

OPERATOR'S MANUAL

BP290VF



**Keep Read and Understand the Operation Manual and Safety Information
Before Operated!**

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- 1. This machine is designed and intended for use by properly trained and experienced personnel only.** If you are not familiar with the proper safe use of lathes, do not use this machine until proper training and knowledge has been obtained.
- 2. Keep guards in place.** Safety guards must be kept in place and in working order.
- 3. Remove adjusting keys and wrenches.** Before turning on machine, check to see that any adjusting wrenches are removed from the tool.
- 4. Reduce the risk of unintentional starting.** Make sure switch is in the OFF position before plugging in the tool.
- 5. Do not force tool.** Always use a tool at the rate for which it was designed.
- 6. Use the right tool.** Do not force a tool or attachment to do a job for which it was not designed.
- 7. Maintain tools with care.** Keep tools sharp and clean for best and safest performance. Follow instructions for lubrication and changing accessories.
- 8. Always disconnect the machine from the power source before adjusting or servicing.**
- 9. Check for damaged parts.** Check for alignment of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting, and any other condition that may affect the tools operation. A guard or any part that is damaged should be repaired or replaced.
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- 12. Do not use in a dangerous environment.** Do not use power tools in damp or wet locations, or expose them to rain. Keep work area well lighted.
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- 14. Make the workshop child proof.** Use padlocks, master switches, and remove starter keys.
- 15. Wear proper apparel.** Loose clothing, gloves, neckties, rings, bracelets, or other jewelry may get caught in moving parts. Non-slip footwear is recommended. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair. Do not wear any type of glove.
- 16. Always use safety glasses.** Every day glasses only have impact resistant lenses; they are not safety glasses.
- 17. Do not overreach.** Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
- 18. Don not put hands near the cutter while the machine is operating.**
- 19. Do not perform any set-up work while machine is operating.**
- 20. Read and understand all warnings posted on the machine.**
- 21. This manual is intended to familiarize you with the technical aspects of this lathe.** It is not, nor was it intended to be a training manual.
- 22. Failure to comply with all of these warnings may result in serious injury.**
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- 24. Your risk from those exposures** varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specifically designed to filter our microscopic particles.

SPECIFICATIONS:

	BP290VF
Capacities:	
Swing Over Bed	280mm
Swing Over Cross Slide	180mm
Distance Between Centers	700mm
Width of Bed	180mm
Headstock:	
Hole Through Spindle	38mm
Taper in Spindle Nose	MT5 D1-4
Number of Spindle Speeds	Variable
Range of Spindle Speeds	50-1800RPM
Feeding and Threading:	
Number of Metric Threads	8
Range of Metric Threads	0.5~3mm
Number of Imperial Threads	21
Range of Imperial Threads	8~56 T.P.I.
Range of Longitudinal Feed	0.0025~0.012N/1 ”
Compound and Carriage:	
Tool Post Type	4-Way
Maximum Compound Slide Travel	80mm
Maximum Cross Slide Trave	140mm
Maximum Carriage Travel	560mm
Tailstock:	
Tailstock Spindle Travel	80mm
Taper in Tailstock Spindle	R8
Miscellaneous:	
Main Motor	1.1KW
Dimension:	
Length	1250mm
Width	650mm
Height	870mm
Weight	340KGS

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CONTENTS OF SHIPPING CONTAINER

- 1 BP290VF Combination
- 2 Test Flow Chart
- 1 Toolbox & Tools

TOOLBOX CONTENTS (Fig. 01)

- 1 Dead Center MT3
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- 3 External Jaw
- 1 Oil Gun
- 1 Spanner for Spindle Adjustment
- 1 Cross Screwdriver
- 1 Flat Screwdriver
- 1 Key for 3-Jaw Chuck
- 1 Tool Post Square Wrench
- 5 Hex Socket Wrench 3,4,5,6,8mm
- 3 Double End Head Wrench 8-10mm, 10-12mm, 17-19mm
- 1 One Sets of Change Gears



Fig. 01

UNCRATING AND CLEAN-UP

1. Finish removing the wooden crate from around the lathe
2. Check all the accessories of the machine tool according to the packing list.
3. Unbolt the lathe from the shipping crate bottom.
4. Choose a location for the lathe that is dry, has good lighting and has enough room to be able to service the lathe on all four sides.
5. With adequate lifting equipment, slowly raise the lathe off the shipping crate bottom. **Do not lift by spindle.** Make sure lathe is balanced before moving to sturdy bench or stand.
6. To avoid twisting the bed, the lathe's location must be absolutely flat and level. Bolt the lathe to the stand (if used). If using a bench, through bolt for best performance.
7. Clean all rust protected surfaces using a mild commercial solvent, kerosene or diesel fuel. Do not use paint thinner, gasoline or lacquer thinner. These will damage painted surfaces. Cover all cleaned surfaces with a light film of 20W machine oil.
8. Remove the end gear cover. Clean all components of the end gear assembly and coat all gears with a heavy, non-slinging grease.

FOUNDATION DRAWING

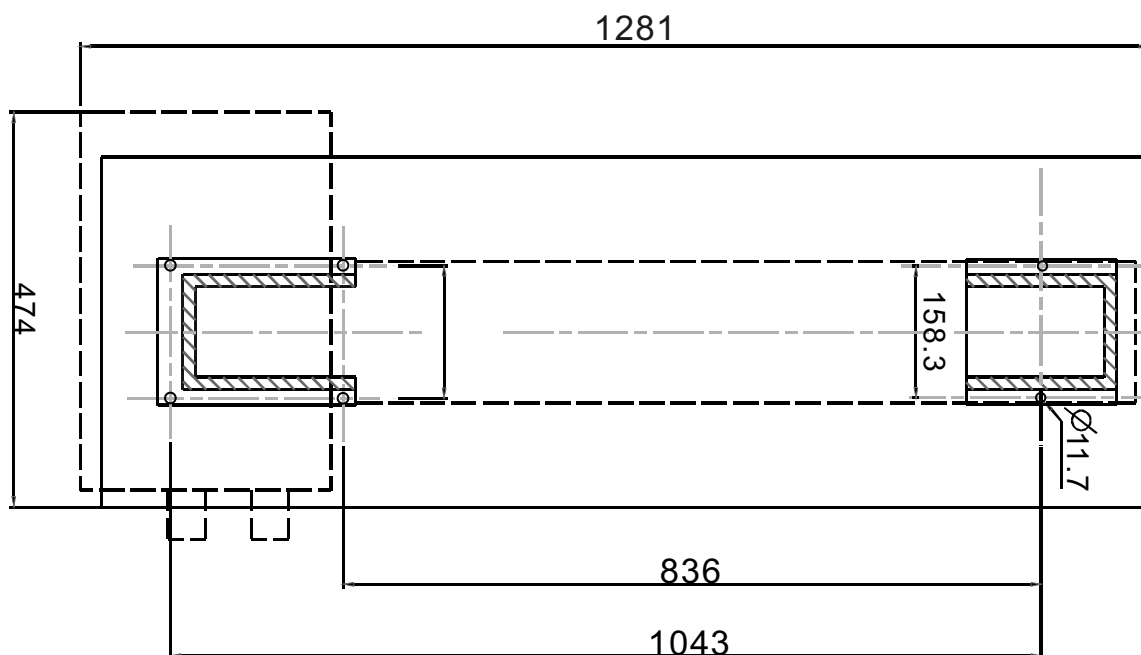


Fig. 02

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Lathe Bed (Fig. 03)

The lathe bed is made of high-grade iron. By combining high cheeks with strong cross ribs, a bed of low vibration and rigidity is produced. It integrates the headstock and drive unit, for attaching the carriage and leadscrew. The two precision-ground V – sideways, re-enforced by heat hardening and grinding, are the accurate guide for the carriage and tailstock. The main motor is mounted to the rear of the left side of the bed.



Fig. 03

Headstock (Fig. 04)

The headstock is cast from high grade, low vibration cast iron. It is bolted to the bed with four screws. The headstock houses the main spindle with two precision taper roller bearings and the drive unit.

The main spindle transmits the torque during the turning process. It also holds the workpieces and clamping devices. (e.g. 3-jaw chuck).



Fig. 04

Gear Box (Fig. 05)

The gear box is made from high quality cast iron and is mounted on the left side of the machine bed. It used to select the feeds for straight turning as well as for thread cutting. In order to achieve certain thread pitches, it is necessary to replace the change gears.

The torque of the work spindle is transmitted to the feed gear and thus to the leadscrew.



Fig. 05

Carriage (Fig. 06)

The carriage is made from high quality cast iron. The slide parts are smoothly ground. They fit the V on the bed without play. The lower sliding parts can be easily and simply adjusted. The cross slide is mounted on the carriage and moves on a dove tailed slide. Play in the cross slide may be adjusted with the gibs.

Move the cross slide with its conveniently positioned handwheel. There is a graduated collar on the handwheel.

The top slide, mounted on the cross slide, can be rotated 360°. The top slide and the cross slide travel in dove tailed slides and have gibs, adjustable nuts, and graduated collars.

A four way tool post is fitted on the top slide and allows four tools to be clamped. Loosen the center clamp handle to rotate any of the four tools into position.

