

## BASIC TECHNIQUES

**On first contact with the surface, the trimmer may try to wander off line.** Take great care until you become familiar with the tool. Try it out on a piece of waste wood first.

**Hold the workpiece steady with clamps or a vice,** positioning these so they don't interfere with the cutter.

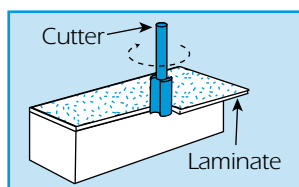
**Check the material being worked on, making sure it is free from nails, screws or other foreign bodies which would damage the cutter.**

**Hold the tool in both hands and adopt a stable stance that gives a good view of the cut** while keeping you clear of the tool's cutters.

**Do not work in areas where you are forced to stand on loose debris or on a slippery uneven surface.**

If possible, **drape the tool's flex over one shoulder to keep it clear of the cutters,** but **make sure there is still enough slack** for you **to reach the end of the workpiece** without difficulty.

**Position the trimmer on to the laminate with the cutter clear of the work and switch ON.** Be ready for the machine to kick slightly when it first starts.



Now **move the trimmer into the work** and apply steady pressure as it cuts. You can then **slide the trimmer along the work to remove waste as required.**

## EQUIPMENT CARE

**Never push the equipment beyond its design limits.** If it will not do what you want with reasonable ease, assume you have the wrong tool for the job. Ask at your local HSS Hire Shop for advice.

**Keep the equipment clean.** You will find this less of a chore if you clean up regularly, rather than wait until the end of the hire period. In particular, clean out the tool's ventilation slots. If these get blocked, the motor will over-heat and burn out.

When not in use, **store the equipment somewhere clean, dry and safe** from thieves.

**To trim large amounts, remove the waste in easy stages.** It gives better results, the bit will stay sharp longer and it places less strain on the tool.

**Use only sharp cutters.** Blunt ones give poor results and can overload the tool's electric motor.

**Use only cutters designed for laminate trimming.** The wrong cutters could damage both the tool and the workpiece.

## FINISHING OFF

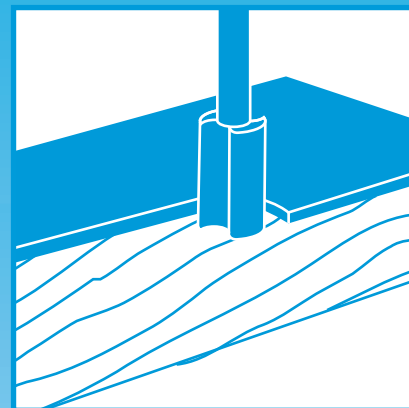
**Carefully clean off dust and other debris,** paying special attention to the tool's ventilation ports, remember to **remove the cutter** from the collet, **then neatly coil the flex** ready for return to your local HSS Hire Shop.



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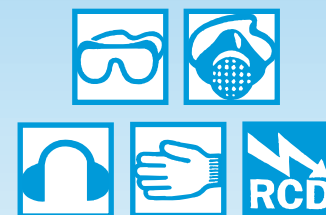
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# Laminate Trimmers

**For trimming laminated surfaces to leave a clean finish, can also be used for a variety of other DIY and craft applications.**



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## GENERAL SAFETY

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Hire Shop.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area.

Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

This equipment should only be used by a competent person who has read and understood these instructions.

There is a serious risk of personal injury if you do not follow all instructions laid down in this guide.



**Safety Goggles MUST be worn by everyone in the work area.**



**Some materials when cut contain substances which, when inhaled, can be harmful to health. A suitable mask must be worn when using this equipment.**



**This equipment generates potentially harmful noise levels. To comply with health and safety at work regulations, ear defenders must be worn by everyone in the vicinity.**



**Wear practical, protective clothing, gloves and footwear. Avoid loose garments and jewellery that could catch in moving parts, tie back long hair.**

**Always switch OFF and unplug the equipment when not in use.**

**Take special care when changing cutters – they are sharp.**

**Make sure you know how to switch this machine OFF before you switch it ON in case you get into difficulty.**

**Always unplug the tool before making adjustments to it. Check that it is switched OFF and that you have removed all spanners and keys before plugging it back in. Having switched OFF, always wait for the cutter to come to rest before putting the tool down.**

**Check the condition of the equipment before use. If it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, return it to your local HSS Hire Shop.**

## ELECTRICAL SAFETY

Most HSS laminate trimmers plug into a standard 13amp power socket. However, 110V units (with a round yellow plug) must be provided with a suitable 110V generated supply, or powered from the mains via a suitable 110V transformer.

