

# **PNEUMATIC TORQUE WRENCH (C-RAD)**

# **USER GUIDE**



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### **INTRODUCTION**

The C-RAD Pneumatic Torque Wrench is a handheld, air driven reversible, non-impacting torque delivery tool intended to tighten and un-tighten nuts, bolts and threaded fasteners.

The C-RAD Pneumatic Torque Wrench must always be used with the following:-

- A Clean Dry Air Supply with a minimum flow of 19L/Sec (40 CFM)
- Lubro Control Unit (with filter regulator, lubricator)
- Impact Quality Sockets
- Ring and pin fastener system (or similar)
- Reaction Arm

If the intended use is other than for nuts, bolts and threaded fasteners contact W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd.

It is the responsibility of the user to consider associated site risks before introducing the equipment into the work-place.

## **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

Training on the correct use of the C-RAD Pneumatic torque wrench and C-RAD Lubro Control Unit is available. Please contact W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd for more information.

#### **GENERAL SAFETY**

The improper use of pneumatic equipment is unsafe and may result in personal injury. It is important that operators have read, understood and comply with all instructions in this user guide.

If more than one individual is involved in the operation of the equipment then all must read the user guide. Good communication must be established to prevent accidents or misunderstandings.

Operators must be equipped with the following personal protective equipment (PPE):-

- Eye Protection (Safety Glasses / Goggles)
- Safety Footwear (Steel Toe Cap Boots)
- Heavy Gloves

Impact quality sockets must be secured to the tool square drive by means of a pin and ring combination.

Care must be taken not to exceed the maximum working pressure of the equipment. See the torque chart provided. Failure or breakup of components may result in personal injury.

Direct the tool exhaust away from operator / personnel.

Take care not to stand on, run over or trip over pneumatic hoses. Injury may result. To minimise danger ensure that these lines are not run across walkways, ladders, roadways and doorways, etc and that people likely to pass through the working area are aware of the danger.

To prevent entanglement with rotating parts operators must not wear loose clothing, ties, jewellery etc... Long hair must be tied back.

Always keep hands, fingers and body parts clear of the reaction arm at all times. Trapping in this area can result in serious personal injury.

Before use, check the pneumatic hoses are not cut, split, kinked or damaged in any way. If in doubt **Do not use**.

All pneumatic equipment and ancillary products should be inspected for damage and irregularities prior to use. If in doubt **Do not use.** 

Never lift or drag hoses or cables. This weakens the swagings and puts unnecessary stress on threads and couplings. Subsequent failure may result in causing injury.

Do not use in the presence of explosive gases or flammable liquids - fire/explosion hazard.

#### **C-RAD WRENCH MODELS COVERED BY MANUAL**

#### **Standard Models:-**

Model	Weight	Speed	d (RPM)	Torque R	ange (Nm)	Square
	(Kg)	Single	Auto 2	Minimum	Maximum	Drive
C-RAD 1	2.5	290	N/A	20	100	3/4"
C-RAD 5	2.7	55	N/A	80	500	3/4"
C-RAD 5A	4	N/A	250	150	500	3/4"
C-RAD 8	3	35	N/A	160	800	3/4"
C-RAD 8A	4	N/A	160	350	800	3/4"
C-RAD 10L	3.5	30	N/A	150	950	3/4"
C-RAD 10X	4.3	30	N/A	190	1,000	3/4"
C-RAD10XA	5.3	N/A	150	450	1,000	3/4"
C-RAD 14	3.6	20	N/A	275	1,350	3/4"
C-RAD 14A	4.5	N/A	80	400	1,350	3/4"
C-RAD 20	3.9	10	N/A	400	2,000	1"
C-RAD 21	5.4	15	N/A	350	2,100	1"
C-RAD 21A	6.9	N/A	65	800	2,100	1"
C-RAD 27	5.7	10	N/A	550	2,700	1"
C-RAD 27A	7.3	N/A	45	850	2,700	1"
C-RAD 34	6.5	8.5	N/A	700	3,400	1"
C-RAD 40DX	7.0	6	N/A	1,200	4,000	1"
C-RAD 40	9.3	11	N/A	800	4,000	1"
C-RAD 40A	10.5	N/A	38	900	4,000	1"
C-RAD 46	10	12	N/A	1,360	4,600	1"
C-RAD 68	13	7	N/A	2,000	6,800	1-1/2"
C-RAD 70	10.7	4.5	N/A	2,000	7,000	1-1/2"
C-RAD 80	12.5	6.6	N/A	2,700	8,000	1-1/2"
C-RAD 115	25	4.5	N/A	4,100	11,500	1-1/2"
C-RAD 150	19	3	N/A	5,400	15,000	1-1/2"

