

## WARNING FRESNO FLOAT

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. **YOU** are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

 **WARNING:** Operating, servicing, and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including Silica Crystalline (airborne particles of respirable size) from concrete which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing dust. For more information go to [www.P65warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65warnings.ca.gov)

Warning metal conducts electricity. Do Not use this Fresno float where it may come into contact with power lines or other electric circuits. Failure to comply to this warning will result in serious personal injury or death. Keep appropriate distances from High Voltage lines. Extra caution and care are required on larger jobsites, as longer float handles maybe required, increasing the risk of coming into contact with electrical lines. Safe work practices dictate that a spotter be used whenever three or more pole extensions are used.

### PERSONAL SAFETY:

- **CONTACT** with wet (unhardened concrete, mortar, cement, or cement mixtures) can cause skin irritation, severe chemical burns, or serious eye damage. Avoid contact with eyes and skin.
- **WEAR** waterproof gloves, fully buttoned long-sleeved shirt, full-length pants, and tight-fitting eye protection when working with these materials. If you must stand in wet concrete, use waterproof boots that are tight at the top and high enough to keep concrete from flowing into them. If you are finishing concrete, wear knee pads to protect your knees.
- **WASH** wet concrete, mortar, cement, or cement mixtures from your skin with fresh, clean water immediately after contact, indirect contact through clothing can be as serious as direct contact, so promptly rinse wet concrete, mortar, cement, or cement mixtures from clothing. Seek medical attention if you have persistent or severe discomfort. In case of eye contact, flush with plenty of clean water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician immediately.

A Fresno Float is perfect when you are in need of applying a smooth finish to concrete. This float makes it easier to remove the unwanted imperfections when working with concrete.

### Fresno

- **What it is:** The Fresno may look similar to the bull float, but its blade is made of tempered or “blue” steel. The Fresno should only be used following the bull float.
- **Purpose:** The Fresno is applied after the bull float to better seal the surface of the slab.
- **Size:** Approximately 6” x 36” in size, but sizes do vary.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. If there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment, **DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!! FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH**