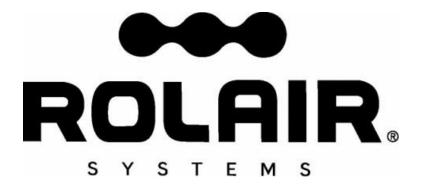


# PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR OWNER'S MANUAL

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#### **PARTS**

Genuine ROLAIR replacement parts are sold nationwide through a network of authorized dealers and service centers. Please contact the dealership where your air compressor was purchased or our factory Customer Service Department if you need help troubleshooting, obtaining parts, or locating an authorized ROLAIR service representative.

To order replacement parts: 1. Give compressor model number

2. Give compressor serial number

3. Name of part

4. Part number

5. Quantity required

#### **RECORD OF PERTINENT INFORMATION**

Make a permanent record of the model and serial number of your new air compressor here. You'll save time and expense by including this reference information when requesting service or replacement parts.

Place & Date of Purchase	Volts
Model	HZ
Serial #	HP

With the tank gauge at 0 PSI and air line(s) disconnected, close drain valve(s) and record the amount of time it takes to build tank pressure on the space provided. Periodically test your air compressor against this pump-up time to determine if it is operating correctly. If time test is considerably off, contact your local ROLAIR representative to arrange service.

From	า 0 to	_*PSI
Date	Min	Sec

From	From 0 to*PSI					
Date	Min	Sec				

<sup>\*</sup>Factory top pressure settings vary. Write down the top pressure setting of your machine after performing the initial pump-up time test.



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### INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on the purchase of your new ROLAIR air compressor!

With over 50 years experience building ROLAIR air compressors specifically designed for the professional, Associate Engineering Corporation has earned a reputation for providing a product unsurpassed in quality and reliability. We are committed to continuing this tradition by analyzing and adapting to the changing needs and rigorous demands of your industry. You can depend on ROLAIR because they are built to last.

This manual was compiled for the benefit of the operator. Do not use or allow anyone else to use your air compressor until this manual is read and all safety/operating instructions are understood. By reading and following the instructions contained in this manual, you can achieve years of trouble free service from your new air compressor. If you have any additional safety or operating questions after reading this manual, please contact your distributor or our customer service department. Do not remove or paint over any of the warning decals attached to the compressor. If any warning decal is missing or unable to be read, discontinue use and contact us for a free replacement (1-800-310-3573).

#### **Definitions – Safety Warnings**

Safety symbols are used throughout this manual to alert you to imminently hazardous and potentially hazardous situations. The following definitions describe the level of severity for each signal word.



DANGER: Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, <u>WILL</u> result in <u>death</u>

or serious injury.



WARNING: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, COULD result in

death or serious injury.

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CAUTION: Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, MAY result in minor

or moderate injury or damage to the air compressor, or other property.

**WARNING**: Do not start, operate, or service this machine until you read and fully understand owner's manual. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury. If you have any questions, call us toll free at 1-800-310-3573.

**WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including lead, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

#### **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS!**





### ⚠DANGER: RISK OF EXPLOSION OR FIRE

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### Electrical components within the motor and pressure switch will spark. This is normal. If electrical sparks from the compressor come into contact with flammable vapors, they may ignite, causing fire or explosion.

- Inadequate ventilation, or restrictions to any of the compressor's ventilation openings, will cause serious overheating and could cause a fire.
- Unattended compressors with leaks in the unit or air system could start unexpectedly and repeatedly and could result in overheating, fire, and personal injury or property damage.
- A fire can occur if spilled gas or vapors come into contact with hot engine parts, lit cigarettes, or other sources of ignition.

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Always operate the compressor in a wellventilated area away from any flammable vapors, liquid, paint, gasoline, or any other combustible material.
- Always locate compressor at least 20 ft. (6.1m) away from work area if spraying flammable materials.
- Store flammable materials in a secure location away from the compressor.
- Never place objects against or on top of an air compressor.
- Always operate air compressor at least 18" away from any wall or obstruction.
- Always operate in a clean, dry, and well-ventilated area.
- Always remain in attendance with the compressor when it is operating.
- Always turn off and unplug the compressor when it is not in use.
- Never attempt to fill the gas tank while the engine is hot or running.
- Add fuel outdoors and in a well-ventilated area.
- Do not fill gas tank near lit cigarettes or near other sources of ignition.



## △DANGER: RISK TO BREATHING (ASPHYXIATION)

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### Air from your compressor is not safe for breathing and may contain carbon monoxide, toxic vapors, or solid particles. Serious injury or death may occur from inhaling the compressed air from your air compressor.

- Sprayed materials such as paint, stucco, insecticides, solvents, etc. may contain harmful vapors and poisons.
- For gas-powered compressors, engine exhaust fumes contain poisonous carbon monoxide which is odorless and colorless. Inhaling those fumes could lead to serious injury or death.

### HOW TO AVOID IT

- Never inhale compressed air directly from the pump, tank, receiver, or breathing device connected to the air compressor.
- The compressor is not equipped with suitable filters and in-line safety equipment for human consumption. Do not use discharge air for breathing.
- Operate compressor and perform work only in a well-ventilated area. Read and follow the safety instructions provided on the label or safety data sheets for the materials you are spraying. Always use certified safety equipment designed for your specific application.
- Operate compressors only in well-ventilated areas. Avoid inhaling engine exhaust fumes, and never run a small gas-powered engine in a closed building or confined area without adequate ventilation.



