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## IMPORTANT! Safety Instructions

## All Operators Must Read These Instructions Before Use

Always follow these safety guidelines. Failure to do so may result in serious bodily injury or death.

**CANGER!** This indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not followed, will result in serious injury or death.

**WARNING!** This indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death.

**CAUTION!** This indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

# **General Safety**

**WARNING!** When using electric yard tools, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury, including the following:

- 1. Keep guards in place Protective guards should be checked periodically to ensure they are properly fitted and in correct working order.
- 2. Remove adjusting keys and wrenches Check that adjusting wrenches are removed from the saw before turning it on.
- 3. Keep work area clean and well-lit Clear work area of branches and limbs after each cutting session. Cluttered areas invite accidents.
- 4. Do not use in dangerous environments Do not use power tools in damp or wet locations.
- 5. Do not use the electric pole + chain saw in the rain.
- Keep bystanders and children away All bystanders, including children and pets, should be kept a safe distance away from the work area.
- 7. Do not force the tool It will do the job effectively and safely if it is used at the rate for which it was designed.
- Use the right tool Do not force the tool or any attachment on the tool to do a job for which they were not designed.

- **9. Wear proper apparel** Do not wear loose articles of clothing or jewelry since such items may get caught in moving parts. Use of heavy-duty rubber gloves, substantial non-skid footwear, and close-fitting clothing is recommended when working outdoors with power tools.
- 10. Wear protective hair coverings to contain long hair.
- **11.** Always wear safety glasses and ear defenders to provide eye and ear protection Everyday eyeglasses only have impact resistant lenses and do not provide the same protection as safety glasses.
- **12. Wear face or dust masks –** If the cutting operation is dusty, the use of a face or dust mask specially designed to filter out microscopic particles is recommended.
- **13. Do not 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 tool –** Disconnect the electric pole + chain saw from the power supply when not in use, before servicing, when transporting, or when changing the chain or other accessories.
- **16. Reduce the risk of unintentional starting –** Make sure the switch is in the OFF position before plugging the tool into a power source.
- **17. Use recommended accessories –** Consult the owner's manual for recommended accessories. The use of improper accessories may cause risk of injury.
- **18. Check for damaged parts** Before each use, repair, or replace any guard or part that is damaged. In addition, check for alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, and any other conditions that may affect the tool's operation.
- **19. Never leave tool unattended while it is running –** Turn the power OFF by removing the power cord directly from its socket. Do not leave the saw until the cutting bar comes to a complete stop.
- **20. Avoid unintentional starting –** Do not carry the electric pole + chain saw with your finger on the switch.
- 21. Do not grasp the exposed cutting blade or cutting edges when picking up or holding the saw – Be sure to encase the cutting bar in its protective sheath when not in use.
- **22.** Stay alert Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate the electric pole + chain saw when you are tired.

**23.** Store idle tool indoors – When not in use, appliances should be stored indoors in a dry and high or locked-up place out of the reach of children.

**WARNING!** Some dust and debris created by the use of the tool could contain chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:

- · Chemicals in fertilizers
- · Compounds in insecticides, herbicides, and pesticides
- · Arsenic and chromium from chemically treated lumber

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

## **Electrical Safety**

- Ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protection should be provided on the circuit(s) or outlet(s) to be used for the electric pole + chain saw. Receptacles are available having built-in GFCI protection and may be used for this measure of safety.
- To prevent electric shock, use only with an extension cord suitable for outdoor use, such as SW-A, SOW-A, STW-A, STOW-A, SJW-A, SJOW-A, SJTW-A, or SJTOW-A.

Before use, check that the extension cord is in good condition. When using an extension cord, make 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.

**3.** To reduce the risk of electric shock, this appliance has a polarized plug (i.e. one blade is wider than the other). Use this appliance only with a polarized UL-, CSA-, or ETL-rated extension cord for outdoor, all-weather use. The appliance plug will fit into a polarized extension cord only one way.

If the appliance plug does not fit fully into the extension cord, reverse the plug. If the plug still does not fit, obtain a correct polarized extension cord. A polarized extension cord will require the use of a polarized wall outlet. The extension cord plug will fit into the polarized wall outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the wall outlet, reverse the plug. If the plug still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper wall outlet. Do not modify the appliance plug, extension cord receptacle, or extension cord plug in any way.

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## WARNING!

## Electric shock may cause SEVERE INJURY or DEATH. Heed these warnings:

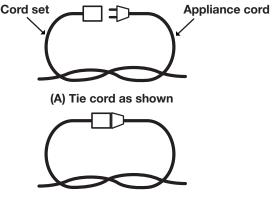
- Do not allow any part of the electric pole + chain saw to make contact with water while it is in operation. If the appliance becomes wet while turned off, wipe dry before starting.
- Use only a UL-, CSA-, or ETL-rated extension cord for outdoor, all-weather use.
- Do not use an extension cord over 100 ft (30 m).
- Do not touch the appliance or its plug with wet hands or while standing in water. Wearing rubber boots offers some protection.

#### **EXTENSION CORD CHART**

Cord Length:	Up to 50 ft (15 m)	+50 ft - 100 ft (+15 m - 30 m)
Min. Wire Gauge (A.W.G.):	16	14

**4.** To prevent the appliance cord from disconnecting from the extension cord during operation, make a knot with the two cords as shown in Table 1.

#### Table 1. Method of Securing Extension Cord



(B) Connect plug and receptacle

5. Do not abuse the cord. Never pull the electric pole + chain saw by the cord or yank the cord to disconnect it from the receptacle. Keep the cord away from heat, oil, and sharp edges.

## **Specific Safety Rules**

**WARNING!** SHOCK HAZARD! – To protect yourself from electrocution, do not operate the electric pole + chain saw within 50 ft (15 m) of overhead wires. Failure to follow this instruction could result in severe personal injury.

