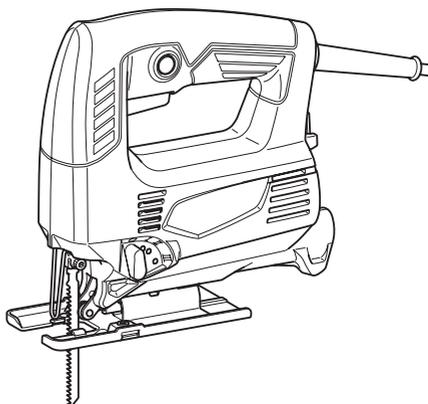


INSTRUCTION MANUAL

# Jig Saw

## M4301



DOUBLE INSULATION



Read before use.

# SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Model:</b>		<b>M4301</b>
Length of stroke		18 mm
Blade type		B type
Max. cutting capacities	Wood	65 mm
	Mild steel	6 mm
Strokes per minute (min <sup>-1</sup> )		0 - 3,100
Overall length		214 mm
Net weight		1.9 kg
Safety class		□/II

- Due to our continuing program of research and development, the specifications herein are subject to change without notice.
- Specifications may differ from country to country.
- Weight according to EPTA-Procedure 01/2014

## Symbols

The followings show the symbols used for the equipment. Be sure that you understand their meaning before use.



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Only for EU countries  
Do not dispose of electric equipment together with household waste material! In observance of the European Directive, on Waste Electric and Electronic Equipment and its implementation in accordance with national law, electric equipment that have reached the end of their life must be collected separately and returned to an environmentally compatible recycling facility.

## Intended use

The tool is intended for the sawing of wood, plastic and metal materials. As a result of the extensive accessory and saw blade program, the tool can be used for many purposes and is very well suited for curved or circular cuts.

## Power supply

The tool should be connected only to a power supply of the same voltage as indicated on the nameplate, and can only be operated on single-phase AC supply. They are double-insulated and can, therefore, also be used from sockets without earth wire.

## Noise

The typical A-weighted noise level determined according to EN62841-2-11:

Sound pressure level ( $L_{pA}$ ): 82 dB(A)

Sound power level ( $L_{WA}$ ): 93 dB (A)

Uncertainty (K): 3 dB(A)

**NOTE:** The declared noise emission value(s) has been measured in accordance with a standard test method and may be used for comparing one tool with another.

**NOTE:** The declared noise emission value(s) may also be used in a preliminary assessment of exposure.

**⚠ WARNING:** Wear ear protection.

**⚠ WARNING:** The noise emission during actual use of the power tool can differ from the declared value(s) depending on the ways in which the tool is used especially what kind of workpiece is processed.

**⚠ WARNING:** Be sure to identify safety measures to protect the operator that are based on an estimation of exposure in the actual conditions of use (taking account of all parts of the operating cycle such as the times when the tool is switched off and when it is running idle in addition to the trigger time).

## Vibration

The vibration total value (tri-axial vector sum) determined according to EN62841-2-11:

Work mode: cutting boards

Vibration emission ( $a_{h,B}$ ): 8.0 m/s<sup>2</sup>

Uncertainty (K): 1.5 m/s<sup>2</sup>

Work mode: cutting sheet metal

Vibration emission ( $a_{h,M}$ ): 5.0 m/s<sup>2</sup>

Uncertainty (K): 1.5 m/s<sup>2</sup>

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## EC Declaration of Conformity

### For European countries only

The EC declaration of conformity is included as Annex A to this instruction manual.

## General power tool safety warnings

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

## Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.

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

### Work area safety

1. **Keep work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered or 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 children and bystanders away while operating a power tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.

