

PLUNGE ROUTER

DCW600, DCW604

Congratulations!

You have chosen a DeWALT tool. Years of experience, thorough product development and innovation make DeWALT one of the most reliable partners for professional power tool users.

Technical Data

		DCW600	DCW604
Voltage	V _{DC}	18	18
Type		1	1
Battery type		Li-Ion	Li-Ion
Power output	W	930	930
No-load speed	rpm	16000–25500	16000–25500
Router carriage		1 column	2 columns
Router carriage stroke	mm	55	55
Collet Size	mm	8	8
Cutter Diameter, max		30	30
Weight (without battery pack)	kg	1.54	2.40
Noise and/or vibration values (tri-ax vector sum) according to EN60745-2-17:			
L _{PA} (emission sound pressure level)	dB(A)	73	73
L _{WA} (sound power level)	dB(A)	84	84
K (uncertainty for the given sound level)	dB(A)	3	3
Vibration emission value a _h =			
	m/s ²	4.7	4.7
Uncertainty K =			
	m/s ²	2.7	2.7

The vibration and/or noise emission level given in this information sheet has been measured in accordance with a standardised test given in EN60745 and may be used to compare one tool with another. It may be used for a preliminary assessment of exposure.

⚠ WARNING: The declared vibration and/or noise emission level represents the main applications of the tool. However if the tool is used for different applications, with different accessories or poorly maintained, the vibration and/or noise emission may differ. This may significantly increase the exposure level over the total working period.

An estimation of the level of exposure to vibration and/or noise should also take into account the times when the tool is switched off or when it is running but not actually doing the job. This may significantly reduce the exposure level over the total working period.

Identify additional safety measures to protect the operator from the effects of vibration and/or noise such as: maintain the tool and the accessories, keep the hands warm (relevant for vibration), organisation of work patterns.

EC-Declaration of Conformity

Machinery Directive



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DeWALT declares that these products described under **Technical Data** are in compliance with: 2006/42/EC, EN60745-1:2009 + A11:2010, EN60745-2-17:2010.

These products also comply with Directive 2014/30/EU and 2011/65/EU. For more information, please contact DeWALT at the following address or refer to the back of the manual.

The undersigned is responsible for compilation of the technical file and makes this declaration on behalf of DeWALT.

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⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, read the instruction manual.

Definitions: Safety Guidelines

The definitions below describe the level of severity for each signal word. Please read the manual and pay attention to these symbols.

- ⚠ DANGER:** Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **will** result in **death or serious injury**.
- ⚠ WARNING:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **could** result in **death or serious injury**.
- ⚠ CAUTION:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **may** result in **minor or moderate injury**.
- ⚠ NOTICE:** Indicates a practice **not related to personal injury** which, if not avoided, **may** result in **property damage**.
- ⚡** Denotes risk of electric shock.
- 🔥** Denotes risk of fire.



Batteries				Chargers/Charge Times (Minutes)							
Cat #	V _{DC}	Ah	Weight (kg)	DCB104	DCB107	DCB112	DCB113	DCB115	DCB118	DCB132	DCB119
DCB546	18/54	6.0/2.0	1.05	60	270	170	140	90	60	90	X
DCB547	18/54	9.0/3.0	1.46	75*	420	270	220	135*	75*	135*	X
DCB548	18/54	12.0/4.0	1.44	120	540	350	300	180	120	180	X
DCB181	18	1.5	0.35	22	70	45	35	22	22	22	45
DCB182	18	4.0	0.61	60/40**	185	120	100	60	60/40**	60	120
DCB183/B	18	2.0	0.40	30	90	60	50	30	30	30	60
DCB184/B	18	5.0	0.62	75/50**	240	150	120	75	75/50**	75	150
DCB185	18	1.3	0.35	22	60	40	30	22	22	22	X
DCB187	18	3.0	0.54	45	140	90	70	45	45	45	90
DCB189	18	4.0	0.54	60	185	120	100	60	60	60	120

*Date code 201811475B or later

**Date code 201536 or later

GENERAL POWER TOOL SAFETY WARNINGS



WARNING: Read all safety warnings, instructions, illustrations and specifications provided with this power tool. Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.

SAVE ALL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

The term "power tool" in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

1) Work Area Safety

- Keep work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.

2) Electrical Safety

- Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools.** Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.
- Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.** There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed or grounded.
- Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts.** Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.

- When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
- If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD) protected supply.** Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.

3) Personal Safety

- Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
- Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Protective equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.** Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
- Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.
- Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair and clothing away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
- If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.

- h) **Do not let familiarity gained from frequent use of tools allow you to become complacent and ignore tool safety principles.** A careless action can cause severe injury within a fraction of a second.

4) Power Tool Use and Care

- a) **Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application.** The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
- b) **Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off.** Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- c) **Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or remove the battery pack, if detachable, from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.
- d) **Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool.** Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- e) **Maintain power tools and accessories. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use.** Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.
- f) **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- g) **Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits, etc. in accordance with these instructions, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed.** Use of the power tool for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.
- h) **Keep handles and grasping surfaces dry, clean and free from oil and grease.** Slippery handles and grasping surfaces do not allow for safe handling and control of the tool in unexpected situations.

