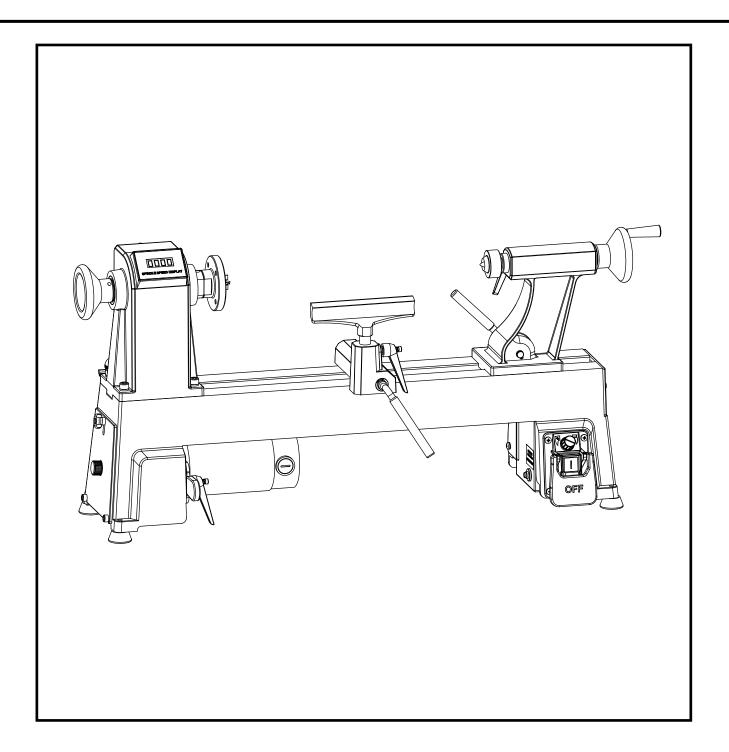


# SAFETY AND OPERATING MANUAL VARIABLE SPEED MINI LATHE VSL305



# **ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS**



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# PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

**Attention:** Please choose proper power source, voltage and frequency that are shown in the label for your lathe.

Woodworking Mini Lathe		
Motor Power	550W S6 40%	
Swing over bed	305 mm (12" )	
Distance between centers	455 mm (18")	
Spindle Speed	450-3500RPM (no load)	
Spindle taper	MT2	
Tailstock taper	MT2	
Tool Rest	200mm	
Face plate	⊄ 80mm	

#### SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

**WARNING:** When using electric tools, basic safety precautions, including the following, should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and personal injury. Read all these instructions before operating this product and save the instructions.

#### **GENERAL**

#### 1. Read and understand manual.

For your own safety, read and understand the entire instruction manual before operating the lathe.

#### 2. Read and understand warning label.

Read and understand the warning labels posted on the machine. Failure to comply with all of these labels may cause serious injury.

#### 3. Keep work area clean.

Cluttered areas and benches invite injuries.

#### 4. Consider work area environment.

Do not expose power tools to rain. Do not use power tools in damp or wet locations. Keep work area well lit. Do not use power tools where there is risk to cause fire or explosion.

#### 5. Guard against electric shock.

Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces (e.g. pipes, radiators, ranges, refrigerators).

#### 6. Keep children away.

Do not let visitors touch the tool or extension cord. All visitors should be kept away from work area.

#### 7. Store idle tool.

When not in use, tools should be stored in a dry, high of locked up place, out of reach of children.

#### 8. Do not force the tool.

It will do the job better and safer at rate for which it was intended.

#### 9. Use the right tool.

Do not force small tools or attachments to do the job of a heavy duty tool. Do not use tools for purposes not intended; for example, do not use circular saws to cut tree limbs or logs.

#### 10. Dress properly.

Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery, they can be caught in moving parts. Rubber gloves and non-skid footwear are recommended when working outdoors. Wear protecting hair covering to contain long hair.

#### 11. Use safety glasses and hearing protection.

Also use face or dust mask if the cutting operation is dusty.

#### 12. Do not abuse the cord.

Never carry the tool by the cord of yank it to disconnect it from the socket, Keep the cord away from heat, oil and sharp edges.

#### 13. Do not overreach.

Keep proper footing and balance at all times.

#### 14. Maintain tools with care.

Keep cutting tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance. Follow instructions for lubrication and changing accessories. Inspect tool cord periodically and if damaged have it repaired by an authorized service facility. Inspect extension cords periodically and replace, if damaged. Keep handles dry, clean and free from oil and grease.

