Reaming Instructions

For Sonnax Tool Kits requiring VB-FIX Reaming Fixture (includes all Tool Kits whose Part Numbers begin with "F-")

Prep and Set-up

- 1. Remove all components from the bore.
- 2. Clean the bore thoroughly in a solvent tank.
- 3. Place the valve body on the reaming fixture (VB-FIX). Align and secure the valve body to the fixture according to the VB-FIX instructions, using the guide pin and reamer jig from the F-xxxxx-TLxx tool kit. **Do not loosen wing nuts or clamp, once position has been established until, the entire reaming process is complete.**
- 4. Remove the guide pin.
- 5. Soak the bore and reamer with cutting fluid (Mobilmet S-122, Lubegard Bio-Tap, Tap MagicTM, etc). For best results, provide a continuous flow of water-soluble cutting fluid (i.e. Mobilmet S-122) during the reaming process.
- 6. Gently insert the reamer through the jig and into the bore until the cutting tip contacts the first bore to be reamed.
- 7. Select the correct sized socket to fit the square shank of the reamer, and attach it to a wobble/swivel socket drive.

Reaming

- 1. The reamer should be turned either by hand using a speed handle or by a low rpm, high torque air drill regulated to a maximum of 200 rpm.
- 2. The reaming action should be clockwise in a smooth and continuous motion, at 60-200 rpm. The reamer should actually pull itself through the bore, so little or no forward force should be applied.
- 3. Continue reaming until the reamer stop is reached.

Finish and Clean-up

- 1. Using low air pressure, blow the chips free before removing the reamer.
- 2. To remove the reamer, turn clockwise while slowly pulling outward on the reamer.
- 3. Remove any remaining debris from the bore with low air pressure and clean in a solvent tank.
- 4. Examine the bore after cleaning for surface finish, debris, and burrs. Flashing and burrs on the exit side of casting bores can be carefully removed with a small piece of ScotchbriteTM on the end of a long wire.
- 5. Clean the reamer after each use and store in its protective tube.

Cautions and Suggestions

- 1. Turning the reamer backward will dull it prematurely.
- 2. Pushing on the reamer will result in poor surface finish and inadequate and sporadic material removal.
- 3. Never use a crescent wrench, ratchet or pliers to turn the reamer.
- 4. A dull reamer will cut a smaller hole. Reamers can be sharpened, but should only be done by a professional tool sharpener. Actual life of a reamer before resharpening or replacing averages 50-70 bores.

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