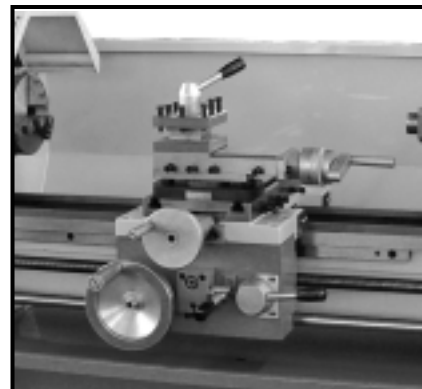


Fig.06

Apron (Fig. 07)

The apron is mounted on the bed. It houses the half nut with an engaging lever for activating the automatic feed. The half nut gibs can be adjusted from the outside.

A rack, mounted on the bed, and a pinion operated by handwheel on the carriage allow for quick travel of the apron.

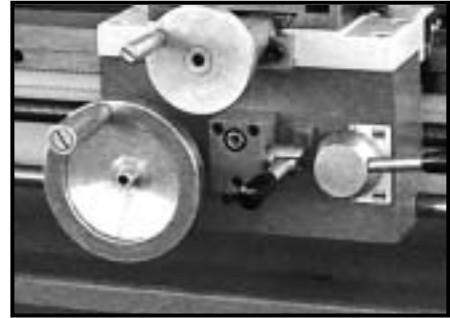


Fig.07

Leadscrew (Fig. 08)

The leadscrew is mounted on the front of the machine bed. It is connected to the gear box at the left for automatic feed and is supported by bearing on both ends. The two groove nuts (A, Fig. 10) on the right end are designed to take up play on the leadscrew.

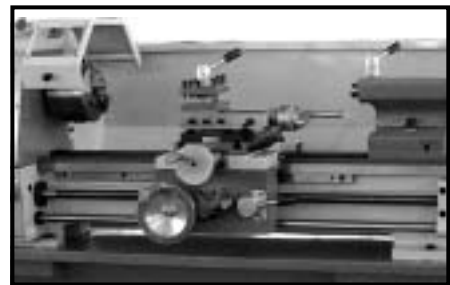


Fig. 08

Tailstock (Fig. 09)

The tailstock slides on a V way and can be clamped at any location. The tailstock has a heavy-duty spindle with a Morse taper No. 2 socket and a graduated scale. The spindle can be clamped at any location with a clamping lever. The spindle is moved with a handwheel at the end of the tailstock.



Fig. 09

NOTE:

Fit the securing screw (B, Fig. 10) at the end of the lathe bed in order to prevent the tailstock from falling off the lathe bed.

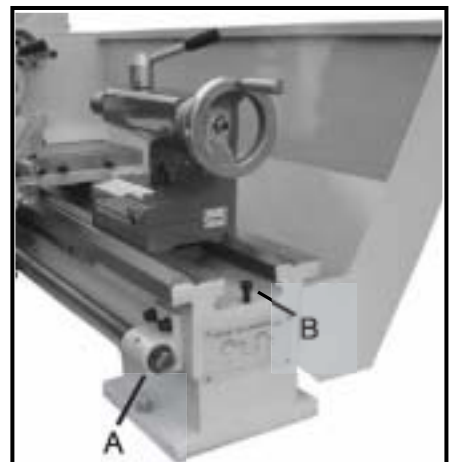


Fig. 10

CONTROLS

1. Change-over Switch (A, Fig. 11)

After the machine is switched on, turn the switch to “F” position for counter-clockwise spindle rotation (forward). Turn the switch to “R” position for clockwise spindle rotation (reverse). “0” position is OFF and the spindle remains idle.

2. Emergency Button ON/OFF Switch (B, Fig. 11)

The machine is switched on and off with ON/OFF button. Depress to stop all machine functions. To restart, lift the cover and press ON button.

3. Variable Speed Control Switch (C, Fig. 11)

Turn the switch clockwise to increase the spindle speed. Turn the switch counter-clockwise to decrease the spindle speed. The possible speed range is dependent from the position of the drive belt.

4. Feed Direction Selector (D, Fig. 12)

Select carriage travel direction when the chuck is rotating in the forward direction or counter-clockwise as viewed from the front of the chuck.

5. Feed Rate Selector (E, Fig. 12)

Set the desired feed or thread rates.

6. Feed/Thread Selector (F, Fig. 12)

Select the handle for shift left to thread.
Select the handle for shift right to feed.

7. Compound Rest Lock

Turn two hex nuts (G, Fig. 13) clockwise to lock and counter-clockwise to unlock.

8. Compound Slide Lock

Turn hex socket cap screws (H, Fig. 13) clockwise, and tighten to lock. Turn counter-clockwise to loosen.

9. Cross Slide Lock

Turn hex socket cap screw (I, Fig. 13) clockwise and tighten to lock. Turn counter-clockwise and loosen to unlock.

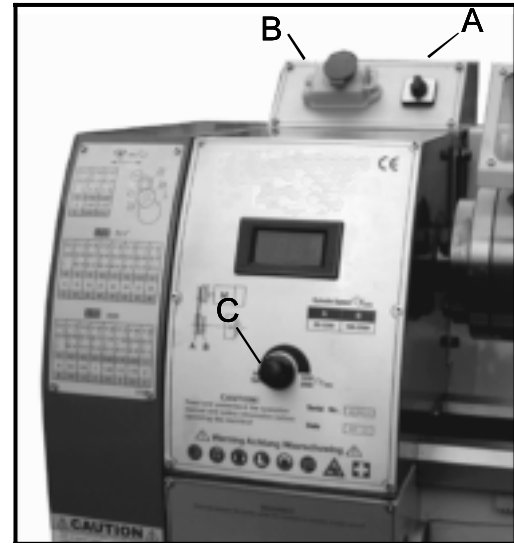


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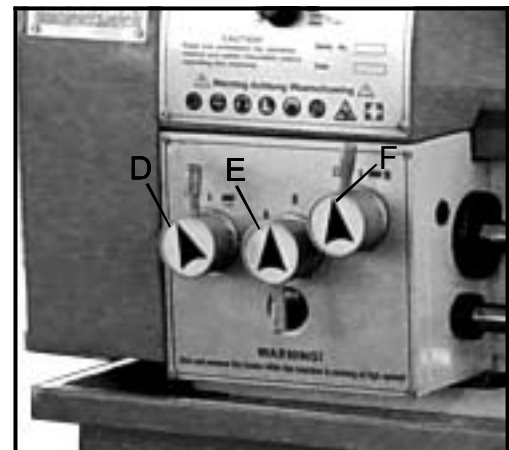


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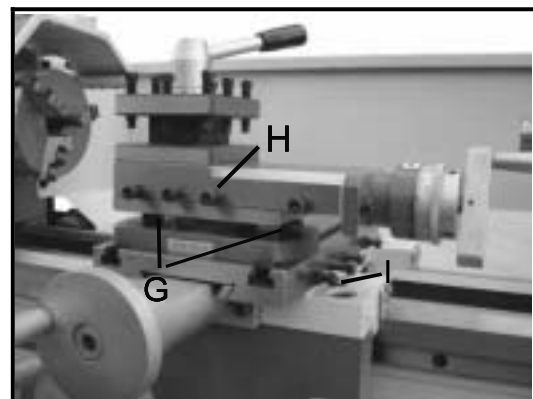


Fig. 13

9. Carriage Lock

Turn hex socket cap screw (A, Fig.14) clockwise and tighten to lock. Turn counter-clockwise and loosen to unlock.

Caution: carriage lock screw must be unlocked before engaging automatic feeds or damage to lathe may occur.

10. Longitudinal Traverse (B, Fig. 15)

Rotate hand wheel clockwise to move the apron assembly toward the tailstock (right). Rotate the hand wheel counter-clockwise to move the apron assembly toward the headstock (left).

11. Cross Traverse Handwheel (C, Fig. 15)

Clockwise rotation moves the cross slide toward the rear of the machine.

12. Half Nut Engage Lever (D, Fig. 15)

Move the lever down to engage. Move the lever up to disengage.

13. Compound Rest Traverse Lever (E, Fig. 15)

Rotate clockwise or counter-clockwise to move or position.

14. Tool Post Clamping Lever (F, Fig. 15)

Rotate counter-clockwise to loosen and clockwise to tighten. Rotate the tool post when the lever is unlocked.

15. Feed axis Selector (G, Fig. 15)

Push lever (G, Fig.15) to the left and down to engage cross feed Pull lever to the right and up to engage longitudinal feed.

16. Tailstock Clamping Screw (H, Fig. 16)

Turn hex nut clockwise to lock and counter-clockwise to unlock.

17. Tailstock Quill Clamping Lever (I, Fig. 16)

Rotate the lever clockwise to lock the spindle and counter-clockwise to unlock.

18. Tailstock Quill Traverse Handwheel (J, Fig. 16)

Rotate clockwise to advance the quill. Rotate counter-clockwise to retract the quill

19. Tailstock Off-set Adjustment (K, Fig. 16)

Three sets screws located on the tailstock base are used to off-set the tailstock for cutting tapers. Loosen lock screw on tailstock end. Loosen one side set screw while tightening the other until the amount of off-set is indicated on scale. Tighten lock screw.

