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**TE 3-ML**

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**Original operating instructions**





# 1 Information about the documentation

## 1.1 About this documentation

- Read this documentation before initial operation or use. This is a prerequisite for safe, trouble-free handling and use of the product.
- Observe the safety instructions and warnings in this documentation and on the product.
- Always keep the operating instructions with the product and make sure that the operating instructions are with the product when it is given to other persons.

## 1.2 Explanation of symbols used

### 1.2.1 Warnings

Warnings alert persons to hazards that occur when handling or using the product. The following signal words are used:

#### **DANGER**

##### **DANGER !**

- ▶ Draws attention to imminent danger that will lead to serious personal injury or fatality.

#### **WARNING**

##### **WARNING !**

- ▶ Draws attention to a potential threat of danger that can lead to serious injury or fatality.





#### **CAUTION**

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- ▶ Draws attention to a potentially dangerous situation that could lead to slight personal injury or damage to the equipment or other property.





### 1.2.2 Symbols in the documentation

The following symbols are used in this document:

	Read the operating instructions before use.
	Instructions for use and other useful information
	Dealing with recyclable materials
	Do not dispose of electric equipment and batteries as household waste

### 1.2.3 Symbols in the illustrations

The following symbols are used in illustrations:

	These numbers refer to the corresponding illustrations found at the beginning of these operating instructions
	The numbering reflects the sequence of operations shown in the illustrations and may deviate from the steps described in the text
	Item reference numbers are used in the <b>overview illustrations</b> and refer to the numbers used in the <b>product overview section</b>
	This symbol is intended to draw special attention to certain points when handling the product.

## 1.3 Product-dependent symbols

### 1.3.1 Symbols on the product

The following symbols can be used on the product:

	Wireless data transfer
	Drilling without hammer action
	Drilling with hammering action (hammer drilling)
	Forward / reverse
	Protection class II (double-insulated)
$n_0$	Rated speed under no load

## 1.4 Product information

products are designed for professional users and only trained, authorized personnel are permitted to operate, service and maintain the products. This personnel must be specifically informed about the possible hazards. The product and its ancillary equipment can present hazards if used incorrectly by untrained personnel or if used not in accordance with the intended use.

The type designation and serial number are printed on the rating plate.

- ▶ Write down the serial number in the table below. You will be required to state the product details when contacting Hilti Service or your local Hilti organization to inquire about the product.

### Product information

Rotary hammer	TE 3-M TE 3-C
Generation	01
Serial no.	

## 1.5 Declaration of conformity

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We declare, on our sole responsibility, that the product described here complies with the applicable directives and standards. A copy of the declaration issued by the certification department can be found at the end of this documentation.

The technical documentation is filed and stored here:

Hilti Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH | Tool Certification | Hiltistrasse 6 | 86916 Kaufering, Germany

## 2 Safety

### 2.1 Safety instructions

The safety rules given in the following section contain all general safety rules for electric tools which, in accordance with the applicable standards, require to be listed in the operating instructions. Accordingly, some of the rules listed may not be relevant to this electric tool.

#### 2.1.1 General power tool safety warnings

**WARNING**

**Read all safety warnings and all instructions.** Failure to follow the warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury.

**Save all warnings and instructions for future reference.**

The term "power tool" in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

#### Work area safety

- ▶ **Keep work area clean and well lit.** Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- ▶ **Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.** Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- ▶ **Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control.

## Electrical safety

- ▶ **Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools.** Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.
- ▶ **Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces, such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators.** There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed or grounded.
- ▶ **Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions.** Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- ▶ **Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts.** Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.
- ▶ **When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use.** Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
- ▶ **If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD) protected supply.** Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.

## Personal safety

- ▶ **Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
- ▶ **Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection.** Protective equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- ▶ **Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool.** Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
- ▶ **Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on.** A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.
- ▶ **Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- ▶ **Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts.** Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
- ▶ **If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used.** Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.