#### 15. Disconnect tools.

When not in use, before servicing and changing accessories such as blades, bits and cutters, disconnect tools.

#### 16. Remove adjusting keys and wrenches.

Form the habit of checking to see that keys and adjusting wrenches are removed from the tool before turning it on.

#### 17. Avoid unintentional starting.

Do not carry a plugged-in tool with a finger on the switch. Ensure switch is off when plugging in.

#### 18. Use outdoor extension leads.

When tool is used outdoors, use only extension cords intended for outdoor use.

#### 19. Stay alert.

Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate tool when you are tired.

#### 20. Check damaged parts.

Before further use of tool, a guard or other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function. Check for alignment of moving parts, free running of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting and any other conditions that may should be properly repaired or replaced by an authorized service center unless otherwise indicated in this instruction manual. Have defective switches replaced by an authorized service facility. Do not use the tool if the switch does not turn it on and off.

#### 21. Warning.

The use of any accessory or attachment, other than those recommended in this instruction manual or the catalog, may present a risk of personal injury.

#### 22. Have your tool repaired by a qualified person.

This electric tool is in accordance with the relevant safety requirements, Repairs should only be carried out by qualified persons using original spare parts, otherwise this may result in considerable danger to the user.

#### ADDITIONAL SATETY RULES FOR THE LATHE

- This lathe is designed and intended for use by proper trained and experienced personnel only. If you are
  not familiar with the proper and safe operation of a lathe, do not use until proper training and knowledge
  have been obtained.
- 2. Always wear eye protection while using this lathe.
- 3. Always use face or dust mask.
- **4.** Do not operate this machine while tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or any medication.
- **5.** Use the right tool at the correct speed and feed rate.
- **6.** Turning of the machine before cleaning. Use a brush or compressed air to remove chips or debris, do not use your hands.
- 7. Check the workpiece carefully for splits, knots or other obstructions which may cause a safety risk while

- turning.
- **8.** Adjust tool rest to proper height and position for the work. Rotate the workpiece by hand to check clearance with the tool rest before turning on the machine.
- **9.** Select the appropriate speed for the turning job at hand. Start at low speed and allow the lathe to ramp up to operating speed.
- **10.** Never apply coolants or water to a spinning workpiece.
- **11.** Never stop a rotating workpiece with your hand.
- **12.** If gluing up a workpiece, always use a high quality glue of the type necessary for that particular workpiece.
- **13.** Before attaching a workpiece to the faceplate, rough-cut the workpiece close to the finished shape before screwing it to faceplate.
- **14.** When turning between centers, make sure headstock and tailstock are snug against work piece.

#### **ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS**

#### POWER SUPPLY AND MOTOR SPECIFICATIONS

**WARNING:** To avoid electrical hazards, fire hazards, or damage to the tool, use proper circuit protection. Use a separate electrical circuit for your tools. To avoid shock or fire, if power cord is worn or cut, or damaged in any way, have it replaced immediately.

#### **GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

**WARNING:** This tool must be grounded while in use to protect the operator from electrical shock.

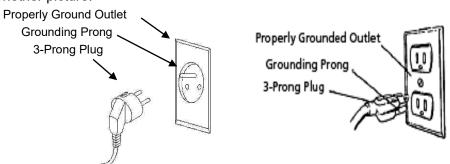
**IN THE EVENT OF A MALFUNCTION OR BREAKDOWN,** grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current and reduces the risk of electric shock. This tool is equipped with an electric cord that has an equipment-grounding conductor and a grounding plug. The plug MUST be plugged into a matching receptacle that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with ALL local codes and ordinances.

**DO NOT MODIFY THE PLUG PROVIDED.** If it will not fit the receptacle, have the proper receptacle installed by a qualified electrician.

**IMPROPER CONNECTION** of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in risk of electric shock. The conductor with green insulation (with or without yellow stripes) is the equipment-grounding conductor. If repair or replacement of the electric cord or plug is necessary, DO NOT connect the equipment-grounding conductor to a live terminal.

**CHECK** with a qualified electrician or service person if you do not completely understand the grounding instructions, or if you are not sure the tool is properly grounded.

Refer to nether picture:



**WARNING:** Improper connection of equipment grounding conductor can result in the risk of electrical shock. equipment should be grounded while in use to protect operator from electrical shock.