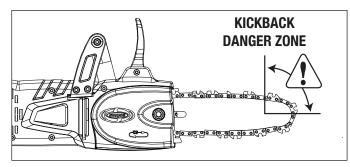
#### **Operating Tips for Pole Chain Saws**

- Note the extension cord's location relative to the tool.
   While operating the pole chain saw, be careful not to trip over the cord.
- Keep the cord away from the chain and the operator at all times.
- Keep children, animals, and bystanders a safe distance away from the pole chain saw and extension cord.
- Only the pole chain saw operator should be in the work area.
- · Do not use the pole chain saw to cut down trees.
- Always use two hands when operating the pole chain saw. Grip the pole chain saw securely with one hand on the trigger and the other hand on the pole.
- Before starting the pole chain saw, make sure that the saw chain is not in contact with any object.
- Do not allow the pole chain saw to make contact with grounded objects such as pipes, fences, and metal posts.
- Do not force the pole chain saw while cutting. Apply light pressure. It will perform more effectively and safely if it is used at the rate for which it was designed.
- Use extreme caution when cutting a limb that is under tension. When wood tension is released, the limb could spring back and strike the operator, causing severe injury or death.
- Do not carry a plugged-in unit. Carry the pole chain saw from one place to another with the unit unplugged. During transport, hold the pole at its balance point (close to the saw end), with the guide bar and chain facing to the rear. When transporting or storing the pole chain saw, always fit the guide bar cover.
- Do not cut small brush and saplings with the pole chain saw. Small branches may catch in the chain and be whipped towards the operator, which could pull the operator off balance.

### **Operating Tips for Chain Saws**

- Keep all parts of the body away from the saw chain when the chain saw is operating. Before you start the chain saw, make sure the saw chain is not contacting anything. A moment of inattention while operating the chain saw may cause entanglement of your clothing or body with the saw chain.
- Always hold the chain saw with your right hand on the rear handle and your left hand on the front handle. Holding the chain saw with a reversed hand configuration increases the risk of personal injury and should never be done.
- Wear safety glasses and hearing protection. If you are using the chain saw every day under normal conditions, you can be exposed to a noise level of 85 dB (A) or higher. Further protective equipment for head, hands, legs and feet is recommended. Adequate protective clothing will reduce personal injury by flying debris or accidental contact with the saw chain.
- Do not operate the chain saw in a tree. Operation of a chain saw while up in a tree may result in personal injury.
- Always keep proper footing and operate the chain saw only when standing on a fixed, secure and level surface.
   Slippery or unstable surfaces such as ladders may cause a loss of balance or control of the chain saw.
- When cutting a limb that is under tension, be cautious of spring back. When the tension in the wood fibers is released, the spring-loaded limb may strike the operator and/or throw the chain saw out of control.
- Use extreme caution when cutting brush and saplings. The slender material may catch the saw chain and be whipped toward you or pull you off balance.
- Carry the chain saw by the front handle with the chain saw switched off and away from your body. When transporting or storing the chain saw, always fit the guide bar cover.
   Proper handling of the chain saw will reduce the likelihood of accidental contact with the moving saw chain.
- Follow instructions for lubricating, chain tensioning and changing accessories. An improperly tensioned or poorly lubricated chain may either break or increase the chance for kickback.
- Keep handles dry, clean and free from oil and grease.
   Greasy, oily handles are slippery and can cause loss of control.
- Cut wood only. Do not use the chain saw for any other purpose. For example, do not use the chain saw to cut plastic, masonry or non-wood building materials. Using the chain saw in these incorrect ways could result in serious damage to you and your tool.

#### **Kickback**



**WARNING!** Kickback may occur when the nose or tip of the guide bar touches an object, or when the wood closes in and pinches the saw chain in the cut.

#### AVOID CONTACTING THE GUIDE BAR TIP WITH ANY

**OBJECT.** In some cases, when the tip makes contact with an object, it may cause a fast reverse reaction, kicking the guide bar up and back towards the operator. Pinching the saw chain along the top of the guide bar may also push the guide bar rapidly back towards the operator. Either of these reactions may cause you to lose control of the saw, which could result in serious personal injury.

- When using as a pole chain saw, always use two hands when operating the pole chain saw, one hand gripping the trigger and the other hand gripping the pole. Use a firm grip. Thumbs and fingers must wrap around the trigger and the pole. When using as a chain saw, maintain a firm grip (right hand on the rear handle and left hand on the front handle with thumbs and fingers encircling the respective handles) and position your body and arms to allow you to resist kickback forces. Kickback forces can be controlled by the operator if proper precautions are taken. Do not let go of the chain saw.
- Keep all guards in place on the machine. Make sure they are in proper working order.
- Do not overreach. Do not extend arms above shoulder height when using as a pole chain saw or cut above shoulder height when using as a chain saw. This helps prevent unintended tip contact and enables better control of the unit in unexpected situations.
- · Keep solid footing and balance at all times.
- Never try cutting through two branches at the same time. Only cut one at a time.

- Do not bury the guide bar nose or try to cut by boring the guide bar nose into the wood.
- Watch for shifting of wood or other forces that may pinch the chain.
- · Use extreme caution when re-entering a previous cut.
- Use the low-kickback chain and guide bar supplied with this electric pole + chain saw. Only use genuine Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> replacement parts designed specifically for use with this electric pole + chain saw.
- Never use a dull or loose chain. Keep the chain sharp and properly tensioned.
- Follow the manufacturer's sharpening and maintenance instructions for the saw chain. Decreasing the depth gauge height can lead to increased kickback.
- Always observe the safety regulations and follow the correct sawing techniques.
- Ensure safe carrying of the unit. Whenever the machine is to be handled or transported, you must:
  - Switch off the motor and wait for the chain to come to a complete stop;
  - Mount the guide bar cover;
  - Hold the machine using the hand grips and position the bar in the opposite direction to that used during operation.

When using a vehicle to transport the machine, fasten the tool firmly and position it so that it is not a danger to any passengers.

- Before cutting, pruning, or delimbing for the first time, make sure:
  - You have been specifically trained to use this type of equipment;
  - You have carefully read the safety regulations and user instructions contained in this manual;
  - You practice first on logs on the ground or attached to trestles/saw horses, in order to get familiar with the machine and the proper cutting techniques.

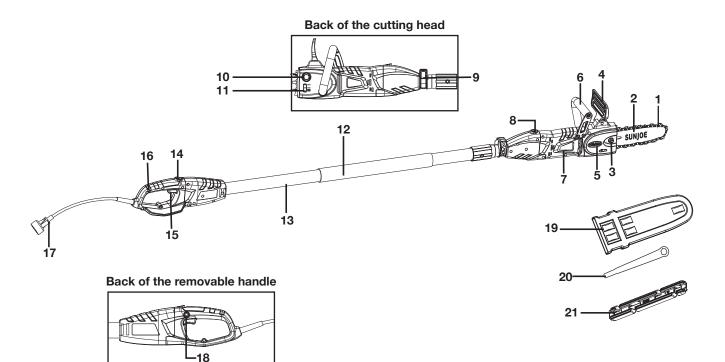
## **Safety Symbols**

The following table depicts and describes safety symbols that may appear on this product. Read, understand, and follow all instructions on the machine before attempting to assemble and operate.

