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SPR-12 ®





ALUMINUM SELF-PIERCING RIVET GUN MODEL SPR12 INSTRUCTION MANUAL

FEATURES OF THE RIVET GUN

Thank you for purchasing Aluminum Collision Tools' Self-Piercing Rivet Gun. Our safe and easy-to-handle tool uses a high-quality lithium-ion battery to power the high-pressure hydraulic system and the control system.

The rivet gun is designed specifically for work on aluminum alloy vehicle bodies.

Aluminum Collision Tools' Self-Piercing Rivet Gun:

- Is efficient and highly portable.
- Uses a micro-computer control system that monitors pressure and automatically retracts the ram after the rivet is installed. The output pressure is adjustable.
 - Features a manual reset button, which halts the forward movement of the piston and automatically retracts it to starting position.
 - Features arms that rotate 360 degrees, making it easy to use in different spots.
 - Comes with a "C" yoke.

BEFORE USING THE SELF-PIERCING RIVET GUN

Before using the Aluminum Collision Tools Self-Piercing Rivet Gun **for the first time**, read the "Be Safe" and "Limited Warranty" sections at the end of this manual.

Each time you use the rivet gun, carefully examine the charger, batteries, and rivet gun itself to make sure all components are in working order. Also examine the punches, dies, and yoke and make sure that the battery connection is good.

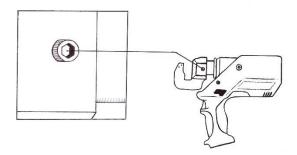
Charging and using the battery

- Completely charge the battery before the first use of the rivet gun.
- Do not take apart the batteries, rivet gun, or battery charger. If problems occur with the rivet gun or components during use, contact Aluminum Collision Tools for authorized repairs. Taking apart the tool or its components voids the warranty and may be dangerous.

- When the battery reaches its low-voltage threshold, the rivet gun will beep three times and the LED will flash three times.
- The life cycle of each battery is about 600 cycles, after which the battery will need to be replaced. If
 the battery's useful charge has gotten shorter, it is a good indicator that replacement is required.

 Never completely discharge the battery, as it damages the battery.
 - Every couple of months, fully charge the batteries without interruption. If you do not plan to use
 the rivet gun for an extended period, remove the battery. Do not fully charge batteries that will be
 stored for extended periods.
 - Never put a battery in a fire, as explosion and personal injury may occur.
- Never expose the rivet gun and its components to rain or high humidity, as such exposure increases
 the possibility of electrical shock.
 - If the tool does get wet, take off the battery and re-install it only after the rivet gun dries.

Safely operating the rivet gun

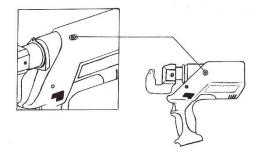


- Make sure the stop screws are tight before using the rivet gun, as they prevent the yoke from coming off during operation. Only remove the stop screws when changing to a different yoke.
 - Remove the battery when changing dies to prevent pinching.
- Keep the rivet gun's handle and trigger clean, as grease and dirt can make the tool slip out of your hand.

Adjusting the pressure

Typically, the failure of the rivet to become flush (crowned or concave) following installation will necessitate increasing the pressure. If the rivet is over installed (concave) on the installation, the tool may have the pressure decreased.

The tool was factory set at the typical appropriate pressure. In the event that the force pressure needs to be adjusted the tool is designed for this event. Before any adjustments are made, please confirm that the proper length rivet is being used.



Increase the pressure by turning the adjustment knob in a clockwise manner and for decreasing pressure, turn the adjustment know in a counter clockwise manner.

Perform the adjustments in small increments and test prior to use.

