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# FP503

## PNEUMATIC SCISSORS



# USE MANUAL

Rasor® Elettromeccanica S.r.l. was established in Milan in 1946 by Luigi Spinelli. For more than sixty years it has been producing automatic cutting systems, cutting units for textile applications and electric and pneumatic cutters.



Initially considered as a point of reference for cutting systems in the textile applications, the Rasor® products are nowadays widely used in other fields: chemical, automotive, nautical and sport sectors and in furniture manufacturing.

Rasor® can rely on the professional continuity of three generations, thanks to the precious support of the promoting partner, to his passion, dedication and great experience of seventy years.

The main characteristic of Rasor® is that each working phase, starting from the manufacturing of the product up to its packing and delivery is carried out in Rasor® premises by qualified operators who have professionally grown up following the spirit of the company and of its founders. This ensures the high quality which Rasor® has always considered as essential since the beginning of its activity.

Following the innovative spirit mentioned above, our company is constantly focused on the improvement of the product quality, on the study and development of new materials and technologies.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Dear Customer,

thank you for choosing a Rasor® Elettromeccanica S.r.l. product.

Rasor® has been a reference point in the field of cutting systems in the textile, clothing, furniture, tailoring, sport, chemical, automotive, nautical and insulating material sectors for years. Its production has always been synonymous with reliability attested by many of satisfied customers.

Rasor® quality system supervises all the company activities in order to provide the Customer with a service that meets its needs and expectations in terms of product quality, delivery reliability and stock of finished products.

All the parts of the devices have been designed and produced to guarantee an optimum performance. In order to keep the high quality level and the long reliability of the Rasor® products, it is recommended using only original spare parts and contacting the head office for any maintenance work.

## 1. GENERAL SAFETY RULES



This manual is an integral part of pneumatic scissors FP503 and must be carefully read before using it since it gives important indications with regards to its safe installation, use and maintenance. Keep it with care.



Before using pneumatic scissors FP503, read carefully the following general safety rules.

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- **PACKAGING.**  
After taking off the packaging make sure that the machine is intact. In case of doubt do not use them and contact an authorized service centre. Do not leave pieces of packaging (plastic bags, foam polystyrene, boxes, etc.) within the reach of children or disabled persons since they are potential sources of danger.
- **AVOID DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENTS.**
- **KEEP CHILDREN AWAY.**  
Unauthorized persons, in particular children, must be kept away from the working area.
- **KEEP THE WORKING AREA ALWAYS IN ORDER.**  
The workplace must always be kept in order and well lightened;
- **ALWAYS USE PNEUMATIC SCISSORS FP503 PROPERLY.**  
Use the scissors only to carry out the works they have been designed for; do not use them improperly.
- **OBSERVE THE USE OF THE TOOLS.**  
Do not cut excessively thick materials and always check blade conditions.
- **AVOID ACCIDENTAL STARTINGS.**  
Before connecting pneumatic scissors FP503, make sure that everything is installed properly.
- **CLOTHING.**  
Do not use large clothes or accessories that might get stuck in the moving parts.
- **GOGGLES AND PROTECTIVE METAL MESH GLOVES.**  
Always use goggles, protective metal mesh gloves approved by Rasor® during use and maintenance operations (according to UNI EN 388:2004 standard).
- **SPARE PARTS.**  
During maintenance and replacement operations use only original spare parts. Blade maintenance must be only performed by Rasor® technicians.
- **INSTALLATION.**  
Any installation that is not in conformity with these specifications could jeopardize your safety and cancels the warranty.



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The installer and the maintenance man must know the content of this manual. Although the main features of the machine described in this manual are not subject to change, **Rasor® Elettromeccanica S.r.l.** reserves the right to modify the components, details and accessories it deems necessary to improve the machine or to meet manufacturing or commercial requirements at any time and without being obliged to update this manual immediately.

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Rasor® Elettromeccanica S.r.l. machines have not been conceived to work in areas at risk of explosions and at high risk of fire.

In case of damage or malfunction, pneumatic scissors FP503 must not be used until the Customer Care Technical Service has repaired them.

### **Customer Care Technical Service**



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**WARNING**



The original configuration of the pneumatic scissors must not be changed at all.  
On receiving the machine make sure the supply corresponds to what has been ordered.  
In case of non-compliance immediately inform Rasor®.  
Also make sure the scissors have not been damaged during transport.

