QUICK INSTRUCTION GUIDE

D16L | AVIATION SNIPS (LEFT CUTTING)

Quick operating instructions • Keep this sheet for reference

PURPOSE	MODEL D16L
Manual snips for short straight cuts and left-curved cuts in thin sheet metal.	Left-cutting aviation snips with high-grade steel blades and micro-serrated edges.

BEFORE YOU START

- Inspect blades, pivot, handles and locking mechanism for damage.
- Wear protective glasses and cut-resistant gloves; support sheet metal.
- Mark the cut and verify material and thickness are within tool limits.

HOW TO USE

1. Secure the sheet metal and mark the intended straight or left-curved cutting path.
2. Inspect snips and release the handle locking mechanism, if engaged.
3. Position the blades at the starting edge, aligned with the marked cutting line.
4. Keep hands clear of blades and position the workpiece to allow offcuts to move.
5. Squeeze the handles smoothly to begin the cut with controlled pressure.
6. Advance the snips in short, steady strokes, following the marked line.
7. For left-curved cuts, rotate the tool gradually to follow the curve.
8. Avoid forcing tight turns or cutting material beyond the rated thickness.
9. Inspect the cut for burrs and sharp edges; deburr where necessary.
10. Remove offcuts, clean the blades and secure the snips for storage.

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTES

- Sharp cut metal and offcuts can cause injury; protect eyes and hands.
- Keep fingers clear of blades and pinch points; secure the workpiece.
- Hand operation only; do not force hardened or oversized sheet metal.

CARE AND STORAGE

Remove debris; wipe and lightly oil blades and pivot as BESSEY recommends.

SPECIFICATIONS

Cutting direction: Left (D16L); straight and short left-curved cuts.

Length: 9-1/2" (240 mm); blade: 1-9/16" (40 mm); weight: approx. 0.84 lb.

Rated sheet thickness: 1.2 mm at 600 N/mm²; micro-serrated blades.

HELP AND REFERENCE

Manufacturer instructions: Refer to official BESSEY D16L product information.

Customer support: rapidmaterials.com

IMPORTANT: This quick guide does not replace manufacturer instructions.