



# Pneumatic Needle Scaler

**#505802, JAT-800A**



## Operation & Parts Manual

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## Safety warnings

### General air tool warnings

1. Read and understand this entire manual before attempting assembly or operation.
2. Read and understand all warnings posted on the tool and in this manual. Failure to comply with all of these warnings may cause serious injury.
3. Replace warning labels if they become obscured or removed.
4. Do not use this tool for other than its intended use. If used for other purposes, JET disclaims any real or implied warranty and holds itself harmless from any injury that may result from that use.
5. Always wear approved safety glasses or face shield while using this tool. (Everyday eyeglasses only have impact resistant lenses; they are *not* safety glasses.)
6. Wear ear protectors (plugs or muffs) if the noise exceeds safe levels.
7. Wear gloves and protective clothing if operation produces sparks or flying particles. Gloves should be tight-fitting, without frayed fingers or hanging threads. Keep hands and body away from the working area of tool.
8. Do not operate an air tool continually at full throttle without a work load on the tool.
9. The air tool must be properly lubricated before operating.
10. Never start a percussion type air tool (chipper, breaker, buster, etc.) without securing the tooling in the retainer and placing the tip against the work surface.
11. Do not operate air tool without its guards in place. Do not modify the tool.
12. Do not operate this tool while tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or any medication.
13. Adopt a comfortable posture with proper balance, and maintain secure footing at all times. Non-slip footwear or anti-skid floor strips are recommended.
14. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Confine long hair.
15. Excessive air pressure and too much free rotation may decrease life of the tool and may cause a hazardous situation.
16. Check air hoses for wear, and keep them away from heat and sharp edges. Repair or replace damaged air hose immediately. Do not carry tool by the air hose.
17. Air hose may cause tripping hazards; keep hose away from traffic areas.
18. Do not use this tool near flammable objects, or in potentially explosive environments. Do not use near live electrical wires.
19. Do not use power tools in damp or wet location, or expose them to rain. Keep work area well lighted.
20. Do not leave a connected tool unattended. When not in use, disconnect tool from air source.
21. Shut off air supply and discharge any residual pressure from tool before removing hose, making adjustments, changing accessories, or storing tool.
22. Make sure tool is switched off, and your finger off the trigger, before connecting to air supply.
23. Remove adjusting keys and wrenches before turning on tool.

24. Keep visitors a safe distance from the work area. *Keep children away.*
25. Give your work undivided attention. Looking around, carrying on a conversation and “horse-play” are careless acts that can result in serious injury.
26. Do not force a tool or attachment to do a job for which it was not designed. The right tool will do the job better and more safely.
27. Repetitive motions and/or exposure to constant vibration can be harmful to hands and arms. Take frequent breaks and relax hands during extended operation. Change posture to avoid discomfort or fatigue.
28. Compressed air can be harmful if directed toward sensitive areas of the body, and may propel small particles caught in the air stream. Exercise proper caution.
29. Use only recommended accessories; improper accessories may be hazardous.
30. Maintain tools with care. Keep air tool clean and oiled for best and safest performance.
31. Do not use combustible gases, carbon dioxide, oxygen or any bottled gas as an air source for the tool. These can present risk of explosion and serious injury.
32. Do not lubricate the tool with combustible liquids, such as kerosene, diesel or jet fuel.
33. Do not dispose of this tool with normal household waste. Never dispose of the air tool into fire.

## Specific warnings for Needle Scaler

34. A needle scaler is used to remove rust, scale, paint and such like from metal surfaces. If you are not familiar with the proper and safe operation of a needle scaler, do not use until proper training and knowledge have been obtained.
35. Secure workpiece with clamps or vise; do not hold workpiece by hand.
36. Use both hands to operate needle scaler. Keep hands away from needle area.
37. Use only needles specifically designed for use with a needle scaler.
38. Keep needles against work surface. Do not use excessive force – let the tool do the work.
39. If needle scaler will not remove material from the work surface, discontinue use. Use alternate methods for removal.

