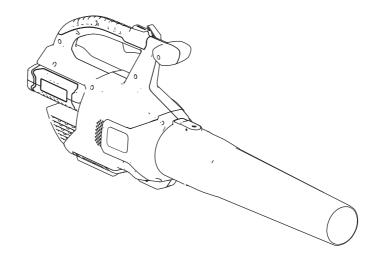


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# Operator's Manual

# **PowerPlex 40V MAX Axial Blower**

Model No. 51690—Serial No. 319000001 and Up Model No. 51690T—Serial No. 319000001 and Up





If you have questions or problems, call toll free 1-888-367-6631 (US) or 1-888-430-1687 (Canada) before returning this product.

### **A** WARNING

# CALIFORNIA Proposition 65 Warning

The power cord on this product contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling.

Use of this product may cause exposure to chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

Important: With your mobile device, you can scan the QR code (if equipped) on the serial number plate to access warranty, parts, and other product information.

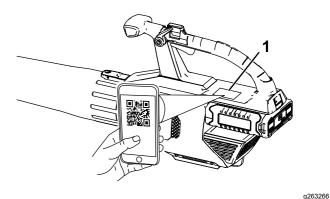


Figure 1

Model and serial number location

# Introduction

This blower is intended to be used by residential homeowners to move leaf-like debris as needed outdoors. It is designed primarily to use battery pack Model 88540 (provided with Model 51690) or 88541.

Read this information carefully to learn how to operate and maintain your product properly and to avoid injury and product damage. You are responsible for operating the product properly and safely.

You may contact Toro directly at www.Toro.com for product and accessory information, help finding a dealer, complete warranty details, or to register your product.

Model 51690T does not include a battery or a charger.

# **Safety**

WARNING: When using electric gardening appliances, always follow basic safety precautions to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury, including the following:

### **A WARNING**

Failure to follow all warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious personal injury.

Read all safety warnings and all instructions.

Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.

The term "power tool" in all the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

### 1. Work area safety

- A. Keep the work area clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- B. Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gasses, or dust. Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- C. Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool. Distractions can cause you to lose control.

### 2. Personal safety

- A. Stay alert; watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication. A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
- B. Use personal protective equipment.
  Always wear eye protection. Protective equipment such as a dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, a hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- C. Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure that the switch is in the OFF position before connecting to a power source and/or battery pack and picking up or carrying the tool. Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energizing power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
- D. Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This

- enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- E. Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Keep your hair tied back and keep your hair, clothing, and gloves away from venting areas Loose clothes, jewelry, or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
- F. Keep your hands and feet away from the cutting area.

### 3. Power tool use and care

- A. Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application. The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
- B. Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off. Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- C. Remove the battery pack from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools. Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.
- D. Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool. Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- E. **Store idle appliances indoors.** When not in use, appliances should be stored indoors in a dry and high or locked-up place, out of the reach of children.
- F. Maintain power tools. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tools operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use. Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.
- G. **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.**Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- H. Use the power tool in accordance with these instructions and in the manner intended for the particular type of power tool, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed. Using the power tool for operations different

from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.

I. Keep guards in place and in working order.

### 4. Service

Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts. This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.

### Battery Safety

- A. Do not charge appliance in rain, or in wet locations.
- B. Do not use battery-operated appliance in the rain.
- C. Use only the following type and size battery(ies): Toro battery Model 88540 or 88541.

- D. Remove or disconnect the battery before servicing, cleaning, or removing material from the gardening appliance.
- E. Do not dispose of the battery(ies) in a fire. The cell may explode. Check with local codes for possible special disposal instructions.
- F. Do not open or mutilate the battery(ies). Released electrolyte is corrosive and may cause damage to the eyes or skin. It may be toxic if swallowed.
- G. Exercise care in handling batteries in order not to short the battery with conducting materials such as rings, bracelets, and keys. The battery or conductor may overheat and cause burns.

### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

# **Safety and Instructional Decals**



Safety decals and instructions are easily visible to the operator and are located near any area of potential danger. Replace any decal that is damaged or missing.



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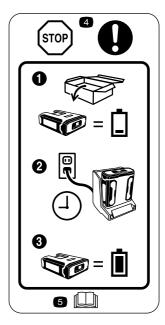
- 1. The battery pack is charging.
- 2. The battery pack is fully charged.
- 3. The battery pack is too warm.
- 4. Replace the battery pack.



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 Warning—read the Operator's Manual; keep away from moving parts; keep all guards and covers in place; wear eye protection; do not operate in wet conditions.



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### 136-2534

- The battery does not come out of the box fully charged.
- 2. Place the battery in the battery charger.
- Wait until the battery is fully charged before the first use.
- Stop—follow these instructions before first use.
- 5. Read the *Operator's Manual*.



