

DX460 Cartridge Hammer

The rules and procedures in force where people are at work may require the person responsible for this equipment to carry out a specific risk assessment. This leaflet is not a substitute for a properly executed risk assessment.

It is important to read all of this leaflet BEFORE you use the DX460 Cartridge Hammer

- Plan your work and think ahead to make sure you will always be working safely.
- Powder actuated hammers can be hazardous if misused. They should be used carefully and only by trained personnel.
- The noise levels produced by this equipment can damage your hearing.
- You should have attended a recognised training course before you can use the DX460.
- The Hilti DX460 is designed to fix a variety of materials to concrete, masonry and steel using the appropriate fasteners.
- The action of the DX460 can cause injury or damage if it is not used in a correct, careful and controlled way.
- If it has been some time since you used the Hilti DX460, familiarise yourself with it again and with the safety requirements before you start work.
- You must wear the following items of personal protective equipment: ear muffs or plugs giving protection for levels up to 108 dB(A); impact resistant goggles; EN166 – B or BS2092 grade 1; dust mask – a minimum of EN149:2001 FFP3 protection; safety boots (EN345 or BS1870:4972); safety helmet – EN397 or BS5240; gloves.
- This Hilti DX460 must not be used by minors, or by anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Cartridge hammers are designed for operation by an able-bodied adult. Anyone with either temporary or permanent disability must seek expert advice before using them.



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- SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**
 - Before you can use the Hilti DX460: You must be over 18 years old; You must have attended a recognised training course; You need normal colour vision to recognize the different colour and strength of cartridges; You must be aware that the Hilti DX460 can produce noise levels up to 108 dB(A), which can seriously damage your hearing.
- WORK AREA**
 - Only essential people should work in the area when the DX460 is being used. Definitely no children.
 - Do not use the DX460 where there is a danger of explosion, it will ignite fumes from petrol or gas cylinders.
 - Make sure that your work area is clear and safe and that no-one is near to you or could distract you.
 - Protect other people from the noise and danger. Warn others to keep away. You may need to put barriers around your work area.
- OPERATORS**
 - Do not use this tool if you feel unwell or if you are unable to concentrate on the task in hand.
 - Do not use this tool from an awkward or uncomfortable position. Find a way to get into a suitable position before working.
 - The following items of personal protective equipment (ppe) are the minimum that should be worn whenever you use the Hilti DX460. Particular jobs or environments may require a higher level of protection. This DX460 will cause noise levels up to 108 dB(A) – wear appropriate ear muffs or plugs giving hearing protection for this level as a minimum. You must wear impact resistant goggles (EN166 – B or BS2092 grade 1) when you are working with this equipment.
 - You must wear safety boots (EN 345 or BS1870/4972).
 - Wear a helmet (EN397 or BS5240) when working with the cartridge hammer.
 - Strong gloves will help protect your hands.
 - Anybody who is working near to you will also need to wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- HILTI DX460**
 - Check your cartridge hammer, cartridges and fasteners. Do not use anything found damaged – contact the hire company.
 - Do not load the DX460 until it is required for immediate use. It should remain unloaded and put safely away when not in use.
 - The DX460 will operate as a single fastener tool; or can be fitted with a magazine (see loading).
 - To guard against accidental firing, the Hilti DX460 will not fire until, first – the

Before Starting Work...



The muzzle is depressed against the workpiece, second – the trigger is pulled while the muzzle remains depressed. The DX460 will not fire if the trigger is pulled before depressing the muzzle.

- Do not deliberately pull back the muzzle (or magazine if fitted) of a loaded tool; this removes the safety device and will allow the tool to fire when trigger is pressed.
- Cartridges must be stored in a locked metal box.
- Do not point the DX460 at anyone, even when it is not loaded. Get into the habit of not pointing it at people.
- Never point the barrel at any part of your body at any time.
- You must always unload the DX460 before cleaning or changing parts or when finished work. TAKE CARE the tool gets very hot in use.
- The DX460 has a standard piston for normal application. It is also available with several special purpose pistons for different applications – do not use a different fastener until you have checked with the hire company.
- Before you start work, make sure you understand how to use the DX460

POWER REGULATION WHEEL WITH LOCKING FUNCTION

- Start with the lowest power cartridge and tool set at the lowest power setting.

