

Beechcraft Sierra, Musketeer Aircraft Tug Assembly Instructions



1. Carefully unpack contents of shipping carton and locate the drill, charger and battery. The battery may or may not be installed in the drill. Plug in the charger and charge the battery for at least one hour. You will need a 1/2" and 7/16" boxed in wrench to assemble your tug.
2. **DEWALT DRILL:** Locate the 1/2" drive shaft and chuck the end with three flats into the Dewalt drill. Be sure the flats align with the jaws in the chuck and are seated on the jaw tips. Tighten by hand as hard as you can with the torque selector turned to the **drill bit image** position, and in speed selector switch setting **1**. See Dewalt drill operation instructions.
3. Visually check to see the foam drive shaft alignment insert installed 8" inside the handle end which inserts into the tug receiver. With the drive shaft installed in the drill, insert it into the expanded handle end and see that it slips through the foam alignment insert (A light source at the end of handle is helpful) and push the drill into the handle as far as it will go noting that it fits squarely to the drill collar and that drive shaft is centered in foam alignment insert. (Visually check inside handle end) Rotate drill per image above with Minimax label facing up. Tighten compression clamp to prevent drill from rotating in handle. Install charged drill battery.
4. Be sure the stainless steel compression clamp [Fig.1] is loosely fit onto the tug handle receiver 1/8" from the top. Install the handle into the tug receiver fully to black depth mark (1-7/8") rotating as necessary or lightly "bumping" the drill trigger to engage the square drive socket. After engaging the square drive socket position drill per image above. Tighten compression clamp snugly. **It is critical that this connection is always tight when the tug is in use.**
5. Familiarize yourself with the drill operation and assure that the drive wheel rotates in both directions, the drill speed change selector switch (If equipped) operates and the trigger rheostat functions properly.
6. The aircraft attachment device will need to be installed [Fig.3] onto your tug. Install with four 5/16 x 3/4" bolts and nuts provided. Tighten securely. Attach tug to aircraft by turning the receiver locking knob [Fig.2] CCW and sliding out the right receiver +/- 1-1/2". Position the left receiver onto the aircraft left tow pin with the drive wheel resting on the tire. Slide closed the right receiver onto right tow pin. Turn locking knob CW and tighten securely. Check to see that tug moves easily up and down when attached to aircraft.
7. Push down on the tug handle and slowly pull the drill trigger all the way in to move your plane. Experiment with drill speed settings (If equipped) for your particular terrain. You can also control speed with the trigger rheostat. When stopping, slowly let off on the drill trigger until plane stops. Avoid sudden starts and stops as this can damage the chain and transmission gears in your tug. Keep chain and axel bushings lubricated per ["Use and Care Guide"](#).

NEVER LEAVE TUG ATTACHED TO AIRCRAFT WHILE NOT IN USE!

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