- -Check with a qualified electrician if you do not understand grounding instructions or if you are in doubt as to whether the tool is properly grounded.
- -This tool is equipped with an approved cord and a 3-prong grounding type plug for you protection against shock hazards.
- -Grounding plug should be plugged directly into a properly installed and grounded 3-prong grounding-type

receptacle, as shown.

-Do not remove or alter grounding prong in any manner. in the event of a malfunction or breakdown, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electrical shock.

**WARNING:** This machine is for indoor use only. Do not expose to rain or use in damp locations.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR EXTENSION CORDS**

**USE PROPER EXTENSION CORD.** Make sure your extension cord is in good condition. When using an extension cord,

Be sure to use one heavy enough to carry the current your product will draw. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage, resulting in loss of power and cause overheating.

**Be sure your extension cord is properly wired** and in good condition. Always replace a damaged extension cord or have it repaired by a qualified person before using it. Protect your extension cords from sharp objects, excessive heat and damp or wet areas.

#### **ACCESSORIES AND ATTACHMENTS**

#### RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES

**WARNING:** To avoid injury:

- Use only accessories recommended for this machine.
- Follow instructions that accompany accessories. Use of improper accessories may cause hazards.
- Use only accessories designed for this machine to avoid injury from thrown broken parts or work pieces.
- Do not use any accessory unless you have completely read the instruction or operator's manual for that accessory.

#### **CARTON CONTENTS**

#### **UNPACKING AND CHECKING CONTENTS**

Carefully unpack the machine and all its parts, and compare against the illustration following.

#### **WARNING:**

- To avoid injury from unexpected starting, do not plug the power cord into a power source receptacle during unpacking and assembly. This cord must remain unplugged whenever you are assembling or adjusting the machine.
- If any part is missing or damaged, do not plug the machine in until the missing or damaged part is replaced, and assembly is complete.

# **TABLE OF LOOSE PARTS**

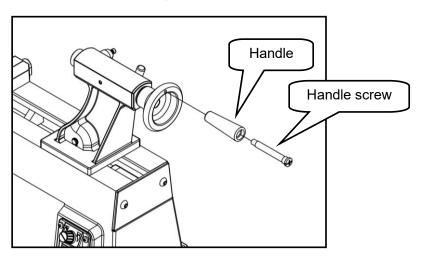
Unpack carton; check you machine to see parts listed below:

No.	Description	Qty	(1)
1.	Lathe	1	
2.	Tool rest	1	$\sim$ 3
3.	Handle	1	
4.	Handle screw with rubber ring	1	
5.	Face plate	1	
6.	Live center	1	
7.	Spur center	1	
8.	Knockout rod	1	
9.	Wrench	1	
10.	Tool holder	1	
11.	5mm Hex wrench	1	
12.	3mm Hex wrench	1	
13.	Safety Switch	1 (	5
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# **INSTALLATION**

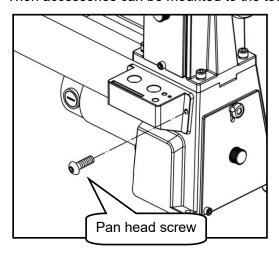
# 1. Installing handle to handwheel.

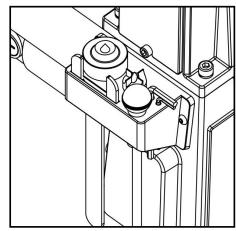
Attach handle screw through handle hole onto the handwheel, secure it by a screwdriver.



#### 2. Installing the tool holder

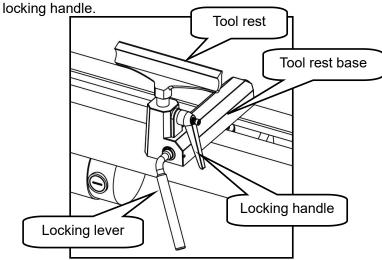
Take the pan head screw from base, install the tool holder to base by using the pan head screw. Then accessories can be mounted to the tool holder.