Familiarize yourself with the following safety notices used in this manual:

### **WARNING**

**This means that if precautions are not heeded, it may result in serious, or even fatal, injury.**

### **CAUTION**

**This means that if precautions are not heeded, it may result in minor injury and/or possible tool damage.**

# About this manual

This manual is provided by JET, covering the safe operation and maintenance procedures for a JET Model JAT-800A Pneumatic Needle Scaler. This manual contains instructions on safety precautions, general operating procedures, maintenance procedures and parts breakdown. Your tool has been designed and constructed to provide consistent, long-term operation if used in accordance with the instructions set forth in this document.

The instructions and warnings in this manual may not encompass all possible workplace environments. The operator is expected to take appropriate precautions and exercise common sense. As with any tool operation, safety of operator and bystanders should be first priority.

If there are questions or comments, please contact your local supplier or JET. JET can also be reached at our web site: [www.jettools.com](http://www.jettools.com).

Record the serial number and purchase information of your tool on the cover of this manual for quick access.

Retain this manual for future reference. If the machine transfers ownership, the manual should accompany it.

## WARNING

**Read and understand the entire contents of this manual before attempting assembly or operation. Failure to comply may cause serious injury.**

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**To quickly reach the product registration webpage, scan the QR code below.**



# Tool specifications

|                                    |                               |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Model                              | JAT-800A, Needle Scaler       |
| Stock number                       | 505802                        |
| Stroke length                      | 1-1/8 in.                     |
| Number of needles                  | 19                            |
| Size of needles                    | 3 mm                          |
| Blows per minute                   | 4600                          |
| Average air consumption            | 3 CFM                         |
| Air inlet                          | 1/4 in. NPT                   |
| Air hose inside diameter           | 3/8 in.                       |
| Required air pressure <sup>1</sup> | 90 psi (621 kPa)              |
| Vibration value                    | 10.2 m/s <sup>2</sup>         |
| Sound level <sup>2</sup>           | 104 dB(A)                     |
| Power setting                      | Variable speed throttle lever |
| Grip                               | Inline                        |
| Overall Length                     | 18.3 in. (465 mm)             |
| Housing material                   | Steel                         |
| Net weight                         | 6.3 lb. (2.86 kg)             |
| Shipping weight                    | 6.68 lb. (3.03 kg)            |

<sup>1</sup> All testing and specification are performed at 90 psi.

<sup>2</sup> The specified values are emission levels and are not necessarily to be seen as safe operating levels. As workplace conditions vary, this information is intended to allow the user to make a better estimation of the hazards and risks involved only.

Specifications were current at time of publication, but because of our policy of continuous improvement, JET reserves the right to change specifications at any time and without prior notice, without incurring obligations.

# Setup and Assembly

Any missing parts or damage should be reported immediately to your JET® distributor. Do not use a damaged tool. Read this instruction manual thoroughly for operation, maintenance and safety instructions.

## Box contents:

- 1 Needle scaler
- 1 Needle tube with needles/driver/spring
- 1 Operation and parts manual
- 1 Product registration card

## Operation

### ⚠ CAUTION

The needle scaler must be properly lubricated before operation. See “Lubrication” section.

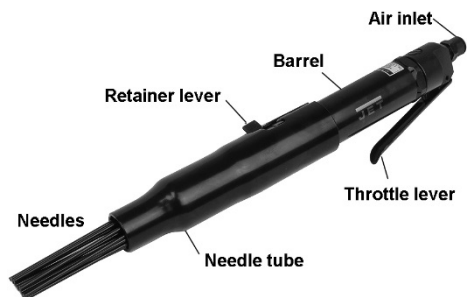


Figure 1

1. Place needles with spring and needle holder into needle tube. (See exploded view for proper orientation.)
2. Place needle tube over barrel. Push until retainer lever reaches desired notch, then twist needle tube to secure retainer lever in notch.
3. Remove protective cap from air inlet (Figure 1). If an in-line oiler is not being used, add 4 or 5 drops of air tool oil (not included) into the air inlet.
4. Blow out air line to remove any dirt or moisture, then connect air supply hose to tool. Set air pressure to 90 psi.