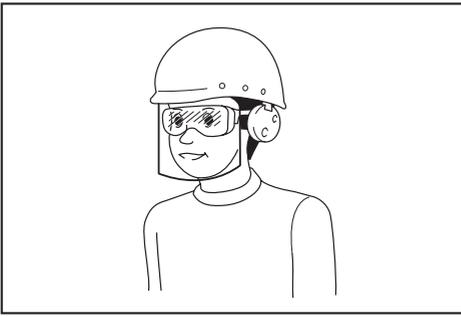
### Electrical Safety

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

6. **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD) protected supply.** Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.
7. **Use of power supply via an RCD with a rated residual current of 30 mA or less is always recommended.**
8. **Power tools can produce electromagnetic fields (EMF) that are not harmful to the user.** However, users of pacemakers and other similar medical devices should contact the maker of their device and/or doctor for advice before operating this power tool.
9. **Do not touch the power plug with wet hands.**
10. **If the cord is damaged, have it replaced by the manufacturer or his agent in order to avoid a safety hazard.**

### Personal Safety

1. **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
2. **Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Protective equipment such as a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
3. **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.** Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
4. **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.
5. **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
6. **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair and clothing away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
7. **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.
8. **Do not let familiarity gained from frequent use of tools allow you to become complacent and ignore tool safety principles.** A careless action can cause severe injury within a fraction of a second.
9. **Always wear protective goggles to protect your eyes from injury when using power tools. The goggles must comply with ANSI Z87.1 in the USA, EN 166 in Europe, or AS/NZS 1336 in Australia/New Zealand. In Australia/New Zealand, it is legally required to wear a face shield to protect your face, too.**



It is an employer's responsibility to enforce the use of appropriate safety protective equipments by the tool operators and by other persons in the immediate working area.

#### Power tool use and care

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

#### Service

1. **Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.** This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.
2. **Follow instruction for lubricating and changing accessories.**

#### Jig saw safety warnings

1. **Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces, when performing an operation where the cutting accessory may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** Cutting accessory contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.
2. **Use clamps or another practical way to secure and support the workpiece to a stable platform.** Holding the workpiece by hand or against your body leaves it unstable and may lead to loss of control.
3. **Always use safety glasses or goggles.** Ordinary eye or sun glasses are NOT safety glasses.
4. **Avoid cutting nails. Inspect workpiece for any nails and remove them before operation.**
5. **Do not cut oversize workpiece.**
6. **Check for the proper clearance beyond the workpiece before cutting so that the blade will not strike the floor, workbench, etc.**
7. **Hold the tool firmly.**
8. **Make sure the blade is not contacting the workpiece before the switch is turned on.**
9. **Keep hands away from moving parts.**
10. **Do not leave the tool running. Operate the tool only when hand-held.**
11. **Always switch off and wait for the blade to come to a complete stop before removing the blade from the workpiece.**
12. **Do not touch the blade or the workpiece immediately after operation; they may be extremely hot and could burn your skin.**
13. **Do not operate the tool at no-load unnecessarily.**
14. **Some material contains chemicals which may be toxic. Take caution to prevent dust inhalation and skin contact. Follow material supplier safety data.**
15. **Always use the correct dust mask/respirator for the material and application you are working with.**

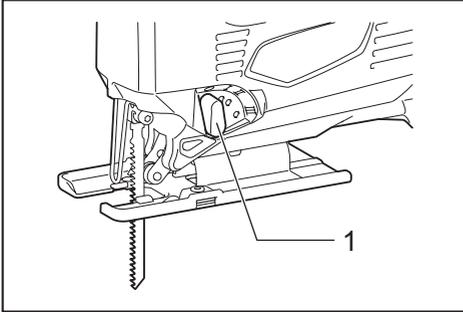
#### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

**⚠ WARNING: DO NOT** let comfort or familiarity with product (gained from repeated use) replace strict adherence to safety rules for the subject product. **MISUSE** or failure to follow the safety rules stated in this instruction manual may cause serious personal injury.

# FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

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

## Selecting the cutting action



► 1. Cutting action changing lever

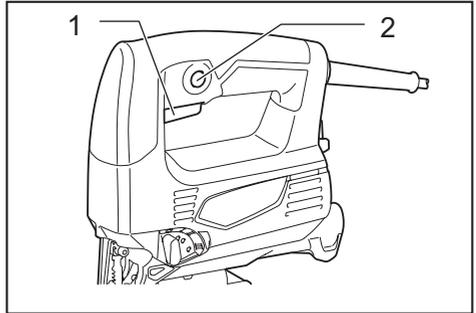
This tool can be operated with an orbital or a straight line (up and down) cutting action. The orbital cutting action thrusts the jig saw blade forward on the cutting stroke and greatly increases cutting speed.

To change the cutting action, just turn the cutting action changing lever to the desired cutting action position. Refer to the table to select the appropriate cutting action.

Position	Cutting action	Applications
0	Straight line cutting action	For cutting mild steel, stainless steel and plastics. For clean cuts in wood and plywood.
I	Small orbit cutting action	For cutting mild steel, aluminum and hard wood.
II	Medium orbit cutting action	For cutting wood and plywood. For fast cutting in aluminum and mild steel.
III	Large orbit cutting action	For fast cutting in wood and plywood.

## 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.



► 1. Switch trigger 2. Lock button

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, push in the lock button and then release the switch trigger. To stop the tool from the locked position, pull the switch trigger fully, then release it.

## ASSEMBLY

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

### Installing or removing jig saw blade

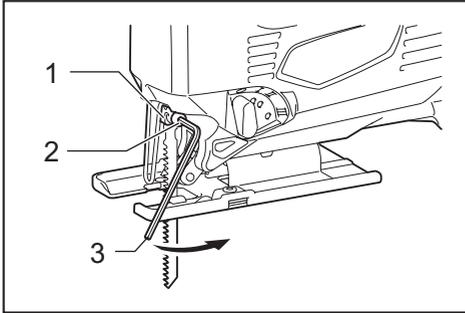
**CAUTION:** Always clean out all chips or foreign matter adhering to the jig saw blade and/or blade holder. Failure to do so may cause insufficient tightening of the blade, resulting in a serious personal injury.

**CAUTION:** Do not touch the jig saw blade or the workpiece immediately after operation. They may be extremely hot and could burn your skin.

**CAUTION:** Always secure the jig saw blade firmly. Insufficient tightening of the blade may cause blade breakage or serious personal injury.

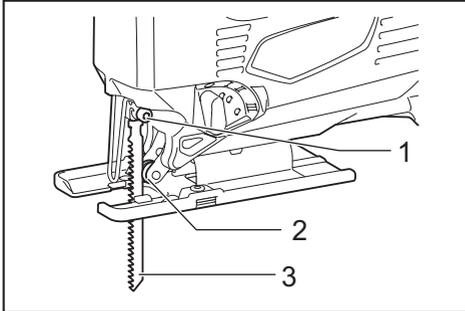
**CAUTION:** Use only B type jig saw blades. Using blades other than B type causes insufficient tightening of the blade, resulting in a serious personal injury.

To install the jig saw blade, loosen the bolt counter-clockwise on the jig saw blade holder with the hex wrench.



► 1. Jig saw blade holder 2. Bolt 3. Hex wrench

With the blade teeth facing forward, insert the jig saw blade into the jig saw blade holder as far as it will go. Make sure that the back edge of the blade fits into the roller. Then tighten the bolt clockwise to secure the blade.

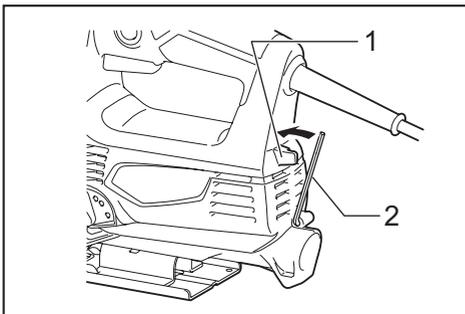


► 1. Bolt 2. Roller 3. Jig saw blade

To remove the jig saw blade, follow the installation procedure in reverse.