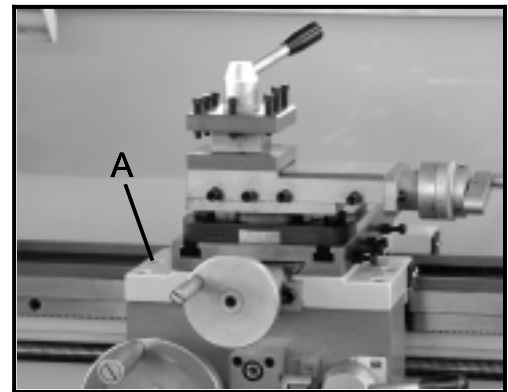


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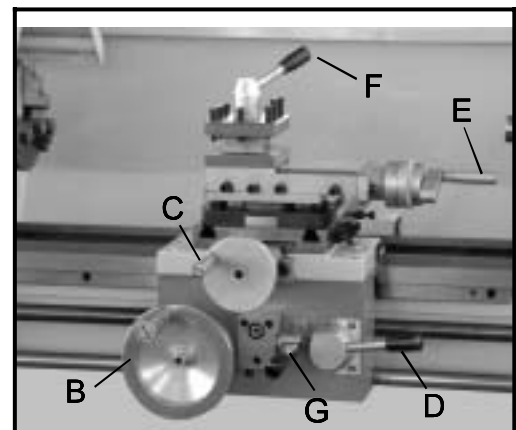


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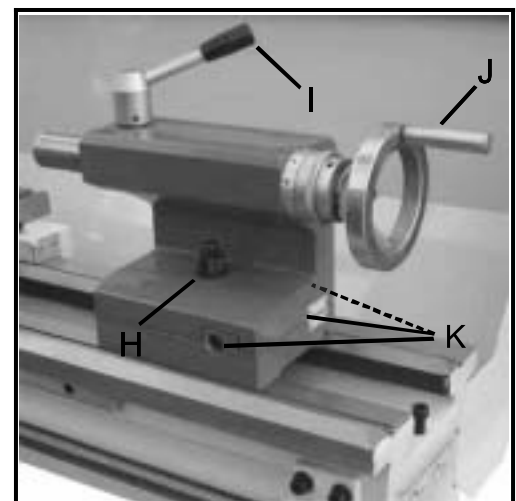


Fig. 16

OPERATION

Replacement of Chuck

The head spindle holding fixture is cylindrical. Loose three set screws and nuts (A, Fig.17, only two are shown) on the lathe chuck flange to remove the chuck. Position the new chuck and fix it using the same set screws and nuts.

Tool Set-Up

Clamp the turning tool into the toolholder.

The tool must be clamped firmly. When turning, the tool has a tendency to bend under the cutting force generated during the chip formation. For best results, tool overhang should be kept to a minimum of 3/8" or less.

The cutting angle is correct when the cutting edge is in line with the center axis of the work piece. The correct height of the tool can be achieved by comparing the tool point with the point of the center mounted in the tailstock. If necessary, use steel spacer shims under the tool to get the required height. (Fig. 18)

Change H/L Speed

1. Unscrew the two fastening screws (B, Fig.19) and remove the protective cover.
2. To selection A or B according to your requirement, A is low speed, B is high speed. (Fig. 20)

Caution: we suggestion our customers to select low speed position to work, it could provides stronger torque for working!

Synchronism Belt Adjusted

Loosen the four nuts and screws (Fig. 20-1) to remove the plate of mounting motor and position!

Belt Adjusted

Rotate clockwise the screw (Fig. 20-2) to tense, Rotate counterclockwise to loosen.

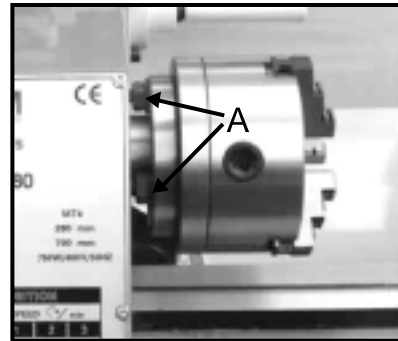


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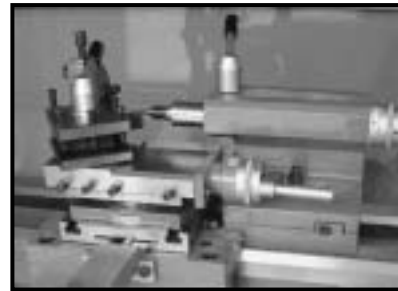


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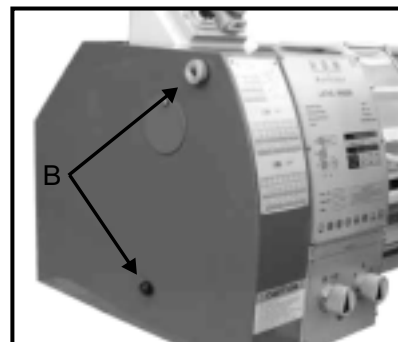


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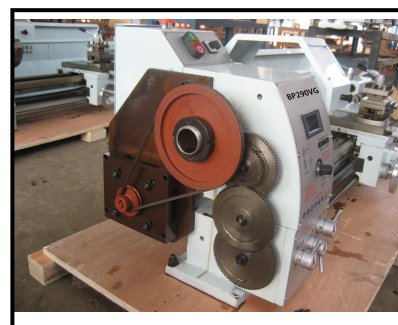


Fig. 20-1



Fig. 20-2

Manual Turning

Apron travel, cross travel, and top slide handwheel can be operated for longitudinal or cross feeding. (Fig.21)

Longitudinal Turning with Auto-Feed

1. Set the selector knob (A, Fig.22) to select the feed direction and feed speed.
2. Use the table (B, Fig.22) on the lathe for selecting the feed speed or the thread pitch. Adjust the change gear if the required feed or thread pitch cannot be obtained with the installed gear set.

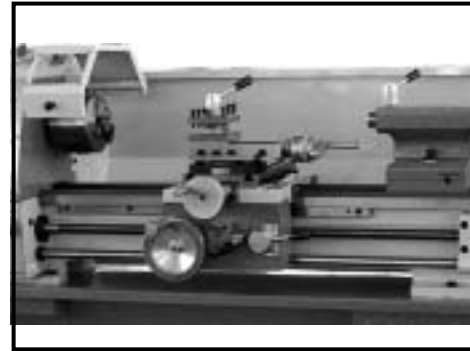


Fig. 21

Change Gears Replacement

1. Disconnect the machine from the power source.
2. Unscrew the two fastening screws and remove the protective cover.
3. Loosen the locking screw (C, Fig.23) on the quadrant.
4. Swing the quadrant (D, Fig.23) to the right.
5. Unscrew the bolt (E, Fig.23) from the leadscrew or the square bolts (F, Fig.23) from the quadrant bolts in order to remove the change gears from the front.
6. Install the gear couples according to the thread and feed table (Fig.24) and screw the gearwheels onto the quadrant again.
7. Swing the quadrant to the left until the gearwheels have engaged again.
8. Readjust gear backlash by inserting a normal sheet of paper as an adjusting or distance aid between the gearwheels.
9. Immobilize the quadrant with the locking screw.
10. Install the protective cover of the headstock and reconnect the machine to the power supply.



