

CENTRAL PNEUMATIC®

AIR HYDRAULIC RIVETER

Model 93458

SET UP AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



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PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Rivet Capacity	3/32", 1/8", 5/32", & 3/16" sized pins
Operating Air Pressure	90 PSI
Air Consumption	4.5 CFM @ 90 PSI
Air Inlet Size	1/4"-18 NPT
Nosepiece Sizes	3/32", 1/8", 5/32", 3/16"

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You will need this manual for the safety warnings and precautions, assembly, operating, inspection, maintenance and cleaning procedures, parts list and assembly diagram. Keep your invoice with this manual. Write the invoice number on the inside of the front cover. Keep this manual and invoice in a safe and dry place for future reference.

UNPACKING

When unpacking, make sure that the item is intact and undamaged. If any parts are missing or broken, please call Harbor Freight Tools at the number shown on the cover of this manual as soon as possible.

SAFETY WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

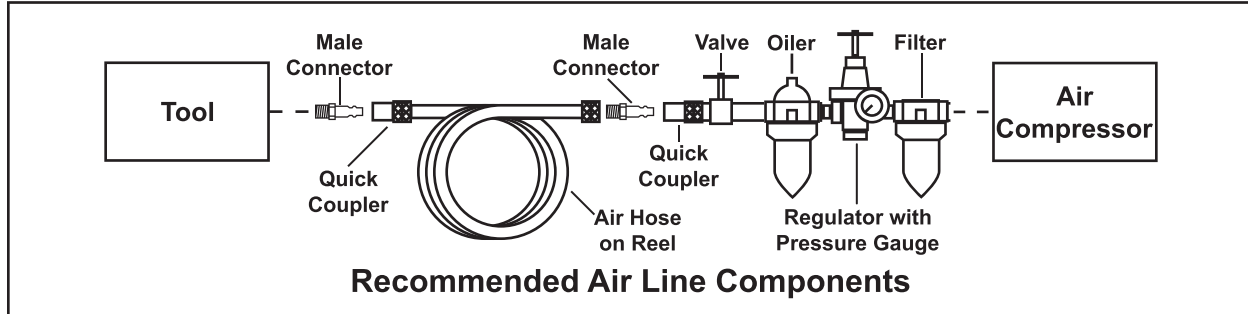
-  **Use eye and hearing protection.** Wear ANSI approved safety impact goggles, hearing protection, and heavy-duty work gloves when using this Riveter. Other people in the work area must also wear appropriate ANSI approved safety equipment.
- Keep work area clean.** Cluttered areas invite accidents.
- Stay within air pressure capacity.** Do not operate the Riveter above **90 PSI**.
- Observe work area conditions.** Keep work area well lit. Do not use pneumatic tools in the presence of flammable gases or liquids.
- Keep children away.** Children must never be allowed in the work area. Do not let them handle machines, tools, extension cords, or air hoses.
- Store idle equipment.** When not in use, tools must be stored in a dry location to inhibit rust. Lock up tools and keep out of reach of children.
- Use the right tool for the job.** Do not attempt to force a small tool or attachment to do the work of a larger industrial tool. There are certain applications for which this tool was designed. It will do the job better and more safely at the rate for

which it was intended. Do not modify this tool, and do not use this tool for a purpose for which it was not intended.