## Power tool use and care

- ▶ **Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application.** The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
- ▶ **Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off.** Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- ▶ **Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or the battery pack from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools.** Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.
- ▶ **Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool.** Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- ▶ **Maintain power tools. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use.** Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.
- ▶ **Keep cutting tools sharp and clean.** Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- ▶ **Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits etc. in accordance with these instructions, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed.** Use of the power tool for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.

## Service

- ▶ **Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts.** This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.

### 2.1.2 Hammer safety warnings

- ▶ **Wear ear protectors.** Exposure to noise can cause hearing loss.
- ▶ **Use auxiliary handles, if supplied with the tool.** Loss of control can cause personal injury.

- ▶ **Hold power tool by insulated gripping surfaces, when performing an operation where the cutting accessory may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** Cutting accessory contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.

### 2.1.3 Additional safety instructions

#### Personal safety

- ▶ **Modification of the tool is not permitted.**
- ▶ **Keep the grips dry, clean and free from oil and grease.**
- ▶ **Check that the side handle is fitted correctly and tightened securely. Always hold the tool securely with both hands on the grips provided.**
- ▶ **Wear a dust mask if the tool is operated without a dust removal system.**
- ▶ **Improve the blood circulation in your fingers by relaxing your hands and exercising your fingers during breaks between working.**
- ▶ **The tool is not intended for use by debilitated persons who have received no special training.**
- ▶ **Keep the tool out of reach of children.**
- ▶ **Avoid touching rotating parts. Switch the power tool on only after bringing it into position at the workpiece.** Touching rotating parts, especially rotating drill bits or other accessories, may lead to injury.
- ▶ **Always lead the supply cord and extension cord away from the tool to the rear while working.** This helps to avoid tripping over the cord while working.
- ▶ **Dust from material such as paint containing lead, some wood species, minerals and metal may be harmful. Contact with or inhalation of the dust may cause allergic reactions and/or respiratory diseases among operators or bystanders. Certain kinds of dust such as oak and beech wood dust are classified as carcinogenic, especially in conjunction with additives for wood conditioning (chromate, wood preservative). Material containing asbestos may be worked on only by specialists. Use a dust removal system that is as effective as possible. To achieve a high level of dust collection, use a suitable vacuum cleaner of the type recommended by Hilti for wood dust and/or mineral dust and which is designed for use with this tool. Ensure that the workplace is well ventilated. Observe national regulations applicable to the materials you intend to work with.**
- ▶ **In the event of a power failure or interruption in the electric supply, switch the tool off, unplug the supply cord and release the switch lockbutton (if applicable).** This will prevent accidental restarting when the electric power returns.

#### Electrical safety

- ▶ **Before beginning work, check the working area (e.g. using a metal detector) to ensure that no concealed electric cables or gas and water pipes are present.** External metal parts of the power tool may become live, for example, when an electric cable is damaged accidentally. This presents a serious risk of electric shock.
- ▶ **Check the tool's supply cord at regular intervals and have it replaced by a qualified specialist if found to be damaged. If the tool's supply cord is damaged it must be replaced with a specially-prepared and approved supply cord available from Hilti Customer Service. Check extension cords at regular intervals and replace them if found to be damaged. Do not touch the supply cord or extension cord if it is damaged while working. Disconnect the supply cord plug from the power outlet.** Damaged supply cords or extension cords present a risk of electric shock.

#### Work area

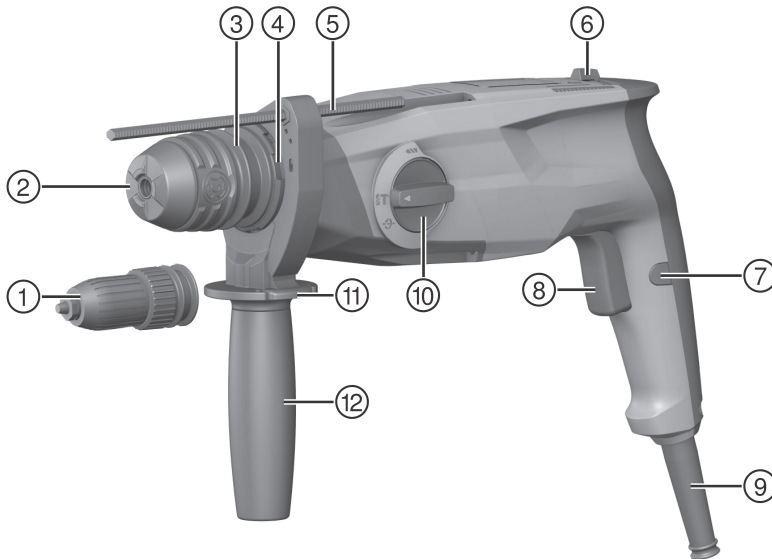
- ▶ **If the work involves breaking right through, take the appropriate safety measures at the opposite side.** Parts breaking away could fall out and / or fall down and injure other persons.

