



What's New

It's Time To Get The Whole Story

Blasting without testing is like driving blindfolded

Low explosive cartridges like Nxburst™ have always been easy to use and treated differently to high explosives, and with good reason. The transportation classification and storage regulations have considerable advantages to their 1.1 counterparts. Historically the use of these explosives has also been made easy with the use of a continuity tester, a simple circuit test that will alert the user to an open or closed circuit. We have sold starter kits for years with the BlasterOne Buzz-Mo CT-4 tester, it can be worn around the neck and provides feedback even with winter or work gloves. Our customers and trainers have had years of success using these testers and thousands of blasts have been safely and successfully carried out using them. At Coogar Sales and Services we always strive to do things better and safer, if there is an improvement to make we leave no stone unturned. Many of our competitors are in a constant state of catch-up trying to keep pace with our innovations and protocols. We have always taught our blasters the pitfalls of using continuity testing exclusively and how a blaster's ohmmeter can give the blaster an accurate test of the cartridge, the circuit and the wire condition. We take great pride that the Canadian regulators at the Ministry of Natural Resources, Explosive Regulatory Division consider us to be the benchmark.

Going forward a blaster's ohmmeter will be included in every starter kit



Our Coogar Sales Starter Kit will now include a Blaster's Ohmmeter, giving the blaster a confident and accurate method to ensure that every cartridge that gets put into a bore-hole is ready, every circuit is properly wired and no wire is compromised. There are many reasons why testing is paramount in an electric blasting circuit, it ensures that all wiring is done correctly, that a faulty cartridge is not put into a bore-hole causing a dangerous misfire condition. It also provides feedback to the blaster that all the cartridges in the blast design are accounted for, a live cartridge that has been missed in a circuit not only creates a misfire condition, but it creates additional burden for the surrounding cartridges potentially creating fly-rock. Our blasting logs have unused columns to record the resistance measurement of each bore-hole, we all know the value of detail within our blasting logs to ensure that upon inspection, due diligence was followed. If you have had to deal with a misfire in the past you will also appreciate the small amount of time testing takes, the value of avoiding re-drilling, re-blasting and cartridge recovery. In an industry where mistakes and accidents happen in an

instant and have potentially fatal consequences, can you really afford to take a shortcut?





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Timing Is Everything

Using the right product at the wrong time makes it the wrong product!

The end of summer has come, there may be some warm days in our future but if you are working in a quarry at 6:00am I won't need to tell you that colder weather is here. While fall has only just begun, the lower temperatures that our in our future will mean that some of your work habits are going to change. If you are running a pneumatic drill it won't be long until you start running some alcohol through your equipment at the end of the day, or it should be if you don't do it. Starting up a pneumatic drill that has been froze up due to condensation over the colder night-time temperatures isn't a great way to ensure a full days production. It will also soon be time to change your drill's lubrication. Our customers running MDA drills have had great success using Petro Canada's Vultrex EP000 Rock Drill Grease, the consumption is low, the Joy AL67 drill is well lubricated and most importantly it allows for a cleaner machine. The technical data sheet for the Vultrex grease states that it's operating temperatures have been tested as low as -20° , but easily worked with at the freezing mark. A good operator will know that pushing anything to the limits of it's capabilities is not usually the best path, as you get closer and closer to operating limits performance suffers and so does production. We are currently stocked and ready for the colder temperatures with Petro Canada's Ardee 100 Rock Drill Oil. It's viscosity is better suited to the cold and will still pour at -33° C. If you plan on drilling through the winter, Coogar Sales & Services will have you covered, stocking lubricants and alcohol for your MDA and other pneumatic rock drills.



Want Some Bragging Rights?

Do you have blast footage using Nxburst™ or the Fragmentor™ that you would love to show off? Perhaps you just finished up a complicated blast that went great and just want to brag about it? At Coogar Sales & Services we love to celebrate our customers great work, let us know how great you are and maybe we can feature you and your company in our next newsletter or on our social media channels. Feel free to reach out and send us a message on our social media pages or sshand@coogarsales.com, we would love to hear from you!!

Coogar Sales & Services is the proud distributor of Nxburst and the FRAGMENTOR throughout Canada, US and Mexico and has the stock to meet your demands. With our staff having a practical drill and blast experience we can guide you through even the most delicate of jobs safely and effectively helping you and your bottom line.

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