

User Manual

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EL-Cut

High precision cutting pliers



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1 Product Description

The EL-Cut is a high-precision punching tool specially designed for punching electrodes from coated Cu and Al foils.

In contrast to conventional punching (stamping), electrodes being cut (fine blanked) by the EL-Cut are produced by three active forces and in tools with a few microns cutting clearance. The fine blanking process results in electrodes having clean cutting surfaces without torn or chipped edges and being almost perfectly flat.

The punching tool of the EL-Cut is permanently installed and cannot be changed. The EL-Cut is available in different versions, each with another cutting tool. The diameter of the tool can be between **6 and 40 mm**. Different shapes, e.g., squared, are possible.



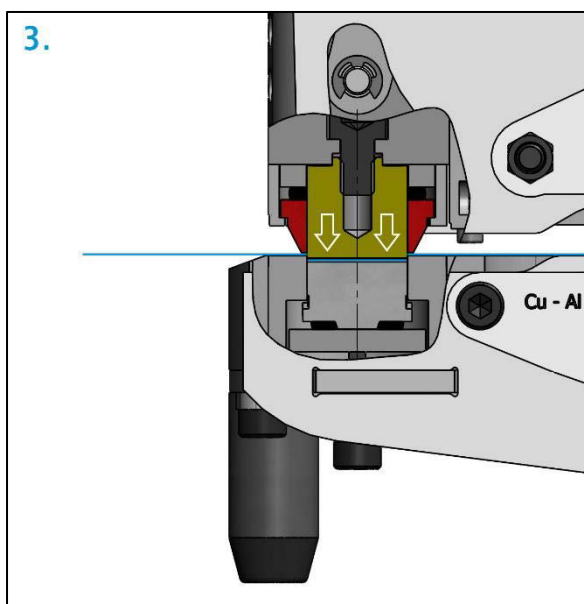
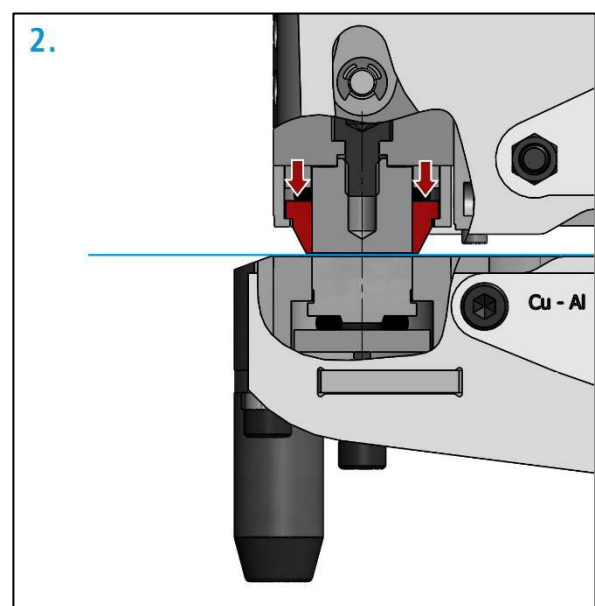
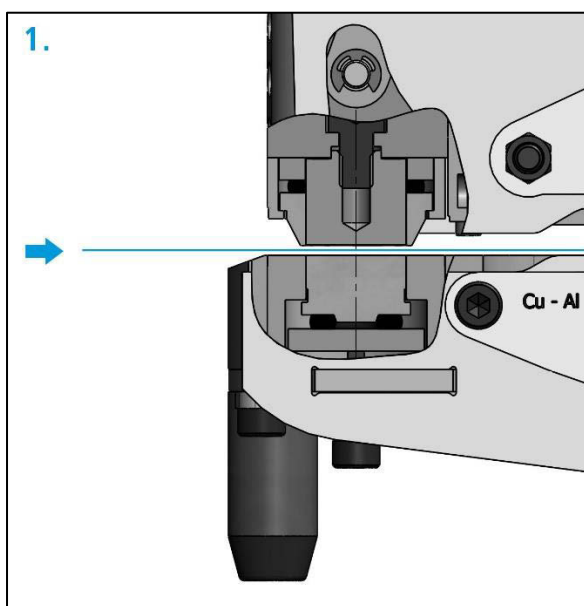
2 Technical Data

Height:	140 mm
Width:	380 mm
Depth:	60 mm
Weight:	approx. 2.8 kg

3 Features

- The diameter of the tool can be between 6 and 40 mm. Different shapes, e.g., squared, are possible
- Specifically designed for cutting electrodes coated on Al and Cu foil
- High-accuracy and durable cutting unit.

4 Mode of Operation



The sheet to be punched is inserted with the electrode coating pointing downwards (1).

When the pliers handle is operated, the sheet is first fixed at the edge outside the punch contour (2) before the inner part is extracted (3). This process is sometimes referred to as fine blanking.

5 Guidelines for Intended Use

- These punch pliers are designed for use with Cu, and Al foils in 0.1 to 0.3 mm thickness. If you would like to use them for other materials or thicknesses, please get in touch with us in case of doubt. (e-mail: info@el-cell.com)
- Do not punch lithium metal foil with the pliers.
- Do not punch electrode films wetted with electrolyte, or any sticky films
- For punching, place the electrode film into the punching slit with the electrode coating pointing downwards.
- The high-precision cutting unit is very sensitive. You should prevent impacts, for example, if the tool falls over.
- Actuate the pliers with gentle force only. **In case of blockage**, the pliers must be unlocked by pushing the small lever (blue arrow) upwards while slightly compressing the two handles.



6 Cleaning

After use, clean the punch and the die with alcohol and compressed air. In case of contamination of the cutting tool (especially the lower part), it can also be helpful to moisten a sturdy cloth with alcohol and push it between the cutting irons. Now gently squeeze the plier handle, so the fabric is slightly pinched, and pull it out again.

NOTE: Punch and die are made of hardened steel with limited stability against corrosion. Don't expose to a corrosive atmosphere. Don't leave wetted.

7 Technical Support

Technical support for this product is exclusively provided by EL-Cell GmbH. You can find more information about the process on our website:

<https://el-cell.com/support/technical-support>



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8 Warranty

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