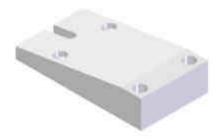
#### ACCESSORIES cont'd.



Cat. No. 42626 (Sold Separately) Angled Shoe Base for Nailing 3/4" Flooring over 3/4" Plywood over Concrete



Cat. No. 42620 (Sold Separately) Porta-Nail Set Tool



Cat. No. 42623 (Sold Separately) Porta-Nail - 10 Boxes of 1000 2" Nails

Cat. No. 40253
Molded Carrying Case (not shown)





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#### **OWNER'S MANUAL**

## MODEL 402 PORTA-NAILER

For Tongue and Groove Solid Wood & Hardwood Laminate Flooring



**CAUTION - Read important safety instructions AND operation instructions for proper operation of your Nailer.** Your new **PORTA-NAILER** is a quality-built machine, capable of dependable performance throughout its lifetime. To take full advantage of these capabilities you should thoroughly understand the proper method and technique of its operation. Therefore, we suggest you read this manual before operating and that you save it for future reference.

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## MODEL 402 PORTA-NAILER





#### **CAT. NO. 402**

# Specifications / Contents

Model 402 Porta-Nailer with Angled Shoe to be used for installing 5/8", 3/4" – 33/32" Tongue and Groove Flooring

## Package Contents Include:

Porta-Nailer, Ext. Handle, Hammer, Owner's Manual, Carrying Case.

#### **CAT. NO. 403**

# Specifications / Contents

Model 402 Porta-Nailer with Angled Shoe to be used for installing 5/8", 3/4" – 33/32" Tongue and Groove Flooring, a Face Shoe to be used for face nailing the first two (2) rows and the last six (6) rows of Tongue and Groove Flooring. A Shoe Designed to nail down 3/8"-9/16" Tongue and Groove Flooring.

## Package Contents Include:

Porta-Nailer, Hammer, Ext. Handle, Face Shoe, Thin Flooring Shoe, Angled Shoe Base, Nail Punch, Owner's Manual, Carrying Case.

#### **CAT. NO. 404**

# Specifications / Contents

Model 402 Porta-Nailer with Face Shoe to be used for face nailing the first two (2) rows and the last six (6) rows of Tongue and Groove Flooring

## Package Contents Include:

Porta-Nailer, Hammer, Owner's Manual, Carrying Case.

#### ACCESSORIES (Pg. 23 & 24)

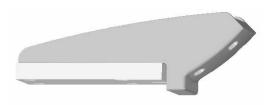
(Sold Separately)

The testing of this tool has been accomplished with the following accessories. For safest operation, it is recommended that only these accessories be used with this product. **WARNING** – Since accessories other than those listed have not been tested with this product, use of such accessories could be hazardous.



Cat. No. 40221 (Included w/402 Package)

Tongue Nailing Shoe for 5/8" – 33/32" Flooring.



Cat. No. 40230 (Sold Separately)

Tongue Nailing Shoe for 3/8" – 9/16" Flooring.

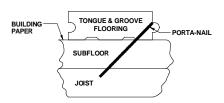


Cat. No. 40225 (Sold Separately) Face Nailing Shoe

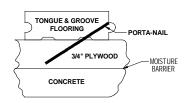
- 3. Strike the Rubber Cap of the Nailer with the iron side of the Hammer.
- 4. The first two strips of flooring and the last six should be Face nailed with the Face Nailing Shoe installed on the Porta-Nailer or by hand.
- 5. The Porta-Nailer MUST be held firmly, but not over-tightly in the hand so that the Porta-Nailer rests perfectly flat on the floor with the lip of the shoe hanging over and against the edge of the strip being nailed. As an aid to holding it flat against the floor, rest the toe of your shoe on the rear of the Porta-Nailer Shoe.
- DO NOT OVERPOWER THE PORTA-NAILER Strike it firmly but NOT HARD, and then strike it again until the Ram returns. The Ram does not return until the nail is properly seated.
- 7. Do not attempt to nail the last six strips of flooring down with the Angled Shoe installed. Switch and install the Face Nailing Shoe or face nail by hand.

