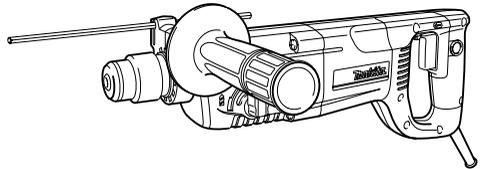




# Rotary Hammer

MODEL HR2445

MODEL HR2455



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## INSTRUCTION MANUAL

**⚠ WARNING:**

For your personal safety, READ and UNDERSTAND before using.  
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

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# SPECIFICATIONS

Model		HR2445	HR2455
Capacities	Concrete	25 mm (1")	
	Core bit	54 mm (2-1/8 ")	
	Steel	13 mm (1/2")	
	Wood	32 mm (1-1/4")	
No load speed (RPM)		0 - 1,100/min.	
Blows per minute		0 - 4,500	
Overall length		416 mm (16-3/8")	424 mm (16-3/4")
Net weight		2.7 kg ( 6.0 lbs)	2.8 kg ( 6.2 lbs)

- Manufacturer reserves the right to change specifications without notice.
- Specifications may differ from country to country.

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# GENERAL SAFETY RULES

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(For All Tools)

## WARNING:

**Read and understand all instructions.** Failure to follow all instructions listed below, may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

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# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## Work Area

1. **Keep your work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered benches and dark areas invite accidents.
2. **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.

3. **Keep bystanders, children, and visitors away while operating a power tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.

## Electrical Safety

4. **Double insulated tools are equipped with 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**

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still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install a polarized outlet. Do not change the plug in any way. Double insulation □ eliminates the need for the three wire grounded power cord and grounded power supply system.

5. **Avoid body contact with grounded surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.** There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is grounded.
6. **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
7. **Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord to carry the tools or pull the plug from an outlet. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts. Replace damaged cords immediately.** Damaged cords increase the risk of electric shock.
8. **When operating a power tool outside, use an outdoor extension cord marked “W-A” or “W”.** These cords are rated for outdoor use and reduce the risk of electric shock.

### Personal Safety

9. **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use tool while tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
10. **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Contain long hair. Keep your hair, clothing, and gloves away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewelry, or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
11. **Avoid accidental starting. Be sure switch is off before plugging in.** Carrying tools with your finger on the switch or plugging in tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
12. **Remove adjusting keys or wrenches before turning the tool on.** A wrench or a key that is left attached to a rotating part of the tool may result in personal injury.

13. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** Proper footing and balance enables better control of the tool in unexpected situations.

14. **Use safety equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection must be used for appropriate conditions. Ordinary eye or sun glasses are NOT eye protection.

### Tool Use and Care

15. **Use clamps or other practical way to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform.** Holding the work by hand or against your body is unstable and may lead to loss of control.

16. **Do not force tool. Use the correct tool for your application.** The correct tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it is designed.

17. **Do not use tool if switch does not turn it on or off.** Any tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.

18. **Disconnect the plug from the power source before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing the tool.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the tool accidentally.

19. **Store idle tools out of reach of children and other untrained persons.** Tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.

20. **Maintain tools with care. Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.

21. **Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, and any other condition that may affect the tools operation. If damaged, have the tool serviced before using.** Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained tools.

**22. Use only accessories that are recommended by the manufacturer for your model.** Accessories that may be suitable for one tool, may become hazardous when used on another tool.

**SERVICE**

**23. Tool service must be performed only by qualified repair personnel.** Service or main-

tenance performed by unqualified personnel could result in a risk of injury.

**24. When servicing a tool, use only identical replacement parts. Follow instructions in the Maintenance section of this manual.** Use of unauthorized parts or failure to follow Maintenance instructions may create a risk of electric shock or injury.