AIR TANK: Air tanks do not have an infinite life and should be inspected once every year to ensure they are still safe for use. To find your state pressure vessels inspector, look under the Division of Labor and Industries in the government section of a phone book or call us toll-free at 1-800-310-3573 for assistance.

The following conditions could lead to a weakening of the air tank, and result in a violent air tank explosion:

WHAT CAN HAPPEN	HOW TO AVOID IT
<ul> <li>Failure to properly and regularly drain condensed water from the air tanks will lead to rust and thinning of the steel air tank can lead to a violent air tank explosion.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drain tanks daily or after every 4 hours of use. If a tank develops a leak, replace it immediately with a new air tank, or new complete compressor.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Modifications, alterations, or attempted repairs made to the air tank can lead to a violent air tank explosion.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Never drill into, dent, weld, patch, or modify the air tank, or its attachments in any way. If you are in possession of a tank in which it appears any of those conditions exist or were attempted, discontinue use and replace air tank immediately.</li> <li>Never attempt to repair a damaged or leaking air tank. Replace with a new tank immediately.</li> </ul>
Unauthorized modifications to the safety valve, pressure switch, pilot unloader valve, or any other component which controls air tank pressure can lead to a violent air tank explosion.	<ul> <li>The air compressor is designed to safely operate and withstand specific factory set pressure.  Never make adjustments or parts substitutions to components that control air tank pressure or factory set operating pressures.</li> <li>Do not make alterations to the factory operating pressure settings.</li> <li>Before starting, and with air tank pressure at zero, pull the ring on the safety valve to make sure it moves freely.</li> <li>Never operate without a factory approved safety valve.</li> </ul>
Attachments & Accessories:	
<ul> <li>Exceeding the pressure rating of air tools, spray guns, accessories, tires, or any other inflatables can cause them to explode or fly apart.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Do not use air tools or attachments before reading the owner's manual to determine the safe maximum pressure rating.</li> <li>Never exceed the manufacturer's maximum allowable pressure ratings.</li> <li>Never use the compressor to inflate small low pressure objects such as children's toys, balls, etc.</li> </ul>



# △DANGER: RISK OF INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE WHEN TRANSPORTING OR STORING WHAT CAN HAPPEN HOW TO AVOID IT

- Oil from the compressor can leak or spill and could result in fire or breathing hazard; serious injury or death can result. Oil leaks will damage carpets, paint, or any other surfaces.
- Always keep compressor level and never lay on its side. When transporting, always place compressor on a protective mat to prevent against damage from leaks. Always remove compressor from vehicle immediately upon arrival at your destination. If an oil leak is found, follow all local safety codes for cleanup of hazardous materials.



#### △WARNING: RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Electrical Grounding: Failure to provide adequate grounding to the compressor could result in serious injury or death from electrocution.
- Always make certain that the electrical circuit to which the compressor is connected provides proper electrical grounding, correct voltage, and adequate fuse protection. If you are unsure, or have any questions about proper electrical grounding, correct voltage, or adequate fuse protection please call us toll-free at 800-310-3573.
- Your air compressor is powered by electricity. Like any electrically powered device, if it is not used properly it may cause electric shock.
- Never operate the compressor outdoors when it is raining, snowing, or in wet conditions.
- Never let your electrical cord lay in water.
- Never operate the compressor with a damaged power cord, or with protective covers damaged or removed.
- Never touch plug with wet hands.
- Never pull on electric cord to disconnect from the outlet.
- Serious injury or death can occur if repairs are attempted by unauthorized personnel.
- Any electrical repairs or wiring performed on this compressor should only be performed by ROLAIR authorized service personnel and in accordance with all national and local electrical codes.



#### ▲WARNING: RISK FROM FLYING OBJECTS

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Serious injury and property damage can occur from loose debris being propelled at high speeds from the compressed air stream.
- Always wear certified safety equipment: ANSI Z87.1 eye protection (CAN/CSA Z94.3) with side shields when using the compressor.
- Never direct the air stream, nozzle, or sprayer towards any part of your body, other people, or animals.
- Always turn off the compressor and drain tank pressure completely before attempting maintenance or attaching air hose or tools.



#### WARNING: RISK OF HOT SURFACES

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### HOW TO AVOID IT

- Serious burn injuries can result from touching exposed metal parts such as the engine or motor, pump, or any part of the copper/braided discharge lines and components. These parts will become hot during operation and stay hot for an extended period of time even after the compressor is shut down.
- Never touch any of the exposed metal parts during operation and for an extended period of time after shut down.
- Do not reach around shrouds or attempt any maintenance until the unit has been allowed to completely cool.



