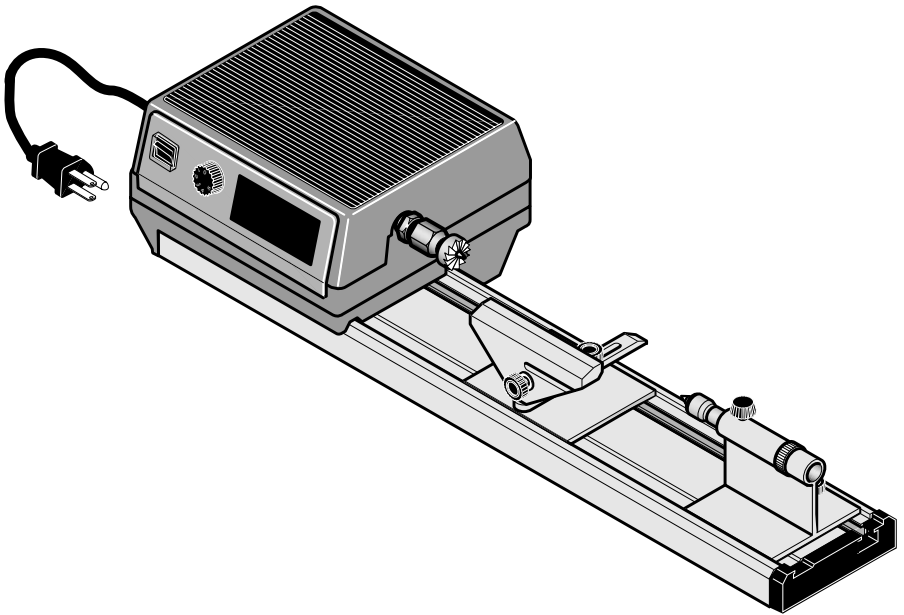


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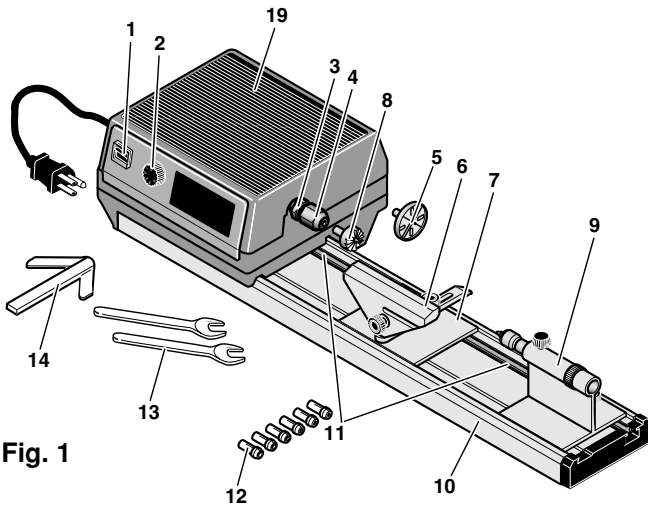


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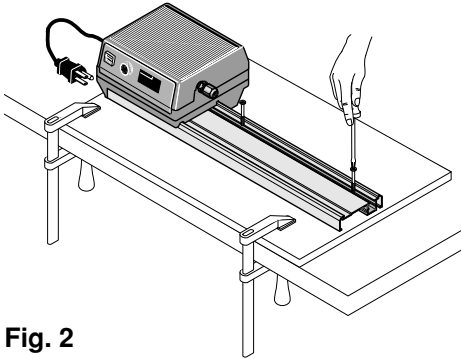


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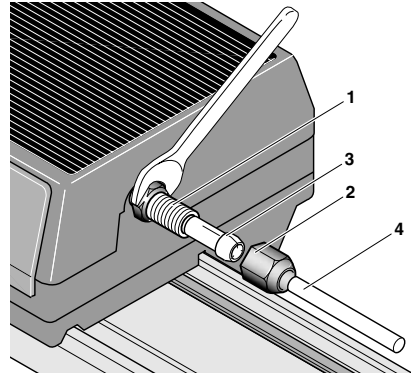


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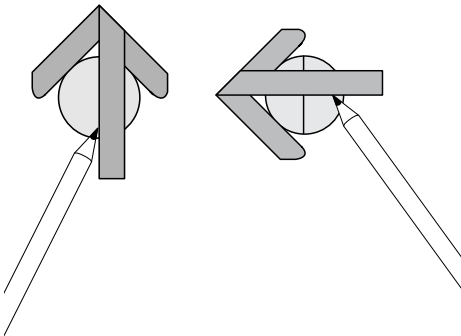