#### Integrated Nose Cone Models:-

Model	Weight	Speed (RPM)		Torque Range (Nm)		Square
	(Kg)	Single	Auto 2	Minimum	Maximum	Drive
C-RAD 10LNA	5.4	N/A	115	400	950	3/4"
C-RAD 21XN	12.4	14	N/A	400	2,100	1"
C-RAD 27XN	12.4	10	N/A	700	2,450	1"

#### **NOISE & VIBRATION LEVELS**

**NOISE:** Equivalent continuous A weighted sound pressure level is less than 85 dB(A).

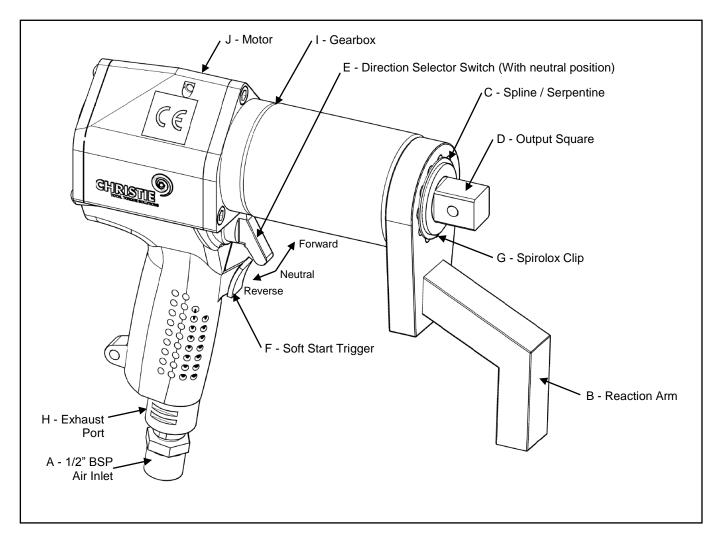
**VIBRATION:** Vibration level at handle does not exceed 2.5m/sec.

