

A dozen Wiha screwdrivers which protect health

“12 healthy options, please!” Ergonomic Wiha screwdriver sets promise less pain and more power

Schonach, July 2016 – Less pain and more power for the user, fewer illness-related absences and healthier, happier employees for the boss – these are the ideal effects that come with using the screwdrivers in the Wiha SoftFinish® range. Wiha’s ergonomic handle size concept, which is employed throughout all the fastening tools in the SoftFinish®, SoftFinish® electric, SoftFinish® ESD and MicroFinish® ranges, was recommended for better health-preservation and more ergonomic work by AGR e.V. In November 2015, after a series of intensive tests and inspections by doctors and therapists. In light of trade and market demand, Wiha now offers two new 12-piece sets of SoftFinish® screwdrivers, covering a wide range of applications.

In contrast to most standard handles by tool manufacturers, this concept includes the distinguished and recommended AGR e.V. concept of four small handles that fit optimally in the hand for the highest level of precision and control, whilst the large handles are ideal for powerful fastening and include integrated hard and soft zones. This aims to help users to reduce or even completely prevent discomfort in the musculoskeletal system and pain in the joints and muscles. This was the first time in the world that the quality seal had been awarded to a hand tool manufacturer. The ergonomic handle concept was scientifically created within the framework of collaborative research with the IAO Fraunhofer Institute for Industrial Engineering in Stuttgart, and has now managed to convince the independent panel of doctors. The two new sets, which consist of a dozen of these ergonomic screwdrivers, are available in the SoftFinish® and the VDE-certified version SoftFinish® electric versions.

“Through intensive discussions both with trade and different user groups, it became very clear that there was strong demand for a larger, more comprehensive set of screwdrivers than just six items. If a new set is to be offered, it has to cover practically every fastening situation. With the expansion of the SoftFinish family to 12 screwdrivers each, users are now equipped with a wide variety of profiles and handle sizes for almost any eventuality,” states Ronny Lindskog, Sales and Marketing Manager.

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The 12-piece SoftFinish® screwdriver sets by Wiha cover a wide range of fastening applications and set the highest standards in terms of ergonomics, efficiency and functionality. In 2015, Wiha was the first hand tool manufacturer in the world to receive the AGR quality seal for this ergonomical screwdriver handle concept.

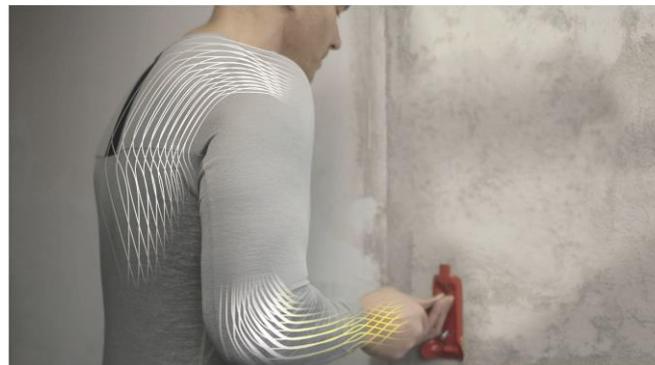


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The developed handle sizes provide perfectly correlated handle lengths and diameters to create unrivalled ergonomic use.



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The ergonomic screwdriver handle size concept by Wiha can be used in a wide range of applications



About Wiha

Wiha is one of the leading manufacturers in the world for hand tools for professional use in trade and industry. A host of awards underline the setting of standards in terms of functionality, design and quality. In 2015, Wiha was the first hand tool manufacturer in the world to receive the internationally recognised AGR seal, which confirms the effectiveness and benefits of its screwdriver and plier handle ergonomics. Alongside these high ergonomic standards, the innovative range of screwdrivers, torque tools, L-keys, bits, soft-head hammers, pliers, measuring tools and articulated hoses also offers real added-value and user benefits in terms of increased efficiency and functionality in everyday work. Founded in 1939, the company was also distinguished with the Manufacturing Excellence Award (MX Award) as the best SME in Germany in 2014. Currently over 800 employees manufacture and market more than 3,500 premium tools.
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