

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

DEWALT®

DCR015

12V/20V Max* Li-Ion Heavy-Duty Work Site Charger/Radio

Definitions: Safety Guidelines

The definitions below describe the level of severity for each signal word. Please read the manual and pay attention to these symbols.

⚠ DANGER: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **will** result in **death or serious injury**.

⚠ WARNING: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **could** result in **death or serious injury**.

⚠ CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **may** result in **minor or moderate injury**.

NOTICE: Indicates a practice **not related to personal injury** which, if not avoided, **may** result in **property damage**.



WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, read the instruction manual.

DCR015 Heavy-Duty Work Site Charger/ Radio

The DCR015 Heavy-Duty Work Site Charger/Radio is a combination AM/FM radio and DEWALT charger. The DCR015 will charge most DEWALT 12 V Max* and 20 V Max* Li-Ion batteries. Batteries sold separately.

Important Safety Instructions

1. Read these instructions.
2. Keep these instructions.
3. Heed all warnings.

4. Follow all instructions.
5. Do not use this apparatus near water.
6. Clean only with a dry cloth.
7. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
8. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
9. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
10. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
11. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
12. Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.
13. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
14. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.



15. Apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus



The lightning flash with arrow head within a triangle is intended to tell the user that parts inside the product are a risk of electric shock to persons.



The exclamation point within a triangle is intended to tell the user that important operating and servicing instructions are in the papers with the appliance.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

NOTICE: Per FCC Part 15, changes or modifications to this equipment not expressly approved by DEWALT could void your authority to operate this equipment.

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture. Use only in dry locations.

⚠ CAUTION: To prevent electric shock, match wide blade of plug to wide slot fully insert.

- The label on your tool may include the following symbols. The symbols and their definitions are as follows:

V..... volts	A..... amperes
Hz..... hertz	W..... watts
min minutes	~ alternating current
=== direct current	⋈ alternating or direct current
⚡ Class I Construction (grounded)	n ₀ no load speed
□ Class II Construction (double insulated)	n rated speed
.../min per minute	⊕ earthing terminal
IPM..... impacts per minute	⚠ safety alert symbol
SPM strokes per minute	BPM beats per minute
	RPM revolutions per minute
	sfp _m surface feet per minute

Important Safety Instructions for All Battery Packs

When ordering replacement battery packs, be sure to include the catalog number and voltage. Consult the chart at the end of this manual for compatibility of chargers and battery packs.

The battery pack is not fully charged out of the carton. Before using the battery pack and charger, read the safety instructions below and then follow charging procedures outlined.

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS

- **Do not charge or use the battery pack in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** Inserting or removing the battery pack from the charger may ignite the dust or fumes.
- **NEVER force the battery pack into the charger. DO NOT modify the battery pack in any way to fit into a non-compatible charger as battery pack may rupture causing serious personal injury.** Consult the chart at the end of this manual for compatibility of batteries and chargers.
- Charge the battery packs only in designated DEWALT chargers.
- **DO NOT** splash or immerse in water or other liquids.
- **Do not store or use the tool and battery pack in locations where the temperature may reach or exceed 105 °F (40 °C) (such as outside sheds or metal buildings in summer).** For best life store battery packs in a cool, dry location.

NOTE: Do not store the battery packs in a tool with the trigger switch locked on. Never tape the trigger switch in the ON position.

⚠ WARNING: Fire hazard. Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If the battery pack case is cracked or damaged, do not insert into the charger. Do not crush, drop or damage the battery pack. Do not use a battery pack or charger that has received a sharp blow, been dropped, run over or damaged in any way (e.g., pierced with a nail, hit with a hammer, stepped on). Damaged battery packs should be returned to the service center for recycling.

⚠ WARNING: Fire hazard. Do not store or carry the battery pack so that metal objects can contact exposed battery terminals. For example, do not place the battery pack in aprons, pockets, tool boxes, product kit boxes, drawers, etc., with loose nails, screws, keys, etc. **Transporting batteries can possibly cause fires if the battery terminals inadvertently come in contact**

with conductive materials such as keys, coins, hand tools and the like. The US Department of Transportation Hazardous Material Regulations (HMR) actually prohibit transporting batteries in commerce or on airplanes (e.g., packed in suitcases and carry-on luggage) UNLESS they are properly protected from short circuits. So when transporting individual battery packs, make sure that the battery terminals are protected and well insulated from materials that could contact them and cause a short circuit.