#### Personal safety

- ▶ **Wear protective gloves.** The product can get hot during operation. There is a risk of injury (cutting or burning) if the accessory tool is touched while changing it.

### 3 Description

#### 3.1 Parts of the tool and operating controls



- |   |   |   |                            |
|---|---|---|----------------------------|
| ① | Three-jaw chuck (TE 3-ML)                 | ⑦ | Control switch lock        |
| ② | SDS quick-release chuck                   | ⑧ | Control switch             |
| ③ | Chuck locking ring                        | ⑨ | Supply cord                |
| ④ | Connection for the dust collection module | ⑩ | Function selector switch   |
| ⑤ | Depth gauge                               | ⑪ | Depth gauge release button |
| ⑥ | Forward / reverse switch                  | ⑫ | Side handle                |

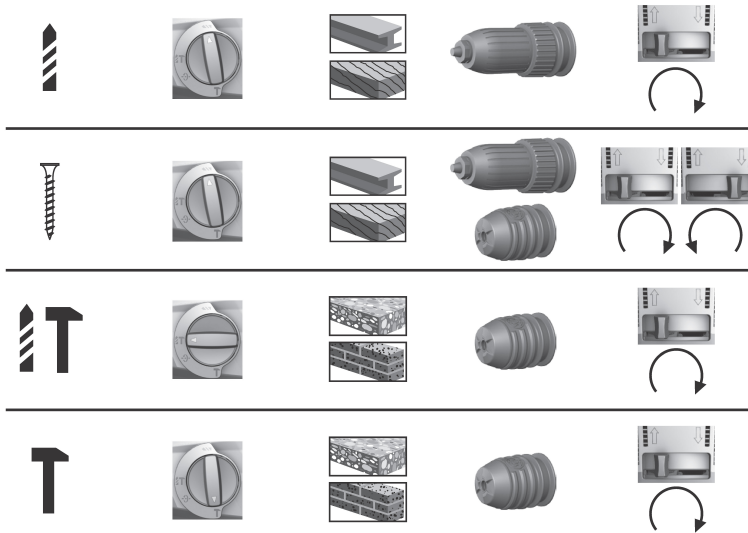
#### 3.2 Intended use

The product described is an electrically powered rotary hammer. It is designed for drilling in concrete, masonry, drywall / gypsum board, plastic, wood, metal and for driving and removing screws. The product can also be used for light chiseling work on masonry and surface finishing on concrete.

**Hilti** products are designed for professional use and may be operated, serviced and maintained only by trained, authorized personnel. This personnel must be informed of any particular hazards that may be encountered. The product described and its ancillary equipment may present hazards when used incorrectly by untrained personnel or when used not as directed.

- ▶ The tool may be operated only when connected to a power supply providing a voltage and frequency in compliance with the information given on its type plate.
- ▶ Observe the national health and safety requirements.
- ▶ To reduce the risk of injury, use only genuine **Hilti** tools and accessories.

### 3.3 Examples of applications



The applications shown are possible.

### 3.4 Items supplied

Rotary hammer, side handle, depth gauge, operating instructions.

**i** For safe, reliable operation, use only genuine Hilti spare parts and accessories. Spare parts, accessories and consumables approved by Hilti for use with this product can be found at your **Hilti Center** or at [www.hilti.group](http://www.hilti.group).