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### 136-2539

 Charge the battery where the temperature is between 0°C and 40°C (32°F and 104°F).

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# Setup

**Note:** The battery pack is not fully charged when you purchase it. Before using the tool for the first time, refer to Charging the Battery Pack (page 9).

# Mounting the Battery Charger (Optional)

If desired, mount the battery charger securely on a wall using the wall-mount key holes on the back of the charger.

Mount it indoors (such as a garage or other dry place), near a power outlet, and out of the reach of children.

Refer to Figure 2 for assistance in mounting the charger.

**Note:** Slide and twist the charger over the appropriately positioned hardware to secure the charger in place (hardware not included).

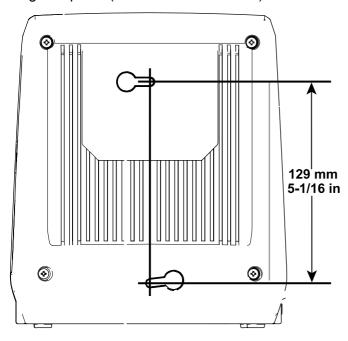


Figure 2

# **Assembling the Blower**

1. Slide the blower tube onto the blower housing. You may need to press down on the tab for the blower tube to lock into place (Figure 3).

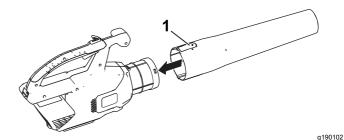
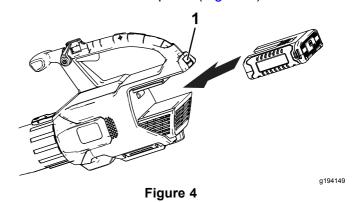


Figure 3

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 Align the cavity on the battery pack with the tongue in the handle housing, grasp the handle, and push the battery pack into the handle until the latch locks into place (Figure 4).



1. Battery latch

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# **Product Overview**

# **Specifications**

### **Appropriate Temperature Ranges**

Charge the battery at	0°C (32°F) to 40°C (104°F)*
Use products at	-15°C (5°F) to 60°C (140°F)
Store products at	-15°C (5°F) to 60°C (140°F)
Unplug the charger if	Below 0°C (32°F) or above 40°C (104°F)

<sup>\*</sup>Charging time will increase if you do not charge the battery within this range.

Store the tool, battery pack, and battery charger in an enclosed clean, dry area.

# **Operation**

### **A WARNING**

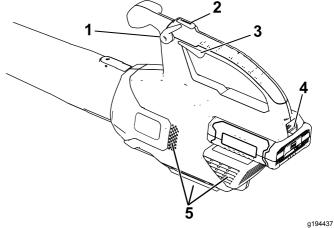
The blower can throw debris, possibly causing serious personal injury to you or bystanders.

- Do not blow hard objects, such as nails, bolts, or rocks.
- Do not operate the blower near bystanders or pets.
- Use extra care when cleaning debris from stairs or other tight areas.
- Wear safety goggles or other suitable eye protection, long pants, and shoes.

# **Starting the Blower**

- Make sure that the vents on the blower are clear of any dust and debris.
- 2. To start the blower, squeeze the variable-speed trigger (Figure 5).

**Note:** Engage the speed lock to keep the machine on without pressing the variable-speed trigger (Figure 5).



- Figure 5
- 1. Speed lock
- 2. Turbo boost button
- 3. Variable-speed trigger
- 4. Battery latch
- 5. Blower venting areas

# Adjusting the Air Speed of the Blower

To accelerate the blower speed, press and hold the turbo boost button for the desired amount of time (Figure 5).

To adjust the air speed as you blow, use the variable-speed trigger (Figure 5).

To maintain the current air speed, engage the speed lock (Figure 5).

# **Shutting Off the Blower**

To shut off the blower, disengage the speed lock (if in use) and release the variable-speed trigger (Figure 5).

*Important:* After stopping the blower, do not leave the speed lock engaged with the battery pack in the blower.

Whenever you are not using the blower or are transporting the blower to or from the work area, remove the battery pack.

# Removing the Blower Tube

Press down on the tab to separate the blower tube from the blower (Figure 6).

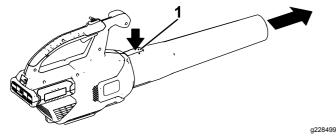
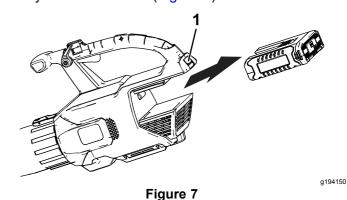


Figure 6

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# Removing the Battery from the Blower

Press down on the battery latch to separate the battery from the blower (Figure 7).



1. Battery latch

# **Using the Attachments**

Use the provided attachments as needed.

