

# Safety And Operation Instructions

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

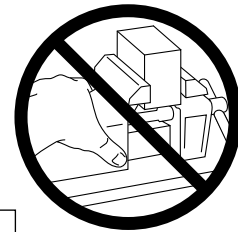
**⚠ WARNING** To Avoid Serious Injury And Ensure Best Results For Your Tapping Operation, Please Read Carefully *All* operator and safety instructions provided for this tapping attachment as well as all other safety instructions that are applicable, especially those for your machine tool.

**⚠ 1. Proper Clothing:** The rotating spindle of a machine tool can snag loose fitting clothing, jewelry or long hair. **Never** wear jewelry, long sleeves, neckties, gloves or anything else that could become caught when operating a machine tool. Long hair **must** be restrained or netted to prevent it from becoming entangled in rotating spindle. Steel toed boots should also be worn in any machine environment.

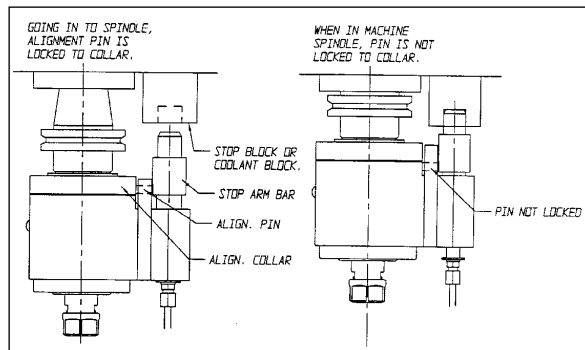
**⚠ 2. Proper Eye Protection:** Always wear safety glasses with side shields to protect your eyes from flying particles.



**⚠ 3. Proper Work Piece Fixturing:** **Never** hold the work piece or the vise it is held in, by hand. The work piece **must** be clamped firmly to the table of the machine so that it cannot move, rotate or lift.



**⚠ 4. On Machining Centers:**  
The same rule for stop arm and stop block installation applies "Always be sure that the installation is stronger than the largest tap." **Automatic tool changes should only be made on enclosed machines.**



**⚠ 5. The tapping attachment housing, drive spindle and tap itself can become hot to the touch after operation. Use caution when removing the attachment from the machine or handling.**

**⚠ 6. Always Be Aware Of The Potential Hazards Of A Machining Operation:** Sometimes working with your machine can seem routine. You may find that you are no longer concentrating on the operation. A feeling of false security can lead to serious injury. **Always** be alert to the dangers of the machines with which you work. **Always** keep hands, body parts, clothing, jewelry and hair out of the areas of operation, when the machine spindle is rotating. Areas of operation include the immediate point of machining and all transmission components including the tapping attachment. **Never** bring your hand, other body parts or anything attached to your body into any of these areas until the machine spindle is completely stopped.

**⚠ 7. Be aware of any other applicable safety instructions / requirements.**

### Check List For Good Tapping

- ⚠**
- 1. **Never** use this unit before reading all safety instructions for this attachment as well as the machine it is to be used on.
  - 2. Is tap sharp and of correct design for current job?
  - 3. Is tap in proper alignment with drilled hole?
  - 4. Is machine speed correct?
  - 5. Is machine feed correct?
  - 6. Is machine stop set properly so tap releases in neutral rather than bottoming in work piece or fixture?
  - 7. Is drilled hole the correct size?
  - 8. Is clearance between the drilled hole and tap sufficient at start position to allow the tap to clear the hole upon retraction?
  - 9. Is the stop arm of the tapping attachment held rigidly against rotation. Stop Arm installation must be stronger than largest tap.
  - 10. Is the proper cutting fluid or coolant being used for lubricating the tap?
  - 11. If a bottom hole is being tapped is there sufficient chip clearance?
  - 12. Is the correct Tapmatic model for the specific job requirement being used? (Capacity should be reduced 25% for roll form taps.)

References for this Safety Information include but are not limited to:

American National Standards Institute  
ANSI B11.8-1983 (Adopted May 31, 1983  
by Department of Defense)

Coastal Video Communications Corporation  
Machine Guarding Copy Right 1994

Society Of Manufacturing Engineers  
Tool and Manufacturing Engineers Handbook  
Volume 1 Machining  
(Library of Congress Catalog No. 82-060312)

# Programming

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

*Thank you for purchasing a Tapmatic RDT model. Please read this instruction sheet carefully before using the attachment.*

This tool may be used on enclosed machining centers with orienting spindles. Prior to a tool change, it is necessary that the machine spindle rotation stops in the same position each time. Installation procedures are shown on page 7.

### PROGRAMMING PROCEDURES

There are three possible methods for RDT& RDTIC tools.

**Reduced Cycle Time Programming** allows you to achieve faster cycle times and requires writing a subroutine for the tapping operation. It also improves the life of the tapping attachment's renewable drive parts.

**Increased Reverse Speed Programming:** Saves cycle time in applications requiring slower tapping speeds.

**Bore Cycle Programming** It is also possible to use a standard Bore cycle such as G85 to tap. This does lengthen cycle time.

### Reduced Cycle Time Programming

- 1.) **Select the proper RPM** for your specific tap and work piece material but be sure not to exceed the maximum RPM for your tapping attachments.

#### Maximum Speeds

|           |          |
|-----------|----------|
| RDT 85 HS | 1500 RPM |
| RDT 85 HD | 1000 RPM |
| RDT 100   | 800 RPM  |

Enclosed with this tool are charts showing recommended speeds for common materials. Use these charts and the rules to select the proper speed for your application.

- 2.) **Calculate The Correct Feed Rate** based on the tap pitch and RPM selected. For RDT85, RDT100 we recommend 95% Feed Rate.

**Inch Taps:** Tap Feed Rate = RPM divided by Pitch

Example: 1/2"-20 at 450 RPM

Tap Feed Rate = 450 RPM divided by 20 = 22.5 in/min

Machine Feed Rate 95% = .95 x 22.5 = 21.375 in/min.

**Metric Taps:** Tap Feed Rate = RPM x Pitch

Example: M12 x 1.75mm at 450 RPM

Tap Feed Rate = 450 RPM x 1.75 = 787.5 mm/min

Machine Feed Rate 95% = .95 x 787.5 = 748.125 mm/min

- 3.) **Cancel The Operators Ability To Adjust Feed Rate And Spindle Speed** using the machines potentiometer controls. This is normally done by using an M code like M49 for example.

- 4.) **IMPORTANT: Be Sure "Ramp" or "Exact Stop" Is Eliminated From Program.** These modes cause the cycle time to be significantly slower and also cause the tapping head to run less smoothly. For Example: Machines with Fanuc Controls and Haas Machines use G64 while tapping to eliminate "Exact Stop." G61 will make exact stop modal again for other operations if desired. Fadal Machines use G8 to cancel the Ramp for tapping. G9 will turn the "Ramp" on again if desired for other operations. Your machine may use different G codes. Please check machine manual.

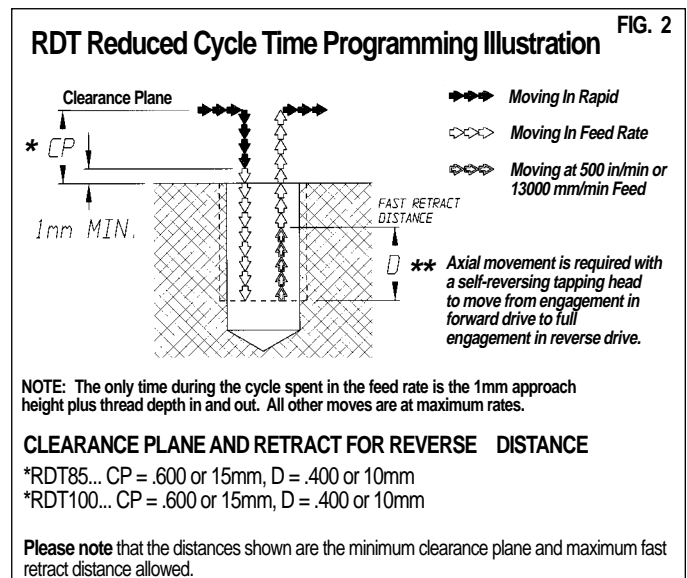
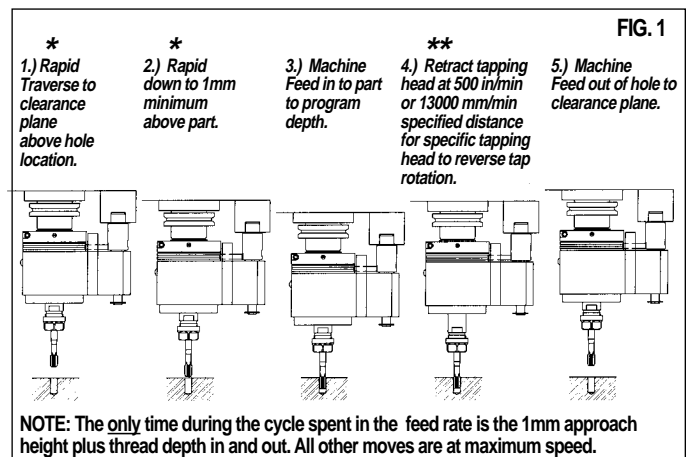
- 5.) **For Blind Holes: Allow For The Tap To Go Slightly Deeper Than Program Depth.**

For RDT85 or 100 allow an extra .175 or 4.5mm.

*The actual extra depth will be less than these values, please check depth on your first hole and then make any necessary adjustment to your program.*

### 6.) RDT Reduced Cycle Time Programming Illustration

Write a subroutine using G01 Feedrate and G00 Rapid movements as shown in Fig #1. and Fig. #2 below.



# Programming

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

### Reduced Cycle Time Programming Example Self-Reversing Tapping Unit Using G01 Movements

#### EXAMPLE

**Tapping Unit:** RDT85

Tap Size 1/2-20

450 RPM

Feed Rate In @ 95% = 21.375 in/min

#### Sub Routine:

Rapid approach to 1mm or .040 above part.

Feed in to depth .500 (note actual depth slightly deeper than program depth)

Retract .400 inch at 500 in/min to reverse tap. (\*Use maximum Feed Rate up to 500 in/min)

Feed out to .600 clearance plane at 95% Feed Rate.

#### MAIN PROGRAM

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M06 T6          Tool Change - Tool #6
M00            Program Stop
M03 S450       Spindle Forward ROTATION 450 RPM.
G8            Ramp Off (or G64 eliminates exact stop)
G00 G43 Z1.0 H06 M08 Rapid to Z1.0 Height Offset #6 coolant on.
M49          Spindle Speed and Feed Rate override cancel.
G00 G90 X1.0 Y-1.0 Z.600 Rapid in absolute to hole position X1.0,
Y-1.0 and Z.600 clearance plane.
M98 P4 L1     Repeat sub program 04 one time.
G00 Y-2.0    Rapid to next hole.
M98 P4 L1     Repeat sub program 04 one time.
    
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#### Sub Program

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0004
G90          Absolute movement.
G00 Z.04    Rapid to .04 above hole
G01 Z-.50 F21.375 Feed in to hole at 95% Feed Rate.
G01 Z-.100 F 500.0 Retract .400 at 500 in/min to reverse tap.
G01 Z.600 F21.375 Feed out of hole to .600 clearance plane.
M99        Return to main program
    
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#### VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

Regarding Ramp or Exact Stop: Please note that the G code for "Exact Stop" or "Ramp" should not be used with a Tapmatic self-reversing tapping attachment. Please be sure that these are not in effect when tapping because they will cause the tapping cycle time to be significantly slower and thread depth repeatability to be less accurate.

