



Instruction Manual

for

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RCO40 Wire Rope Cutter

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1 Introduction

This manual covers the installation, operation and maintenance of a RCO40 Softline wire cutter as Allspeeds part number 980502

This is a double acting, hydraulically operated tool suitable for cutting wire ropes up to 40mm (1.63") in diameter. It requires a dual line hydraulic supply (feed and return).

2 Technical Data

RCO40 Softline cutter (part number 980502)

2.1 Physical

Weight of RCO40 in air	16.86 kg
Weight of RCO40 in water	14.69 kg
Overall Dimensions	344mm x 134mm x 100mm

2.2 Hydraulic Requirements

Cylinder Type	Double acting (feed and return ports)
Maximum Operating Pressure	690 Bar (10,000 psi)
Swept Volume Cut Stroke Swept Volume Return Stroke	0.15 Litre 0.10 Litre

IMPORTANT – The maximum operating pressure stated above should not be exceeded during use of this tool. Ensure that all fittings and hoses used are suitable for use at this pressure and rated accordingly.

This RCO40 is compatible with the following hydraulic fluids:

Good quality hydraulic oil (e.g. Shell Tellus 32, 68 or similar)

Water glycol (e.g. Castrol Transaqua HT2).

Ensure that the fluid used is cleaned to NAS Class 6 or better.

2.3 Environmental Considerations

This cutter should not be operated outside of the recommended temperature range of -5°C to +60°C.

This cutter is suitable for use subsea but should be regularly checked, cleaned and dewatered using a suitable dewatering spray.



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2.4 Dimensions

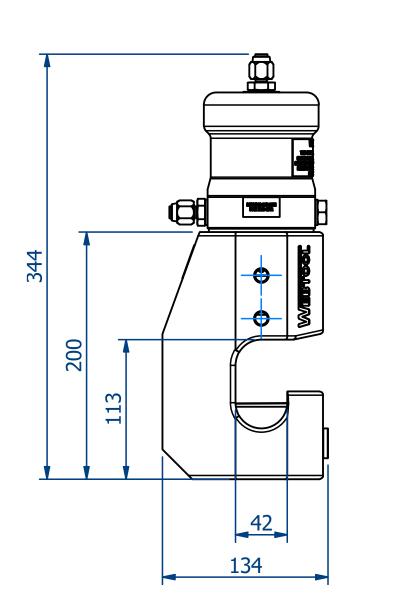


Figure 1 – Overall dimensions



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5 General Safety Rules

5.1 Warnings

These warning are provided to improve safety and should be carefully read before installing, using or maintaining the equipment.

5.2 Important Information

It is vital that these instructions are available to the equipment users. It is also important that they are retained with the equipment if it is sold or transferred to another user.

5.3 Safety for Operation

IMPORTANT - This is an inherently dangerous piece of cutting equipment and is supplied without guarding. It is vital that the installer and end user perform a risk assessment and implement any safety features that they deem necessary and enforce a safe system of work before use.

To prevent the risk of injury, the cutter should only be used by fully trained and competent operators.

- Make sure that all safety devices are in place and functioning correctly
- Make sure the working area is free of any obstructions
- Check that all hydraulic hoses are in good condition
- Ensure that all operators are clear of the area before cutting commences

Recommended PPE for operation and maintenance includes safety shoes, safety glasses, ear defenders and gloves.

IMPORTANT - If the rope being cut is under tension there is the risk of it recoiling when severed. Ensure that all operators are out of the immediate area before operation.

Any spilt oil or trailing hoses may create a slipping or tripping hazard. Care must be taken around the work area. Energised hoses may move about during operation and should be fitted with whip-check devices to contain them in case of a burst.

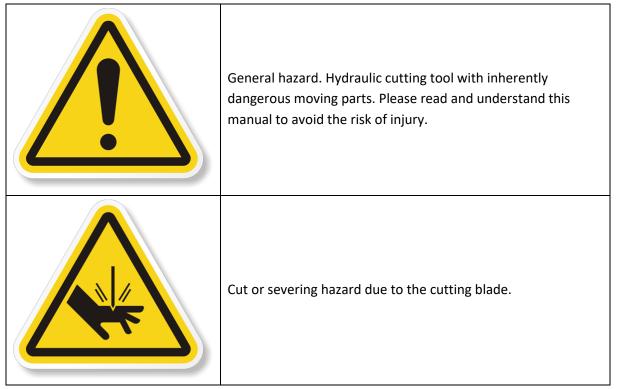


5.4 Safety for Maintenance

Repairs carried out by untrained or unauthorised personnel may result in personal injury or serious malfunction of the tool.

