

### SPRAYING EQUIPMENT (...Continued)

11. Stop work if someone approaches you.
12. When you have finished work, make sure the equipment is thoroughly cleaned before the contents harden.
13. Take care when cleaning the equipment especially if using solvents.
14. Do not pour paints or toxic liquids into drains; follow the manufacturer's instructions regarding cleaning and disposal - or contact the hire company.
15. Return the equipment to the hire shop in a clean condition.
16. If your equipment does not work properly do not attempt to repair it. Contact the hire company.

**Please keep this leaflet safely as it may be required for future reference**

## Spraying Equipment (Universal)

**The rules and procedures in force where people are at work may require the person responsible for this equipment to carry out a specific risk assessment.**

### It is important to read this entire leaflet BEFORE using the Spraying Equipment (Universal)

1. Paints and solvents are highly flammable and toxic and must be used with great care.
2. This equipment discharges a high speed spray that can be hazardous, take care not to injure yourself or others.
3. Use this equipment only for the purpose for which it was designed.
4. The action of this equipment can cause injury or damage if not used in a careful and controlled way.
5. If you have not used spraying equipment before, familiarise yourself with it before you start work.
6. Plan your work and think ahead to make sure you will always be working safely.
7. You may need some or all of the following items of personal protective equipment: impact resistant goggles; dust mask; safety boots; safety helmet; ear muffs or plugs that give adequate protection; gloves.
8. This equipment must not be used by minors, or by anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
9. This equipment is designed for operation by an able bodied adult. Anyone with either a temporary or permanent disability must seek expert advice before using them.



## PAINT AND CHEMICALS

1. Take care, the paints and chemicals used when spraying can be toxic, flammable, or both.
2. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions written on the labels or on the containers.
3. Wash drips or splashes off your skin immediately. Thoroughly rinse out your eyes and seek medical advice if you get any type of chemical in them.
4. Always put the caps on containers to prevent accidental spillage and put the containers safely and securely away to prevent unauthorised use.

## WORK AREA

1. Make sure that your work area is clear and safe and that no-one is near to you or could distract you.
2. To reduce the risk of serious or fatal injury from breathing toxic fumes, never use spraying equipment indoors unless you have good ventilation. Ensure that you have proper ventilation when working in other confined spaces.
3. Protect other people from danger. Warn others to keep away, put up barriers or warning signs.

# Before Starting Work...



## OPERATORS

1. You will need to wear the following items of personal protective equipment (ppe) as a minimum whenever you use spraying equipment. Particular jobs or environments may require a higher level of protection.
2. You will need to wear an appropriate dust mask when you are using equipment that causes fumes.
3. You must wear goggles whenever you use this spraying equipment.
4. Wear strong gloves to protect your hands.
5. Anybody who is working near to you will also need to wear appropriate personal protective equipment.

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1. Check your equipment and any attachments. If anything is found damaged, do not use it - contact the hire company.



2. Use only the equipment recommended by the hire company for the job you are doing.
3. Use the equipment only as specified by the manufacturers or the hire company.
4. Do not disconnect any hoses or any part of the equipment while it is under pressure, stop the equipment and release the pressure first.
5. Always use the safety devices provided. Always ensure they are correctly fitted and adjusted.
6. Before making adjustments, make sure your equipment is stopped and safe.
7. Make sure that any spray or debris produced by your spraying cannot cause any injury or damage.
8. If using paints, chemicals, solvents or pesticides, follow the manufacturer's instructions printed on the label or given as a leaflet. Only use those recommended by the hire company.

9. Make sure understand the controls. Before you start the equipment, you must know how to stop it.

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1. Wear your safety equipment.
2. Do not smoke or use naked flames while handling paints or chemicals.
3. Keep other people clear.
4. Follow the instructions provided with the paint, thinners or any chemical that you plan to use while spraying.
5. Wash drips of paint or chemical off your skin immediately. Do not let it dry; do not just brush it off.
6. Hold the spraygun firmly when squeezing the trigger because the pressure can make it kick back.
7. Do not spray over electrical equipment. This could cause a short circuit and fire. You could get a fatal shock.
8. Do not aim the spray at people or animals.
9. Make sure your hands are dry before you touch electrical switches or plugs.
10. When the spray equipment is not in use, switch off, release the pressure and make safe.

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