SPECIFIC SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR LITHIUM ION (Li-Ion)

- **Do not incinerate the battery pack even if it is severely damaged or is completely worn out.** The battery pack can explode in a fire. Toxic fumes and materials are created when lithium ion battery packs are burned.
- **If battery contents come into contact with the skin, immediately wash area with mild soap and water.** If battery liquid gets into the eye, rinse water over the open eye for 15 minutes or until irritation ceases. If medical attention is needed, the battery electrolyte is composed of a mixture of liquid organic carbonates and lithium salts.
- **Contents of opened battery cells may cause respiratory irritation.** Provide fresh air. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.

⚠ WARNING: Burn hazard. Battery liquid may be flammable if exposed to spark or flame.

The RBRC™ Seal

The RBRC™ (Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation) Seal on the nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium ion batteries (or battery packs) indicate that the costs to recycle these batteries (or battery packs) at the end of their useful life have already been paid by DEWALT. In some

areas, it is illegal to place spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium ion batteries in the trash or municipal solid waste stream and the RBRC program provides an environmentally conscious alternative.

RBRC™, in cooperation with DEWALT and other battery users, has established programs in the United States and Canada to facilitate the collection of spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium ion batteries. Help protect our environment and conserve natural resources by returning the spent nickel cadmium, nickel metal hydride or lithium ion batteries to an authorized DEWALT service center or to your local retailer for recycling. You may also contact your local recycling center for information on where to drop off the spent battery.

RBRC™ is a registered trademark of the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation.

Important Safety Instructions for All Battery Chargers

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS: This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for battery chargers.

- Before using the charger, read all instructions and cautionary markings on the charger, battery pack and product using the battery pack.

⚠ WARNING: Shock hazard. Do not allow any liquid to get inside the charger. Electric shock may result.

⚠ CAUTION: Burn hazard. To reduce the risk of injury, charge only DEWALT rechargeable battery packs. Other types of batteries may overheat and burst resulting in personal injury and property damage.

NOTICE: Under certain conditions, with the charger plugged into the power supply, the charger can be shorted by foreign material. Foreign materials of a conductive nature, such as, but not limited to, grinding dust, metal chips, steel wool, aluminum foil or any buildup of metallic particles should be kept away from the charger cavities.

Always unplug the charger from the power supply when there is no battery pack in the cavity. Unplug the charger before attempting to clean.

- **DO NOT attempt to charge the battery pack with any chargers other than the ones in this manual.** The charger and battery pack are specifically designed to work together.
- **These chargers are not intended for any uses other than charging DEWALT rechargeable batteries.** Any other uses may result in risk of fire, electric shock or electrocution.
- **Do not expose the charger to rain or snow.**
- **Pull by the plug rather than the cord when disconnecting the charger.** This will reduce the risk of damage to the electric plug and cord.
- **Make sure that the cord is located so that it will not be stepped on, tripped over or otherwise subjected to damage or stress.**
- **Do not use an extension cord unless it is absolutely necessary.** Use of improper extension cord could result in risk of fire, electric shock or electrocution.
- **When operating a charger outdoors, always provide a dry location and use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
- **An extension cord must have adequate wire size (AWG or American Wire Gauge) for safety.** The smaller the gauge number of the wire, the greater the capacity of the cable, that is, 16 gauge has more capacity than 18 gauge. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating. When using more than one extension to make up the total length, be sure each individual extension contains at least the minimum wire size. The following table shows the correct size to use depending on cord length and nameplate ampere rating. If in doubt, use the next heavier gauge. The lower the gauge number, the heavier the cord.

		Minimum Gauge for Cord Sets				
Ampere Rating		Volts	Total Length of Cord in Feet (meters)			
		120 V	25 (7.6)	50 (15.2)	100 (30.5)	150 (45.7)
		240 V	50 (15.2)	100 (30.5)	200 (61.0)	300 (91.4)
More Than	Not More Than	AWG				
0	6		18	16	16	14
6	10		18	16	14	12
10	12		16	16	14	12
12	16		14	12	Not Recommended	

- **Do not place any object on top of the charger or place the charger on a soft surface that might block the ventilation slots and result in excessive internal heat.** Place the charger in a position away from any heat source. The charger is ventilated through slots in the top and the bottom of the housing.
- **Do not operate the charger with a damaged cord or plug.**
- **Do not operate the charger if it has received a sharp blow, been dropped or otherwise damaged in any way.** Take it to an authorized service center.
- **Do not disassemble the charger; take it to an authorized service center when service or repair is required.** Incorrect reassembly may result in a risk of electric shock, electrocution or fire.
- **Disconnect the charger from the outlet before attempting any cleaning. This will reduce the risk of electric shock.** Removing the battery pack will not reduce this risk.
- **NEVER** attempt to connect 2 chargers together.
- **The charger is designed to operate on standard 120 V household electrical power. Do not attempt to use it on any other voltage.** This does not apply to the vehicular charger.

