

BASIC TECHNIQUES

Always control the scabbler with both hands then bring the scabbler into contact with the surface to be prepared.

Adopt a stable posture with both feet on firm level ground, do not work in areas where you are forced to stand on loose debris or on a slippery uneven surface.

On first contact with the surface, the scabbler will try to wander off line. Take great care until you become familiar with the tool.

Gently open the air valve allowing the scabbler head to move slowly at first, until the keying has started, this will stop the head from wandering over the work surface and causing unnecessary and expensive damage.

Once the keying is established, slowly open the air valve until the scabbler is running at full speed.

Never apply too much pressure, let the scabbler work at its own pace.

Lift it clear before turning OFF, and wait for moving parts to stop before putting it aside.

EQUIPMENT CARE

Never push the equipment beyond its design limits. If it will not do what you want with reasonable ease, assume you have the wrong tool for the job. Ask at your local HSS Hire Shop for advice.

Regularly check the condition of the head/s, if they show signs of excessive wear contact your local HSS Hire Shop for a replacement unit.

Keep the equipment clean. You will find this less of a chore if you clean up regularly, rather than wait until the end of the hire period.

When not in use, store the equipment somewhere clean, dry and safe from thieves.

FINISHING OFF

Switch OFF the compressor, open the scabbler's air valve until all the stored air has been released, then disconnect the air hose.

Thoroughly clean the scabbler, then neatly coil the air hose ready for return to your local HSS Hire Shop.



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HSS Hire Shops



Air Scabblers

For roughing the surface of concrete and masonry.



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GENERAL SAFETY

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Hire Shop.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area.

Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

This equipment should only be used by a competent person who has read and understood these instructions.

Ensure the work area is well lit and ventilated. Do not work near flammable gases or liquids.



Safety Goggles MUST be worn by everyone in the work area.



NOTE: Some materials being scabbled by this process may contain substances which can be harmful to health. A suitable mask must be worn when using this equipment.



NOTE: This equipment generates potentially harmful noise levels. To comply with health and safety at work regulations, ear defenders must be worn by everyone in the vicinity.



Wear practical, protective clothing and footwear. Avoid loose garments and jewellery that could catch in moving parts.

Check the equipment before use. If it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, return it.

If working above ground-level, work from a suitable, stable platform - an access tower for example. Never work from ladders or steps.

Take special care when scabbling surfaces which may contain pipework or electrical cables. If in doubt, hire a cable avoiding tool from your local HSS Hire Shop, to determine the exact position of such hazards.

Never allow compressed air to travel down an air hose which is not connected to an air tool, this may cause personal injury.

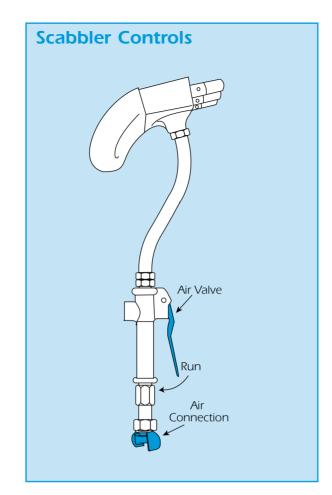
Information on COSHH regulations is available from your local HSS Hire Shop.

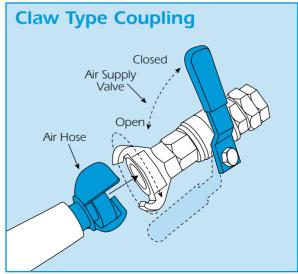
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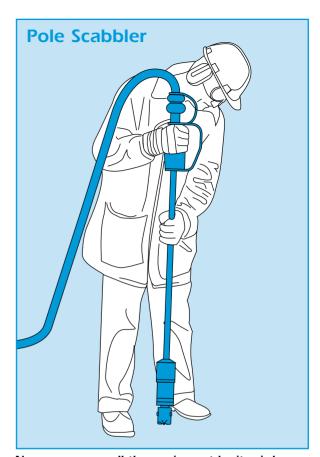
Most HSS air tools require a 125 cfm compressor to run them. The air connections used are the claw type quick action couplings.

If the tool fails, or if its hose or coupling gets damaged, return it. Never try to repair it yourself.

Keep the air hose/s out of harm's way, keep it clear of moving parts. Never run them through water, over sharp edges or where they could trip someone.







Never carry or pull the equipment by its air hose.

Ensure the air supply is turned OFF before connecting or disconnecting it from the air hose. Isolate it from the air supply before making any adjustments.

GETTING STARTED

With the compressor warmed up, and its air supply valve CLOSED, connect the air hose to the compressor by pushing it on to the air supply valve and turning clockwise.

Anchor the delivery end of the air hose so that it is not aimed at any person or property then, taking great care, slightly open the air supply valve to clear the hose of any debris. Then fully close the valve and switch off the compressor.

Confirm that the scabbler's air valve is in the closed position, then connect the delivery hose to the **scabbler** in the same way as to the compressor.

Fully open the compressor's air supply valve and start the compressor.