Symbols	Descriptions	Symbols	Descriptions
	<b>READ THE OPERATOR'S</b> <b>MANUAL(S)</b> – Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the user manual(s) before attempting to assemble and operate.		Keep bystanders and children a safe distance away.
	<b>SAFETY ALERT –</b> Indicates a precaution, a warning or a danger.		<b>WARNING!</b> Do not expose the unit to rain or wet conditions.
	Wear personal protective equipment, including close-fitting clothing.		WEAR EYE AND HEARING PROTECTION – For protection against injury, wear ear defenders and safety goggles.
	<b>CAUTION!</b> Avoid contacting the guide bar tip with any object. Tip contact may cause the guide bar to move suddenly upward and backwards, which may cause serious injury to the user.	50 ft (15 m)	WARNING! SHOCK HAZARD – Keep at least 50 ft (15 m) away from power lines. Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
	<b>DANGER! ROTATING BLADES</b> – Keep hands and feet away from openings while the saw is running.		Wear protective gloves and non- slip footwear when using the machine and handling debris.
	<b>SWITCH OFF!</b> Remove plug from outlet before cleaning or conducting maintenance checks.		<b>SWITCH OFF!</b> Remove plug from outlet immediately if the cord is damaged or cut.
STOP	The rotating part will continuously run for several seconds after you turn off the machine.		Double Insulation.

## Know Your Electric Pole + Chain Saw

Read the owner's manual and safety instructions carefully before operating the electric pole + chain saw. Compare the illustration below to the electric pole + chain saw in order to familiarize yourself with the location of the various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.



- 1. 8 in. cutting chain
- 2. 8 in. guide bar
- 3. End cover nut
- 4. Front hand guard
- 5. Chain/sprocket end cover
- 6. Front hand grip
- 7. Removable cutting head
- 8. Cutting head lock
- 9. Cam-lock for telescopic pole
- 10. Oil tank cap
- 11. Oil level indicator window

- 12. Soft grip
- 13. Telescoping pole
- 14. Handle lock
- 15. Trigger switch
- 16. Removable handle
- **17.** Appliance cord
- 18. Safety lock button
- 19. Cutting bar sheath
- 20. Hex key wrench/blade screwdriver
- 21. Extension cord restraint hook

#### **Technical Data**

Rated Voltage	120 V ~ 60 Hz	Telescopic Shaft	6.3 ft to 8.6 ft (1.93 m to 2.63 m)
Motor	8 A	Overhead Reach	15 ft (4.6 m)
No Load Speed	5500 ± 10% rpm	Oil Tank Capacity	2 fl oz (60 ml)
Bar/Chain Length	8 in. (20.3 cm)	Weight	8.4 lbs (3.8 kg)
Cutting Thickness	Max: 7.5 in. (19 cm)		
	Recommended: 6.5 in. (16.5 cm)		

## Unpacking

### **Carton Contents**

- · Electric chain saw
- Telescoping pole
- 8 in. (20.3 cm) guide bar
- 8 in. (20.3 cm) cutting chain
- · Hex key wrench/blade screwdriver
- Extension cord restraint hook
- Cutting bar sheath
- Manual with registration card
- 1. Carefully remove the electric pole + chain saw and check to see that all of the above items are supplied.
- Inspect the product carefully to make sure no breakage or damage occurred during shipping. If you find damaged or missing parts, DO NOT return the unit to the store. Please call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

**NOTE:** Do not discard the shipping carton and packaging material until you are ready to use your new electric pole + chain saw. The packaging is made of recyclable materials. Properly dispose of these materials in accordance with local regulations.

**IMPORTANT!** The equipment and packaging material are not toys. Do not let children play with plastic bags, foils, or small parts. These items can be swallowed and pose a suffocation risk!

# Assembly

**WARNING!** Always wear heavy-duty gloves when handling the bar and chain. Mount the bar and chain very carefully so as not to impair the safety and efficiency of the machine. If in doubt, contact an authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> dealer or call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

**WARNING!** Unpacking and assembly should be completed on a flat and stable surface, with adequate space for moving the machine and its packaging.

**CANGER!** Never start the motor before installing the guide bar, chain, and chain cover. Without all these parts in place, the clutch can fly off or explode, exposing the user to potentially serious injuries.

**WARNING!** To avoid serious personal injury, read and understand all safety instructions provided.

**WARNING!** Before performing any maintenance, make sure the tool is unplugged from the power supply. Failure to heed this warning could result in serious personal injury.

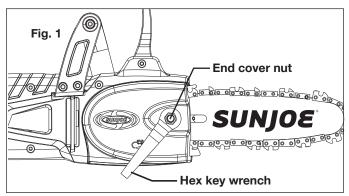
#### Installing/Replacing the Guide Bar and Chain

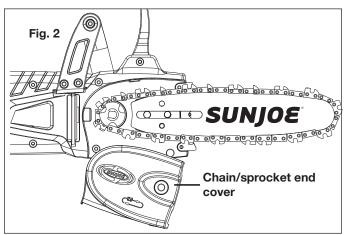
Tools and supplies required:

- · Dual-tipped hex key wrench/blade screwdriver (supplied)
- · Heavy-duty work gloves

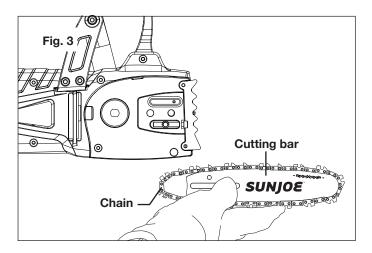
**NOTE:** When replacing the guide bar and chain, use only identical replacement parts. Make sure the electric pole + chain saw is disconnected from the power supply before proceeding with installation.

1. Using the supplied hex key wrench, unscrew the end cover nut and remove the chain/sprocket end cover (Figs. 1 & 2).

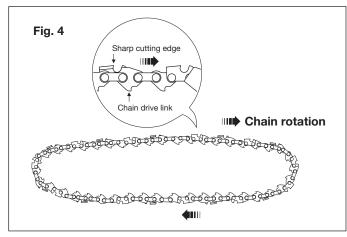




2. Remove the cutting bar and chain from the mounting surface (Fig. 3).

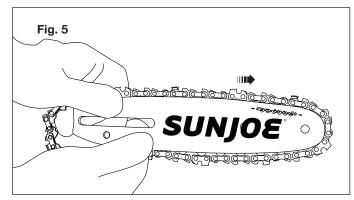


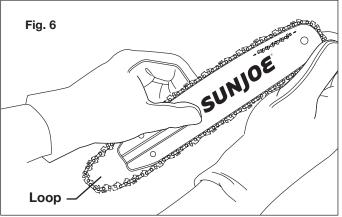
- 3. Remove the old chain from the bar.