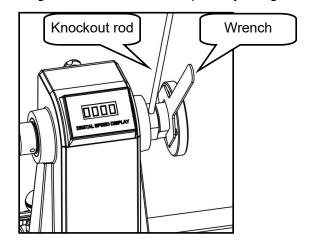
#### 3. Installing tool rest

Loosen locking handle and insert tool rest into tool rest base, adjust height up or down and tighten



#### 4. Installing/removing face plate

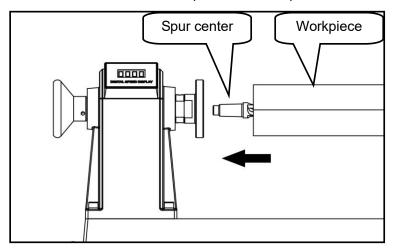
- Mount face plate by screwing it clockwise as far as it will go onto spindle threads.
- You can tighten or loosen the face plate by using wrench and knockout rod.



#### 5. Installing/removing spur center

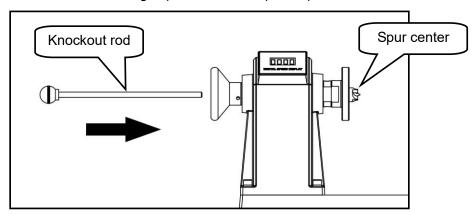
- Make sure mating surfaces of spur center and spindle are clean.
- Drive spur center into workpiece. (See section of operation)
- Push spur center into spindle.

You do not need to remove face plate to install spur center.



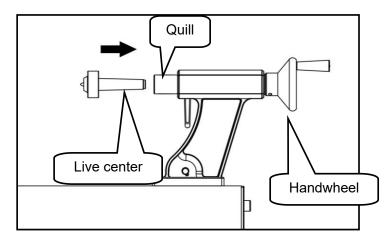
#### To remove spur center:

- Hold spur center to prevent it from falling. Use a rag to protect your hand form the sharp edges.
- Use knockout rod through spindle hole to tap out spur center.



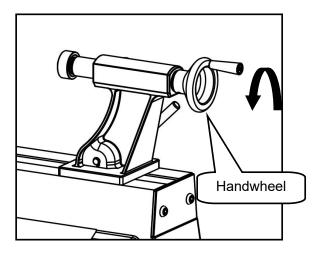
#### 6. Installing/removing live center

- Rotate tailstock handwheel clockwise a few times to advance quill.
- Push live center into quill.



#### To remove live center:

- Hold live center to prevent it from falling.
- Rotate handwheel counterclockwise to retract quill, until live center releases from quill.



#### 7. Mounting lathe to bench table

For effective and safe operation, the lathe should be mounted to a bench table, removing feet and using four threaded holes in its base.

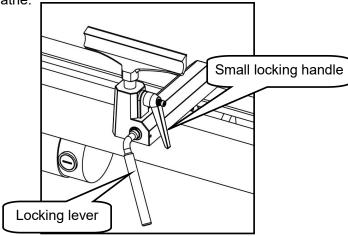
#### **ADJUSTING**

#### 1. Tool rest

The tool rest assembly is designed to allow adjustment for height, position on the bed, and angle to the work.

Loosen locking lever on tool rest base to slide base forward or back, and angle it to the bed. Tighten locking lever firmly before operating lathe.

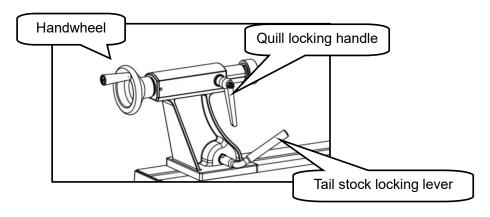
Loosen small locking handle to raise or lower tool rest and angle it to the work. Tighten handle before operating lathe.



#### 2. Tail stock

Loosen tail stock locking lever and slide tailstock into desired position. Retighten the locking lever. Quill locking handle locks and unlocks tail stock quill.

Handwheel advances and retracts quill.



#### 3. Speed adjustment

The spindle speed can be adjusted by turning speed dial and changing the belt location To change the belt location:

Loosen the knob A, pull up and rotate the back cover.

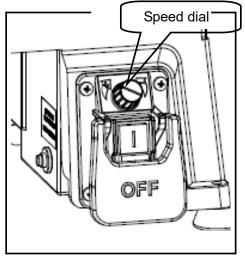
Loosen the knob B, pull up and rotate the side cover.

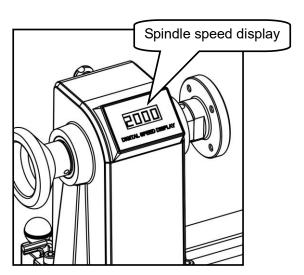
Release the lock handle and pull the lever to loosen the belt tension.

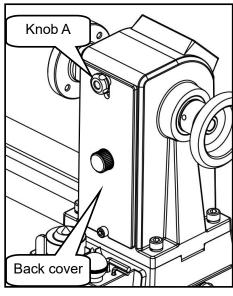
Change the belt location to change the speed.

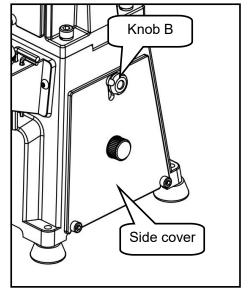
Tighten the belt tension and lock the handle.

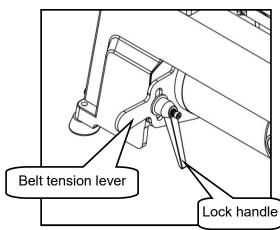
Replace the back cover and side cover.

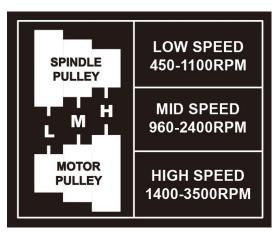












#### **OPERATION**

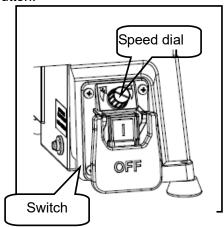
ATTENTION: Read and understand the entire instruction manual before operating the lathe

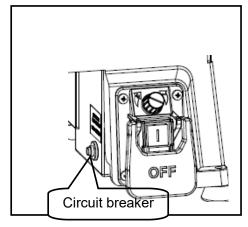
#### 1. Switch action

To start the lathe, turn on the switch.

To stop the lathe, turn off the switch.

If the machine is overload and the circuit breaker is triggered, turn off the machine and press the reset button.





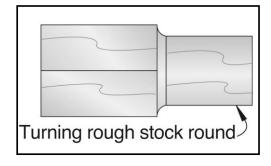
#### 2. Turning tools

If possible, select only quality, high-speed steel turning tools. High-speed steel tools hold an edge and last longer than ordinary carbon steel. As one becomes proficient in turning, a variety of specialty tools for specific applications can be acquired. The following tools provide the basics for most woodturning projects.

#### Large roughing gouge

Basic function: Use this tool to shape square or out-of-round spindle-turning stock into a cylinder. Other uses: Creating shallow coves.

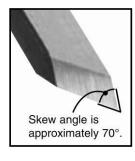


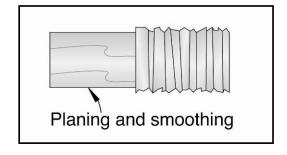


#### Skew chisel

Basic function: The skew evens out high and low spots to shape cylinders. Vary the angle at which the tip meets the workpiece to change the aggressiveness of the cut.

Other uses: Cutting beads and V-grooves.

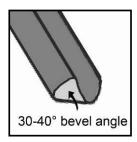


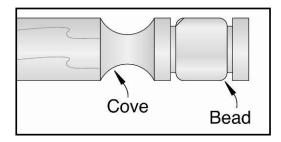


#### Spindle gouge

Basic function: The spindle gouge cuts coves, beads, and free-form contours.

Other uses: Producing shallow hollows on faceplate turnings.

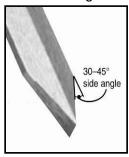


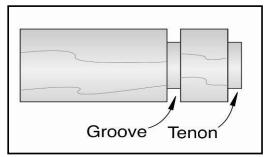


#### **Parting tool**

Basic function: Use the parting tool to form grooves and tenons, and to cut stock off.

Other uses: Rolling small beads.

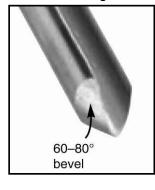


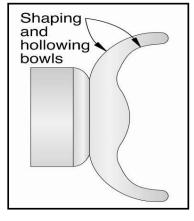


#### **Bowl gouge**

Basic function: The bowl gouge cuts external and internal profiles on faceplate-mounted stock, such as bowls and platters.

Other uses: Creating ultrasmooth cuts on bowls and spindles by using as a shearing scraper.