**NOTE:** Occasionally lubricate the roller.

## Hex wrench storage



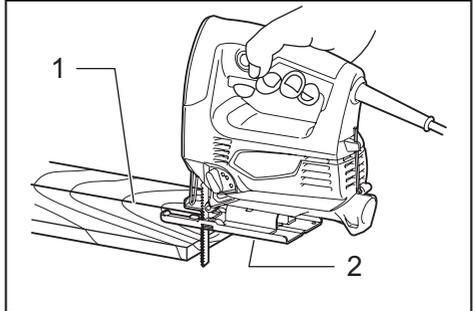
► 1. Hook 2. Hex wrench

When not in use, store the hex wrench as shown in the figure to keep it from being lost.

## OPERATION

**CAUTION:** Always hold the base flush with the workpiece. Failure to do so may cause jig saw blade breakage, resulting in a serious injury.

**CAUTION:** Advance the tool very slowly when cutting curves or scrolling. Forcing the tool may cause a slanted cutting surface and jig saw blade breakage.



► 1. Cutting line 2. Base

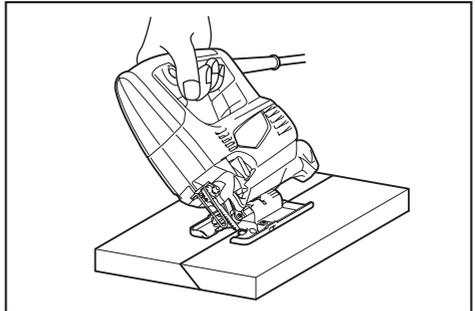
Turn the tool on without the jig saw blade making any contact and wait until the blade attains full speed. Then rest the base flat on the workpiece and gently move the tool forward along the previously marked cutting line.

## Bevel cutting

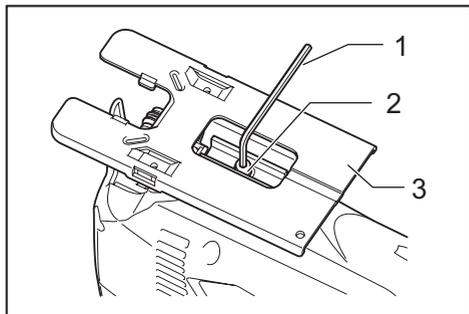
**CAUTION:** Always be sure that the tool is switched off and unplugged before tilting the base.

**CAUTION:** Raise the dust cover all the way before making bevel cuts.

With the base tilted, you can make bevel cuts at any angle between 0° and 45° (left or right).

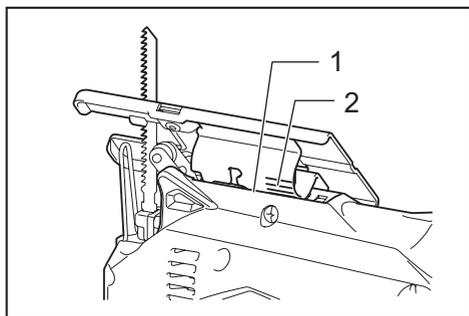


Loosen the bolt on the back of the base with the hex wrench. Move the base so that the bolt is positioned in the center of the cross-shaped slot in the base.



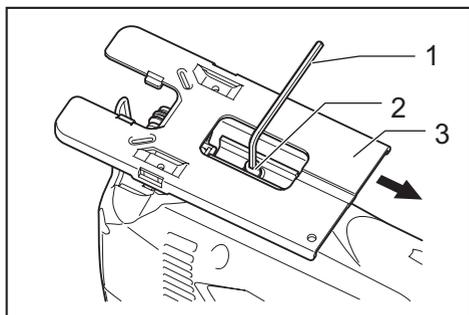
► 1. Hex wrench 2. Bolt 3. Base

Tilt the base until the desired bevel angle is obtained. The edge of the motor housing indicates the bevel angle by graduations. Then tighten the bolt to secure the base.



