

FAUCETS 101: THE PLUMBING D-I-Y-ER'S TOOLBOX



IF YOU KEEP A TOOLBOX WITH THE NECESSARY TOOLS HANDY, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SAVE TIME WHEN A PLUMBING REPAIR PROBLEM POPS UP.

THE FIRST TOOL YOU'LL NEED IS:
THE TOOLBOX.

THERE ARE A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT KINDS, BUT A SMALL, PORTABLE TOOLBOX OR PLASTIC TRAY WILL WORK.

CHECK OUT THE TOOL CARRIERS AT MAINSTREETPLUMBINGPARTS.COM

MAINSTREETPLUMBINGPARTS.COM ALSO OFFERS A TOOL CARRIER ALREADY STOCKED WITH THE D-I-Y TOOLS YOU'LL NEED TO BEGIN IN A HARD PLASTIC BOX OR A SOFT-SIDE.



IN ADDITION TO THE ASSORTMENT OF WRENCHES, SCREWDRIVERS AND PLIERS THAT CAN BE FOUND IN THE HANDYMAN'S TOOLBOX, SPECIFIC TOOLS ARE NEEDED FOR THE **PLUMBING** DO-IT-YOURSELF-ER.

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Basic [^] **TOOLS**

TO THOROUGHLY (AND CORRECTLY) DO A PLUMBING JOB, THESE ARE THE ITEMS YOU NEED.

WANT TO GET THE TOOLS YOU NEED WITHOUT RUNNING ALL OVER TOWN? MAINSTREETPLUMBINGPARTS.COM HAS WHAT YOU NEED!



THE D-I-YER'S TOOLBOX

from



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MAINSTREETPLUMBINGPARTS.COM
OFFERS 2 TOOL KITS THAT COME
COMPLETE FOR THE BEGINNING
PLUMBING D-I-YER

WHILE YOU MAY NEED TOOLS LIKE
ADJUSTABLE WRENCHES, NEEDLE
NOSE PLIERS AND FLAT
SCREWDRIVERS FOR OTHER PROJECTS
AROUND YOUR HOME, THEY MAY NOT
BE SUITABLE FOR PLUMBING
PROJECTS WHERE YOU NEED TO REACH
INTO TIGHT PLACES, AVOID STRIPPING
THREADS OR GRIP PARTS WITHOUT
SCRATCHING OR DENTING. THAT'S WHY
OUR KIT HAS THE SPECIFIC TOOLS FOR
YOUR PROJECT!

OUR COMPLETE KIT IS PERFECT FOR
THE DO-IT-YOURSELFER WHOSE
EXPERIENCE WITH PLUMBING IS
LIMITED.

THIS KIT INCLUDES:



A 6-IN-1 SCREWDRIVER WITH 3
FLAT BITS AND 3 PHILIPS HEAD BITS

**A SOCKET
WRENCH
SET**



SOCKET
WRENCHES
ARE ALSO
CALLED
"RATCHETS", AND THESE
ARE USED TO TIGHTEN
(AND LOOSEN) NUTS AND
BOLTS ON TUB STEMS.
THE SET IN THE
MAINSTREET KIT CONTAIN
THE MOST COMMONLY
USED WRENCHES. SOME
FAUCETS REQUIRE A
UNIQUE WRENCH, SUCH AS
THE AMERICAN STANDARD
"COLONY" FAUCET



AMERICAN
STANDARD
"COLONY"
SOCKET
WRENCH

SOCKET
WRENCHES
ARE AVAILABLE
WITH 6 OR 12 POINTS.
12 POINTS ALLOW
FLEXIBILITY BECAUSE
THEY CAN BE USED
ON SQUARE NUTS AND
FASTENERS, BUT
THE CHANCE OF
ROUNDING OR
SLIPPING OFF A NUT
IS GREATER.