The Porta-Nailer system is user-friendly and following these simple instructions, will insure a perfect hardwood flooring installation.





The Porta-Nail is 2" long and the PORTA-NAILER with the standard shoe drives the nail into the tongue and groove flooring at a 45-degree angle. The orientation of the nail is as depicted in wood floor joist construction.



In applications where tongue and groove flooring is laid over concrete, the Accessory Shoe 42626 Shoe Base is used to increase the angle so that the Nail will not protrude through 3/4" plywood underlayment.

PNI is proud of the products that it manufactures and warrants them to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for 1 year. In the unlikely event that a problem occurs, return the product to our plant freight prepaid and allowed, so that a determination of the fault can be made. If the fault is determined to be defective materials or workmanship, a no-charge replacement or repair will be made, at our discretion. The product will be returned to you freight prepaid and allowed. This warranty does not cover accidents, abuse or misuse and in no case will PNI be liable for incidental or consequential damages. No other warranty written or verbal is authorized. Returns for warranty service should be sent to:

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#### **SAFETY RULES FOR PORTA-NAILER**

- 1. **WEAR SAFETY CLASSES** and safety shoes for protection against foreign objects.
- 2. **NEVER** sit the Porta-Nailer in your hand or on your knee or any part of your Body.
- 3. **NEVER** use a Hammer with a loose head or splintered handle.
- 4. **USE ONLY** nails from Porta-Nails, Inc.
- 5. **REPLACE** worn or damaged parts immediately.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Your Model 402 Porta-Nailer is designed for Angle Nailing 5/8", 3/4"-33/32" Hardwood Tongue and Groove Flooring.
- An Accessory Shoe is available (Sold Separately) for Face Nailing. (See Shoe Accessory Applications section)
- An Accessory Shoe is available (Sold Separately) for Angle Nailing 3/8" to 9/16" Flooring with the standard 2" Porta-Nail. (See Shoe Accessory Applications section)
- An Accessory Angled Base is available (Sold Separately) for use with the 402 Nailer to nail 3/4" Hardwood Tongue and Groove Flooring over 3/4" Plywood over concrete. (See Shoe Accessory Applications section)

# PORTA-NAILER ACCESSORY SHOE & SHOE BASE APPLICATIONS

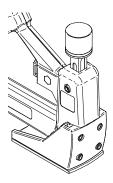


FIGURE 1
Face Nailing Shoe
Accessory Shoe Cat. No.
40225
(Sold Separately)



FIGURE 2
Tongue Nailing 5/8",
3/4" Flooring Shoe
Standard Shoe Included on
402



FIGURE 3
Tongue Nailing
33/32" Flooring
Standard Shoe with only
One (1) Shoe base installed.

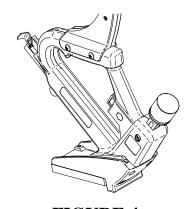
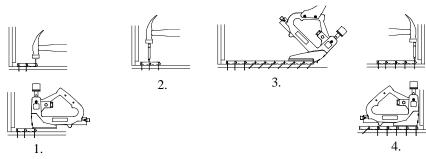
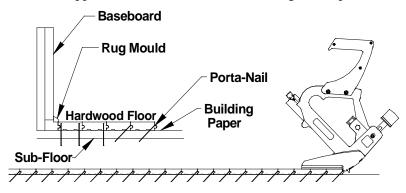


FIGURE 4
Tongue Nailing
3/8"-9/16" Flooring
Accessory Shoe Cat. No.
40230
(Sold Separately)

# HARDWARE FLOOR INSTALLATION MADE SIMPLE WITH THE PORTA-NAILER



- 1. Face Nail by hand or using the Porta-Nailer with the Face Nailing Shoe (Sold Separately) the first two courses, Tongue of Flooring toward the opposite wall.
- 2. Set face nails and hide with matching putty stick.
- 3. Blind Nail along the Tongue edge of the field of Flooring. Position a nail every 8" to 10". A minimum of 2 Nails per strip. Note: Always follow the Flooring Manufacturer's Instructions regarding installation requirements.
- 4. At the opposite wall, Face Nail the remaining six strips.