5) Battery Tool Use and Care

- a) **Recharge only with the charger specified by the manufacturer.** A charger that is suitable for one type of battery pack may create a risk of fire when used with another battery pack.
- b) **Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs.** Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
- c) **When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects, like paper clips, coins, keys, nails, screws or other small metal objects, that can make a connection from one terminal to another.** Shorting the battery terminals together may cause burns or a fire.
- d) **Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact. If contact accidentally occurs, flush with water. If liquid**

contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation or burns.

- e) **Do not use a battery pack or tool that is damaged or modified.** Damaged or modified batteries may exhibit unpredictable behaviour resulting in fire, explosion or risk of injury.
- f) **Do not expose a battery pack or tool to fire or excessive temperature.** Exposure to fire or temperature above 130 °C may cause explosion.
- g) **Follow all charging instructions and do not charge the battery pack or tool outside the temperature range specified in the instructions.** Charging improperly or at temperatures outside the specified range may damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.

6) Service

- a) **Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.** This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.
- b) **Never service damaged battery packs.** Service of battery packs should only be performed by the manufacturer or authorized service providers.

Additional Specific Safety Rules for Compact Routers

- **Use clamps or another practical way to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform.** Holding the work by hand or against your body leaves it unstable and may lead to loss of control.
- **DO NOT cut metal.**
- **Keep handles and gripping surfaces dry, clean, and free from oil and grease.** This will enable better control of the tool.
- **Maintain firm grip with both hands on the tool to resist starting torque.** Maintain a firm grip on the tool at all times while operating.
- **Always follow the bit manufacturer's speed recommendations as some bit designs require specific speeds for safety or performance.** If you are unsure of the proper speed or are experiencing any type of problem, contact the bit manufacturer.
- **Keep hands away from cutting area. Never reach under the workpiece for any reason.** Keep the router base firmly in contact with the workpiece when cutting.
- **Never run the motor unit when it is not inserted in one of the router bases.** The motor is not designed to be handheld.
- **Keep cutting pressure constant.** Do not overload motor.
- **Use sharp bits.** Dull bits may cause the router to swerve or stall under pressure.
- **Be sure that the motor has stopped completely before you lay the router down.** If the bit is still spinning when the tool is laid down, it could cause injury or damage.
- **Be sure that the router bit is clear of the workpiece before starting the motor.** If the bit is in contact with the workpiece when the motor starts it could make the router jump, causing damage or injury.

- **ALWAYS** remove the battery before making adjustments or changing bits.
- **Keep hands clear of bits when motor is running to prevent personal injury.**
- **Never touch the bit immediately after use.** It may be extremely hot.
- **Provide clearance under workpiece for router bit when through-cutting.**
- **Tighten collet nut securely to prevent the bit from slipping.**
- **Never tighten collet nut without a bit.**
- **Do not use router bits with a diameter in excess of 30 mm in this tool.**
- **Avoid climb-cutting (cutting in direction opposite than shown in Figure O). Climb-cutting increases the chance for loss of control resulting in possible injury.** When climb-cutting is required (backing around a corner), exercise extreme caution to maintain control of router. Make smaller cuts and remove minimal material with each pass.
- Always use straight-cutters, rabbit-cutters, profile cutters, slotter cutters or grooved knives with a shank diameter that corresponds to the size of the collet in your tool.
- Always use bits suitable for a speed of min. 30000 min⁻¹ and marked accordingly.
- **Do not hand-hold the router in an upside-down or horizontal position.** The motor can separate from the base if not properly attached according to the instructions.
- **Before starting the motor clear the work area of all foreign objects.**
- **Do not use in a router table.**
- **Always keep the chip shield (if included) clean and in place.**
- **Do not press spindle lock button while the motor is running.** Doing so can damage the spindle lock.
- **Always make sure the work surface is free from nails and other foreign objects.** Cutting into a nail can cause the bit and the tool to jump.

Residual Risks

In spite of the application of the relevant safety regulations and the implementation of safety devices, certain residual risks cannot be avoided. These are:

- Impairment of hearing.
- Risk of personal injury due to flying particles.
- Risk of burns due to accessories becoming hot during operation.
- Risk of personal injury due to prolonged use.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Chargers

DEWALT chargers require no adjustment and are designed to be as easy as possible to operate.

Electrical Safety

The electric motor has been designed for one voltage only. Always check that the battery pack voltage corresponds to the voltage on the rating plate. Also make sure that the voltage of your charger corresponds to that of your mains.



Your DEWALT charger is double insulated in accordance with EN60335; therefore no earth wire is required.

If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by a specially prepared cord available through the DEWALT service organisation.

Mains Plug Replacement (U.K. & Ireland Only)

If a new mains plug needs to be fitted:

- Safely dispose of the old plug.
- Connect the brown lead to the live terminal in the plug.
- Connect the blue lead to the neutral terminal.



WARNING: No connection is to be made to the earth terminal.

Follow the fitting instructions supplied with good quality plugs. Recommended fuse: 3 A.