Ensure that the RCO40 is isolated from and free of hydraulic pressure before any maintenance is carried out.

5.5 Warning Symbols





6 Installation

6.1 Mounting Holes

The cutter body contains a number of mounting holes, as shown on the drawing below:

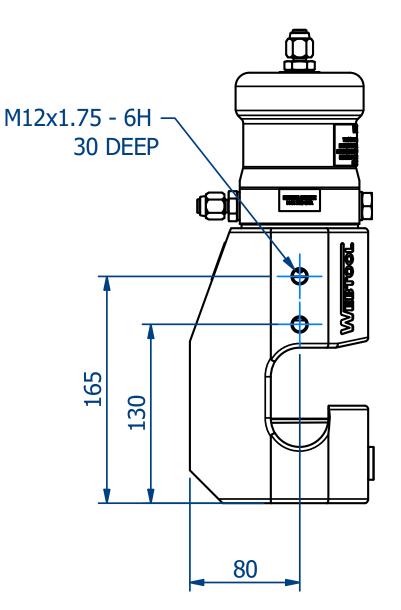


Figure 2 – Mounting holes

Ensure that the RCO40 is securely mounted at multiple points.



7 Hydraulic Connections

The RCO40 contains a double acting hydraulic cylinder and should be connected to a suitable hydraulic supply (not supplied).

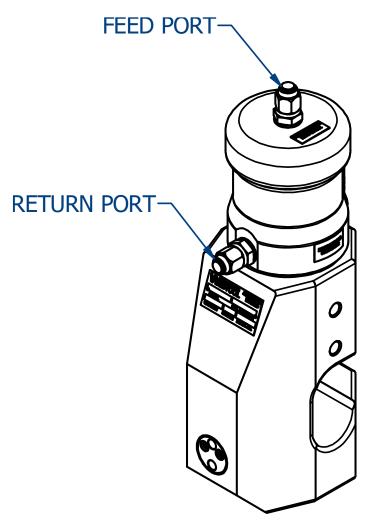


Figure 3 – Hydraulic ports

The feed port is 1/4" BSP female and fitted with a 1/4" to 7/16" JIC male/male adaptor.

The return port is 1/4" BSP female, and fitted with a 1/4" to 7/16" JIC male/male adaptor.

It is the responsibility of the end user to ensure that a suitable hydraulic supply is installed. It is recommended that a relief valve should also be incorporated in the return line to prevent excessively high pressures in the annular side of the hydraulic cylinders should the return to tank become blocked for any reason.



7.1 Installing the Rope

The cutter is designed to hook onto the workpiece during normal operation.

Before operation ensure that the rope is correctly positioned as seen in Figure 4.

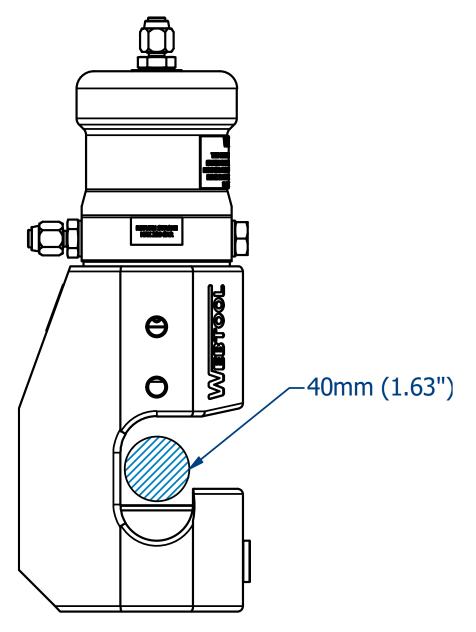


Figure 4 – Rope position



8 Operating Instructions

8.1 Before Use

With the hydraulic supply isolated, check the following parts of the cutter:

Item	Procedure
Check the condition of the anvil	As described in section 9.3
Check the condition of the blade	As described in section 9.4

Before use of the tool, ensure that all operators are at a safe distance from the cutter, and that any guarding or safety features are installed and operational.

