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Safety Precautions



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1 Safety Precautions

1.1 Warning Signs



Observe safety notices and take the necessary precautions.



Read, understand and save the instruction manual.



Protect battery from heat and fire.



Protect the battery from rain and damp – do not immerse it in fluids.



Observe battery's specified temperature range.

1.2 Intended Use

The STIHL AK battery supplies power to the STIHL or VIKING product.

The STIHL AK battery can be recharged with a STIHL AL charger.

⚠ WARNING

- Using the battery for purposes for which it is not designed may result in serious or fatal injuries and damage to property.
 - ▶ Use the battery as described in the instruction manual.
 - ▶ Recharge the battery with a STIHL AL charger.

1.3 Work Area and Surroundings

⚠ WARNING

- Children are not aware of and cannot assess the dangers of the battery and can be seriously injured.
 - ▶ Keep children away.
- The battery is not protected against all ambient conditions. If the battery is exposed to certain ambient conditions, it may catch fire or explode. This can result in serious injuries and damage to property.



- ▶ Protect battery from heat and fire.
- ▶ Do not throw the battery into a fire.



- ▶ Use and store the battery at temperatures between -10°C and +50°C.



- ▶ Protect the battery from rain and damp – do not immerse it in fluids.

- ▶ Keep battery away from metallic objects.
- ▶ Do not expose battery to high pressure.
- ▶ Do not expose battery to microwaves.
- ▶ Protect battery from chemicals and salts.

1.4 Safe Condition

The battery is in a safe condition if the following points are observed:

- Battery is undamaged.
- Battery is clean and dry.
- Battery functions properly and has not been modified.

⚠ WARNING

- A battery that is not in a safe condition cannot operate safely. This can result in serious injuries.
 - ▶ Never use a damaged or defective battery.
 - ▶ Never charge a damaged or defective battery.
 - ▶ If the battery is dirty or wet: Clean the battery and allow it to dry.
 - ▶ Never attempt to modify the battery.
 - ▶ Never insert objects in the battery's openings.
 - ▶ Never bridge the battery's contacts with metallic objects (short circuit).
 - ▶ Do not open the battery.
- Fluid may escape from a damaged battery. The fluid can cause irritation if it contacts the skin or eyes.
 - ▶ Avoid contact with the fluid.
 - ▶ In case of contact with the skin: Wash affected areas with plenty of water and soap.
 - ▶ In case of contact with the eyes: Rinse eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical advice.
- A damaged or defective battery may smell unusual, emit smoke or burn. This can result in serious or fatal injuries and damage to property.
 - ▶ If the battery smells unusual or emits smoke: Do not use the battery and keep it away from combustible substances.
 - ▶ If the battery catches fire: Extinguish battery with a fire extinguisher or water.

1.5 Transporting the Battery

⚠ WARNING

- The battery is not protected against all ambient conditions. The battery may be damaged if it is exposed to certain ambient conditions and damage to property may occur.
 - ▶ Never transport a damaged battery.
 - ▶ Store the battery in non-conductive packaging.
- The battery may turn over or shift during transport. This may result in personal injuries and damage to property.
 - ▶ Pack the battery in packaging in such a way that it cannot move.
 - ▶ Secure the packaging so that it cannot move.

1.6 Storing the Battery

⚠ WARNING

- Children are not aware of and cannot assess the dangers of the battery and can be seriously injured.
 - ▶ Store the battery out of the reach of children.
- The battery is not protected against all ambient conditions. The battery may be damaged if it is exposed to certain ambient conditions.
 - ▶ Store the battery in a clean and dry condition.
 - ▶ Store the battery in a confined space.
 - ▶ Store the battery separately from the product and charger.
 - ▶ Store the battery in non-conductive packaging.
 - ▶ Store the battery at temperatures between -10°C and +50°C.

1.7 Cleaning, Maintenance and Repairs

⚠ WARNING

- If the battery is not cleaned as described in this instruction manual, components may no longer function properly or safety devices may be rendered inoperative. This can result in serious injuries.
 - ▶ Clean the battery as described in this instruction manual.
- Aggressive cleaning agents, high pressure cleaners or pointed objects can damage the battery.
 - ▶ Clean the battery as described in this instruction manual.
- If the battery is serviced or repaired by the user, components may no longer function properly or safety devices may be rendered inoperative. This can result in serious or fatal injuries.
 - ▶ Do not attempt to service or repair the battery.
 - ▶ If the battery needs to be serviced or repaired: Contact your STIHL servicing dealer.

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