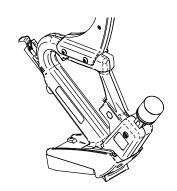
#### BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THE PORTA-NAILER SYSTEM

Always wear safety glasses AND safety shoes.

#### OPERATION FOR USE OF THE PORTA-NAILER SYSTEM

- 1. This tool is designed to properly seat the nail with one or SEVERAL blows of the Hammer.
- 2. Tap the flooring into place with the non-marring rubber side of the Hammer.

28.	40050	Ram Stop Screws (2 ea)	
29.	40241	Shoulder Screw (Includes #30)	
30.	802194	Shoulder Screw Nut	
31.	2190	Pawl Housing Set	
32.	40101	Pawl Spring	
33.	40037	Pawl	
34.	40115	Ram Stop Springs (2 ea)	
35.	40048	Ram Stop Block	
36.	40243	Nailer Body Screws (4 ea.)	
37.	40244	Body Handle Screws (3 ea.)	
38.	1165	Extension Handle Fasteners	
39.	40229	Thin Flooring Shoe	
40.	40152	Thin Flooring Shoe Base	
41.	2600	Thin Flooring Shoe Base Screws (4 ea.)	
42.	40221	Tongue Nailing Shoe Assembly	
		(Includes #'s 4, 5, 6) Not to be used	
		with Cat. No. 401	
43.	40225	Face Shoe Assembly (Includes #'s 7, 8, 9)	
		Not to be used with Cat. No. 501	
44.	40230	Thin Flooring Shoe Assembly (Includes #'s 39,	
		40, 41) – Not to be used with Cat. No. 401	
45.	40008	Hammer (Not Shown)	
46.	840080	Spare Parts Package (Not Shown	
		Includes #'s 24, 26)	
47.	2191	Pawl Housing Assembly (Includes #'s 31, 32, 33)	
48.	40097	97 Pusher Spring Tube Assembly	
		(Includes #'s 15, 16, 17)	
49.	59561	Starter Parts Kit (Includes #'s 12, 13, 20, 21, 23,	
		24, 25, 26, 32, 33)	



# FIGURE 5 Angled Shoe Base

Angled Shoe Base for Nailing 3/4" Flooring over 3/4" Plywood over Concrete Accessory Shoe Cat. No. 42626 (Sold Separately)

### **ASSEMBLING THE EXTENSION HANDLE**

Fasten the Extension Handle to the Nailer using the two (2) Screws and Nuts (Ref. No. 38) furnished with the unit.

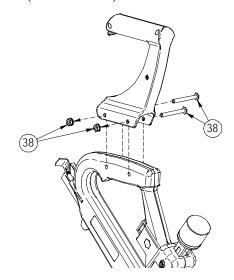
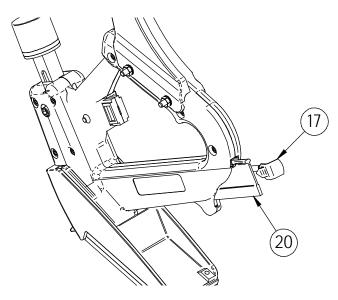
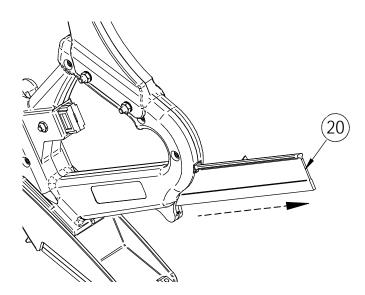


