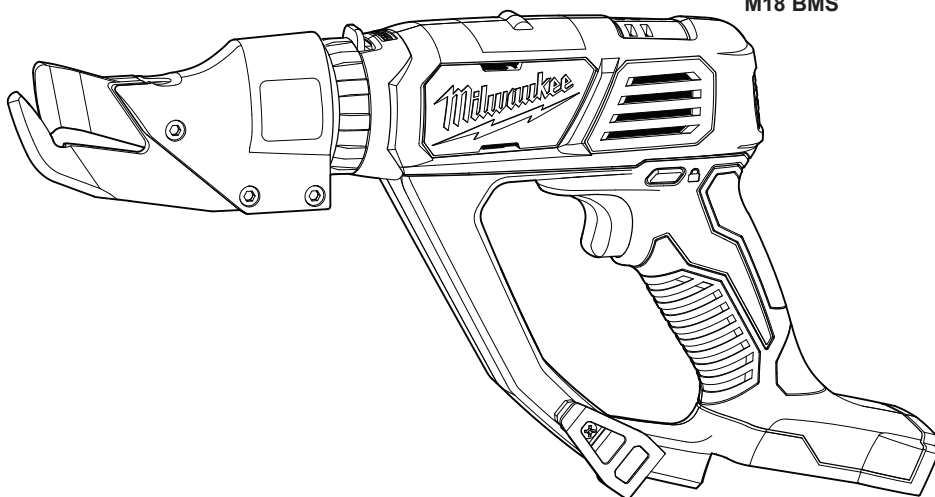




## OPERATOR'S MANUAL

Cat. No.  
M18 BMS



**M18™ CORDLESS SHEARS**

**TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INJURY, USER MUST READ AND UNDERSTAND OPERATOR'S MANUAL.**

## GENERAL POWER TOOL SAFETY WARNINGS



**WARNING READ ALL SAFETY WARNINGS AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS.** Failure to follow the warnings and instructions 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

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

### ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- **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.
- **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.
- **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- **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.
- **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.
- **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected supply.** Use of an GFCI reduces the risk of electric shock.

### PERSONAL SAFETY

- **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.
- **Use personal protective equipment.** Always wear eye protection. Protective equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Do not overreach.** Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- **Dress properly.** Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts. Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.

- 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.

### POWER TOOL USE AND CARE

- **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.
- **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.
- **Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or the battery pack 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.
- **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.
- **Maintain power tools.** 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.
- **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- **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.

### BATTERY TOOL USE AND CARE

- **Recharge only with the charger specified by the manufacturer.** A charger that is suitable for one type of battery pack may create a risk of fire when used with another battery pack.
- **Use power tools only with specifically designated battery packs.** Use of any other battery packs may create a risk of injury and fire.
- **When battery pack is not in use, keep it away from other metal objects like paper clips, coins, keys, nails, screws, or other small metal objects that can make a connection from one terminal to another.** Shorting the battery terminals together may cause burns or a fire.
- **Under abusive conditions, liquid may be ejected from the battery; avoid contact.** If contact accidentally occurs, flush with water. If liquid contacts eyes, additionally seek medical help. Liquid ejected from the battery may cause irritation

or burns.

### SERVICE

- 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.

### SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES

- **Maintain labels and nameplates.** These carry important information. If unreadable or missing, contact the store where the product was originally purchased or one of our authorised MILWAUKEE® service centres.
- **WARNING** Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contains chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:
  - lead from lead-based paint
  - crystalline silica from bricks and cement and other masonry products, and
  - arsenic and chromium from chemically-treated lumber.

Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

### SPECIFICATIONS

Cat. No.	M18BMS
Volts DC	18
SPM	0-2500
Cutting Speed	8.5 m/min
Blade Type	Single Cut
Minimum Cutting Radius	76mm

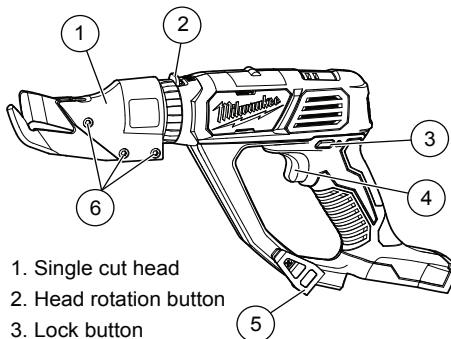
### Capacities

Steel	
- mm	1.2
- gauge	18
- inches	0.048
Stainless Steel	
- mm	0.95
- gauge	20
- inches	0.038

### SYMBOLOLOGY

V	Volts
==	Direct Current
n <sub>o</sub> XXXXmin. <sup>-1</sup>	No Load Strokes Per Minute (SPM)

### FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION



1. Single cut head
2. Head rotation button
3. Lock button
4. Trigger
5. Belt hook
6. Cap screws

### ASSEMBLY

**WARNING** Recharge only with the charger specified for the battery. For specific charging instructions, read the operator's manual supplied with your charger and battery.