Fig. 22

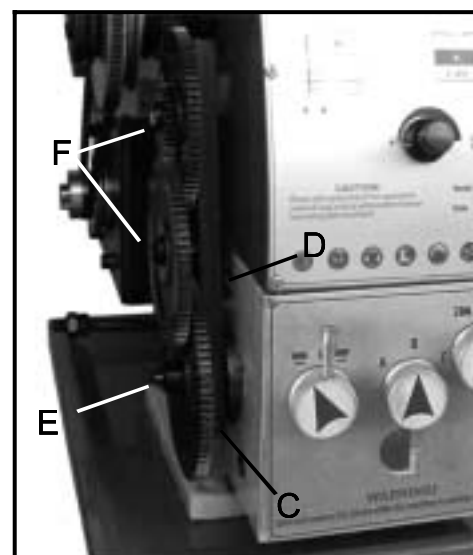


Fig. 23

THREADING AND FEEDING TABLE FOR METRIC LATHE

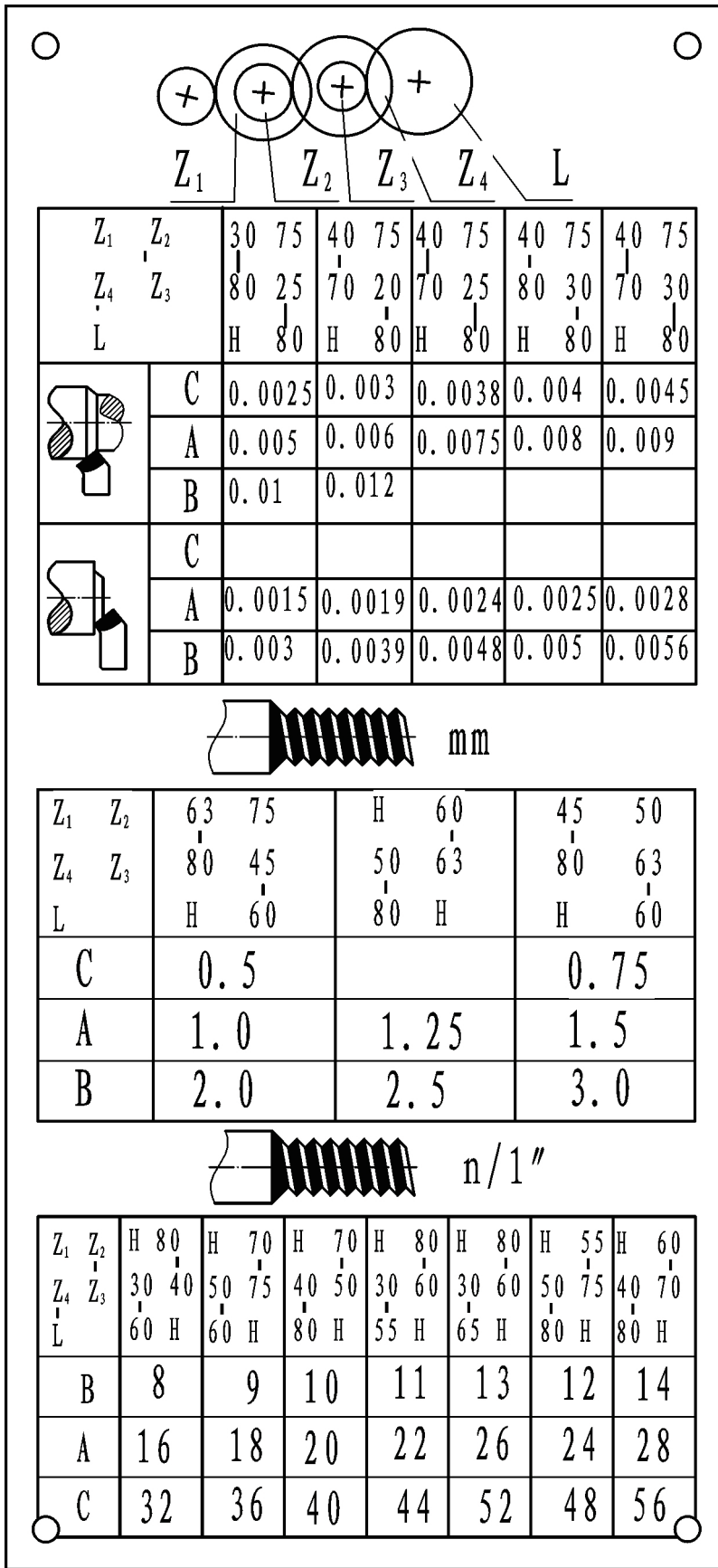


Fig. 24

Straight Turning (Fig. 25)

In the straight turning operation, the tool feeds parallel to the axis of rotation of the workpiece. The feed can be either manual by turning the handwheel on the lathe saddle or the top slide, or by activating the automatic feed. The crossfeed for the depth of cut is achieved using the cross slide.

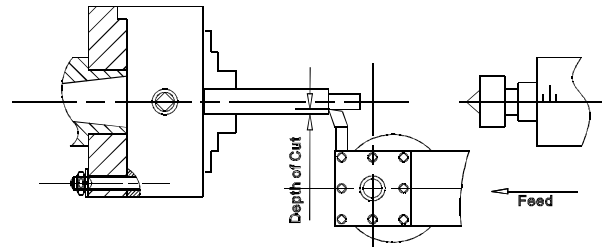


Fig. 25

Facing and Recesses (Fig. 26)

In the facing operation, the tool feeds perpendicular to the axis of rotation of the workpiece. The feed is made manually with the cross slide handwheel. The crossfeed for cut depth is made with the top slide or lathe saddle.

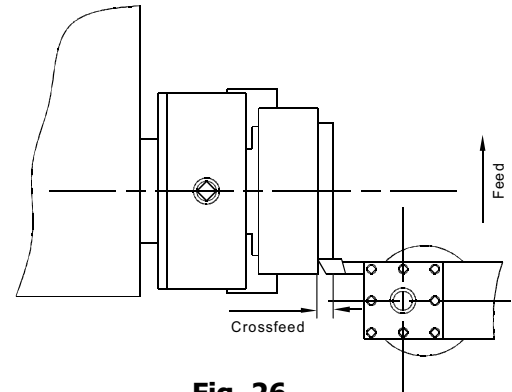
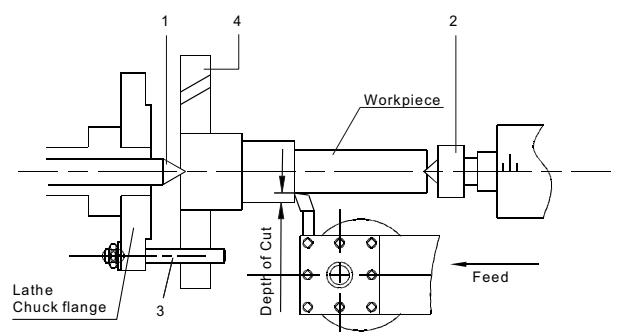


Fig. 26

Turning Between Centers (Fig. 27)

For turning between centers, it is necessary to remove the chuck from the spindle. Fit the M.T.3 center into the spindle nose and the M.T. 2 center into the tailstock. Mount the workpiece fitted with the driver dog between the centers. The driver is driven by a catch or face plate.

Note: Always use a small amount of grease on the tailstock center to prevent center tip form overheating.



- 1.Fixed Centre 60°
- 2.Living Centre 60°
- 3.Dog Drive Pin
- 4.Dog Plate

Fig. 27

Taper Turning Using Tailstock Off-Set

Work to a side angle of 5 can be turned by off-setting the tailstock. The angle depends on the length of the workpiece.

To off-set the tailstock, loosen locking screw (A, Fig.28) Unscrew the set screw (B, Fig.28) on right end of the tailstock. Loosen the front adjusting screw(C, Fig.28) and take up the same amount by tightening the rear adjusting screw (D, Fig.28) until the desired taper has been reached. The desired cross-adjustment can be read off the scale. (E, Fig.28). First retighten the set screw (B, Fig.28) and then the two (front and rear) adjusting screw to lock the tailstock in position. Retighten the locking screw (A, Fig.28) of the tailstock. The workpiece must be held between to centers and driven by a face plate and driver dog.

After taper turning, the tailstock should be returned to its original position according to the zero position on the scale of tailstock. (E, Fig.28)

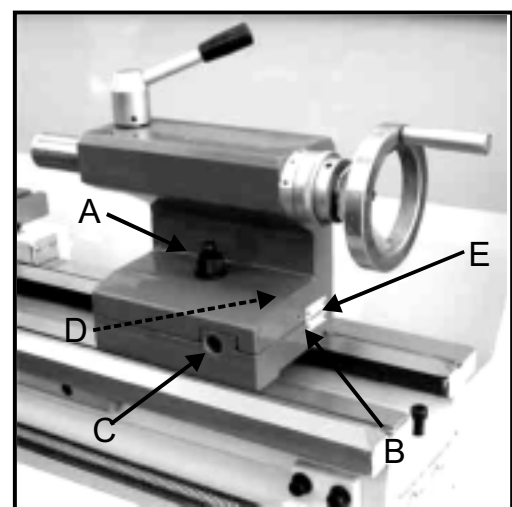


Fig. 28

Taper Turning by Setting the Top Slide

By angling the top slide, tapers may be turned manually with the top slide. (Fig. 29)

Rotate the top slide to the required angle. A graduated scale permits accurate adjustment of the top slide. The crossfeed is performed with the cross slide. This method can only be used for short tapers.

Thread Cutting

Set the machine up to the desired thread pitch (according to the threading chart, Fig.24). Start the machine and engage the half nut. When the tool reaches the part, it will cut the initial threading pass. When the tool reaches the end of the cut, stop the machine by turning the motor off and at the same time back the tool out of the part so that it clears the thread. Do not disengage the half nut lever. Reverse the motor direction to allow the cutting tool to traverse back to the starting point. Repeat these steps until you have obtained the desired results.

NOTES

Example: Male Thread

- The workpiece diameter must have been turned to the diameter of the desired thread.
- The workpiece requires a chamfer at the beginning of the thread and an undercut at the thread runout.
- The speed must be as low as possible.
- The change gears must have been installed according to the required pitch.
- The thread cutting tool must be exactly the same shape as the thread, must be absolutely rectangular and clamped so that it coincides exactly with the turning center.
- The thread is produced in various cutting steps so that the cutting tool has to be turned out of the thread completely (with the cross slide) at the end of each cutting step.
- The tool is withdrawn with the leadscrew nut engaged by inverting the change-over switch.
- Stop the machine and feed the thread cutting tool in low cut depths using the cross slide.
- Before each passage, place the top slide approximately 0.2 to 0.3mm to the left and right alternately in order to cut the thread free. This way, the thread cutting tools cuts only on one thread flank with each passage. Keep cutting the thread free until you have almost reached the full depth of thread.