8. **Dress properly.** Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry as they can be caught in moving parts. Protective, electrically nonconductive clothes and nonskid footwear are recommended when working. Wear restrictive hair covering to contain long hair.
9. **Do not overreach.** Keep proper footing and balance at all times. Do not reach over or across running tools or air hoses.
10. **Disconnect air hose and release any built-up air pressure.** Do not service the Riveter or disassemble with the air hose attached. Verify that there is no residual air pressure even after disconnecting hose. Disconnect the Riveter when not in use.
11. **Remove adjusting wrenches.** Check that adjusting wrenches are removed from the tool and work surface before attaching to an air source.
12. **Avoid unintentional starting.** Be sure the Trigger (40) is in the **OFF** position when not in use and before plugging in. Do not carry any tool with your finger on the Trigger, whether it is attached to an air source or not. Do not point the tool towards yourself or anyone.
13. **Stay alert.** Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate any tool when you are tired.
14. **Check for damaged parts.** Before using any tool, any part that appears damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function. Check for alignment and binding of moving parts, any broken parts, and any other condition that may affect proper operation. Any part that is damaged should be properly repaired or replaced by a qualified technician. Do not use the tool if the Trigger does not operate properly.
15. **Replacement parts and accessories.** This product is to be repaired and serviced only by a qualified technician. When this product is serviced, only identical replacement parts should be used. Use of any other parts will void the warranty. Only use accessories intended for use with this tool. Approved accessories are available from Harbor Freight Tools.
16. **Do not operate tool if under the influence of alcohol or drugs.** Read warning labels if taking prescription medicine to determine if your judgement or reflexes are impaired while taking drugs. If there is any doubt, do not operate the tool.
17. **Maintenance.** The maintenance outlined in the “Maintenance” section should be performed regularly. For your safety, this product should be serviced or repaired regularly only by a qualified technician.
18. **Compressed air only.** Do not use combustible gas as a power source.

19. **Fire the Rivets into an appropriate work surface only.** This Riveter is designed for use on metal objects only, and is not suitable for soft surfaces.
20. **Do not fire the Rivets too close to the edge of a workpiece.** They may split the workpiece and cause it to fly free, causing personal injury.
21. **Transport the Riveter safely.** Disconnect the air supply when moving the tool in the workplace. Carry the tool by the handle and avoid contact with the Trigger (40).
22. **Avoid working alone.** If an accident happens, an assistant can bring help.
23. **Attach the Safety Cap (23) to the Riveter before use.** Turn the slot in the Safety Cap upward to avoid spilling used Rivet Pins.
24. **⚠️WARNING!** Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contain chemicals known (to the State of California) to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.
Some examples of these chemicals are:
 - * Lead from lead-based paints,
 - * Crystalline silica from bricks, cement, and other masonry products,
 - * Arsenic and chromium from chemically treated lumber.(California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5, *et seq.*)
25. **⚠️WARNING!** The warnings, cautions, and instructions discussed in this instruction manual cannot cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. It must be understood by the operator that common sense and caution are factors which cannot be built into this product, but must be supplied by the operator.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS



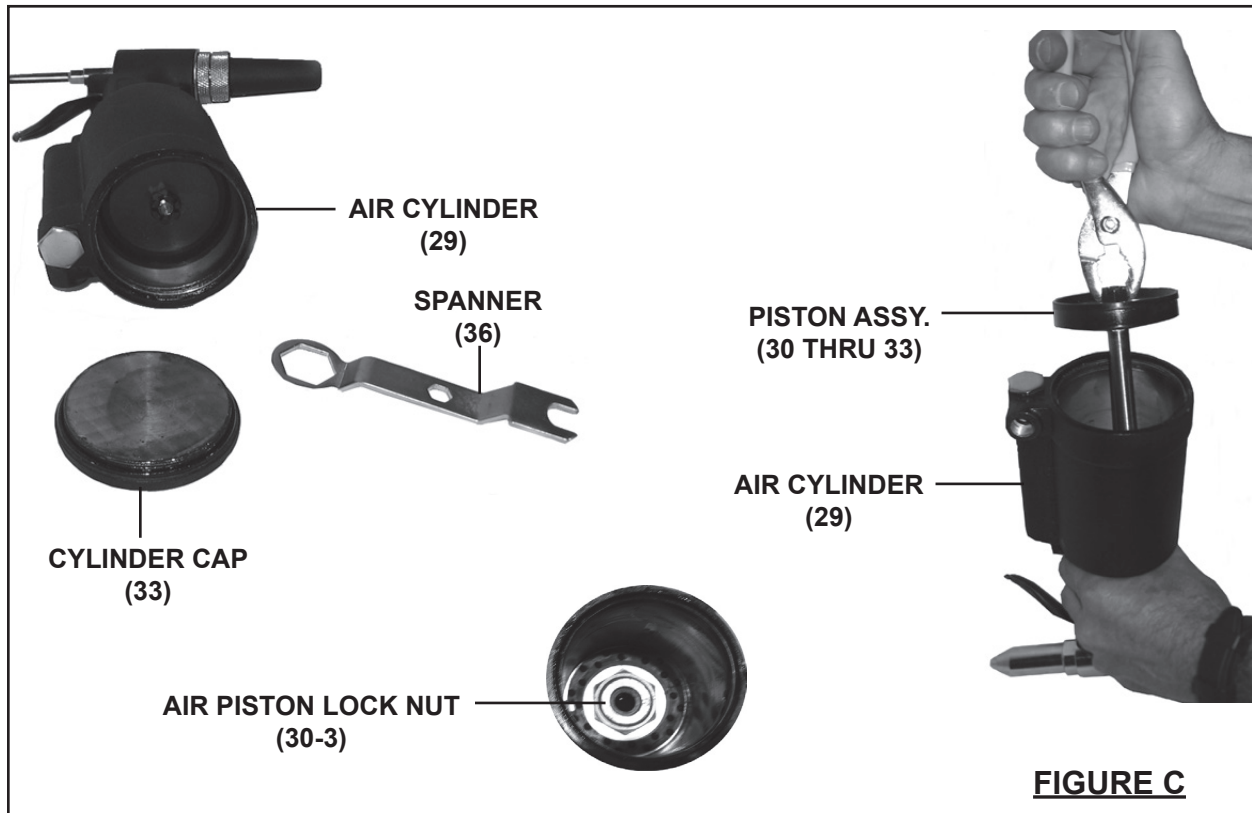
1. For best service, you should incorporate an oiler, regulator, and inline filter, as shown in the diagram above. Hoses, couplers, oilers, regulators, and filters are all available at Harbor Freight Tools.

Note: If an automatic oiler is not used, put 3-5 drops of pneumatic Tool Oil (not included) in the tool's quick connector before each use.

2. Prior to use, the Riveter requires the attachment of the Quick Connector (53) to its Air Cylinder (29). To do so, make sure the screen *Air Filter* is properly seated in the Air Cylinder. Wrap approximately 3" of pipe thread sealer tape (not included) around the male threads of the Quick Connector. Then, firmly tighten the Quick Connector into the Air Cylinder.

To Prime The Riveter:

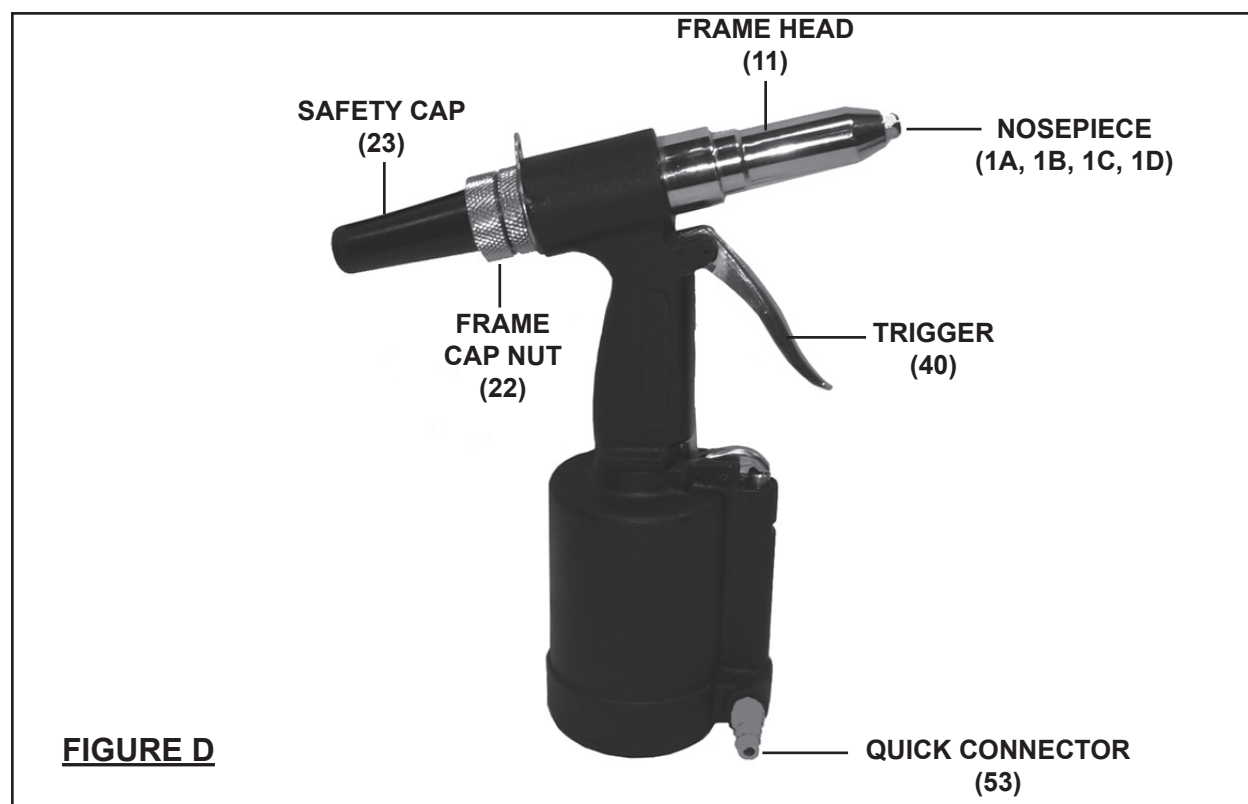
⚠WARNING! Make sure the Riveter is disconnected from its air supply hose prior to performing any maintenance, service, or changing accessories.



1. Use the Spanner (36) to unscrew and remove the Cylinder Cap (33) from the bottom of the Riveter. **(See Figure C.)**
2. Use a pair of pliers (not included) to remove the Piston Assembly (30 thru 33) from the Air Cylinder (29). **(See Figure C.)**
3. Hold the Air Cylinder (29) upside down, and pour in hydraulic oil (not included). The fill level should only reach the top of the Frame (15). **(See Figure C.)**
4. Insert the Piston Assembly (30 thru 33) back into the Air Cylinder (29). **(See Figure C.)**
5. Use the Spanner (36) to firmly screw the Cylinder Cap (33) back onto the Air Cylinder (29). **(See Figure C.)**

Nosepieces:

1. The Riveter comes with *four* Nosepieces. The Nosepiece part numbers and sizes are as follows: (1A = 3/16"), (1B = 5/32"), (1C = 1/8"), (1D = 3/32").



2. Use the Spanner (36) to remove the old nosepiece and install the new one. Tighten the new nosepiece in place before use. **(See Figure D.)**

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Secure the Safety Cap (23) firmly to the Riveter by tightening the Frame Cap Nut (22). While securing turn the slot in the Safety Cap upward to avoid spilling used rivet pins. **(See Figure D.)**
2. Depending on the size of rivet's pin used, attach the corresponding Nosepiece size (3/16", 5/32", 1/8", or 3/32") with the Spanner (36). **(See Figure D.)**
3. **IMPORTANT:** When drilling rivet holes in a workpiece, use the same diameter drill bit as the outer diameter of rivet you will be using.
4. Attach an air hose to the Quick Connector (53) of the Riveter. **(See Figure D.)**
5. Turn on the air compressor, and set its regulator at 90 PSI. **Do not exceed 90 PSI.**

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6. Insert the small end of a rivet fully through the Nosepiece (1A, 1B, 1C, or 1D).
CAUTION! Keep clear of the trigger when inserting rivets.
7. Insert the rivet through the predrilled hole in the workpiece.
8. Hold the Riveter firmly with both hands, and squeeze the Trigger (40) to activate the Riveter. Repeat as necessary. Then, release pressure on the Trigger.
9. When finished using the Riveter, turn off the air compressor. Squeeze the Trigger again to release any compressed air in the Riveter. Disconnect the air hose from the tool. Then, store the Riveter in a clean, dry, safe location out of reach of children.