► 1. Edge 2. Graduation

## Front flush cuts



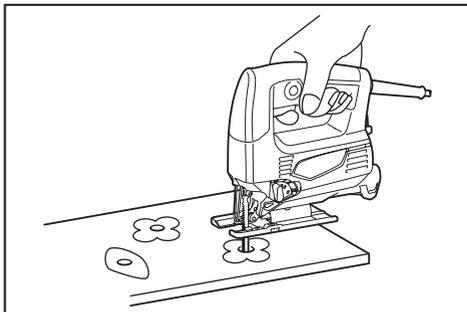
► 1. Hex wrench 2. Bolt 3. Base

Loosen the bolt on the back of the base with the hex wrench and slide the base all the way back. Then tighten the bolt to secure the base.

## Cutouts

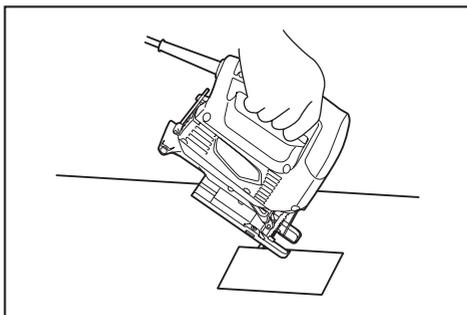
Cutouts can be made with either of two methods "Boring a starting hole" or "Plunge cutting".

### Boring a starting hole



For internal cutouts without a lead-in cut from an edge, pre-drill a starting hole 12 mm or more in diameter. Insert the jig saw blade into this hole to start your cut.

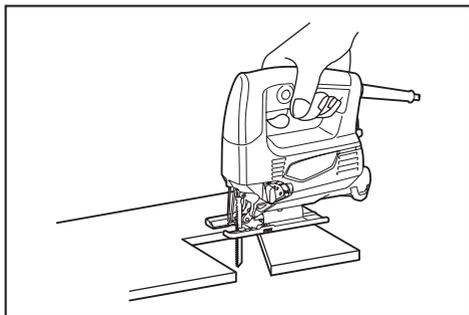
### Plunge cutting



You need not bore a starting hole or make a lead-in cut if you carefully do as follows.

1. Tilt the tool up on the front edge of the base with the jig saw blade point positioned just above the workpiece surface.
2. Apply pressure to the tool so that the front edge of the base will not move when you switch on the tool and gently lower the back end of the tool slowly.
3. As the jig saw blade pierces the workpiece, slowly lower the base of the tool down onto the workpiece surface.
4. Complete the cut in the normal manner.

## Finishing edges

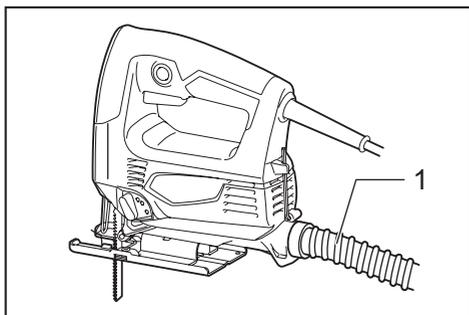


To trim edges or make dimensional adjustments, run the jig saw blade lightly along the cut edges.

## Metal cutting

Always use a suitable coolant (cutting oil) when cutting metal. Failure to do so will cause significant jig saw blade wear. The underside of the workpiece can be greased instead of using a coolant.

## Dust extraction



► 1. Hose

Clean cutting operations can be performed by connecting this tool to a Makita vacuum cleaner. Insert the hose of the vacuum cleaner into the hole at the rear of the tool.