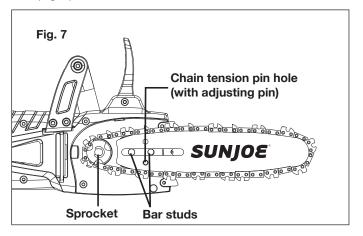
**5.** Starting at the tip, mount the chain drive links into the bar groove, leaving a loop at the back of the bar. The chain will loosely fit until it is placed on the sprocket (Figs. 5 & 6).

NOTE: Make certain of the direction of the chain → COCCOCCCCCC →.If the chain is mounted backwards, the saw will vibrate abnormally and will not cut.

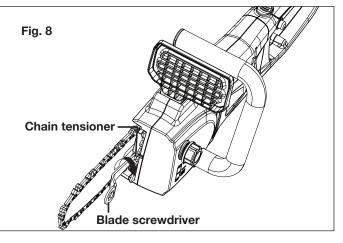




**6.** Hold the chain in position on the bar and place the loop around the sprocket. Fit the bar flush against the mounting surface so that the bar studs are in the long slot of the bar and the adjusting pin is in the chain tension pin hole (Fig. 7).



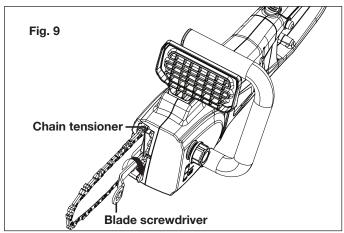
7. Adjust the chain tension as needed by adjusting the chain tensioner screw with the supplied flat-tip blade screwdriver. Make sure to align the chain tensioner screw with the pin hole (Fig. 8).



8. Replace the chain/sprocket end cover. Tighten the end cover nut, but leave the bar free to move for tension adjustment.

 Remove all slack from the chain by turning the chain tensioner screw clockwise until the chain seats snugly against the bar with the drive links in the bar groove (Fig. 9).

**NOTE:** The chain is correctly tensioned when there is no sag on the underside of the guide bar; the chain is snug, but can be rotated by hand without binding. For more information on chain tensioning, see the maintenance section beginning on pg. 15.



10. Tighten the end cover nut using the hex key wrench.

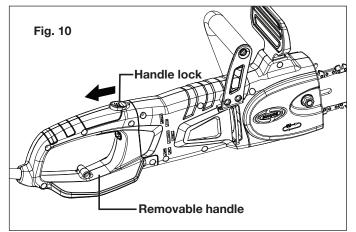
**NOTE:** If the chain is too tight, it will not rotate. Loosen the end cover nut slightly and turn the chain tensioner 1/4 turn counterclockwise. Lift the tip of the guide bar up and retighten the end cover nut. Ensure that the chain can be rotated by hand without binding.

**NOTE:** A new chain tends to stretch; check the chain tension frequently, and adjust tension as required.

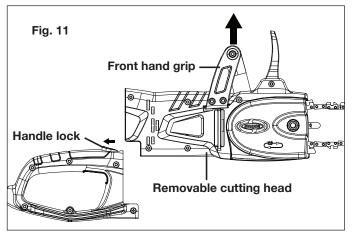
#### Pole Chain Saw Assembly

The machine comes in the chain saw mode. To convert it to a pole chain saw, follow the instructions below.

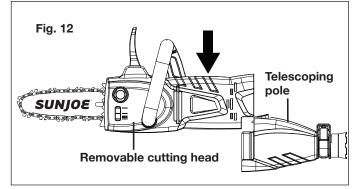
1. Pull the handle lock toward you (Fig. 10).



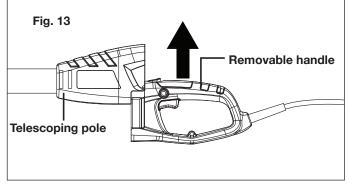
**2.** While pulling the handle lock, use the other hand to grasp the front hand grip and slide the removable cutting head up to remove it (Fig. 11).



**3.** Connect the removable cutting head and the telescoping pole by aligning their ends together and sliding the removable cutting head downwards until it clicks into position (Fig. 12).



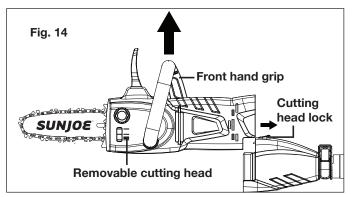
**4.** Connect the removable handle and the telescoping pole by aligning the their ends together and sliding the removable handle upward until it clicks into position (Fig. 13).



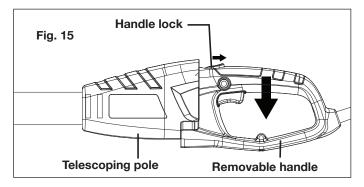
**WARNING!** Always make sure that both the cutting head lock and the handle lock are locked securely before using the pole chain saw.

#### **Chain Saw Assembly**

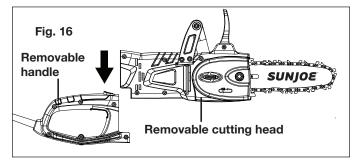
1. To remove the cutting head from the telescoping pole, PULL the cutting head lock back to release, and grasping the front hand grip, SLIDE UP to remove the cutting head (Fig. 14).



2. To remove the handle from the telescoping pole, pull the handle lock back to release, and SLIDE DOWN to remove the handle (Fig. 15).



**3.** Connect the cutting head with the removable handle by aligning their ends together and slide the cutting head downward until it clicks into position (Fig. 16).



**WARNING!** Always make sure that the handle lock is locked securely before using the chain saw.

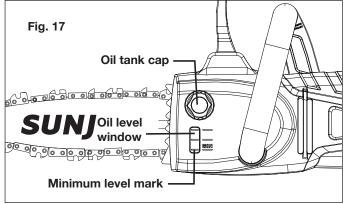
## Operation

### **Starting and Stopping**

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 Before starting the saw, remove the oil tank cap and add bar & chain oil to the top of the oil level window (Fig. 17). One minute of use will consume approximately 0.15 fl oz (4 ml) of oil. Refill when the oil level drops to 1/4 of a tank.

**NOTE:** Your electric pole + chain saw is equipped with an automatic oil pump for bar and chain oiling. You must add bar and chain oil or your electric pole + chain saw will not function.



 Starting, stopping, and restarting an electric motor repeatedly within a few seconds can generate a great deal of heat and damage the motor. To protect the life of your electric pole + chain saw, always wait at least five seconds after stopping before restarting the saw.