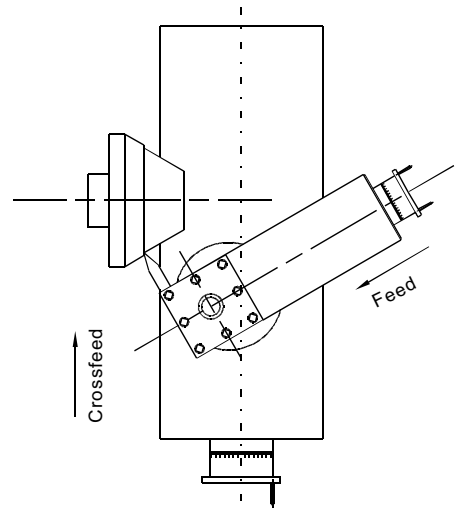


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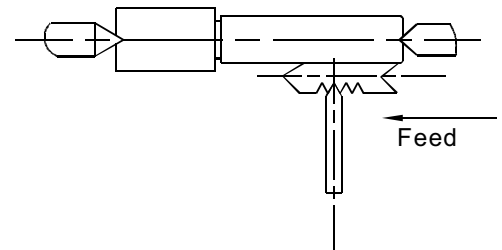


Fig. 30

LATHE ACCESSORIES

Three Jaw Universal Lathe Chuck

Using this universal chuck, round, triangular, square, hexagonal octagonal, and twelve-cornered stock may be clamped. (Fig.31)

Note: new lathes have very tight fitting jaws. This is necessary to ensure accurate clamping and long service life. With repeated opening and closing, the jaw adjust automatically and their operation becomes progressively smoother.

Note:

For the original 3-jaw chuck that mounted on the lathe, the factory has mounted the chuck in the best way to guarantee the holding accuracy with two "0" mark (A, Fig.) showed on the chuck and chuck flange.

There are two types of jaws: Internal and external jaws. Please note that the number of jaws fit with the number inside the chuck's groove. Do not mix them together. When you are going to mount them, please mount them in ascending order 1-2-3, when you are going to take them out, be sure to take them out in descending order 3-2-1, one by one. After you finished this procedure, rotate the jaws to the smallest diameter and check that the three jaws are well fitted.

Four Jaw Independent Lathe Chuck

This special chuck has four independently adjustable chuck jaws. These permit the holding of asymmetrical pieces and enable the accurate set-up of cylindrical pieces. (Fig.32)

Drill Chuck (Optional)

Use the drill chuck to hold centering drills and twist drills in the tailstock. (A, Fig.33)

Morse Taper Arbor (Optional)

An arbor is necessary for mounting the drill chuck in the tailstock. It has a No. 2 Morse taper. (B, Fig.33)

Live Center (Optional)

The live center is mounted in ball bearings. Its use is highly recommended for turning at speeds in excess of 600 RPM. (Fig. 34)

Faceplate

can be fixed irregular parts

(Fig. 35)

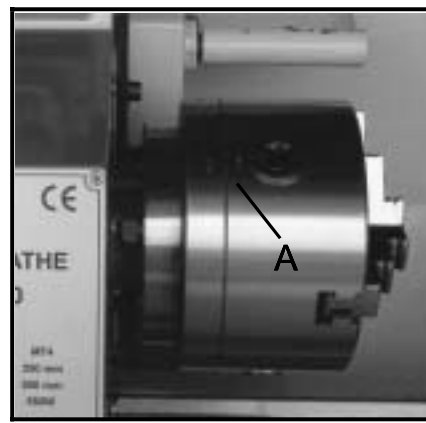


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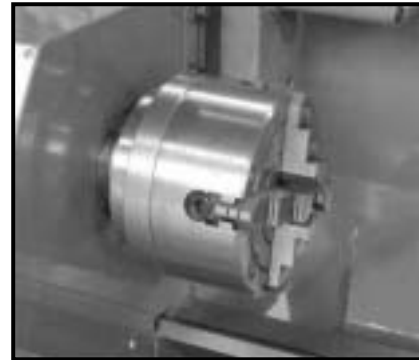


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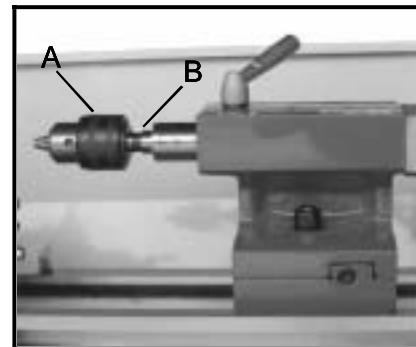


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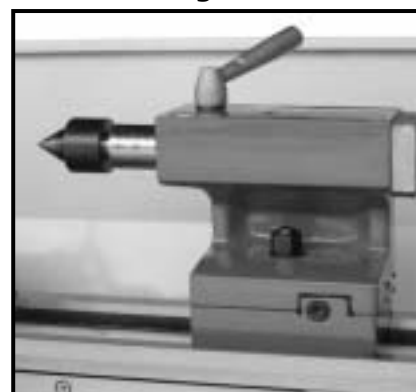


Fig. 34



Fig.35

Steady Rest

The steady rest serves as a support for shafts on the free tailstock end. For many operations the tailstock can not be used as it obstructs the turning tool or drilling tool, and therefore, must be removed from the machine. The steady rest, which function as an end support, ensures chatter-free operation. The steady rest is mounted on the bedways and is secured from below with a locking plate. The sliding fingers require continuous lubrication at the contact points to prevent premature wear. (Fig.35)

Setting the Steady Rest

1. Loosen three hex nuts. (A, Fig.36)
2. Loosen knurled screw (B, Fig.36) and open the sliding fingers. (C, Fig.36) until the steady rest can be moved with its finger around the workpiece. Secure the steady rest in position.
3. Tighten knurled screws so that fingers are snug but not tight against the workpiece. Tighten three nuts (A, Fig.36). Lubricate the sliding points with machine oil.
4. When, after prolonged operation, the jaw show wear, the tips of the fingers may be filed or remilled.

Follow Rest

The follow rest is mounted on the saddle and follow the movement of the turning tool. Only two sliding fingers are required. The place of the third finger is taken by the turning tool. The follow rest is used for turning operations on long, slender workpieces. It prevents flexing of the workpiece under pressure from the turning tool. (Fig.37)

Set the fingers snug to the workpiece but not overly tight. Lubricate the fingers during operation to prevent premature wear.



Fig. 35

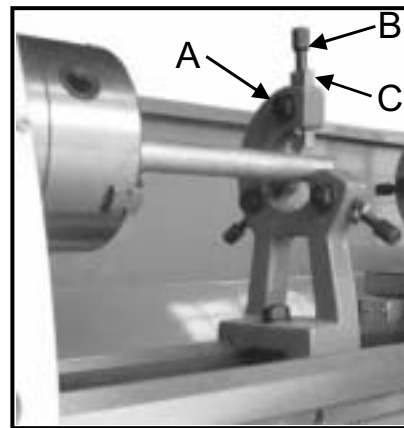


Fig. 36



Fig. 37

ADJUSTMENT

After a period time, wear in some of the moving components may need to be adjust

Main Spindle Bearings

The main spindle bearings are adjusted at the factory. If end play becomes evident after considerable use, the bearings may be adjusted.

Loosen two hex socket cap screws (A, Fig.38) in the slotted nut (B, Fig.38) on the back of the spindle. Tighten slotted nut until all end play is taken up. The spindle should still revolve freely. Tighten two hex socket cap screws (A, Fig.38).

Caution: excessive tightening or preloading will damage the bearings.

Adjustment of Cross Slide

The cross slide is fitted with a gib strip(C, Fig.39) and can be adjusted with screws (D, Fig.39) fitted with lock nuts. (E, Fig.39) Loosen the lock nuts and tighten the set screws until slide moves freely without play. Tighten lock nuts to retain adjustment.

Adjustment of Top Slide

The top slide is fitted with a gib strip(F, Fig.40) and can be adjusted with screws (G, Fig. 40) fitted with lock nuts. (H, Fig. 40) Loosen the lock nuts and tighten the set screws until slide moves freely without play. Tighten lock nuts to retain adjustment.

Adjustment of Half Nut Guide

Loosen the nut (I, Fig.41) on the right side bottom of the apron and adjust the control screws (J, Fig.41) until both half nuts move freely without play. Tighten the nut.

