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JTC-WEDGE

- **Mandatory Safety Instructions:** Warning any and all manual breaching actions place the end user at risk of serious and permanent injury. All operators of the JTC-WEDGE must read and understand the instructions below. The JTC-WEDGE should only be used by operators who have read and understand the instructions provided. All operators must wear eye and hand protection as well as any other protective equipment they deem necessary for the operation.
- **Maintenance:** The WEDGE must be maintained like any other piece of equipment. The operator must remove any loose debris prior to using. The operator must inspect all handles and the body for any bumps or burrs that may have developed while being used. If any burrs are located, use a file to remove and smooth the area.
- **JTC-WEDGE Technique:** The Wedge is designed with a wedge portion on one striking end of the body. This wedge is designed to be used to defeat the weakest portion of any inward opening door, the seam. The wedge should be struck into the seam between the door jam and the lock set and or sets. ***The wedge is designed to be struck against the seam of the door with the wedge facing north and south not side to side. Failure to follow these instructions will result in a failed breach and possible injury as well.*** The operator should approach the target door and set themselves at approx a 45 degree angle to the door. This will allow the Wedge to swing without any worries of back space and/or tight hallways. The operator must have their back closest to the hinge side of the door. This is to prevent any injury such as striking ones forearm against the door jam in the event that the door opened with less resistance than anticipated. Such action would result in your forearms striking the door jam.

Warning: The wedge will be less effective the further your strikes are from the seam. Any fortified door will take more then one strike to defeat. The Wedge also will slide side to side if you attempt to strike a flat surface.
- **JTC- WEDGE Standard Ramming Technique:** The Wedge is designed to be used as a traditional heavy duty ram. With one exception like everything JTC designs we wanted to do more with less that is the reason for the wedge end. Opposite of the wedge end is a 5X5 inch custom hardened strike plate designed for heavy front end abuse. This feature should be used as a traditional ram. As with the Wedge Technique the operator

should have his back to the hinges of the door. The operator should attempt to ram open the door by striking as close to the lock set and or sets. The operators can also strike north and south in the center of the door multiple times causing a crease that will then force the door open by causing separation from the lock sets.

- **Warning: Any fortified door will take more the one strike to defeat. Failure to strike an inward opening door without your back facing the hinges may result in serious injury or disfigurement to the operator hands and forearms.**
- **Concrete Block Walls/Immovable Objects:** When using the Wedge for the purpose of creating a port and or a hole in a wall, the operator must leave the front handle unused at all times. The Wedge has multiple handles attached to the top in order to allow the operator to leave the front handle open while striking a concrete block or other type of wall. The Wedge end can be used to mark out and score a shape on the block wall. The operators can then switch to the 5X5 plate and knock out the portion inside the score lines. This will take repeated strikes to accomplish.
- **Warning; holding the front handle during this operation may cause permanent injury and or disfigurement to the operator. Failure slow your swing once the wall starts to collapse can cause the Wedge to pull operators forward, jerking their body parts, as well as trapping the Wedge in heavy debris during the collapse of the wall. Operators should know their target and beyond I.E., pipes and or electrical wiring. Striking these and other objects could cause death and or serious injury. Striking any wall and or immovable object will result in blow back I.E., the return of energy placed upon the object.**
- **Warning any motion such as swinging, twisting and rotating of hips and other body parts while holding onto the 40lb JTC-WEDGE can result in injury and or disabilities from such action.**