## 4 Technical data

### 4.1 Technical data

**i** When powered by a generator or transformer, the generator or transformer's power output must be at least twice the rated input power shown on the rating plate of the electric tool. The operating voltage of the transformer or generator must always be within +5% and -15% of the rated voltage of the electric tool.

The information given applies to a rated voltage of 230 V. The data may vary in the event of deviations from the rated voltage and for country-specific versions. Please refer to the electric tool's type identification plate for details of its voltage, frequency, current and input power ratings.

	TE 3-ML	TE 3-CL
<b>Weight</b>	3.1 kg	3.0 kg
<b>Single impact energy</b>	2.1 J	2.1 J
<b>Drilling diameter range in concrete/masonry (hammer drill bit)</b>	4 mm ...28 mm	4 mm ...28 mm
<b>Drilling diameter range in wood (solid)</b>	1.5 mm ...20 mm	1.5 mm ...20 mm

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<b>Drilling diameter range in metal (solid-head drill bit)</b>	1.5 mm ... 13 mm	1.5 mm ... 13 mm
<b>Storage temperature</b>	-20 °C ... 70 °C	-20 °C ... 70 °C
<b>Ambient temperature for operation</b>	-17 °C ... 60 °C	-17 °C ... 60 °C

#### 4.2 Noise information and vibration values determined in accordance with EN 60745

The sound pressure and vibration values given in these instructions were measured in accordance with a standardized test and can be used to compare one power tool with another. They can also be used for a preliminary assessment of exposure. The data given represents the main applications of the power tool. However, if the power tool is used for different applications, with different accessory tools, or is poorly maintained, the data can vary. This can significantly increase exposure over the total working period. An accurate estimation of exposure should also take into account the times when the power tool is switched off, or when it is running but not actually being used for a job. This can significantly reduce exposure over the total working period. Identify additional safety measures to protect the operator from the effects of noise and/or vibration, for example: maintaining the power tool and accessory tools, keeping the hands warm, organization of work patterns.

##### Noise emission values determined in accordance with EN 60745

<b>Sound (power) level (<math>L_{WA}</math>)</b>	101 dB(A)
<b>Uncertainty for the sound power level (<math>K_{WA}</math>)</b>	3 dB(A)
<b>Emission sound pressure level (<math>L_{pA}</math>)</b>	90 dB(A)
<b>Uncertainty for the sound pressure level (<math>K_{pA}</math>)</b>	3 dB(A)

##### Total vibration (vector sum of three directions), measured in accordance with EN 60745

<b>Chiseling (<math>a_{h, Cheq}</math>)</b>	13.9 m/s <sup>2</sup>
<b>Hammer drilling in concrete (<math>a_{h, HD}</math>)</b>	15.1 m/s <sup>2</sup>
<b>Drilling in metal (<math>a_{h, D}</math>)</b>	3.0 m/s <sup>2</sup>
<b>Uncertainty for the given vibration value (K)</b>	1.5 m/s <sup>2</sup>

## 5 Operation

### 5.1 Fitting the side handle

#### CAUTION

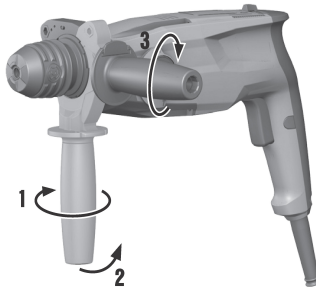
**Risk of injury!** The depth gauge, if fitted but not used, might hinder the operator.

- ▶ Remove the depth gauge from the tool.

#### CAUTION

**Risk of injury!** Loss of control over the rotary hammer drill.

- ▶ Check that the side handle is fitted correctly and tightened securely. Check that the clamping band is engaged in the groove in the tool.

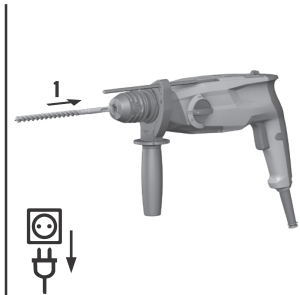
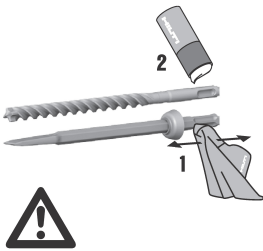


- ▶ Fit the side handle.