**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.

**Table 1: Minimum gage for cord**

Ampere Rating		Volts	Total length of cord in feet			
		120 V	25 ft.	50 ft.	100 ft.	150 ft.
More Than	Not More Than	AWG				
0	6		18	16	16	14
6	10		18	16	14	12
10	12		16	16	14	12
12	16		14	12	Not Recommended	

**SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES**

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**DO NOT let comfort or familiarity with product (gained from repeated use) replace strict adherence to rotary hammer safety rules. If you use this tool unsafely or incorrectly, you can suffer serious personal injury.**

- 1. Hold tools by insulated gripping surfaces when performing an operation where the cutting tool may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** Contact with a “live” wire will make exposed metal parts of the tool “live” and shock the operator.
- 2. Wear ear protectors when using the tool for extended periods.** Prolonged exposure to high intensity noise can cause hearing loss.
- 3. Wear a hard hat (safety helmet), safety glasses and/or face shield.** Ordinary eye or sun glasses are NOT safety glasses. It is also highly recommended that you wear a dust mask and thickly padded gloves.
- 4. Be sure the bit is secured in place before operation.**

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5. Under normal operation, the tool is designed to produce vibration. The screws can come loose easily, causing a breakdown or accident. Check tightness of screws carefully before operation.
  6. In cold weather or when the tool has not been used for a long time, let the tool warm up for a while by operating it under no load. This will loosen up the lubrication. Without proper warm-up, hammering operation is difficult.
  7. Always be sure you have a firm footing. Be sure no one is below when using the tool in high locations.
  8. Hold the tool firmly with both hands.
  9. Keep hands away from moving parts.
  10. Do not leave the tool running. Operate the tool only when hand-held.
  11. Do not point the tool at any one in the area when operating. The bit could fly out and injure someone seriously.
  12. Do not touch the bit or parts close to the bit immediately after operation; they may be extremely hot and could burn your skin.
  13. Some material contains chemicals which may be toxic. Take caution to prevent dust inhalation and skin contact. Follow material supplier safety data.
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## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

**⚠ WARNING:**  
**MISUSE or failure to follow the safety rules stated in this instruction manual may cause serious personal injury.**

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## SYMBOLS

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The followings show the symbols used for tool.

- |  |                     |   |   |
|--|---------------------|---|---|
| V .....  | volts               | $n_0$ .....   | no load speed                           |
| A .....  | amperes             |  ..... | Class II Construction                   |
| Hz .....   | hertz               | .../min.....  | revolutions or reciprocation per minute |
|  ..... | alternating current |  ..... | number of blow                          |

# FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

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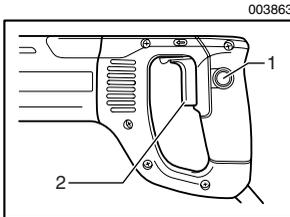
- Always be sure that the tool is switched off and unplugged before adjusting or checking function on the tool.

## Switch action

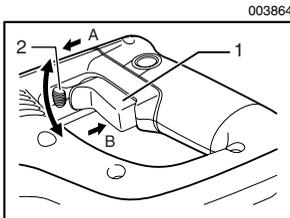
### ⚠ CAUTION:

- Before plugging in the tool, always check to see that the switch trigger actuates properly and returns to the “OFF” position when released.

To start the tool, simply pull the switch trigger. Tool speed is increased by increasing pressure on the switch trigger. Release the switch trigger to stop. For continuous operation, pull the switch trigger and then push in the lock button. To stop the tool from the locked position, pull the switch trigger fully, then release it.



1. Lock button
2. Switch trigger



1. Switch trigger
2. Reversing switch lever

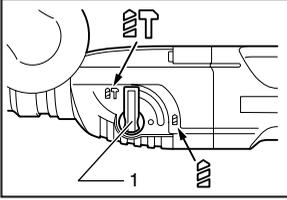
## Reversing switch action

### ⚠ CAUTION:

- Always check the direction of rotation before operation.
- Use the reversing switch only after the tool comes to a complete stop. Changing the direction of rotation before the tool stops may damage the tool.
- When you operate the tool in counterclockwise rotation, the switch trigger is pulled only halfway and the tool runs at half speed. For counterclockwise rotation, you cannot push in the lock button.