Check that the hydraulic supply is set to a maximum of 690 bar (10,000psi) as stated in section 2.2.

8.2 Extend the Blade (Cut Cycle)

To extend the blade, pressurise the feed port whilst ensuring that the return port is open to tank. Do not exceed the maximum operating pressure.

8.3 Retract the Blade (Return Cycle)

To retract the blade, pressurise the return port whilst ensuring that the feed port is open to tank. Do not exceed the maximum operating pressure.



9 Maintenance

It is unlikely that service would be required on the hydraulic piston of the tool under normal circumstances, but a seal spares kit is available (995114) and it is recommended to stock this at all times.

The only parts that would need intermittent replacement would be the anvil and blade depending on the frequency of use, materials being cut and the corrosive conditions present during operation.

9.1 Maintenance Notes

IMPORTANT – This cutter should only be serviced by qualified personnel. If in any doubt please contact Allspeeds Ltd or a distributor.

Most maintenance task can be carried out with standard tools.

All servicing operations should be carried out in a clean environment to prevent contamination of the oil and mating components.

Care should be taken with all mating areas, including threads and sealing faces, as any damage or abrasive contamination could cause galling or seizing on re-assembly. Please note a suitable anti-galling paste should be used (we recommend Swagelok Silver Goop) on all stainless steel threads.

The cylinder (728119) is a pressure vessel and should not be drilled, machined, mutilated or damaged in any way for mounting purposes or to assist in its removal for servicing, any warranty could be invalidated by such actions.

The use of a Stilson wrench to remove the cylinder is not recommended as damage will occur.

Before carrying out any maintenance tasks ensure that the equipment is fully isolated and that there is no residual pressure in the system.

9.2 Maintenance Schedule

This tool requires the following operations or service tasks to be completed as listed:

Task	See section	Frequency
Visual inspection of blade and anvil	9.3, 9.4	14 days or after cut, whichever is soonest.
Function test (extend and retract ram)	8.2, 8.3	14 days
Clean and dewater		7 days
Replace blade	9.4	As required
Replace anvil	9.3	As required
Replace seals	9.4	12 months

Table 1 – Maintenance schedule



9.3 Remove & Replace Anvil

The anvil will show an indent where the blade contacts it during a cut, but can be reused. Any excessively damaged or worn anvil should be replaced as described below.

Ensure that the blade is retracted before removing the anvil. This is as described in section 8.3.

You will require a 4mm allen key to remove the screw (042425) you can then remove part 766616.

Slide the anvil (761311) out of the opposite side of the cutter.

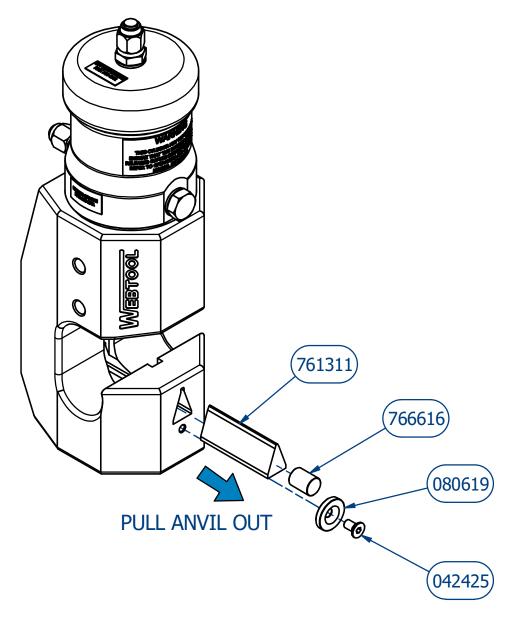


Figure 5 – Anvil removal/replacement

Anvil replacement is the reverse of the disassembly procedure. Ensure that the screw is correctly put back to ensure the anvil is secure for future use.



