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MORE SOLUTIONS: Makita offers a full range of professional battery-powered equipment and tools across three systems: XGT®, ConnectX™, and LXT®.



MAKITA BRINGS THE INDUSTRY'S LARGEST BATTERY-POWERED SYSTEMS TO EQUIP EXPO

Attendees will see 10+ new Makita products, experience 4 hands-on product demos, and more

October 21, 2026, Louisville, KY – Makita continues to expand its system of professional outdoor power equipment with 10+ new products to debut this week in Louisville at Equip Expo, the green industry's largest annual trade show.

Three Systems of Professional Power Equipment

Attendees at Equip Expo will see new and existing commercial equipment and tools across Makita's three battery-powered systems:

- **XGT® 40V max | 80V max:** Makita's most powerful handheld solution, with more cordless equipment and tools engineered for applications that traditionally use cords, gas or air (170+ Products, One System). The expanding system includes a full range of products for commercial-duty mowing, trimming, cutting, clean-ups, and more.
- **ConnectX™ 36V | 40V max:** A run-time and power solution for professional landscapers seeking a gas replacement. The ConnectX™ 1,200 and 1,500 watt hour batteries are compatible with ConnectX™ products, as well as 40V max XGT® and 36V (18V X2) LXT® products when used with an adapter.
- **LXT® 18V | 36V:** The world's largest cordless tool system powered by 18V batteries (350+ Products, One System) includes an expansive range of 18V and 36V mowers, trimmers, blowers, chain saws, and more.

NEW PRODUCTS: The following NEW products will be on display this week at Equip Expo.

40V max XGT® Backpack Blower (GBU04)

At less than 20 lbs., the best power-to-weight ratio in the category

- Delivers the blowing force of a 65cc gas blower
- 32N force, 675 CFM, 215 MPH
- Up to 23% lighter than a gas blower (only 19.4 lbs. with (2) 8.0Ah batteries on-board)
- Up to 65% quieter than a gas blower with a sound pressure rating of 60 dB(A).
- Dual Battery System with automatic switchover when active battery depletes for extended run time

Available NOW



40V max XGT® 14" Top Handle Chain Saw (GCU10)

A powerful new chain saw built for arborists, tree service, and more

- Delivers the power of a 35cc gas chain saw
- Cuts 35% faster than a 35cc gas chain saw
- Up to 15% lighter than a gas saw (weighs only 9 lbs. with a 14" bar and chain, and the XGT® 4.0Ah tabless battery (BL4040F)

Available in Early 2027



40V max XGT® 18" Rear Handle Chain Saw (GCU11)

A powerful new addition to the Makita chain saw system

- Delivers the power of a 42cc gas chain saw
- Cuts 10% faster than a 42cc gas chain saw
- 1.7 lbs lighter than XGT® model GCU04 (tool only) and up to 15% lighter than gas with the XGT® 4.0Ah tabless battery (BL4040F)

Available in Spring 2027



40V max XGT® Single Stage Snow Blower (SN001GL101)

A wintertime XGT® solution for property managers, HOA's, homeowners, and small businesses

- Throws snow up to 33 ft. and clears a 21" wide path
- Rotation speed adjustment
- Dual LED lights at the front and handle
- Folds down in seconds for off-season storage

Available in November 2026



Hand Protection

Six new knit gloves with abrasion, cut and puncture protection

- New gloves with Cut Level 3, Cut Level 3 with ANSI 2 Impact Protection, a Cut Level 5, and a Cut Level 3 Arm Sleeve.
- Ideal for landscaping, equipment operation, construction, manufacturing, and more

Available in November 2026



Arm Protection

Advanced FitKnit™ Cut Level 3 Protective Arm Sleeves

- Breathable 15g Advanced FitKnit sleeves deliver comfort, dexterity and ANSI A3 cut protection
- Designated thumb holes provide a secure fit
- Stretch elastic wrist and bicep band improves comfort and fit

Available in November 2026



NEW Storage Solutions compatible with MAKTRAK™, the Next Generation in modular storage

MAKTRAK Expansion: Rolling Tool Box (T-90227)