- Press the release button.
- Turn the power regulation wheel to 1.
- Drive a nail.
- If the fastener doesn't penetrate deeply enough, increase the power level and repeat steps two to four.
- Repeat these steps until the desired depth of penetration is reached. Use a more powerful cartridge if necessary.

ACCESSORIES

- There are many accessories available for the DX460 including several piston types, and many different fasteners. Check with the hire company.

CARTRIDGE HAMMER SAFETY

- Always, before use and after use, check there is no cartridge in the tool.
- Always ensure that your cartridges and fasteners are suitable for the tool and the job.

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Please store this leaflet safely. It may be required for further information

- Do not try to use an existing hole in the material you are fastening. Always move to a new position.

- You may want to read this leaflet again. Please keep it until you finish work.
- Do not try to use an existing hole in the material you are fastening. Always move to a new position.
- Do not use this tool on plasterboard or partitioning. Use it only on structural steel, masonry or similar material. Do not use it on modern housebricks, which will shatter.
- Do not try to use an existing hole in the material you are fastening. Always move to a new position.
- When you have finished work, unload and clean the cartridge hammer and store it and the cartridges securely.
- If your equipment is faulty, do not attempt to repair it. Contact the hire company.
- As a safety measure the hammer will not fire until the muzzle is pressed home against the workpiece before pulling the trigger.
- Clean and lubricate this hammer regularly.
- Do not carry a loaded hammer from place to place.
- After approximately 3000 fixings the Hilti DX460 should be returned to the hire company for thorough cleaning and servicing.
- When you have finished work, unload and clean the cartridge hammer and store it and the cartridges securely.
- Do not use the DX460 on brittle surfaces, like glass, marble, plastics, bronze, brass, glazes, tiles, hollow brick or cast steel, they will crack or shatter.
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Using the DX460 Cartridge Hammer

- Wear your protective equipment including ear defenders and goggles.
- Use both hands to hold and fire the cartridge hammer.
- Do not include in any horseplay or irresponsible behavior, while using or working near the cartridge hammer.
- Never carry cartridges loose in a pocket. Do not carry them loose in a box with metal fasteners.
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OPERATION SINGLE FASTENER TOOL

- Insert the fastener (nail first) until the washer is held in the tool.
- Load the cartridge strip (narrow end first) by inserting it into the bottom of the tool grip until flush.
- If a strip has been partly used, pull it through until a live cartridge is in the chamber. The last visible number on the back of the cartridge strip indicates which cartridge is next to be fired.

- Remove the cartridge strip by pulling it upwards out of the tool.
- Remove the fastener from the fastener guide.

Fastening

- Press the tool firmly against the work surface at right angles.
- Fire the nail by pulling the trigger.
- Do not try to fasten in an existing hole.
- Do not try to re-drive the same fastener twice (i.e. after a failed cartridge).
- Do not exceed the maximum fastener-driving rate.

MAGAZINE TOOL

- Release the magazine cover by pressing the release button.
- Pull the magazine cover down as far as it will go.
- Load a new nail strip into the magazine.

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- Keep all failed cartridges secure in a separate box to unused cartridges. Return them to the hire company.

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- Fire the nail by pulling the trigger.
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Unloading

- Remove the cartridge strip by pulling it upwards out of the tool.
- Release the magazine cover by pressing the release button.
- Pull the magazine cover down as far as it will go.
- Remove any nail strip from the magazine.
- Push the magazine cover down until it snaps closed.
- Load the cartridge strip (narrow end first) by inserting it into the bottom of the tool grip until flush.
- If a strip has been partly used, pull it through until a live cartridge is in the chamber. The last visible number on the back of the cartridge strip indicates which cartridge is next to be fired.
- When you have finished work, unload and clean the cartridge hammer and store it and the cartridges securely.
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- Wear your protective equipment including ear defenders and goggles.
- Use both hands to hold and fire the cartridge hammer.
- Do not include in any horseplay or irresponsible behavior, while using or working near the cartridge hammer.
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