**IMPORTANT:** Connecting a quick-change coupling directly to the tool is not

recommended, as vibration may cause the connection to fail. Instead, add a leader hose and install any quick-change couplings farther down the line.

Note: For best results, prepare work surface by removing any oil, grease, or dirt before using needle scaler. Clean only 6 to 8 inches of surface area at one time, and make 2 or 3 passes.

5. Hold needle scaler firmly with both hands, at approximately 45 degree angle from work surface.
6. Place needles upon work surface and press throttle lever. Pressure against throttle lever determines speed of tool. Do not exert excessive pressure against work surface – let the tool do the work.
7. Release throttle lever to stop needle scaler.

## Maintenance

### Lubrication

The needle scaler should be lubricated **daily** (or before each use) with air tool oil through the air inlet. During continual operation, it should be re-oiled every 1 to 2 hours. This can be done with an in-line oiler, or manually. If done manually, proceed as follows:

1. Disconnect air hose from tool.
2. Place 4 or 5 drops of air tool oil into air inlet.

NOTE: Air tool oil not provided; it is available at most major hardware and tool stores. SAE #10 oil or sewing machine oil may be used as a substitute. Do not use detergent oil.

3. Re-connect air. Run needle scaler at low throttle without load for a few seconds to distribute the oil throughout tool.
4. When finished operating needle scaler, disconnect air hose. Wipe off housing with a dry cloth. Place 4 or 5 drops of air tool oil into air inlet; re-connect air and run tool for a few seconds to distribute the oil. Disconnect air.

### Storage

Avoid storing the needle scaler in very humid locations which promotes rusting of internal mechanisms. Always oil the tool and disconnect air hose before storage.

## Air system requirements

1. Use proper air hose size (refer to tool specifications). The hose should be just long enough to serve the working area. Excessive hose length will cause pressure drop.
2. Make sure air compressor supplies clean, dry air at correct CFM for the tool.
3. Set air pressure to 90 psi.

### CAUTION

**Excess air pressure and/or unclean air will shorten the tool's life and may create a hazardous situation.**

4. Drain water from air compressor tank daily, as well as any condensation from air lines. Water in the air line may enter the tool and cause damage.
5. Change filters on the air system on a regular basis.
6. Air-line pressure may be increased accordingly to compensate for extra-long air hoses (usually over 25 feet). Inside diameter of hose should be minimum 3/8-inch.

## General Air Tool Information

If the air tool is not performing according to specifications, the following are among the most common causes. (See also "Troubleshooting" section.)

- Contaminated air such as a dirty air system or water in the system.
- Using wrong size tool for the job.
- Poor maintenance practices, such as using excessive air pressure or air volume.
- Improper or no lubrication.

## Rule of Thumb

If it takes more than 8 seconds to tighten or loosen a bolt or nut with an air impact wrench at maximum setting, the air wrench is too small or the air compressor CFM is not powerful enough

for the job. Continued use in either capacity will cause damage to the tool.

## Tool Pressure

JET Air Tools operate on 70-to-100 psi (pounds per square inch) air pressure measured at the tool when the tool is operating. Set tool to 90 psi unless indicated otherwise. Pressure in excess of 100 psi will shorten the life of the tool.

## Air System Recommendations

Equip the air compressor intake with a replaceable air filter that can be easily cleaned.

Use safety shut-off valves so air flow can be stopped quickly in case of a line break.

When using multiple hoses, air hoses should be larger than leader hose. Join multiple hoses directly, rather than with quick connect fittings which may cause pressure drops and tool power reduction.

Use anti-whip devices across hose couplings to prevent hose from whipping in the event of a hose failure or coupling disconnect.

Always use moisture traps at the compressor for the main distribution line. Use moisture traps and in-line oilers on each downline that is to be used for air tools. (See Figure 2). Place oiler as close to air tool as possible for best lubrication.

## Lubrication

Use a light oil containing rust inhibitors, such as SAE #10. Many JET air tools have integral oil reservoirs, which should be kept filled when in-line oilers are not used.

If greasing is required, use a grease that is highly water resistant for front case components on air impact wrenches, grinders and sanders.