- Open base without handle interference or unstacking
- Low profile telescopic handle to fit under truck bed cover without removing handle

Available in late 2026



MAKTRAK Expansion: Rolling Single Drawer Tool Box (T-90233)

- Open base without handle interference or unstacking
- Low profile telescopic handle to fit under truck bed cover without removing handle
- Front drawer with dual slide rails for easy access to contents without unstacking

Available in late 2026

MAKTRAK Expansion: Compact Tool Box (T-90227)

- Deep storage space with compact footprint for easy deployment for specific applications
- Includes tool tray and dividers to personalize equipment organization

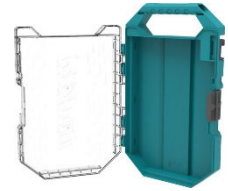
Available in late 2026



MAKTRAK Compatible Low-Profile Sub-Compact Box (T-90283)

- Smallest footprint for convenient deployment of small items for specific applications
- Clear lid to easily see inside

Available in late 2026



MAKTRAK Compatible Low-Profile Sub-Compact Organizer (T-90299)

- Smallest footprint for convenient deployment of small items for specific applications
- Clear lid to easily see inside & four included dividers for customizable organization

Available in late 2026



Demonstrations of Key Products

This week at Equip Expo, the Makita booth will have over 200 square feet of wall space displaying the expanding system of battery-powered solutions for mowing, cutting, trimming, clean-ups, and more. In addition, the Makita booth features five key product demonstrations.

- **CLEAN UPS:** Makita is highlighting its new 40V max XGT® Backpack Blower with the category's leading power-to-weight ratio. A new demo will provide a clear demonstration of this advantage with users encouraged to use the Makita blower and competitive models to move a 5-pound piece of masonry up a steel ramp.
- **CUTTING:** Three XGT® chain saws will making fast cuts in 12" diameter yellow pine, including two models making their debut at Equip Expo: The new 40V max XGT® 14" Top Handle Chain Saw (GCU10) and 40V max XGT® 18" Rear Handle Chain Saw (GCU11).
- **POWER MANAGEMENT:** A four-shelf charging station will demonstrate how pros can charge batteries for 4 fleet trucks with just 2 circuits in one night, an important demonstration for owner-operators of independent mow-and-blow businesses, as well as commercial enterprises.
- **STORAGE:** MAKTRAK™ is the next generation in modular storage, and attendees at Equip Expo will be the first to see new components for superior transport, access, storage and organization.
- **ELECTRIFICATION OF GAS EQUIPMENT:** The 40V max XGT® Motor Unit is a fully electric, drop-in solution engineered to deliver the performance of 25cc to 50cc gas engines. Designed with seamless OEM integration in mind, the XGT® Motor Unit provides original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) with a faster path to electrification across a wide range of commercial applications. Equip Expo attendees will see the XGT® Motor Unit powering a tiller in an 8' x 6' box full of fill dirt in the booth.

An Unmatched Engineering Legacy

Makita's expansive line of commercial power equipment is backed by an engineering legacy unmatched in the industry:

- **110 Years of motor engineering:** Makita was founded in 1915 as a motor repair and manufacturing.
- **95 Years of Chain Saw and Gas Expertise:** Makita and chain saw pioneer Dolmar were fully integrated, producing a full line of 2-stroke and 4-stroke power equipment.
- **45 Years of Battery Power Innovation:** Makita is a leader in battery-powered tools and equipment with milestones that include LXT®, the world's largest cordless system powered by 18V lithium-ion batteries.

For more information on Makita Outdoor Power Equipment, go to makitatools.com/open

About Makita

Makita is a worldwide manufacturer of high-quality industrial power tools, power equipment, pneumatics and cleaning solutions, and offers a wide range of industrial accessories. Makita U.S.A., Inc. is located in La Mirada, California, and operates an extensive distribution network throughout the U.S.A. With over 50 years in the United States and over 105 years worldwide, Makita utilizes experience and expertise to manufacture best-in-class solutions. For more information call (800)4-MAKITA or visit makitatools.com. Find Makita on Instagram, YouTube, Facebook, and X @makitatools