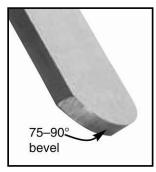


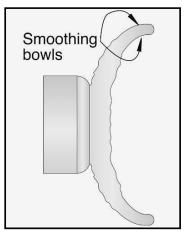


#### Round nose scraper

Basic function: Use the scraper for nonaggressive shaping of spindles and bowls, and to smooth without removing much stock.

Other uses: Nonaggressive smoothing.





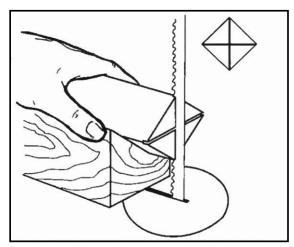
#### 3. Spindle turning

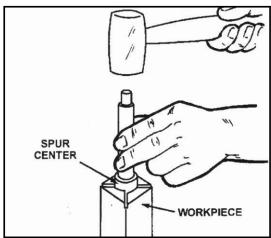
Spindle turning takes place between the centers of the lathe. It requires a spur center in the headstock, and a live center in the tailstock. A cup center rather than a cone center in the tailstock will often reduce the risk of splitting the stock.

#### 3.1 Stock selection and installation

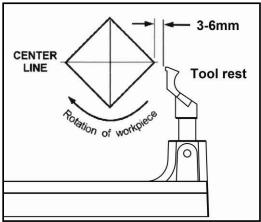
Stock for spindles should be straight grained and free of cracks, knots and other defects.

- With a combination square, or plastic center finder for round stock, locate and mark center on each end of the workpiece. Accuracy is not critical on full rounds but extremely important on stock where square sections are to remain. Put a dimple in the stock with an awl or nail, or use a spring-loaded automatic center punch.
- Extremely hard woods may require kerfs cut into the ends of the stock using a band saw, so the wood will accept the spur center and the live center.
- Drive the spur center about 3mm into the workpiece, use a wood mallet or dead blow hammer.
   Be careful that you do not split the workpiece. Never use a steel face hammer and never drive the workpiece onto the spur center while it is mounted in the lathe spindle.





- Clean the tapered end of spur center and the inside of the headstock spindle.
- Insert the tapered end of the spur center (with the attached workpiece) into the headstock spindle.
- Support the workpiece while bring the tailstock into position. Lock the tailstock to the bed.
- Advance the tailstock quill with the handwheel in order to seat the live center into the workpiece.
   Use enough pressure to secure the workpiece between the centers so that it won't fly off, but do not use excessive pressure.
- Tighten the quill locking handle.
  - Attention: The tailstock ram is capable of exerting excessive pressure against the workpiece and the headstock. Apply only sufficient force with the tailstock to hold the workpiece securely in place. Excessive pressure can overheat center bearings and damage both workpiece and lathe.
- Move tool rest into position. It should be parallel to the workpiece, just below the centerline and approximately 3mm to 6mm from the corners of the workpiece to be turned. Tighten tool rest base to lathe bed.



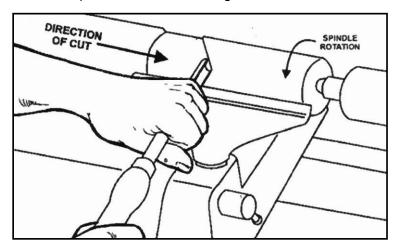
- Rotate workpiece by hand to check for proper clearance.
- Start lathe at lowest speed and bring it up the appropriate speed for the size of workpiece.

#### 3.2 Cutting techniques

#### Roughing out

- Begin with a large roughing gouge. Place the tool on the tool rest with the heel of the tool on the surface to be cut.
- Slowly and gently raise tool handle until cutting edge comes into contact with the workpiece.
- Beginning about 50mm from the tailstock end of the workpiece, roll the flute (hollowedout-portion) of the tool in the direction of the cut. Make long sweeping cuts in a continuous motion to rough the piece down to a cylinder.
- Keep as much of bevel of the tool as possible in contact with the workpiece to ensure control
  and avoid catches.

**Note:** Always cut down-hill, or from large diameter to small diameter. Always work toward the end of workpiece, never start cutting at the end.



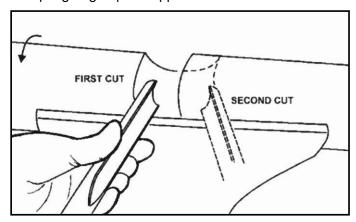
- Once the workpiece is roughed down to cylinder, smooth it with a large skew. Keep the skew handle perpendicular to the spindle and use only the center third of the cutting edge for a long smoothing cut (touching one of the points of the skew to the spinning workpiece may cause a catch and ruin the workpiece).
- Add details to the workpiece with skew, parting tool, scraper or spindle gouge.

