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USED IT

Stanley FatMax Marker Pen

Used by Peter Bott
Domestic Electrician
Used for 'some time'!



I always use a Stanley Fat Max marker pen, and keep a couple of spares in my toolbox. The pen is virtually indestructible thanks to its rugged construction, which can take being stepped on with safety boots, and dropped from heights.

The black 'tactile' body, is ergonomically shaped, to give a good grip and feels comfortable to hold. It has four bright yellow panels, which makes it easier to find if dropped on the ground. A handy visual graphic on the barrel show the position of the wedge shaped tip; ensuring you know it is the correct way round, so you can start writing straight away.

The cap has a robust integral clip, which hold the pen firmly in the pocket of your overalls...even if you're dangling upside down, it won't fall out. Also, it closes with a reassuring 'clunk', preventing the fibre tip from drying out. Furthermore, a clever loop is moulded in the cap, allowing a lanyard to be attached to it. So it can be hung around the neck.

Once the cap is removed, it reveals the pen's wedged shaped fibre tip, at least 5mm long. Its chiselled edge means that a variety of broad and fine strokes can be made. I have used the marker pen for some time, and it hasn't dried up yet! It's been used on wood, plaster, steel pipe, brick, and the tip is still in pretty good shape.

Verdict The Stanley Fat Max marker pen is brilliant to work with because I can rely on it. I would like to get some other coloured pens; red and blue would be useful, to mark up drawings, etc.

Got kit you couldn't live without? Want to tell other electricians about it? Email pe@hamerville.co.uk with the subject: 'Used It'.



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Rhino responds to SOS

Leading manufacturer of roof racks, bars and commercial vehicle accessories – Rhino Products – are pleased to have lent a helping hand to the hard-working crew of BBC's DIY SOS, donating a brand new Aluminium Rack.

Clive Boult, Sales & Marketing Director explains:

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"It's heart-warming to see how everyone comes together to help on DIY SOS, giving their time and materials to transform homes of families across Britain, and if another of our racks can bear some more of that load, then we'll be exceptionally proud." concludes Clive.



POLE POSITION

Shentongroup, the specialist supplier of power generation and **energy support systems**, was in pole position when a portable hotel company required standby power for its transportable hotel accommodation for **Silverstone**. The company supplied two generators, distribution equipment and fuel tanks together with engineers to install, test and certificate the installation.

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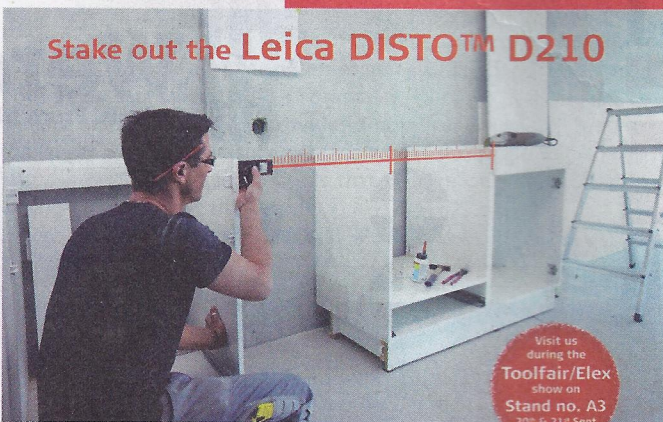


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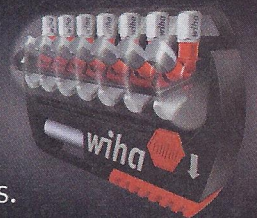
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