#### **⚠**WARNING: RISK FROM MOVING PARTS

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### HOW TO AVOID IT

- Serious injury or death can occur if moving parts such as belts, flywheels, pulleys, or fans come into contact with you or your clothing.
- Prior to operation, always make sure all protective guards and covers are in good condition, and never operate the compressor if any guard or cover has been removed or damaged.
- Always keep your hair, jewelry, clothing, and gloves away from moving parts as they can be caught.
- It is common for air vents to cover moving parts, so they should be avoided as well.
- An electric air compressor can restart at any time when plugged in, and an unexpected startup can result in serious injury, death, or property damage.
- Always unplug the compressor when not in use.
- Always drain air tank pressure completely before attempting any repairs or maintenance.
- Never allow children or adolescents to operate the air compressor.
- Any repairs to the air compressor must only be made by ROLAIR factory authorized personnel.
- Attempting to operate the compressor with any damaged or missing parts, protective guards, shrouds, or covers will expose you to moving parts and can result in serious injury or death.



#### ▲WARNING: RISK FROM LIFTING

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Serious injury can result from attempting to lift an object that is too heavy.
- Always obtain assistance from others before attempting to lift any object that is too heavy for you.



#### **△**WARNING: RISK OF FALLING

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- A compressor may vibrate and move during the course of normal operation resulting in a fall from a table, workbench, roof, or other platform causing damage to the compressor, property damage, and could result in serious injury or death to anyone nearby.
- Always operate air compressor in a stable and secure position to prevent accidental movement of the unit. Never operate compressor on a roof or other elevated position. Use air hose to reach high locations.



#### ▲WARNING: RISK FROM NOISE

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Under some conditions and duration of use, noise from this product may contribute to hearing loss.
- Always wear certified safety equipment: ANSI \$12.6 (\$3.19) hearing protection.



#### **△**WARNING: RISK OF UNSAFE OPERATION

#### WHAT CAN HAPPEN

#### **HOW TO AVOID IT**

- Serious injury or death can occur to you or others if air compressor is used in an unsafe manner.
- Review and understand all instructions in your owner's manual.
- Know how to stop the air compressor at all times.
- Do not operate until you are thoroughly familiar with all of the controls.
- Do not operate the compressor if you are fatigued, under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or in any other state which might impair judgment.
- Stay alert while operating the compressor and pay close attention to the task at hand.

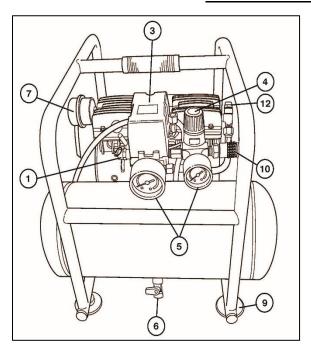


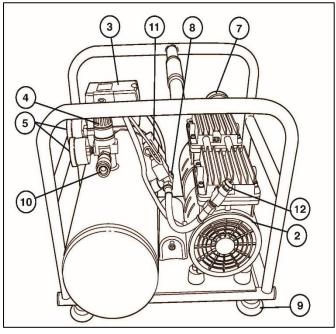
# △CAUTION: RISK OF DAMAGE TO AIR COMPRESSOR OR PROPERTY WHAT CAN HAPPEN HOW TO AVOID IT

- Failure to transport or operate the compressor properly may result in major repair expenses.
- Check oil levels daily and maintain proper oil levels.
- Always operate compressor in a secure and level position.
- Do not operate without an air filter or in a corrosive environment.

FOR GAS ENGINE POWERED AIR COMPRESSORS – Please note that your gas powered air compressor may not be equipped with a spark arresting muffler. If the compressor is operated around flammable materials or agricultural crops, brush, forests, and grasslands, an approved spark arrestor must be installed, maintained and in good working order. An approved spark arrestor is legally required in the state of California under sections 4442 and 4443 of the California Public Resources Code Statute section 130050. Check your local and state regulations to determine if a spark arrestor is needed for your area of operation.

# **SYSTEM CONTROLS**





1. <u>SAFETY-RELIEF VALVE</u> Every ROLAIR air compressor is equipped with a safety-relief valve which is designed to discharge tank pressure at a predetermined setting when a systems failure occurs. Check the safety valve daily by pulling on the ring only after the tank pressure has been completely drained. The spring loaded valve should move freely within the safety valve body. An inoperable safety valve could allow an excessive amount of tank pressure to build causing the air tank to violently rupture or explode.



Do not tamper with or attempt to eliminate the safety relief valve.

- 2. <u>AUTOMATIC INTERNAL OVERLOAD PROTECTION</u> The JC series motor is built with automatic overload protection. When an electrical deficiency occurs, the overload will interrupt the power supply and automatically shut down the motor to protect it. When the overload sufficiently cools, the motor will attempt to restart automatically. If the electrical deficiency that caused the overload to trip is not corrected, the motor will continue to overheat and restart which may lead to a complete motor failure. Therefore, <a href="MEVER LEAVE THE AIR COMPRESSOR PLUGGED IN UNATTENDED">NEVER LEAVE THE AIR COMPRESSOR PLUGGED IN UNATTENDED</a>. Always re-evaluate the power source and gauge/length of extension cord being used whenever the overload causes the motor to stop running. (Refer to the chart on page 10.)
- 3. <u>PRESSURE SWITCH</u> Your air compressor operates by the use of a pressure switch. <u>Always make sure the lever is in the "Off" position before plugging in the power cord.</u> By moving the lever to the "On/Auto" position, the compressor will start and stop automatically within the settings of the pressure switch which are typically 95 125 PSI. <u>Do not attempt to stop the compressor by unplugging the power cord.</u> To stop, simply move the lever to the "Off" position.
- **4.** <u>REGULATOR WORKING PRESSURE</u> To adjust the output/line pressure, simply rotate the regulator adjustment knob clockwise to increase working pressure or counterclockwise to decrease. Never exceed the manufacturer's maximum allowable pressure rating of the tool being used or item being inflated. Always relieve pressure from coupler by rotating adjustment knob completely counter-clockwise before removing air hose.
- 5. <u>PRESSURE GAUGE(S)</u> Typically, most compressors are designed with a gauge to measure tank or storage pressure and another gauge that indicates output or working pressure.
- 6. <u>DRAIN VALVE(S)</u> One or more drain valves are installed to allow moisture to be drained on a daily basis from the compressor storage tank(s). <u>Open drains carefully and slowly to prevent scale, rust, or debris from becoming expelled at a high rate of speed.</u>

### **SYSTEM CONTROLS** (continued)

- 7. <u>AIR INTAKE FILTER</u> Air intake filters are installed to prevent foreign matter from entering the engine or compressor pump. Check intake elements on a regular basis and either clean or replace as needed. Warm soapy water or low compressed air may be used to clean the elements.
- 8. CHECK VALVE Every ROLAIR air compressor is built with a check valve to seal off and maintain tank pressure after the top end pressure setting of pilot valve or pressure switch is reached. The check valve works in conjunction with the solenoid valve to provide a *loadless* start for the compressor system. A quick burst of air escaping from the solenoid valve after the machine reaches top end indicates the check valve is working properly. If the compressor has a mysterious leak after stopping that cannot be traced elsewhere, the check valve may require servicing/replacing. Always drain tank pressure completely before attempting to remove or service any component.
- 9. <u>VIBRATION DAMPENER(S)</u> The rubber pads installed beneath every portable ROLAIR® tank assembly are very important to the proper operation of the air compressor. They provide protection from vibration that left unchecked could cause damage to many system components.
- **10. QUICK DISCONNECT** A universal or 3-way quick disconnect is installed on your JC series air compressor. Simply push a 1/4" male plug into coupler to snap hose fitting into coupler. Always relieve pressure from coupler before installing or removing hose. See instructions for regulator (#4 above). Pull back on collar to remove air hose after pressure is relieved.
- 11. <u>SOLENOID VALVE</u> A normally open solenoid valve is installed to provide the JC series motor with a "loadless" start. A light inside the solenoid comes on while the pump is building pressure and the solenoid is closed. When the compressor stops at top pressure or from being unplugged, the solenoid opens to dump off or purge head and line pressure. If air leaks continuously from the solenoid after a cycle is complete, there is a problem with the operation of the check valve (item #8).
- 12. <u>COLD-START VALVE</u> The cold-start valve allows the motor/pump to warm up before building tank pressure. When starting against zero PSI, it releases only a portion of the air being compressed for approximately ten seconds and normally seals after the tank pressure reaches 15-20 PSI. Additional air leaks in the compressed air system, high-altitude operation or a problem with the pump's ability to properly produce compressed air will cause the cold-start valve to leak continuously.

# **PRE-START CHECKLIST**

Read the owner's manual thoroughly. Make sure that you completely understand all of the safety warnings, system controls and instructions provided before attempting to operate this air compressor. Every effort has been made to provide you with the information needed to obtain many years of reliable and trouble-free service out of your new air compressor. It is your responsibility to operate the air compressor properly. To obtain the longest possible service life from your air compressor you must always keep the following instructions in mind.

#### 1. INSTALL AIR INTAKE FILTER

Remove metal air cleaner assembly from the bag attached to the compressor with owner's manual. Thread intake filter into open port on pump cylinder head. Reference #7 on the System Controls drawing (page 6) or review schematic and/or picture on box for proper location to install air cleaner. A nylon tube is inserted into the filter to help make the JC series air compressors even quieter! Always make sure the tube end inserted in the filter is cut at an angle to prevent a restriction of the intake air flow.

#### 2. OPERATE IN A CLEAN, DRY AND WELL VENTILATED AREA

Allow at least 18" behind the belt guard for proper cooling of pump from flywheel blast. Do not operate in the rain or in areas of standing water. Never operate in an area where other gases, fumes or vapors are present which may become explosive when compressed. Do not operate compressor in an enclosed area or with any of the ventilation openings covered.

#### PRE-START CHECKLIST (continued)

#### 3. INSPECT/CLEAN/CHANGE INTAKE ELEMENTS ON A REGULAR BASIS

The ingestion of dirt into the pump and engine is the primary cause of premature wear. Pay special attention to the intake filters. Check intake filters daily.

#### 4. <u>USE LONGER PROPERLY SIZED AIR HOSE RATHER THAN EXTENSION CORDS</u>

If an extension cord must be used, please refer to the chart on the following page for the proper gauge and maximum length that can be used. The use of inadequately sized air hose will also lead to frictional pressure drops that could affect the proper performance of your air tools.