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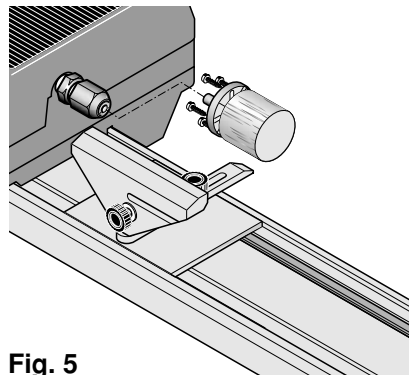


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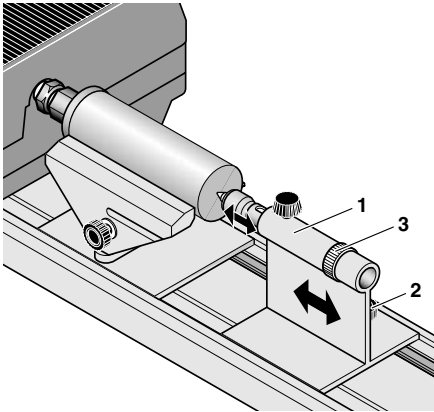


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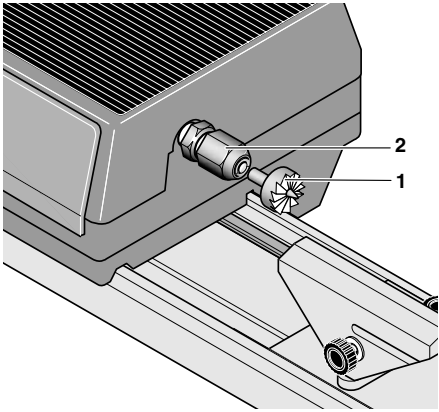


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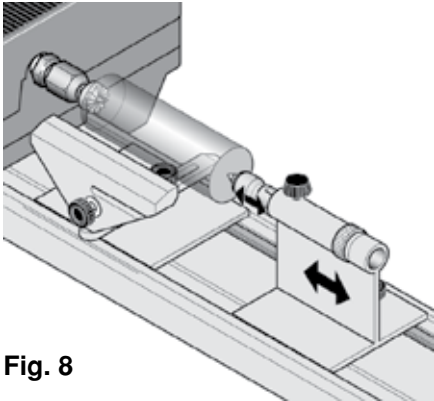


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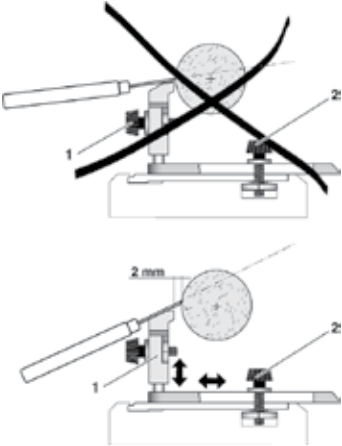


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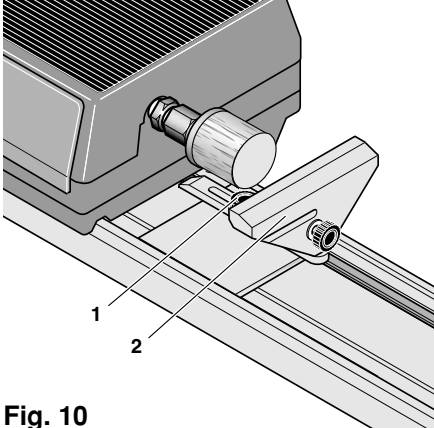


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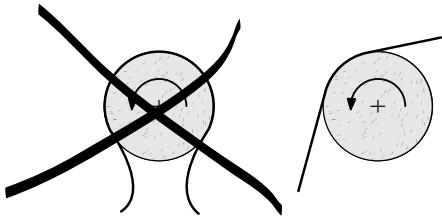


Fig. 11

Operating Instructions

DB 250

Instructions for the use of the Micro wood turning lathe DB 250

Dear Customer,
In order to be able to operate the wood turning lathe safely and correctly, please carefully read the following safety and operating instructions prior to use.

This instruction manual covers:

- safety regulations
- operation and maintenance
- spare parts list

Please read carefully and become familiar with this entire instructions manual. Learn the tool's applications, limitations and possible hazards.

Using this instruction manual will

- make it easier for you to get used to the machine,
- help prevent faults occurring due to improper use and
- increase the service life of your machine.

Keep this instruction manual in an easily accessible place. Only operate this machine if you are qualified to do so and follow the guidelines in this instruction manual.