FIGURE 6
Installing the Extension Handle

### **LOADING NAILS**

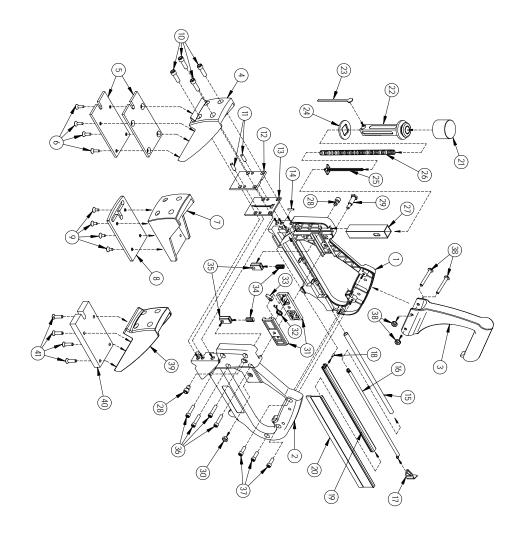


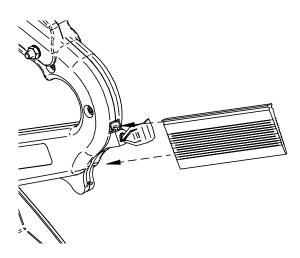
1. Unhook the Connector (Ref. No. 17) from the Pusher (Ref. No. 20).



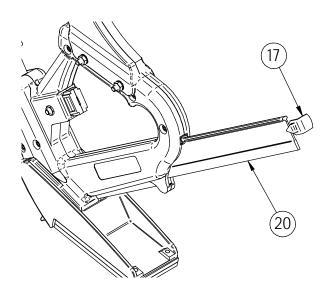
2. Remove the Pusher (Ref. No. 20) from the Nail Rail.

Ref. <u>No.</u>	Part <u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.	40272	Body – R.H.
2.	40273	Body – L.H.
3.	40061	Extension Handle (Includes #38)
4.	40220	Tongue Nailing Shoe
5.	40153	Tongue Nailing Shoe Base – (2 ea)
6.	2598	Tongue Nailing Shoe Base Screws (4 ea)
7.	40223	Face Shoe
8.	40224	Face Shoe Base
9.	40226	Face Shoe Base Screws (4 ea)
10.	40043	Shoe Screws (4 ea.)
11.	40040	Wear Plate / Shear Plate Dowels (2 ea)
12.	54580	Wear Plate
13.	40170	Shear Plate
14.	53849	Pusher Spring Roll Pin 1/8 x 5/8
15.		Pusher Spring Tube (See Ref. No. 48)
16.	40146	Pusher Spring
17.	40093	Connector
18.	40109	Rail Spring Pin 1/8 x 3/8
19.	40151	Rail
20.	40094	Pusher
21.	40030	Rubber Ram Cap
22.	40116	Ram (Includes #'s 21,24,26)
23.	40131	Driver Blade
24.	40052	Ram Washer
25.	40124	Ram Spring Guide
26.	40126	Ram Spring
27.	40245	Ram Guide





3. Insert a stack of Nails into the Nail Rail with the Heads "up".

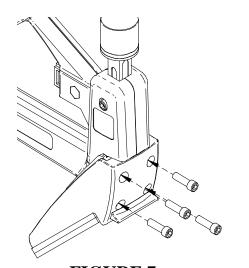


4. Place the Pusher (Ref. No. 20) in the Nail Rail and hook the Connector (Ref. No. 17) to the Pusher (Ref. No. 20).

**WARNING:** For proper operation never use Nailer with less than a 2 inch stack of nails remaining in the Nail Rail.

### **SHOE CHANGING**

#### **CONVERSION TO AND FROM FACE NAILING**



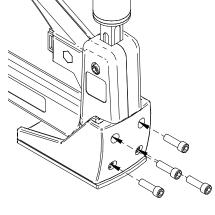


FIGURE 7
Angled Tongue and
Groove Flooring Shoe

FIGURE 8

Face Nailing Shoe Cat. No. 40225 (Sold Separately)

Loosen and remove Socket Head Cap Screws (Ref. No. 10) to remove Shoe & Shoe Base Assembly. Change over from the Angled Tongue Nailing to Face Nailing Applications or change from Face Nailing to Angled Tongue Nailing Applications by removing Socket Head Cap Screws (Ref. No. 10) and re-tightening after changeover.