Fadal Machines: Use G8 to cancel the Ramp for tapping. G9 will turn the Ramp on again if desired for other operations.

Machines With Fanuc Controls and Haas Machines: Use G64 while tapping to eliminate the Exact Stop. G61 will make Exact Stop modal again for other operations if desired.

### Increased Reverse Speed Programming

More cycle time can be saved in applications requiring slower tapping speeds by increasing the speed coming out of the hole. Using G01 movements as in previous example use the recommended tapping speed and feed rate going in to the hole and then increase the spindle speed and feed rate coming out of the hole. For best results with larger taps, we recommend limiting retraction spindle speeds to the following.

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| RDT85 HS | 1200 RPM |
| RDT85 HD | 800 RPM  |
| RDT100   | 600 RPM  |

#### Example Tapping 1/2-20 in Free Machining Steel with RDT85HD

|                   |   |                |
|-------------------|---|----------------|
| Spindle Speed In  | = | 450 RPM        |
| 95% Feed Rate In  | = | 21.375 in/min. |
| Spindle Speed Out | = | 800 RPM        |
| 95% Feed Rate Out | = | 38 in/min.     |

#### Example Sub Program

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G90          Absolute Positioning
M3 S 450     Spindle right hand rotation 450 RPM
G00 Z.04    Rapid to .040 above workpiece
G01 Z-.F21.375 Feed .500 into part at 21.375 in/min.
M3 S 800     Increase speed to 800 RPM
G01 Z-.100 F 500 Retract .400 at 500 in/min
to reverse tap.
G01 Z.600 F38 Feed Out to .600 clearance plane at
38 in/min.
    