PROXXON does not accept responsibility for the safe functioning of the machine

- if it is handled in a manner which constitutes improper use,
- if it is used for other purposes which are not specified in the instruction manual,
- if the safety regulations are not observed.

Warranty claims are invalid if

- the machine is incorrectly operated,
- the machine has not been sufficiently maintained.

In the interests of your safety, please always observe the safety regulations.

Only use genuine PROXXON spare parts.

We reserve the right to make further alterations for the purpose of technical progress.

We wish you every success with your machine.

Safety instructions

1. KEEP GUARDS IN PLACE and in working order.
2. REMOVE ADJUSTING KEYS AND WRENCHES. Form habit of checking to see that keys and adjusting wrenches are removed from tool before turning it on.
3. KEEP WORK AREA CLEAN. Cluttered areas and benches invite accidents.
4. DON'T USE IN DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT. Don't use power tools in damp or wet locations, or expose them to rain. Keep work area well lighted.
5. KEEP CHILDREN AWAY. All visitors should be kept safe distance from work area.
6. MAKE WORKSHOP KID PROOF with padlocks, master switches, or by removing starter keys.
7. DON'T FORCE TOOL. It will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
8. USE RIGHT TOOL. Don't force tool or attachment to do a job for which it was not designed.
9. USE PROPER EXTENSION CORD. Make sure your extension cord is in good condition. When using an extension cord, be sure to use one heavy enough to carry the current your product will draw. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating. Table 1 shows the correct size to use depending on cord length and nameplate ampere rating. If in doubt, use the next heavier gage. The smaller the gage number, the heavier the cord.
10. WEAR PROPER APPAREL. Do not wear loose clothing, gloves, neckties, rings, bracelets, or other jewelry which may get caught in moving parts. Nonslip footwear is recommended. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair. Exception: The reference to gloves may be omitted from the instructions for a grinder.
11. ALWAYS USE SAFETY GLASSES. Also use face or dust mask if cutting operation is dusty. Everyday eyeglasses only have impact resistant lenses, they are NOT safety glasses.
12. SECURE WORK. Use clamps or a vise to hold work when practical. It's safer than using your hand and it frees both hands to operate tool.
13. DON'T OVERREACH. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
14. MAINTAIN TOOLS WITH CARE. Keep tools sharp and clean for best and safest performance. Follow instructions for lubricating and changing accessories.
15. DISCONNECT TOOLS before servicing; when changing accessories, such as blades, bits, cutters, and the like.
16. REDUCE THE RISK OF UNINTENTIONAL STARTING. Make sure switch is in off position before plugging in.
17. USE RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES. Consult the owner's manual for recommended accessories. The use of improper accessories may cause risk of injury to persons.
18. NEVER STAND ON TOOL. Serious injury could occur if the tool is tipped or if the cutting tool is unintentionally contacted.
19. CHECK DAMAGED PARTS. Before further use of the tool, a guard or other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function – check for alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting, and any other conditions that may affect its operation. A guard or other part that is damaged should be properly repaired or replaced.
20. DIRECTION OF FEED. Feed work into a blade or cutter against the direction of rotation of the blade or cutter only.
21. NEVER LEAVE TOOL RUNNING UNATTENDED. TURN POWER OFF. Don't leave tool until it comes to a complete stop.
22. WHEN SERVICING USE ONLY IDENTICAL REPLACEMENT PARTS.
23. TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, THIS EQUIPMENT HAS A POLARIZED PLUG. (One blade is wider than the other). This plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.

Table 1:
Minimum gage for cord:

Total length of cord in feet	25 ft	50 ft	100 ft	150 ft
AWG:	18	16	16	14

Additional safety instructions:

- Ensure the workplace is tidy.
- Check the unit for damage before use* (connection cable, protective devices, etc.), have defective parts replaced by qualified personnel.
- This unit corresponds to the pertinent safety regulations. Repairs (e.g., replacement of the power supply lead) may only be performed by a qualified electrician
- Never work without the safety equipment fitted.
- Do not use electrical power tools in the rain, in damp surroundings or in the vicinity of flammable liquids or gases.
- Only use the tool when the handle is dry and free from grease.
- Avoid contact with earthed components, e.g., pipes, radiators, ovens and refrigerators.
- Protect the connection lead from heat and sharp edges and route it so it cannot be damaged.
- Do not remove the plug from the socket by pulling on the cable.
- Do not pick up the unit by the cable.
- Keep children and third parties away from the workplace.
- Keep tools in childsafe locations when not in use.
- Do not overload the tool.
- Do not use the tool to perform operations for which it is not suitable.
- Replace blunt tools in good time.
- Visually inspect application tools to ensure they are in good working order and suitable for the task prior to setting up the job.
- Fasten tools securely.
- Clean the unit thoroughly following all work
- Disconnect the plug from the power supply when the unit is not in use, before performing maintenance, tool replacement or repair work.
- Only plug the unit in when the unit is switched off.
- Always wear protective goggles (danger of tool breakage).
- If necessary, wear a protective dust mask.
- Only use appropriate working clothes (no loose sleeves, ties, jewellery).
- Wear a hair net if you have long hair.
- Only use accessories and spare parts recommended by PROXXON
- Observe the max. permitted rotational speed
- If necessary, use dust extract equipment
- Do not use the tool when you are tired or under the influence of alcohol.
- Keep fingers away from rotating or fast moving tools (saws, etc.).
- Keep the operation instructions in a safe place.

