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INSTRUCTION SHEET
ZIP-STRIPPER® Cat. #ZS-140

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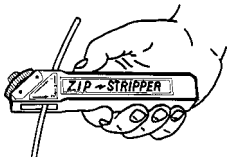
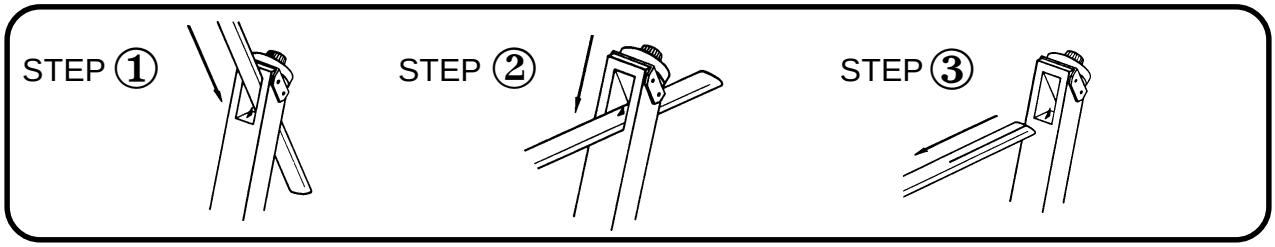


THANK YOU FOR PURCHASING A FINE U.S. MADE TOOL FROM THE PEOPLE WHO PIONEERED THE FIRST PRACTICAL BX CUTTER. PLEASE SPEND A FEW MINUTES READING THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO GET YEARS OF SATISFACTION FROM THE ZIP-STRIPPER

The Zip-Stripper features adjustable cable guides and accepts U.F. cables from 0.5" to 0.4" wide.
Consult the chart which shows the proper settings before using the Zip-Stripper.



Adjusting the Zip-Stripper: Start by looking up the blade setting on the chart on the second page according to the size and brand of cable to strip. Turn the black knob to the recommended number on the chart. This number should be centered in the top window indicator. This will adjust the blade position for each brand of cable. Next push the cable through the opening marked by the "IN" label, making sure the cable is flat up against the top of the opening. Adjust the yellow thumb wheel until the guide plates touch the sides of the cable, then back off slightly until the cable slides freely. This will adjust the channel guide to the proper width *(There should be very little play to guide the cable properly)* Please note this adjustment will have to be made only once as long as you use the same cable and if the setting is not disturbed. Now you are ready to strip any length of cable with the Zip-Stripper!

STRIP... AS EASY AS 1-2-3 BY FOLLOWING THE ARROWS ON THE 1-2-3 LABEL!

① Introduce the cable at a 45°angle against the top of the opening marked by the "IN" label.

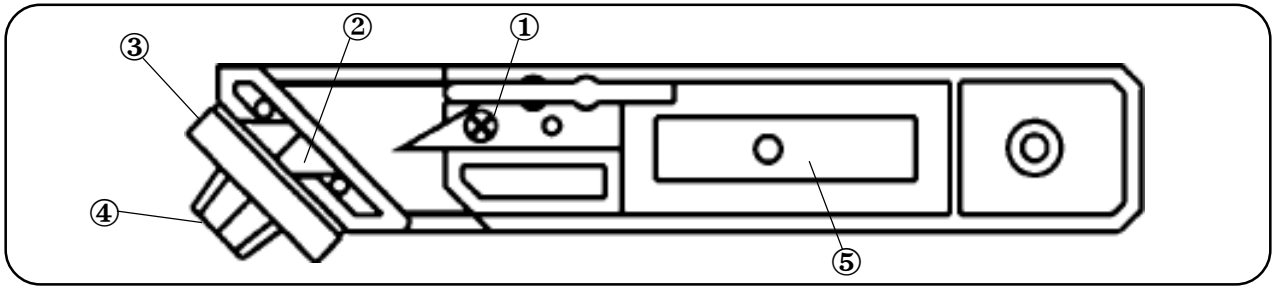
② Push the cable through the opening *(keeping the cable at 45° until you reach the length that you want to strip.)* Lower the cable straight down as the blade completely pierces the insulation.
Important: Failure to keep the cable flat while piercing will not result in a proper stripping action.