```

**⚠ Caution:** Please note that on certain machines increasing spindle speed may cause the machine to change from the low spindle speed range to the high range. This may cause a pause which would prevent "Increase Reverse Speed Programming" from working. Please be sure that the speed going in and speed you plan to use going out of the hole are both in the same range.

### Bore Cycle Programming

For Bore Cycle Programming steps 1-5 are the same as in Reduced Cycle Time Programming.

6.) In the main program, use the bore cycle (G85 for example) at each hole location. Be sure to use the proper clearance plane "CP" shown in FIG. 2 for your tapping attachment.

# Determining Correct Speed Within Specified Range

## Compilation of Guidelines From Tap Manufacturers And Other Sources For Cutting or Cold-Forming of Threads In Relation To Work Piece Material

**Cutting Speed For Tapping:** Several factors, singly or in combination can cause very great differences in the permissible tapping speed. The principal factors affecting the tapping speed are the pitch of the thread, the chamfer length on the tap, the percentage of full thread to be cut, the length of the hole to be tapped, the cutting fluid used, whether the threads are straight or tapered, the machine tool used to perform the operation, and the material to be tapped. *From Machinery's Handbook 23rd edition.*

If your coolant does not contain EP additives or its lubrication quality is low, start from the lower speeds in the range. Roll form taps in particular require good lubrication because of the high friction forces involved. As the lubrication quality of a coolant is often unknown, we recommend you start from the lower speeds in the range.

| These Factors Apply to <u>Everyone's</u> Tapping Speed Charts |  |                                      |  |     |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|-----|
| Ten Factors Requiring Lower Speeds                            |  | Ten Factors Permitting Higher Speeds |  | + % |
| -20   | Poor Lubrication   | 1                                    | Good Lubrication                           | +20 |
| -15   | High Tensile Strength Of Material                                | 2                                    | Low Tensile Strength Of Material           | +15 |
| -15   | Large Thread Diameter  | 4                                    | Small Thread Diameter                      | +15 |
| -10   | High Alloy Materials   | 3                                    | Low Alloy Materials                        | +10 |
| -10   | Thread Depth More Than 1.5 x Dia.                                | 5                                    | Thread Depth 1.5 x Dia. Or Less            | +10 |
| -10   | Thread Pitch Coarse  | 6                                    | Thread Pitch Fine                          | +10 |
| -5  | Drill Size More than 65% of Thread                               | 7                                    | Drill Size 65% or Less Thread              | +5  |
| -5  | Tap Lead Less Than 3.5 Thread                                    | 8                                    | Tap Lead More Than 3.5 Threads             | +5  |
| -5  | Blind Holes  | 9                                    | Through Holes                              | +5  |
| -5  | Free Running Spindle Inaccurate Pitch Control Hydraulic/Air Feed | 10                                   | Synchronous Spindle Lead Screw CNC Control | +5  |

|  |                              |                                    |                           |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Example:</b>  |                              | From Chart                         |                           |
| Tap Size: 1/4"-28 Coated,  | Material: Aluminum Die Cast, | 688-1375 RPM                       | RPM Spread = 687          |
| <b>Minus Factors:</b>  | High Tensile Strength -15    | <b>Plus Factors:</b>               | Coolant With Good EP +20  |
|  | Thread Depth 3 x Dia. -10    |                                    | Small Thread Diameter +15 |
|  | Drill Size = 75% Thd. -5     |                                    | Pitch Fine +10            |
|  | Blind Hole -5                |                                    | Lead 3.5 Threads +5       |
|  | <b>TOTAL -35</b>             |                                    | CNC Machine +5            |
|  |                              |                                    | <b>TOTAL +55</b>          |
| <b>Apply The Factors Against The RPM Spread of 687</b>                                       |                              |                                    |                           |
| +55 X 687 =  | 378                          | Added to minimum RPM 688 =         | 1066 New Minimum RPM      |
| -35 X 687 =  | 240                          | Subtracted from maximum RPM 1375 = | 1135 New Maximum RPM      |
| <b>Common Sense Rule:</b> Begin with min RPM and work up to optimum efficiency and tap life. |                              |                                    |                           |

### Eight Essential Steps For Trouble Free Performance With Self-Reversing Tapping Heads

1. **Never perform any installation or programming, before reading the operator instructions accompanying the tapping attachment and the machine as well as the tap manufacturers' recommendations.**
2. **Choose the proper tap:** Follow your tap manufacturers recommendations for your specific application.
3. **Calculate the correct tapping speed** from the adjacent charts and the rules on this page.
4. **Common sense rule:** Begin conservatively and increase speed until optimum results are obtained.
5. **Select the best tool** for your application or applications. High production with one tap size (*Don't compromise*), low production with a variety of taps, (*Choose the tool that best covers range.*)
6. **Follow our programming instructions exactly, and absolutely make sure ramp or exact stop has been eliminated from tapping cycle.** Leaving it in will increase tapping time 30% increase thread depth variations substantially, and wear out the tapping head prematurely.
7. **Follow our installation instructions exactly** and lock orientation collar in place once stop arm is in proper position. Then fix it positively with the locking screw provided.
8. **Schedule preventative maintenance.** Disassembly, cleaning, re-lubricating, and reassembly takes no more than half an hour. Just consider what the head does for the machine by eliminating its reversal related wear and tear. Simple maintenance will keep the head working efficiently, and pay big dividends in trouble free production.

# Speed Recommendations & Tool Selection

## Standard Taps

| Tap Size  | Low Carbon Steel, Medium Carbon Steel | High Carbon Steel, High Strength Steel Tool Steel | High Strength Steel, Tool Steel Hardened | Stainless 303, 304, 316       | Stainless 410, 430, 17-4 Hardened | Stainless 17-4 Annealed | Titanium Alloys                | Nickel Base Alloys | Aluminum Alloys    | Aluminum Die Cast    | Magnesium                         | Brass, Bronze        | Copper               | Cast Iron                         |                                   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|   | Surface Feet Per Minute               |   |  |                               |                                   |                         |                                |                    |                    |                      |                                   |                      |                      |                                   |                                   |
|   | Uncoated Tap<br>Coated Tap            |   |  |                               |                                   |                         |                                |                    |                    |                      |                                   |                      |                      |                                   |                                   |
|   | 25-50<br>50-80                        | 6-30<br>10-35                                     | 6-12                                     | 12-35<br>20-50                | 12-15                             | 12-15<br>12-25          | 3-15                           | 10-15              | 50-65              | 40-65<br>45-90       | 45-100                            | 30-65                | 50-60<br>65-100      | 35-50<br>50-65                    |                                   |
| RPM Range Uncoated<br>RPM Range Coated<br>Recommended Tapmatic Attachment |                                       |   |  |                               |                                   |                         |                                |                    |                    |                      |                                   |                      |                      |                                   |                                   |
| M2  | 0                                     | 1592-3183<br>3183-5093<br>RDT15HS                 | 382-1910<br>637-2228<br>RDT15HD          | 382-764<br>RDT15HD            | 764-2228<br>1273-3183<br>RDT15HD  | 764-955<br>RDT15HD      | 764-955<br>764-1592<br>RDT15HD | 191-955<br>RDT15HD | 637-955<br>RDT15HD | 3183-4138<br>RDT15HS | 2546-4138<br>2865-5730<br>RDT15HS | 2865-6000<br>RDT15HS | 1910-4138<br>RDT15HS | 3183-3820<br>4138-6000<br>RDT15HS | 2228-3183<br>3183-4138<br>RDT15HS |
|   | 1                                     | 1308-2617<br>2617-4186<br>RDT15HS                 | 314-1570<br>523-1831<br>RDT15HD          | 314-628<br>382-764<br>RDT15HD | 628-1831<br>1047-2617<br>RDT15HD  | 628-785<br>RDT15HD      | 628-785<br>628-1308<br>RDT15HD | 157-785<br>RDT15HD | 523-785<br>RDT15HD | 2617-3401<br>RDT15HD | 2093-3401<br>2355-4710<br>RDT15HS | 2355-5233<br>RDT15HS | 1570-3401<br>RDT15HD | 2617-3140<br>3401-5233<br>RDT15HS | 1831-2617<br>2617-3401<br>RDT15HD |
|   | 2                                     | 1110-2221<br>2221-3554<br>RDT15HD                 | 267-1333<br>444-1555<br>RDT15HD          | 314-628<br>RDT15HD            | 533-1555<br>888-2221<br>RDT15HD   | 533-666<br>RDT15HD      | 533-666<br>533-1110<br>RDT15HD | 133-666<br>RDT15HD | 444-666<br>RDT15HD | 2221-2887<br>RDT15HD | 1777-2887<br>1999-3999<br>RDT15HD | 1999-4442<br>RDT15HD | 1333-2887<br>RDT15HD | 2221-2665<br>2221-2887<br>RDT15HD | 1555-2221<br>2221-2887<br>RDT15HD |