**Note:** The Gutter Cleaner Kit (Model 51667) and Oscillating Tube (Model 51664) are sold separately.

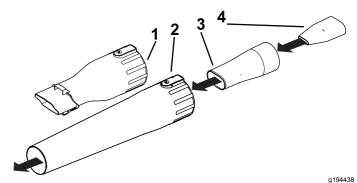


Figure 8

- Gutter cleaner adaptor
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- 2. Blower tube
- Oscillator/MPH insert adapter
- 4. MPH insert

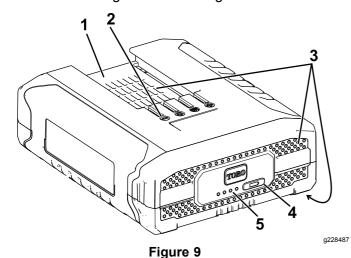
# **Charging the Battery Pack**

Important: Read all safety precautions.

Important: Charge the battery pack only in temperatures that are within the appropriate range; refer to Specifications (page 7).

**Note:** At any time, press the battery-charge-indicator button on the battery pack to display the current charge (LED indicators).

- Make sure that the vents on the battery are clear of any dust and debris.
- Line up the cavity in the battery pack (Figure 9) with the tongue on the charger.



- Battery pack cavity
- Battery pack terminals
- Battery pack venting areas
- Battery-charge-indicator button
- LED indicators (current charge)
- 3. Make sure that the vents on the battery charger are clear of any dust and debris.
- Slide the battery pack into the charger until it is fully seated (Figure 10).

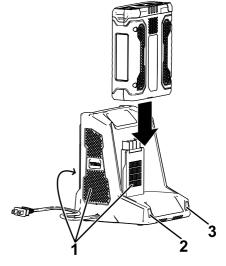


Figure 10

- Charger venting areas
- 3. Right indicator light

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- Left indicator light
- To remove the battery pack, slide the battery 5. backward out of the charger.
- Refer to the following table to interpret the LED indicators on the battery charger.

Left Light	Right Light	Indicates:
Off	Red	Charger is on; no battery pack inserted
Red	Red	Battery pack is charging
Green	Red	Battery pack is charged
Orange	Red	Battery pack is too warm
Red Blinking	Red	Replace the battery pack

## **Storage**

Important: Store the tool, battery pack, and charger only in temperatures that are within the appropriate range; refer to Specifications (page 7).

Important: If you are storing the tool for a year or longer, remove the battery pack from the tool and charge the battery pack until 2 or 3 LED indicators turn blue on the battery. Do not store a fully charged or fully depleted battery. When you are ready to use the tool again, charge the battery pack until the left indicator light turns green on the charger or all 4 LED indicators turn blue on the battery.

- Disconnect the product from the power supply (i.e., remove the plug from the power supply or the battery pack) and check for damage after use.
- · Clean all foreign material from the product.
- When not in use, store the tool, battery pack, and battery charger out of the reach of children.
- Keep the tool, battery pack, and battery charger away from corrosive agents, such as garden chemicals and de-icing salts.
- To reduce the risk of serious personal injury, do not store the battery pack outside or in vehicles.
- Store the tool, battery pack, and battery charger in an enclosed clean, dry area.

# Preparing the Battery Pack for Recycling

Important: Upon removal, cover the terminals of the battery pack with heavy-duty adhesive tape. Do not attempt to destroy or disassemble the battery pack or remove any of its components. Recycle or properly dispose of lithium-ion battery packs at a battery recycling facility.



For more information on recycling lithium-ion battery packs and to locate the battery recycling facility closest to you, visit www.Call2Recycle.org (US and Canada only). If you are located outside of the US and Canada, please contact your authorized Toro distributor.

# **Troubleshooting**

Perform only the steps described in these instructions. All further inspection, maintenance, and repair work must be performed by an authorized service center or a similarly qualified specialist if you cannot solve the problem yourself.

