

Toolbox Safety Series
Safe Use of Power Nailers and Staplers



SESSION THREE
WARNING LABELS AND SYMBOLS



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SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

Tool users must

- choose the correct tool to perform the task
- read and understand the owner's manual
- work in a safe manner
- maintain tools according to the manufacturer's requirements.

Employers must ensure

- the employee uses the correct tool for the intended work task
- the tool is in good working condition
- the employee has read and understands the manufacturer's instructions and has been properly trained on the tool's use
- the employee uses the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).

Coworkers must

- alert others in their surroundings of potential hazards associated with tool use
- use appropriate PPE
- ensure that proper training for tool use has been conducted.

This Toolbox series provides both owners and users of nailers and staplers with some basic information on the safe use of their tools.

ANSI standard SNT-101, ISO standard 11148 Part 13, OSHA standards, manufacturer's instructions and recommendations, safety and construction practices, and recommendations were used to develop this Toolbox Safety Series.

TOPICS FROM PREVIOUS SESSIONS

Session 1: Choose the Correct Tool for the Job

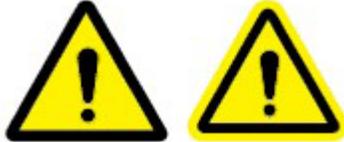
Session 2: Read and Understand All Safety, Use, and Maintenance Instructions

WARNING AND SAFETY LABELS

These basic warning labels are included in the safety instructions of many manuals and on the housing of many tools. The actual symbols intended to convey the same common meaning might vary by manufacturer.

Safety alert symbols

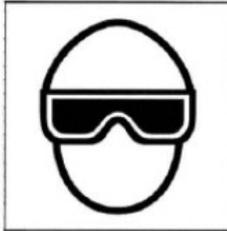
These are symbols alerting you to potential physical injury hazards. Follow all safety messages and symbols to avoid possible injury or death.

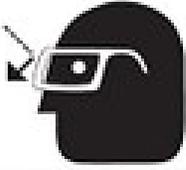
Caution	Danger, Caution, or Warning
	
<p><i>Symbols from ANSI Z535.4-2023, Criteria for Safety Symbols</i></p>	

Keep hands and other body parts away from tool contact point to avoid accidentally driving a fastener into your body.

 <p>Personal Injury</p>	
<p><i>Symbol from ANSI SNT-101</i></p>	<p><i>Symbol from ISO 11148 Part 13</i></p>

Wear eye protection.

	
<p><i>Symbol from ANSI SNT-101</i></p>	<p><i>Symbol from ISO 11148 Part 13</i></p>



A variety of other approved symbols may be used.

Wear hearing protection.

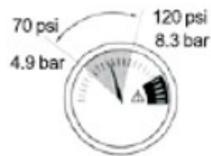


Symbol from ISO 11148 Part 13

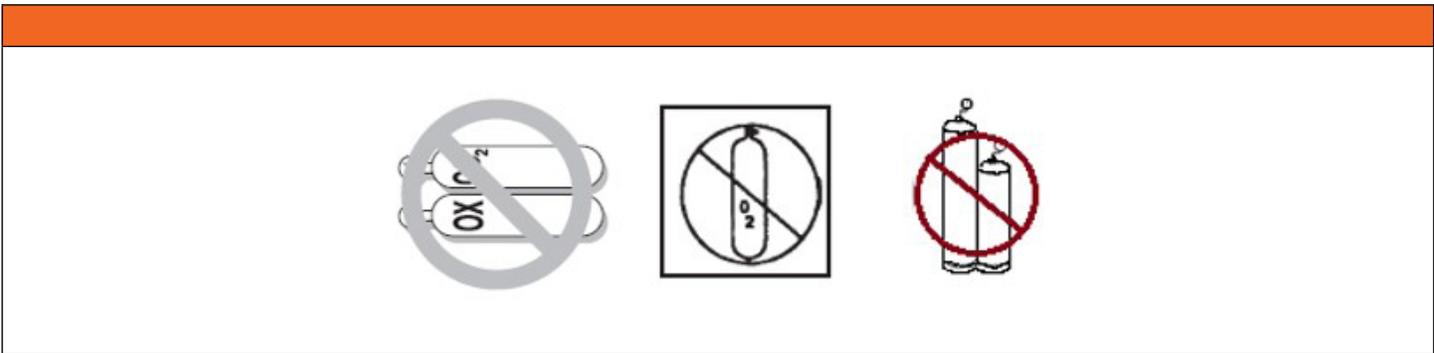


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Do not exceed tool operating air pressure.