#### Inserting / Removing the Battery

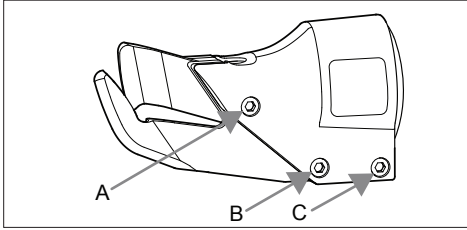
To remove the battery, push in the release buttons and pull the battery pack away from the tool. To insert the battery, slide the pack into the body of the tool. Make sure it latches securely into place.

**WARNING** Always remove battery pack before changing or removing accessories. Only use accessories specifically recommended for this tool. Others may be hazardous.

#### Attaching, Removing, and Adjusting the Shear Head

1. Remove the battery pack.
2. Place the shear head on the gear case collar of the tool.
3. Align the shear head and tool to the desired angle. Move the left blade forward or backward to adjust the curl of waste material.

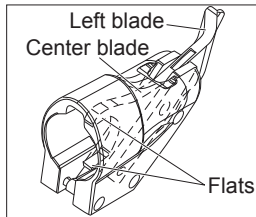
4. Tighten the three cap screws in the order indicated (A, B, C), with the wrench provided. Be sure the screws are securely tightened (4.5 - 5.6 Nm) before using the tool.



5. To remove, loosen the three cap screws and firmly pull the shear head forward, twisting slightly.

#### Applying Lubricant

When necessary, apply a small amount of MILWAUKEE type "E" grease to the flats in the U-shaped area of the center blade.



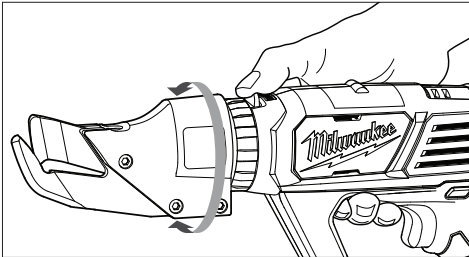
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**WARNING** To reduce the risk of injury, always wear safety goggles or glasses with side shields.

#### Rotating the Shear Head

Pull back the head rotation button and rotate the head to a comfortable cutting position. Make sure the head snaps into the nearest detent before use.



#### Starting, Stopping, and Controlling Speed

1. To start the tool, pull the trigger.
2. To vary the cutting speed, increase or decrease pressure on the trigger. The further the trigger is pulled, the greater the speed.

3. To stop the tool, release the trigger.

#### Locking the Trigger

Always allow the motor to come to a complete stop before locking the trigger. Always lock the trigger or remove the battery pack before performing maintenance, changing accessories, storing the tool and any time the tool is not in use.

To lock the trigger, push the trigger lock from the **LOCK** side of the tool. To unlock, push the trigger lock to the **UNLOCK** side of the tool.

#### Preparing the Material

Always lubricate the material to be cut. Use standard machine oil on steel and mineral spirits for aluminum.

#### Cutting

When cutting, hold the tool so that the blades are in firm contact with the material for the fastest cutting. Apply even pressure. Too much pressure will tend to jam the tool or cause a rough cut.

### MAINTENANCE

**WARNING** To reduce the risk of injury, always unplug the charger and remove the battery pack from the charger or tool before performing any maintenance. Never disassemble the tool, battery pack or charger. Contact the store where the product was originally purchased or one of our authorised MILWAUKEE® service centres for all repairs.

#### Maintaining Tool

Keep your tool, battery pack and charger in good repair by adopting a regular maintenance program. After six months to one year, depending on use, return the tool, battery pack and charger to the store where the product was originally purchased or one of our authorised MILWAUKEE® service centres for:

- Lubrication
- Mechanical inspection and cleaning (gears, spindles, bearings, housing, etc.)
- Electrical inspection (battery pack, charger, motor)
- Testing to assure proper mechanical and electrical operation

If the tool does not start or operate at full power with a fully charged battery pack, clean the contacts on the battery pack. If the tool still does not work properly, return the tool, charger and battery pack, to the store where the product was originally purchased or one of our authorised MILWAUKEE® service centres for repairs.

**WARNING** To reduce the risk of personal injury and damage, never immerse your tool, battery pack or charger in liquid or allow a liquid to flow inside them.

#### Cleaning

Clean dust and debris from charger and tool vents. Keep tool handles clean, dry and free of oil or grease. Use only mild soap and a damp cloth to clean the tool, battery pack and charger since certain cleaning agents and solvents are harmful to plastics and other insulated parts. Some of these include gasoline, turpentine, lacquer thinner, paint thinner, chlorinated cleaning solvents, ammonia and household detergents containing ammonia. Never use flammable or combustible solvents around tools.



## Repairs

For repairs, return the tool, battery pack and charger to the nearest service center.







## **WARRANTY - AUSTRALIA and NEW ZEALAND**

Please refer to Australian and New Zealand warranty supplied with tool. This warranty applies only to product sold in Australia and New Zealand.

### **AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND MILWAUKEE® Service**

MILWAUKEE® prides itself in producing a premium quality product that is Nothing But Heavy Duty®. Your satisfaction with our products is very important to us! If you encounter any problems with the operation of this tool, please contact your authorised MILWAUKEE® dealer.

For a list of MILWAUKEE® dealers, guarantee or service agents please contact MILWAUKEE® Customer Service or visit our website.

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