Additional safety instructions for wood lathes:

1. Wear eye protection.
2. Tighten all locks before operating.
3. Rotate workpiece by hand before applying power.
4. Rough out workpiece before installing on faceplate.
5. Do not mount split workpiece or one containing knot.
6. Use lowest speed when starting new workpiece.
7. Remove the mains plug for all adjustment work!
8. Always wear protective goggles!
9. Do not wear loose gloves or any loose clothing when working on the lathe!
10. Do not use any grossly out-of-centre non-machined parts.

3 Grounding instructions

In the event of a malfunction or breakdown, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This tool is equipped with an electric cord having an equipment-grounding conductor and a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into a matching outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

Do not modify the plug provided – if it will not fit the outlet, have the proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

Improper connection of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in a risk of electric shock. The conductor with insulation having an outer surface that is green with or without yellow stripes is the equipment-grounding conductor. If repair or replacement of the electric cord or plug is necessary, do not connect the equipment-grounding conductor to a live terminal.

Check with a qualified electrician or service personnel, if the grounding instructions are not completely understood, or if in doubt as to whether the tool is properly grounded. Use only 3-wire extension cords that have 3-prong grounding plugs and 3-pole receptacles that accept the tool's plug.

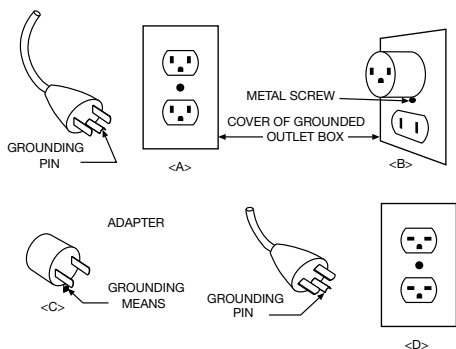
Repair or replace damaged or worn cord immediately.

This tool is intended for use on a circuit that has an outlet that looks like the one illustrated in Sketch A in Figure 6.

The tool has a grounding plug that looks like the plug illustrated in Sketch A in Figure 6. A temporary adapter, which looks like the adapter illustrated in Sketches B and C, may be used to connect this plug to a 2-pole receptacle as shown in Sketch B if a properly grounded outlet is not available. The temporary adapter should be used only until a properly grounded outlet can be installed by a qualified electrician. The green-colored rigid ear, lug, and the like, extending from the adapter must be connected to a permanent ground such as a properly grounded outlet box.

WARNING:

Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:



- lead from lead-based paints,
- crystalline silica from bricks and cement and other masonry products, and
- arsenic and chromium from chemically-treated lumber.

Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

Use a vacuum cleaner for wood dust collection as described in our manual whenever possible.

Description of the machine

You will find the PROXXON Micro wood turning lathe, DB 250 is ideal for turning small workpieces of wood or similar materials. This lathe is not suitable for working metals. The basic equipment includes: 6 chucks: 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 10 mm (.07, .11, .15, .23, .31, .39 in.), 2 chuck keys, 1 lathe centre, 1 drive spike, 1 workpiece holder and 1 centring ruler.

Overall view (Fig. 1):

1. On/off switch
2. Speed control
3. Spanner flats
4. Spindle with collet chuck
5. Work piece holder for motor-driven spindle
6. Support
7. Base plate
8. Drive spike
9. Tailstock with tailstock quill.
10. Bed
11. Holes for table fastening
12. Collet chucks
13. Check key
14. Centring ruler

Technical data

Voltage:	115 Volt, 50/60Hz
Power rating:	100 W
Speed:	1.000-5.000/min
Centre distance:	ca. 250 mm (9 ^{27/32} " in.)
Centre height:	40 mm (1 ^{37/64} " in.)
Spindle clearance:	10 mm (13/32" in.)
Dimensions:	ca. 490 x 150 x 95 mm (19,29 x 5,91 x 3,74 in.)
Weight:	2,2 kg (4,9 lb)
Noise emission:	≤ 70 dB (A)

Installation of the wood turning lathe

Before starting work on the wood turning lathe, use the wood screws to attach the machine to a stable wooden board. The wooden board can subsequently be fixed to the table by means of a vice (Fig. 2).