#### FI FCTRIC EXTENSION CORD TABLE

	Minimum Wire Size							
Extension	Motor	Motor						
Cord Length	1/2 and 3/4 HP	1, 1-1/2, and 2 HP						
Up to 25 ft.	14 Ga.	12 Ga.						
25 – 50 ft.	12 Ga.	10 Ga.						
50 – 100 ft.	10 Ga.	8 Ga.						

#### 5. DO NOT USE A GENERATOR AS THE POWER SOURCE

Air compressors use inductive motors that require 3-5 times the full-load amp draw to properly start. Most generators will not provide the wattage needed to properly start this type of electric motor.

#### 6. CHECK TENSION OF BOLTS, BELTS, AND HARDWARE ON A REGULAR BASIS

Operation of any equipment with loose bolts and/or fittings will lead to excessive vibration and the premature failure of the compressor system control components.

#### 7. MAINTAIN RUBBER VIBRATION PADS

Excessive vibration is a major cause of premature compressor failure. Always maintain the rubber vibration pads located beneath tank assembly. Operation without them will void your warranty.

#### 8. DRAIN MOISTURE FROM AIR TANK DAILY

Water is a natural byproduct of compressed air. Drain air tank(s) after each use to combat internal tank corrosion. Keep drain valve(s) closed if storing compressor for any length of time.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

	JC13	JC10		JC13	JC10
Horsepower	.75	1.0	Tank Capacity	2.3 G	allon
Voltage	11	15 <b>V</b>	Pump-Up Time (0-125 PSI)	1:32	:56
Hertz	60	) hZ	Recovery Time (95-125 PSI)	:47	:15
Motor RPM	17	725	CFM Displacement	2.5	5.3
Stage(s)	Sir	ngle	CFM Free Air @ 90 PSI	1.1	2.35
Amperage (on 115 V @ 125 PSI	4.6A	8.0A	Dimensions (LxWxH – in.)	17x16x15	17x14x14
Thermal Protection	Auto	matic	Weight (lb.)	27	39
Factory Settings	95 – <i>1</i>	125 PSI	Noise Level (dBA)	56	60

# **OPERATION**

**WARNING** – Your safety and the wellbeing of others during the operation of every ROLAIR compressor is our main concern. Do not operate or permit anyone else to operate your air compressor until the information contained in this manual is read and completely understood. Please contact your distributor or our customer service department if you have any questions on the proper use of your air compressor.

WET CONDITIONS: Do not operate your compressor in damp or wet conditions, or after it has been exposed to rain/sleet/ice/snow or moisture of any kind. Failure to follow this warning could lead to electric shock and/or rust and ice forming on critical components, making the compressor dangerous to operate. Always operate and/or store compressor in a clean, dry location with good ventilation.

- 1. Wear eye protection.
- 2. Inspect machine to make sure bolts are tight, vibration pads are secure, power cord is solid, compression fittings are tight, and the air intake filter is clean, solid and tightly installed.
- 3. Position compressor in a clean, dry location with plenty of ventilation and away from volatile vapors and gases. Never start machine with any of the ventilation openings covered.
- 4. Slowly open tank drain to remove any condensate that has accumulated. Keep drain open for 20 30 seconds after starting compressor to "warm-up" motor and pump.
- 5. Make sure pressure switch lever is in the "Off" position before plugging machine into a properly grounded outlet. Never unplug machine until moving lever to "Off" position.
- 6. Move lever to "On" position and close tank drain to build tank pressure after allowing machine to warm up for a few seconds with the drain open.
- 7. Attach air hose only after rotating regulator adjustment knob counter-clockwise to relieve any pressure that has built up.
- 8. Rotate regulator adjustment knob clockwise until desired working pressure is reached.
- 9. When task is complete, rotate regulator adjustment knob counter-clockwise to relieve pressure prior to removing air hose. Open drain slowly to drain moisture and prepare for next start. Rotate pressure switch lever to "Off" position before unplugging.
- 10. Store compressor in a warm/dry location and perform maintenance as indicated in manual.

**NOTE:** Do not subject compressor to continuous use. The JC series air compressors are rated for 70% duty-cycle. If operated for more than forty minutes per hour, the motor will overheat and cause the internal overload to shut down the compressor. The overload will also allow the motor to automatically restart after the motor has sufficiently cooled, which can be unexpected. Therefore, <u>never</u> leave the air compressor plugged in unattended.

#### FREEZING TEMPERATURES:

Proper fluid maintenance and warm up procedures are mandatory before attempting to start or operate an air compressor in freezing temperatures. Water, a natural byproduct of compressed air, could turn into ice and potentially block air flow into, though, and/or out of the pump, air tank(s), and air line(s). Drain air tanks/lines after every use and leave drain valves open when not in use.

If all, or part, of the compressor may be frozen, you must completely thaw the compressor before attempting to start. Gradually increase the temperature above freezing and then drain moisture from the air tanks, intercoolers, and water traps.

