## **Heat Gun**

## **KEY RISKS:**







Burns

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**Fumes** 

## **PURPOSE:**

A heat gun is a hand held tool that emits a stream of hot air, usually at temperatures between 60°C and 650°C. They can be used for a variety of applications including stripping paint, shrinking heat shrink tubing, softening eva foam and other materials for shaping.



## **SAFETY:**

- Make sure you operate it in an area that is clear from flammable or combustible items or materials.
- Be aware of the direction the heat is coming from, do not point it at yourself or anyone else (especially not faces). Don't look down the end of the gun.
- Operate it at a temperature that is safe for the material you are heating. Some materials may be flammable or create fumes when heated.
- Do not touch the hot metal nozzle with clothing or skin.
- Do not insert anything down the nozzle of the heat gun.
- Switch it off before putting it down.
- Allow it to cool before putting it away. It is your responsibility to keep others away from, or aware of, a hot heat gun until it is cooled down. Don't just turn it off and walk away from it.