| M3  | 3                                     | 964-1929<br>1929-3086<br>RDT15HD                  | 231-1157<br>386-1351<br>RDT15HD          | 231-463<br>RDT15HD            | 463-1351<br>772-1929<br>RDT15HD   | 463-579<br>RDT15HD      | 463-579<br>463-964<br>RDT15HD  | 116-579<br>RDT15HD | 386-579<br>RDT15HD | 1929-2508<br>RDT15HD | 1543-2508<br>1736-3472<br>RDT15HD | 1736-3858<br>RDT15HD | 1157-2508<br>RDT15HD | 1929-2315<br>2508-3858<br>RDT15HD | 1351-1929<br>1929-2508<br>RDT15HD |
|   | 4                                     | 853-1705<br>1705-2728<br>RDT25HD                  | 205-1023<br>341-1194<br>RDT25HD          | 205-409<br>RDT25HD            | 409-1194<br>682-1705<br>RDT25HD   | 409-512<br>RDT25HD      | 409-512<br>409-853<br>RDT25HD  | 102-512<br>RDT25HD | 341-512<br>RDT25HD | 1705-2217<br>RDT25HD | 1364-2217<br>1535-3069<br>RDT25HD | 1535-3411<br>RDT25HD | 1023-2217<br>RDT25HD | 1705-2046<br>2217-3411<br>RDT25HD | 1194-1705<br>1705-2217<br>RDT25HD |
|   | 5                                     | 764-1528<br>1528-2445<br>RDT25HD                  | 183-917<br>306-1070<br>RDT25HD           | 183-367<br>RDT25HD            | 367-1070<br>611-1528<br>RDT25HD   | 367-458<br>RDT25HD      | 367-458<br>367-764<br>RDT25HD  | 92-458<br>RDT25HD  | 306-458<br>RDT25HD | 1528-1986<br>RDT25HD | 1222-1986<br>1375-2750<br>RDT25HD | 1375-3056<br>RDT25HD | 917-1986<br>RDT25HD  | 1528-1833<br>1986-3056<br>RDT25HD | 1070-1528<br>1528-1986<br>RDT25HD |
| M4  | 6                                     | 691-1382<br>1382-2211<br>RDT25HD                  | 166-829<br>277-969<br>RDT25HD            | 166-332<br>RDT25HD            | 332-969<br>553-1382<br>RDT25HD    | 332-415<br>RDT25HD      | 332-415<br>332-691<br>RDT25HD  | 83-415<br>RDT25HD  | 277-415<br>RDT25HD | 1382-1799<br>RDT25HD | 1106-1799<br>1246-2487<br>RDT25HD | 1246-2764<br>RDT25HD | 829-1799<br>RDT25HD  | 1382-1658<br>1799-2764<br>RDT25HD | 969-1382<br>1382-1799<br>RDT25HD  |
|   | 8                                     | 583-1165<br>1165-1864<br>RDT25HD                  | 140-699<br>233-815<br>RDT25HD            | 140-280<br>RDT25HD            | 280-815<br>466-1165<br>RDT25HD    | 280-349<br>RDT25HD      | 280-349<br>280-583<br>RDT25HD  | 70-349<br>RDT25HD  | 233-349<br>RDT25HD | 1165-1514<br>RDT25HD | 932-1514<br>1048-2097<br>RDT25HD  | 1048-2330<br>RDT25HD | 699-1514<br>RDT25HD  | 1165-1398<br>1514-2330<br>RDT25HD | 815-1165<br>1165-1514<br>RDT25HD  |
|   | 10                                    | 502-1005<br>1005-1607<br>RDT25HD                  | 121-603<br>201-704<br>RDT25HD            | 121-241<br>RDT25HD            | 241-704<br>402-1005<br>RDT25HD    | 241-302<br>RDT25HD      | 241-302<br>241-502<br>RDT25HD  | 60-302<br>RDT25HD  | 201-302<br>RDT25HD | 1005-1307<br>RDT25HD | 804-1307<br>905-1808<br>RDT25HD   | 905-2009<br>RDT25HD  | 603-1307<br>RDT25HD  | 1005-1205<br>1307-2009<br>RDT25HD | 704-1005<br>1005-1307<br>RDT25HD  |
| M5  | 12                                    | 442-884<br>884-1415<br>RDT25HD                    | 106-531<br>177-619<br>RDT25HD            | 106-212<br>RDT25HD            | 212-619<br>354-884<br>RDT25HD     | 212-265<br>RDT25HD      | 212-265<br>212-442<br>RDT25HD  | 53-265<br>RDT25HD  | 177-265<br>RDT25HD | 884-1150<br>RDT25HD  | 707-1150<br>796-1592<br>RDT25HD   | 796-1769<br>RDT25HD  | 531-1150<br>RDT25HD  | 884-1061<br>1150-1769<br>RDT25HD  | 619-884<br>884-1150<br>RDT25HD    |
|   | 1/4                                   | 382-764<br>764-1222<br>RDT50HD                    | 92-458<br>153-535<br>RDT50HD             | 92-183<br>RDT50HD             | 183-535<br>306-764<br>RDT50HD     | 183-229<br>RDT50HD      | 183-229<br>183-382<br>RDT50HD  | 46-229<br>RDT50HD  | 153-229<br>RDT50HD | 764-993<br>RDT50HD   | 611-993<br>688-1375<br>RDT25HD    | 688-1528<br>RDT25HD  | 458-993<br>RDT50HD   | 764-917<br>993-1528<br>RDT25HD    | 535-764<br>764-993<br>RDT50HD     |
|   | 5/16                                  | 306-611<br>611-978<br>RDT50HD                     | 73-367<br>122-429<br>RDT50HD             | 73-147<br>RDT50HD             | 147-429<br>245-611<br>RDT50HD     | 147-184<br>RDT50HD      | 147-184<br>147-306<br>RDT50HD  | 37-184<br>RDT50HD  | 122-184<br>RDT50HD | 611-796<br>RDT50HD   | 489-796<br>551-1100<br>RDT50HD    | 551-1222<br>RDT50HD  | 367-796<br>RDT50HD   | 611-733<br>796-1222<br>RDT50HD    | 429-611<br>611-796<br>RDT50HD     |
| M9  | 3/8                                   | 255-509<br>509-815<br>RDT50HD                     | 61-306<br>102-357<br>RDT50HD             | 61-122<br>RDT50HD             | 122-357<br>204-509<br>RDT50HD     | 122-153<br>RDT50HD      | 122-153<br>122-255<br>RDT50HD  | 31-153<br>RDT50HD  | 102-153<br>RDT50HD | 509-662<br>RDT50HD   | 407-662<br>458-917<br>RDT50HD     | 458-1019<br>RDT50HD  | 306-662<br>RDT50HD   | 509-611<br>662-1019<br>RDT50HD    | 357-509<br>509-662<br>RDT50HD     |
|   | 7/16                                  | 219-437<br>437-698<br>RDT50                       | 52-262<br>87-306<br>RDT85HS              | 52-105<br>RDT85HS             | 105-306<br>175-437<br>RDT85HS     | 105-131<br>RDT85HS      | 105-131<br>105-219<br>RDT85HS  | 26-131<br>RDT85HS  | 87-131<br>RDT85HS  | 437-568<br>RDT85HS   | 349-568<br>393-786<br>RDT50HD     | 393-873<br>RDT50HD   | 262-568<br>RDT85HS   | 437-524<br>568-873<br>RDT50HD     | 306-437<br>437-568<br>RDT85HS     |
|   | 1/2                                   | 191-382<br>382-611<br>RDT85HS                     | 46-229<br>76-267<br>RDT85HS              | 46-92<br>RDT85HS              | 92-267<br>153-382<br>RDT85HS      | 92-115<br>RDT85HS       | 92-115<br>92-191<br>RDT85HS    | 23-115<br>RDT85HS  | 76-115<br>RDT85HS  | 382-497<br>RDT85HS   | 306-497<br>344-688<br>RDT85HS     | 344-764<br>RDT85HS   | 229-497<br>RDT85HS   | 382-458<br>497-764<br>RDT85HS     | 267-382<br>382-497<br>RDT85HS     |
| M12   | 9/16                                  | 172-344<br>344-550<br>RDT85HS                     | 41-206<br>68-238<br>RDT85HS              | 41-82<br>RDT85HS              | 82-238<br>137-344<br>RDT85HS      | 82-102<br>RDT85HS       | 82-102<br>82-172<br>RDT85HS    | 20-102<br>RDT85HS  | 68-102<br>RDT85HS  | 344-442<br>RDT85HS   | 275-442<br>306-619<br>RDT85HS     | 306-687<br>RDT85HS   | 206-442<br>RDT85HS   | 344-412<br>442-687<br>RDT85HS     | 238-344<br>344-442<br>RDT85HS     |
|   | 5/8                                   | 153-306<br>306-489<br>RDT85                       | 37-183<br>61-214<br>RDT85                | 37-73<br>RDT85                | 73-214<br>122-306<br>RDT85        | 73-92<br>RDT85          | 73-92<br>73-153<br>RDT85       | 18-92<br>RDT85     | 61-92<br>RDT85     | 306-397<br>RDT85     | 244-397<br>275-550<br>RDT85       | 275-611<br>RDT85     | 183-397<br>RDT85     | 306-367<br>397-611<br>RDT85       | 214-306<br>306-397<br>RDT85       |
|   | 3/4                                   | 128-255<br>255-407<br>RDT85                       | 31-153<br>51-178<br>RDT85                | 31-61<br>RDT85                | 61-178<br>102-255<br>RDT85        | 61-76<br>RDT85          | 61-76<br>61-128<br>RDT85       | 15-76<br>RDT85     | 51-76<br>RDT85     | 255-331<br>RDT85     | 203-331<br>229-458<br>RDT85       | 229-509<br>RDT85     | 153-331<br>RDT85     | 255-306<br>331-509<br>RDT85       | 178-255<br>255-331<br>RDT85       |
| M20   | 7/8                                   | 109-218<br>218-350<br>RDT85                       | 26-131<br>44-153<br>RDT85                | 26-52<br>RDT85                | 52-153<br>87-218<br>RDT85         | 52-65<br>RDT85          | 52-65<br>52-109<br>RDT85       | 13-65<br>RDT85     | 44-65<br>RDT85     | 218-284<br>RDT85     | 175-284<br>196-392<br>RDT85       | 196-437<br>RDT85     | 131-284<br>RDT85     | 218-262<br>284-437<br>RDT85       | 153-218<br>218-284<br>RDT85       |
|   | 1                                     | 96-191<br>191-306<br>RDT85                        | 23-115<br>38-134<br>RDT85                | 23-46<br>RDT85                | 46-134<br>76-191<br>RDT85         | 46-57<br>RDT85          | 46-57<br>46-96<br>RDT85        | 11-57<br>RDT85     | 38-57<br>RDT85     | 191-248<br>RDT85     | 153-248<br>172-344<br>RDT85       | 172-382<br>RDT85     | 115-248<br>RDT85     | 191-230<br>248-382<br>RDT85       | 134-191<br>191-248<br>RDT85       |

# Speed Recommendations & Tool Selection

## Roll Form Taps

## High Speed/Top Speed Taps

| Tap Size  | Low Carbon Steel, Medium Carbon Steel | High Carbon Steel, High Strength Steel | Stainless 303, 304, 316 | Titanium Alloys                   | Aluminum Alloys      | Aluminum Die Cast                 |                      |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
|   | Surface Feet Per Minute               |  |                         | Uncoated Tap Coated Tap           |                      |                                   |                      |
|   | 30-50<br>65-100                       | 25-65                                  | 20-25<br>25-35          | 25-40                             | 35-50<br>50-65       | 35-65                             |                      |
| RPM Range Uncoated<br>RPM Range Coated<br>Recommended Tapmatic Attachment |                                       |  |                         |                                   |                      |                                   |                      |
| M2  | 0                                     | 1910-3183<br>4138-6000<br>RDT15HS      | 1592-4138<br>RDT15HD    | 1273-1592<br>1592-2228<br>RDT15HD | 1592-2546<br>RDT15HD | 2228-3183<br>3183-4138<br>RDT15HD | 2228-4138<br>RDT15HD |
|   | 1                                     | 1570-2617<br>3401-5233<br>RDT15HS      | 1308-3401<br>RDT15HD    | 1047-1308<br>1308-1831<br>RDT15HD | 1308-2093<br>RDT15HD | 1831-2617<br>2617-3401<br>RDT15HD | 1831-3401<br>RDT15HD |
|   | 2                                     | 1333-2221<br>2887-4442<br>RDT15HD      | 1110-2887<br>RDT15HD    | 888-1110<br>1110-1555<br>RDT15HD  | 1110-1777<br>RDT15HD | 1555-2221<br>2221-2887<br>RDT15HD | 1555-2887<br>RDT15HD |
| M3  | 3                                     | 1157-1929<br>2508-3858<br>RDT15HD      | 964-2508<br>RDT15HD     | 772-964<br>964-1351<br>RDT15HD    | 964-1543<br>RDT15HD  | 1351-1929<br>1929-2508<br>RDT15HD | 1351-2508<br>RDT15HD |
|   | 4                                     | 1023-1705<br>2217-3411<br>RDT25HD      | 853-2217<br>RDT25HD     | 682-853<br>853-1194<br>RDT25HD    | 853-1364<br>RDT25HD  | 1194-1705<br>1705-2217<br>RDT25HD | 1194-2217<br>RDT25HD |
|   | 5                                     | 917-1528<br>1986-3056<br>RDT25HD       | 764-1986<br>RDT25HD     | 611-764<br>764-1070<br>RDT25HD    | 764-1222<br>RDT25HD  | 1070-1528<br>1528-1986<br>RDT25HD | 1070-1986<br>RDT25HD |