Cold Weather Best Practices:

- Do not attempt to start a frozen compressor. Thaw completely first.
- Store your air compressor in a clean, dry area that stays consistently above freezing temperatures.
- Change the oil in the pump and engine to winter grade (check owner's manual).
- Prior to starting, open the tank drain(s) and allow the compressor to run for 45-60 seconds with the tank drain(s) open before closing to build tank pressure.
- Using a lubricator with de-icing fluid may also be needed to keep your air lines from freezing up/blocked by ice.
- Contact your ROLAIR dealer or our factory customer service department if you have additional questions.

#### **OPERATION** (continued)

#### **HIGH-ALTITUDE OPERATION:**

Due to a decrease in atmospheric pressure air compressor pumps produce less CFM at higher elevations. As a rule of thumb the output will decrease approximately three percent per 1000 feet of elevation. Also, because air at higher elevations is less dense and does not cool as well, electric motors cannot be subjected to the full nameplate service factor amp rating and may need to be upgraded to avoid repeated overheating.

Direct drive or hand-carry compressors built with cold-start valves may need to be modified when operated in higher elevations. Contact our factory Customer Service Department if your normally reliable air compressor fails to operate correctly at higher elevations.

# **MAINTENANCE**

Your new air compressor represents the finest engineering and construction available. Even the best machinery requires periodic maintenance. Please stick to the maintenance schedule and consider the suggestions that follow to keep your compressor in peak condition.

<u>NOTE:</u> Always unplug or shut down your compressor and drain the air tanks completely before attempting any type of maintenance. Wait for compressor to cool before servicing.

**MAINTENANCE HINTS:** 

- 1) Use a soap/water solution to check for air leaks.
- 2) Never clean filters with a flammable solvent.
- 3) Retorque head bolts only after pump has cooled.
- 4) Never weld on air tank(s).
- 5) Use heat to loosen Loctite seal on drains and other fittings before attempting to remove.

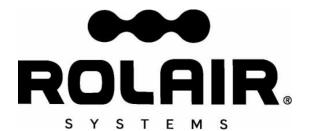
#### **MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE**

Recommendation	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually
Drain Moisture from Tank(s)	Х				
Inspect Air Filter(s)	Х				
Check for Unusual Noise or Vibration	X				
Check for Air Leaks	Х				
Clean Exterior of Air Compressor		Х			
Check Condition of Vibration Pads		X			
Tighten/Retorque Bolts		X			
Check Operation of Safety Valve		Х			
Clean/Change Air Filter			Х		
Perform Pump Up Time Test			Х		
Check Operation of System Controls				Х	
Check Air Tanks for Dents/Leaks				Х	
Tank Inspection by Certified Inspector	_		_		Х

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

**WARNING** - Make sure you completely understand all of the safety warnings and operation of each system control component before attempting any maintenance or repair. Always drain the tank pressure completely, make sure the power cord is unplugged, and unit has time to cool before performing any maintenance or service operations.

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
	Tank pressure is full	Drain below 95 PSI to restart
Motor makes no noise when power is applied	Automatic overload has stopped compressor due to overheating	Unplug, drain tank pressure and allow to cool before restarting. Evaluate power supply and extension cord used
Motor hums but does not start/run	Motor windings are fried	Take in for service. Evaluate power supply and duty cycle
Start/Tull	Capacitor has failed	Replace and retest
Motor runs but pump will not	Excessive external leaks at tank drain, regulator, hoses, etc.	Use soap/water solution to identify and correct leaks
reach top pressure setting of 125 PSI	Broken valve, blown gasket or other internal issue	Inspect valve plates or take in for service
Unit does not maintain tank pressure after stopping at 125 PSI and leaks continuously from solenoid	Disc and spring inside check valve are not sealing	Drain tank pressure completely. Unthread check valve inspection cap and clean debris from disc
Unit runs great for close to an	Excessive external leaks on unit or air hose/fittings	Use soap/water solution to identify and correct leaks
hour before suddenly stopping	Unit is undersized or is being worked above 70% duty cycle	Use larger air compressor for this application
Pump builds tank pressure above 125 PSI, causing safety valve to	Pressure switch contacts are stuck together	Unplug, inspect contacts and replace pressure switch if necessary
blow/pop off	Pressure switch port is plugged with ice or debris	Bring inside to unthaw drain water from tank and restart or take in for service
Compressor is louder than normal and slow to build pressure	Broken valve, bearing failure or debris inside pump	Inspect valve plates and piston tops or take in for service



# Guarantee

Associate Engineering Corporation warrants that all ROLAIR compressors will be free of defects in material and workmanship for a period of twelve months from the date of initial retail purchase, or eighteen months from the date of manufacture, whichever may occur first.

Should any failure to conform to this warranty be reported to the company within said period, the company shall, upon purchaser shipping the compressor to our plant transportation prepaid, correct such nonconformity by suitable repair or, at its option, furnish a replacement part F.O.B. our plant.

Associate Engineering Corporation shall not be liable for any unauthorized repairs, replacements, adjustments to the compressors, or the costs of labor performed by the purchaser.

This warranty is expressly in lieu of all other warranties expressed, implied or statutory (including, but not limited to, warranties of merchantability and fitness for purpose) and of any other obligations, and/or liabilities on the part of Associate Engineering Corporation. Associate Engineering Corporation neither assumes nor authorizes any other person to assume for it any other obligations or liability in connection with or with respect to any compressor.

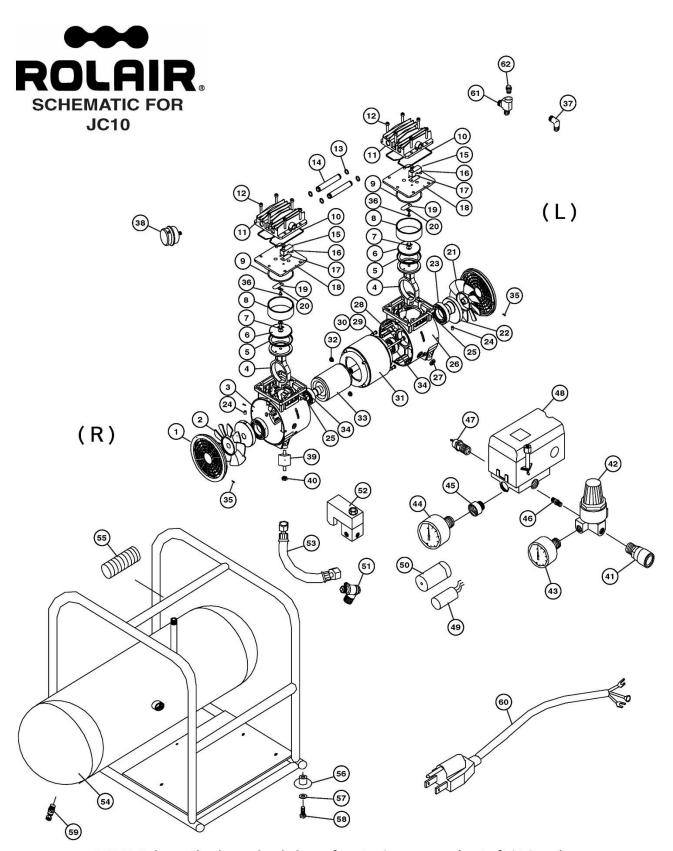
Associate Engineering Corporation shall in no event be liable neither for any consequential, incidental or special damages nor for the improper selection of any compressor for a particular application.

# Quality

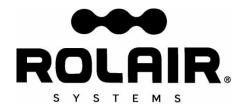
Associate Engineering Corporation is devoted to continual quality control and thorough research of the products we build. It is our creed to give you, the user, all of the experience and engineering available in the production of every piece of equipment we produce.

Our line covers the complete needs of today's varied air requirements. Rely on ROLAIR for all the newest and finest features that are available for the modern compressor.





NOTE: Schematic shows backview of motor/pump causing Left (  ${\tt L}$  ) and Right (  ${\tt R}$  ) side fans and crankcases to be transposed.



# PARTS LIST FOR MODEL JC10

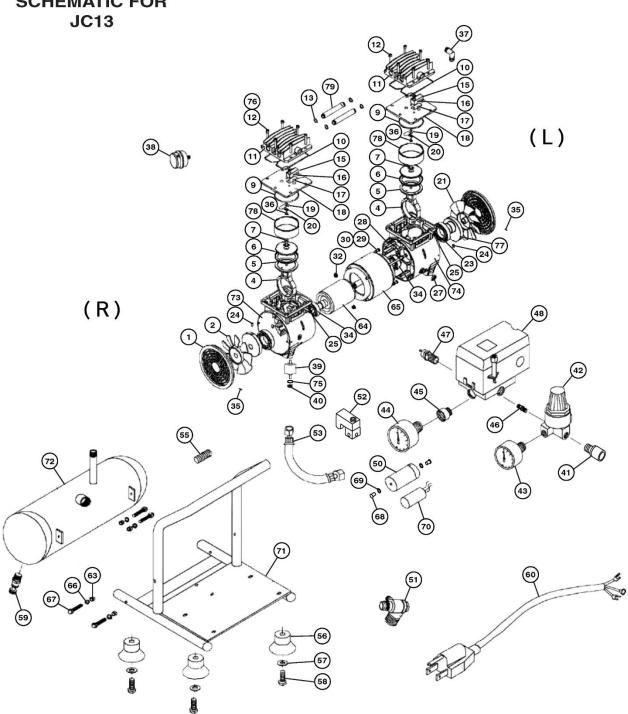
Schem #	Description	Part #	Qty.	Schem #	Description	Part #	Qty.
1	Motor Cover	JC800-1	2	32	Nut	JC800-32	4
2	Fan (right side only)	U1003	1	33	Rotor*	N/A	1
3	Crankcase (right side only)	JC800-3	1	34	Bearing	JC800-34	2
4	Connecting Rod	JC800-4	2	35	Screw	JC800-35	4
5	Piston Ring	JC800-5	2	36	Screw	JC800-36	2
6	Piston Cap	JC800-6	2	37	Elbow	U1011	1
7	Cap Bolt	JC800-7	2	38	Air Filter Assembly	U4001	1
8	Cylinder	JC800-8	2	39	Vibration Dampener	U6003	4
9	O-Ring	JC800-9	2	40	Nut	U5002	4
10	Head Gasket	JC800-10	2	41	Coupler	U9001	1
11	Head	JC800-11	2	42	Regulator	U3002	1
12	Head Bolt	JC800-12	12	43	Gauge – Line	U3001	1
13	O-Ring	JC800-13	4	44	Gauge – Tank	U3003	1
14	Connecting Tube	JC800-14	2	45	Bushing**	JC800-45	1
15	Bolt	JC800-15	2	46	Nipple	U5003	1
16	Valve Stop	JC800-16	2	47	Safety Relief Valve	U6004	1
17	Valve – Exhaust	JC800-17	2	48	Pressure Switch	U6005	1
18	Valve Plate	JC800-18	2	49	Capacitor	JC800-49	1
19	Valve – Intake	JC800-19	2	50	Cover – Capacitor	JC800-50	1
20	Washer	JC800-20	2	51	Check Valve	JC800-51	1
21	Fan (left side only)	U1002	1	52	Solenoid – Unloader	JC800-52	1
22	Eccentric	JC800-22	2	53	Braided Discharge Line	U1012	1
23	Bearing	JC800-23	2	54	Tank Assembly	JC800-54	1
24	Setscrew	JC800-24	2	55	Handle Grip	JC800-55	1
25	Bolt – Con Rod	JC800-25	2	56	Rubber Foot	JC800-56	4
26	Crankcase (left side only)	JC800-26	1	57	Washer	JC800-57	4
27	Box Connector	JC800-27	1	58	Bolt	JC800-58	4
28	Bolt	JC800-28	2	59	Drain Valve	U6002	1
29	Bolt	JC800-29	2	60	Cord with Plug	U5001	1
30	Washer	JC800-30	4	61	Brass Elbow/Tee	JC800-61	1
31	Stator*	N/A	1	62	Cold-Start Valve	JC800-62	1