Operation

Fitting round rods in the collet chuck

The collet chucks supplied can be used to easily clamp round pieces of wood with the following diameters: ⁵/₁₆" , ⁷/₁₆" , ⁵/₃₂" , ¹³/₁₆" , ⁵/₁₆" and ¹³/₃₂" (2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 mm). For this purpose use the key to block motor-driven spindle 1 (Fig. 3), and unscrew nut 2. Place the requested collet chuck 3, and slightly attach the nut. Insert work piece 4 in the collet chuck, and tighten the nut by hand Check for true running manually. Subsequently, use the second key to tighten the nut.

Note:

Carefully tension the nut in order to prevent the collet chuck being damaged!

To this end, please proceed as described in the section "Clamping of long workpieces" on the next page. Long work pieces must be provided with additional support on the tailstock side.

Clamping round wood in the workpiece holder

Clamping round wood that is very thick in relation to its length:

1. Mark two saw-lines with the centring ruler (fig. 4). Use a fine saw blade to saw along the lines to a depth of 2 mm.
2. At the point where the two lines cross, bore a hole of about 2mm dia. and 5 mm depth
3. Position the workpiece on the holder as shown in fig. 5 and screw it fast.
4. Fix the workpiece with the holder in drive spindle 1, as described in chapter 1 for the clamping of round rod.
5. Push tailstock 1 (fig. 6) up to the back end of the workpiece and clamp it fast to the bed with knurled nut
6. Turn knurled nut 3 to bring the point into contact with the workpiece so that it is fixed.

Clamping of long workpieces (thicker than 10 mm)

1. Insert drive spike 1 (fig. 7) in the drive spindle and screw it tight (as described in the clamping of round rod).
2. Push tailstock up to the back end of the workpiece as shown in fig. 8 and clamp it fast to the bed with the knurled nut, exactly as described in the previous section.
3. Turn the knurled nut to bring the point into contact with the workpiece so that it is fixed
4. Adjust tool rest 1 so that it is positioned about 2 mm from the workpiece (fig. 9) The holder arm can be clamped fast in the required position with screw 2.
5. If required, the knurled screw can be loosened in order to adjust the sideways inclination of the tool rest.

If plates or similar shapes are to be turned, the work piece must be screwed down to the holding device (Fig. 5). Ensure that the screws do not protrude from the work piece after machining.

Risk of injury!

Tip: Particularly short work pieces are fastened by screwing an intermediate plate to the holding device (as described above), and attaching the work piece to the intermediate plate with double sided adhesive tape.

Longitudinal turning

Note!

Prior to turning, always remove centring key 2 (Fig. 4).

1. Check the work piece for true running by turning manually.
2. Set support 1 (Fig. 9) so that the space is about 2 mm (.07 in.).
3. Tighten screw 2.
4. When turning, hold the chisel as shown in Fig. 9.

Transverse turning

1. Undo screw 1 (Fig. 10) and turn support 2 by 90 degrees. Allow the support to engage in pad 3.
2. Set the distance from the work piece, and tighten screw 1 again.

Reworking the work piece

After turning the work piece can be ground with a fine abrasive cloth at medium speed, and coloured designs can be applied by brush when the machine is operating at minimum speed.

When grinding, ensure that the abrasive cloth does not wrap around the workpiece (Fig. 11).

Risk of Injury!

Maintenance

Important

Pull out the mains plug prior to commencing all maintenance and repair work.

Warning!

Turn switch OFF and always remove plug from power source before making any adjustments or repairs.

If any part is missing or damaged, do not plug the tool in until the missing or damaged part is replaced, and assembly is complete. To avoid electrical shock, use only identical replacement parts when servicing the tool.

Warning!

To avoid fire or toxic reaction, never use gasoline, naphtha, acetone, lacquer thinner, or similar highly volatile solvents to clean the Micro wood lathe.

Do not allow brake fluids, gasoline, or penetrating oils to come in contact with the plastic parts. They contain chemicals that can damage or destroy plastics!

All electrical or mechanical repairs should be done only by qualified service technicians.

When servicing use only PROXXON replacement parts. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage.

Any attempt to repair or replace electrical parts on this tool may create a hazard unless repair is done by a qualified service technician.

Repair service is available at your PROXXON service center

(You find the address at address at the back of this manual).