SPECIFICATIONS AND COMPONENTS

Specifications

Capacity: 20-50KN (adjustable) Riveting time: 3 to 5 seconds

Power: Electro-hydraulic actuator Noise: 75 decibels

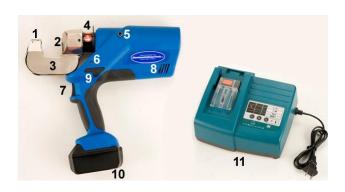
Charging time: about two hours Weight: 9.9 pounds (4.5 kilograms)

Continuous use: about 350 rivets

Charging source: AC 100V 50-60 Hz (auto-switching)

Working temperatures: 14 to 140 degrees Fahrenheit (-10 to 40 degrees Celsius)

Rivet Gun Parts and Components



- 2. Rivet Holding Die
 - 3. "C" yoke
- 4. Installation area for tool balancer attachment
 - 5. Pressure adjustment knob
 - 6. Warning light
 - 7. Trigger
 - 8. Vent
 - 9. Manual retraction button
 - 10. Lithium-ion battery
 - 11. Battery Charger

1. Closing Head Die holder

Included Die Sets

For Self-Piercing Rivets:



36-PRR-16 & 36-PRR-17

(3mm rivet holding die and closing head die)



36-SA-0400 & 36-SA-0401

(5mm rivet holding die and closing head die)





36-SA-0400 & 36-SA-0402

(5mm rivet holding die and closing head die)





36-PRR-16 & 36-PRR-15

For Removing Rivets:



36-PRR-10 & 36-PRR-11

(5mm male/female)



36-PRR-12 & 36-PRR-13

(3mm male/female)

For Flattening:



36-PRR-14 & 36-PRR-14

Additional Accessories

Please contact Aluminum Collision Tools to find out about yokes and other options that are available. All update and upgrade see product updates at the end of this manual

HOW TO USE THE SELF-PIERCING RIVET GUN

CAUTION, VERY IMPORTANT!

When installing a die in the piston ram and yoke for any kind of operation, the **USER MUST TIGHTEN THE THREADS FULLY** or **DAMAGE** to the die or tool will occur.

Self piercing rivet die installation options

- 3mm SPR installation requires the 36-PRR-16 rivet holding die & the 36-PRR-17 closing head
- 2. 5mm SPR installation with a stack height of 4.1mm to 7.1mm uses the 36-SA-400 rivet holding die

and the 36-SA-401 closing head.

3. 5mm SPR installation with a stack height of 7.5m to 11.00mm uses the 36-SA-400 rivet holding die

and the 36-SA-402 closing head.

For Solid Rivet installation

1. 36-PRR-16 die and the 36-PRR-15 closing head.

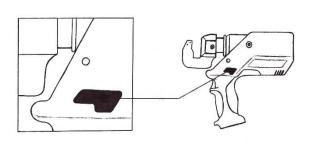
For Removing Rivets

- 1. 3mm rivet removal uses the 36-PRR-12 punch and the 36-PRR-13 female die.
- 2. 5mm rivet removal uses the 36-PRR-10 punch and the 36-PRR-11 female die.

For Flattening

1. Flattening requires the use two of the 36-PRR-14 flattening dies.

How to Install a Self-Piercing Rivet





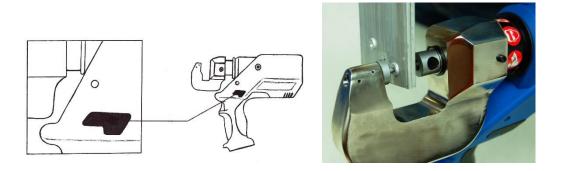
Installation of self piercing rivets

Before each rivet installation make sure the piston ram is fully retracted. If piston ram is not fully retracted press the manual retraction button until full retraction is completed.

Install dies into the SPR12. The rivet holding die must be installed on the piston side of the SPR12 rivet gun with the closing head die installed on the stationary side of the C-yoke. (See chart above for rivet die combinations).

Place rivet to be installed into the rivet holding die taking extra caution that the rivet is seated securely in place with the help of the magnet located in the center of the die. Once the SPR12 with rivet is in the desired position squeeze the trigger and hold until the install process is completed and the piston has started automatic retraction.