**NOTE:** Dust extraction cannot be performed when making bevel cuts.

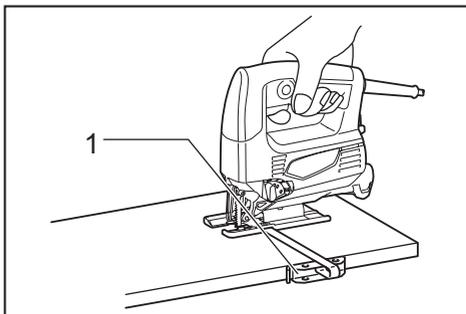
## Rip fence

### Optional accessory

**CAUTION:** Always be sure that the tool is switched off and unplugged before installing or removing accessories.

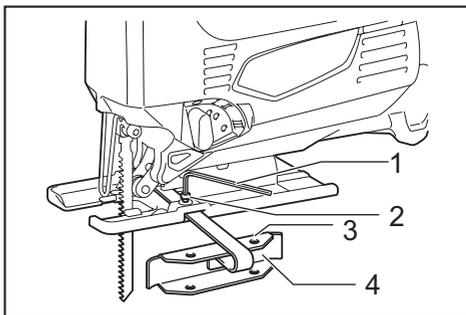
## Straight cuts

When repeatedly cutting widths of 160 mm or less, use of the rip fence will assure fast, clean, straight cuts.



► 1. Rip fence (Guide rule)

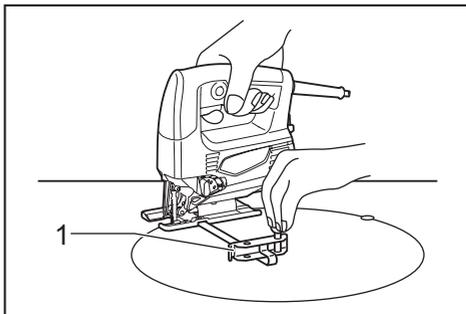
To install, insert the rip fence into the rectangular hole on the side of the base with the fence guide facing down. Slide the rip fence to the desired cutting width position, then tighten the bolt to secure it.



► 1. Hex wrench 2. Bolt 3. Fence guide 4. Rip fence (Guide rule)

## Circular cuts

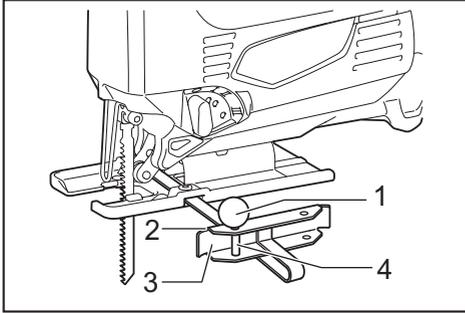
When cutting circles or arcs of 170 mm or less in radius, install the rip fence as follows.



► 1. Rip fence (Guide rule)

1. Insert the rip fence into the rectangular hole on the side of the base with the fence guide facing up.

2. Insert the circular guide pin through either of the two holes on the fence guide. Screw the threaded knob onto the pin to secure the pin.



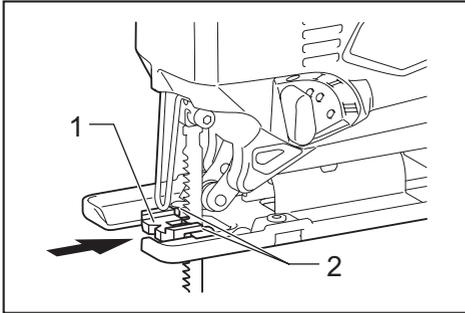
- 1. Threaded knob 2. Fence guide 3. Rip fence (Guide rule) 4. Pin

3. Slide the rip fence to the desired cutting radius, and tighten the bolt to secure it in place. Then move the base all the way forward.

**NOTE:** Always use jig saw blades No. B-17, B-18, B-26 or B-27 when cutting circles or arcs.

## Anti-splintering device for steel base

### Optional accessory



- 1. Anti-splintering device 2. Protrusion

For splinter-free cuts, the anti-splintering device can be used. To install the anti-splintering device, move the base all the way forward and insert it between the two protrusions of the base.

**NOTE:** The anti-splintering device cannot be used when making bevel cuts.

## MAINTENANCE

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

**NOTICE:** Never use gasoline, benzine, thinner, alcohol or the like. Discoloration, deformation or cracks may result.

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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