| M4  | 6                                     | 829-1382<br>1799-2764<br>RDT25HD       | 691-1799<br>RDT25HD     | 553-691<br>691-969<br>RDT25HD     | 691-1106<br>RDT25HD  | 969-1382<br>1382-1799<br>RDT25HD  | 969-1799<br>RDT25HD  |
|   | 8                                     | 699-1165<br>1514-2330<br>RDT25HD       | 583-1514<br>RDT25HD     | 466-583<br>583-815<br>RDT25HD     | 583-932<br>RDT25HD   | 815-1165<br>1165-1514<br>RDT25HD  | 815-1514<br>RDT25HD  |
|   | 10                                    | 603-1005<br>1307-2009<br>RDT25HD       | 502-1307<br>RDT25HD     | 402-502<br>502-704<br>RDT25HD     | 502-804<br>RDT25HD   | 704-1005<br>1005-1307<br>RDT25HD  | 704-1307<br>RDT25HD  |
| M5  | 12                                    | 531-884<br>1150-1769<br>RDT50HD        | 442-1150<br>RDT50HD     | 354-442<br>442-619<br>RDT50HD     | 442-707<br>RDT50HD   | 619-884<br>884-1150<br>RDT50HD    | 619-1150<br>RDT50HD  |
|   | 1/4                                   | 458-764<br>993-1528<br>RDT50HD         | 382-993<br>RDT50HD      | 306-382<br>382-535<br>RDT50HD     | 382-611<br>RDT50HD   | 535-764<br>764-993<br>RDT50HD     | 535-993<br>RDT50HD   |
|   | 5/16                                  | 367-611<br>796-1222<br>RDT50HD         | 306-796<br>RDT50HD      | 245-306<br>306-429<br>RDT50HD     | 306-489<br>RDT50HD   | 429-611<br>611-796<br>RDT50HD     | 429-796<br>RDT50HD   |
| M6  | 3/8                                   | 306-509<br>662-1019<br>RDT50HD         | 255-662<br>RDT50HD      | 204-255<br>255-357<br>RDT50HD     | 255-407<br>RDT50HD   | 357-509<br>509-662<br>RDT50HD     | 357-662<br>RDT50HD   |
|   | 7/16                                  | 262-437<br>568-873<br>RDT85HS          | 219-568<br>RDT85HS      | 175-219<br>219-306<br>RDT85HS     | 219-349<br>RDT85HS   | 306-437<br>437-568<br>RDT85HS     | 306-568<br>RDT85HS   |
|   | 1/2                                   | 229-382<br>497-764<br>RDT85            | 191-497<br>RDT85        | 153-191<br>191-267<br>RDT85       | 191-306<br>RDT85     | 267-382<br>382-497<br>RDT85       | 267-497<br>RDT85     |
| M7  | 9/16                                  | 206-344<br>442-687<br>RDT85            | 172-442<br>RDT85        | 137-172<br>172-238<br>RDT85       | 172-275<br>RDT85     | 238-344<br>344-442<br>RDT85       | 238-442<br>RDT85     |
|   | 5/8                                   | 183-306<br>397-611<br>RDT85            | 153-397<br>RDT85        | 122-153<br>153-214<br>RDT85       | 153-244<br>RDT85     | 214-306<br>306-397<br>RDT85       | 214-397<br>RDT85     |
|   | 3/4                                   | 153-255<br>331-509<br>RDT85            | 128-331<br>RDT85        | 102-128<br>128-178<br>RDT85       | 128-203<br>RDT85     | 178-255<br>255-331<br>RDT85       | 178-331<br>RDT85     |

| Tap Size   | Low Carbon Steel, Medium Carbon Steel | High Carbon Steel, High Strength Steel | Stainless 303, 304, 316           | Stainless 17-4 Annealed | Aluminum Alloys      | Aluminum Die Cast                  | Magnesium            | Copper                            | Cast Iron                         |                                   |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|  | Surface Feet Per Minute               |  |                                   |                         |                      |                                    |                      |                                   |                                   |                                   |
|  | 165-200                               | 25-100                                 | 30-80                             | 20-40                   | 65-200               | 65-100                             | 100-130              | 100-130                           | 130-165                           |                                   |
| RPM Range Based on SFM<br>RPM Range For Tapping Head if Different<br>Recommended Tapmatic Attachment |                                       |  |                                   |                         |                      |                                    |                      |                                   |                                   |                                   |
| M2   | 0                                     | 10505-12733<br>6000<br>RDT15HS         | 1592-6366<br>1592-6000<br>RDT15HS | 1910-5093<br>RDT15HS    | 1273-2546<br>RDT15HD | 4138-12733<br>4138-6000<br>RDT15HS | 4138-6366<br>RDT15HS | 6366-8276<br>6000<br>RDT15HS      | 6366-8276<br>6000<br>RDT15HS      | 8276-10505<br>6000<br>RDT15HS     |
|  | 1                                     | 8634-10465<br>6000<br>RDT15HS          | 1308-5233<br>RDT15HS              | 1570-4186<br>RDT15HS    | 1047-2093<br>RDT15HD | 3401-10465<br>3401-6000<br>RDT15HS | 3401-5233<br>RDT15HS | 5233-6808<br>5233-6000<br>RDT15HS | 5233-6808<br>5233-6000<br>RDT15HS | 6808-8634<br>6000<br>RDT15HS      |
|  | 2                                     | 7329-8884<br>5000<br>RDT15HD           | 1110-4442<br>RDT15HD              | 1333-3554<br>RDT15HD    | 888-1777<br>RDT15HD  | 2887-8884<br>2887-5000<br>RDT15HD  | 2887-4442<br>RDT15HD | 4442-5774<br>4442-5000<br>RDT15HD | 4442-5774<br>4442-5000<br>RDT15HD | 5774-7329<br>5000<br>RDT15HD      |
| M3   | 3                                     | 6367-7717<br>5000<br>RDT15HD           | 964-3858<br>RDT25HS               | 1157-3086<br>RDT25HD    | 772-1543<br>RDT25HD  | 2508-7717<br>2508-5000<br>RDT15HD  | 2508-3858<br>RDT25HS | 3858-5015<br>3858-5000<br>RDT15HD | 3858-5015<br>3858-5000<br>RDT15HD | 5015-6367<br>5000<br>RDT15HD      |
|  | 4                                     | 5628-6821<br>5000<br>RDT15HD           | 853-3411<br>RDT25HD               | 1023-2728<br>RDT25HD    | 682-1364<br>RDT25HD  | 2217-6821<br>2217-5000<br>RDT15HD  | 2217-3411<br>RDT25HD | 3411-4434<br>RDT15HD              | 3411-4434<br>RDT15HD              | 4434-5628<br>4434-5000<br>RDT15HD |
|  | 5                                     | 5042-6122<br>4000<br>RDT25HS           | 764-3056<br>RDT25HD               | 917-2445<br>RDT25HD     | 611-1222<br>RDT25HD  | 1986-6122<br>1986-4000<br>RDT25HS  | 1986-3056<br>RDT25HD | 3056-3973<br>RDT25HS              | 3056-3973<br>RDT25HS              | 3973-5042<br>3973-4000<br>RDT25HS |
| M4   | 6                                     | 4567-5536<br>4000<br>RDT25HS           | 691-2764<br>RDT25HD               | 829-2211<br>RDT25HD     | 553-1106<br>RDT25HD  | 1799-5536<br>1799-4000<br>RDT25HS  | 1799-2764<br>RDT25HD | 2764-3592<br>RDT25HS              | 2764-3592<br>RDT25HS              | 3592-4567<br>3592-4000<br>RDT25HS |
|  | 8                                     | 3843-4659<br>3843-4000<br>RDT25HS      | 583-2330<br>RDT25HD               | 699-1864<br>RDT25HD     | 466-932<br>RDT25HD   | 1514-4659<br>1514-4000<br>RDT25HS  | 1514-2330<br>RDT25HD | 2330-3029<br>RDT25HD              | 2330-3029<br>RDT25HD              | 3029-3843<br>RDT25HS              |
|  | 10                                    | 3317-4021<br>3317-4000<br>RDT25HS      | 502-2009<br>RDT25HD               | 603-1607<br>RDT25HD     | 402-804<br>RDT25HD   | 1307-4021<br>1307-4000<br>RDT25HS  | 1307-2009<br>RDT25HD | 2009-2612<br>RDT25HD              | 2009-2612<br>RDT25HD              | 2612-3317<br>RDT25HD              |
| M5   | 12                                    | 2918-3537<br>RDT25HS                   | 442-1769<br>RDT25HD               | 531-1415<br>RDT25HD     | 354-707<br>RDT25HD   | 1150-3537<br>RDT25HS               | 1150-1769<br>RDT25HD | 1769-2300<br>RDT25HD              | 1769-2300<br>RDT25HD              | 2300-2918<br>RDT25HD              |
|  | 1/4                                   | 2521-3056<br>RDT25HD                   | 382-1528<br>RDT50HD               | 458-1222<br>RDT50HD     | 306-611<br>RDT50HD   | 993-3056<br>RDT25HD                | 993-1528<br>RDT25HD  | 1528-1986<br>RDT25HD              | 1528-1986<br>RDT25HD              | 1986-2521<br>RDT25HD              |
|  | 5/16                                  | 2017-2449<br>RDT50HS                   | 306-1222<br>RDT50HD               | 367-978<br>RDT50HD      | 245-489<br>RDT50HD   | 796-2449<br>RDT50HS                | 796-1222<br>RDT50HD  | 1222-1589<br>RDT50HD              | 1222-1589<br>RDT50HD              | 1589-2017<br>RDT50HS              |
| M6   | 3/8                                   | 1681-2037<br>RDT50HS                   | 255-1019<br>RDT50HD               | 306-815<br>RDT50HD      | 204-407<br>RDT50HD   | 662-2037<br>RDT50HS                | 662-1019<br>RDT50HD  | 1019-1324<br>RDT50HD              | 1019-1324<br>RDT50HD              | 1324-1681<br>RDT50HD              |
|  | 7/16                                  | 1441-1748<br>RDT50HD                   | 219-873<br>RDT50HD                | 262-698<br>RDT50HD      | 175-349<br>RDT50HD   | 568-1748<br>RDT50HD                | 568-873<br>RDT50HD   | 873-1135<br>RDT50HD               | 873-1135<br>RDT50HD               | 1135-1441<br>RDT50HD              |
|  | 1/2                                   | 1261-1528<br>RDT50HD                   | 191-764<br>RDT85HS                | 229-611<br>RDT85HS      | 153-306<br>RDT85HS   | 497-1528<br>RDT50HD                | 497-764<br>RDT85HS   | 764-993<br>RDT85HS                | 764-993<br>RDT85HS                | 993-1261<br>RDT50HD               |
| M7   | 9/16                                  | 1121-1359<br>RDT85HS                   | 172-687<br>RDT85HS                | 206-550<br>RDT85HS      | 137-275<br>RDT85HS   | 442-1359<br>RDT85HS                | 442-687<br>RDT85HS   | 687-893<br>RDT85HS                | 687-893<br>RDT85HS                | 893-1121<br>RDT85HS               |
|  | 5/8                                   | 1008-1222<br>RDT85HS                   | 153-611<br>RDT85                  | 183-489<br>RDT85        | 122-244<br>RDT85     | 397-1222<br>RDT85HS                | 397-611<br>RDT85     | 611-794<br>RDT85                  | 611-794<br>RDT85                  | 794-1008<br>RDT85HS               |
|  | 3/4                                   | 840-1019<br>RDT85                      | 128-509<br>RDT85                  | 153-407<br>RDT85        | 102-203<br>RDT85     | 331-1019<br>RDT85                  | 331-509<br>RDT85     | 509-662<br>RDT85                  | 509-662<br>RDT85                  | 662-840<br>RDT85                  |
| M8   | 7/8                                   | 720-873<br>RDT85                       | 109-437<br>RDT85                  | 131-350<br>RDT85        | 87-175<br>RDT85      | 284-873<br>RDT85                   | 284-437<br>RDT85     | 437-568<br>RDT85                  | 437-568<br>RDT85                  | 568-720<br>RDT85                  |