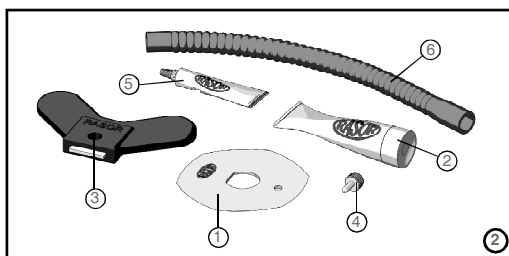
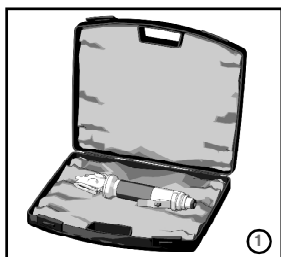


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## 2. TRANSPORT AND PACKING

The pneumatic scissors are delivered in a carrying case, inside which there are various options. The code of the ordered product and its serial number are indicated outside the package (see picture 1). The following accessories are contained in a bag inside the package (see picture 2):

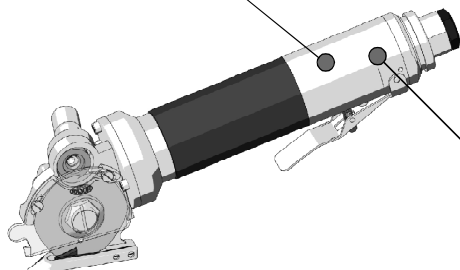
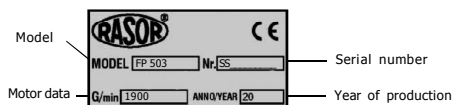
- 1) Hexagonal blade (6 sides);
- 2) Grease tube;
- 3) Hexagonal wrench for grinding wheel nut tightening;
- 4) Drift for blade disassembly.
- 5) Lubricating oil (15 ml);
- 6) Rubber hose.



## 3. PLATE DATA

The manufacturer's identification and 2006/42/EC STANDARD conformity plate (see picture below) is located on the front part of the pneumatic scissors.

**The plate must not be removed at all, even if the machine is resold. Always refer to the serial number (written on the plate itself) when contacting the manufacturer.** Several safety warnings are printed on a card which is applied to the scissors; such warnings must be strictly followed by everyone dealing with the machine. **The company is not to be held responsible for damage to property or accidents to people which might occur if the above-mentioned warnings are not observed. In such a case, the operator is the only person responsible.**



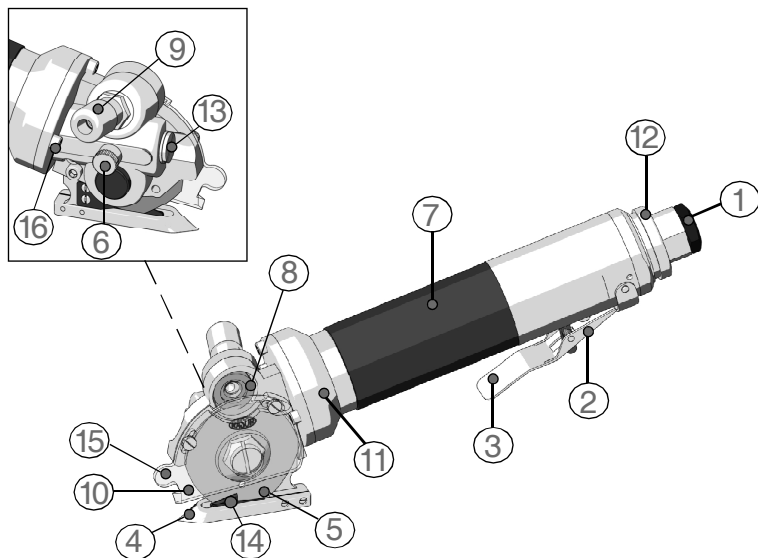
## 4. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

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This manual describes pneumatic scissors model FP503, which are used in order to quickly cut fabrics in the textile industry and other materials. They are extremely versatile, light and precise in the cutting operation. Thanks to the use of a new foot, the cutting procedure is very quick and effective, even when the bending radius is particularly narrow. One special feature of pneumatic scissors FP503 is their ability to sharpen the blade in each moment without disassembling it by means of a grinding wheel mounted on the scissors head. After carrying out this operation, it is possible to start cutting again. The pneumatic scissors are provided with a threaded connection for many air pipeline. The turbine, perfectly balanced, with a high number of revolutions and totally free of maintenance, reduces the vibrations and the noise to the minimum.

