



Powershred® 53C  
The World's Toughest Shredders®



PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USE.  
DO NOT DISCARD: KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.



**KEY**

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| A. Handle                  | E. Bin                     | H. Control switch and LEDs |
| B. Shredder head           | F. Disconnect power switch | I 1. Auto-On               |
| C. See safety instructions | ○ 1. OFF                   | ○ 2. OFF                   |
| D. Paper entry             | I 2. ON                    | R 3. Reverse               |
|                            | G. CD/credit card entry    | ⬇ 4. Overheat (red)        |
|                            |                            | 5. On/Off (green)          |

**CAPABILITIES**

**Will shred:** Paper, plastic credit cards, staples, small paper clips and CD/DVDs

**Will not shred:** Unopened junk mail, continuous forms, adhesive labels, transparencies, newspaper, cardboard, laminates, file folders, X-rays or plastic other than noted above

**Paper shred size:**








Cross-Cut ..... 4mm x 35mm

**Maximum:**

Sheets per pass ..... 10\*  
 Cards per pass ..... 1\*  
 Paper width ..... 220mm

\*A4 (70g), paper at 220-240V, 50/60 Hz, 1.5Amps; heavier paper, humidity or other than rated voltage may reduce capacity. Maximum recommended daily usage rates: 100 sheets; 10 credit cards; 10 CDs.

**⚠ WARNING: IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS — Read Before Using!**

-  • Operation, maintenance, and service requirements are covered in the instruction manual. Read the entire instruction manual before operating shredders.
-   • Keep away from children and pets. Keep hands away from paper entry. Always set to off or unplug when not in use.
-   • Keep foreign objects – gloves, jewelry, clothing, hair, etc. – away from shredder openings. If object enters top opening, switch to Reverse (R) to back out object.
-  • DO NOT use aerosol products, petroleum based or aerosol lubricants on or near shredder. DO NOT USE “CANNED AIR” OR “AIR DUSTERS” ON SHREDDER. Vapors from propellants and petroleum based lubricants may combust causing serious injury.
-  • Do not use if damaged or defective. Do not disassemble shredder. Do not place near or over heat source or water.

- This shredder has a Disconnect Power Switch (F) that must be in the ON (I) position to operate shredder. In case of emergency, move switch to OFF (○) position. This action will stop shredder immediately.
- Avoid touching exposed cutting blades under shredder head.
- Shredder must be plugged into a wall outlet or socket of the voltage and amperage designated on the label. The outlet or socket must be installed near the equipment and easily accessible. Energy converters, transformers, or extension cords should not be used with this product.
- FIRE HAZARD – Do NOT shred greeting cards with sound chips or batteries.
- For indoor use only.
- Unplug shredder before cleaning or servicing.

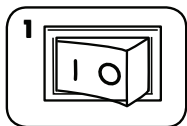
## BASIC SHREDDING OPERATION



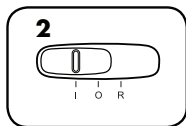
**Continuous operation:**  
Up to 3 minute maximum

**NOTE:** Shredder runs briefly after each pass to clear entry. Continuous operation beyond 3 minutes will trigger a 30-minute cool down period.

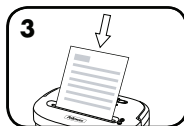
### PAPER OR CD/CARD



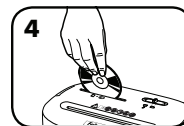
1 Plug in and put disconnect power switch in ON (I) position



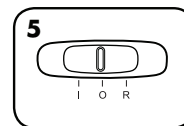
2 Set to Auto-On (I)



3 Feed paper straight into paper entry and release



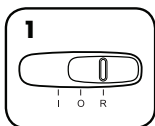
4 Feed into card/CD entry and release



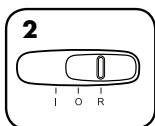
5 When finished shredding set to OFF (O)

## TROUBLESHOOTING

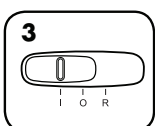
### PAPER JAM



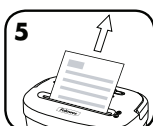
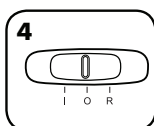
1 Set to Reverse (R) for 2-3 seconds



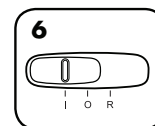
2 Alternate slowly back and forth



3 Set to Off (O) and unplug



5 Gently pull uncut paper from paper entry. Plug in.



6 Set to Auto-On (I) and resume shredding

### Shredder doesn't start:

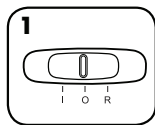
Make sure head is on basket correctly  
Wait 30 minutes for motor to cool down  
Remove and empty basket

## PRODUCT MAINTENANCE

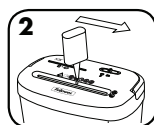
### OILING SHREDDER

All cross-cut shredders require oil for peak performance. If not oiled, a machine may experience diminished sheet capacity, intrusive noise when shredding, and could ultimately stop running. To avoid these problems, we recommend you oil your shredder each time you empty your waste bin.

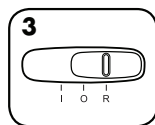
#### FOLLOW OILING PROCEDURE BELOW AND REPEAT TWICE




1 Set to Off (O)



\*Apply oil across entry



3 Set to Reverse (R) 2-3 seconds

**CAUTION** \*Only use a non-aerosol vegetable oil in long nozzle container such as Fellowes 35250 

Go to Support Section at [www.fellowes.com](http://www.fellowes.com) or see back page of manual for useful telephone numbers.

## LIMITED PRODUCT WARRANTY

Limited Warranty: Fellowes, Inc. ("Fellowes") warrants the parts of the machine to be free of defects in material and workmanship and provides service and support for 2 years from the date of purchase by the original consumer. Fellowes warrants the cutting blades of the machine to be free from defects in material and workmanship for 5 years from the date of purchase by the original consumer. If any part is found to be defective during the warranty period, your sole and exclusive remedy will be repair or replacement, at Fellowes' option and expense, of the defective part. This warranty does not apply in cases of abuse, mishandling, failure to comply with product usage standards, shredder operation using an improper power supply (other than listed on label), or unauthorized repair. Fellowes reserves the right to charge the consumers for any

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Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure. The benefits under Fellowes' Warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies under a law in relation to the shredder.



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## Declaration of Conformity

### Fellowes, Inc.

Unit 2 Ontario Drive, New Rossington, Doncaster, DN11 0BF, England declares that the product model 53C conforms with the requirements of the Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive (2011/65/EU + 2015/863/EU), the Low Voltage Directive (2014/35/EU), the Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (2014/30/EU), the WEEE directive (2012/19/EU), and below harmonized European EN Standards.

Safety: EN60950-1: 2006/A2:2013

EMC Standard: EN55014-1:2006+A1:2009+A2:2011  
EN55014-2:2015  
EN61000-3-2:2014  
EN61000-3-3:2013

Year Affixed: 19

Itasca, Illinois, USA  
January 1, 2019

**John Fellowes**  
President & CEO

## Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)

This product is classified as Electrical and Electronic Equipment. Should the time come for you to dispose of this product please ensure that it is not mixed with general household waste. For proper treatment, recovery and recycling, please take this product to a designated collection point. Please contact your local authority for further details of your nearest designated collection point.



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