



### To tighten with the "manual ratchet" method:

- a. Without removing the wrench from the collet nut (U), release pressure on the spindle lock button (E).
- b. With the wrench still on the collet nut (U), reverse the tightening direction to reset the wrench position.
- c. Depress the spindle lock button (E) again and turn the wrench clockwise.
- d. Repeat the procedure until the collet nut (U) reaches desired tightness.

**NOTICE:** Avoid possible damage to the collet. Never tighten the collet without a bit.

### TO REMOVE THE BIT

1. Remove the motor unit from the base unit, see **Motor Quick Release**.
2. Depress the spindle lock button (E) to hold the spindle shaft in place while turning the collet nut (U) counterclockwise with the wrench provided.

### To loosen using the "manual ratchet" method:

- a. Without removing the wrench from the collet nut (U), release pressure on the spindle lock button (E).
- b. With the wrench still on the collet nut (U), reverse the loosening direction to reset the wrench position.
- c. Depress the spindle lock button (E) again and turn the wrench counterclockwise.
- d. Repeat the procedure until the collet nut (U) is loose and the bit can be removed.

### Collets

**NOTE:** Never tighten the collet without first installing a router bit in it. Tightening an empty collet, even by hand, can damage the collet.

To change collet sizes, unscrew the collet assembly as described above. Install the desired collet by reversing the procedure. The collet and the collet nut are connected. Do not attempt to remove the collet from the collet nut.

### Locking Lever Adjustment (Fig. 4)

Excessive force should not be used to clamp the locking lever. Using excessive force may damage the base.

When the locking lever is clamped the motor should not move in the base.

Adjustment is needed if the locking lever will not clamp without excessive force or if the motor moves in the base after clamping.

### To adjust the locking lever's clamping force:

1. Open the locking lever (I).
2. Using a hex wrench turn locking lever adjustment screw (S) in small increments.  
Turning the screw clockwise tightens the lever, while turning the screw counterclockwise loosens the lever.

### Centering the Subbase (Fig. 5)

If you need to adjust, change, or replace the subbase, a centering tool is recommended, refer to Accessories. The centering tool consists of a cone and a pin.

### To adjust the subbase, follow the steps below.

1. Loosen but do not remove the subbase screws (FF) so the subbase moves freely.
2. Insert the pin into the collet and tighten the collet nut.
3. Insert the motor into the base and clamp the locking lever on the base.
4. Place the cone on the pin (Fig. 5A) and lightly press down on the cone until it stops as shown in Figure 5B. This will center the subbase.
5. While holding down on the cone, tighten the subbase screws.

### Using Template Guides

The round subbase will accept universal template guides. Recommended accessories for use with your tool are available at extra cost from your local dealer or authorized service center.

**NOTE:** The D-shape subbase does not accommodate template guides and is designed to accommodate bits up to 1-3/8" (34.9 mm) in diameter.

### To use Template Guides:

1. Center the subbase. See **Centering The Subbase**.
2. Install template guide (available as an accessory) on the subbase and tighten securely.

### Adjusting the Depth of Cut (Fig. 6)

1. Select and install the desired bit. See **Bit Installation and Removal**.
2. Assemble base to motor, ensuring base is attached to the depth adjustment ring. Place router on the work piece.
3. Open the locking lever (I) and turn the depth adjustment ring (B) until the bit just touches the work piece. Turning the ring clockwise raises the cutting head while turning it counterclockwise lowers the cutting head.
4. Turn the micro adjustable scale (H) clockwise until the 0 on the scale lines up with the pointer on the bottom of the depth adjustment ring.
5. Turn the depth adjustment ring until the pointer lines up with desired depth of cut marking on the micro adjustable scale.
- NOTE:** Each mark on the adjustable scale represents a depth change of 1/64" or .015" (0.4 mm) and one full (360°) turn of the ring changes the depth 0.5" (12.7 mm).
6. Close the locking lever (I) to lock the base.

### Using an Edge Guide (Fig. 7, 9)

An edge guide (model DNP618) is available from your local retailer or service center at extra cost.

1. Remove the motor unit from the base unit, see **Motor Quick Release**.
2. Remove flat head screws (GG) from storage holes on edge guide.
3. Slide edge guide into edge guide slot (J) on side of fixed base or (X) on side of the plunge base. Insert the two flat head screws through the appropriate holes in the sub base to secure the edge guide. Tighten hardware.
4. Follow all instructions included with the edge guide.

**NOTE:** To remove the edge guide, reverse the above procedure. After removing edge guide always replace the two flat head screws into the storage holes on the edge guide to prevent loss.

### Using a Premium Edge Guide (Plunge Base Only)

A Premium Edge Guide (model DW6913) is available from your local retailer or service center at extra cost. Follow the assembly instructions included with the edge guide.

### Vacuum Attachment (Fixed Base Only, Fig. 8)

To connect the router to a vacuum cleaner for dust collection, follow these steps:

1. Remove the motor unit from the base unit, see **Motor Quick Release**.
2. Attach vacuum attachment accessory (V) to the base as shown. Tighten thumb screws (W) securely by hand.
3. Attach hose adapter to vacuum attachment accessory.
4. When using vacuum attachment, be aware of the placement of the vacuum cleaner. Be sure that the vacuum cleaner is stable and that its hose will not interfere with the work.

### Vacuum Attachment (Plunge Base Only, Fig. 9)

1. Remove the motor unit from the plunge base, see **Motor Quick Release**.

2. Slide tab (HH, inset) on vacuum attachment into slot in plunge base and snap tab (II, inset) into hole in plunge base.

3. Secure to base with supplied plastic washer (JJ) and thumb screw (KK). Tighten thumb screw securely by hand.

4. Attach hose adaptor to vacuum attachment.

5. When using vacuum attachment, be aware of the placement of the vacuum cleaner. Be sure the vacuum cleaner is stable and its hose will not interfere with the work.

### Set-Up: Fixed Base (Fig. 1, 2)

#### INSERTING THE MOTOR INTO THE FIXED BASE (FIG. 1, 2, 10)

1. Open the locking lever (I) on the base.
2. If the depth adjustment ring (B) is not on the motor, thread the depth adjustment ring (B) onto the motor until the ring is about halfway between the top and bottom of the motor as shown. Insert the motor into the base by aligning the groove on the motor (G) with the guide pins (R) on the base. Slide the motor down until the depth adjustment ring snaps into place.

**NOTE:** Guide pin grooves (G) are located on either side of the motor so it can be positioned in two orientations.

3. Adjust the depth of cut by turning the depth adjustment ring. See **Adjusting the Depth of Cut**.

4. Close the locking lever (I) when the desired depth is achieved. For information on setting the cutting depth, see **Adjusting the Depth of Cut**.

### Set-up: Plunge Base (Fig. 1, 10, 11)

#### INSERTING THE MOTOR INTO THE PLUNGE BASE

1. Remove the depth adjustment ring (B) from the motor. It is not used with the plunge base.
- NOTE:** Snap depth adjustment ring onto fixed base, when not in use, to prevent loss.

2. Insert the motor into the base by aligning the groove on the motor (G) with the guide pins (R) on the base. Slide the motor down until the motor stops on the motor stop (AA).

3. Close the locking lever (I).

#### ADJUSTING THE PLUNGE ROUTING DEPTH (FIG. 11)

1. Unlock the plunge mechanism by pulling down the plunge lock lever (P). Plunge the router down as far as it will go, allowing the bit to just touch the workpiece.
2. Lock the plunge mechanism by releasing the plunge lock lever (P).
3. Loosen the depth adjustment rod (O) by turning the thumb screw (BB) counterclockwise.
4. Slide the depth adjustment rod (O) down so that it meets the lowest turret stop (N).
5. Slide the zero adjuster tab (EE) on the depth adjustment rod down so that the top of it meets zero on the depth adjustment scale (DD).
6. Grasping the top, knurled section of the depth adjustment rod (O), slide it up so that the tab (EE) aligns with the desired depth of cut on the depth adjustment scale (DD).
7. Tighten the thumb screw (BB) to hold the depth adjustment rod in place.
8. Keeping both hands on the handles, unlock the plunge mechanism by pulling the plunge lock lever (P) down. The plunge mechanism and the motor will move up. When the router is plunged, the depth adjustment rod will hit the turret stop, allowing the router to reach exactly the desired depth.

#### USING THE ROTATING TURRET FOR STEPPED CUTS (FIG. 11)

If the depth of cut required is more than is acceptable in a single pass, rotate the turret so that depth rod (O) lines up with taller turret stop initially. After each cut, rotate the turret so that the depth stop lines up with shorter post until the final depth of cut is reached.

**WARNING:** Do not change the turret stop while the router is running. This will place your hands too near the cutter head.

#### FINE ADJUSTMENT OF ROUTING DEPTH (FIG. 11)

The knurled knob (CC) at the bottom end of the depth adjustment rod can be used to make minor adjustments.

1. To decrease the cutting depth, rotate the knob clockwise (looking down from the top of the router).
2. To increase the cutting depth, rotate the knob counterclockwise (looking down from the top of the router).

**NOTE:** One complete rotation of the knob results in a change of about 5/128" or .04" (1 mm) in depth.

#### CUTTING WITH THE PLUNGE BASE (FIG. 11)

**NOTE:** The depth of cut is locked in the plunge base's default state. The plunge lock requires user actuation to enable the "release to lock" plunge mechanism.