The pneumatic scissors can be used also outdoor and to cut damp or wet materials and therefore particularly recommended in tannery, dyeworks, etc. The pneumatic scissors FP503 are extremely light (they weight only 790g) and handy and allow carrying out quick and precise cuts. The use of compressed air as source of energy allows working continuously without problems of heating or motor overload. The mechanical parts are made up of steel and high resistant bronze and require a lubrication after many working hours.

| Device components |                                           |    |                                              |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------------------|
| 1                 | 1/4" gas connection for the air connector | 9  | Sharpening button                            |
| 2                 | Safety device to enable the control lever | 10 | Blade protection guard                       |
| 3                 | Control lever                             | 11 | Motor support                                |
| 4                 | Supporting foot                           | 12 | Silencer                                     |
| 5                 | Polygonal blade                           | 13 | Antifriction bush                            |
| 6                 | Greaser                                   | 14 | Carbide counterblade                         |
| 7                 | Pneumatic motor                           | 15 | Reference point                              |
| 8                 | Emery grinding wheel                      | 16 | Allen screw to disassemble the motor support |



## 5. TECHNICAL FEATURES

### Pneumatic scissors FP503 features

|                                      |                                       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Blade diameter                       | 50 mm with counterblade - heavy metal |
| Blade speed                          | 1.900 rev/min                         |
| Cutting working depth                | about 8 mm                            |
| Power                                | 350 W with max. pressure              |
| Working pressure                     | 6 bar                                 |
| Weight                               | 790 g                                 |
| Weight with package                  | 1.600 g                               |
| Air consumption                      | 8 litres/sec.                         |
| Minimum light for working operations | LUX 200                               |
| Vibrations at the start up           | < 2,5 m/s <sup>2</sup>                |
| Temperature                          | 0 ~ 55 °C                             |
| Humidity                             | 10 ~ 95% without condensate           |

### Features of the available blades

|           |                                                |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------|
| 503EEXT   | EXTRA steel hexagonal blade                    |
| 503EHSS   | HSS steel hexagonal blade                      |
| 503CHSS   | HSS steel circular blade                       |
| 503EHSSTF | HSS steel hexagonal blade covered with Teflon® |
| 503DHSS   | HSS steel decagonal blade                      |

The technical data are only indicative and they can be changed without notice.

## 6. NOISE LEVEL

The maximum acoustic pressure level emitted by pneumatic scissors FP503 is about 60 dB (A). Noise tests have been carried out in compliance with Standard UNI EN ISO 11202:2010. The device noise levels, measured at different distances (without any sound wave filtering system), vary in the extent of few db (A). The noise level has been detected with the silencer supplied with the fixture assembled on the exhaust. The silencer must never be removed.

### NOTE

It is advisable for pneumatic scissors FP503 owners to verify the compliance with the standard concerning safety of workers: Italian legislative decree 81/08. The use of ear protecting devices is compulsory.

## 7. FIELD OF APPLICATION

Pneumatic scissors FP503 have been designed, manufactured and assembled to cut fabrics or technical materials, with the exception of metal, plastic or wood, by means of rotary circular, decagonal or hexagonal blades.

This equipment must not work:

- in areas prone to explosions;
- in presence of fine dust or corrosive gases;
- to cut plastic, metal and wooden materials.

**It is forbidden to use pneumatic scissors FP503 for purposes different from the above-mentioned ones.**

## 8. USE WARNINGS

We recommend following the indications below in order to always work in safety conditions.

