connecting it to the tool. 6.

## **During use:**

- 1. For your safety and that of others, keep tool against work at all times.
- When moving from one work area to another, shut off air supply to tool. 2.
- 3. Use tool in conjunction with an in-line oiler when possible. Otherwise, refill with air tool oil or 10W equivalent approximately every two hours.
- 4. Avoid using the tool in a horizontal position.

### After use:

- Flush tool with cleaning solvent, then refill with air tool oil or 10W equivalent. 1.
- 2. Do not leave tool in water or dirt.
- Check to see that extension tube, cylinder head and cylinder are tight. Re-tighten 3. tamping butt lock screw.
- Store the tool well oiled. 4.

### TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE:

### If the tool runs erratically:

- Check to see that the extension pipe and cylinder head are tight, and that they are held tightly and securely on the cylinder.
- Check to see that packing nut is neither too loose nor too tight to ensure proper seal 2. between piston and packing nut.
- 3. Flush tool with cleaning solvent, then refill with air tool oil or 10W equivalent.
- If tool is still runs erratically, tool should be disassembled and checked for rust and/or dirt.

### If the tool butt becomes loose:

- Check to see that the piston is not damaged on the tapered end.
- Re-ream the tamper butt if possible. 2.
- 3. Heat tamping butt in boiling water then press tamping butt onto piston engaging the butt on the taper of the piston.
- 4. Replace tamping butt locking screw with a new one.

### If you cannot shut off the tool:

- Immediately turn off the air source, then disconnect the air supply. 1.
- Remove the throttle and valve plug and replace the O ring or rubber gasket on the valve. 2.

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