9.4 Remove & Replace Blade

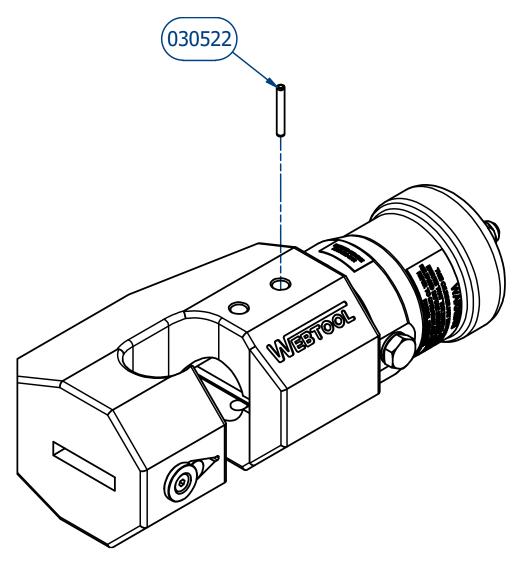
IMPORTANT - The cutting edge is sharp, extreme caution and care should be taken when checking it. Wear suitable gloves when handling the blade.

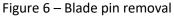
IMPORTANT - Ensure that the hydraulic supply is isolated before proceeding.

The blade edge should be regularly checked to ensure that it is sharp and damage free.

The blade will need to be retracted slightly until the screw Is visible through the access port as seen on Figure 6.

Remove the blade pin (030522). At this stage the blade is now unsupported and free to move. Do not put your hands in the mouth of the cutter as the sharp blade could fall and injure the user.







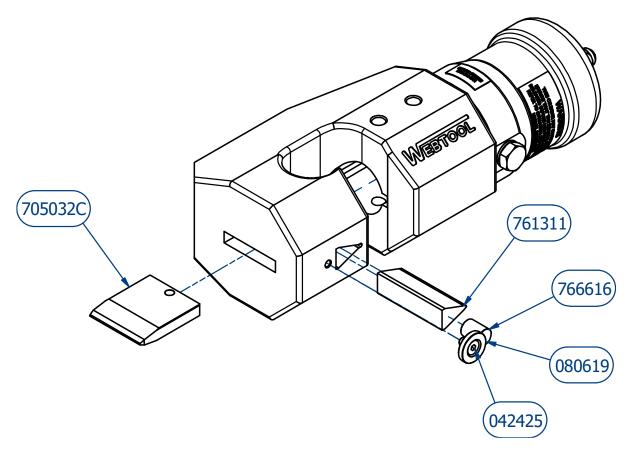


Figure 7 – Blade removal

Use allen key to remove 1 off screw (042425). This then allows you to remove the anvil (761311). The blade (705032C) can then slide out.

Take care when handling the blade as it is very sharp.

Blade replacement is the reverse of the disassembly procedure.



9.4 Seal Detail

IMPORTANT - Replacement parts must always be sourced from Allspeeds Ltd. The use of unofficial components will invalidate the warranty and may lead to tool damage or system failure.

Removing or installing the ram can be done by placing the machined flats on the cylinder in a vice and rotating the cutters body on or off. Never use Stilsons or pipe clamps on the cylinder as damage may occur. If in doubt contact Allspeeds for advice.