Using an Extension Cable

An extension cord should not be used unless absolutely necessary. Use an approved extension cable suitable for the power input of your charger (see **Technical Data**). The minimum conductor size is 1 mm²; the maximum length is 30 m.

When using a cable reel, always unwind the cable completely.

Important Safety Instructions for All Battery Chargers

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS: This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for compatible battery chargers (refer to **Technical Data**).

- Before using charger, read all instructions and cautionary markings on charger, battery pack, and product using battery pack.



WARNING: Shock hazard. Do not allow any liquid to get inside charger. Electric shock may result.



WARNING: We recommend the use of a residual current device with a residual current rating of 30mA or less.



CAUTION: Burn hazard. To reduce the risk of injury, charge only DEWALT rechargeable batteries. Other types of batteries may burst causing personal injury and damage.



CAUTION: Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

NOTICE: Under certain conditions, with the charger plugged into the power supply, the exposed charging contacts inside the charger can be shorted by foreign material. Foreign materials of a conductive nature such as, but not limited to, steel wool, aluminum foil or any buildup of metallic particles should be kept away from charger cavities. Always unplug the charger from the

drywall screws (purchased separately) at least 25.4 mm long with a screw head diameter of 7–9 mm, screwed into wood to an optimal depth leaving approximately 5.5 mm of the screw exposed. Align the slots on the back of the charger with the exposed screws and fully engage them in the slots.

Charger Cleaning Instructions



WARNING: Shock hazard. Disconnect the charger from the AC outlet before cleaning. Dirt and grease may be removed from the exterior of the charger using a cloth or soft non-metallic brush. Do not use water or any cleaning solutions. Never let any liquid get inside the tool; never immerse any part of the tool into a liquid.

Battery Packs

Important Safety Instructions for All Battery Packs

When ordering replacement battery packs, be sure to include catalogue number and voltage.

The battery pack is not fully charged out of the carton. Before using the battery pack and charger, read the safety instructions below. Then follow charging procedures outlined.

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS

- **Do not charge or use battery in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** Inserting or removing the battery from the charger may ignite the dust or fumes.
- **Never force battery pack into charger. Do not modify battery pack in any way to fit into a non-compatible charger as battery pack may rupture causing serious personal injury.**
- Charge the battery packs only in DEWALT chargers.
- **DO NOT splash or immerse in water or other liquids.**
- **Do not store or use the tool and battery pack in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 40 °C (104 °F) (such as outside sheds or metal buildings in summer).**
- **Do not incinerate the battery pack even if it is severely damaged or is completely worn out.** The battery pack can explode in a fire. Toxic fumes and materials are created when lithium-ion battery packs are burned.
- **If battery contents come into contact with the skin, immediately wash area with mild soap and water.** If battery liquid gets into the eye, rinse water over the open eye for 15 minutes or until irritation ceases. If medical attention is needed, the battery electrolyte is composed of a mixture of liquid organic carbonates and lithium salts.
- **Contents of opened battery cells may cause respiratory irritation.** Provide fresh air. If symptoms persists, seek medical attention.



WARNING: Burn hazard. Battery liquid may be flammable if exposed to spark or flame.



WARNING: Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If battery pack case is cracked or damaged, do not insert into charger. Do not crush, drop or damage

battery pack. Do not use a battery pack or charger that has received a sharp blow, been dropped, run over or damaged in any way (i.e., pierced with a nail, hit with a hammer, stepped on). Electric shock or electrocution may result. Damaged battery packs should be returned to service centre for recycling.



WARNING: Fire hazard. Do not store or carry the battery pack so that metal objects can contact exposed battery terminals. For example, do not place the battery pack in aprons, pockets, tool boxes, product kit boxes, drawers, etc., with loose nails, screws, keys, etc.



CAUTION: When not in use, place tool on its side on a stable surface where it will not cause a tripping or falling hazard. Some tools with large battery packs will stand upright on the battery pack but may be easily knocked over.

Transportation



WARNING: Fire hazard. Transporting batteries can possibly cause fire if the battery terminals inadvertently come in contact with conductive materials. When transporting batteries, make sure that the battery terminals are protected and well insulated from materials that could contact them and cause a short circuit.

NOTE: Lithium-ion batteries should not be put in checked baggage.

DEWALT batteries comply with all applicable shipping regulations as prescribed by industry and legal standards which include UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations, International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Regulations, and the European Agreement Concerning The International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR). Lithium-ion cells and batteries have been tested to section 38.3 of the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Manual of Tests and Criteria.

In most instances, shipping a DEWALT battery pack will be excepted from being classified as a fully regulated Class 9 Hazardous Material. In general, only shipments containing a lithium-ion battery with an energy rating greater than 100 Watt Hours (Wh) will require being shipped as fully regulated Class 9. All lithium-ion batteries have the Watt Hour rating marked on the pack. Furthermore, due to regulation complexities, DEWALT does not recommend air shipping lithium-ion battery packs alone regardless of Watt Hour rating. Shipments of tools with batteries (combo kits) can be air shipped as excepted if the Watt Hour rating of the battery pack is no greater than 100 Whr.

Regardless of whether a shipment is considered excepted or fully regulated, it is the shipper's responsibility to consult the latest regulations for packaging, labeling/marketing and documentation requirements.