This tool has a reversing switch to change the direction of rotation. Move the reversing switch lever to the ← position (A side) for clockwise rotation or to the → position (B side) for counterclockwise rotation.

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1. Action mode changing knob

## Selecting action mode

### For Model HR2445

This tool employs an action mode changing knob. Select one of the two modes suitable for your work needs by using this knob. For rotation only, turn the knob so that the arrow on the knob points toward the  symbol on the tool body. For rotation with hammering, turn the knob so that the arrow on the knob points toward the  symbol on the tool body.

#### CAUTION:

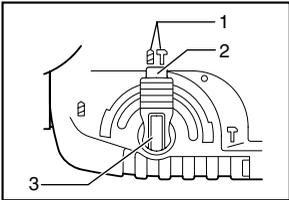
- Always set the knob fully to your desired mode symbol. If you operate the tool with the knob positioned half-way between the mode symbols, the tool may be damaged.

### For Model HR2455

#### CAUTION:

- Do not rotate the action mode changing knob when the tool is running under load. The tool will be damaged.
- To avoid rapid wear on the mode change mechanism, be sure that the action mode changing knob is always positively located in one of the three action mode positions.

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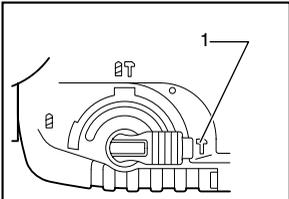


1. Rotation with hammering  
2. Lock button  
3. Action mode changing knob

### Rotation with hammering

For drilling in concrete, masonry, etc., depress the lock button and rotate the action mode changing knob to the  symbol. Use a tungsten-carbide tipped bit.

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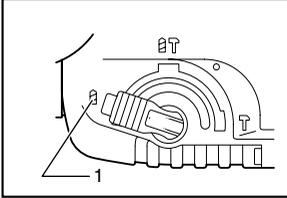


1. Hammering only

### Hammering only

For chipping, scaling or demolition operations, depress the lock button and rotate the action mode changing knob to the  symbol. Use a bull point, cold chisel, scaling chisel, etc.

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1. Rotation only

### Rotation only

For drilling in wood, metal or plastic materials, depress the lock button and rotate the action mode changing knob to the  symbol. Use a twist drill bit or wood bit.

### Torque limiter

The torque limiter will actuate when a certain torque level is reached. The motor will disengage from the output shaft. When this happens, the bit will stop turning.

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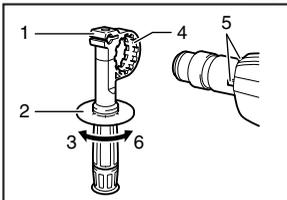
- As soon as the torque limiter actuates, switch off the tool immediately. This will help prevent premature wear of the tool.
- Hole saws cannot be used with this tool. They tend to pinch or catch easily in the hole. This will cause the torque limiter to actuate too frequently.

## ASSEMBLY

#### ⚠ CAUTION:

- Always be sure that the tool is switched off and unplugged before carrying out any work on the tool.

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1. Grip base
2. Side grip
3. Loosen
4. Teeth
5. Protrusion
6. Tighten

### Side handle (auxiliary handle)

Always use the side grip to ensure operating safety. Install the side grip so that the teeth on the grip fit in between the protrusions on the tool barrel. Then tighten the grip by turning clockwise at the desired position. It may be swung 360° so as to be secured at any position.

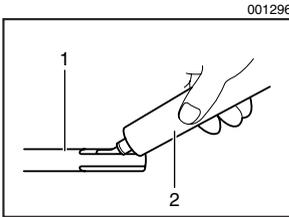
## Bit grease

Coat the bit shank head beforehand with a small amount of bit grease (about 0.5 - 1 g).

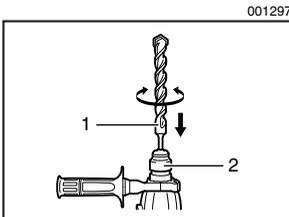
This chuck lubrication assures smooth action and longer service life.