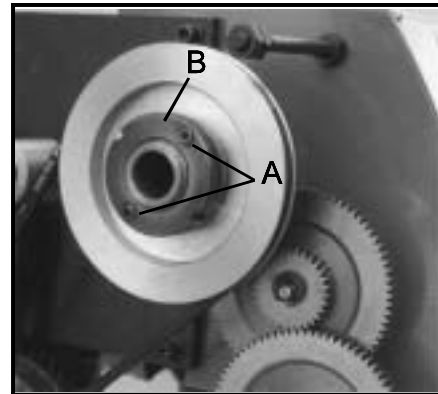


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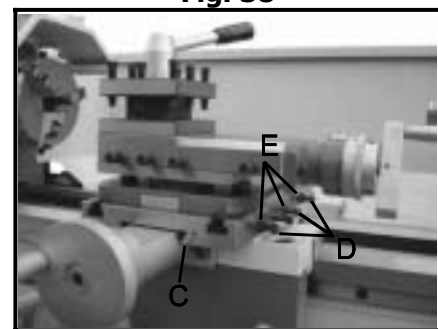


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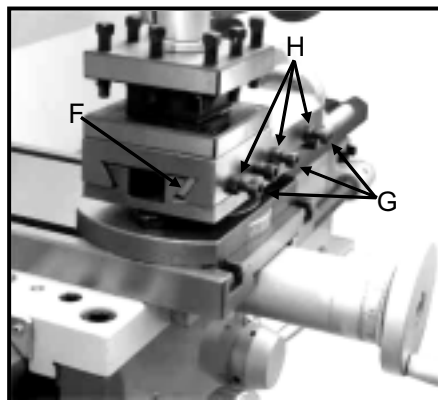


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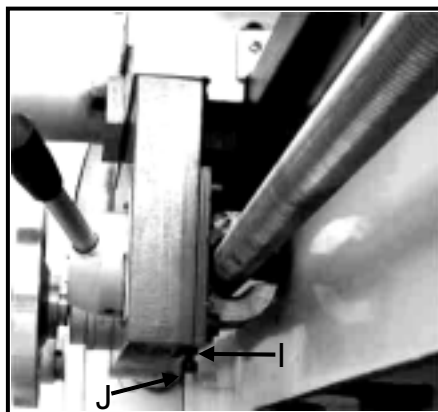


Fig. 41

LUBRICATION

CAUTION!

**Lathe must be serviced at all lubrication points and all reservoirs filled to operating level before the lathe is placed into service!
Failure to comply may cause serious damage!**

NOTES:

Lubricate all slideways lightly before every use. Lubricate the change gears and the leadscrew slightly with a lithium-based grease.

1. Gearbox

Oil Must be up to indicator mark in oil sight glass(A, Fig.42). Top off with Mobilgear 627 or equivalent. Fill by pulling plug (B, Fig. 42). To drain, remove drain plug on the right side of headstock(C, Fig.43). Drain oil completely and refill after the first three months of operation. Then, change oil in the headstock annually.

2. Change Gear

Lubricate two oil ports (D, Fig.43) on the gear shafts with 20W machine oil once daily.

3. Carriage

Lubricate Four oil ports (E, Fig. 44) with 20W machine oil once daily.

4. Cross Slide

Lubricate two oil ports (F, Fig. 44) with 20W machine oil once daily.

5. Apron

Lubricate two oil ports (G, Fig. 45) with 20W machine oil once daily.

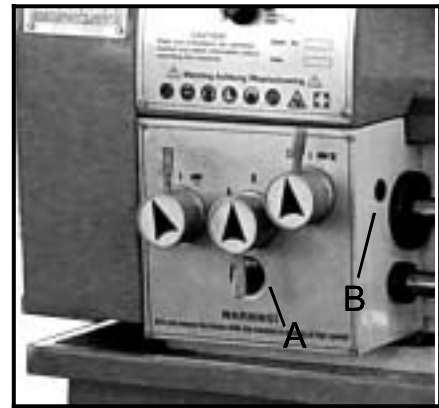


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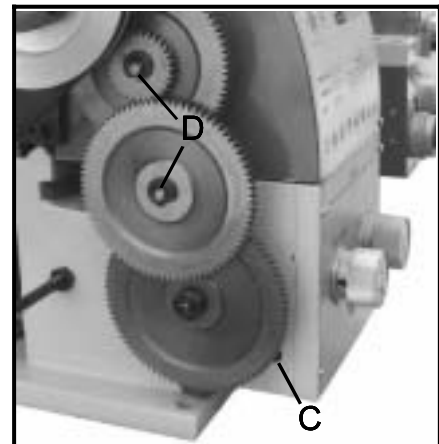


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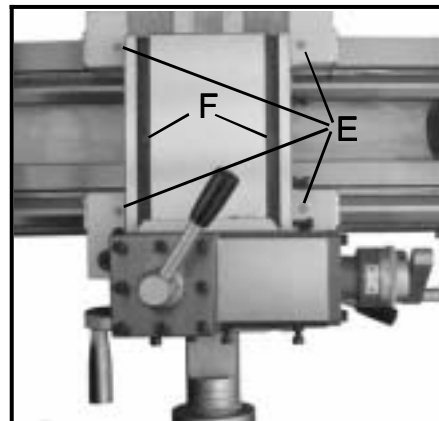


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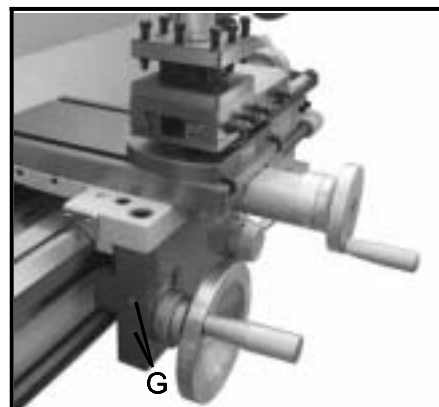


Fig. 45

6. Leadscrew

Lubricate the oil port (A, Fig. 46) with 20W machine oil once daily.

7. Tailstock

Lubricate two oil ports (B, Fig. 46) with 20W machine oil once daily.

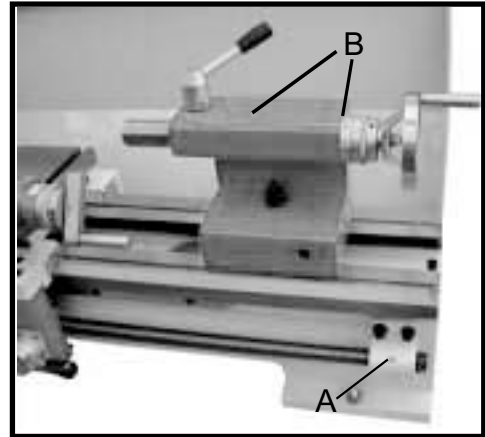


Fig. 46

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

WARNING!

Connection of the lathe and all other electrical work may only be carried out by an authorized electrician!

Failure to comply may cause serious injury and damage to the machinery and property!

The BOLTON BP290VF Variable Speed Lathe is rated at 1100W, 1PH, 110V only. Confirm power available at the lathe's location is the same rating as the lathe. Using the wiring diagram (Fig.47) for connecting the lathe to the mains supply.

Make sure the lathe is properly grounded.

The following is wiring diagram of the lathe: (Fig.47)

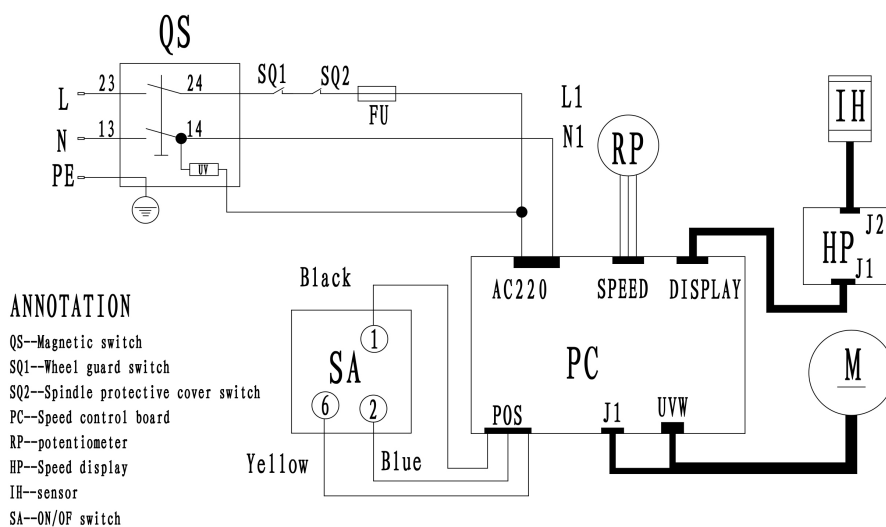


Fig.47

MAINTENANCE

Keep the maintenance of the machine tool during the operation to guarantee the accuracy and service life of the machine tool.

1. In order to retain the machine's precision and functionality, it is essential to treat it with care, keep it clean and grease and lubricate it regularly. Only through good care, you can be sure that the working quality of the machine will remain constant.

NOTES:

Disconnect the machine plug from the mains supply whenever you carry out cleaning, maintenance or repair work!

Oil, grease and cleaning agents are pollutants and must not be disposed of through the drains or in normal refuse. Dispose of those agents in accordance with current legal requirements on the environment. Cleaning rags impregnated with oil, grease and cleaning agents are easily inflammable. Collect cleaning rags or cleaning wool in a suitable closed vessel and dispose of them in an environmentally sound way – do not put them with normal refuse!

2. Lubrication all slideways lightly before every use. The change gears and the leadscrew must also be lightly lubricated with lithium base grease.
3. During the operation, the chips which falls onto the sliding surface should be cleaned timely, and the inspection should be often made to prevent chips falling into the position between the machine tool saddle and lathe bed guide way. Asphalt felt should be cleaned at certain time.