**WARNING!** Be sure that the chain is not in contact with any object when you start the motor.

**WARNING!** Keep hands away from chain. Keep hands on handles. Do not overreach.

A good, firm grip on the tool using both hands will help you maintain control. When using as a pole chain saw, place one hand on the soft grip and the other hand on the removable handle with your thumbs and fingers encircling the pole and handle. When using as a chain saw, maintain a firm grip by placing your right hand on the rear handle and left hand on the front handle with thumbs and fingers encircling the respective handles. A firm grip combined with proper positioning of the handle against your body will help you maintain control of the saw. Do not let go of the saw while it is in operation. **WARNING!** Do not operate the electric pole + chain saw in a tree, on a ladder, or on a scaffold. Using the tool under such circumstances is extremely dangerous.

**CAUTION!** The chain will continue to run for several seconds after turning off the tool.

Do not use the electric pole + chain saw under wet conditions. Use extreme caution when cutting small brush, saplings, or limbs under tension because slender and tense material may catch the saw and be whipped toward you, pull you off balance, or spring back.

Do not use the electric pole + chain saw to cut vines and/or small underbrush.

**WARNING!** Do not let familiarity with this type of tool prevent you from taking all necessary precautions. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.

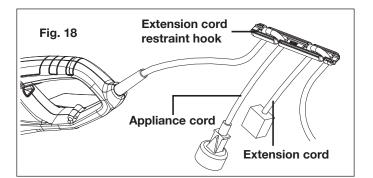
**WARNING!** Do not cut trees near electrical wires.

**WARNING!** Failure to lubricate the chain will cause damage to the bar and chain. Use only a good quality bar and chain oil designed specifically for use with chain saws. One minute of use will consume approximately 0.15 fl oz. (4 ml) of oil.

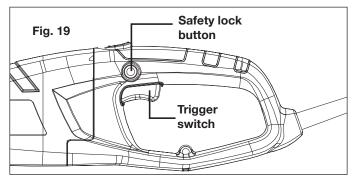
**NOTE:** It is normal for oil to seep from the saw when not in use. To prevent seepage, empty the oil tank after each use. When storing the unit for a long period of time (3 months or longer), be sure the chain is lightly lubricated; this will prevent rust on the chain and bar sprocket.

**WARNING!** Be aware of the cord while operating the saw. Keep the cord away from the chain. Be careful not to trip over the extension cord.

- 1. Prior to each cutting session, run through the daily checklist (see pg. 17).
- Connect the electric pole + chain saw to a working 120 V outlet using a heavy-duty outdoor extension power cord.
- **3.** Push the appliance cord through the first two slots of the extension cord restraint hook, push the extension cord through the remain two slots of the extension cord restraint hook (Fig. 18). Then connect the cords.



**4.** To turn the tool ON, push and hold the safety lock button (located on the removable handle) with your thumb and then squeeze the trigger with your fingers. Once the tool is running, you can release the safety lock button (Fig. 19).

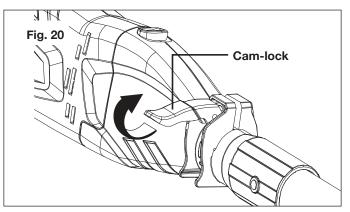


To turn the tool OFF, release the trigger switch (Fig. 16).
 NOTE: Do not press the trigger switch until you are ready to make a cut.

# Adjusting the Telescoping Pole (Optional)

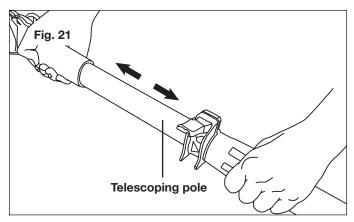
When being used as the pole chain saw, the machine is equipped with a telescoping pole which provides up to 15.1 ft (4.6 m) of overhead reach. To adjust the telescoping pole, follow the instructions below.

- 1. Disconnect the saw from the power supply.
- 2. Unclip the cam-lock to release the pole (Fig. 20).

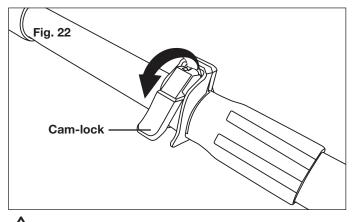


3. Extend the pole to the desired length (Fig. 21).

**NOTE:** Push poles toward each other to shorten the pole or pull them away from each other to lengthen the pole. Only extend the pole to the minimum length required to reach the limb to be cut.



4. Lock the pole in position by closing the cam-lock (Fig. 22), and ensure that the pole is secure. If the pole telescopes when the cam-lock is closed, the nut may need tightening.

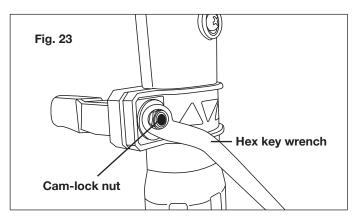


**WARNING!** Failure to lock the telescopic pole cam-lock as directed could result in personal injury.

## **Tightening the Bolt (Optional)**

The retaining bolt may need tightening to secure the telescoping pole in place.

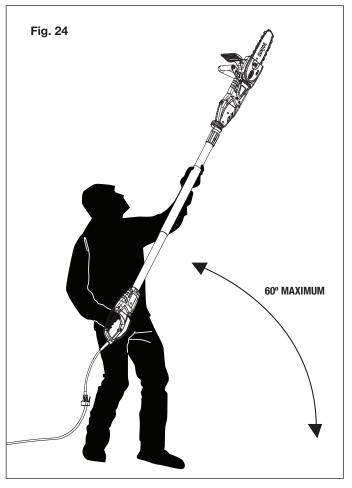
To tighten the bolt, unclip the cam-lock. Using the hex key wrench, tighten the cam-lock nut, then close the cam-lock. Ensure that the pole is secure. The wrench may be required to loosen the cam-lock nut if you need to adjust the pole to a different height (Fig. 23).



# Cutting Tips for Pole Chain Saw

#### **Proper Cutting Stance**

- Balance your weight with both feet on solid ground.
- Your body should always be to the left of the chain line.
- The most typical cutting application is to position the unit at an angle of 60° or less depending on the specific situation (Fig. 24). As the angle of the pole chain saw shaft to the ground increases, the difficulty of making the first cut (from the underside of limb) increases.



#### **Basic Cutting Procedure**

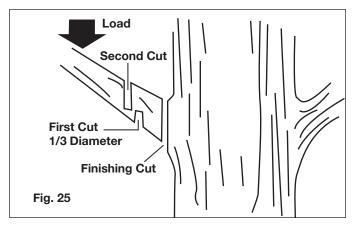
This unit is designed for trimming small branches and limbs up to recommended 6.5 in. (16.5 cm), not to exceed a max cut of 7.5 in. (19 cm) in diameter depending on type of wood. Practice cutting a few small limbs using the following technique to get the "feel" of using the saw before you begin a major sawing operation.