### 5.2 Fitting/removing the drill bit or other accessory: SDS quick-release chuck



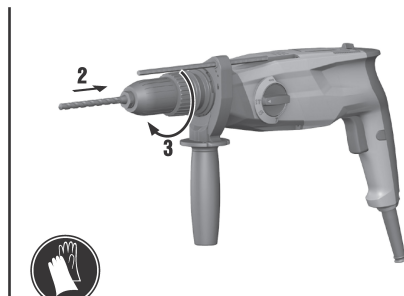
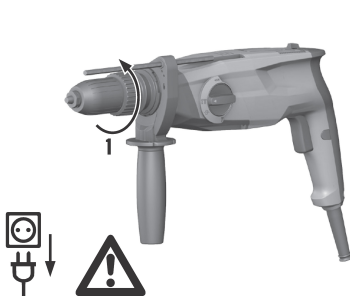
Use of unsuitable grease may cause damage to the product. **Use only the recommended grease supplied by Hilti.**



- ▶ Fit the drill bit or other accessory in the quick-release chuck or, respectively, remove the drill bit or other accessory from the quick-release chuck.

### 5.3 Fitting/removing the drill bit, chisel or other accessory: Three-jaw chuck

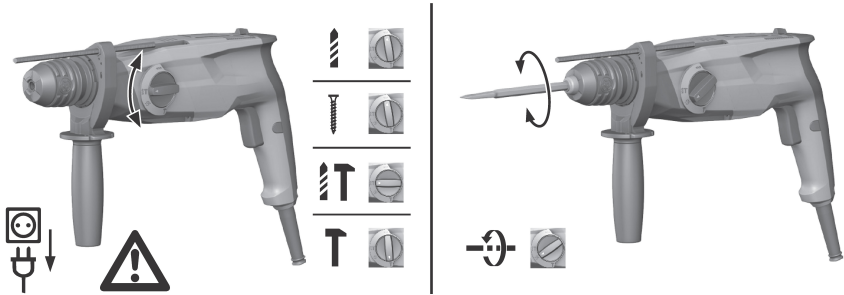
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- ▶ Fit the drill bit or other accessory in the three-jaw chuck or, respectively, remove it.

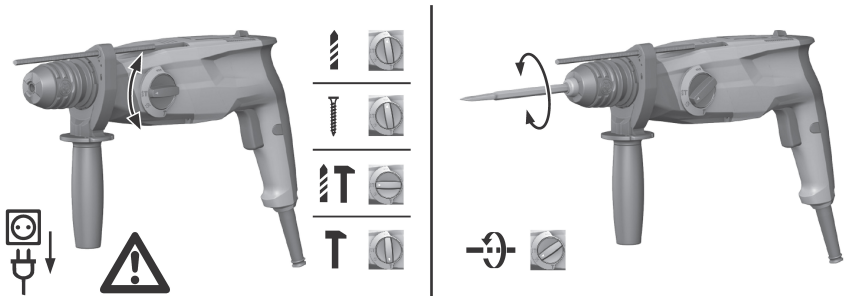


#### 5.4 Drilling without hammering



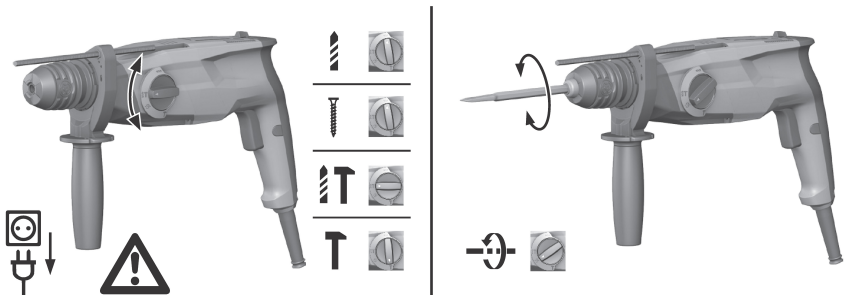
- ▶ Set the function selector switch to the “Drilling without hammering action” position .