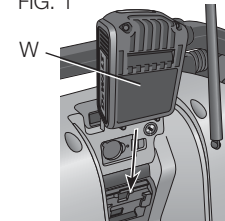
Chargers

Your tool uses a DEWALT charger. Be sure to read all safety instructions before using your charger. Consult the chart at the end of this manual for compatibility of chargers and battery packs.

Charging Procedure (Fig. 1)

1. Plug the charger into an appropriate outlet before inserting the battery pack.
2. Insert the battery pack (W) into the charger, as shown in Figure 1, making sure the pack is fully seated in charger. The red (charging) light will blink continuously, indicating that the charging process has started.
3. The completion of charge will be indicated by the red light remaining ON continuously. The pack is fully charged and may be used at this time or left in the charger.

FIG. 1



Indicator Light Operation

	PACK CHARGING	— — — — —
	PACK CHARGED	—————
	HOT/COLD DELAY	— • — • — • — •
	PROBLEM PACK OR CHARGER	• • • • •

Charge Indicators

This charger is designed to detect certain problems that can arise. Problems are indicated by the red light flashing at a fast rate. If this occurs, re-insert the battery pack into the charger. If the problem persists, try a different battery pack to determine if the charger is working properly. If the new pack charges correctly, then the original pack is defective and should be returned to a service center or other collection site for recycling. If the new battery pack elicits the same trouble indication as the original, have the charger and the battery pack tested at an authorized service center.

HOT/COLD DELAY

This charger has a hot/cold delay feature: when the charger detects a battery that is hot, it automatically starts a delay, suspending charging until the battery has cooled. After the battery has cooled, the charger automatically switches to the pack charging mode. This feature ensures maximum battery life. The red light flashes long, then short while in the hot/cold delay mode.

LEAVING THE BATTERY PACK IN THE CHARGER

The charger and battery pack can be left connected with the charge indicator showing Pack Charged.

WEAK BATTERY PACKS: Weak batteries will continue to function but should not be expected to perform as much work.

FAULTY BATTERY PACKS: This charger will not charge a faulty battery pack. The charger will indicate faulty battery pack by refusing to light or by displaying problem pack or charger.

NOTE: This could also mean a problem with a charger.

Important Charging Notes

1. Longest life and best performance can be obtained if the battery pack is charged when the air temperature is between 65 °F and 75 °F (18°–24 °C). DO NOT charge the battery pack in an air temperature below +40 °F (+4.5 °C), or above +105 °F (+40.5 °C). This is important and will prevent serious damage to the battery pack.
2. The charger and battery pack may become warm to the touch while charging. This is a normal condition, and does not indicate a problem. To facilitate the cooling of the battery pack after use, avoid placing the charger or battery pack in a warm environment such as in a metal shed or an uninsulated trailer.
3. A cold battery pack will charge at about half the rate of a warm battery pack. The battery pack will charge at that slower rate throughout the entire charging cycle and will not return to maximum charge rate even if the battery pack warms.
4. If the battery pack does not charge properly:
 - a. Check operation of receptacle by plugging in a lamp or other appliance;
 - b. Check to see if receptacle is connected to a light switch which turns power off when you turn out the lights;
 - c. Move the charger and battery pack to a location where the surrounding air temperature is approximately 65 °F–75 °F (18°–24 °C);
 - d. If charging problems persist, take the tool, battery pack and charger to your local service center.

5. The battery pack should be recharged when it fails to produce sufficient power on jobs which were easily done previously. DO NOT CONTINUE to use under these conditions. Follow the charging procedure. You may also charge a partially used pack whenever you desire with no adverse effect on the battery pack.
6. Foreign materials of a conductive nature such as, but not limited to, grinding dust, metal chips, steel wool, aluminum foil, or any buildup of metallic particles should be kept away from charger cavities. Always unplug the charger from the power supply when there is no battery pack in the cavity. Unplug the charger before attempting to clean.

7. Do not freeze or immerse the charger in water or any other liquid.

⚠ WARNING: Shock hazard. Don't allow any liquid to get inside the charger. Electric shock may result.