The information provided in this section of the manual is provided in good faith and believed to be accurate at the time the document was created. However, no warranty, expressed or implied, is given. It is the buyer's responsibility to ensure that its activities comply with the applicable regulations.

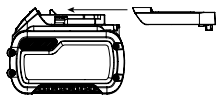
Transporting the FLEXVOLT™ Battery

The DeWALT FLEXVOLT™ battery has two modes: **Use** and **Transport**.

Use Mode: When the FLEXVOLT™ battery stands alone or is in a DeWALT 18V product, it will operate as an 18V battery. When the FLEXVOLT™ battery is in a 54V or a 108V (two 54V batteries) product, it will operate as a 54V battery.

Transport Mode: When the cap is attached to the FLEXVOLT™ battery, the battery is in Transport mode. Keep the cap for shipping.

When in Transport mode, strings of cells are electrically disconnected within the pack resulting in 3 batteries with a lower Watt hour (Wh) rating as compared to 1 battery with a higher Watt hour rating. This increased quantity of 3 batteries with the lower Watt hour rating can exempt the pack from certain shipping regulations that are imposed upon the higher Watt hour batteries.



For example, the Transport Wh rating might indicate 3 x 36 Wh, meaning 3 batteries of 36 Wh each. The Use Wh rating might indicate 108 Wh (1 battery implied).

Example of Use and Transport Label Marking



Storage Recommendations

1. The best storage place is one that is cool and dry away from direct sunlight and excess heat or cold. For optimum battery performance and life, store battery packs at room temperature when not in use.
2. For long storage, it is recommended to store a fully charged battery pack in a cool, dry place out of the charger for optimal results.

NOTE: Battery packs should not be stored completely depleted of charge. The battery pack will need to be recharged before use.

Labels on Charger and Battery Pack

In addition to the pictographs used in this manual, the labels on the charger and the battery pack may show the following pictographs:



Read instruction manual before use.



See **Technical Data** for charging time.



Do not probe with conductive objects.



Do not charge damaged battery packs.



Do not expose to water.



Have defective cords replaced immediately.



Charge only between 4 °C and 40 °C.



Only for indoor use.



Discard the battery pack with due care for the environment.



Charge DeWALT battery packs only with designated DeWALT chargers. Charging battery packs other than the designated DeWALT batteries with a DeWALT charger may make them burst or lead to other dangerous situations.



Do not incinerate the battery pack.



USE (without transport cap). Example: Wh rating indicates 108 Wh (1 battery with 108 Wh).



TRANSPORT (with built-in transport cap). Example: Wh rating indicates 3 x 36 Wh (3 batteries of 36 Wh).

Battery Type

The DCW600, DCW604 operate on a 18 volt battery pack.

These battery packs may be used: DCB181, DCB182, DCB183, DCB183B, DCB184, DCB184B, DCB185, DCB187, DCB189, DCB546, DCB547, DCB548. Refer to **Technical Data** for more information.

Package Contents

The package contains:

DCW600

- 1 Router with fixed base
- 1 Fixed base dust collection
- 1 Basic parallel fence
- 1 Collet 8 mm
- 1 Collet 1/4"
- 1 Wrench
- 1 Round subbase

DCW604

- 1 Router with fixed base and plunge base
- 1 Round subbase
- 1 Plunge base dust collection
- 1 Fixed base dust collection
- 1 Basic parallel fence
- 1 Plunge base parallel fence
- 1 Collet 8 mm
- 1 Collet 1/4"
- 1 Wrench
- 1 Centreing tool

- 1 Li-Ion battery pack (C1, D1, L1, M1, P1, S1, T1, X1, Y1 models)
- 2 Li-Ion battery packs (C2, D2, L2, M2, P2, S2, T2, X2, Y2 models)
- 3 Li-Ion battery packs (C3, D3, L3, M3, P3, S3, T3, X3, Y3 models)
- 1 Instruction manual

NOTE: Battery packs, chargers and kitboxes are not included with N models. Battery packs and chargers are not included with NT models. B models include Bluetooth® battery packs.

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- Check for damage to the tool, parts or accessories which may have occurred during transport.
- Take the time to thoroughly read and understand this manual prior to operation.

Markings on Tool

The following pictograms are shown on the tool:



Read instruction manual before use.



Wear ear protection.



Wear eye protection.



Visible radiation. Do not stare into light.

Date Code Position (Fig. C)

The date code **22**, which also includes the year of manufacture, is printed into the housing.

Example:

2019 XX XX
Year of Manufacture

Description (Fig. A)



WARNING: Never modify the power tool or any part of it. Damage or personal injury could result.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Battery pack | 12 Locking lever |
| 2 Battery release button | 13 D-shaped subbase |
| 3 On/Off switch | 14 Turret stop |
| 4 Variable speed dial | 15 Depth adjustment rod |
| 5 Depth adjustment ring | 16 Plunge lock lever |
| 6 Motor | 17 Guide pins |
| 7 Spindle lock button | 18 Plunge base side handles |
| 8 Spindle | 19 Motor stop |
| 9 Guide pin groove | 20 Plunge subbase |
| 10 Worklights | 21 Round subbase |
| 11 Micro-adjustment scale | |

Intended Use

This tool is designed for professional medium-duty routing of wood, wood products and plastics with 6–8 mm shank bits.