How to Take Out a Rivet



Removal of rivet

Before each rivet removal make sure the piston ram is fully retracted. If piston ram is not fully retracted press the manual retraction button until full retraction is completed.

Install rivet removal dies into the SPR12. The male die must be installed on the stationary side of the C-yoke and the female die installed into the piston side of the SPR12. Place tip of male die in the center of the formed side of the rivet to be removed. Then press the trigger extending the piston which holds the female die and continue holding the trigger until rivet is punched out and automatic retraction has started. The punched out rivet must be removed from female die before any other rivet removal is attempted.

How to Flatten Sheet Metal



Flatten sheet metal

Before use make sure the piston ram is fully retracted. If piston ram is not fully retracted press the manual retraction button until full retraction is completed.

Install one flatting die into the stationary side of the C-yoke as well as one flatting die into the piston side of the SPR12.

Once placed into desired position squeeze trigger until the flattening process is completed and the automatic retraction has started.

BE SAFE

Common sense is required to use this tool. If the Self-Piercing Rivet Gun does not seem to functioning properly, has parts missing, or is being used in a manner dangerous to the operator or anyone else, stop using the tool immediately.

Electrical

The rivet gun is an electric tool, so electric shock is possible. Only a qualified technician should make electrical connections. Do not:

- Modify the battery charger plug or use an adapter with it.
- Expose the rivet gun or components to wet or very humid conditions.
 - Burn or short-circuit the battery.

Personal Safety

The Self-Piercing Rivet Gun should only be used by operators who know about proper riveting practices. No one under 18 years old or without training should utilize this tool. The rivet gun should be kept away from children or people not trained to use it.

You should:

- Always wear safety goggles, hearing protection, and appropriate non-slipping gloves.
 - Only use the rivet gun indoors.
- Not put your fingers or any other body part between the rivet gun's jaws, as you could be seriously hurt.
 - Never use the tool when tired or under the influence of alcohol or medication.
- Not put the rivet gun on an uneven or unstable surface, as it may fall and harm you or the tool.
 - Not use the tool where gas, dust, or flammable or explosive liquids are present.
 - Not store the tool near gases and corrosive liquids or in high temperatures.
- Not use or store the rivet gun in extremely cold or extremely hot temperatures, as either
 can deform the plastic body, damage the battery, and shorten the life of electronic parts.

Service Recommendation:

- Battery should be used and cycled regularly to maintain battery life.
 - Always inspect rivet gun Prior to use.
- Unit should be returned for service and inspection every 3 years or 200,000 Rivet cycles.
 - Service Should and repairs should be done by an Aluminum Collision Tools Certified
 Service Center only.
 - Do not open or work on inside of rivet gun. This will void your warranty
- Modifications or non-factory upgrades and alterations of equipment will void warranty.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Aluminum Collision Tools* warrants Self-Piercing Rivet Guns for twelve (12) months after purchase against defects in materials or workmanship that arise under normal use if used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and warnings. This warranty is limited to repair, replacement, or refund of the purchase price of the defective tool at the option of Aluminum Collision Tools. The purchaser must have a copy of the original purchase receipt and contact Aluminum Collision Tools for return authorization and instructions. Return and replacement shipping charges must be paid by the purchaser. This warranty extends only to the original purchaser, and the warranty does not cover normal wear and tear nor tools that have been: modified, disassembled, altered, or repaired by anyone other than Aluminum Collision Tools, or misused, abused, or used contrary to the manufacturer's instructions or warnings.

Note: Yoke and Piston thread damage is not covered under warranty

Battery has A 180 day warranty from date of purchase:

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Any limitation in this warranty that conflicts with the law of an applicable jurisdiction shall be deemed modified to comport to the minimum warranty permitted under that law.

