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## **ROCKLER WINS TWO 2015 PRO TOOL INNOVATION AWARDS**

Bandy Clamps and Dust Right Universal Small Port Hose Kit recognized

MEDINA, MN (Oct. 14, 2015) — Rockler Woodworking and Hardware's Bandy Clamps and Dust Right Universal Small Port Hose Kit continue to earn industry recognition, with both recently being named winners of 2015 Pro Tool Innovation Awards.

The annual awards recognize the most innovative new tools in the residential and commercial construction industry and are backed by more than a dozen media sponsors, including founding member Pro Tool Reviews (protoolreviews.com). Winners in eight divisions were chosen by a panel of professional tradesmen in the electrical, plumbing, maintenance and other fields, as well as general contractors and builders.

"As manufacturers strive to go the extra mile to add useful and often game-changing innovations to their product offerings, we want to point them out so our Pro readers know who's leading the pack," said Clint DeBoer, executive director of the Pro Tool Innovation Awards. "These manufacturers and companies have truly earned a coveted spot in the toolbox of any tradesman, contractor or construction professional."

Rockler's Bandy Clamps, which feature large rubber pads and a wide rubber band for faster, easier edge clamping, won the spring clamp category in the hand tools division. "Rockler's Bandy Clamps are just plain smart," the Pro Tool judge wrote. "Suddenly, traditional edge clamps seem unnecessarily awkward."

The Dust Right Universal Small Port Hose Kit, which includes an expandable hose and flexible hose ports to fit a variety of small tools, took the dust extraction accessories award in the safety and storage division. "The 1" and 1-1/2" ports will cover the vast majority of small tools out there," the Pro Tool judge wrote. "We really like the 15' expandable hose — or more appropriately, like storing it when it's only 3'."

The Pro Tool Innovation Award is the second award this year for the Universal Small Port Hose Kit. It also won an Innov8 award from Wood magazine.

"We're really gratified by the recognition of these products," said Steve Krohmer, Rockler's vice president for merchandising and product development. "The desire to innovate and improve is a driving force in our efforts to develop new products."

Bandy Clamps (54258) are priced at \$19.99 per pair (or \$49.98 for three pairs). The Dust Right Universal Small Port Hose Kit (48212) is priced at \$39.99. Both can be purchased at Rockler.com or Rockler Woodworking and Hardware stores nationwide, as well as through the Rockler catalog. For store locations or a free catalog, visit www. rockler.com or call 1-877-ROCKLER.



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