

Club Hammers / Lump Hammers

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A club (lump) hammer is a short, heavy hammer with two flat faces used for striking cold chisels, masonry, demolition and heavy shaping where controlled strikes matter more than a big swing. Its weight does the work.

Key Features

- Heads 1-2.5 kg typical
- Two flat striking faces
- Short handled for control
- Forged or cast heavy heads
- Rubber or wood grips

Typical Uses in the Workshop

- Strike cold chisels and masonry
- Break bricks, blocks and small demolition
- Drive large punches and drifts
- Light lifting-carving and shaping

Safe Operation

1. Select the hammer weight for the task
2. Strike the tool with the face square
3. Let the weight do the work
4. Hold the chisel at the correct angle
5. Control the follow-through

SAFETY NOTES

- Heavy heads - keep the swing controlled
- Wear eye protection - chips fly
- Keep fingers off the struck zone
- Do not use on hardened cutting edges
- Store away from the edge of benches

Maintenance & Consumables

- Check the head is tight
- Dress mushroomed faces
- Check for cracks in the handle
- Wipe clean after use
- Store on the rack

Specification & Buying Notes

A 1 kg club hammer with a secure head and comfortable grip covers school chiseling and light demolition. Quality steel heads ring true; cheap cast heads crack.