#### 5.5 Screwdriving



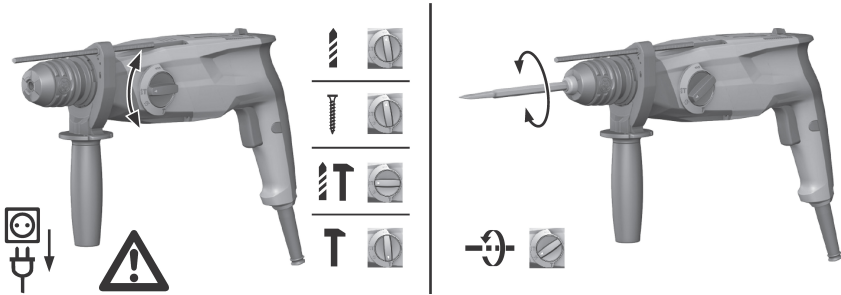
- ▶ Set the function selector switch to the “Drilling without hammering action” position .

#### 5.6 Drilling with hammering action (hammer drilling)



- ▶ Set the function selector switch to the “Drilling with hammering action” (hammer drilling) position

### 5.7 Setting the chiseling function



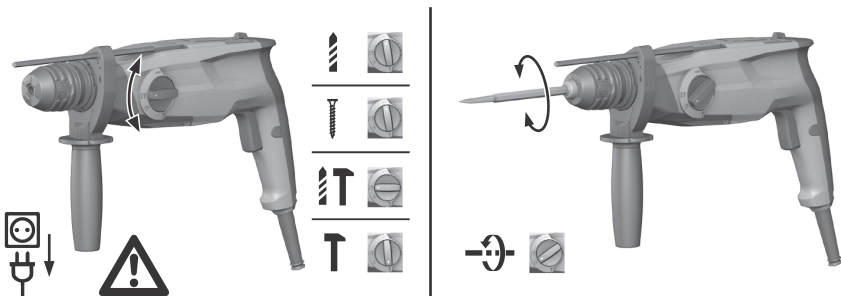
- ▶ Set the function selector switch to the “Chiseling” position .

### 5.8 Chisel positioning

#### CAUTION

**Risk of injury** Loss of control over the chisel direction.

- ▶ Do not operate the tool when the selector switch is set to “Chisel positioning”. Turn the function selector switch until it engages in the “Chiseling” position.



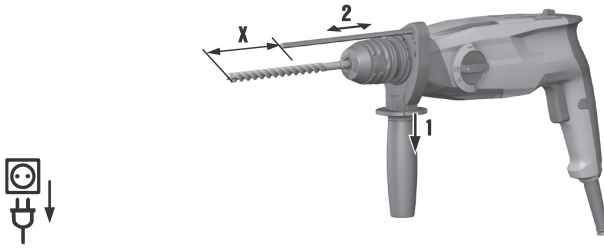
- ▶ Set the function selector switch to the “Chisel positioning” position .

### 5.9 Forward / reverse



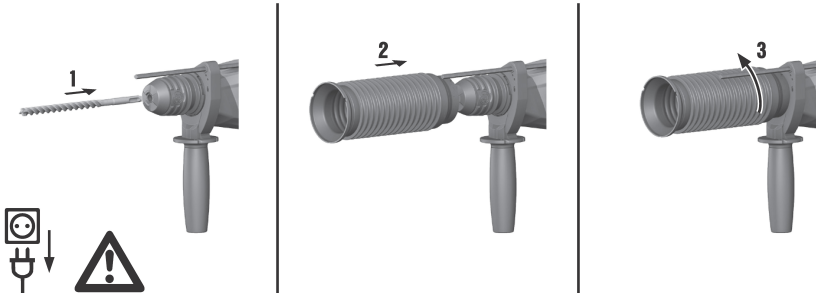
- ▶ Set the forward / reverse selector switch to forward or reverse rotation.