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Product Update: 04-01-2021



Battery display provided for batteries w/o Power Meters, Rivet Cycle displays counts the number of riveting cycles that rivet Gun has processed. Display turns on when rivet gun trigger switch in engaged. This update is for all SPR-12 V2 = (Version 2 Models)

- New to this model upgraded rivet removal dies; the new design increases life of the die (mandrel) and reduces the Sticking, and hole run out. All will interchange with V1 Rivet gun
 - A.) 36-PRR-10 5mm Punch Die
 - B.) 36-PRR-12 3mm Punch Die



Note: All Rivet Dies (Mandrels) will interchange with both the V1 & V2 Rivet gun models

3.) Unit Includes Rivet Die (mandrel) Storage Cylinders quantity of 12. This accessory is subject to change without notice and carries no monetary value. But is a great addition to your kit. **See Part # GAT-SPR-2012**

4.) Update Rivet Dies kit From 12 To 16 Total dies (Updated 04-01-22)



5.) Upgraded Large "C" Yoke add 9 Total attachments (Updated 04-01-22)



Rivet Die Chart

SPR-12 Rivet Die & Mandrel - Re-Order Guide

Forming Dies



TYD-36-PRR-15 Solid Rivets - Forming



TYD-36-SA-0401 **5mm Forming**



TYD-36-SA-0402 **5mm Forming**



TYD-36-PRR-17 **3mm Forming**

Removal Dies



TYD-36-PRR-13 3mm - Female Removal



TYD-36-PRR-12 3mm - Male Removal 5mm - Female Removal 3mm - Male Removal



TYD-36-PRR-11



TYD-36-PRR-12

Punch & Flattening Dies



TYD-36-PRR-16 3mm Punch



TYD-36-SA-0400 **5mm Punch**



TYD-36-PRR-14 **Flattening Dies**

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Other Rivet Dies



GAT-PR5-10HD 5mm Male Removal PR5 Compatibility



GAT-ES-5mm Elastomer Spring PR5 Compatibility



GAT-PR5-12HD 3mm Male Removal PR5 Compatibility



GAT-ES-3mm Elastomer Spring PR5 Compatibility



GAT-PR5-11HD 5mm FemaleRemoval PR5 Compatibility



GAT-PR5-13HD 3mm Female Removal PR5 Compatibility



GAT-36-CPD-C10 Flow Form Calibration Punch

PR5 Compatibility



GAT-SPR-399-5MM 5mm Punch Die Works with: SPR-12, SPR-12-V2, ESR800



GAT-36-C11-3MM 3mm Female Punch Removal/Flow Form SPR-12, SPR-V2 Pr-5, and ESR800



GAT-36-C11-5MM 5mm Female Punch Removal/Flow Form SPR-12, SPR-V2 Pr-5, and ESR800



GAT-FFD-FF10 Flow Form Die - Rivet Head Side SPR-12 & PR5 Compatibility



GAT-FFD-FF11 Flow Form Die - Forming Side SPR-12 & PR5 Compatibility



GAT-PRR-25-EXT 25mm Die Extension SPR-12, SPR-V2 Pr-5, and ESR800



GAT-PRR-35-EXT 35mm Die Extension SPR-12, PR-5, & ESR800 SPR



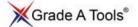
GAT-GYS-DF-E1 E1 Extractor Die Compatible with # SPR67 & SPR68 GYS Gun # 053861, 056893



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All warranty repairs must be authorized and noted with a WRA# (warranty return authorization).

Contact your place of purchase for the Warranty Return Authorization number (WRA#).

Service Recommendations

- 1.) Service and Clean your equipment as needed always inspect the equipment prior to use
- 2.) Inspect all rivet dies (mandrels) checking for any damage or ware and replace as needed
 - 3.) Rivet Gun should be calibrated and inspected every 200,000 Rivet cycles or 3 Years whichever occurs first.
 - 4.) Inspections should be done by Certified Service Center of Aluminum Collision Tools
- 5.) Service Center will inspect and recalibrate pressure settings and check equipment and advise customer to any repairs as need. Equipment owner will be responsible for any damages and or parts needed that are outside of the 1 Year warranty Period.