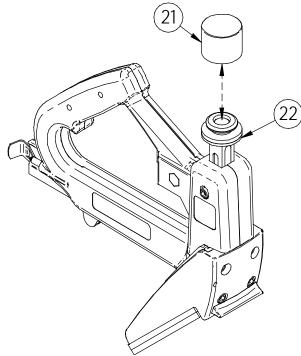
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#### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

PROBLEM		
OR		
QUESTION	CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
Ram comes up before completing cycle	Ram(Ref. No. 22) or Pawl (Ref. No. 33) worn; Pawl Spring (Ref. No. 32) Broken	Remove the Shoulder Screw Nut (Ref. No.30) and the Shoulder Screw (Ref. No.29). Pull out Pawl Housing Assembly (Ref. No. 47) and inspect the Pawl (Ref. No. 33) and the Pawl
		Spring (Ref. No. 32) for wear or breakage and replace if necessary. Reinstall and firmly tighten Shoulder Screw Nut (Ref. No. 30).
Ram does not come up after completing downward cycle.	Ram Spring (Ref. No. 26) or Pawl Spring (Ref. No. 33) broken	Loosen, but <b>DO NOT REMOVE</b> , the two (2) Ram  Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28).  Remove the Ram (Ref. No. 22)  and Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23).  Replace the Ram Spring. If the Ram Spring is not broken, reverse correction given above.  Refer to the above Corrective  Action for replacing the Pawl  Spring.
Ram will not go all the way down or up.	Nails Jammed in Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13).	Remove the Ram (Ref. No. 22) and Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) as outlined above. Remove the four (4) Shoe Screws (Ref. No. 10) and Shoe (Ref. No. 4). Lift off the Wear (Ref. No. 12) Plate and remove the jammed nails.
Ram will make a complete cycle but works hard	Lack of lubrication and dirt / contaminate accumulation	Remove the Ram (Ref. No. 22) and Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) as outlined above. Clean the Ram and Driver Blade and lubricate the Ram lightly with a dry silicone lubricant.

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#### REPLACING THE RAM CAP



- 1. To replace the Ram Cap (Ref. No. 21) remove worn Ram Cap (Ref. No. 21) from the Ram (Ref. No. 22).
- 2. Use soap and water to aid in applying the Ram Cap (Ref. No. 21) to the head of the Ram (Ref. No. 22).

GUARANTEE ON RAM IS VOID WHEN USED WITHOUT THE RAM RUBBER CAP IN PLACE.

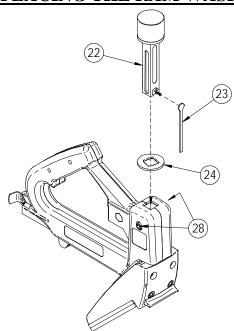
#### **NAILING TONGUE AND GROOVE FLOORING**

Your Model 402 Nailer is furnished with two (2) Shoe Bases (Ref. No. 5). When nailing 3/4" thick flooring, both of these bases are used. When nailing 33/32" thick flooring, only use one (1) Shoe Base (Ref. No. 5).

- 1. After squaring the Floor and allowing for expansion as recommended by the Wood Flooring Industry (NWFA, NOFMA and MFMA), place the grooved edge of the first row of Flooring towards the wall on the side of the room from which you are starting. Face Nail in place by hand or by using the Model 402 Nailer with the Face Shoe (Sold Separately) installed. (See Shoe Changing Section Pg. 8).
- 2. After Face nailing the First (1<sup>st</sup>) row of Flooring, (See Figure 8) place the groove of the Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) row of Flooring over the Tongue of the First (1<sup>st</sup>) row of Flooring and drive snug using the rubber knob end of the Porta-Nailer Hammer and Face nail in place just as the First (1<sup>st</sup>) Row of Flooring.
- 3. You are now ready to Blind Nail the field of Flooring.
- 4. Position the Model 402 Nailer along the Tongue edge of the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Row of Flooring in the manner shown in Figure 8. (THE FIELD SHOULD BE NAILED ONLY THRU THE TONGUE. SEE ILLUSTRATION ON PAGE 22).
- 5. Strike the Ram Head (Ref. No. 21) with the metal end of the Hammer Head to drive the Nail.
- 6. Continue to strike the Ram Head (Ref. No. 21) until the Ram returns to its original position. (It usually takes two blows to drive a nail.)
- 7. If, after striking the Ram Head (Ref. No. 21), the Ram does not return to its original position, it is a warning that the Nail has not been completely driven.
- 8. When the Nail has been completely driven, the Ram will return to its original position.
- 9. Be careful not to drive one Nail on top of another. Damage to the Nailer might result if this should occur.
- 10. Slide the Nailer along the tongue of the board to the location at which you desire to drive the next nail. (8-10 inches is the general rule of thumb.) Try to get a nail in each Joist.