- Take the proper stance in front of the tree with the saw OFF (Fig. 24).
- Squeeze the trigger and let the chain accelerate to full speed before entering the cut.
- Keep the saw running the entire time you are cutting; maintain a steady speed.
- Allow the chain to cut for you; exert only light downward pressure. If you force the cut, damage to the bar, chain, or unit can result.
- **PUSH and PULL** This reaction force is always opposite to the direction the chain is moving when it is in contact with the wood. Thus, the operator must be ready to control the **PULL** when cutting on the bottom edge of the bar, and **PUSH** when cutting along the top edge.
- Do not put pressure on the saw at the end of the cut.

#### **Pruning**

Pruning is the process of trimming limbs from a live tree.

- · Remove long branches in several stages.
- Cut lower branches first to allow the top branches more room to fall.
- When pruning trees, it is important not to make the finishing cut next to the main limb or trunk until you have cut off the farthest lying limb. This will reduce the weight and prevent stripping the bark from the main member.
- Under cut the branch 1/3 through for your first cut. Your second cut should over cut to drop the branch off (Fig. 25). Be prepared to balance the weight of the pole chain saw when the limb falls.



• Now make your finishing cut from the topside of the branch smoothly and neatly against the main member so the bark will grow back to seal the wound.

 Release the trigger ON/OFF switch as soon as the cut is completed. Failure to follow proper cutting procedures will result in the bar and chain binding and becoming pinched or trapped in the limb.

#### Limbing

Limbing is the process of removing branches from a fallen tree.

- You should cut limbs one at a time. Remove the cut limbs from the work area often to help keep the work area clean and safe.
- Cut branches under tension from the bottom up to avoid binding the bar and chain.
- Keep the tree between you and the pole chain saw while limbing. Cut from the side of the tree opposite the branch you are cutting.

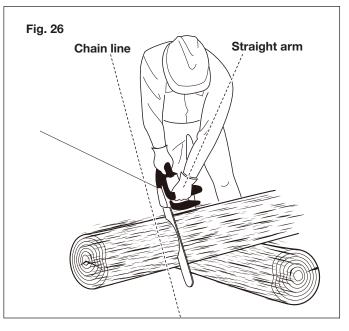
#### If the Saw Becomes Pinched or Trapped

- 1. Wait for the blade to stop, wait five minutes for the saw to cool, unplug the power cord, and wear gloves to protect your hands from the chain teeth.
- 2. If you can reach the limb from the ground, lift the limb while holding the saw. This should release the "pinch" and free the saw.
- 3. If the saw is still trapped, call a professional for assistance.

## **Cutting Tips for Chain Saw**

#### **Proper Cutting Stance**

- Weight should be balanced with both feet on solid ground.
- Keep your left arm and elbow locked in a "straight arm" position to withstand any kickback force (Fig. 26).



• Your body should always be to the left of the chain line.

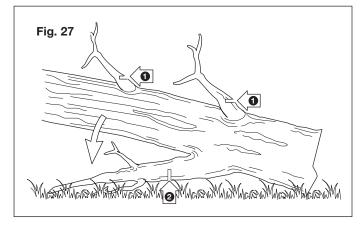
#### **Basic Cutting Procedures**

**WARNING!** Do not cut limbs or trees that are larger than the maximum cutting thickness.

- Practice cutting a few small logs using the following techniques to get the feel of using the saw before you begin a major sawing operation.
- Take the proper stance in front of the wood with the saw turned off (Fig. 15).
- Squeeze the trigger and let the chain accelerate to full speed before entering the cut.
- Hold the saw with both hands firmly. Always keep your left hand on the front handle and your right hand on the rear handle so that your body is to the left of the chain line.
- Keep the unit running the entire time you are cutting, maintaining a steady speed.
- Let the chain do the work; exert only light downward pressure. If you force the cut, damage to the bar, chain, or unit can result.
- Do not put the pressure on the saw at the end of the cut.
- Always cut with both feet on solid ground to prevent falling.
- Do not cut above chest height since it is difficult to control kickback forces with a saw held high.

#### Limbing

Limbing is the process in which branches are removed from a fallen tree. When limbing, leave larger lower limbs to support the log off the ground. Remove the small limbs in one cut as illustrated (Fig. 27). Branches under tension should be cut from the bottom up to avoid binding the chain saw.



**WARNING!** Pay special attention to where the branches are lying on the ground and recognize the following risks:

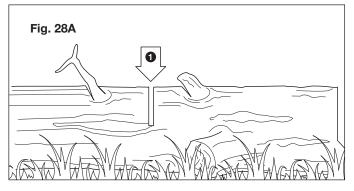
1). the branches may be under tension; 2). the direction in which the branch will fall may differ from that anticipated; 3). the tree may be unstable after the branch has been cut.

### **Bucking a Log**

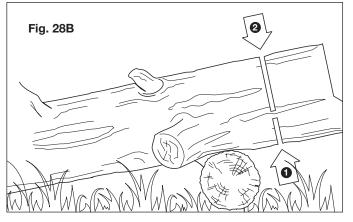
**WARNING!** Do not buck logs that are larger than the maximum cutting thickness.

Bucking is the process in which a log is cut into lengths. It is important to make sure your footing is firm and your weight is evenly distributed on both feet. When possible, the log should be raised and supported by the use of limbs, logs, or chocks. Follow these simple directions for easy cutting:

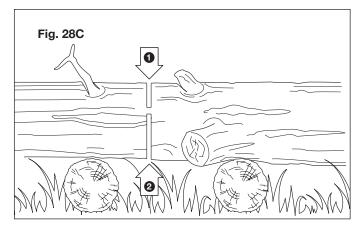
• When the log is supported along its entire length as illustrated (Fig. 28A), cut from the top (overbuck).



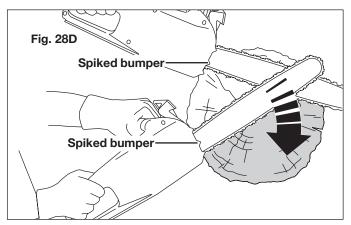
• When the log is supported on one end (Fig. 28B), cut 1/3 the diameter from the underside (underbuck). Then make the finishing cut by overbucking to meet the first cut.



• When the log is supported on both ends (Fig. 28C), cut 1/3 the diameter from the top (overbuck). Then make the finishing cut by underbucking the lower 2/3 to meet the first cut.