③ Next pull the cable straight out while making sure that the cable is flat and in a straight line. This will give you a clean cut on one side of the cable. Now flip the cable over and repeat steps 1-2-3 to strip the the same length on the other side. The cable is now ready for removal of the outer jacket. Just peel back the jacket on each conductor and clip with your diagonal pliers. The wires and ground can now be easily stripped.

The Zip-Stripper can be easily adjusted if you are trying to strip cable and do not have the setting number. First adjust the channel guide to the proper width by setting the yellow knob as described above. Set the black knob to #4 and follow steps 1-2-3 to strip one wire. Check to see that there is no nicking of the insulation. If there is some nicking, move the black knob to the next larger number Conversly, if the wire jacket is not exposed set the knob to the next lower number. Retest until the proper adjustment is reached. When starting a new roll or new brand of UF cable always make a trial cut to make sure that the tool cuts properly. Adjust the settings, if necessary.

The Zip-Stripper is a time-saving tool and has been engineered for safety with its enclosed blade. The Zip-Stripper, unlike a utility knife, gives you peace of mind knowing that you have eliminated the possibility of damaging not only the wire insulation but injuring yourself, as well.

Blade Replacement Instructions Cat. #BZ-112



To replace the blade turn the black knob ④ to #1 and turn the yellow knob completely counter clockwise. Remove the four screws holding the two halves of the Zip-Stripper. Slide off the adjusting knob assembly ③, open the Zip-Stripper by pulling apart the two plastic halves. Remove the screw ① holding the blade in place and set aside. Change the blade and refasten the screw. *(For your convenience a blade storage compartment ⑤ is provided inside the Zip-Stripper. After replacing a worn blade, a new container of blades can be conveniently stored there.)*

To reassemble, push the two halves together and then hold the Zip-Stripper with the label facing up. While holding the tool in this position reinstall the adjusting knob assembly ③. *(Keep the side threaded holes on the same side as the Zip-Stripper label).* Wiggle it until the prongs ② slide into the cam slots. *(The black knob must still be set to #1).* Flip the tool over and reinstall the longer screws through the knob assembly ③ and the shorter screws into the main body. *(Please note that all the screw heads are on the same side of the tool.)*

UF Cable Brand	Size 14-2	Blade Setting	Size 12-2	Blade Setting
Southwire	✓	#5	✓	#4
Cerro	✓	#4	✓	#4
General Cable	✓	#4 1/2	✓	#5
Colonial	✓	#4	✓	#4
Triangle	✓	#5	✓	#4 1/2
Encore	*	#3 1/2	✓	#5
Essex	*	#4	✓	#5 1/2
Romex® **	✓	#4	✓	#4

Note:
These numbers are given only as a guide. Always test strip the beginning of a new roll of cable to check the exact setting.
*Use adapter inside the Zip-Stripper Cat. #A-141
Any 10-2 Romex brand NM cable not larger than 1/2" wide can be stripped, use blade setting #2.
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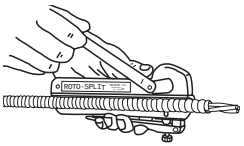

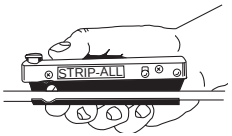

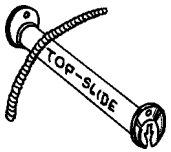

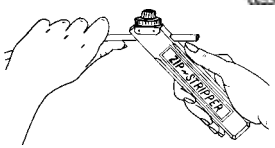
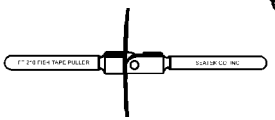
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