DO NOT use under wet conditions or in the presence of flammable liquids or gases.

DO NOT let children come into contact with the tool.

Supervision is required when inexperienced operators use this tool.

- **Young children and the infirm.** This appliance is not intended for use by young children or infirm persons without supervision.
- This product is not intended for use by persons (including children) suffering from diminished physical, sensory or mental abilities; lack of experience, knowledge or skills unless they are supervised by a person responsible for their safety. Children should never be left alone with this product.

ASSEMBLY AND ADJUSTMENTS



WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, turn tool off and disconnect battery pack before making any adjustments or removing/installing attachments or accessories. An accidental start-up can cause injury.



WARNING: Use only DEWALT battery packs and chargers.

Inserting and Removing the Battery Pack from the Tool (Fig. C)

NOTE: Make sure your battery pack **1** is fully charged.

To Install the Battery Pack into the Tool Handle

1. Align the battery pack **1** with the rails inside the tool's handle (Fig. C).
2. Slide it into the handle until the battery pack is firmly seated in the tool and ensure that you hear the lock snap into place.

To Remove the Battery Pack from the Tool

1. Press the release button **2** and firmly pull the battery pack out of the tool handle.
2. Insert battery pack into the charger as described in the charger section of this manual.

Fuel Gauge Battery Packs (Fig. C)

Some DEWALT battery packs include a fuel gauge which consists of three green LED lights that indicate the level of charge remaining in the battery pack.

To actuate the fuel gauge, press and hold the fuel gauge button **46**. A combination of the three green LED lights will illuminate designating the level of charge left. When the level of charge in the battery is below the usable limit, the fuel gauge will not illuminate and the battery will need to be recharged.

NOTE: The fuel gauge is only an indication of the charge left on the battery pack. It does not indicate tool functionality and is subject to variation based on product components, temperature and end-user application.

Bit Installation and Removal (Fig. D)

To Install the Bit

1. Remove the motor unit from the base unit. Refer to *Removing the Motor from the Fixed Base* or *Removing*

the Motor from the Plunge Base (if needed).

- Clean and insert the round shank of the desired router bit into the loosened collet as far as it will go and then pull it out about 1.6 mm.
- Depress the spindle lock button **7** to hold the spindle shaft in place while turning the collet nut **23** clockwise with the wrench provided.

NOTE: The unit is equipped with multiple spindle lock detents allowing an optional "manual ratchet" method of tightening the bit.

To tighten with the "manual ratchet" method:

- Without removing the wrench from the collet nut **23**, release pressure on the spindle lock button **7**.
- With the wrench still on the collet nut, reverse the tightening direction to reset the wrench position.
- Depress the spindle lock button again and turn the wrench clockwise.
- Repeat the procedure until the collet nut reaches desired tightness.

NOTICE: Avoid possible damage to the collet. Never tighten the collet without a bit.

To Remove the Bit

- Remove the motor unit from the base unit (refer to **Removing the Motor from the Fixed Base** or **Removing the Motor from the Plunge Base**).
- Depress the spindle lock button **7** to hold the spindle shaft in place while turning the collet nut **23** anticlockwise with the wrench provided.

To loosen using the "manual ratchet" method:

- Without removing the wrench from the collet nut **23**, release pressure on the spindle lock button **7**.
- With the wrench still on the collet nut **23**, reverse the loosening direction to reset the wrench position.
- Depress the spindle lock button **7** again and turn the wrench anticlockwise.
- Repeat the procedure until the collet nut **23** is loose and the bit can be removed.

Collets

NOTE: Never tighten the collet without first installing a router bit in it. Tightening an empty collet, even by hand, can damage the collet.

To change collet sizes, unscrew the collet assembly as described above. Install the desired collet by reversing the procedure. The collet and the collet nut are connected. Do not attempt to remove the collet from the collet nut.

Locking Lever Adjustment (Fig. E)

Excessive force should not be used to clamp the locking lever. Using excessive force may damage the base.

When the locking lever is clamped, the motor should not move in the base.

Adjustment is needed if the locking lever will not clamp without excessive force or if the motor moves in the base after clamping.

To adjust the locking lever's clamping force:

- Open the locking lever **12** (fixed base) or **40** (plunge base).
- Using a hex wrench turn locking lever adjustment screw **24** in small increments. Turning the screw clockwise tightens the lever, while turning the screw anticlockwise loosens the lever.

Centreing the Subbase (Fig. A, F1–F3)

If you need to adjust, change, or replace a subbase, a centreing tool is recommended. The centreing tool consists of a cone and a pin.

To adjust a subbase, follow the steps below.

Figure F1 shows adjusting the D-shaped subbase on the fixed base.

Figure F2 shows adjusting the subbase on the plunge base.

Figure F3 shows adjusting the round subbase on the fixed base.