## Recycling

Protect the environment. Your tool contains materials which can be recovered or recycled. When its useful life has expired, please leave tool at a specialized facility.

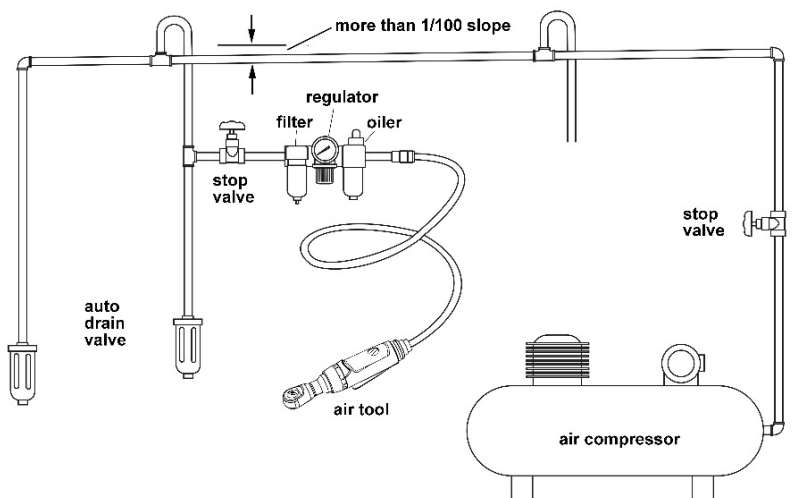


Figure 2

*Recommended arrangement of air piping and air line system*

# Troubleshooting JAT-800A Needle Scaler

Any disassembly of the tool should be done by qualified service personnel. For problems not addressed below, contact JET technical service at 800-274-6846.