- It is easier to saw a log using the spiked bumper (Fig. 28D).
  - Dig the spiked bumper into the log and use it as a pivot. Cut with an arched motion to make the bar penetrate the wood.
  - Repeat several times if necessary, changing the point where you plant the spiked bumper.



 When bucking on a slope, always stand on the uphill side of the log. When cutting through the log, maintain control by releasing the cutting pressure near the end of the cut without relaxing your grip on the chain saw handles. Do not let the chain contact the ground.

After completing the cut, wait for the saw chain to stop before you move the chain saw. Always stop the motor before moving from tree to tree.

## Maintenance

Please contact an authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> dealer or call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563) for all maintenance operations not foreseen in this manual. Any operation performed in an unauthorized service center or by unqualified personnel will completely invalidate the warranty. WARNING! For your safety and that of others:

- Correct maintenance is essential to maintain the original efficiency and safety of the machine over time.
- Keep all nuts, bolts, and screws tight to be sure the equipment is in safe working condition.
- Never use the machine with worn or damaged parts. Damaged parts are to be replaced and never repaired.
- Only use original Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> replacement parts. Parts that are not of the same quality can seriously damage the equipment, compromise safety, and invalidate the warranty.

**WARNING!** Always unplug the power cord before performing any adjustments, maintenance, or repairs to your electric pole + chain saw.

- Use protective gloves when handling the bar and chain.
- Keep the bar encased in its sheath, except when working directly on the bar or the chain.
- Never dispose of oils or other polluting materials in unauthorized places.

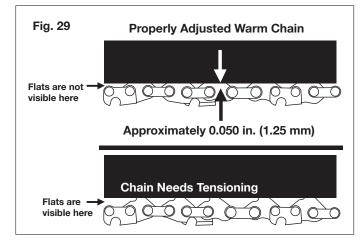
### Motor Cooling

To avoid overheating and damage to the motor, always keep the cooling air vents clean and free of sawdust and debris.

#### **Chain Tension**

Check the chain tension before using the saw when the chain is cold. The correct tension of a cold chain is when there is no slack on the underside of the guide bar; the chain is snug, but you can rotate it by hand without binding.

During normal saw operation, the temperature of the chain will increase. The drive links of a correctly tensioned warm chain will hang approximately 0.050 in. (1.25 mm) out of the bar groove (Fig. 29). Be aware that a chain tensioned while warm, may be too tight upon cooling. Check the "cold tension" before next use. The chain must be re-tensioned whenever the flats on the drive links hang out of the bar groove (Fig. 29).



**NOTE:** A new chain tends to stretch. Check the chain tension frequently and re-tension as needed.

#### **Nuts and Screws**

Periodically check that all the nuts and screws are tightened securely. Check that the cam-lock that controls the telescoping pole is intact and in proper working order.

## **Chain Sharpening**

**WARNING!** To ensure that the saw works safely and efficiently, it is essential that the cutting components are well-sharpened. It is highly recommended to replace the chain once it loses its ability to cut cleanly and safely. It is possible, however, to sharpen the existing chain if the sharpening is carefully performed. Any work on the chain and bar requires specific experience and special tools. For safety purposes, we recommend you contact an authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> dealer or call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

Sharpening is necessary when:

- · The sawdust looks like dust;
- · Cutting becomes more difficult;
- · The cut is not straight;
- · Vibrations increase.

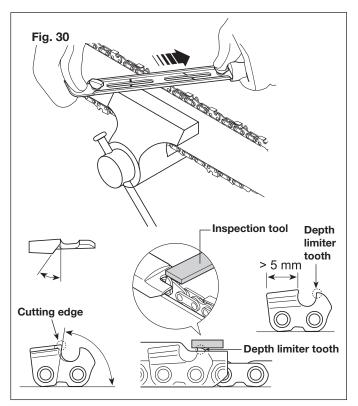
An authorized service center will sharpen the chain using the right tools to ensure minimum removal of material and even sharpness on all the cutting edges.

If you sharpen the chain yourself, use special round-section files with the right diameter depending on the type of chain (see "Chain Maintenance Table" pg. 18). You need a certain amount of skill and experience to avoid damaging the cutting edges.

Sharpen the chain as follows (Fig. 30):

- Secure the bar firmly, with the chain mounted, in a suitable vise.
- Tighten the chain if it is loose.
- Mount the file in the guide and then insert it in the tooth at a constant angle from the cutting edge.
- Sharpen in a forward motion a few times and repeat this on all the cutting edges facing the same way (right or left).
- To move the chain forward, use a screwdriver.
- Turn the bar over in the vise and repeat on all the other cutting edges.
- Check that the depth limiter tooth does not stick out farther than the inspection tool and file any projecting parts with a flat file, rounding off the edges (Fig. 30).

- After sharpening, remove all traces of filing and dust and lubricate the chain in an oil bath. Replace the chain whenever:
  - The length of the cutting edges decreases to 5 mm or less;
  - There is too much play between the links and the rivets.



#### **Guide Bar Maintenance**

When the guide bar shows signs of wear, turn it over on the saw to distribute the wear for maximum bar life. Feathering or burring of the bar rails is a normal process of bar wear. You should smooth such faults with a file as soon as they occur.

Replace a bar with any of the following faults:

- wear inside the bar rails permitting the chain to lay over sideways
- · bent guide bar
- · cracked or broken rails
- spread rails

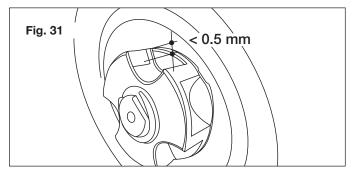
Turn the saw over, check the underside of the guide bar, and make sure that the lubrication holes and chain groove are free from impurities.

You can purchase replacement parts for your Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> SWJ806E-RM electric pole + chain saw by ordering online at snowjoe.com or, to order by phone, contact Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

### **Chain Sprocket**

Regularly check the condition of the sprocket and replace it when wear exceeds 0.5 mm (Fig. 31).

Do not mount a new chain with a worn sprocket or vice-versa.



## Troubleshooting

#### **Troubleshooting Tips**

Most difficulties are easy to fix. Consult the troubleshooting table for common problems and their solutions. If you continue to experience problems or need repairs beyond these minor adjustments, please call 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563) for assistance.

**WARNING!** Always unplug the power cord before performing any adjustments, maintenance, or repairs to your electric pole + chain saw.