- All the operations must be carried out complying strictly with the safety rules of the country where the machine is to be installed.
- It is **STRICTLY FORBIDDEN** to smoke during the installation or adjustment operations of the pneumatic scissors.
- The Customer undertakes to comply with and make his staff observe all the rules and regulations in force concerning safety, prevention of accidents and health in the work place. Therefore, the Customer assumes the responsibility to strictly follow all the rules and regulations in force, as well as the special provisions in force in sport and public installations the Customer declares to know after receiving all the relevant necessary information.
- **The pneumatic scissors work even without their safety protective device. This protective device must NEVER be removed.**
- Always check the resistance of the material to be cut and the kind of blade which is being used.
- The Customer shall equip his own personnel with all the individual safety protections for the execution of the works, as well as with the ones which might be prescribed by the Manufacturer due to specific danger conditions of the plant or of the area where the personnel must work.
- Only one operator must use the pneumatic scissors always standing behind the guide handle. Do not make any adjustment while the blade is working.
- Always pay attention to the position of the air pipe to prevent it from being cut or damaged by the blade.
- It is allowed to assemble pneumatic scissors FP503 on machines O.E.M. on condition that their original structure is not modified. Otherwise, the intervention must be certified by Rasor®.
- The pneumatic scissors FP503 are equipped with double safety push button with a lever and a ratchet on the handle: the ratchet prevents the start push button from being enabled accidentally, the lever operates the scissors. Never remove the ratchet.

## 9. RESIDUAL RISKS

Even though the pneumatic scissors are safe, operators must pay attention to preserve their and other people's safety.

- ⊗ The cutting blade can work even when the protective device is disassembled.

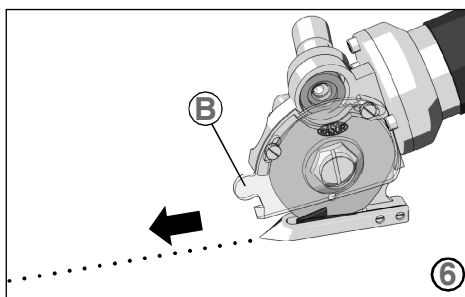
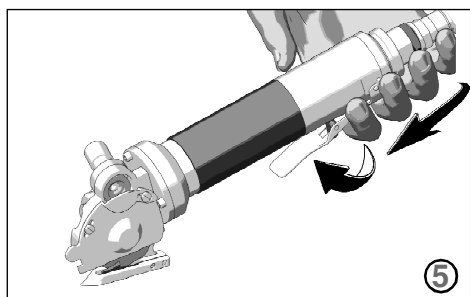
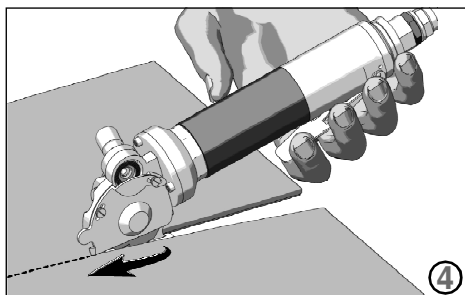
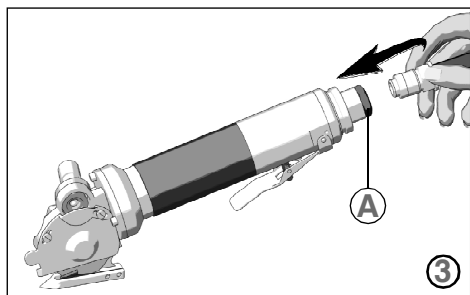
## 10. USE

To use the pneumatic scissors manually, proceed as follows:

- 1) Lay the material to be cut on the table;
- 2) Connect the air hose to the quick connection "A" (not supplied) (see picture 3);
- 3) Set the pressure gauge (option) to 6 bar;
- 4) Put the material on the cutting foot (see picture 4);
- 5) Push the starting lever after moving the safety device (see picture 5);
- 6) Push the pneumatic scissors in the desired direction, being careful to keep the material in front of them as stretched as possible and preventing it from curling in the front part of the scissors.

### NOTE

The thrust on the pneumatic scissors must be as uniform as possible. To carry out linear cuts with precision (and to follow predetermined paths), we also recommend using the arrow point (see point "B" in picture 6).



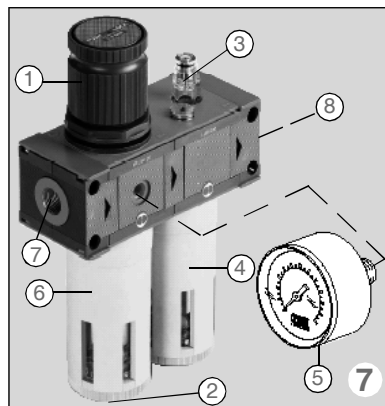
## 11. AIR PRESSURE GAUGE (OPTION)

The pneumatic scissors must be necessarily fed with lubricated air with a pressure of 4-6 bar.