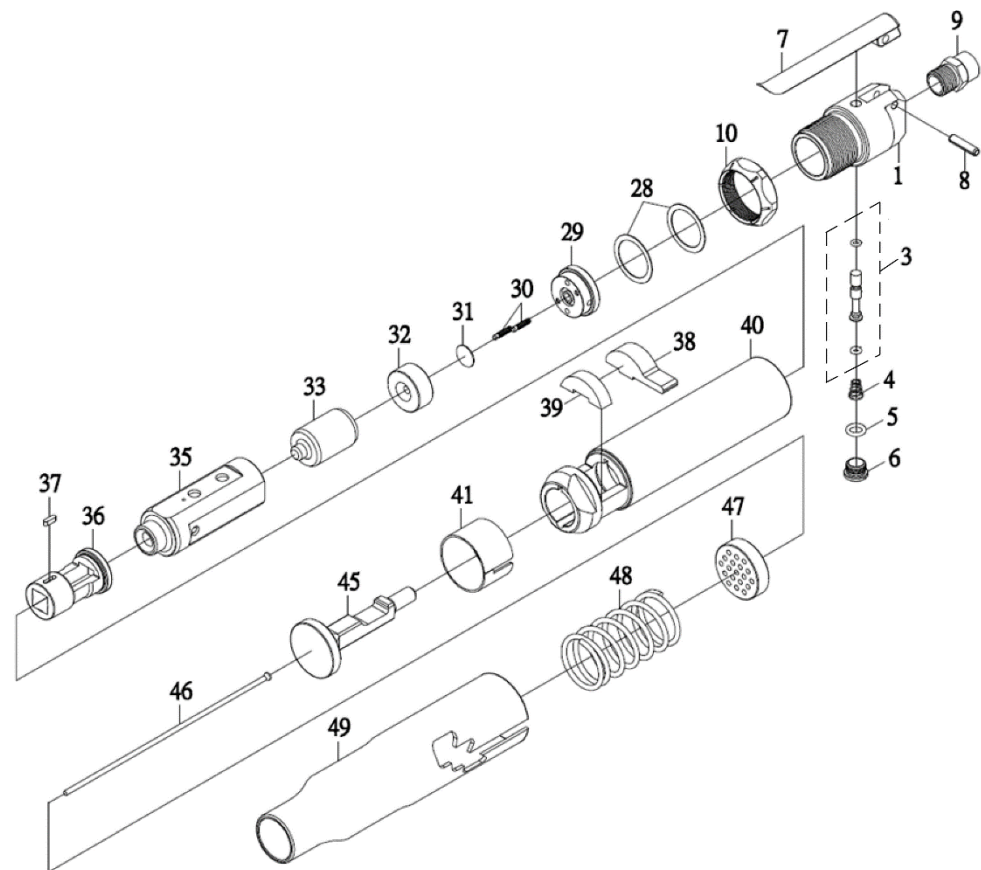
| Problem                                                                             | Possible cause                                                          | Remedy                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tool will not start.                                                                | Air valve closed or obstructed.                                         | Open valve; clear any obstructions.                                                                                                                                        |
|                                                                                     | Dirt or gum deposits on components.                                     | Flush tool with gum solvent. If problem persists, disassemble, clean and lubricate internal parts.                                                                         |
|                                                                                     | Worn components.                                                        | Disassemble and replace worn components as needed.                                                                                                                         |
|                                                                                     | Throttle lever inoperable.                                              | Clean throttle lever mechanism to ensure free movement. Replace mechanism if needed.                                                                                       |
| Starts immediately when air is connected without throttle lever being pressed.      | Throttle lever malfunction.                                             | Clean throttle lever mechanism to ensure free movement. Replace mechanism if needed.                                                                                       |
| Excessive or abnormal vibration.                                                    | Insufficient lubrication.                                               | Lubricate with air tool oil according to instructions in this manual.                                                                                                      |
| Loss of power; erratic action.                                                      | Low air pressure.                                                       | Verify compressor has proper CFM rating for tool. Check compressor regulator setting; set air pressure to 90 psi. Check for loose connections.                             |
|                                                                                     | Moisture or obstruction in air hose.                                    | Air supply must be clean and dry. Clean out air hose(s) and remove any kinks or bends.                                                                                     |
|                                                                                     | Improper size of air transmission lines, hoses, fittings, or couplings. | Use appropriate-sized air lines/hoses. Verify proper fittings/couplings.                                                                                                   |
|                                                                                     | Dirt or gum deposits on components.                                     | Flush tool with gum solvent. Check and clean air filter on compressor. Clean external areas of tool. If problem persists, disassemble, clean and lubricate internal parts. |
| Excessive heat develops in tool.                                                    | Insufficient lubrication.                                               | Lubricate with air tool oil according to instructions in this manual.                                                                                                      |
|                                                                                     | Worn components.                                                        | Replace components as needed.                                                                                                                                              |
| Severe air leakage.<br>(Note: Minimal escape of air is often normal for air tools.) | Air valve obstructed or damaged.                                        | Clean or replace.                                                                                                                                                          |
|                                                                                     | Housing loose or damaged.                                               | Tighten or replace as needed.                                                                                                                                              |

# Replacement parts

To order parts or reach our service department, call 1-800-274-6848 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CST. Please have the stock number and serial number of your tool available when you call, so that we may serve you quickly and accurately.

Some parts are shown for reference only, and may not be available individually.

## #505802, JAT-800A, Needle Scaler – exploded view



## #505802, JAT-800A, Needle Scaler – parts list

| Index | Part No.     | Description                     | Qty |
|-------|--------------|---------------------------------|-----|
| 1     | JT9-730213-1 | Back head                       | 1   |
| 3     | JT9-730214A  | Throttle valve with O-Rings     | 1   |
|       | **           | O-Ring 3.3x1.5<br>(RE:730214A)  | 1   |
|       | **           | O-Ring 3.55x1.8<br>(RE:730214A) | 1   |
| 4     | JT9-730215   | Spring                          | 1   |
| 5     | JT9-1008365  | O-Ring D7.8x2.4-P8              | 1   |
| 6     | JT9-730216   | Valve cap                       | 1   |
| 7     | JT9-730217   | Lever                           | 1   |
| 8     | JT9-729538   | Spring pin 5x22L                | 1   |
| 9     | JT9-729747   | Hose adaptor                    | 1   |
| 10    | JT9-729597-1 | Lock ring                       | 1   |
| 28    | JT9-730218   | Alignment shim                  | 2   |
| 29    | JT9-729608   | Rear valve block                | 1   |