Never use bottled or flammable gas to operate the tool.



The following represent labels that would be on a tool. Size and shape will vary based on the tool's size or space availability.

WARNING

- 1 Read and understand tool labels and manual. Failure to follow warnings could result in DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY
- 2 Operators and others in work area MUST wear safety glasses with side shields.
- 3 Keep fingers AWAY from trigger when not driving fasteners to avoid accidental discharge.
- 4 Know and understand what trigger system you are using. Check manual for triggering options.
- 5 NEVER point tool at yourself or others in work area.
- 6 Never use oxygen or other bottle gasses. Explosion may occur.

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	MIN	MAX			MIN	MAX		
Model XXXX	60	100	PSI	Fastener	1/4"	5/8"	Gauge / Ø	22.7 mm
Ser. No. <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	4.1	6.9	BAR	Length:	6.4 mm	15.9 mm	→ □ ←	3/8" 9.5 mm
Company Name, Location, Country of Manufacture								

QUIZ

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Model RZ127
Ser. No. X12433

Operating Pressure	MIN 60	MAX 101.6
	4.1	

Your Tool Co. - C

MIN	MAX
2"	4"

Diameter	0.113" to 0.135"
	2.87 to 3.42 mm

A. What should you do?

B. Why?

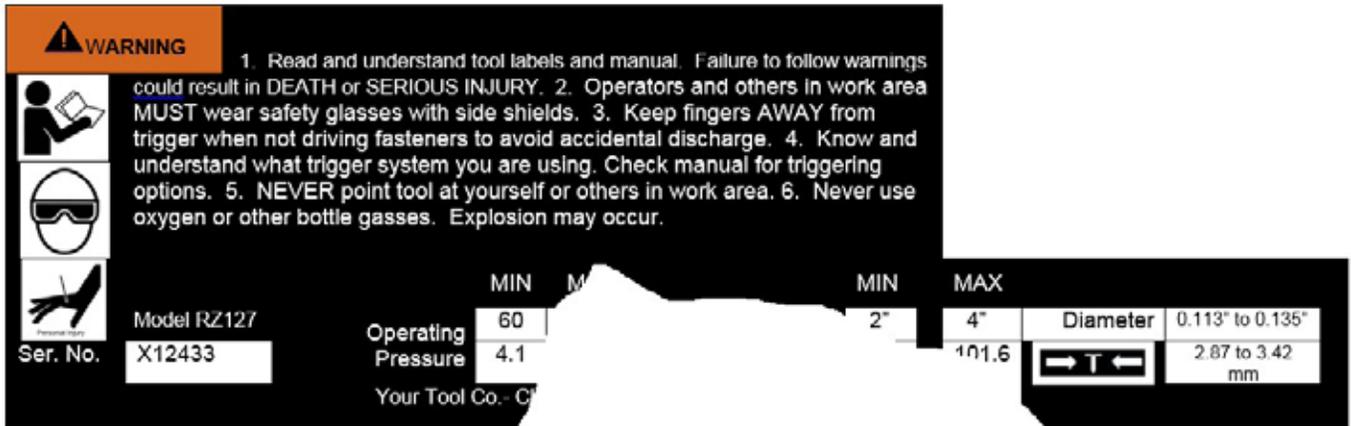
C. What does this symbol mean?



ANSWER KEY

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A. What should you do?

Possible answers: Check the tool for damage. Consult the owner's manual to determine max operating pressure.

B. Why?

Answer: Exceeding maximum pressure could result in injury. Other damage to the tool could exist, putting workers at risk of injury.

C. What does this symbol mean?



Answer: Keep your hand away.

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