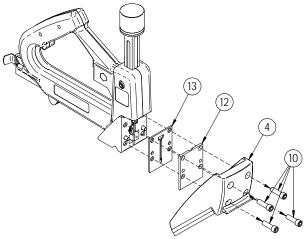
- 11. Continue Steps 5-10 until you have completely nailed the board.
- 12. Repeat Steps 4-11 until all but the last Six (6) Rows of boards have been nailed in place.
- 13. Face Nail the last Six (6) Rows of Flooring.

#### REPLACING THE RAM WASHER

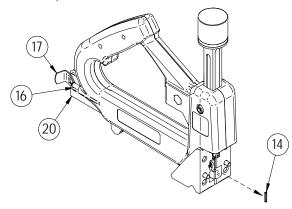


- 1. Loosen, but **DO NOT REMOVE**, the two (2) Ram Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28) while holding the Ram (Ref. No. 22) down.
- 2. After the Ram Stop Screws are loose enough to allow the Ram to be removed, gently pull out the Ram and Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23).
- 3. Remove the Driver Blade and slide the worn Ram Washer (Ref. No. 24) over the Ram to remove it.
- 4. Slide the replacement Ram Washer over the Ram until it is positioned under the Ram Cap.
- 5. Reposition the Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) into the recess in the Ram (Ref. No. 22). Slip the entire assembly into the Ram Guide
- 6. Push the Ram down so the Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) will slide down between the Wear Plate and Shear Plate. Hold the Ram (Ref. No. 22) down and tighten the two (2) Ram Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28).

#### REPLACING THE PUSHER SPRING



1. Remove the four (4) Shoe Screws (Ref. No. 10), securing Shoe (Ref. No. 4) and remove the Shoe from the Nailer. Remove the Wear Plate (Ref. No. 12) and the Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13).



2. Unhook the Connector (Ref. No. 17) from the Pusher (Ref. No. 20) and remove the Pusher. Disconnect the Connector (Ref. No. 17) from the Pusher Spring (Ref. No. 16). Pull the Pusher Spring out thru the front end of the Pusher Spring Tube (Ref. No. 15).

#### **DISASSEMBLY OF UNIT**

Check the Nailer for faulty operation. It can probably be noted at this time if there are any broken springs or assemblies which do not work properly or if the machine is jammed.

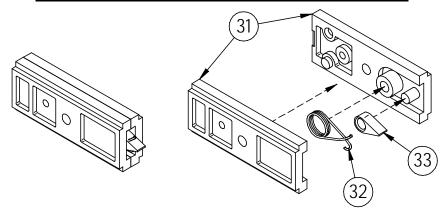
- 1. Unhook the Connector (Ref. No. 17) and remove the Pusher (Ref. No. 20) from the Nail Rail.
- 2. Back out, but do not remove, the two (2) Ram Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28) and pull out the Ram (Ref. No. 22), Ram Spring (Ref. No. 26), and Ram Spring Guide (Ref. No. 25). Remove the Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) from the Ram.
- 3. Remove the four (4) Shoe Screws (Ref. No. 10), securing Shoe (Ref. No. 4) and remove the Shoe from the Nailer. Check the Wear Plate (Ref. No. 12) and Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13) for wear.
- 4. Both the Wear Plate (Ref. No. 12) and the Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13) can be removed. If the Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13) is tight, pry it off, but use CAUTION not to damage any of the parts.
- 5. Turn the Nailer over and remove the Shoulder Screw Nut (Ref. No. 30) from the Shoulder Screw (Ref. No. 29).
- 6. Remove the Shoulder Screw (Ref. No. 29) and pull the Pawl Housing Assembly (Ref. No. 47) from the Pawl Housing Cavity area.
- 7. Remove the three (3) Body Handle Screws (Ref. No. 37) in the Handle area and the four (4) Nailer Body Screws (Ref. No. 36) in the Ram Housing area.
- 8. Separate the two (2) main Nailer Body Castings (Ref. Nos. 1 & 2) and lift out the Ram Guide (Ref. No. 27). Check the Ram Stop Blocks (Ref. No. 35) and the Ram Stop Springs (Ref. No. 34) positioned by the Ram Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28) for wear.
- 9. Remove the Nail Rail (Ref. No. 19) from the Casting.