- Loosen but do not remove the subbase screws **25** so the subbase moves freely.
- Insert the pin into the collet and tighten the collet nut.
- Insert the motor into the base and clamp the locking lever **12** / **40** on the base.
- Place the cone on the pin and lightly press down on the cone until it stops. This will centre the subbase.
- While holding down on the cone, tighten the subbase screws.

Using Template Guides

The plunge subbase will accept template guides. On the fixed base, the round subbase will be needed to accept template guides.

NOTE: The D-shaped subbase does not accommodate template guides and is designed to accommodate cutters up to 30 mm in diameter.

To Use Template Guides

- Install template guide to subbase using two screws and tighten securely.
- Centre the subbase. Refer to **Centreing the Subbase**.

Installing a Fixed Base Parallel Fence (Fig. G)

A parallel fence (model DE6913) for your fixed base is included.

- Remove the motor from the fixed base. Refer to **Removing the Motor from the Fixed Base**.
- Remove flat head screws **27** from storage holes on parallel fence.
- Slide parallel fence **26** into parallel fence slot **28** on side of fixed base (Fig. G). Insert the two flat head screws through the appropriate holes in the subbase to secure the edge guide. Tighten hardware.
- Follow all instructions included with the parallel fence.

NOTE: To remove the parallel fence, reverse the above procedure. After removing parallel fence always replace the two flat head screws **27** into the storage holes on the parallel fence to prevent loss.

Installing a Plunge Base Parallel Fence with Guide Rods, DCW604 Only (Fig. H)

A parallel fence with guide rods may be included with your plunge base unit. A premium parallel fence (model DE6913) is also available from your local retailer or service centre at extra cost.

1. Attach the guide rods **36** to the plunge router base.
2. Attach the thumb screws **37** and springs **38** to the base.
3. Tighten the thumb screws **37**.
4. Slide the parallel fence **39** over the rods.
5. Attach thumb screws **37** and springs **38** to the parallel fence.
6. Tighten the thumb screws temporarily. Refer to *Adjusting the Parallel Fence*.

Adjusting the Parallel Fence (Fig. A, H)

Follow the assembly instructions included with the parallel fence.

1. Draw a cutting line on the material.
2. Lower the router carriage until the cutter is in contact with the workpiece.
3. Lock the plunge mechanism by releasing the plunge lock lever **16**.
4. Position the router on the cutting line. The outer cutting edge of the cutter must coincide with the cutting line.
5. Slide the parallel fence **39** against the workpiece and tighten the thumb screws **37**.

Attaching a Dust Extraction System to the Fixed Base (Fig. I)

To connect the router to a dust extraction system for dust collection, follow these steps:

1. Remove the motor unit from the base. Refer to *Removing the Motor from the Fixed Base*.
2. Attach dust extraction system attachment accessory **29** to the base as shown. Tighten thumb screws **30** securely by hand.
3. Attach hose adapter to dust extraction system attachment accessory.
4. When using dust extraction system attachment, be aware of the placement of the dust extraction system. Be sure that the dust extraction system is stable and that its hose will not interfere with the work.

Attaching a Dust Extraction System to the Plunge Base, DCW604 Only (Fig. J)

1. Remove the motor unit from the base. Refer to *Removing the Motor from the Plunge Base*.
2. Slide tab **31** (inset) on dust extraction system attachment **35** into slot in plunge base and snap tab **32** (inset) into hole in plunge base.
3. Secure to base with supplied plastic washer **33** and thumb screw **34**. Tighten thumb screw securely by hand.

4. Attach hose adaptor to dust extraction system attachment. When using dust extraction system attachment, be aware of the placement of the dust extraction system. Be sure the dust extraction system is stable and its hose will not interfere with the work.

Set-Up: Fixed Base (Fig. A, K, L)

Inserting the Motor into the Fixed Base

1. Open the locking lever **12** on the base.
2. If the depth adjustment ring **5** is not on the motor **6**, thread the depth adjustment ring onto the motor until the ring is about halfway between the top and bottom of the motor as shown. Insert the motor into the base by aligning the groove on the motor **6** with the guide pins **17** on the base. Slide the motor down until the depth adjustment ring snaps into place.

NOTE: Guide pin grooves **9** are located on either side of the motor so it can be positioned in two orientations.

3. Adjust the depth of cut by turning the depth adjustment ring. Refer to *Adjusting the Depth of Cut*.
4. Close the locking lever **12** when the desired depth is achieved. For information on setting the cutting depth, refer to *Adjusting the Depth of Cut*.

Adjusting the Depth of Cut (Fig. L)

1. Open the locking lever **12** and turn the depth adjustment ring **5** until the bit just touches the work piece. Turning the ring clockwise raises the cutting head while turning it anticlockwise lowers the cutting head.
 2. Turn the micro-adjustment scale **11** clockwise until the 0 on the scale lines up with the pointer on the bottom of the depth adjustment ring.
 3. Turn the depth adjustment ring until the pointer lines up with desired depth of cut marking on the micro-adjustment scale **11**.
- NOTE:** Each mark on the adjustment scale represents a depth change of 0.4 mm and one full (360°) turn of the ring changes the depth 12.7 mm.
4. Close the locking lever **12** to lock the base.