## Installing or removing the bit

Clean the bit shank and apply bit grease before installing the bit.



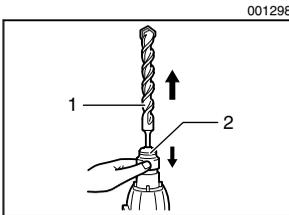
1. Bit shank
2. Bit grease



1. Bit
2. Chuck cover

Insert the bit into the tool. Turn the bit and push it in until it engages.

After installing, always make sure that the bit is securely held in place by trying to pull it out.

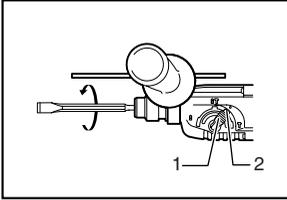


1. Bit
2. Chuck cover

To remove the bit, pull the chuck cover down all the way and pull the bit out.

## Bit angle (when chipping, scaling or demolishing)

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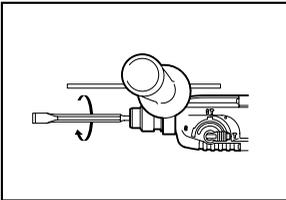


1. Lock button
2. Action mode changing knob

### For Model HR2455 only

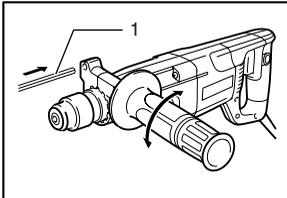
The bit can be secured at the desired angle. To change the bit angle, depress the lock button and rotate the action mode changing knob to the **O** symbol. Turn the bit to the desired angle.

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Depress the lock button and rotate the action mode changing knob to the **U** symbol. Then make sure that the bit is securely held in place by turning it slightly.

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1. Depth gauge

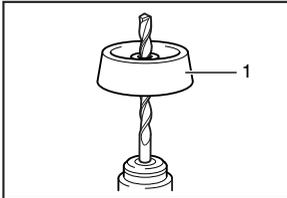
## Depth gauge

The depth gauge is convenient for drilling holes of uniform depth. Loosen the side grip and insert the depth gauge into the hole in the side grip. Adjust the depth gauge to the desired depth and tighten the side grip.

### NOTE:

- The depth gauge cannot be used at the position where the depth gauge strikes against the gear housing.

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1. Dust cup

## Dust cup

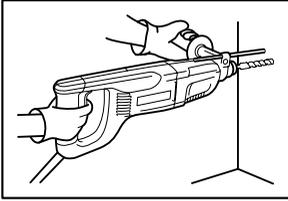
Use the dust cup to prevent dust from falling over the tool and on yourself when performing overhead drilling operations. Attach the dust cup to the bit as shown in the figure. The size of bits which the dust cup can be attached to is as follows.

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	Bit diameter
Dust cup 5	6 mm (1/4") - 14.5 mm (9/16")
Dust cup 9	12 mm (15/32") - 16 mm (5/8")

## OPERATION

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### Hammer drilling operation

Set the action mode changing knob to the  symbol.

Position the bit at the desired location for the hole, then pull the switch trigger.

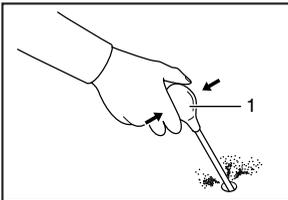
Do not force the tool. Light pressure gives best results. Keep the tool in position and prevent it from slipping away from the hole.

Do not apply more pressure when the hole becomes clogged with chips or particles. Instead, run the tool at an idle, then remove the bit partially from the hole. By repeating this several times, the hole will be cleaned out and normal drilling may be resumed.

#### CAUTION:

- There is tremendous and sudden twisting force exerted on the tool/bit at the time of hole break-through, when the hole becomes clogged with chips and particles, or when striking reinforcing rods embedded in the concrete. Always use the side grip (auxiliary handle) and firmly hold the tool by both side grip and switch handle during operations. Failure to do so may result in the loss of control of the tool and potentially severe injury.

