

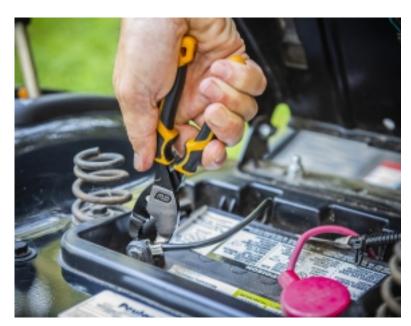
# **PRESS RELEASE**

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# GEARWRENCH PITBULL™ Pliers Have Become Preferred Pliers Among Motorsports Industry Mechanics

Complete Range of Options Ensures Professionals Have the Right Pliers for Whatever the Job Needs

Sparks, Md.— Experts in the motorsport industry have spoken and have deemed GEARWRENCH PITBULL<sup>TM</sup> Pliers the best-performing line of professional automotive/industrial pliers in the market—and their favorite brand. GEARWRENCH designed the hand tool with features and functionality in mind, quickly turning the pliers into a mechanic's best friend.



"GEARWRENCH PITBULL Pliers are the only brand I use—I like the quality feel, price point and value of the tools," said Dustin McDonald, RTR Vehicles Lead Installer. "The PITBULL Pilers' one-handed design precisely fit, helping for quick removal."

"The coolest thing about the PITBULL Pliers is that we've found a distinct use and purpose for each one," said Robert "Cheddar" Smith, Stewart-Haas Racing. "Each of them fit into our preparation of the racecar differently. If we need to work on something in the rear suspension, a number of the pliers fit really well for that. And then when you're working on the front end or under the hood, you might need the

needle nose PITBULL Pliers that best works within the confines of the front of the car."

GEARWRENCH PITBULL Pliers include 38 individual products and six sets. This complete range of options ensures professionals have the right pliers for whatever the job needs.

# **TONGUE & GROOVE PLIERS**

# **AutoBite Tongue & Groove Pliers**

The GEARWRENCH PITBULL AutoBite Tongue & Groove Pliers (available in dual-material comfort grip handles) are designed for easy one-handed use. With a squeeze of the handles, the jaws automatically adjust for a precise fit. The thumb operated AutoBite lever doesn't protrude like push-button pliers do, giving them an extremely slim profile for even greater access. AutoBite pliers are available in 6-, 8-, 10- and 12-inch sizes, as well as a four-piece set.

# **K9 Tongue & Groove Pliers**

The PITBULL K9 Tongue & Groove Pliers (dual-material or dipped handles) feature the innovative K9 jaw

system with teeth that can grip and turn with up to a 35-degree offset angle. The narrow profile provides 40% greater access than the competition.

#### **SOLID-JOINT PLIERS**

Professional technicians can now cut with 35% less force thanks to the pivot-forward design and laser-hardened cutting edges of all four GEARWRENCH PITBULL Solid-Joint Pliers (linesman, long-nose, universal and diagonal). The innovative designs also translate to 50% longer cutting life, meaning techs aren't replacing their pliers over and over once they've gone dull. All four styles are available in both dual-material comfort grip handles or dipped handles for easy cleaning.

#### Linesman

Designed with a cross-hatched jaw for better grip, a fish tape channel for flat steel fish tapes and a reaming head for deburring pipes.

# Long-Nose

Designed with a cross-hatched jaw for better grip, a fastener grip area to turn nuts and fasteners and a nail/wire holder right on the jaws.

#### Universal

Designed with a cross-hatched jaw for better grip, a crimping joint for crimping non-insulated connectors and a fastener grip area to turn nuts and fasteners.

### Diagonal

Designed with a 20-degree angle for flush cutting and a reaming head for deburring pipes.

"In my job, I am constantly snipping welding wire, and to get a clean wire I used to go through a pair of snips in a month—but, with my GEARWRENCH PITBULL Pliers I got at the start of the year, they are still fabulous and sharp," said Joe Bernal, Stewart-Haas Racing, Pit Crew Member and Fabricator. "The comfort level is really high, and they still snip the welding wire nice and clean every time and most importantly, I can rely on them."

#### About GEARWRENCH®

GEARWRENCH is a premier hand tool brand from Apex Tool Group. Since the launch of the original five-degree ratcheting wrench, the GEARWRENCH brand has led the industry with breakthroughs in pass-thru ratchets, sockets, screw/nut drivers, pliers and specialty tools. For more information, visit gearwrench.com.

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