Rasor® offers, as option, a reduction unit filter with a pressure gauge already calibrated with the quantity of oil to be delivered.

The unit shown in picture 7 is made up of:

- 1 - pressure reducer;
- 2 - valve to drain the condensate;
- 3 - drip-feed oiler unit;
- 4 - oil tank;
- 5 - pressure gauge;
- 6 - condensate tank;
- 7 - pipe fitting to connect the quick connection to the network;
- 8 - pipe fitting to connect the quick connection to the scissors.

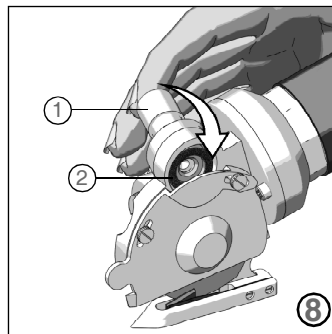


For the use and maintenance read the instruction sheet supplied with the filter.

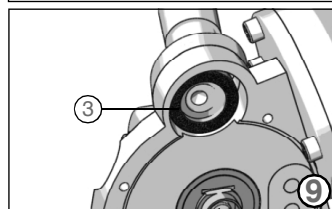
## 12. BLADE SHARPENING

After many hours of a continuative use of the pneumatic scissors or if they are not able to cut anymore, it is necessary to sharp the blade.

To carry out this operation, start the blade and press emery grinding wheel "2" on the same one (by pressing sharpening button "1" as shown in picture 8) for 3-4 seconds. Repeat this operation 2-3 times.



If the sharpening process should be ineffective, check the wear of the emery grinding wheel "3" (see picture 9). If wheel "3" is too worn or dirty, replace it by removing the blade by means of the proper tool.



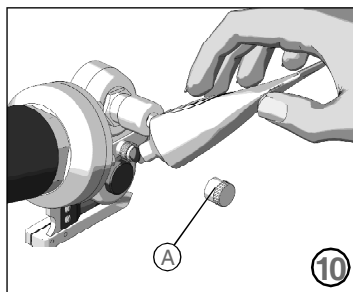
### 13. LUBRICATION

Every 3-4 working days, it is necessary to lubricate the gear pair. In order to carry out this operation, remove protective plug "A" located on the head of the pneumatic scissors and fill it with the grease supplied. Screw plug "A" again a few turns. Screw plug "A" a few turns every working day (see picture 10) when the machine is used without interruption.

#### WARNING



The blade must never be dirty with grease or oil.

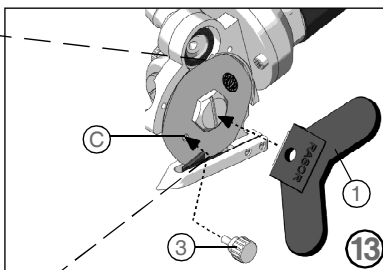
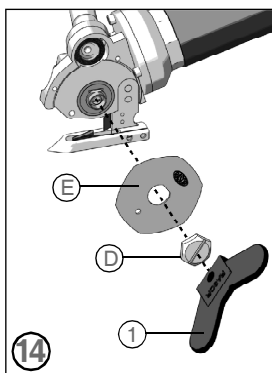
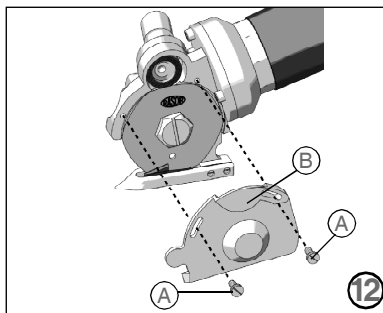
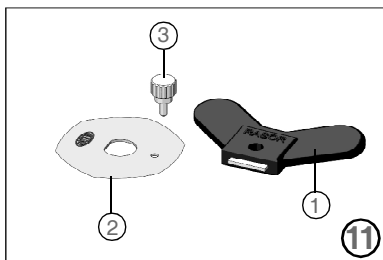


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### 14. BLADE REPLACEMENT

If the blade is no more able to cut (even after repeating the sharpening operation several times) it is necessary to replace it. In order to carry out this operation, use butterfly wrench "1" and drift "3" locking the blade (shown in picture 11). In order to replace the blade, proceed as follows:

- 1) Use some protective gloves in compliance with Italian Legislative Decree 81/08.
- 2) Remove safety protection "B", by unscrewing the two slotted screws "A" by means of a screwdriver (not supplied by the manufacturer), as shown in picture 12.
- 3) Insert drift "3" (see picture 13) into hole "C" in order to lock the blade (the hole in the blade must correspond to the hole in the structure).
- 4) Use butterfly wrench "1" in order to unscrew nut "D" and remove blade "E" (see picture 14).
- 5) Replace the worn blade with the new one "2", being careful to center the blade on the gear, in the correct position, and remember to assemble it with its sharp side (the one with the writing Rasor) positioned towards the external side of the pneumatic scissors.
- 6) Assemble all the components again and carry out some cutting and sharpening tests.