NOTES:

Do not remove the chips with your bare hands. There is a risk of cuts due to sharp-edged chips. Never use flammable solvents or cleaning agents or agents that generate noxious fumes! Protect electrical components such as motors, switches, switch boxes, etc., against humidity when cleaning.

4. After the operation every day, eliminate all the chips and clean different part of the machine tool and apply machine tool oil to prevent rusting.
5. In order to maintain the machining accuracy, take care of the center, the surface of the machine tool for the chuck and the guide way and avoid mechanical damage and the wear due to improper guide.
6. If the damage is found, the maintenance should be done immediately.

NOTES:

Repair work may only be carried out by qualified personnel with the corresponding mechanical and electrical knowledge.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Reason	Elimination
Surface of workpiece too rough	Tool blunt Tool springs Feed too high Radius at the tool tip too small	Resharpen tool Clamp tool with less overhang Reduce feed Increase radius
Workpiece becomes coned	Centers are not aligned (tailstock has offset) Top slide not aligned well (cutting with the top slide)	Adjust tailstock to the center Align top slide well
Lathe is chattering	Feed too high Slack in main bearing	Reduce feed Adjust the main bearing
Center runs hot	Workpiece has expanded	Loosen tailstock center
Tool has a short edge life	Cutting speed too high Crossfeed too high Insufficient cooling	Reduce cutting speed Lower crossfeed(finishing allowance should not exceed 0.5mm) More coolant
Flank wear too high	Clearance angle too small Tool tip not adjusted to center high	Increase clearance angle Correct height adjustment of the tool
Cutting edge breaks off	Wedge angle too small (heat build-up) Grinding crack due to wrong cooling Excessive slack in the spindle bearing Arrangement (vibrations)	Increase wedge angle Cool uniformly Adjust the slack in the spindle bearing arrangement
Cut thread is wrong	Tool is clamped incorrectly or has been started grinding the wrong way Wrong pitch Wrong diameter	Adjust too to the center Grind angle correctly Adjust the right pitch Turn the workpiece to the correct diameter
Spindle does not activate	Emergency stop switch activated	Unlock emergency stop switch

MAIN TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

SPECIFICATION:

Drilling Capacity	25mm
End Mill Capacity	16mm
Face Mill Capacity	63mm
Spindle Taper	R8
Spindle Stroke	50mm
Head Tilt	±90°
Number of Spindle Speeds	Variable
Ranger of Spindle Speeds	50~3000 RPM
Working Surface of Table	270x150mm
Number of T-Slots	2
T-Slot Size	10mm
Motor	1100W, 1Ph, 110V

The specifications in this manual are given as general information and are not binding. **BOLTON** reserves the right to effect, at any time and without prior notice, changes or alterations to parts, fitting and accessory equipment deemed necessary for any reason whatsoever.

MILL HEAD OPERATION

Head Elevating handwheel (A, Fig.48),

Located on the right of column. The head can be adjusted up or down to suit height requirements for different workpieces. Turn it clockwise to up head on the column and counter-clockwise to down. **When the head is at the desired height, lock in place with the locks.**

Caution: Have to loosen the locks for the slideways before above operation!

Mill Head locks (B, Fig.49)

Located on the right of column. Turn clockwise to lock the mill head.

Quill Lock Lever (C, Fig. 49)

Located on the left of the mill head. The height of the spindle can be locked with the quill lock lever. Set the desired height with the quill lever and turn the lever down. Turn clockwise to lock the quill, reverse to loosen.

Caution: For best results. All milling operations should be done with the quill/spindle as close to the head assembly as possible. Lock spindle, table and mill head in place before starting milling operations!

Down feed Handles: (D, Fig. 50):

Located on the right side of the head casting. Counter-clockwise movement advances the quill toward the table. Return spring retracts the handles. **The knob (E, Fig. 50) must be loose before the operating the handles.**

Fine Down Feed

Turn counter-clockwise the knob (E, Fig. 50) to engage the fine down feed knob (G, Fig. 03) what located on the front of the head. Turn it according to you want to move downward, Clockwise turn the hand wheel to down feed the spindle, reverse to retract it.



Fig. 48

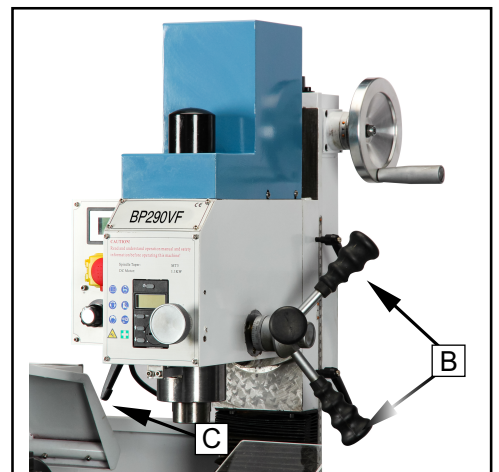


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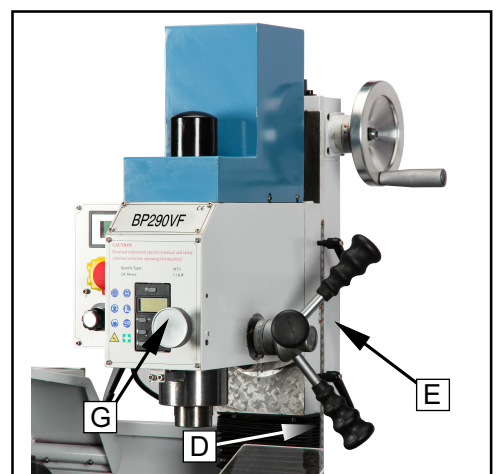


Fig. 50

Mill Head Rotation

The head is designed to tilt 90° either left or right, enabling it to perform task such as angle drilling or horizontal slotting. Loosen the lock nuts (H, Fig. 51) under the head. Rotate the head to its desired position, using the reference guide (I, Fig.51). Once in place, re-tighten the lock nuts.

Note: make sure to provide support for the head so it doesn't unexpectedly rotate on its own. Always maintain control of the head.

Keep in mind that the head must be dialed in when it's returned to the "zero" position if high levels of accuracy are required. If you are able to use an angle vise to accomplish your milling operation without tilting the mill head, you will save yourself a good amount of set-up time.

High/Low Speed Knob (J, Fig. 52)

Located on the right of the mill head. You can select H/L speed by moving the knob right or left. **Note: Change speed keep machine is at low speed!** See the chart below for spindle speeds:

SPINDLE SPEED $\frac{\text{rpm}}{\text{min}}$	
L	H
50-1500	100-3000

Caution: Even at low spindle speeds, metal fragments from the cutting process can be expelled by the mill/drill. Always wear eyewear and protective clothing when operating the machine!

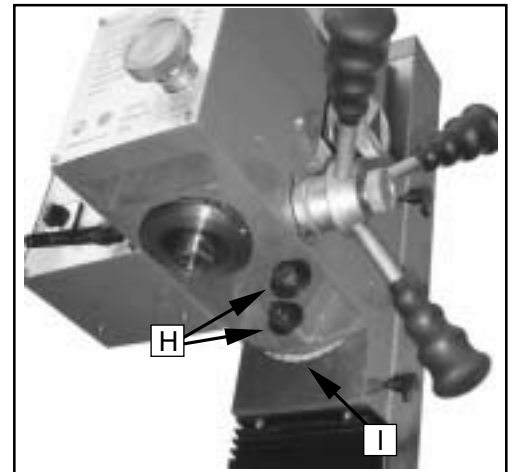


Fig. 51

Electrical Connections

WARNING!
A qualified electrician must make all electrical connections!
Failure to do so may cause serious injury!

Before connecting the machine to the mains, make sure that the electrical values of the mains supply are the same as those for the machine's electrical components. Use the wiring diagram (Fig. 53) for connecting the lathe to the mains supply.

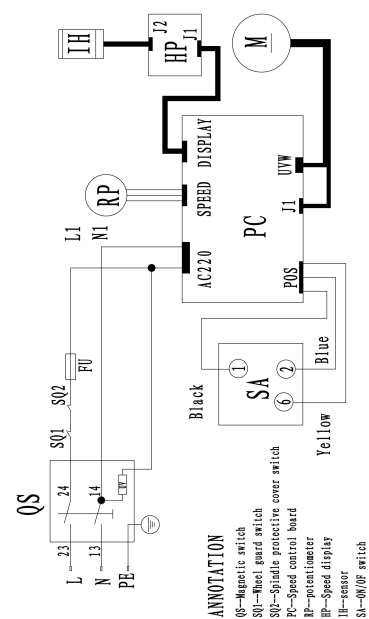


Fig. 53

WARNING!

**Make sure the machine is properly ground!
Failure to do so may cause serious injury and
damage to user!**

Make sure that all 2 phase (L, N) are connected.

Defective or incorrect connection will render the guarantee null and void.

Indicators are:

Motor runs hot immediately (3-4 minutes).

Motor doesn't run silently and has no power.

