



## Basic Instructions for using your SharpenAir™

Although the SharpenAir™ is quick and easy to use it is helpful to read our instructions before your first use to ensure proper sharpening of your airbrush fluid needle. We also have a tutorial video [that may be useful to you](#).

SharpenAir™ contains four sharpening stones in its main compartment area where the logo is embossed. There are four runners which run from the base of the sharpener vertically to the end of the sharpener.

Begin by holding the SharpenAir™ in your left hand, logo side up. Reference graphic below once reading the steps.

**Step 1:** Place the needle in the slot allowing the needle to reach the end of the runner. With minimal pressure begin rotating the needle in a clockwise direction; about 10-15 revolutions. Pull the needle out and check the tip. You may need to repeat this step a few times to achieve the desired straightness and/or until the burr is removed.

**Step 2:** This runner is at less of an angle than Step 1 and uses a less aggressive stone. Using the same amount of revolutions as step 1 (10-15), this step eases the angle even further in order to reach stock angle. This process will also help in removing some of the step one sand scratches.

**Step 3 and Step 4** are designed utilizing the same angle. Step 3 contains a sanding stone consisting of a lower grit to quickly reshape the entire cone if needed. This step is optional. Smaller repairs may be completed at Step 2, however, a more damaged needle may utilize all steps in order to be completely sharpened.

**Step 4** contains a higher grit sharpening stone and will further sand out the scratches from Step 3.

**Quick tip:** SharpenAir™ sharpening stones are designed for you to receive maximum amount of use. They are each double-sided and can be rotated and flipped giving you the best results. When the time comes, replacement stones can be purchase on our website.

**Quick tip:** After sharpening your airbrush needle it may help to polish out the needle in order to avoid the onset of Dry Tip. An easy way of doing this is to use some metal polish, a cloth, a small piece of paper or 2000 grit sandpaper, and a drill. Add a little polish to the needle tip and place the needle tip inside the paper placed in between your finger and thumb, pinching the cone. Run the drill for 10-20 secs and repeat as many times as needed until the scratches have softened or smoothed. This step can be repeated using a soft cloth to further buff and polish your needle. Enjoy your brand new airbrush needle!

