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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**MAKITA RELEASES NEW 18V LXT BRUSHLESS 3-SPEED IMPACT WRENCH WITH 4.0H BATTERY  
XWT02M delivers power, speed, and precise fastening control**

**La Mirada, CA –** Makita has released a new cordless fastening solution for automotive, installation and fabrication trades with the 18V LXT® Lithium-Ion Brushless 3-Speed ½” Impact Wrench. The new XWT02M combines the extended run time of brushless motor technology with the new 18V LXT® Lithium-Ion 4.0 Ah battery, as well as 3 speed settings for unmatched performance for fastening applications with half-inch sockets.

The new XWT02M is part of Makita’s expanding 18V Lithium-Ion series, which offers 80+ tools and is the world’s largest cordless tool line-up powered by an 18V Lithium-Ion slide-style battery. Makita 18V Lithium-Ion batteries have the fastest charge times in their categories, so they spend more time working and less time sitting on the charger.

**3 Speed Settings for Precision Fastening**

“The new XWT02M is the latest in Makita’s long line of expertise, innovation and leadership in cordless fastening tools,” said Mario Lopez, Makita Product Manager, Cordless Tools. “Three speeds with a reversible setting mean more control for fastening applications. And with the efficient brushless motor and the fast-charging Makita 18 volt LXT® Lithium-Ion 4.0 amp-hour battery, they’ll benefit from longer run time and increased productivity.”

**Makita BL™ Brushless Motor Technology**

The XWT02M is powered by Makita’s efficient BL™ Brushless motor, which is electronically controlled to optimize battery energy use for up to 50% longer run time per charge than similar non-brushless tools. Electronic controls efficiently use battery energy to match torque and RPM to the changing demands of the application for increased power and speed when needed. And since there are no carbon brushes, the BL™ Brushless motor runs cooler and more efficiently for longer life.

**Precision Features for Fastening**

The efficient BL™ Brushless Motor with a 3-speed power selection switch gives contractors more control and convenience for a wide range of fastening tasks:

* Low setting: 0-1,600 RPM, 0-1,800 IPM, and 59 ft.lbs. of Max Torque
* Medium setting: 0-2,100 RPM, 0-2,600 IPM, and 129 ft.lbs. of Max Torque
* High setting: 0-2,800 RPM, 0-3,500 IPM and 210 ft.lbs. of Max Torque

**Star Protection Computer Controls™**

For improved tool performance and extended battery life, the XWT02M features Star Protection Computer Controls™. Star Protection is communication technology that allows the Star Protection-equipped tool and battery to exchange data in real time and monitor conditions during use to protect against overloading, over-discharging and overheating. For increased versatility, the tool can also be powered by Makita 18V LXT® and Compact Lithium-Ion batteries with the star symbol on the battery indicating Star Protection inside.

**XPT for Added Durability in Harsh Conditions**

For added durability, the XWT02M features Makita Extreme Protection Technology (XPT). XPT is a protective seal inside the tool engineered for improved water resistance by channeling water and dust from the tool’s key internal components. The XPT-equipped XWT02M is engineered for improved operation in harsh jobsite conditions.

**Ergonomic Design, Superior Balance**

An added benefit of Makita Brushless Motor Technology is increased motor efficiency in a more compact size. The XWT02M is 5-3/4” in length and weighs only 3.8 lbs. with an ergonomic design and superior balance. Additional features include a 3-stage L.E.D. gauge that indicates battery charge level, and the built-in L.E.D. light with independent on/off switch illuminates the work area for increased visibility. Similar to all Makita impact drivers and impact wrenches, the anvil impact mechanism in the XWT02M is engineered using the best raw materials with the highest quality steel and unique heat hardening process for maximum fastening and driving power.

**Specifications**

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|  | **XTW02M** | **XTW02Z** |
| Capacity (chuck) | 1/2” | 1/2” |
| No Load RPM | 0-1,600/0-2,100/0-2,800 | 0-1,600/0-2,100/0-2,800 |
| Impacts/Min (IPM) | 0-1,800/0-2,600/0-3,500 | 0-1,800/0-2,600/0-3,500 |
| Maximum Torque | 210 ft.lbs./280 N•m | 210 ft.lbs./280 N•m |
| Battery (Ah) | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Length | 5-3/4” | 5-3/4” |
| Net Weight (lbs. with battery) | 3.8 | 3.8 (with battery, sold separately) |
| **Includes** | **Tool; 2 ea. LXT® Lithium-Ion 4.0Ah Batteries; Rapid Optimum Charger; Contractor Tool Bag** | **Tool only** |
| Suggested Retail | $369 | $189 |

**About Makita®**

Makita® is a worldwide manufacturer of industrial quality power tools and outdoor power equipment, and offers a wide range of industrial accessories. Makita utilizes leading-edge technology and innovation to engineer tools that are more compact with less weight yet deliver industrial power and results. Makita's extensive line of cordless lithium-ion tools includes 18V LXT® Brushless Lithium-Ion, 18V Compact Lithium-Ion, and 12V max Lithium-Ion. Other best-in-class products include rotary and demolition hammers and saws equipped with Anti-Vibration Technology (AVT®), MM4® 4-Stroke engine power equipment, Super Joint System (SJS®) grinders, miter saws engineered with Deep and Exact Cutting Technology (DXT®), Impact GOLD®, the New Gold Standard in Impact Driving, and more. Makita U.S.A., Inc. is located in La Mirada, California, and operates an extensive distribution network located throughout the U.S. For more information, call 800/4-MAKITA (800/462-5482) or go to makitatools.com. Follow Makita: facebook.com/makitatoolspage, twitter.com/makitatools, youtube.com/makitapowertools, instagram.com/makitatools. The MAKITA TEAL COLOR is the trade dress of Makita Corporation and is protected under common law and registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The Makita Black & White color combination is the trade dress of Makita Corporation and is protected under common laws and registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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