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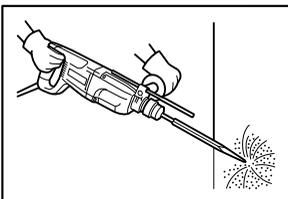
1. Blow-out bulb

### Blow-out bulb

Use the blow-out bulb to clean out the hole.

### Chipping/Scaling/Demolition

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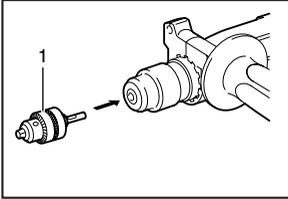


#### For Model HR2455 only

Set the action mode changing knob to the  symbol.

Hold the tool firmly with both hands. Turn the tool on and apply slight pressure on the tool so that the tool will not bounce around, uncontrolled. Pressing very hard on the tool will not increase the efficiency.

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1. Drill chuck assembly

## Drilling in wood or metal

Use the optional drill chuck assembly. When installing it, refer to “Installing or removing drill bit” described on the previous page.

Set the action mode changing knob to the  symbol. You can drill up to 13 mm(1/2”) diameter in metal and up to 32 mm(1-1/4”) diameter in wood.

### CAUTION:

- Never use “rotation with hammering” when the drill chuck assembly is installed on the tool. The drill chuck assembly may be damaged. Also, the drill chuck will come off when reversing the tool.
- Pressing excessively on the tool will not speed up the drilling. In fact, this excessive pressure will only serve to damage the tip of your bit, decrease the tool performance and shorten the service life of the tool.
- There is a tremendous twisting force exerted on the tool/bit at the time of hole breakthrough. Hold the tool firmly and exert care when the bit begins to break through the workpiece.
- A stuck bit can be removed simply by setting the reversing switch to reverse rotation in order to back out. However, the tool may back out abruptly if you do not hold it firmly.
- Always secure small workpieces in a vise or similar hold-down device.
- When performing diamond core drilling operations, always set the change lever to the  position to use “rotation only” action. If performing diamond core drilling operations using “rotation with hammering” action, the diamond core bit may be damaged.

## MAINTENANCE

### CAUTION:

- Always be sure that the tool is switched off and unplugged before attempting to perform inspection or maintenance.

To maintain product SAFETY and RELIABILITY, repairs, carbon brush inspection and replacement, any other maintenance or adjustment should be performed by Makita Authorized or Factory Service Centers, always using Makita replacement parts.

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## ACCESSORIES

**⚠ CAUTION:**

- These accessories or attachments are recommended for use with your Makita tool specified in this manual. The use of any other accessories or attachments might present a risk of injury to persons. Only use accessory or attachment for its stated purpose.

If you need any assistance for more details regarding these accessories, ask your local Makita service center.

- SDS Plus Carbide-tipped bits
- Core bit
- Bull point (For HR2455 only)
- Cold chisel (For HR2455 only)
- Scaling chisel (For HR2455 only)
- Grooving chisel (For HR2455 only)
- Scraper (For HR2455 only)
- Bit grease
- Side grip
- Depth gauge
- Blow-out bulb
- Dust cup
- Dust extractor attachment
- Drill chuck assembly
- Chuck adapter
- Keyless drill chuck
- Drill chuck S13
- Chuck key S13
- Safety goggle
- Plastic carrying case







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	Dealer's Name & Address
	Model No.
	Serial No.

# 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.

## MAKITA LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY

### Warranty Policy

Every Makita tool is thoroughly inspected and tested before leaving the factory. It is warranted to be free of defects from workmanship and materials for the period of ONE YEAR from the date of original purchase. Should any trouble develop during this one year period, return the COMPLETE tool, freight prepaid, to one of Makita's Factory or Authorized Service Centers. If inspection shows the trouble is caused by defective workmanship or material, Makita will repair (or at our option, replace) without charge.

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