Diagonal Cutters are made in several patterns ranging from the high leverage, heavy-duty pattern down to the midget pattern for electrical work. They are available with and without a top bevel on the cutting edges for flush cutting. Some have wire skinning holes-some have coil springs to open the jaws. Handles may be plastic dipped, slip-on molded plastic, or plain. Sizes range from 4 to 8 inches in length.

**Proper Uses.** Diagonal Cutting pliers are designed for electrical, electronic, telephone, general and automotive work. Flush cutting edge pliers should be used only for cutting small soft wires used in electronic wire. It is recommended that the standard cutting edge pliers be used for all general cutting requirements except hard wire.

**Abuse/Misuse.** Never expose pliers to excessive heat. Don't rock pliers from side to side when cutting wire. Always cut at right angles. Never use pliers as a hammer, or drop on hard or paved surfaces.

**When to Repair or Replace.** Attempts to repair these pliers are not recommended. Discard any plier which is cracked, broken, sprung, or has nicked cutting edges. Dull cutting edges may be touched up with a small, medium grade honing stone.