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**MAKITA EXPANDS ITS CORDLESS WOODWORKING SOLUTIONS WITH 1/3 SHEET FINISHING SANDER**

The new XOB03 delivers all the power and control of a corded version without the cord

**April 13, 2022, La Mirada, CA** – Makita U.S.A., Inc., manufacturer of high-quality professional tools and accessories, has expanded its cordless woodworking solutions with the 18V LXT® 1/3 Sheet Finishing Sander (model XOB03). The sander provides the power and performance of a corded version, but without the cord. It is powered by an efficient brushless motor that provides a convenient wood finishing solution for the user.

“Makita has a long history in the woodworking category, and today most of these legacy products have cut the cord,” said Wayne Hart, senior communications manager, Makita U.S.A., Inc. “This new finishing sander is the latest addition to our cordless woodworking solutions. For carpenters and woodworkers, it means more convenience and no more cord dragging behind.”

**Multiple Speeds, More Control**

The 1/3 sheet finishing sander offers three-speed settings (4,000, 8,000, 12,000 OPM) with a one-touch control so the user can match the speed to the application. The motor and battery location is engineered to reduce flutter and help achieve an evenly finished surface.

**Efficient Dust Management**

The XOB03 has an efficient through-the-pad dust collection system for a cleaner work environment. For added convenience, it’s equipped with Auto-Start Wireless System (AWS™). AWS™ utilizes Bluetooth® technology for wireless power-on/power-off between the tool and an equipped dust extractor. Once connected via AWS™, the AWS™-equipped dust extractor will automatically power on or off when the AWS™-equipped cordless tool starts or stops, running only when the tool is in use. This increases productivity for battery-powered dust extractors and reduces continuous noise at the job or work site.

**18V LXT® System**

The LXT® System, the world’s largest cordless tool system powered by 18V lithium-ion slide-style batteries, takes a user from power tools to outdoor power equipment to get the job done. Makita purpose-built motors, battery technology, and enhanced communications work together to deliver unmatched power, speed, and run time. With solutions for every trade, users get maximum performance and efficiency with the LXT® System.

**Specifications**

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| **Description** | 18V LXT® Lithium-Ion Brushless Cordless 1/3 Sheet Finishing Sander, AWS® Capable, Tool Only |
| **Form Factor** | 18V LXT® |
| **Battery Type** | 18V LXT® Lithium-Ion |
| **Motor Type** | Brushless |
| **Orbits Per Minute (3 Speeds)** | 4,000, 8,000, 12,000 OPM |
| **Orbit Diameter** | 1/16” |
| **Vibration (m/s²)** | 3.6 |
| **Pad Size** | 3-5/8” x 7-1/4” |
| **Abrasive Paper Size** | 3-5/8” x 9” |
| **Net Weight (With Battery, Sold Separately)** | 4.9 lbs. |
| **Overall Length** | 13-1/4” |

**About Makita**

Makita is a worldwide manufacturer of industrial power tools, power equipment, pneumatics, and cleaning solutions that offer a wide range of industrial accessories. Makita U.S.A., Inc. is located in La Mirada, California, and operates an extensive distribution network throughout the U.S.A. With over 50 years in the United States and over 100 years worldwide, Makita utilizes experience and expertise to manufacture best-in-class solutions. For more information about Makita U.S.A. call (800) 4-MAKITA or visit makitatools.com. Find Makita on Instagram, YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter @makitatools

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