### 5.10 Adjusting the depth gauge



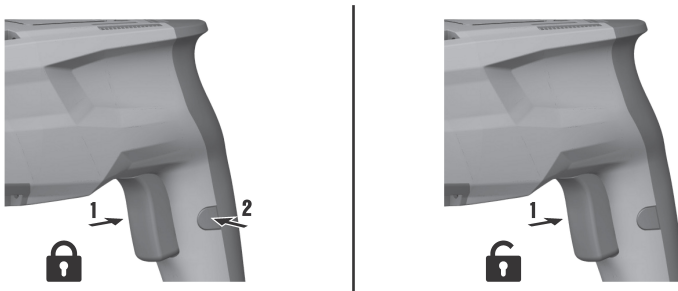
- ▶ Adjust the depth gauge.

### 5.11 Fitting the dust collection module for overhead work



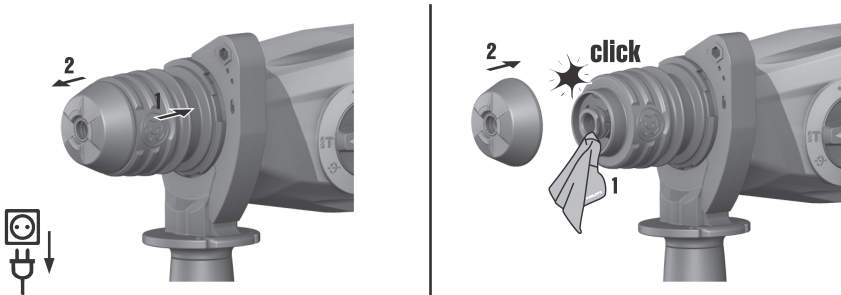
- ▶ Fit the DCD dust collection module for overhead work.

### 5.12 Pressing/locking the control switch



- ▶ Press and lock the control switch.

### 5.13 Replacing the dust shield





- ▶ Replace the dust shield.

## 6 Care of the product

- ▶ **Keep the product, especially its grip surfaces, clean and free from oil and grease. Do not use cleaning agents containing silicone.**
- ▶ Never operate the product when the air vents are blocked. Clean the air vents carefully using a dry brush. Do not allow foreign objects to enter the interior of the product.
- ▶ Clean the outside of the product at regular intervals with a slightly damp cloth. Do not use a spray, steam pressure cleaning equipment or running water for cleaning.

## 7 Troubleshooting

If the trouble you are experiencing is not listed in this table or you are unable to remedy the problem by yourself, please contact **Hilti** Service.

Trouble or fault	Possible cause	Action to be taken
The rotary hammer doesn't start.	Interruption in the electric supply.	▶ Plug in another electric tool or appliance and check whether it works.
No hammering action.	The tool is too cold.	▶ Bring the tip of the drill bit into contact with the working surface, switch the rotary hammer on and allow it to run. If necessary, repeat the procedure until the hammering mechanism begins to operate.
	The function selector switch is set to "Rotary drilling only"  .	▶ Set the function selector switch to the "Hammer drilling" position  .
The rotary hammer doesn't achieve full power.	The gauge (cross section) of the extension cord conductors is inadequate.	▶ Use an extension cord with an adequate conductor cross section.


## 8 RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances)

Click on the links to go to the table of hazardous substances: [qr.hilti.com/r5269167](http://qr.hilti.com/r5269167) (TE 3-M) and [qr.hilti.com/r5269003](http://qr.hilti.com/r5269003) (TE 3-C).

There is a link to the RoHS table, in the form of a QR code, at the end of this document.

## 9 Disposal

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 Most of the materials from which **Hilti** tools and appliances are manufactured can be recycled. The materials must be correctly separated before they can be recycled. In many countries, your old tools, machines or appliances can be returned to **Hilti** for recycling. Ask **Hilti** Service or your Hilti representative for further information.



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- ▶ Do not dispose of power tools, electronic equipment or batteries as household waste!
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## 10 Manufacturer's warranty

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- ▶ Please contact your local **Hilti** representative if you have questions about the warranty conditions.





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