INSPECTION, MAINTENANCE, AND CLEANING

⚠WARNING! Wear ANSI-approved safety impact goggles when performing any inspection, maintenance, or cleaning procedures.

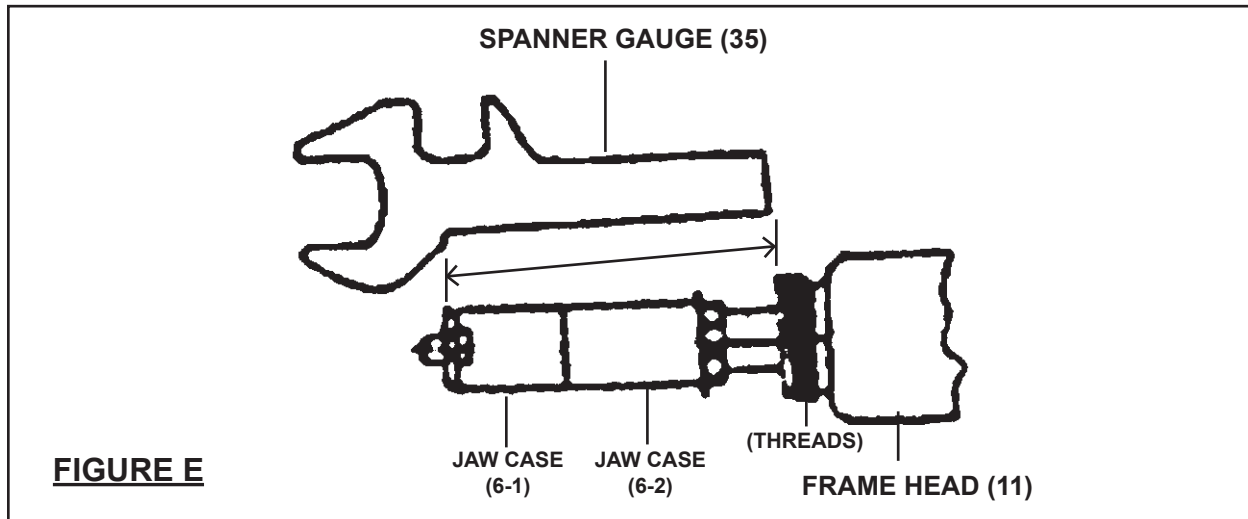
⚠WARNING! Prior to performing any inspection, maintenance, or cleaning of the Riveter, make sure to disconnect the air hose from the tool. Then, squeeze the Trigger (40) again to release any compressed air in the Riveter.

⚠WARNING! All maintenance, service, and repairs not mentioned in this manual must only be performed by a qualified service technician.

1. **To clean the exterior of the Riveter**, wipe with a clean, damp cloth using a mild detergent or mild solvent. Do not immerse the tool in liquids.
2. **To clean and change the Jaws:**
 - a. Unscrew and remove the Frame Head (11), using the Spanner (36).
 - b. Use the Spanner (36) to unscrew and remove the Jaw Cases (6-1, 6-2). Use care as there is a Spring (10) behind the Jaw Case (6-2) which may fly out.
 - c. Remove the Jaws (7) from between the Jaw Cases (6-1, 6-2).
 - d. If you are going to clean the Jaws (7), use a steel brush and mild solvent. Then, apply a light coat of machine oil to the Jaws. If you are going to replace the Jaws, the entire assembly (6-1, 6-2, 7, 8, 9, & 10) must be replaced at the same time,

due to the possibility of additional parts being damaged when the Jaws were damaged.

