

### **IMPORTANT**:

This pole saw is equipped with a tamper resistant Caution Label that identifies conditions that may cause serious injury, electrical shock, death by electrocution and blade hazards.

Do not discard these instructions!

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

WARNING: The aluminum pole is highly conductive. DO NOT USE POLE SAW WITHIN 15 METERS OF ANY POWER LINES OR ELECTRICAL WIRES. Failure to heed

this warning may result in death from electrocution or serious injury.

**WARNING:** Improper use of this pole saw can cause serious or fatal injury. Keep others on the ground away from work area. Always store the saw blade in the provided safety cover when not in use.

WARNING: The pole saw blade is

extremely sharp. Do not touch or contact the blade with any body parts. Always maintain a secure working position to avoid risk of loss of pole saw control. Keep out of reach of children.

**WARNING:** Use this pole saw in strict accordance with ANSI Standard: Z133.1-2006 and all applicable OSHA regulations. (for users in the US)

# **POLE SAW USAGE INSTRUCTIONS**

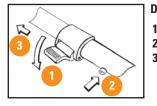
### **INTENDED USAGE**

Silky telescoping pole saws (HAYATE, HAYAUCHI, ZUBAT and LONGBOY series) are designed to cut tree limbs that are beyond the user's reach (up to 6.3 meters). Do not use the pole saw to cut anything other than tree limbs.

### THE DUAL LOCKING SYSTEM FOR POLE EXTENSION

Silky telescoping pole saws are equipped with a dual locking system to ensure the structural rigidity of the poles while extended. The first part of the pole locking system is the **Locking Clamps**. The second part consists of **Locking Pins**.

To extend the pole saw, first release the locking clamps (see DIAGRAM A), and then depress the locking pin while extending the pole from the larger tube until the pin locks in place. (For poles with more than one extension, follow the same procedure until the pole reaches the desired length.) Once the pole is at the desired length, with pins locked in place, close the friction clamps (see DIAGRAM B).

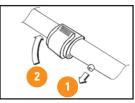


### DIAGRAM A

- 1. Release the locking clamp
- 2. Depress the locking pin
- **3.** Extend the pole from the larger tube

### DIAGRAM B

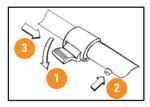
1. Make sure the locking pin clicks into place 2. Close the locking clamp



# IMPORTANT: The Locking Clamps and Locking Pins systems are designed to work together. All pins must be locked and all clamps must be closed prior to pole saw use.

When used as described above, the dual locking system allows the efficient transfer of effort at the handle to the blade up to 6.3 meters away. If the user only closes the locking clamps, and does not ensure that the locking pins are locked in place, the poles may slide within each other when cutting. This will result in a loss of energy being transferred to the blade, significantly reducing cutting performance. It may also cause the poles to come apart and fall putting the user and others on the ground at risk of injury.

To store the pole after use, retract the poles in reverse order, starting with the upper pole (see DIAGRAM C).



### DIAGRAM C

1. Release the locking clamp

- 2. Depress the locking pin
- 3. Store the pole in the larger tube

IMPORTANT: The Locking Clamps must be open when extending or retracting the poles. When the poles are extended or retracted without all of the locking clamps being unlocked, they may fail to properly align preventing the locking pins from popping up.

# **ATTACHING THE BLADE**

Attach the saw blade to the pole by sliding the blade mounting pipe onto the pole, lining up the two holes, inserting the two bolts with washers, and tightening the bolts (see DIAGRAMS D, E, F & G). **Do not over-tighten bolts**!

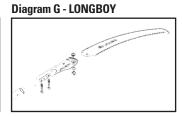
**Diagram D - HAYAUCHI** 

Diagram E - HAYATE



Diagram F - ZUBAT





# **SAWING INSTRUCTIONS**

Silky pole saws are designed to cut tree limbs that are beyond the user's reach. Once cut, the tree limbs will fall to the ground. Do not stand beneath tree limbs that are being cut. Be aware of what is around you, the pole saw, and the tree limb you are cutting. **Always use a hard hat and eye protection when using the pole saw!** 

**Only operate the pole saw from a secure working position.** Insecure positioning may cause the user to drop the pole saw, putting the user and others on the ground at risk of injury.

Silky saws are designed to cut on the pull stroke. Due to precision engineering of the blade, little downward force is required for the pole saw to cut effectively. Let the saw do the work for you!

# **CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

Clean the saw blade periodically with a solvent to remove tree residue. This will prolong the life of the blade.