Removing the Motor from the Fixed Base (Fig. K)

1. Remove the battery pack from the motor. Refer to *Installing and Removing the Battery Pack*.
2. Open the locking lever **12** on the base.
3. Grasp the motor unit with one hand, depressing both quick release tabs **45**.
4. With the other hand, grasp the base and pull motor from the base.


Set-Up: Plunge Base, DCW604 Only (Fig. A, M)


Inserting the Motor into the Plunge Base


1. Remove the depth adjustment ring **5** from the motor **6**. It is not used with the plunge base.
- NOTE:** Snap depth adjustment ring onto fixed base, when not in use, to prevent loss.


- Open the plunge base locking lever **40**.
- Making sure the spindle lock button is facing front, insert the motor **6** into the base by aligning the groove on the motor with the guide pins **17** on the base. Slide the motor down until the motor stops on the motor stop **19**.
- Close the locking lever **40**.


Adjusting the Plunge Routing Depth (Fig. M)

 **WARNING: Laceration hazard. Do not change the turret stop while the router is running.** This will place your hands too near the cutter head.

 **WARNING: To prevent loss of control, ALWAYS tighten the travel-limiting nuts together.** Inadvertent movement could prevent full bit retraction.

 **WARNING: To prevent loss of control, set the travel-limiting nuts so that bit can be retracted into the base of the router, clear of the workpiece.**


 **WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, NEVER adjust or remove the stop nut.** Motor can disengage resulting in loss of control.

 **CAUTION: Turn the router on before plunging the cutter head into the workpiece.**

- Unlock the plunge mechanism by pulling down the plunge lock lever **16**. Gently push down on the two handles to plunge the router down as far as it will go, allowing the bit to just touch the workpiece.
- Lock the plunge mechanism by releasing the plunge lock lever **16**.
- Loosen the depth adjustment rod **15** by turning the thumb screw **41** anticlockwise.
- Slide the depth adjustment rod **15** down so that it meets the lowest turret stop **14**.
- Slide the zero adjuster tab **42** on the depth adjustment rod down so that the top of it meets zero on the depth adjustment scale **43**.
- Grasping the top, knurled section of the depth adjustment rod **15**, slide it up so that the tab **42** aligns with the desired depth of cut on the depth adjustment scale **43**.
- Tighten the thumb screw **41** to hold the depth adjustment rod in place.
- Keeping both hands on the handles, unlock the plunge mechanism by pulling the plunge lock lever **16** down. The plunge mechanism and the motor will move up. When the router is plunged, the depth adjustment rod will hit the turret stop, allowing the router to reach exactly the desired depth.

Using the Rotating Turret for Stepped Cuts (Fig. M)

If the depth of cut required is more than is acceptable in a single pass, rotate the turret so that depth rod **15** lines up with taller turret stop initially. After each cut, rotate the turret so that the depth stop lines up with shorter post until the final depth of cut is reached.

 **WARNING: Do not change the turret stop while the router is running.** This will place your hands too near the cutter head.

Fine Adjustment of Routing Depth (Fig. M)

The knurled knob **44** at the bottom end of the depth adjustment rod can be used to make minor adjustments.

- To decrease the cutting depth, rotate the knob clockwise (looking down from the top of the router).
- To increase the cutting depth, rotate the knob anticlockwise (looking down from the top of the router).


NOTE: One complete rotation of the knob results in a change of about 1 mm in depth.


Removing the Motor from the Plunge Base (Fig. M)

- Remove the battery pack from the motor. Refer to **Installing and Removing the Battery Pack**.
- Open the locking lever **40** on the base.
- Grasp the motor unit with one hand and the base with the other hand, pull motor from the plunge base.


OPERATION


Instructions for Use

 **WARNING: Always observe the safety instructions and applicable regulations.**

 **WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, turn tool off and disconnect battery pack before making any adjustments or removing/installing attachments or accessories.** An accidental start-up can cause injury.


Proper Hand Position (Fig. N1, N2)


 **WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, ALWAYS use proper hand position as shown.**

 **WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, ALWAYS hold securely in anticipation of a sudden reaction.**

When using the fixed base, one hand should be on top of the battery and the other hand around the fixed base (Fig. N1). When using the plunge base, grasp the side handles firmly as shown in Fig. N2.

Starting and Stopping the Motor (Fig. A)

 **CAUTION: Before starting the tool, clear the work area of all foreign objects. Also keep firm grip on tool to resist starting torque.**

 **CAUTION: To avoid personal injury and/or damage to finished work, always allow the power unit to come to a COMPLETE STOP before putting the tool down.**

To turn unit on, depress the side of the dust-protected switch **3** that reads "ON" and corresponds to the symbol "I." To turn the unit off, depress the side of the switch that reads "OFF" and corresponds with the symbol "O."

Cutting with the Fixed Base (Fig. C)

Set up the router to use the fixed base by following the instructions in the **Assembly and Adjustments** section.

After the router is set-up, install the battery pack as shown in Fig. C, then set your router speed (refer to **Choosing Router Speed**).