Magnetic Switch (A, Fig.54) has the function of emergency stopping and the protective function to the machine and electric components. Green push button marked "I" to start the motor, Red push button marked "O" to switch the motor off.

Speed Control Knob (B, Fig. 54) turn it clockwise to increase the spindle speed, reverse to decrease. The knob should be turned to zero each time the machine is stopped. Always start the machine with the knob set at zero.

F/R switch (C, Fig. 54) changing the position of switch will reverse the direction of the motor. F-forward direction, R- reverse direction.

Fuse Base (D, Fig. 55) located on the back plate of electrical box. Fuse what rate is 8A is put in the base. Turn counter-clockwise the button to open and change the fuse, reverse to retighten.

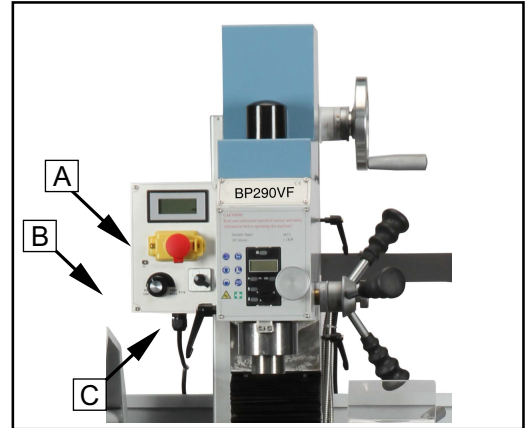


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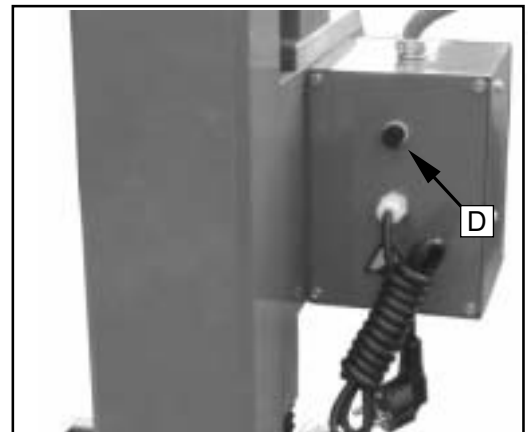


Fig.55

⚠ WARNING!

This machine is designed and intended for use by properly trained and experienced personnel only! If you are not familiar with the proper and safe use of mill/drills, don't use the machine until proper training and knowledge have been obtained!

Arbor Replacement

1. Disconnect machine from the power source, unplug.
2. Remove the cover of drawbar onto the motor cover (A, Fig. 56).
3. Hold the flat of spindle (B, Fig. 57) to keep it from moving while loosening the drawbar (C, Fig. 58) with the 22-25 spanner in toolbox.
4. Loosen the drawbar approximately three to four full turns.
5. Tap the drawbar head with a rubber mallet to dislodge the arbor.
6. Grasp the arbor with one hand while loosening the drawbar with the other. Continue to loosen the drawbar until the arbor can be withdrawn from the spindle. Wipe out the spindle with a clean dry rag.
7. Wipe down the new arbor with a clean dry rag and place the arbor into the spindle. Thread the drawbar into the arbor. Tighten the drawbar with a spanner while holding the spindle.

WARNING!

Do not loosen the drawbar more than three or four turns before hitting with a rubber mallet. Damage to the drawbar threads may occur!

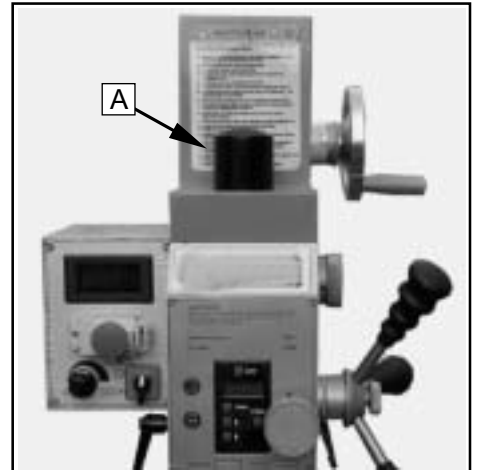


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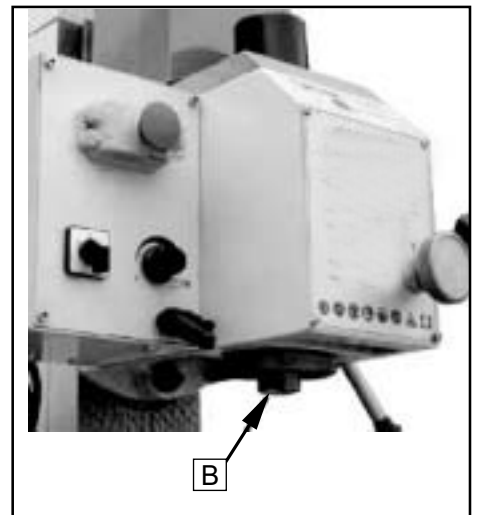


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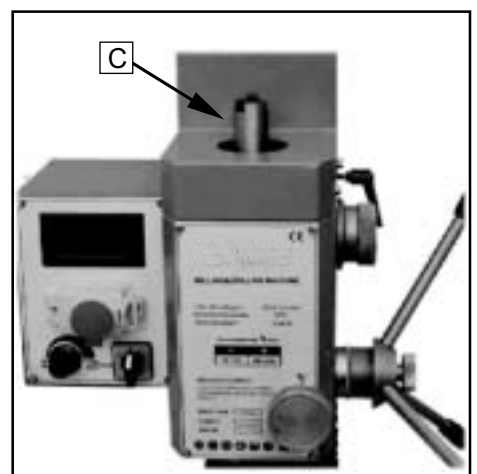


Fig. 58

Gibs Adjustment

After a period of time, movement of the table over the ways will cause normal wear. Adjust the gibs to compensate for this wear.

1. The vertical gib adjustment screw (C, Fig.59) is found onto the column.
2. Loose the screw from small end of taper gibs. Turn the screw from large end of taper gibs slightly clockwise to tighten. Turn the handwheels and check the tension.
3. Re-adjust as required.

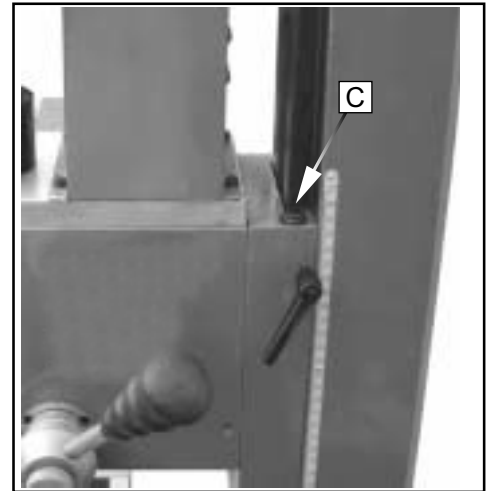


Fig. 59

Maintenance

Keep the maintenance of the machine tool during the operation to guarantee the accuracy and service life of the machine.

1. In order to retain the machine's precision and functionality, it is essential to treat it with care, keep it clean and grease and lubricate it regularly. Only through good care, you can be sure that the working quality of the machine will remain constant. **Disconnect the machine plug from the mains supply whenever you carry out cleaning, maintenance or repair work!**
2. Lubrication all slideways lightly before every use. The leadscrew must also be lightly lubricated with lithium base grease.
3. During the operation, the chips what falls onto the sliding surface should be cleaned timely, and the inspection should be often made to prevent chips falling into sliding ways. Asphalt felt should be cleaned at certain time. **Do not remove the chips with your bare hands. There is a risk of cuts due to sharp-edged chips.**
4. After the operation every day, eliminate all the chips and clean different part of the machine and apply machine oil to prevent rusting.
5. In order to maintain the machining accuracy, take care of the arbor, drawbar, the surface of the worktable and the guide way and avoid mechanical damage and the wear due to improper guide.
6. If the damage is found, the maintenance should be done immediately.

Trouble Solution

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Too chatters	Gibs too loose on table, column Unused feeds not locked Mill head not locked Quill too loose Tool not on center Improper tool shape, tool dull	Readjust gibs Lock all axes but the one moving Lock mill head Tighten quill lock Center tool reshape, sharpen, or replace tool
Depth of cut is not consistent	Quill moving Setup wrong	Lock quill Make sure setup is parallel to table
Hole is off center or bit wanders	Bit dull Bit not mounted correctly in chuck Chuck loose in spindle Drawbar not secured Bearing loosen or worn Cutting too fast	Use sharp bits Remount tool Remount chuck on arbor Tighten drawbar Tighten or replace bearings Reduce speed
Bit turns erratically or stops	Bit fed into work too fast	Reduce feed rate
Chuck is difficult to tighten or loosen	Chuck sticking Debris in chuck	Apply lubricant Clean chuck
Chuck wobbles	Chuck loose on arbor Drawbar not tight	Clean arbor and remount Clean spindle and replace drawbar
Turn on machine and nothing happens	Machine unplugged Loose electrical connections	Plug in machine Tighten wiring connections