⚠ WARNING: Burn hazard. Do not submerge the battery pack in any liquid or allow any liquid to enter the battery pack. Never attempt to open the battery pack for any reason. If the plastic housing of the battery pack breaks or cracks, return to a service center for recycling.

Storage Recommendations

1. The best storage place is one that is cool and dry, away from direct sunlight and excess heat or cold.
2. For long storage, it is recommended to store a fully charged battery pack in a cool dry place out of the charger for optimal results.

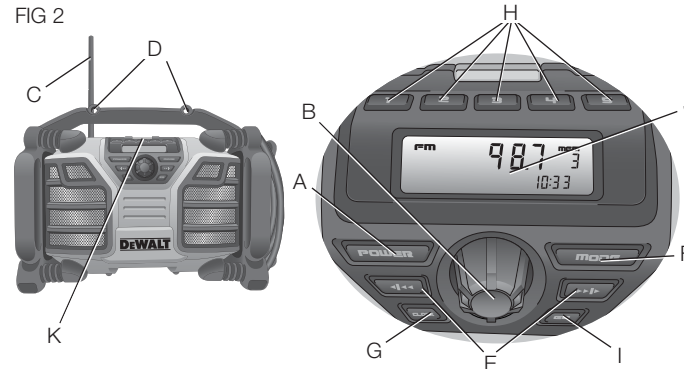
NOTE: Battery packs should not be stored completely depleted of charge. The battery pack will need to be recharged before use.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS
FOR FUTURE USE**

COMPONENTS (FIG. 2)

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| A. ON/OFF button | G. Clock button |
| B. Volume knob | H. Radio preset buttons |
| C. Antenna | I. EQ button |
| D. Hang holes | J. LCD display |
| E. Seek/tuner/arrow buttons | K. Charging indicator light |
| F. Mode button | L. Charger selection switch |

FIG 2



OPERATION

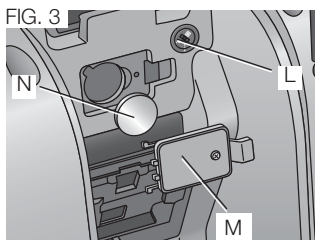
⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, turn unit off and disconnect it from power source before installing and removing accessories, before adjusting or when making repairs. An accidental start-up can cause injury.

Your charger/radio is equipped with memory capacity in order to store the time and your selected memory channels. When the radio is in the OFF position, this memory capacity is powered by one coin cell battery that is included with the charger/radio.

TO INSTALL COIN CELL BATTERY (FIG. 3)

⚠ WARNING: Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. When replacing battery, replace it with the same or equivalent type CR2032. Observe correct polarity (+ and -) when replacing batteries. Do not store or carry batteries so that metal objects can contact exposed battery terminals.

1. Open the battery compartment by lifting the battery compartment latch.
2. Turn the screw on the battery door (M) counterclockwise to remove. Screw will remain captive in the door.
3. Press down on the battery door latch and pull to open.
4. Install the coin cell battery (N) according to the diagram inside the coin cell battery area.
5. Replace the battery door, insert the screw and tighten.
6. Securely close the battery compartment.



NOTE: To reset the LCD display, clock, and pre-sets remove the coin cell battery and re-install. Follow this procedure if the screen seems to lock in place.

⚠ DANGER: DO NOT INGEST BATTERY; CHEMICAL BURN HAZARD. This product contains a coin/button cell battery. If the coin/button cell battery is swallowed, it can cause severe internal burns in just 2 hours and can lead to death. Keep new and used batteries away from children. If the battery compartment does not close securely stop using the product and keep it away from children. If you think batteries might have been swallowed or placed inside any part of the body, seek immediate medical attention.

CHARGER SELECTION SWITCH (FIG. 3, 4)

When the unit is plugged into an AC power outlet, this switch (L), located in the battery compartment, allows you to set the device to its lowest power consuming state (charger only) by disabling the radio. Aligning the line to the triangle enables the charger/radio mode.

Aligning circle and the triangle disables the radio and turns device to its lowest power draw mode, charger only.

NOTE: When the unit is operating solely on battery power, the radio will continue to function in either mode.

FIG. 4



POWER/VOLUME ADJUSTMENT

1. To turn the radio on and off, press the ON/OFF button (A).
2. Turn the dial (B) clockwise to increase the volume. To decrease the volume, turn counterclockwise.