#### ACCESSORIES AVAILABLE TO BUY OR HIRE

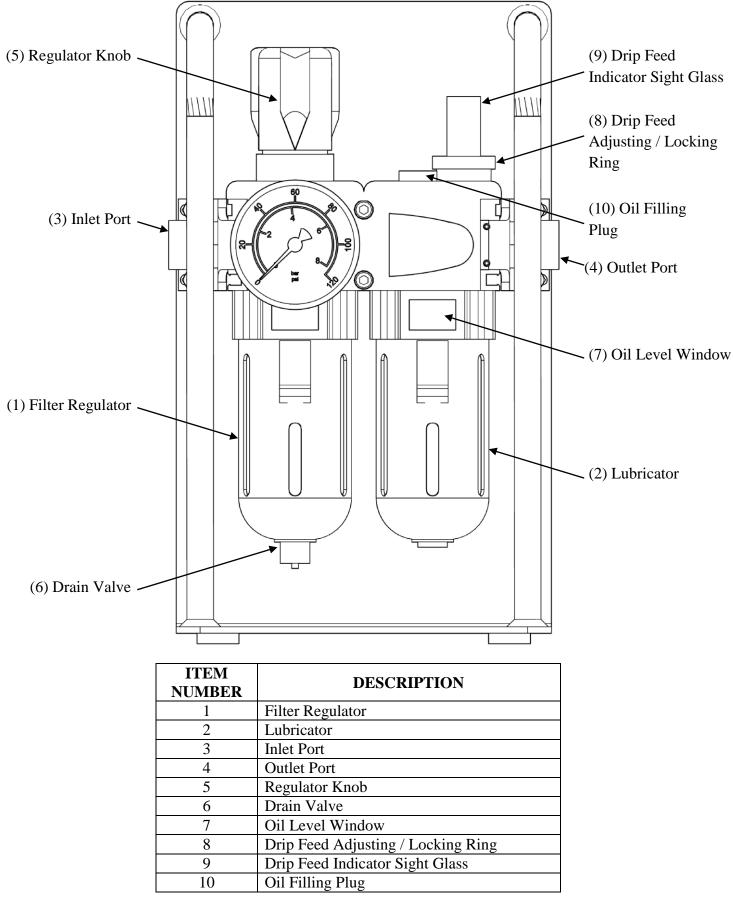
The following accessories are available upon request and can be custom made to suit requirements. Please contact W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd for more information:-

- Special Reactions.
- Custom C-RAD Wrench Lifting points.
- Nose Cone Extension.
- Offset Gearbox.
- Custom C-RAD Lubro Units (Typical units listed below):-
  - Standard Lubro Units
  - Caged / Lockable Lubro Units
  - Heavy Duty Water Filter Units
- Impact Quality Sockets.
- Torque Checking System (Run Down Fixture).

## **C-RAD WRENCH FEATURES**



#### TYPICAL C-RAD LUBRO UNIT PARTS LAYOUT



C-RAD Lubro Layout may differ than that shown (image for indication only)

## C-RAD LUBRO PRE-CHECK

Check oil level in lubricator and fill to correct level if required. To fill the lubricator with oil:-

- Remove the oil filling plug (10) using a 6mm allen key
- Pour the specified oil into the lubricator, fill to maximum level as indicated on the oil level window (7) and replace the plug

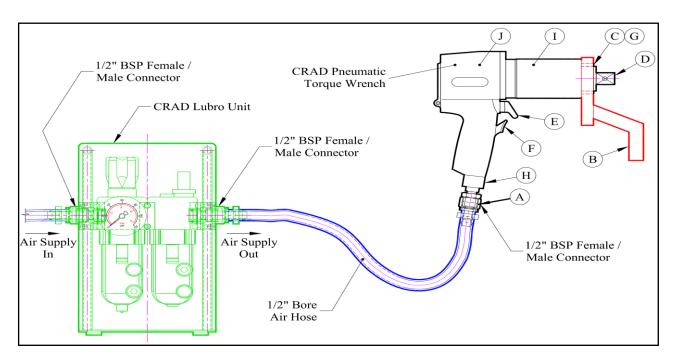
LUBRICATION: C-RAD Lubro And Air Motor:- ISO 32 Or Equivalent Good Quality Hydraulic Oil. Do Not Use Synthetic Oils Or Anti-Freeze Solution

#### ASSEMBLY

Please refer to "Typical C-RAD Lubro Unit Parts Layout" (Previous Page) & Figure below for the following points:-

- Blow out all hoses before connecting. Visually inspect hoses for damage before use. If using non-Christie supplied hose please ensure hose is correctly rated.
- Before connection to Christie C-RAD wrench, ensure the direction selector switch (E) is in the neutral (middle) position.
- Connect the wrench air inlet (A) to the outlet side of the C-RAD lubro control unit, observing air flow direction arrows.
- Connect air supply to inlet side of the C-RAD lubro control unit using a minimum hose size of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" bore (12mm). Avoid using <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" bore hoses longer than 5 metres from the supply to the C-RAD lubro control unit as this will reduce the performance of the wrench. Ensure the connectors are securely fastened.
- Attach the reaction arm (B) to spline (C) adjacent to the output drive (D) of the wrench and secure with spirolox clip (G).
- Make All Connections To The Tool Before Turning On The Air Supply.