#### **ASSEMBLY OF UNIT**

- Clean and inspect all parts and check springs for breakage or weak sections. Check the Nailer Body Castings (Ref. Nos. 1 & 2) for cracks or worn spots.
- 2. Insert the Nail Rail (Ref. No. 19) into the Nailer Body Casting (Ref. No. 1) being sure that the Rail Spring Pin (Ref. No. 18) and the hole in the Nail Rail line up properly.
- 3. Insert the Ram Guide (Ref. No. 27) into the Nailer Body Casting (Ref. No. 1). **NOTE:** Be sure the Ram Stop Blocks (Ref. No. 35) are well seated in the Nailer Body Casting recess under the Ram Guide and that the holes in the Ram Guide will line up with the two (2) Ram Stop Block Screws (Ref. No. 28).
- 4. Position the Nailer Body Castings (Ref. Nos. 1 & 2) together; check to be sure they are lined up properly.
- 5. Replace the three (3) Body Handle Screws (Ref. No. 37) in the Handle area and the four (4) Nailer Body Screws (Ref. No. 36) in the Ram Housing area.
- 6. Insert the Pawl Housing Assembly (Ref. No. 47) into the Pawl Housing Cavity area.
- 7. Insert the Shoulder Screw (Ref. No. 29) thru the Nailer Body Castings and fasten with the Shoulder Screw Nut (Ref. No.30).
- 8. Position the Shear Plate (Ref. No. 13) and tap it lightly to seat it on the Wear Plate / Shear Plate Dowel Pins (Ref. No. 11) and against the Nailer Body Castings. Position the Wear Plate (Ref. No. 12) on the same Pins and tap into place against the Shear Plate. (Ref. No. 13).
- 9. Secure the Shoe Assembly (Ref. No. 4) with the four (4) Shoe Screws (Ref. No. 10).
- 10. Insert the Ram Spring Guide (Ref. No. 25) with the flat end down and the round notch towards the front. Slide the Ram Spring (Ref. No. 26) down over the Ram Spring Guide.
- 11. Lubricate the Ram (Ref. No. 22) lightly with silicone spray or a similar non-fluid lubricant. Position the Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) into the recess in the Ram (Ref. No. 22). Slip the entire assembly into the Ram Guide (Ref. No. 27).
- 12. Push the Ram down so the Driver Blade (Ref. No. 23) will slide down between the Wear Plate (Ref. No. 12) and Shear

- Plate (Ref. No. 13). Hold the Ram (Ref. No. 22) down and tighten the two (2) Ram Stop Screws (Ref. No. 28).
- 13. Slide the Pusher (Ref. No. 20) into the Nail Rail (Ref. No. 19) and secure it with the Connector (Ref. No. 17).
- 14. Check the Nailer for overall operation.

#### **REPLACING THE PAWL & PAWL SPRING**



- 1. Separate the Pawl Housings (Ref. No. 31). Remove the Pawl Spring (Ref. No. 32) and replace if needed. Remove the Pawl (Ref. No. 33) and replace if needed. Insert the Pawl and Pawl Spring into one side of the Pawl Housing (male side with posts). Position the other Pawl Housing on top of the assembly and press together.
- 2. After pressing together, check to make sure the Pawl moves freely and always returns to the center position.