#### **Beads**

- Make a parting cut for what is to be a bead to the desired depth. Place the parting tool on the tool
  rest and move tool forward to make the full bevel of the tool come into contact with the workpiece.
  Gently raise handle to make cut to the appropriate depth.
- Repeat for other side of the bead.
- Using a small skew or spindle gouge, start in the center between the two cuts and cut down each side to form the bead. Roll the tool in direction of cut.

#### Coves

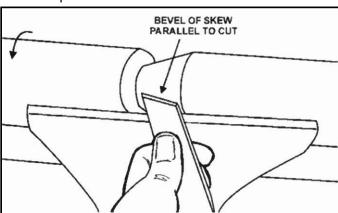
• Use a spindle gouge. With the flute of the tool at 90 degrees to the workpiece, touch the point of the tool to the workpiece and roll in towards the bottom of the cove. Stop at the bottom; attempting to go up the opposite side ma cause the tool to catch.



- Move the tool over the desired width of the cove.
- With the flute facing the opposite direction, repeat step for other side of cove. Stop at bottom of cut.

#### **V-grooves**

- Use the point of the skew.
- Lightly mark the center of the "V" with the top of the skew.
- Move the point of the skew to the right half of the desired width of your cut.
- With the bevel parallel to the right side of the cut, raise the handle and push the tool in to the desired depth.



- Repeat from the left side. The two cuts should meet at the bottom and leave a clean v-groove.
- Additional cuts may be taken to add to either the depth or width of the cut.

#### Parting off

- Use parting tool.
- Adjust lathe speed to lower speed for parting through a workpiece.
- Place tool on tool rest and raise the handle until it starts to cut and continue to cut toward the center of the workpiece.
- Loosely hold on to the piece in one hand as it separates from the waste wood.

#### Sanding and finishing

Leaving clean cuts will reduce the amount of sanding required. Move the tool rest out of the way, adjust the lathe to a low speed, and begin with fine sandpaper (120 grit or finer). Coarser sandpaper will leave deep scratches that are difficult to remove, and dull crisp details on the spindle. Progress through each grit without skipping grits (for example, do not jump from 120 grit to 220 grit). Fold the sandpaper into a pad; do not wrap sandpaper around your fingers or the workpiece. To apply a finish,

the workpiece can be left on the lathe.

Turn off the lathe and use a brush or paper towel to apply the finish. Remove excess finish before restarting lathe. Allow to dry and sand again with 320 or 400 grit sandpaper. Apply second coat of finish and buff.

#### 4. Face plate and bowl turning

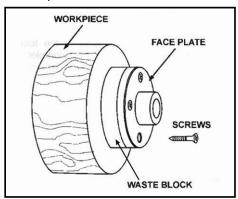
#### 4.1 Mounting stock

Use of a face plate is the most common method for holding a block of wood for turning bowls and plate.

- Select stock at least 5mm larger than each dimension of the finished workpiece.
- Always select the largest diameter face plate that can be used for the workpiece to be turned.
- True one surface of the workpiece for mounting against the face plate.
- Using the face plate as a template, mark the location of the mounting holes on the workpiece, and drill pilot holes of the appropriate size.

If the mounting screws on the face plate interfere with the workpiece. A glue or waste block can be used:

- Make a block the same diameter as the face plate. Both waste block and workpiece should have fat surfaces for gluing.
- Glue the block to the workpiece. Avoid using brown paper or newspaper between the waste block and workpiece. It may work fine if you are using scrapers, but a slight catch with a bowl gouge can separate the two.



#### Using a chuck

While face plates are the simplest, most reliable method of holding a block of wood for turning, chucks can also be used.

A chuck is not a requirement, but is handy when working on more than one piece at a time. Rather than removing screws, you simply open the chuck and change workpieces.

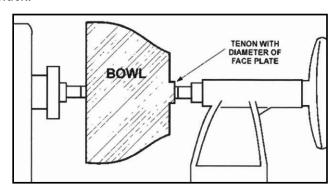
The most popular ones are four jaw scroll chucks with a variety of jaws to accommodate different size tenons. Most also come with a screw chuck as well.

