

MULTI-CULTURAL TRIMMER

Instructions

Men with very curly facial hair have a special problem with shaving. Specifically, ingrown whiskers. Their whiskers curl back toward the skin — and grow in many different directions.

Electric razors can't pick them up through their slotted or mesh heads. And safety razors slice them off at a sharp angle. Either way, the stubble is left in an ideal condition to cause ingrown hair problems. Continued shaving over the bumps and irritated skin, of course, makes the condition worse.

But you don't have to stop shaving altogether. With this Wahl trimmer and its specially designed T-blade, you can maintain a neat, shaved appearance while getting help with ingrown whiskers. Its open-tooth comb action picks up and straightens curly whiskers for cutting — while its high-speed blades move across at a flat angle to the whiskers, clipping them off evenly.

WASH UP

1. Make sure your hands and fingernails are scrubbed as clean as possible before touching your face. Irritated skin is very easily infected by germs.
2. Wash and dry your face thoroughly to unclog pores and whisker follicles. Use a rough towel to help remove dead skin and invigorate the skin. Also, consider using an antiseptic lotion.

BRUSH UP - USE OF BEARD BRUSH

3. Brush your beard thoroughly every day with a good scrubbing action. This is important because it frees ingrown whiskers and moves the rest around so they don't take hold and start growing in. Use the special beard brush provided or any other small, stiff-bristle brush that can be sanitized (a toothbrush is fine). Keep the brush clean.

4. Brush your face as often as possible to start training your beard to grow in one direction. This goes a long way to ensuring a clean, close shave without skin irritation (you may even want to stop shaving altogether long enough to establish a brushing pattern). Most people can expect good results following these brushing strokes:

- Brush down from each ear, across the cheek and along the jawbone toward the chin.
- Brush away from the point of the chin on each side, back along the lines just under the jawbone.
- Brush up from the lower hairline, all around the neck, up to the lines of the previous stroke.
- Brush from the lower lip down over the chin.
- Brush down from the nose to the upper lip.

5. Shave with Wahl trimmer following the **SAME STROKES** and going in the **SAME DIRECTION** you brushed. Stretch a section of skin with the fingers of one hand, while holding the shaver blade head flat against the face with the other hand. Push it forward with slight pressure in a stroking action across the skin. You may want to go over the same area several times. Just be sure you always shave in the same direction each time.

6. Continue this program as long as ingrown hairs and bumps are a problem. Later, you may wish to switch back to a razor-close shaving method. But return to use of the Wahl trimmer at the first sign of the problem coming back. And never stop brushing.

MUSTACHE TRIMMING

1. Comb your mustache. Looking into a well-lit mirror, comb your mustache in the direction that it grows. This will help reveal stray hairs and achieve an even, balanced trim.

2. Cut the outline of your mustache. Holding the trimmer in a vertical position, with the nameplate side facing you, define the line of your mustache. The extended tips on the blades let you achieve a clean, well-defined mustache line.

3. Defining. As a finishing step, hold the trimmer with the name-plate facing you. Using only the bare blades, make a definitive line at the bottom of your mustache.

4. Tapering. Hold the trimmer with the nameplate facing away from you. Again starting with the middle of your mustache, follow the lip line and taper out the mustache until a gentle shape is created on the bottom portion of your mustache.

5. Defining. As a finishing step, hold the trimmer with nameplate facing make a definitive line at the bottom of your mustache.

TRIMMING AND EDGING YOUR BEARD

The following are suggested trimming steps and trimmer positions. You may find different procedures work better for you.

1. Comb your beard in the direction that it grows to help reveal stray hairs that may be longer than the others.

2. Attach the longest trimming guide to trim and taper your beard. Start at each sideburn and stroke downward toward your neck. Trim toward your chin in smooth, overlapping strokes, following the lay of your beard. If you trim against the way your beard naturally lays, the trimmer will cut the hair much shorter and the result may be patchy.

Use to progressively shorter trimming guides until you reach the desired length of beard. You may wish to use the shortest trimming guide attachment to cut closer near the ear and down under the chin, changing to a longer trimming guide toward the front of the face and point of your chin. Always be sure the trimming guide is locked solidly into the desired position before you start to trim.

3. To cut the outline of your beard, remove the trimming guide. Starting under your chin and working back toward your jawbone and ears, cut the outer perimeter of your beard underneath the jawbone. Continue the line all the way up to the ears and hairline.

4. Accentuate your beard line by using the trimmer in a downward motion. Start at the line you've created and, working from the chin back toward the ears, trim the area right under your beard line.

5. Define the upper part of your beard using the same technique.

USE YOUR Wahl TRIMMER ON HAIR, TOO

That's part of its job. You can use it to keep expensive hairstyles trimmed-shaping hairlines, fading defining parts and trimming around neck and ears. You can use it to style hair, too, if you wish.

To trim or style hair, first shampoo and dry hair thoroughly.

Holding the Wahl trimmer with toothed edge pointed down, trim off a little at a time, carefully. It may be best to have someone else help you.

Your trimmer comes with three attachments: #1, #2, and #3. For fading, use the attachment you desire; #1 for shortest length, #2 for medium length, and #3 for longest length. Attach the guide comb to the trimmer, making sure it is secure. Hold trimmer toward the temple line; begin to cut hair in an upward motion, staying below temple line for high, tight fades. For high, tight fade or military style fades, use trimmer with attachment. Cut hair past temple line, working your way around the head from one side to the other. For blending techniques, use #2 and #3 attachments to remove bulky hairline.

Eventually, you should develop the skills to stay well groomed by a quick trim around neck, ears and sideburns.

FADE CUT

1. Start at the temple and cut all the way around the head to establish the ultimate location of the fade line. Always cut against the grain for the shortest cut. Don't force the blade through the hair. Let the trimmer do the work.

2. Next, cut around the head again and up the nape of the neck to the fade line, brushing away the cut hair as you go. Pull the scalp taut with the thumb for the closest cut. Turn the trimmer upside down when necessary to keep cutting against the grain. Make sure both sides of the head are even.

3. For the top of the head, cut with the grain using the individual guide comb attachments. The smaller the number of the comb, the shorter the cut. Comb or brush the hair as you cut for an even end result.

4. To complete the fade, blend the hair at the fade line by trimming up and out across the line and against the grain all the way around the head. Then, repeat all around, turning the T-Pro trimmer upside down and cutting downward. The final objective is to blend the hair so there is no real line, just a perfect fade from bald to very short hair. You can achieve this by using the #1 individual guide comb attachment. Continue combing and cutting until you achieve the desired effect.

5. To create a part, pick a spot off-center. Pull the scalp tight and with the end of the blade perpendicular to the head, move the trimmer back and forth to cut a line. Comb through it and cut again to make sure the cut is precise.

For the cleaning and care instructions of your trimmer, please download the Care Instructions.

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