- e. Insert the Jaws (7) back into the Jaw Cases (6-1, 6-2).
- f. When reassembling the Jaw Cases (6-1, 6-2), make sure the wedge on the Jaw Pusher's (8) head lines up in between the Jaws, pushing them slightly apart.



- g. Check the distance from the head of the Jaw Cases (6-1, 6-2) to the mounting threads of the Frame Head (11) using the gauge on the Spanner (35). With the gauge at a slight incline, the back of the gauge should rest on the beginning of the Frame Head threads, while the front of the gauge should rest on the front edge of the Jaw Case (6-1). If it does not, tighten/loosen the Jaw Cases until the distance is corrected. **(See Figure E.)**
 - h. Before reassembly, secure the Lock Nut (12) against the Jaw Case assembly using the Spanner Gauge (35).
3. Store the Riveter in a clean, dry, safe location out of reach of children.

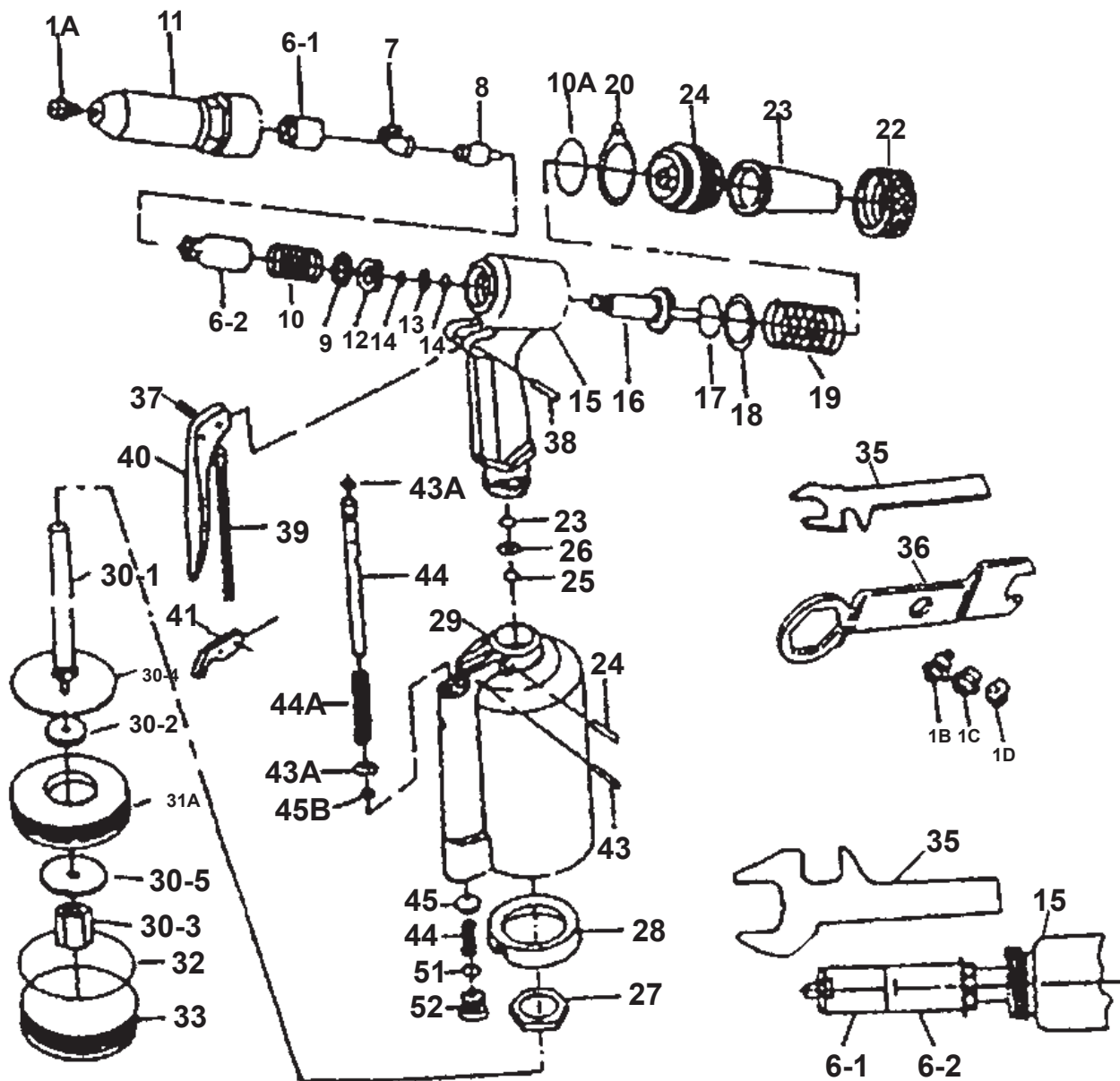
TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Likely Solution
Jaws slipping.	Worn or damaged Jaws.	Replace Jaws.
Jaws will not open.	1. Loose Nosepiece. 2. Dirty Jaws.	1. Tighten Nosepiece. 2. Clean Jaws.
Stroke is too short.	1. Rivet pin not properly inserted into Riveter. 2. Low oil. 3. Rivet wrong size.	1. Fully insert pin. 2. Prime Riveter. 3. Use proper rivet length.
Weak pulling action.	1. Low air pressure. 2. Broken/inadequate air compressor. 3. Low oil.	1. Check regulator. 2. Have compressor serviced by a qualified technician/upgrade to compressor of sufficient capability. 3. Prime Riveter.
Leaking air.	1. Poor hose connections. 2. Damaged O-Ring. 3. Dirty Air Valve or airline inlet.	1. Reconnect using pipe thread seal tape. 2. Replace O-Ring. 3. Clean and lubricate with pneumatic tool oil.