The typical connection layout below is based on a W-Christie standard C-RAD Lubro unit.



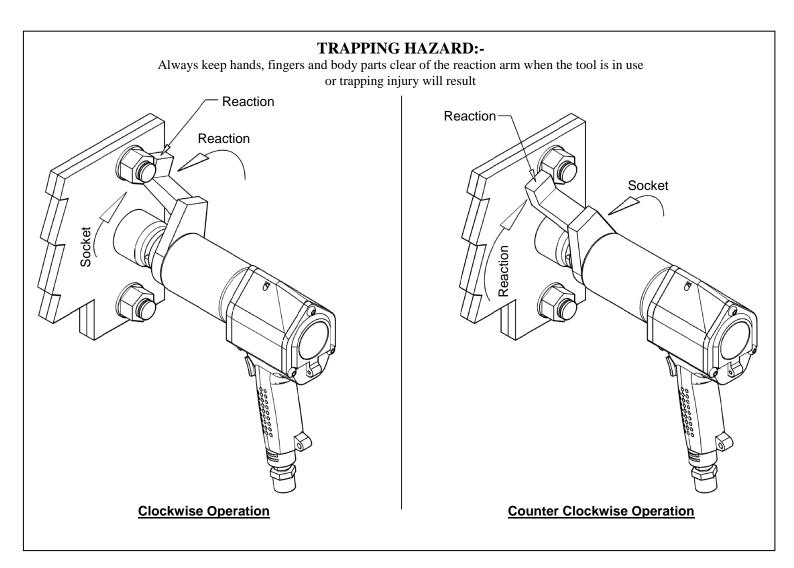
#### **TORQUE REACTION**

When the Christie C-RAD wrench is in operation the reaction arm rotates in the opposite direction to the output square drive and must be allowed to rest squarely against a solid object or surface adjacent to the bolt to be tightened. (See figure below).

Ensure the Reaction Arm is NOT resting on a sloping or bevelled face.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE - TIGHT FASTENERS

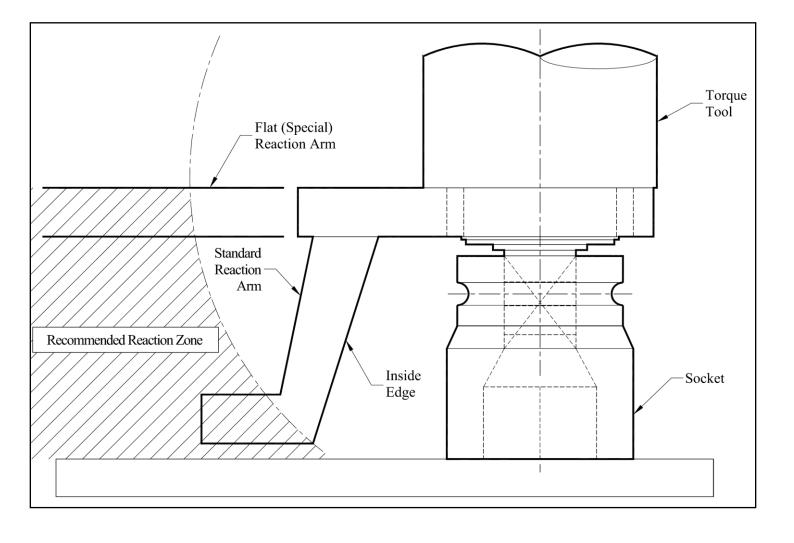
When tightening or releasing tight fasteners, the torque required to move the nut may be high enough to keep the reaction locked in one position. This can cause the reaction plate to bend or cause gearbox failure. To prevent failure, re-position the reaction plate after every two turns of the fastener, i.e operate the tool briefly in the opposite direction.