If the equipment fails, or if its flex or plug gets damaged, return it. Never try to repair it yourself.

Keep flexes out of harm's way, and clear of moving parts.

Extension leads should be fully unwound and loosely coiled, away from the equipment. Never run them through water, over sharp edges or where they could trip someone.

Using electrical equipment in very damp or wet conditions can be dangerous.



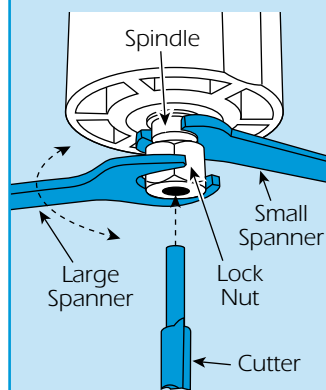
**To reduce the risk of electric shock, use a suitable RCD (Residual Current-Operated Device) available from your local HSS Hire Shop, or power equipment from a mains circuit with a built-in RCD.**

**Never carry or pull the equipment by its flex.**

**Ensure the equipment and power socket are switched OFF before plugging into the power supply.**

## GETTING STARTED

### Fitting the Cutter



**cutter's shank into the collett and re-tighten the lock nut to hold the cutter firmly in place.**

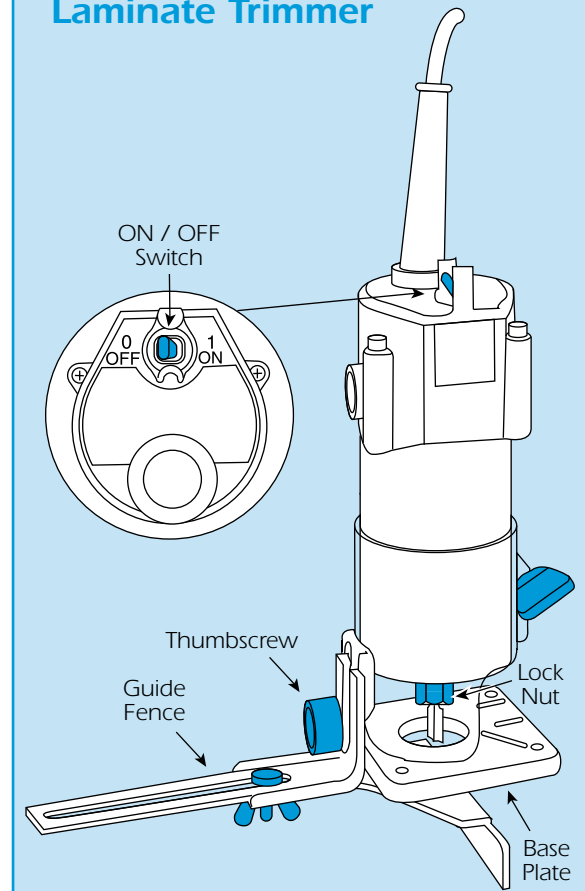
**Next, set the depth of cut. Loosen the wing nut on the outer sleeve, then turn the adjuster until the outer sleeve base plate is in line with the base of the cutter.**

**Reset the outer sleeve so that the cutter protrudes 2mm greater than the thickness of the laminate, then lock in position with the wing nut.**

**Finally, set either the guide fence or the roller guide as required using the small thumbscrews on the side of the tool's body.**

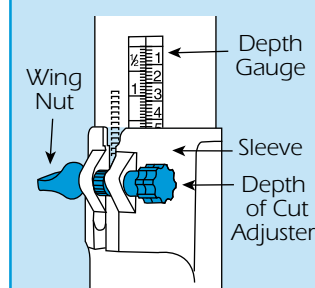
**For accuracy, the roller guide should be used to control the distancing of the cutter from the edge**

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**of the workpiece. This ensures that the cutter is only in contact with the waste laminate and not the finished work.**

### Depth of Cut



### Roller Guide