| Index | Part No.        | Description           | Qty |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----|
| 30    | BA9-1012591     | Pin                   | 2   |
| 31    | JT9-729604      | Valve                 | 1   |
| 32    | JT9-729606      | Front valve block     | 1   |
| 33    | JT9-730219      | Piston                | 1   |
| 35    | JT9-731008      | Barrel sleeve         | 1   |
| 36    | JT9-731009      | Nose                  | 1   |
| 37    | JT9-731010      | Key                   | 1   |
| 38    | JT9-730220      | Driver retainer       | 1   |
| 39    | JT9-730221      | Retainer buffer       | 1   |
| 40    | JT9-JAT800-40-1 | Barrel                | 1   |
| 41    | JT9-730222      | Retainer cap          | 1   |
| 45    | JT9-730224      | Needle driver         | 1   |
| 46    | JT9-N307        | Needle set, 3x180L mm | 19  |
| 47    | JT9-730225      | Needle holder 3mm     | 1   |
| 48    | JT9-730226      | Spring                | 1   |
| 49    | JT9-730227      | Needle tube           | 1   |

\*\* These parts are shown for reference only and are not available for order individually. Non-proprietary parts, such as fasteners, can usually be found at local hardware stores.

JT9-RBK-800A, Rebuild Kit, contains 3,4,5,33,38,45

# Warranty and Service

JET warrants every product it sells against manufacturers' defects. If one of our tools needs service or repair, please contact Technical Service by calling 1-800-274-6846, 8AM to 5PM CST, Monday through Friday.

### Warranty Period

The general warranty lasts for the time period specified in the literature included with your product or on the official JET branded website.

- JET products carry a limited warranty which varies in duration based upon the product. (See chart below)
- Accessories carry a limited warranty of one year from the date of receipt.
- Consumable items are defined as expendable parts or accessories expected to become inoperable within a reasonable amount of use and are covered by a 90 day limited warranty against manufacturer's defects.

### Who is Covered

This warranty covers only the initial purchaser of the product from the date of delivery.

### What is Covered

This warranty covers any defects in workmanship or materials subject to the limitations stated below. This warranty does not cover failures due directly or indirectly to misuse, abuse, negligence or accidents, normal wear-and-tear, improper repair, alterations or lack of maintenance. JET woodworking machinery is designed to be used with Wood. Use of these machines in the processing of metal, plastics, or other materials outside recommended guidelines, may void the warranty. The exceptions are acrylics and other natural items that are made specifically for wood turning.

### Warranty Limitations

Woodworking products with a Five Year Warranty that are used for commercial or industrial purposes default to a Two Year Warranty. Please contact Technical Service at 1-800-274-6846 for further clarification.

### How to Get Technical Support

Please contact Technical Service by calling 1-800-274-6846. **Please note that you will be asked to provide proof of initial purchase when calling.** If a product requires further inspection, the Technical Service representative will explain and assist with any additional action needed. JET has Authorized Service Centers located throughout the United States. For the name of an Authorized Service Center in your area call 1-800-274-6846 or use the Service Center Locator on the JET website.

### More Information

JET is constantly adding new products. For complete, up-to-date product information, check with your local distributor or visit the JET website.

### How State Law Applies

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, subject to applicable state law.

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### Product Listing with Warranty Period

|                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 90 Days – Parts; Consumable items                                                                                                                                          |
| 1 Year – Motors; Machine Accessories; Air Tool Accessories                                                                                                                 |
| 1 Year Wear and Tear – Air Tools                                                                                                                                           |
| 2 Year – Metalworking Machinery; Electric Hoists, Electric Hoist Accessories; Woodworking Machinery used for industrial or commercial purposes                             |
| 3 Year – Woodworking Bench Top Machinery                                                                                                                                   |
| 5 Year – Woodworking Machinery                                                                                                                                             |
| Limited Lifetime – JET Parallel clamps; VOLT Series Electric Hoists; Manual Hoists; Manual Hoist Accessories; Shop Tools; Warehouse & Dock products; Hand Tools; Air Tools |

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