A SEAT WRENCH KIT



A SEAT WRENCH IS A TOOL, L-SHAPED OR STRAIGHT, USED TO REMOVE THE SEAT FROM INSIDE A COMPRESSION FAUCET (SEE EXAMPLE AT RIGHT)



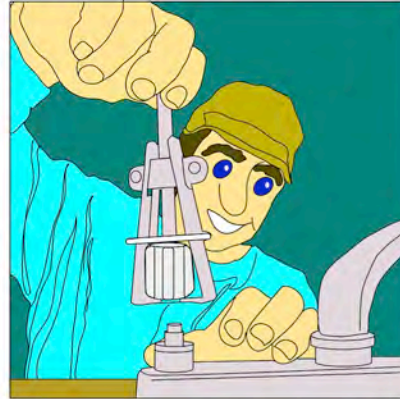
AT LEFT IS HOW THE WRENCH FITS INTO THE SEAT (WHICH IS DOWN INSIDE THE FAUCET HANDLE..)



THE SHORTY SQUEX WRENCH IS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE COMPLETE SEAT WRENCH KIT AND IS AVAILABLE IN OUR ECONOMY KIT.

HANDLE PULLER

YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU HAVE THIS HANDY LITTLE GADGET IF YOU HAVE A FAUCET HANDLE THAT'S FUSED AND CORRODED ONTO THE STEM. WITHOUT IT, THERE'S THE POSSIBILITY OF CAUSING MORE DAMAGE TRYING TO GET THE HANDLE OFF.



THE HANDLE PULLER WORKS LIKE UNCORKING A WINE BOTTLE: THE PULLER'S SHAFT FITS INTO THE SCREW HOLE AND THE ARMS GO UNDER THE BASE OF THE HANDLE.

TURN THE GRIP CLOCKWISE, AND THE ARMS WILL LIFT FREEING THE HANDLE.

SOFT JAW PLIERS



THESE ADJUSTABLE PLIERS ARE 10" LONG AND HAVE A 2" CAPACITY. THE DETACHABLE RUBBER GRIPS PREVENT SCRATCHING AND DENTING OF CHROME AND OTHER EASILY MARRED MATERIALS.

RUST PENETRANT

WORKS TO LOOSEN WHATEVER MIGHT BE CORRODED OR "FROZEN": NUTS, BOLTS, PIPING



TELESCOPIC BASIN WRENCH



THIS REALLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH A BASIN - IT'S USED TO REMOVE THOSE HARD TO REACH NUTS ON THE UNDERSIDE OF THE SINK. (THE ONES THAT HOLD THE FAUCET TO THE SINK). IT'S EXTREMELY DIFFICULT IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO REACH THOSE NUTS WITHOUT THIS TOOL.

THIS WRENCH HAS A LONG HANDLE WITH A SERRATED, SWIVEL MOUNTED JAW. BECAUSE OF THIS SWIVEL, THE JAW CAN ROTATE 90° AND PIVOT 180° (THIS ALLOWS IT TO FLIP OVER FOR TIGHTENING AND LOOSENING THE NUT). IT CAN REACH THOSE METAL NUTS AND OPEN UP TO 1" IN DIAMETER.

WITH THE TELESCOPING HANDLE YOU CAN ADJUST THE LENGTH DEPENDING ON HOW FAR YOU HAVE TO REACH.

LASTLY, MAINSTREETPLUMBINGPARTS.COM HAS A ROOMY, FUNCTIONAL TOOL CARRIER TO KEEP THOSE TOOLS HANDY AND ACCESSIBLE! YOU CAN CHOOSE FROM A SOLID PLASTIC TOOL BOX IN YELLOW AND BLACK WITH A SLIDE OUT UTILITY TRAY OR YOU CAN CHOOSE A SOFT SIDED "GATEMOUTH JR" BAG FROM BUCKET BOSS.

THE COMPLETE KIT IN A HARD PLASTIC BOX IS PART # 60801012
THE COMPLETE KIT IN A SOFT-SIDED POUCH IS PART #60801013
THE ECONOMY KIT IN A HARD PLASTIC BOX IS PART # 60801014
THE ECONOMY KIT IN A SOFT-SIDED POUCH IS PART \$ 60801015



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FAUCETS 101: FIXING A LEAKY FAUCET