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## 15. TROUBLESHOOTING

### ✖ PROBLEM

### ⇒ SOLUTION

The fabric is not cut or it gets stuck between the blade and the counterblade

Check the counterblade integrity

Check the kind of fabric

Sharpen the blade

Check the fabric thickness

Check the compatibility between blade and fabric

Make sure that the turbine turns correctly

Reduce the feeding speed

Carry out the lubrication

The pneumatic scissors are noisy

Disassemble the blade and remove the material residues

Check the silencer

Check the wear of the gear pair

Check the air circuit integrity

The scissors start slowly or work intermittently

Set working pressure at 6 bar

## 16. SPARE PARTS / EXPLODED VIEW

| CODE      | DESCRIPTION                               | CODE       | DESCRIPTION                                 | CODE       | DESCRIPTION                | CODE         | DESCRIPTION                  |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 503EHSS   | HEXAGONAL BLADE Ø 50 mm., HSS STEEL       | F 5074CPL  | COMPLETE EMERY GRINDING WHEEL UNIT          | FP085      | JOINT                      | FP86021      | SILENCER SEAT O'RING         |
| F 5032    | GEAR CROWN CENTRAL PIN                    | F 5075     | EMERY GRINDING WHEEL BUSH                   | FP086      | SHAFT REAR BEARING         | FP86022      | SILENCER SEAT                |
| F 5033    | GREASER CAP                               | F 5076     | WASHER                                      | FP08701    | SPACER                     | FP86025      | BRONZE SILENCER-FILTER       |
| F 5034    | GREASER                                   | F 5077     | SPRING INSIDE THE SHARPENING BUTTON, Ø 6 mm | FP088      | SHAFT FRONT BEARING        | FP86026      | SMALL REDUCTION UNIT O'RING  |
| F 5036    | SHIM ADJUSTMENT WASHER                    | F 5078     | SPRING INSIDE THE SHARPENING BUTTON, Ø 9 mm | FP089      | COMPENSATOR RING           | FP86028      | REDUCTION UNIT               |
| F 5037    | RING NUT TO FIX THE CROWN BEARING         | F 5079     | SHARPENING BUTTON                           | FP092      | O-RING                     | FP8612301    | CONTROL HEAD                 |
| F 5038    | GEAR CROWN BEARING                        | F 5080     | SCREW FIXING THE SHARPENING BUTTON          | FP09301    | COUPLING SHAFT             | FP8612301CPL | COMPLETE CONTROL HEAD        |
| F 5040    | GEAR CROWN FIXING SCREW 3,5MA             | FP014      | MOTOR SUPPORT                               | FP09301CPL | COMPLETE COUPLING SHAFT    | FP86127      | NYLON BUSH FOR VALVE         |
| F 5042    | RING NUT FIXING THE BLADE                 | FP015CPL   | COMPLETE GEAR CROWN                         | FP09401    | COUPLING FLANGE            | FP86130      | CONNECTOR 1/4" WITH FILTER   |
| F 5057    | BLADE LOCKING DRIFT                       | FP05001CPL | COMPLETE MOTOR                              | FP095      | HANDLE FOR HOOK            | FP86146      | COMPLETE CONTROL LEVER       |
| F 5059    | BLADE DISASSEMBLY KEY                     | FP074      | REAR FLANGE                                 | FP096      | COMPENSATION RING NUT      | FRNF503      | SET OF ACCESSORIES FP503     |
| F 5065    | SCREW FIXING THE FOOT                     | FP075      | REAR FLANGE PLUG                            | FP86010    | PISTON GUIDE               | P001         | WORM SCREW                   |
| F 5066    | PLATE LOCKING THE THREADS FASTENING SCREW | FP076      | REAR FLANGE BEARING                         | FP86011    | PISTON GUIDE O' RING       | P002         | SPRING PIN                   |
| F 5067    | PLATE LOCKING THE THREADS                 | FP077      | POSITION PIN                                | FP86012    | PISTON GUIDE O' RING       | P003         | ROLL BEARING                 |
| F 5068    | WIDIA COUNTERBLADE WITH SPRING            | FP078      | BUCKETS                                     | FP86013    | PISTON                     | P005         | SUPPORT FIXING SCREW 4MA     |
| F 5069    | SCREW FIXING THE COUNTERBLADE             | FP079      | CYLINDER                                    | FP86013CPL | COMPLETE PISTON WITH GUIDE | P029         | RUBBER HOSE                  |
| F 5070    | STEEL FOOT                                | FP080      | ROTOR                                       | FP86014    | STOP RING                  | T102906      | LEVER AND RATCHET FIXING PIN |
| F 5070CPL | COMPLETE FOOT                             | FP080CPL   | COMPLETE TURBINE                            | FP86017    | VALVE                      | T102909      | RATCHET FOR LEVER            |
| F 5071    | BLADE PROTECTION GUARD                    | FP081      | FRONT FLANGE BEARING                        | FP86018    | VALVE O' RING              | T102910      | RATCHET SPRING               |
| F 5071/1  | SCREW FIXING THE BLADE PROTECTION GUARD   | FP082      | FRONT FLANGE                                | FP86019    | STEEL BALL                 | T107900      | LUBRICATING GREASER          |
| F 5074    | PLATE WITH EMERY                          | FP08301    | MOTOR CASE                                  | FP86020    | CONICAL SPRING             | T107902      | LUBRICATING OIL (15 ml)      |