|  | 1                                     | 630-764<br>RDT85                       | 96-382<br>RDT85                   | 115-306<br>RDT85        | 76-153<br>RDT85      | 248-764<br>RDT85                   | 248-382<br>RDT85     | 382-497<br>RDT85                  | 382-497<br>RDT85                  | 497-630<br>RDT85                  |

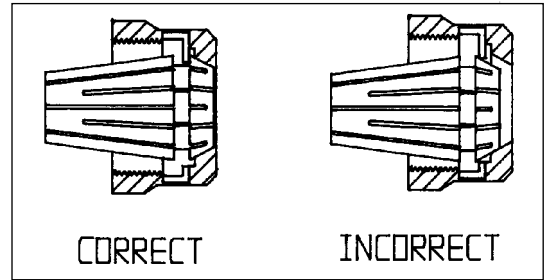
# Inserting The Tap RDT & RDTIC85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

## INSERTING THE TAP

**Steel Collet Spindle:** Select the proper steel collet for the tap. (Steel collets must be ordered separately.) Please select square drive collets. Insert the collet into the nut being sure to fix pawl of collet nut with the seat of the collet for assembly and then mount into spindle.

Next, insert the tap and tighten collet nut firmly with wrenches provided.

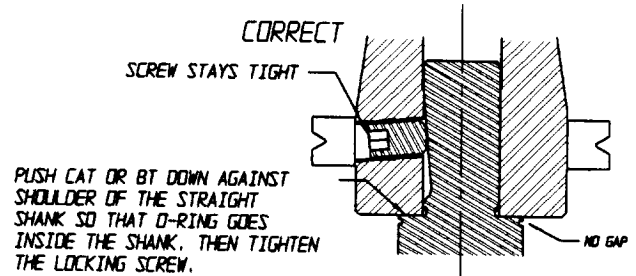
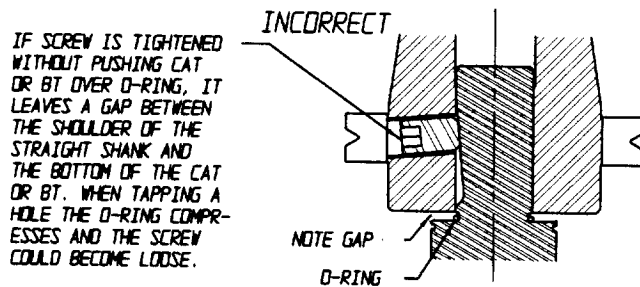
**IMPORTANT:** Tap may slip or pull out of collet if clamping nut is not tightened firmly which can result in tap breakage or damage to tool. Be sure to use square drive, "GB," type steel collets.



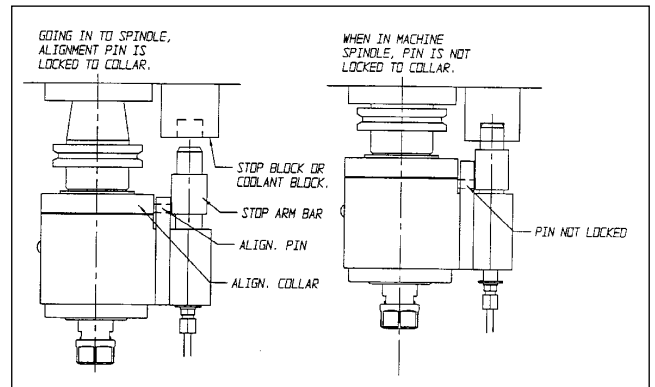
**Notes:** Reduce capacity 25% for roll form taps. To avoid damage to the attachment's spindle, use wrenches provided.

## Installation Instructions RDT & RDTIC85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

### Installing The CNC Arbor On Coolant Through Tools



In order for the RDT model to self-reverse, a stop arm is used to prevent the housing from rotating. To allow the tool to travel through an automatic tool change and the stop arm to find the stop location next to your machine spindle, an alignment collar locks the stop arm in a specific orientation. This Alignment Collar can be adjusted so that its slot is in any position in relationship to the NC shank. When the tool is out of the machine spindle, the Alignment Pin is engaged in the slot in the alignment collar. This pin then keeps the stop arm locked in its orientation position. When the tapping attachment is placed in the machine spindle by the tool changer, the stop location next to the spindle engages the stop arm bar preventing it from turning and at the same time pushes it down against a spring so that the pin is unlocked from the alignment collar. This is the position for operation. When the tapping operation is completed the machine spindle orients to the tool change position bringing the slot in the alignment collar back into position to accept the alignment pin as the tool is removed from the machine spindle by the tool changer. The RDT comes standard with either a 65 or 80mm center distance from machine spindle center to stop arm bar center. If you require a special center distance please consult a Tapmatic sales engineer.



**⚠ The Following Steps Involve Loading And Unloading By Hand. Do Not Attempt An Automatic Tool Change Until All Steps Are Completed And Clearance Has Been Confirmed.**

**⚠ Never attempt an installation without first reading all safety instructions for this tool and your machine.**

**⚠ The stop block and modified stop arm bar must be stronger than the largest tap.**

**⚠ Automatic Tool Changes should only be made on enclosed machines.**

# Installation Instructions

## RDT & RDTIC85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

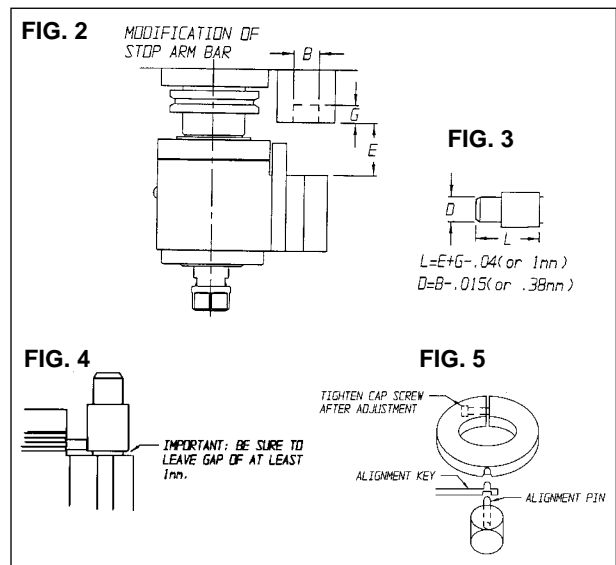
**Step 1. Machining the Stop Arm Bar:** If you wish to make use of an existing stop block on your machine, measure the dimensions shown in FIG. 2 and 3 (B,E and G). The Stop Arm Bar should be removed from the tapping attachment when measuring. The stop arm bar length is calculated from the formula:  $L = G + E$  minus .04 where .04 or 1mm is the clearance needed to be sure that the stop arm bar does not bottom out against the housing when the stop arm bar is pressed down to release alignment pin from collar. Please see Figure 4. The diameter of the stop arm bar should be a close fit with the inside diameter of the hole in the stop block. To calculate stop arm bar diameter use the formula  $D = B$  minus .015 where .015 or .38mm is the clearance desired. Please be sure to turn a generous 30 degree chamfer to help guide the stop arm bar into the hole.

If your machine does not already have a stop block, Tapmatic offers several standard stop blocks as well as specific blocks for certain machines. Please consult a Tapmatic sales engineer. See check list below for information about mounting a stop block.

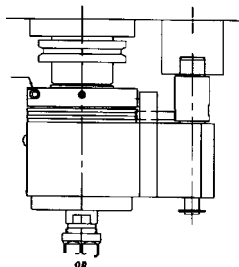
**Step 3. Adjustment of Alignment Collar:** With tapping attachment in machine spindle and stop arm bar engaged in stop block, orient machine spindle to the tool change position. Bring slot in alignment collar in line with alignment pin and tighten alignment collar's clamping screw **very securely**. There is a Key packaged with wrench kit to help you line up pin and alignment collar slot. See Fig. 5. With attachment adjusted and **after checking for any possible clearance problems with tool changer or in storage area** make several automatic tool changes.

**Note:** If you would like Tapmatic to supply tools already modified to fit onto your machine, please contact our factory. Call (800) 854-6019. We will require some information about your machine to prepare the tool.

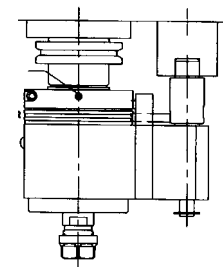
**Step 4. Final Locking of Collar:** Follow these instructions to lock collar with pin screw.



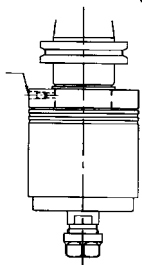
1.) Adjust position of Alignment Collar following procedure shown in Installation Instructions. Clamp Alignment Collar position with Clamping Screw.



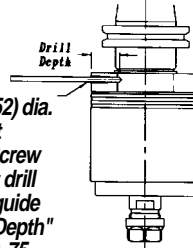
2.) Choose one of two locations for final Lock Screw (72359). There are two locations available in case one happens to be covering a set screw on the outside diameter of the mount.



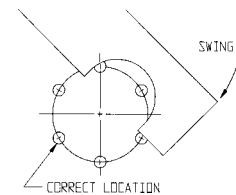
3.) Be sure Lock Screw is removed from hole you have selected.



4.) Use #24 Drill (.152 dia. and drill into mount through the Lock Screw hole location. Start drill after sliding it into guide hole. Drill to "Drill Depth" shown. For RDT50, 75 and 85 Drill Depth = .82. for RDT15 and 25 Drill Depth = .60.



5.) Install Lock Screw. Tighten securely with hex key.



### Installation Steps Check List

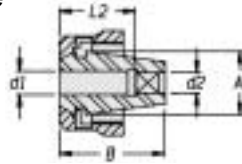
- 1. Pick proper location on spindle face for mounting stop block, that is not in flight of tool changer.
- 2. Make sure that with the stop block location chosen, the stop arm bar will not interfere with anything in tool magazine, guarding, doors or adjacent tools.
- 3. Cut stop arm bar to correct length. When the attachment is placed in the spindle of the machine and the stop arm engages the stop block the stop arm must be pressed down so that the alignment pin is below the alignment collar. The stop arm must not bottom against the housing.
- 4. Set alignment collar so that its slot is directly over alignment pin. Note: Make sure machine tool spindle is in the tool orient position before setting alignment collar! You shouldn't be able to rotate spindle when spindle is in the tool orient position.
- 5. Make a couple of tool changes to insure tool is aligned properly and stop arm bar is to correct length and with ample clearance between bar and coolant port block.
- 6. Install/Edit program for Tapmatic unit. See programming instructions.

# Installation Accessories

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

### ER Collets With Square Drive With Inch Tap Shanks

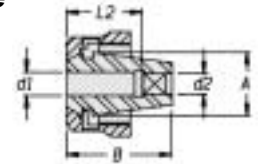
For Use With RDT, NCRT, ASR, RSR, NCGFLK Attachments With Steel Collet Spindles. **For Tapping, please select square drive steel collets whenever possible.**



| Series     | Catalog No. | Collet Range |            | Square Size |       |       |       |
|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
|            |             | Tap Size     | Shank Size | d2          | A     | B     | L2    |
| #25 Series | 21030       | 7/16"        | .323       | .242        | .984  | 1.338 | .866  |
|            | 21032       | 1/2"         | .367       | .275        | .984  | 1.338 | .866  |
|            | 21034       | 3/8"         | .381       | .286        | .984  | 1.338 | .866  |
|            | 21036       | 9/16"        | .429       | .322        | .984  | 1.338 | .984  |
|            | 21038       | 5/8"         | .480       | .360        | .984  | 1.338 | .984  |
|            | 21040       | 11/16"       | .542       | .406        | .984  | 1.338 | .984  |
| #32 Series | 21050       | 1/2"         | .367       | .275        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .709  |
|            | 21054       | 9/16"        | .429       | .322        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .866  |
|            | 21058       | 5/8"         | .480       | .360        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .866  |
|            | 21060       | 11/16"       | .542       | .406        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .984  |
|            | 21064       | 3/4"         | .590       | .442        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .984  |
|            | 21068       | 7/8"         | .697       | .523        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .984  |
|            | 21070       | 1"           | .800       | .600        | 1.260 | 1.575 | .984  |
| #40 Series | 21106       | 9/16"        | .429       | .322        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21107       | 5/8"         | .480       | .360        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21108       | 11/16"       | .542       | .406        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21109       | 3/4"         | .590       | .442        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21111       | 7/8"         | .697       | .523        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21112       | 15/16"       | .760       | .570        | 1.575 | 1.811 | .984  |
|            | 21113       | 1"           | .800       | .600        | 1.575 | 1.811 | 1.102 |

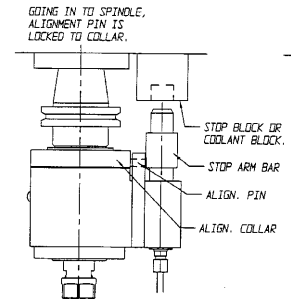
### ER Collets With Square Drive With Metric Tap Shanks

For Use With RDT, NCRT, ASR, RSR, NCGFLK Attachments With Steel Collet Spindles. **For Tapping, please select square drive steel collets whenever possible.**