## **Troubleshooting Table**

Problems	Corrective Action		
The saw motor fails to start	• Check that you installed the extension cord properly into the saw power cord receptacle and that you plugged the extension cord into a live 120 V outlet.		
	<ul> <li>Make sure that you fully depress and hold the safety lock button before squeezing the ON/OFF trigger switch.</li> </ul>		
The saw runs, but the chain speed is low	<ul> <li>The chain is too tight; re-tension.</li> </ul>		
Bar and chain running hot and smoking	<ul><li>The chain tension is too tight; re-tension.</li><li>The chain oil tank is empty; refill.</li><li>The lubrication holes are plugged; clean them out.</li></ul>		
The saw motor runs, but the chain is not turning	<ul> <li>The chain tension is too tight; re-tension.</li> <li>The guide bar or chain is damaged; inspect and replace the damaged part.</li> </ul>		

# Daily Checklist, Cleaning and Storage

#### **Daily Checklist**

To help maintain your electric pole + chain saw for optimum performance, we recommend you complete this checklist prior to each work session.

**WARNING!** Do not plug in the power cord until you have completed all of the daily checks.

- Inspect for any visible damage to the chain, guide bar, or motor housing.
- Inspect the oil port and guide bar rails and clean them to remove any debris.
- Check the chain tension.
- · Check the chain teeth for sharpness.
- Check the bar and chain oil level; fill with only new chain oil specifically formulated for chain saws.

**NOTE:** If you notice anything unusual, such as a vibration or or an odd sound, shut the saw OFF immediately. Remove the power cord and check the saw for any damage.

If you cannot find the cause of the problem or are uncertain what to do, then have the saw inspected by an authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> dealer or call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563) before using it.

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- Remove the power cord and wait at least five minutes for the saw to cool before servicing or storing your unit.
- If you drop the saw, carefully inspect it for damage. If the guide bar is bent, the housing is cracked, the handle is broken, or if you see any other condition that may affect the saw's operation, **DO NOT USE** the tool. Instead, have it serviced at an authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> dealer or call the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

#### Cleaning

Use only mild soap and a damp cloth to clean the electric pole + chain saw. Never let any liquid get inside the motor housing and **NEVER** immerse any part of the saw housing in liquid.

#### Storage

- Ensure that the guide bar cover is in place when storing.
- Do not store the electric pole + chain saw near chemicals, such as fertilizers or other harsh solvents. Do not expose the plastic parts of the unit to brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, penetrating oils, or the like. These products are often highly corrosive and may cause permanent damage, weaken, or destroy the plastic parts of your unit.

• When not in use, your machine should be stored indoors in a dry and high or locked-up place, out of the reach of children.

## Support

If your Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> SWJ806E-RM electric pole + chain saw requires service or maintenance, please call 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563) for assistance.

## **Model and Serial Numbers**

When contacting the company, reordering parts, or arranging service from an authorized dealer, you will need to provide the model and serial numbers, which can be found on the decal located on the housing of the unit. Copy these numbers into the space provided below.

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## **Chain Maintenance Table**

Drive Links	Chain Pitch		Chain Gauge		File Diameter	
00	inches	mm	inches	mm	inches	mm
33	3/8	9.5	0.050	1.3	5/32	4

# **Optional Accessories**

**WARNING!** ALWAYS use only authorized Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> replacement parts and accessories. NEVER use replacement parts or accessories that are not intended for use with this saw. Contact Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> if you are unsure whether it is safe to use a particular replacement part or accessory with your saw. The use of any other attachment or accessory can be dangerous and could cause injury or mechanical damage.

Accessories	Item	Model
1 SUNJOE • •	Sun Joe <sup>®</sup> 8-Inch replacement chain saw bar	SWJ-8BAR
2	Sun Joe <sup>®</sup> 8-Inch replacement chain saw chain	SWJ-8CHAIN
3	Hex key wrench/blade screwdriver	SWJ802E-TOOL
4	Bar and chain oil	SWJ-OIL sold at snowjoe.com or you can purchase equivalent bar and chain oil sold at your local hardware store

**NOTE:** Accessories are subject to change without any obligation on the part of Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> to provide notice of such changes. Accessories can be ordered online at snowjoe.com or via phone by contacting the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> customer service center at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).

#### SNOW JOE<sup>®</sup> + SUN JOE<sup>®</sup> REFURBISHED GOODS WARRANTY

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> operating under Snow Joe<sup>®</sup>, LLC warrants this refurbished product to the original purchaser for 90 days against defects in material or workmanship when used for normal residential purposes. If a replacement part or product is needed, it will be sent free of charge to the original purchaser except as noted below.

The duration of this warranty applies only if the product is put to personal use around the household. It is the owner's responsibility to correctly perform all maintenance and minor adjustments explained in the owner's manual.

#### HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR REPLACEMENT PART OR PRODUCT:

To obtain a replacement part or product, please visit snowjoe.com/help or email us at <u>help@snowjoe.com</u> for instructions. Please be sure to register your unit beforehand to speed up this process. Certain products may require a serial number, typically found on the decal affixed to the housing or guard of your product. All products require a valid proof of purchase.

#### **EXCLUSIONS:**

- Wearing parts like belts, augers, chains and tines are not covered under this warranty. Wearing parts can be purchased at snowjoe.com or by calling 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563).
- Batteries are covered in full for 90-days from the date of purchase.

Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> may from time to time change the design of its products. Nothing contained in this warranty shall be construed as obligating Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> to incorporate such design changes into previously manufactured products, nor shall such changes be construed as an admission that previous designs were defective.

This warranty is intended to cover product defects only. Snow Joe<sup>®</sup>, LLC is not liable for indirect, incidental or consequential damages in connection with the use or misuse of the Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> products covered by this warranty. This warranty does not cover any cost or expense incurred by the purchaser in providing substitute equipment or service during reasonable periods of malfunction or non-use of this product while waiting for a replacement part or unit under this warranty. Some states do not allow exclusions of incidental or consequential damages so the above exclusions may not apply in all states. This warranty may give you specific legal rights in your state.

#### HOW TO REACH US:

We're here to help Monday through Friday from 9AM to 6PM EST. You can reach us at 1-866-SNOWJOE (1-866-766-9563), online at snowjoe.com, via email at <u>help@snowjoe.com</u> or tweet us @snowjoe.

#### **EXPORTS:**

Customers who have purchased Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> products exported from the United States and Canada should contact their Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> distributor (dealer) to obtain information applicable to your country, province or state. If for any reason, you are not satisfied with the distributor's service, or if you have difficulty obtaining warranty information, contact your Snow Joe<sup>®</sup> + Sun Joe<sup>®</sup> seller. If in the event your efforts are unsatisfactory, please reach out to us directly.