Problem	Possible Cause	Corrective Action
The battery pack loses charge quickly.	The battery pack is over or under the appropriate temperature range.	Move the battery pack to a place where it is dry and the temperature is between 0°C (32°F) and 40°C (104°F).
The battery charger is not working.	The battery charger is over or under the appropriate temperature range.	Unplug the battery charger and move it to a place where it is dry and the temperature is between 0°C (32°F) and 40°C (104°F).
	The outlet that the battery charger is plugged into does not have power.	Contact your licensed electrician to repair the outlet.
The tool does not run or run continuously.	There is moisture on the leads of the battery pack.	Allow the battery pack to dry or wipe it dry.
	The battery is not fully installed in the tool.	Remove and then replace the battery in the tool, ensuring that it is fully installed and latched.
	3. The battery pack is low on charge.	3. Charge the battery pack.
The battery pack shows only 3 LED indicators after only a few seconds of using a fully charged battery.	This is a normal occurrence.	Stop the tool and press the battery-charge-indicator button or the remove the battery from the tool to display the actual battery charge.
All 4 LED indicators are blinking on the battery pack after you press the battery-charge-indicator button on the battery pack and the current charge displays (when the battery pack is not in use).	The battery pack is over or under the appropriate temperature range.	Move the battery pack to a place where it is dry and the temperature is between 0°C (32°F) and 40°C (104°F).
All 4 LED indicators are blinking on the battery pack after releasing the trigger (when the battery pack is in use).	The battery pack is over or under the appropriate temperature range.	Move the battery pack to a place where it is dry and the temperature is between 0°C (32°F) and 40°C (104°F).
2 LED indicators are blinking on the battery pack after you press the battery-charge-indicator button on the battery pack and the current charge displays (when the battery pack is not in use).	There is a difference in voltage between cells in the battery pack.	Place the battery on the charger until it is fully charged.
2 LED indicators are blinking on the battery pack after releasing the trigger (when the battery pack is in use).	There is a difference in voltage between cells in the battery pack.	Place the battery on the charger until it is fully charged.
1 LED indicator is blinking on the battery pack.	The battery pack voltage is low.	Place the battery pack on the charger.
It is difficult to remove the battery pack from the tool.	The battery pack/tool is new or there is corrosion in the battery terminals and/or the terminals on the tool.	Clean the terminals on the battery pack and the tool. Then apply dielectric grease to the battery terminals; do not use any other type of lubricant as it can damage the terminals.
The speed lock does not hold when engaged.	The speed lock screw is loose.	1. Tighten the speed lock screw by turning the speed lock screw ¼ turn. If the speed lock still does not hold when engaged, turn the speed lock screw an additional ¼ turn.

### **California Proposition 65 Warning Information**

### What is this warning?

You may see a product for sale that has a warning label like the following:



**WARNING:** Cancer and Reproductive Harm—www.p65Warnings.ca.gov.

### What is Prop 65?

Prop 65 applies to any company operating in California, selling products in California, or manufacturing products that may be sold in or brought into California. It mandates that the Governor of California maintain and publish a list of chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects, and/or other reproductive harm. The list, which is updated annually, includes hundreds of chemicals found in many everyday items. The purpose of Prop 65 is to inform the public about exposure to these chemicals.

Prop 65 does not ban the sale of products containing these chemicals but instead requires warnings on any product, product packaging, or literature with the product. Moreover, a Prop 65 warning does not mean that a product is in violation of any product safety standards or requirements. In fact, the California government has clarified that a Prop 65 warning "is not the same as a regulatory decision that a product is 'safe' or 'unsafe.'" Many of these chemicals have been used in everyday products for years without documented harm. For more information, go to https://oag.ca.gov/prop65/faqs-view-all.

A Prop 65 warning means that a company has either (1) evaluated the exposure and has concluded that it exceeds the "no significant risk level"; or (2) has chosen to provide a warning based on its understanding about the presence of a listed chemical without attempting to evaluate the exposure.

### Does this law apply everywhere?

Prop 65 warnings are required under California law only. These warnings are seen throughout California in a wide range of settings, including but not limited to restaurants, grocery stores, hotels, schools, and hospitals, and on a wide variety of products. Additionally, some online and mail order retailers provide Prop 65 warnings on their websites or in catalogs.

### How do the California warnings compare to federal limits?

Prop 65 standards are often more stringent than federal and international standards. There are various substances that require a Prop 65 warning at levels that are far lower than federal action limits. For example, the Prop 65 standard for warnings for lead is 0.5 μg/day, which is well below the federal and international standards.

### Why don't all similar products carry the warning?

- Products sold in California require Prop 65 labelling while similar products sold elsewhere do not.
- A company involved in a Prop 65 lawsuit reaching a settlement may be required to use Prop 65 warnings for its products, but other companies
  making similar products may have no such requirement.
- The enforcement of Prop 65 is inconsistent.
- Companies may elect not to provide warnings because they conclude that they are not required to do so under Prop 65; a lack of warnings for a
  product does not mean that the product is free of listed chemicals at similar levels.

### Why does Toro include this warning?

Toro has chosen to provide consumers with as much information as possible so that they can make informed decisions about the products they buy and use. Toro provides warnings in certain cases based on its knowledge of the presence of one or more listed chemicals without evaluating the level of exposure, as not all the listed chemicals provide exposure limit requirements. While the exposure from Toro products may be negligible or well within the "no significant risk" range, out of an abundance of caution, Toro has elected to provide the Prop 65 warnings. Moreover, if Toro does not provide these warnings, it could be sued by the State of California or by private parties seeking to enforce Prop 65 and subject to substantial penalties.