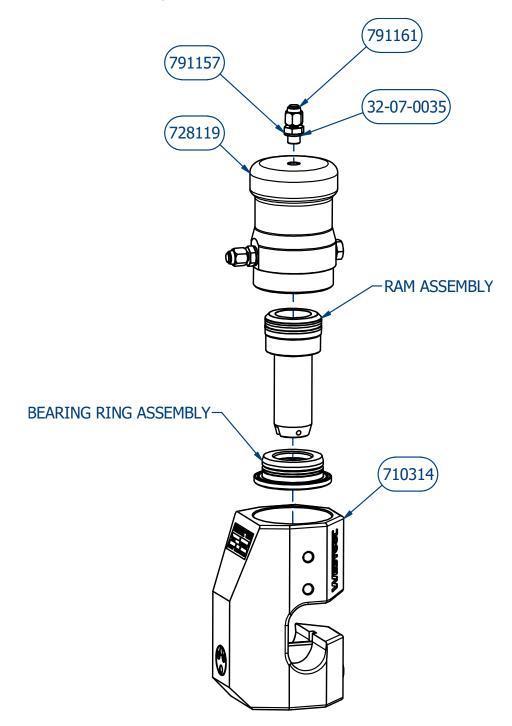


Figure 8 – Cylinder overall view



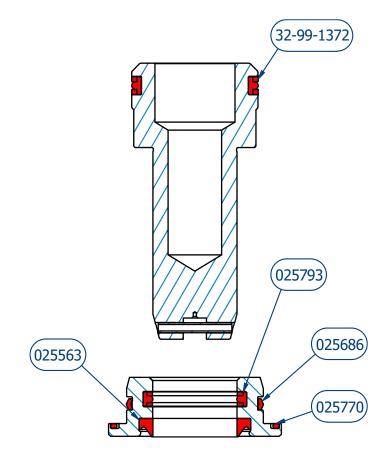


Figure 9 – Detailed seal view



10 Parts List

10.1 Machined Components

The cutter comprises the following components:

PART NUMBER	QTY	SEAL KIT	DESCRIPTION
710314	1		WCOS38 Standard Body
774023	1		BEARING RING
705032C	1		COATED BLADE
761311	1		ANVIL RCO40
025563	1	Х	WIPER SEAL
32-99-1372	1	Х	PISTON SEAL
030522	1		BLADE RETAINING PIN
791157	2		COUPLING 1/4" BSP TO 7/16" JIC
764155	1		WCS & WCOS38 RAM
025770	1	Х	O RING
31-67-0408	2		BUTTON HEADED SCREW
728119	1		WCS & WCOS38 CYLINDER
32-07-0035	3	Х	BONDED FACE SEAL
080619	1	1	WASHER
761312	1	1	ANVIL STOP
766616	1		FRONT SPACER
766617	1		REAR SPACER
752573 R41	1		PRESSURE WARNING LABEL
752572 R45	1		PORT PRESSURE LABEL
752571	1		PORT PRESSURE LABEL -
			CUTTING STROKE
752342	1		WEBTOOL NAMEPLATE
791161	2		JIC 4 MALE BLANKING PLUG
025686	1	Х	COVER SEAL
766100	1		1/4" BSP BLANKING PLUG
025793	1	Х	WCS & WCOS38 RAM SEAL
042425	1		HEX SKT CSK SCREW
710314	1		WCOS38 Standard Body
774023	1		BEARING RING WCS, WCO & RCO
705032C	1		COATED BLADE WCS, WCO & RCO
761311	1		ANVIL RCO40
025563	1	Х	WIPER SEAL
32-99-1372	1	Х	PISTON SEAL
030522	1		BLADE RETAINING PIN
791157	2		COUPLING 1/4" BSP TO 7/16" JIC
764155	1		WCS & WCOS38 RAM
025770	1	Х	O RING
31-67-0408	2		BUTTON HEADED SCREW



728119	1		WCS & WCOS38 CYLINDER
32-07-0035	3	Х	BONDED FACE SEAL
080619	1		WASHER
761312	1		ANVIL STOP
766616	1		FRONT SPACER
766617	1		REAR SPACER
752573 R41	1		PRESSURE WARNING LABEL
752572 R45	1		PORT PRESSURE LABEL
752571	1		PORT PRESSURE LABEL -
			CUTTING STROKE
752342	1		WEBTOOL NAMEPLATE
791161	2		JIC 4 MALE BLANKING PLUG
025686	1		COVER SEAL
766100	1		1/4" BSP BLANKING PLUG
025793	1	Х	WCS & WCOS38 RAM SEAL
042425	1		HEX SKT CSK SCREW

Table 2 – Parts list

Note – Items marked X are contained in seal kit. You can obtain this seal kit from Allspeeds LTD, part number 995158.



11 Decommissioning

Part Number	Description	Material
710314	Body	Stainless steel
728119	Cylinder	Aluminium bronze
764155	Piston	Stainless steel
761311	Anvil	Aluminium
705032	Blade	Tool steel
774023	Bearing Ring	Aluminium bronze

Major components are made from the following recyclable materials:

Table 3 – Decomissioning

Remaining components should be disposed of in accordance with local current regulations.

Hydraulic fluid should be drained into a suitable container and disposed of in accordance with current local regulations.



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