## ACCESSORIES

| CODE | DESCRIPTION                                    | CODE    | DESCRIPTION                                 |
|------|------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------|
| P171 | MALE QUICK COUPLING - 1/4" GAS                 | P171CPL | MALE QUICK COUPLING - 1/4" GAS (COMPLETE)   |
| P170 | FEMALE QUICK COUPLING - 1/4" GAS               | P170CPL | FEMALE QUICK COUPLING - 1/4" GAS (COMPLETE) |
| P169 | FLEXIBLE PIPE FITTING Ø 8 mm - 1/4" GAS FEMALE | P174CPL | COMPLETE COUPLING WITH THREAD - 1/4" GAS    |
|      |                                                | P173    | AIR PIPE Ø 8x6 mm                           |



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## WARRANTY

Rasor® Elettromeccanica S.r.l. pneumatic scissors have a 12 month warranty from the date indicated on the last page of this manual, except in case of different written agreements.

The warranty covers all manufacturing and material defects. Replacement and repair operations are covered only if carried out by our company and at our workshop. If in-warranty goods need to be repaired, **the customer must always send the complete scissors to Rasor®.**

**Single units will not be repaired under warranty.**

The material to be repaired must be sent CARRIAGE FREE.

Once the machine has been repaired, it will be sent CARRIAGE FORWARD to the customer.

The warranty covers neither technicians' intervention on site nor the machine disassembly from the installation place.

If for practical reasons, one of our technicians is sent to the premises, the customer will be charged the costs plus the travelling expenses.

The warranty does not include:

- ✎ failure caused by wrong use or assembly,
- ✎ failure caused by external agents,
- ✎ failure caused by lack of maintenance or negligence,
- ✎ blades and parts subject to wear.
- ✎ failure caused by dirty compressed and/or not lubricated air.

### WARRANTY FORFEITURE:

- ✎ In case of arrearage or other breaches of contract,
- ✎ Whenever changes or repairs are carried out on our pneumatic scissors without our prior authorization,
- ✎ Whenever the serial number is tampered with or cancelled,
- ✎ Whenever the damage is caused by improper use, bad treatment, bumps, falls and other causes not due to normal working conditions,
- ✎ Whenever the unit seems tampered with, dismantled or previously repaired by unauthorized staff,
- ✎ In case the pneumatic scissors are used for purposes that are different from the ones described in this manual.
- ✎ In case non-original spare parts are used.

All repair operations carried out under warranty do not interrupt its duration.

**All disputes will be settled in the court of justice of Milan (Italy).**

We thank you in advance for the attention you will pay to this manual and we invite you to inform us of any change you deem necessary to improve it and make it more complete.

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