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NEW Lithium-Ion Range



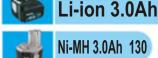


Li-ion EXTREME TECHNOLOGY

Life time work volume 280%

In comparison with Makita Ni-cd 2.0AH batteries

Total Power Delivery Amount of each battery's service lifetime





The numbers are relative values with Ni-cd 2.0Ah indexed at 100

LIGHT WEIGHT & COMPACT 40% MAKITA 18V NI-MH 3.0Ah IIGHT ANYTIME CHARGE NO MEMORY EFFECT LONGTIME STORAGE LONGTIME STORAGE LOW SELF DISCHARGE MULTI CONTACT

OPTIMUM CHARGING SYSTEM

Makes battery life longer because this charging system takes care of the battery with the following functions

- Communicates with individual battery
- Recognizes ID of battery and its history
- Analyses the battery's condition; it may have been abused by heat or over-discharging, or weakened by cycle age.
- Knows how to look after each MAKSTAR battery to MAXIMIZE CYCLE LIFE & WORK VOLUME
- Optimum and gentle charging with Active 3 Controls



DC18RA Charger 22 Minutes

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NEW W251ZK I mpact Wre **PRODUCT**

Compact overall length of 165mm provides more control and manoeuverability

12.7mm Square Drive

Phosphorescent bumper

Enables this tool to be easily located, even in dimly lit areas.

LED job light with afterglow function



230 N.m Max. Torque

Light can be turned on before tool starts by pulling trigger slightly

Belt Clip



Ensures more secure clip with longer hook portion



- Compact and lightweight design.
- High torque to weight ratio.
- Same fastening torque in forward and reverse rotation
- Hammer case cover protects workpiece from scratches, increasing manoeuverability.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Capacities

Standard bolt

High tensile bolt

Impacts per minute

No load speed Maximum fastening torque

Overall dimensions (LxWxH)

Net weight

Voltage

M10 - M16

M10 - M14

0 - 3,200 ipm

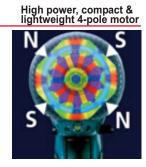
0 - 2,100r/min

230N.m

165 x 79 x 234mm

1.7kg

18V



Ergonomically designed rubberized grip



Provides comfortable grip and more control while minimizing hand fatigue

Extreme battery stamina

High power density allows compact and lightweight design without power reduction.
Can be charged at any time because Li-ion battery is free from memory effect.



Makita Takes To The Water

Makita has taken to the water by sponsoring a boat in a F2 Boat Class (3.0 Litre Standard Production) which includes 200 TO 225HP motors that reach speeds of 122KPH. Currently there are about five races per year which hopefully will be extended to eight. The venues include Hartebeespoort, Vaal, Gariep, Bon Accord and Witbank. The venues are limited because of long distance racing.

> The driver for the Makita sponsored boat is Ernest Tope with his co-driver, Lappies Labaugschagne. They have won trophies for first place in Class at Gariep and a floating

> > trophy for the overall winner at the same venue. The racing is all about bringing together anyone with a boat with any size motor. There are plenty of Classes including an Open Class where anything goes.

> > > The driver, Ernest Tope, is pictured behind the steering wheel with his co driver, Lappies Labaugschagne.

The Hi Tech

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Steel Frame Housing

Steel frame homes are a cost effective alternative to the traditional building industry as has been proven successfully in the European markets as well as Scotland, England, USA, New-Zealand, Australia to name a few.

The Building Ind in SA must look at these dynamic and revolutionary alternatives as a solution to low cost housing, extensions, and new up market houses, including the concept of low rise office blocks and flats.

With multi requirements for accommodation and a growing population which wants to have a decent life style, we believe that now is the time for all of us in the professional building industry to at least look at the potential of this already proven building system.

The question is serious - what can compete in terms of quality and efficiency? Not long ago: Flooring was predominantly timber - now it is mainly concrete. Timber window frames are now aluminium or plastic.

Timber fascia - has been replaced by fiber cement. So, despite the conservatism of the building industry, these changes happened fast when the new materials proved superior to the old. So if steel lends itself to efficiency and automation, why wouldn't most framing soon be steel?

Light gauge steel is the only practical material to use -:

- It can be machined accurately from continuous coil.
- It is light and easy to handle.
- It is pretty tough stuff and stays the same length and width once cut.
- Steel has the highest strength to weight ratio.
- It is weatherproof impervious to water and UV radiation, frames can be stacked in the open before being used and need no drying time or adjustment after erection.
- Steel is rodent, insect and rot proof and warranted to be corrosion free for a minimum of 50 years.
- Last but not least, for the first time steel is really cost effective due to the automated production and design techniques.





Pictured above and to the left are images of one of the first projects involving steel frame housing in Johannesburg, South Africa. The individuals who form part of the team that are working on the project have travelled to Australia to learn the techniques involved in erecting these structures quickly and easily. As mentioned in the beginning of this article, countries like Australia have proved steel frame housing to be highly successful and cost effective. This team favours Makita Power Tools to erect these structures, including the new BTW251ZK Cordless Impact Wrench featured on page 3 and the 6337DWAE Cordless Driver Drill. Once perfected, framing for a pre-designed house of 200 square metres with three men will take about two days to manufacture and three days to erect, ready for wall and roof cladding.

Please read our next edition where we will have an article which focuses on the **TEAM AND THEIR TOOLS.**

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Maktec Competition Win



1st Prize: Jenny Beddie

Recently, Maktec held a Bag A Box competition in The Home Handyman magazine. The entrants were asked a question on safety with regards to angle grinders. The Winner of the draw was Mrs Jenny Beddie, who won for herself a Maktec MT901 Angle Grinder, MT360 Router, MT110 Power Planer, MT813 Impact Drill and a MT064SK2 Cordless Driver Drill.

Second Prize winner was Mr L.Mulder, who won a Maktec MT957 Angle Grinder, MT811 Impact Drill and a MT063SK2 Cordless Driver Drill. Third Prize went to Mr E.A. Wright, who won the MT952 Angle Grinder and the MT063SK2 Cordless Driver Drill. Congratulations to all three winners.



3rd Prize: E.A. Wright

Editors Notes

Makita always takes into consideration the research behind the positive features of a good quality tool, it has to be light (so lifting the tool is easily achieved), it has to be reliable (so the tool will always finish the job no matter how difficult or hard it is) and it has to be safe, which is the number 1 aspect of a tool we always consider first. Your safety is the most important thing for us. Fortunately all these features are part of the technology of Makita's Lithium-lon battery which is featured on page 1. Also in this edition you can read about Steel Frame Housing which is stronger, more precise, lighter, more cost effective and more accurate than conventional building approaches which offers about a 20% saving on a home.

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