PARTS LIST

Part	Description	Part	Description
1A	Nosepiece (3/16")	29	Air Cylinder
1B	Nosepiece (5/32")	30-1	Air Piston Stem
1C	Nosepiece (1/8")	30-2	Air Piston Insert
1D	Nosepiece (3/32")	30-3	Air Piston Lock Nut
6-1	Jaw Case Front (3/32", 1/8", 5/32")	30-4	Large Iron Plate
6-2	Jaw Case End	30-5	Small Iron Plate
7	Jaw	31A	Air Piston Ring
8	Jaw Pusher	32	Cylinder O-Ring (67.94 x 2.62)
9	Case Washer Ring	33	Cylinder Cap
10	Jaw Pusher Spring	35	Spanner Gauge
10A	Frame Cap O-Ring (27 x 2)	36	Spanner
11	Frame Head	37	Trigger Pin
12	Case Lock Nut	38	Connector
13	Back Up Ring	39	Trigger Rod
14	Back Up O-Ring (p12)	40	Trigger
15	Frame	41	Connector
16	Oil Piston	42	Trigger Lever
17	Oil Piston O-Ring (p22A)	43	Lever Pin
18	Back Up Ring	43A	Valve Pusher O-Ring (p7)
19	Return Spring	44	Valve Pusher
20	Hanging Clip	44A	Valve Spring
21	Frame Cap	45	Valve
22	Frame Cap Nut	45A	Valve Collar
23	Safety Cap	45B	Collar O-Ring (p5)
24	Setting Screw Pin	46	Valve Spring
25	Back Up O-Ring (12)	51	Valve Cap O-Ring (p11)
26	Back Up Ring	52	Valve Cap
27	Frame Lock Nut	53	Quick Connector
28	Rubber Cushion		

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM



Note: Some parts are listed and shown for illustration purposes only, and are not available individually as replacement parts.

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To take advantage of this warranty, the product or part must be returned to us with transportation charges prepaid. Proof of purchase date and an explanation of the complaint must accompany the merchandise. If our inspection verifies the defect, we will either repair or replace the product at our election or we may elect to refund the purchase price if we cannot readily and quickly provide you with a replacement. We will return repaired products at our expense, but if we determine there is no defect, or that the defect resulted from causes not within the scope of our warranty, then you must bear the cost of returning the product.

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