NOTE: Always feed the router opposite to the direction in which the cutter is rotating.

Cutting with the Plunge Base, DCW604 Only (Fig. A)

NOTE: The depth of cut is locked in the plunge base's default state. The plunge lock requires user actuation to enable the "release to lock" plunge mechanism.

1. Depress the plunge lock lever **16** and plunge the router down until the bit reaches the set depth.

2. Release the plunge lock lever **16** when desired depth is reached.

NOTE: Releasing the plunge lock lever automatically locks the motor in place.

NOTE: If additional resistance is needed, use the hand to depress the plunge lock lever.

NOTE: If additional clamping strength is required, press the lock lever further to tighten in the clockwise direction.

3. Perform the cut.

4. Depressing the plunge lock lever will disable the locking mechanism allowing the router bit to disengage from the workpiece.

5. Turn the router off.

Direction of Feed (Fig. O)

The direction of feed is very important when routing and can make the difference between a successful job and a ruined project. The figures show the proper direction of feed for some typical cuts. A general rule to follow is to move the router in an anticlockwise direction on an outside cut and a clockwise direction on an inside cut.

Shape the outside edge of a piece of stock by following these steps:

1. Shape the end grain, left to right.

2. Shape the straight grain side moving left to right.

3. Cut the other end grain side.

4. Finish the remaining straight grain edge.

Choosing Router Speed (Fig. A)

Refer to the **Speed Selection Chart** to choose a router speed. Turn the variable speed dial **4** to control router speed.

Soft Start Feature

The compact routers are equipped with electronics to provide a soft start feature that minimizes the start up torque of the motor.

Variable Speed Control (Fig. A)

This router is equipped with a variable speed dial **4** with 7 speeds between 16000 and 25500 RPM. Adjust the speed by turning the variable speed dial **4**.

NOTICE: In low and medium speed operation, the speed control prevents the motor speed from decreasing. If you expect to hear a speed change and continue to load the motor, you could damage the motor by overheating. Reduce the depth of cut and/or slow the feed rate to prevent tool damage.

The compact routers are equipped with electronics to monitor and maintain the speed of the tool while cutting.

SPEED SELECTION CHART*

DIAL SETTING	APPROX. RPM	APPLICATION
1	16000	Large diameter bits and cutters
2	17500	
3	19100	
4	20700	Small diameter bits and cutters. Softwoods, plastics, laminates.
5	22300	
6	23900	
7	25500	

*The speeds in this chart are approximate and are for reference only. Your router may not exactly produce the speed listed for the dial setting.

NOTE: Make several light passes instead of one heavy pass for better quality work.

Worklights (Fig. A)

The worklights **10** are located at the front of the motor **6**. To turn on the worklight, switch on the on/off switch **3**. Worklights will remain on 20 seconds after the on/off switch is moved to the off position.

NOTE: The worklights are for lighting the immediate work surface and are not intended to be used as a flashlight.

NOTE: If worklights flash, check the charge on the battery; it could be low. If they still flash with a charged battery, the unit should be taken to a service centre for evaluation.

MAINTENANCE

Your power tool has been designed to operate over a long period of time with a minimum of maintenance. Continuous satisfactory operation depends upon proper tool care and regular cleaning.



WARNING: To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, turn tool off and disconnect battery pack before making any adjustments or removing/installing attachments or accessories. An accidental start-up can cause injury.

The charger and battery pack are not serviceable.



Lubrication

Your power tool requires no additional lubrication.



Cleaning

WARNING: Blow dirt and dust out of the main housing with dry air as often as dirt is seen collecting in and around the air vents. Wear approved eye protection and approved dust mask when performing this procedure.

WARNING: Never use solvents or other harsh chemicals for cleaning the non-metallic parts of the tool. These chemicals may weaken the materials used in these parts. Use a cloth dampened only with water and mild soap. Never let any liquid get inside the tool; never immerse any part of the tool into a liquid.

Waxing Motor and Base

To maintain a smooth action when moving the motor unit in relation to the base, the outside of the motor unit and the inside of the base can be waxed using any standard paste or liquid wax. Per the manufacturers instructions, rub the wax onto the outside diameter of the motor unit and the inside diameter of the base. Allow wax to dry and buff off residue with a soft cloth.

Optional Accessories

WARNING: Since accessories, other than those offered by DeWALT, have not been tested with this product, use of such accessories with this tool could be hazardous. To reduce the risk of injury, only DeWALT recommended accessories should be used with this product.

Consult your dealer for further information on the appropriate accessories.

Protecting the Environment



Separate collection. Products and batteries marked with this symbol must not be disposed of with normal household waste.

Products and batteries contain materials that can be recovered or recycled reducing the demand for raw materials. Please recycle electrical products and batteries according to local provisions. Further information is available at www.2helpU.com.

Rechargeable Battery Pack

This long life battery pack must be recharged when it fails to produce sufficient power on jobs which were easily done before. At the end of its technical life, discard it with due care for our environment:

- Run the battery pack down completely, then remove it from the tool.
- Li-Ion cells are recyclable. Take them to your dealer or a local recycling station. The collected battery packs will be recycled or disposed of properly.