MODE FUNCTION

To choose one of the mode functions (FM1, FM2, AM, or AUX) push the mode button (F) until the desired function is found. For example, if the radio is on FM1, seen in upper left portion of LCD display (J), push the mode button three times to change to AUX.

TUNE OR SEEK FUNCTION

There are two tuning methods and one seek method for finding the desired frequency.

To tune:

Press and hold the right or left arrow button (E) to quickly move the tuner through the frequency band. Release the button when the desired channel is reached.

To seek:

Press the right or left arrow button (E) once and release. The tuner frequency will change to seek the first radio station with acceptable clarity and stop at that station. The right arrow button may be pressed to continue seeking a radio station at higher frequencies. The left arrow button may be pressed to seek radio stations at lower frequencies. The seek function is available in AM and FM modes.

TO PROGRAM THE CLOCK

1. Turn power on (see **Power/Volume Adjustment**).
2. Press and hold the clock button (G) until time displayed in the LCD display (J) begins flashing.
3. Press the left arrow button repeatedly to increment the hour of the displayed time or press and hold the button to increment continuously. Use the right arrow button to adjust the minute in the same manner.

NOTE: If you do not press a button within 5 seconds, the clock programming feature will automatically return to the previous setting.

4. Once the time is set, press the clock button to stop the time displayed from flashing.

TO PROGRAM THE MEMORY BUTTONS

Ten FM and five AM radio stations may be independently set. After programming the buttons, pressing 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 will instantly change the frequency to the preset station.

1. Turn power on.
2. Set the radio to desired station (see **Tune or Seek Function**).
3. Press and hold one of the desired memory preset buttons (H). The station setting begins flashing in the LCD display (J). Continue to hold the button down until the flashing stops. The preset button is now set.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to set the other preset buttons.

TO ADJUST THE EQ

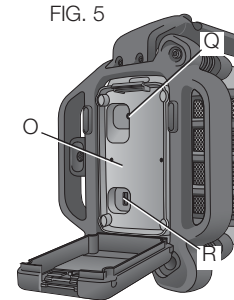
Sound quality can be adjusted by changing the equalization of the bass or treble of the radio.

1. Press the EQ button to select bass or treble.
2. Press the right arrow button to increase the selected setting or the left arrow button to decrease it.
3. Once desired adjustment is achieved, leave all buttons released for more than 3 seconds. The procedure will exit and the equalization adjustment will remain activated.

PLAYING AUDIO THROUGH AN EXTERNAL DEVICE (FIG. 5)

The charger/radio's device storage box (O) can store and protect some smart phones or other portable audio devices. To play sound from your device through the speakers of the DCR015 connect the 3.5mm audio cable to the radio's auxiliary port (Q) and plug it to the output jack of your audio device. The USB port (R) charges/powers most devices that can accept power through a USB port only when the charger/radio is plugged into an AC power source.

NOTE: When the radio is plugged in it will charge the installed battery. Unplugged, the radio will run up to 8 hours on a fully charged battery using a premium 20 V Max* Li-Ion battery. Using batteries of lower voltage and amp hours will yield less run time.



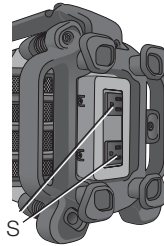
AC OUTLETS (FIG. 6)

The charger/radio is equipped with 2 AC outlets (S) for powering additional tools or appliances.

Important Radio Notes

1. Reception will vary depending on location and strength of radio signal.
2. Running the radio while connected to certain generators may cause background noise.
3. AM reception will most likely be clearer when powered by a battery pack.

FIG. 6



MAINTENANCE

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, turn unit off and disconnect it from power source before installing and removing accessories, before adjusting or when making repairs. An accidental start-up can cause injury.

Cleaning

⚠ WARNING: Blow dirt and dust out of all air vents with clean, dry air at least once a week. To minimize the risk of eye injury, always wear ANSI Z87.1 approved eye protection when performing this.

⚠ WARNING: Never use solvents or other harsh chemicals for cleaning the non-metallic parts of the tool. These chemicals may weaken the plastic materials used in these parts. Use a cloth dampened only with water and mild soap. Never let any liquid get inside the tool; never immerse any part of the tool into a liquid.

CHARGER CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

⚠ WARNING: Shock hazard. Disconnect the charger from the AC outlet before cleaning. Dirt and grease may be removed from the exterior of the charger using a cloth or soft non-metallic brush. Do not use water or any cleaning solutions.