

PRICE: £474.99

RATING

Value 0  5
Performance 0  5

PROS

- Very accurate
- Low-friction table surface
- Good fences

CONS

- None

SPEC SHEET

Power	1700W
Blade diameter	250mm
Max depth of cut	
	at 90° 77mm
	at 45° 57mm
Table size	630mm x 570mm
Weight	22kg

FURTHER INFO

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DEWALT DW745 table saw

ANDY STANDING



Tough and accurate, DeWalt's latest portable table saw definitely gets Andy Standing's approval



The solid mitre fence



Accurate enough for decent mitre joints

The DW745 is DeWalt's latest version of their portable table saw and aims to provide the site worker with the sort of accuracy he might expect in the workshop, whilst still being compact and light enough to move around.

Table & fences

The table is made from a heavy alloy with a durable low-friction coating. There are two grooves, one on each side of the blade, for the adjustable mitre fence. This fits snugly in the table groove. The rip fence is the same design as the one on the previous model, and is fixed to a pair of rails at the front and the back of the table.

These rails are controlled by a knob on a rack and pinion system which means that the fence can be wound in and out from the blade while remaining perfectly parallel. The rails also extend past the edge of the table, giving a generous maximum ripping capacity of 410mm.

A rip scale is clearly marked on the front rail and there's a locking lever on the right-hand side to secure the fence. The rip fence is a two-part design so it can be withdrawn for ripping solid wood and also reversed for dealing with thin workpieces and bevel cutting.

Blade controls

The DeWalt is simply arranged with a standard NVR switch on the left of the front

panel and a single handwheel in the centre which sets the blade height and angle. Turning the handwheel adjusts the height, and the angle is set by releasing the integrated locking lever and pushing the handwheel to the left until the desired angle is reached.

A dust port is provided both on the top of the crown guard and on the saw casing itself.

In use

This saw is a pleasure to use. Although it has a brush motor it runs smoothly and isn't unduly noisy. The fences both work extremely well and the smooth table and quality blade produce an excellent finish. The whole machine is light and easy to move around and sturdy enough to withstand sustained use.

WV VERDICT

Overall this is a well-designed and efficient tool. Its light weight makes it easy to transport and the sturdy construction makes it reliable and accurate. It's supplied ready to use and a folding stand is available as an accessory.