SIMPLEX Forestry Tools immediately available with new inserts

**Work longer with nylon**

Guaranteed splinter-proof even in sub-zero temperatures

**Whether they are professionals or keen amateur woodworkers – many know and appreciate Halder’s forestry tools as they are high quality (Made in Germany) and keep them safe while splitting firewood. And, now that they are paired with new inserts made of nylon, the SIMPLEX splitting axe and the SIMPLEX splitting maul offer even greater durability and ease of use.**

When you hear nylon, you think of stockings, blouses, sports clothing and similar products. However, there are plenty of other industries who discovered the potential of this resilient polyamide long ago. For a long time now, Erwin Halder KG has been offering inserts made from nylon for their soft-face mallets – and these inserts have proven their worth many times over: in the joining of workpieces, in the assembly of sharp-edged workpieces, in mould, steel and exhibition stand construction, in sheet-metal work and in a myriad of other applications. Halder is now converting their portfolio of forestry tools to nylon as well, introducing the various benefits of the material to the realm of forestry.

Nylon instead of superplastic

“Some will now wonder why we made the switch from our tried-and-tested superplastic to nylon. The switch was undoubtedly motivated by the beneficial properties that nylon brings to the table”, explains Volker Gernth, Sales Director Hand Tools at Erwin Halder KG. “These premium inserts possess outstanding impact qualities. They are very hard, boasting a hardness of approx. 73 Shore D. Perfect for driving splitting wedges into the wood deeply and with full force.” Made from an extruded and extremely homogeneous material that offers maximum strength, the inserts are extremely low-wear and thus exceptionally long-lasting. Better yet, Halder still keeps the slightly softer superplastic insert available for order and retrofitting for those who find the nylon insert to be too hard for their purposes.

Volker Gernth: “The nylon inserts are also ideally suited for all weather conditions as they are guaranteed to never splinter – even if temperatures drop below zero. This keeps the risk of injury exceedingly low, allowing wood fans to go to town to their heart’s content without endangering themselves.” When compared to inserts made of superplastic, nylon inserts offer additional advantages in terms of strike reliability: The wear surface of nylon is flat, while that of superplastic is rather round. The flat wear surface of nylon increases strike reliability substantially and reduces the risk of slipping. What is more, the nylon insert boasts greater dimensional stability and less rebound. This feature also offers additional benefits from an ergonomic standpoint as it reduces the strain on the user while striking. “Hard, splinter-free, wear-resistant, resilient, durable and more – in my book, you can call that combination perfect,“ asserts Volker Gernth.

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Photo 1: Hard, splinter-free, wear-resistant, resilient, and durable – expanding their range of nylon inserts to their entire line of forestry tools, Halder affords their users a whole new host of benefits.

Photo 2: The inserts made of nylon are ideally suited for driving steel wedges. Their flat wear surface increases strike reliability and reduces the risk of slipping.

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About Erwin Halder KG

In 1938, Erwin Halder began production of the SIMPLEX soft-face mallet, laying the foundation for the success the company is enjoying around the world today with branches in Germany, France, Slovenia, South Korea, Japan and the United States. At the head office in Achstetten-Bronnen alone the company employs a staff of more than 200, while the global workforce has reached nearly 400. The fate of Erwin Halder KG is currently controlled in the third generation by Stefan Halder. Family-owned and operated, the company attaches supreme importance to peerless quality in all of their product segments. The company is in full control of the entire process chain – from development to production to global distribution.

The joint product range offered by Erwin Halder KG and Picard GmbH allows the Halder Group to provide the world’s most comprehensive selection of striking tools. Apart from soft-face mallets and forestry tools, Halder also produces and sells high-precision standard parts, modular fixture systems for clamping workpieces as well as aviation products. Conforming to DIN/ISO and factory standards, the product selection comprises roughly 12,000 standard parts including machine and fixture components, clamping elements, operating elements and machine elements. What is more, Erwin Halder KG is certified for production in compliance with aviation industry standards according to EN 9100:2016. Since 2013, the company has been certified by the German Federal Aviation Administration (according EASA Part 21G) as a manufacturer of approved products. The company's global clientele includes both local craftsmen and corporations operating in the high-tech industry. In addition to offering a standard selection, the company also possesses the expertise and experience necessary to tailor customised solutions to their customers’ specific needs.

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