| Series     | Catalog No. | Collet Range |        |
|------------|-------------|--------------|--------|
|            |             | Shank Size   | Square |
| #25 Series | 21153       | 7            | 5.5    |
|            | 21154       | 8            | 6.2    |
|            | 21155       | 9            | 7      |
|            | 21156       | 10           | 8      |
|            | 21157       | 11           | 9      |
|            | 21158       | 12           | 9      |
| #32 Series | 21163       | 9            | 7      |
|            | 21164       | 10           | 8      |
|            | 21165       | 11           | 9      |
|            | 21166       | 12           | 9      |
|            | 21167       | 14           | 11     |
|            | 21168       | 16           | 12     |
| #40 Series | 21124       | 16           | 12     |

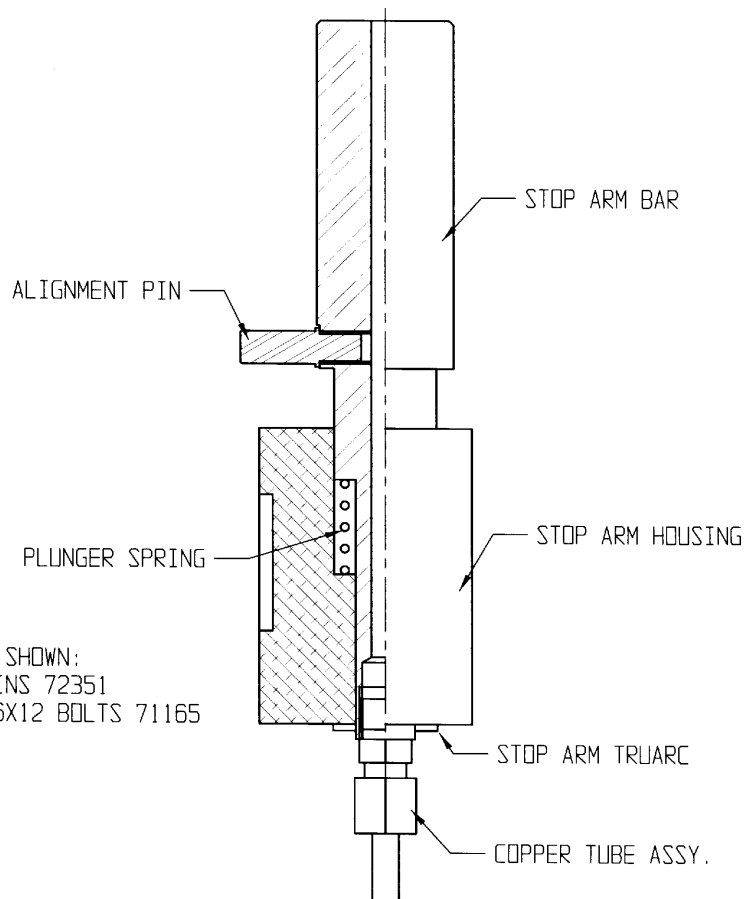
### INSTALLATION ACCESSORIES



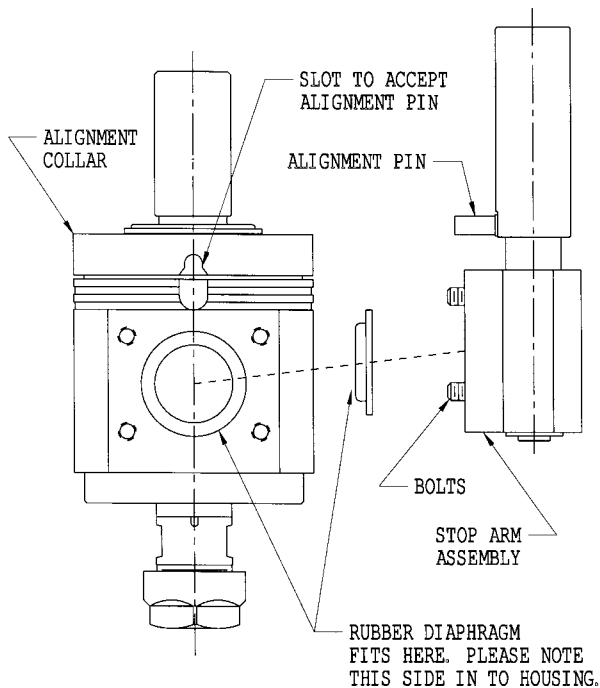
|                                      |             |  |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Standard Block With Coolant Inlet    | Catalog No. |  |
|                                      | 36000       |  |
| Standard Block Without Coolant Inlet | Catalog No. |  |
|                                      | 36007       |  |

# Parts Listing Stop Arm Assembly

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units



NOT SHOWN:  
2 PINS 72351  
4 M6X12 BOLTS 71165



When installing Stop Arm Assembly to Main Housing..

1. - Be sure to remove tape, if present, over Rubber Diaphragm
2. - Be sure to align Slot in Alignment Collar as shown so that Alignment pin will fit into Slot when Stop Arm Assembly is put in place on Housing.
3. - Tighten four M6 Bolts very securely.

For Instructions to modify Stop Arm and fit to your Machine. Please see Installation Instructions package with Tapping Attachment.

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# Part Listing

## RDT 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

| Part Name                           | RDT85 | Order No.       | RDT100 | Order No.       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|
| Round Wire Clips / Square Wire Clip |       | 700561/705561   |        | 700561/705561   |
| Return Spring Retainer              |       | 71341           |        | 71341           |
| Return Spring                       |       | 711303E         |        | 711303E         |
| Collar Truarc                       |       | 507091          |        | 507091          |
| Alignment Collar                    |       | 71360A          |        | 71360A          |
| Upper Bushing Retainer Screws       | 3x    | 711581          | 3x     | 711581          |
| Upper Bushing Holder Assembly       |       | 71333A          |        | 71333A          |
| Upper Gear                          |       | 71322           |        | 71322           |
| Bias Spring Retainer O-Ring         |       | 71028E          |        | 71028E          |
| Drive Balls                         | 3x    | 60728           | 3x     | 60728           |
| Driver                              |       | 71390           |        | 71390           |
| Drive Pins                          | 3x    | 71332           | 3x     | 71332           |
| Bias Springs                        | 2x    | 72524           | 2x     | 72524           |
| Housing O-Ring                      |       | 71350           |        | 71350           |
| Upper Thrust Washer                 |       | 71357           |        | 71357           |
| Thrust Bearing                      |       | 71358           |        | 71358           |
| Lower Thrust Washer                 |       | 71357A          |        | 71357A          |
| Lock Nut O-Ring                     |       | 71351           |        | 71351           |
| Lock Nut                            |       | 71345           |        | 71345           |
| Drive Spindle                       |       | 71317R          |        | 71315           |
| Steel Collet Nut HS ER25            |       | 69918           |        |                 |
| Steel Collet Nut                    |       | 71118           |        | 71318           |
| Drive Spindle HS ER25               |       | 71386           |        |                 |
| Adjustable Stop                     |       | 71183           |        | 71183           |
| Thrust Bearing Holder Assembly      |       | 71313A          |        | 71313A          |
| Key                                 |       | 71343           |        | 71343           |
| Dampener                            |       | 71311           |        | 71311           |
| Lower Gear                          |       | 71323           |        | 71323           |
| Drive Splines                       | 2x    | 713101          | 2x     | 713101          |
| Pinion Gears                        | 4x    | 71337           | 4x     | 71337           |
| Gear Washers                        | 4x    | 71307           | 4x     | 71307           |
| Gear Pins                           | 4x    | 71306           | 4x     | 71306           |
| Bias Spring Retainer                |       | 71327           |        | 71327           |
| Threaded Driver                     |       | 71305           |        | 71305           |
| Housing Bearing                     |       | 71309           |        | 71309           |
| Housing                             |       | 713031          |        | 713031          |
| Mount Lock Nut                      |       | 71346           |        | 71346           |
| Rotary Seal                         |       | 71342           |        | 71342           |
| Return Spring Washer                |       | 70029           |        | 70029           |
| Upper Bushing Pin                   |       | 71363           |        | 71363           |
| Mount 1" Shank                      |       | 71319           |        | 71319           |
| Mount 25mm Straight Shank           |       | 713193          |        | 713193          |
| Alignment Pin (65)                  |       | 72588L          |        | 72588L          |
| Alignment Pin (80)                  |       | 72588L1         |        | 72588L1         |
| Stop Arm Housing (65)               |       | 7235265         |        | 7235265         |
| Stop Arm Housing (80)               |       | 7235280         |        | 7235280         |
| Plunger Spring                      |       | 69555E          |        | 69555E          |
| Copper Tube Assembly                |       | 69889           |        | 69889           |
| Stop Arm Truarc                     |       | 695533          |        | 695533          |
| Stop Arm Bar                        |       | 698823          |        | 698823          |
| Diaphragm                           |       | 71754           |        | 71754           |
| M6 x 12 Cap Screw                   | 4x    | 71165           | 4x     | 71165           |
| Housing Pins                        | 2x    | 72351           | 2x     | 72351           |
| <b>Wrench Kit</b>                   |       | <b>Part No.</b> |        | <b>Part No.</b> |
| 4mm Hex Key                         |       | 27224           |        | 27224           |
| 2.5mm Hex Key                       |       | 27221           |        | 27221           |
| 1 5/16" Wrench                      |       | 28131           |        | -               |
| 1 9/16" Wrench                      |       | -               |        | 28156           |
| ER32 Nut Wrench                     |       | 71117           |        | -               |
| ER40 Nut Wrench                     |       | -               |        | 71317           |
| Grease Tubes                        | 3x    | 29001           | 3x     | 29001           |
| Alignment Key                       |       | 69341           |        | 69341           |

| Part Name                           | RDTIC85 | Order No.       | RDTIC100 | Order No.       |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|
| Inlet Truarc                        |         | 70566           |          | 70566           |
| Inlet Plug                          |         | 70572           |          | 70572           |
| Rubber Sleeve                       |         | 70574           |          | 70574           |
| Round Wire Clips / Square Wire Clip |         | 700561/705561   |          | 700561/705561   |
| Return Spring Retainer              |         | 71341           |          | 71341           |
| Return Spring                       |         | 711303E         |          | 711303E         |
| Collar Truarc                       |         | 507091          |          | 507091          |
| Alignment Collar                    |         | 71360A          |          | 71360A          |
| Upper Bushing Retainer Screws       | 3x      | 711581          | 3x       | 711581          |
| Upper Bushing Holder Assembly       |         | 71333A          |          | 71333A          |
| Upper Gear                          |         | 71322           |          | 71322           |
| Bias Spring Retainer O-Ring         |         | 71028E          |          | 71028E          |
| Drive Balls                         | 3x      | 60728           | 3x       | 60728           |
| Driver                              |         | 71390           |          | 71390           |
| Drive Pins                          | 3x      | 71332           | 3x       | 71332           |
| Bias Springs                        | 2x      | 72524           | 2x       | 72524           |
| Housing O-Ring                      |         | 71350           |          | 71350           |
| Upper Thrust Washer                 |         | 71357           |          | 71357           |
| Thrust Bearing                      |         | 71358           |          | 71358           |
| Lower Thrust Washer                 |         | 71357A          |          | 71357A          |
| Lock Nut O-Ring                     |         | 71351           |          | 71351           |
| Lock Nut                            |         | 71345           |          | 71345           |
| Drive Spindle                       |         | 72516           |          | 72514           |
| Drive Spindle HS ER25               |         | 72586           |          |                 |
| Steel Collet Nut                    |         | 71118           |          | 71318           |
| Steel Collet Nut HS ER25            |         | 69918           |          |                 |