<sup>\*</sup> Rotor & Stator are not cost effective to replace. Order complete motor/pump instead, part# U1200.



<sup>\*\*</sup> Current replacement gauge #U3003 does not require this bushing.





NOTE: Schematic shows backview of motor/pump causing Left (  $\tt L$  ) and Right (  $\tt R$  ) side fans and crankcases to be transposed.



# PARTS LIST FOR MODEL JC13

Schem #	Description	Part #	Qty.	Schem #	Description	Part #	Qty.
1	Motor Cover	JC800-1	2	42	Regulator	U3002	1
2	Fan (right side only)	U1003	1	43	Gauge – Line	U3001	1
4	Connecting Rod	JC800-4	2	44	Gauge – Tank	U3003	1
5	Piston Ring	JC800-5	2	45	Bushing	JC800-45	1
6	Piston Cap	JC800-6	2	46	Nipple	U5003	1
7	Cap Bolt	JC800-7	2	47	Safety Relief Valve	U6004	1
9	O-Ring	JC800-9	2	48	Pressure Switch	U6005	1
10	Head Gasket	JC800-10	2	50	Cover – Capacitor	JC800-50	1
11	Head	JC800-11	2	51	Check Valve	JC800-51	1
12	Head Bolt	JC800-12	12	52	Solenoid – Unloader	JC800-52	1
13	O-Ring	JC800-13	4	53	Braided Discharge Line	U1012	1
15	Bolt	JC800-15	2	55	Handle Grip	JC800-55	1
16	Valve Stop	JC800-16	2	56	Rubber Foot	JC800-56	4
17	Valve – Exhaust	JC800-17	2	57	Washer	JC800-57	4
18	Valve Plate	JC800-18	2	58	Bolt	JC800-58	4
19	Valve – Intake	JC800-19	2	59	Drain Valve	U6002	1
20	Washer	JC800-20	2	60	Cord with Plug	U5001	1
21	Fan (left side only)	U1002	1	63	Nut	JC800-63	4
23	Bearing	JC800-23	2	64	Rotor*	N/A	1
24	Setscrew	JC800-24	2	65	Stator*	N/A	1
25	Bolt – Con Rod	JC800-25	2	66	Washer	JC800-66	4
27	Box Connector	JC800-27	1	67	Bolt	JC800-67	4
28	Bolt	JC800-28	2	68	Screw	JC800-68	2
29	Bolt	JC800-29	2	69	Washer	JC800-69	2
30	Washer	JC800-30	4	70	Capacitor	JC800-70	1
32	Nut	JC800-32	4	71	Base Assembly	JC800-71	1
34	Bearing	JC800-34	2	72	Air Tank	JC800-72	1
35	Screw	JC800-35	4	73	Crankcase (right side only)	JC800-73	1
36	Screw	JC800-36	2	74	Crankcase (left side only)	JC800-74	1
37	Elbow	U1011	1	75	Washer	JC800-75	4
38	Air Filter Assembly	U4001	1	76	Washer	JC800-76	12
39	Vibration Dampener	U6003	4	77	Eccentric	JC800-77	2
40	Nut	U5002	4	78	Cylinder	JC800-78	2
41	Coupler	U9001	1	79	Connecting Tube	JC800-79	2

<sup>\*</sup> Rotor and/or Stator are not cost effective to replace. Order complete motor/pump assembly, part # U1200 instead.

