

CRASH AXE INSTRUCTION



The Paratech Crash Axe is designed to be an ergonomic, lightweight, wearable (using available holster) multi-purpose tool system that can be employed without preparation and used for forcible entry, extraction, and rescue. The Paratech Crash Axe complies with SAE International Aerospace Standard AS5402 and NTSB Crash Axe requirements.

Removable and replaceable hardened **stainless steel** tool bits are rust free, as is the lightweight, Grade 5 Titanium handle. The Paratech Crash Axe is intended for forcing open doors and windows, opening holes, prying and twisting, metal cutting and chopping.

The Crash Axe's **pike** has a non-cylindrical shaped cross section that prevents it from being stuck in penetrated materials. To enlarge a punched hole, rotate the Crash Axe to either side. The pike is designed to puncture holes, crush or chip glass, plastic, tiles or other masonry, twist hasps and other hardware.

The Crash A**xe**'s **blade** is for chopping, busting, prying, or hinge pin removal. The blade incorporates a modified form of Paratech's **Topcut** design that is extended all the way to the axe handle for deeper sheet metal

penetration and faster cutting. The titanium handle is ribbed and flared out near the removable tool bits to keep operator's hands in place, away from the sharp blade.

Both the blade and pike are removable for maintenance and/or replacement. The titanium handle is future-ready for upcoming attachment designs that will prove the Paratech Crash Axe to be the ultimate survival and rescue tool.



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The **metal cutting claw** has a forward angle designed to keep the operator's hands away from jagged sheet metal while metal cutting. The end of the cutting claw is thick and smooth so the blade won't jam. The incorporated wire cutting notch is used for cutting through fencing and other metal wire, while providing extra "bite" for the claw during metal cutting. Sheet metal can be cut up to 1/8" thickness.

The Paratech Crash Axe is also a prying tool when using its **chisel & prying wedge** on the opposite end of the removable tool bit head. The "H" shaped cross section of the pry wedge provides maximum strength while adding minimal weight. This geometry also helps to lock the tool into place while prying by focusing the force along the strong edges and deforming the material being spread apart.



In the head of the axe blade there is a spade-shaped hole designed primarily for **right angle prying** with a second Paratech Crash Axe (or other Paratech Forcible Entry Tool) when extra leverage is required. This hole may also be used for attaching rope for use as a grappling hook or as a notch for storing the tool.



Minimal maintenance for the Paratech Crash Axe is required. To remove debris, wash with water and mild soap. Dry thoroughly. The Topcut blade and Pike can all be sharpened as needed or replaced with a single 3/16" hex key. There is no plating to worry about chipping since the tool bits are stainless steel and electropolished.*

Overall dimensions: 7.9" (201mm) W x 15.7" (399mm) L x 1" (25mm) T Weight: 2.5lbs (1.13kg)

(*The tactical versions of the Paratech Crash Axe Removable Tool Bits are electropolished with black chrome plating. The tactical version of the Titanium handle is finished with black Cerakote Coating.)

RULES FOR SAFE OPERATION

- 1. All personnel using and assisting with the tool should wear safety clothing (helmets, eye protection, gloves, etc).
- 2. Clear the area of all bystanders and personnel not directly involved in the operation.
- 3. Keep fingers, hands, feet, etc. away from striking, prying and cutting areas which the tool may come in contact.
- 4. Watch for flying objects such as bolts, pieces of glass, masonry and metal.
- 5. Do not be careless. Use your common sense and training to protect yourself, victims and those in the operation.

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