#### SAFE REACTION ZONE

Care must be taken to ensure that the reaction arm is only used within the limitations shown in the figure below. Failure to observe this instruction will result in premature wear or damage to the wrench. Do not react on the reaction arm vertical crank. Extreme forces are created which may cause damage to the wrench. If the application does not allow the use of a standard reaction arm, non-standard reaction arms are available.

Customers must not modify reaction arms and are strongly advised to contact W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd for technical assistance.



### SETTING TORQUE FOR BOLT TIGHTENING

Every Christie C-RAD Wrench is supplied with an individual air pressure calibration graph which relates torque output to air pressure. Set the torque output as follows:-

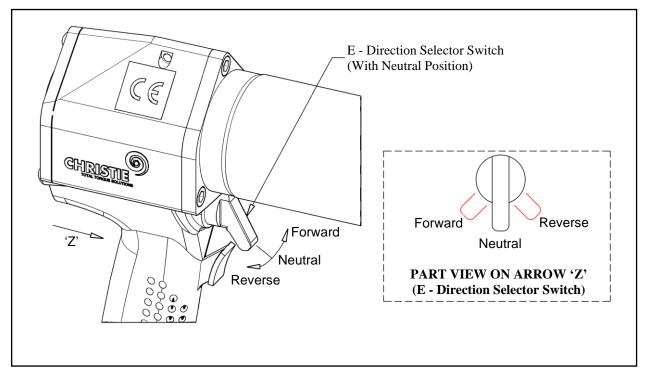
- 1. Ensure direction selector switch (E) is set to "Forward".
- 2. Identify the air pressure required using the air pressure calibration graph.
- 3. Adjust the C-RAD Lubro Control Unit regulator knob (5) (see "Typical C-RAD Lubro Unit Parts Layout" section) whilst free running the C-RAD wrench until the correct pressure is shown on the C-RAD Lubro pressure gauge. Do not exceed the maximum air pressure setting of the air pressure calibration graph.
- **INFORMATION:** While the wrench is free running check that the C-RAD lubro control unit is supplying approximately six drops of oil per minute. View flow rate through indicator sight glass (9) (see "Typical C-RAD Lubro Unit Parts Layout" section).

To adjust the C-RAD Lubro oil flow lift the adjusting ring (8) and turn to suit (clockwise to decrease flow, anti-clockwise to increase flow). Push the locking ring down to lock the adjustment.

4. When the air pressure is set, return the forward/reverse switch (E) to the neutral position and keep in this position until the tool is positioned on the fastener.

### SETTING TORQUE FOR BOLT LOOSENING

- 1. Ensure that the Forward/Reverse Switch is set to "Reverse".
- 2. Establish maximum air pressure from Air Pressure Graph or tool label and set air pressure for bolt tightening whilst free running the C-RAD wrench.
- 3. When the air pressure is set, return the forward/reverse switch (E) to the neutral position and keep in this position until the tool is positioned on the fastener.



#### **OPERATING THE WRENCH**

- 1. Fit the wrench with the correct size impact socket to suit the bolt to be tightened and retain with ring and pin system.
- 2. Rotate the handle to convenient position relative to the reaction arm.
- 3. Fit the tool onto the bolt to be tightened / un-tightened with the reaction arm adjacent to the reaction point (See "Torque Reaction" section).
- 4. Move the direction selector switch (E) from the neutral position and into either forward or reverse as required.
- 5. Squeeze the soft start trigger (F) partially to bring the reaction arm into contact with the reaction point.
- 6. Fully press the soft start trigger (F) and keep pressed until the tool stalls (when tightening) or the fastener is released (when un-tightening). If the trigger is released before the wrench stalls, full torque will not be applied to the bolt. Once the air motor stalls do not "blip" the trigger, or incorrect torque will be applied. Release the soft start trigger (F).
- 7. In use this tool must be supported at all times in order to prevent unexpected release of a fastener or component failure.
- 8. If a fastener will not un-tighten when the tool is set to maximum on the calibration certificate, do not "blip" the trigger repeatedly, use tooling of higher torque output.
- 9. Remove tool from bolt.
- **IMPORTANT:**If breakdown, malfunction or damage occurs do not attempt to repair, contact<br/>W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd immediately on +44 (0)1709 55 00 88.