| Adjustable Stop                     |         | 71183           |          | 71183           |
| Thrust Bearing Holder Assembly      |         | 71313A          |          | 71313A          |
| Key                                 |         | 71343           |          | 71343           |
| Dampener                            |         | 71311           |          | 71311           |
| Lower Gear                          |         | 71323           |          | 71323           |
| Drive Splines                       | 2x      | 713101          | 2x       | 713101          |
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| Gear Pins                           | 4x      | 71306           | 4x       | 71306           |
| Bias Spring Retainer                |         | 71327           |          | 71327           |
| Threaded Driver                     |         | 71305           |          | 71305           |
| Housing Bearing                     |         | 71309           |          | 71309           |
| Housing                             |         | 713031          |          | 713031          |
| Mount Lock Nut                      |         | 71346           |          | 71346           |
| Rotary Seal                         |         | 71342           |          | 71342           |
| Return Spring Washer                |         | 70029           |          | 70029           |
| Upper Bushing Pin                   |         | 71363           |          | 71363           |
| Mount 1" Shank                      |         | 71320           |          | 71320           |
| Mount 25mm Straight Shank           |         | 713203          |          | 713203          |
| Coolant Tube                        |         | 72573           |          | 72573           |
| Alignment Pin (65)                  |         | 72588L          |          | 72588L          |
| Alignment Pin (80)                  |         | 72588L1         |          | 72588L1         |
| Stop Arm Housing (65)               |         | 7235265         |          | 7235265         |
| Stop Arm Housing (80)               |         | 7235280         |          | 7235280         |
| Plunger Spring                      |         | 69555E          |          | 69555E          |
| Copper Tube Assembly                |         | 69889           |          | 69889           |
| Stop Arm Truarc                     |         | 695533          |          | 695533          |
| Stop Arm Bar                        |         | 698823          |          | 698823          |
| Diaphragm                           |         | 71754           |          | 71754           |
| M6 x 12                             | 4x      | 71165           | 4x       | 71165           |
| Housing Pins                        | 2x      | 72351           | 2x       | 721351          |
| <b>Wrench Kit</b>                   |         | <b>Part No.</b> |          | <b>Part No.</b> |
| 4mm Hex Key                         |         | 27224           |          | 27224           |
| 2.5mm Hex Key                       |         | 27221           |          | 27221           |
| 1 5/16" Wrench                      |         | 28131           |          | -               |
| 1 9/16" Wrench                      |         | -               |          | 28156           |
| ER32 Nut Wrench                     |         | 71117           |          | -               |
| ER40 Nut Wrench                     |         | -               |          | 71317           |
| Grease Tubes                        | 3x      | 29001           | 3x       | 29001           |
| Alignment Key                       |         | 69341           |          | 69341           |

### INSPECTION / DISASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

- 1.) Use wrench to loosen lock nut.
- 2.) Use hey key to loosen three screws under alignment collar. Note that alignment collar must be removed.
- 3.) Unthread the lock nut from the bottom of the housing. Then before removing the thrust bearing holder from the housing pull the drive spindle out in tension. (This step will keep the drive balls captivated when thrust bearing holder and spindle are removed from housing.) Now pull entire drive spindle and thrust bearing holder assembly out of the housing.
- 4.) Inspecting the lower drive spline. First carefully remove the 3 drive balls from the driver. Then slide the lower gear off of the drive spindle. Examine and replace if required. Note that some rounding of the spline edge is normal.
- 5.) Inspection of the upper drive spline: If you need to replace the upper renewable drive spline, you will have to unthread the mount lock nut. Lift the entire mount assembly from the housing and replace the renewable drive spline if required. Please be careful not to lose pinion gears and gear washers during this last step.

### Reassembly After Inspection

- 1.) Reinstall the upper gear, renewable drive spline and dampener to the threaded driver. Then slide entire mount assembly back into housing. Be sure upper gear and pinion gears mesh properly by turning straight shank. Then reinstall mount lock nut securely.
- 2.) Hold the drive spindle and thrust bearing holder in one hand and with your other hand

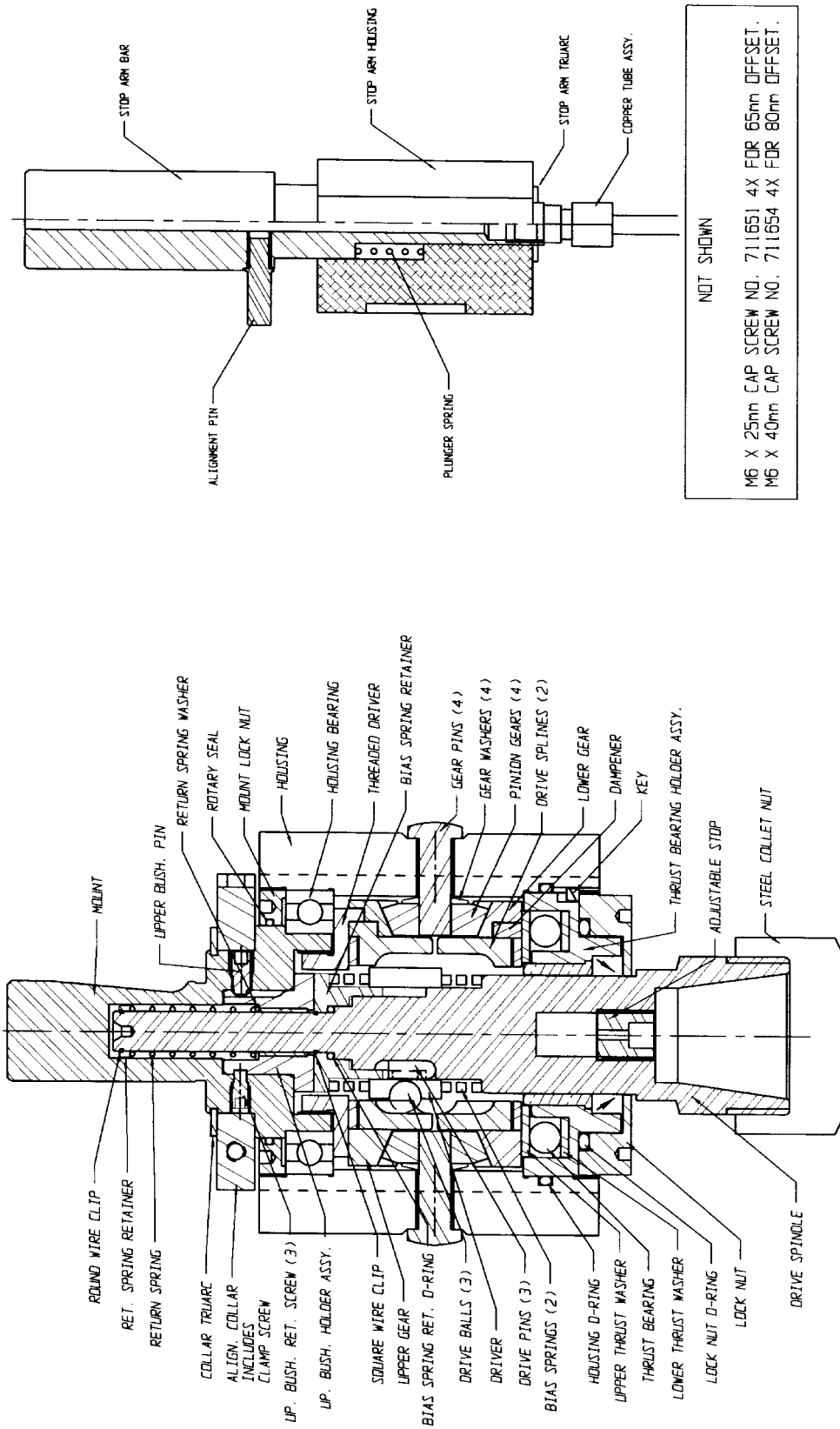
turn the upper thrust washer to be sure it is seated properly and turns freely. Then place the lower gear assembly on the top of the upper thrust washer in the thrust bearing holder. Install the three drive balls into the driver and pull the drive spindle down in order to captivate the drive balls in the reverse position.

- 3.) First turn mount so that bushing pin is lined up with keyway in housing. Then turn upper bushing holder so that its rounded slot is lined up with keyway in thrust bearing holder. Holding the housing in horizontal position in one hand and the drive spindle/thrust bearing holder horizontally in the other, slide the thrust bearing holder back into the housing so that key way in thrust bearing holder lines up with key way i housing. Then tighten the lock nut until its reference line comes even with the housing reference line. Now push the drive spindle up into the housing as far as it will go. When you push up on the drive spindle, you may feel it stop against the upper bushing pine. Pull out on the drive spindle, rotate slightly and push up again until pin slips into the slot in part upper bushing holder. You can tell that the pin has engaged when the drive spindle goes further back into the tool. Now, holding the drive spindle in position tighten the three screws.
- 4.) Now pull out on the drive spindle and let go to be sure that the return spring is working properly and rotate the CNC shank to double check that the gears are properly meshed.

▲ Please note that alignment collar must be oriented again for automatic tool change.

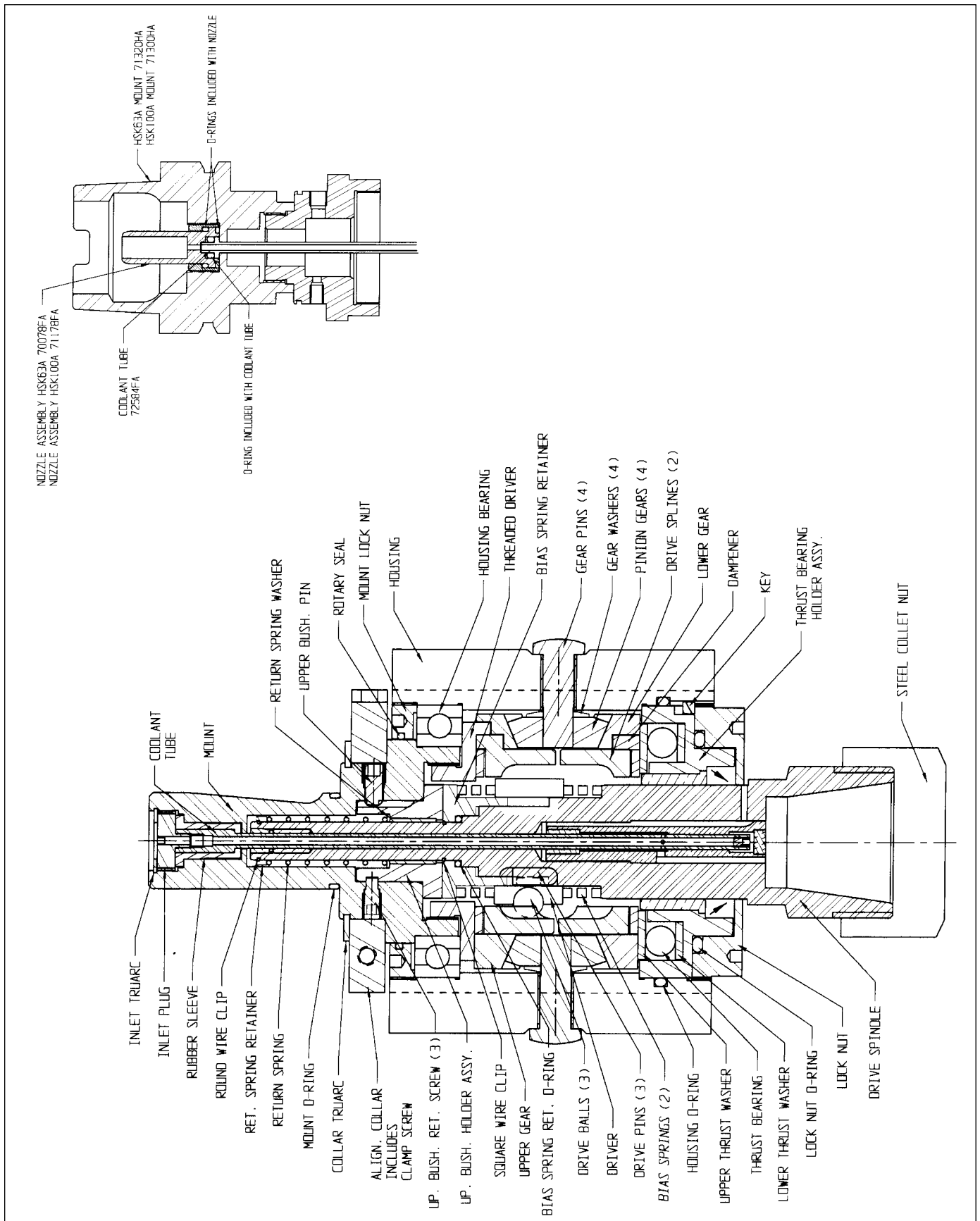
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# Maintenance

## For RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100

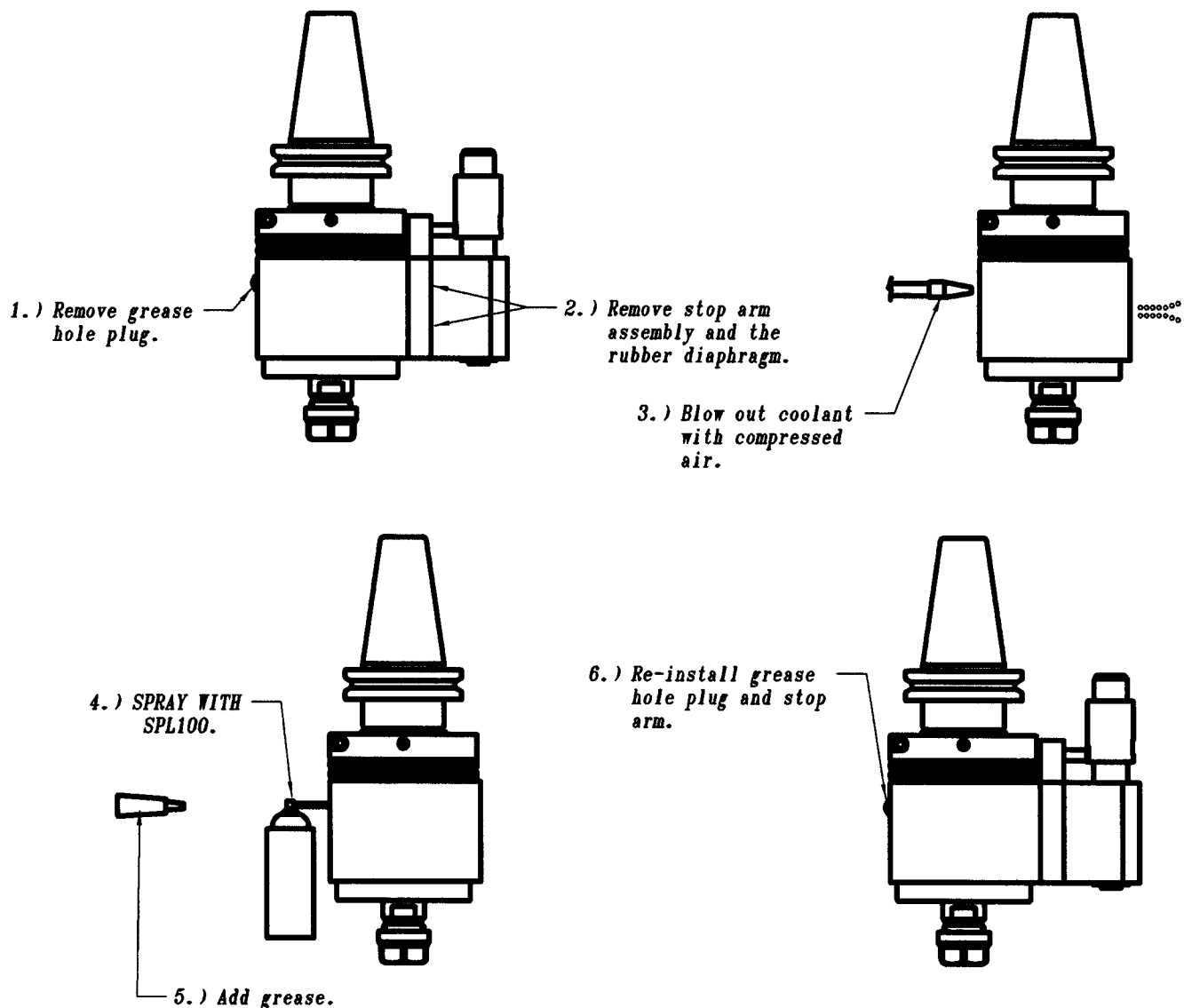
### Lubrication:

We recommend lubrication every 100,000 cycles. To lubricate remove grease hole plug and add grease from the tubes provided. Use two tubes. For additional tubes, order part number 29000 for a box of 12. We recommend Prolong EP2 grease. The units come from the factory already lubricated for operation. You may also lubricate the gears during the renewable drive inspection procedure. Please use caution not to over grease the tapping attachment. Too much grease causes heat and may clog air vent system or prevent drive spindle from returning properly.

### If Coolant Enters Unit:

If coolant somehow goes past the housing seals and enters the unit, you can follow the disassembly procedure, clean the parts and re-grease. We recommend following a procedure like this also if you plan to store the unit for a long period of time.

You can also remove coolant and add grease without disassembling the tool by following the procedure shown below.





# Maintenance & Repair

## RDT & RDTIC 85 & 100 Self-Reversing Tapping Units

Repair Service is available at...

Attention: **Repair Department  
Tapmatic Corporation  
802 Clearwater Loop  
Post Falls, ID 83854**

**To Expedite Repair:** Return tool direct to Tapmatic Corporation, by United Parcel Service and enclose the following statement with your purchase order: "**Authorization given to repair and return tool without notification if total repair cost does not exceed 40% of the cost of a new tool.**" Tapmatic will repair the tool and call to request your credit card # for invoicing.

**Important:** Be sure to return the tool complete with the tap chuck nut, back jaw and if the tool is a reversing unit, include stop arm. Otherwise, we will add these missing parts to every non-warranty repair.

**Cost Notification:** Tapmatic will FAX a cost notification to you, soliciting your approval before repairs are completed.

If it is determined that a tapping attachment cannot be repaired, at the customer's request, Tapmatic will return the disassembled parts. We are not able to reassemble tapping attachments using damaged or worn out parts.

**Optional Return Procedure:** Tools may also be returned for repair through your local Tapmatic Distributor. They will ship the tool to us and include instructions for the repair and return. You may already have an open account with them which facilitates the handling of invoicing.

**Priority Service:** Tapmatic services tapping attachments returned for repair in the order in which they are received. All tools will be evaluated and repaired within three weeks from the date they arrive subject to receiving the customer's approval to proceed with the repair.

Priority is given to the tools shipped to us by overnight or second day.

If a repair is sent to us by UPS ground or similar service it can also be given priority. Just call and let us know you need priority service and advise if you would like the tool returned to you by overnight or second day. In the interest of fairness, to all our customers, we ask that you approve return shipment by overnight or second day before we agree to upgrade your repair order to priority service. Typical turnaround, not including shipping time, for priority repairs is 3 days subject to receiving the customer's approval to proceed with the repair.

If we can answer any questions, please call our toll free number: 800 395-8231.

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