
Subject: Renegade Alert Socket Wrench

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Renxmahkral don't know what Mad Ivan's talking about; the wrench looks horrible.

1 Why is it so pointy?

2 The grip is way too short. It should be about half the length of the shaft (or whatever you want to call that.. the "lever arm" maybe?)

3 The grip should NOT be rubber; it should just be metal with a grippy texture. Even today, most wrenches have metal grips rather than rubber, and RenAlert is supposed to be set decades ago. Also, during wartimes, rubber is a VERY important commodity, so I find it incredibly unrealistic that it would be wasted on a wrench grip.

4 Most socket wrenches have a raised section at the socket end so you can grab onto it and turn it (which reverses the direction of ratcheting) -- see the following website for a picture:
<http://www.shoppingforever.com/gatorgrip.htm>

I do have one positive thing to say though: I like the way the GM Goodwrench logo turned out.

EDIT: You can also pretty clearly see what I meant by a "textured metal grip" in the first picture on that website.

1. It's not "pointy," it's just not perfectly rounded because that uses tons of polys.
2. Not all socket wrenches are like the one in your picture, a lot don't even have grips.
3. That's WW2, Red Alert and RenAlert have nothing to do with that. Show me where it said rubber was a "VERY important commodity" in Red Alert.
4. Not all socket wrenches do that either, and since the mechanic doesn't take vehicles apart, I don't see why it's needed...
 - 1 - Actually, it IS pointy. And by that I mean the wrench is pointy compared to the circle inside of it. I'm not a dumbass; I know it's not actually a circle but just an approximation of a circle. But the end of the wrench is not as round as the "circle" right next to it. And that makes it look pointy.
 - 2 - "A lot don't even have grips." Yeah, I know that. Most of them just have a texture on the metal handle. That's exactly what I was talking about in point #3.
 - 3 - Do any of the vehicles have tires? Those are made of rubber. ANYTHING that you use on military vehicles or weapons becomes a "very important commodity" during wartime. That's just a simple fact. (Also, what about the soles of the soldiers' boots? etc., etc., etc.)
 - 4 - He doesn't take things apart? What if there's a broken part? How does he remove it to put the new part on? Does he just whack it with a hammer until it falls off? ... Plus, it'd make the wrench look a lot nicer.

I'm not trying to be an ass here; I'm trying to offer constructive criticism. (Notice that every time I said something was wrong, I suggested how to fix it.) I've spent more than six years of my life working as a carpenter, and I know what a socket wrench looks like. And ACK's model & texture, my friend, do NOT look like a socket wrench. They look like a cheap toy.

K9Trooper You obviously do not own quality tools. I have \$7,000.00 in Snap-On Tools in my basement/garage. All high grade and every one of my ratchet wrenches have rubber grip handles. First, you may notice that I said "most" do not have rubber grips. I'm well aware that some do.

Second, if you're spending \$7,000 on socket wrenches and the like just to get rubber grips on them, that's just plain silly. You can get perfectly good tools for MUCH less money than that. And a rubber grip really doesn't make the tool work any better.

(By the way, I just glanced at the Snap-On Tools website, and their tools appear to be VERY overpriced. \$300 for something I can buy somewhere else for less than \$40? That's a pretty huge discrepancy.)