#### **OPTIONAL REAR SAFETY TRIGGER OPERATION**

If the tool is fitted with the Rear Safety Trigger then both the soft start trigger and the rear safety trigger have to be pressed before the tool can operate. If either of the triggers is released the tool will stop.

To set the required torque, refer to the <u>SETTING TORQUE FOR BOLT TIGHTENING</u> section. When running the tool both the rear safety trigger and the soft start trigger will need to be pressed to rotate the drive.

- 10. Fit the wrench with the correct size impact socket to suit the bolt to be tightened and retain with ring and pin system.
- 11. Rotate the handle to convenient position relative to the reaction arm.
- 12. Fit the tool onto the bolt to be tightened / un-tightened with the reaction arm adjacent to the reaction point (See "Torque Reaction" section).
- 13. Move the direction selector switch (E) from the neutral position and into either forward or reverse as required.
- 14. Press the rear safety Trigger fully in then Squeeze the soft start trigger (F) partially to bring the reaction arm into contact with the reaction point.
- 15. Press the rear safety Trigger fully in then fully press the soft start trigger (F) and keep pressed until the tool stalls (when tightening) or the fastener is released (when un-tightening). If either trigger is released before the wrench stalls, full torque will not be applied to the bolt. Once the air motor stalls do not "blip" the trigger, or incorrect torque will be applied. Release the soft start trigger then the rear safety Trigger .
- 16. In use, this tool must be supported at all times in order to prevent unexpected release of a fastener or component failure.
- 17. If a fastener will not un-tighten when the tool is set to maximum on the calibration certificate, do not "blip" the trigger repeatedly, use tooling of higher torque output.
- 18. Remove tool from bolt.

#### MAINTENANCE AND RECALIBRATION

To prevent premature failure and ensure confidence in torque supply, it is recommended that this equipment is serviced and calibrated at least on an annual basis, by W. Christie (Industrial) Ltd.

Check oil level in lubricator and fill if required (See "C-RAD Lubro Pre-Check" Page for details).

### WARRANTY

Christie C-RAD wrenches come with a one year (1) conditional warranty.

Christie C-RAD Wrenches are guaranteed against manufacturer and material defects, but not against abuse, misuse or neglect by the user.

The Square Drive is a non warranty item.

When returning tooling for examination, always ensure the reaction arm, impact sockets and C-RAD Lubro control unit are returned.





# **E.C. DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

MODELS COVERED: C-RAD1, C-RAD5, C-RAD5A, C-RAD8, C-RAD8A, CRAD10L, C-RAD10X, C-RAD10XA, C-RAD14, C-RAD14A, C-RAD20 C-RAD21, C-RAD21A, C-RAD27, C-RAD27A, C-RAD34, C-RAD40DX, C-RAD40, C-RAD40A, C-RAD46, C-RAD68, C-RAD70, C-RAD80, C-RAD115, C-RAD 150, C-RAD10LNA, C-RAD21XN, C-RAD27XN

## **DESCRIPTION:** <u>Pneumatic Torque Wrench</u>

We hereby declare that the following machinery complies with the essential health and safety requirements of the European Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC published on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2006

W Christie (Industrial) Ltd, Meadowbank Road, Rotherham S61 2NF, United Kingdom.

This machinery has been designed and manufactured in accordance with the following transposed harmonised European Standard:-

BS EN ISO 12100-2:2003 Safety of Machinery – Technical Principles

BS EN 792-6:2000

Hand-held, non-electric power tools - Safety requirements. Assembly power tools for threaded fasteners

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