#### 4.2 To shape outside of bowl

- Odd shaped burls, crotches and other irregular shaped blanks require special preparation before
  mounting in a chuck or onto a face plate. Remove the bark, if there is any, from what appears to
  be the center of the top of the workpiece.
- Driver spur center into the top of the workpiece with a mallet or dead blow hammer.
- Slip the spur center into the headstock taper and bring the tailstock with a live center into position.
   Lock the tailstock to the bed and advance the quill in order to seat the cut center into the workpiece. Tighten the quill locking handle.
- Turn workpiece by hand to ensure proper clearance.
- Start lathe at lowest speed and bring it up to the proper speed for the size of work to be turned. If the machine starts to vibrate, lower the speed until vibration stops.
- Rough out the outside of the bowl with the bowl gouge, holding the handle of the tool firmly

- against your hip.
- As the bowl takes shape, work on the bottom (tailstock end) to accommodate attaching a face plate.
- Turn a short tenon to the size of the hole in face plate. This will allow centering the workpiece when the face plate is attached.

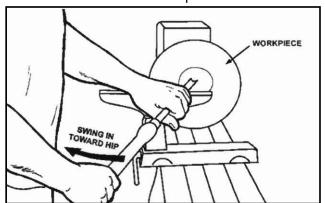
Note: If you plan to use a chuck, turn a tenon of the appropriate length and diameter to fit your chuck.



- Stop the lathe, remove workpiece and attach face plate or chuck.
- Finish turning the outside of bowl with bowl gouge. Leave additional material at base of bowl for support while turning interior. This will be removed later.

#### To shape interior of bowl

- Stop the lathe and move tailstock away.
- Adjust tool rest in front of the bowl just below centerline, at a right angle to the lathe ways.
- Rotate workpiece by hand to check clearance.
- Face off top of bowl by making a light shearing cut across the top of workpiece, from rim to center.
- Place bowl gouge on tool rest at center of the workpiece with the flute facing top of bowl. The tool handle should be level and pointed toward the four o'clock position.



- Use the left hand to control cutting edge of gouge, while right hand swings tool handle around toward your body. The flute should start out facing top of workpiece, and rotate upward as it moves deeper into the bowl to maintain a clean even curve. As the tool goes deeper into the bowl, progressively work out toward the rim. It may be necessary to turn the tool rest into the piece as you get deeper into the bowl.
  - Note: Try to make one, very light continuous movement from the rim to the bottom of the bowl to ensure a clean, sweeping curve through the piece. Should there be a few small ridges left, a light cut with a large domed scraper can even out the surface.
- Develop wall thickness at the rim and maintain it as you work deeper into the bowl (Once the piece is thin toward the bottom, you cannot make it thinner at the rim). When the interior is finished, move the tool rest to exterior to re-define bottom of bowl.

- Wok the tight area around faceplate of chuck with bowl gouge.
- Begin the separation with a parting tool, but do not cut all the way through yet.

#### Sanding and finishing

- Remove the tool rest and adjust to lower speed. High speed can build friction while sanding and cause heat check in some woods.
- Begin with fine sandpaper (120 grit) and progress through each grit, using only light pressure.
   Coarser sandpaper tends to leave deep scratches that are hard to eliminate. Use power-sanding techniques to avoid concentric sanding marks around your finished piece. Avoid rounding over the rim and foot with sandpaper; try to keep details crisp. Finish sanding with 220 grit.
- Remove sanding dust with tack rags or compressed air, with lathe turned off, apply first coat of finish. Let stand for several minutes, wipe off excess. Allow to dry before sanding again with 320 or 400 grit sandpaper.
- Turn lathe back on and continue the separation cut almost all the way through the base. Stop at about 75mm and use a small fine tooth saw to separate the bowl from the waste.
- Apply second finish coat and allow to dry before buffing.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

#### **Maintenance General**

Keep your machine clean. At the end of each day, clean the machine. Wood contains moisture, and if sawdust or wood chips are not removed, they will cause rust. Regular oil attracts dust and dirt. Teflon lubricant tends to dry and has fewer tendencies to accumulate dirt and saw dust. Periodically check that all nuts and bolts are tight.

#### **Drive belt**

The drive belt should last for many years (depending on the usage) but needs to be inspected regularly for cracks, cuts and general wear. If damage is found, replace the belt.

#### Bearings

All bearings are sealed for life and do not require any maintenance. If a bearing becomes faulty, replace it.

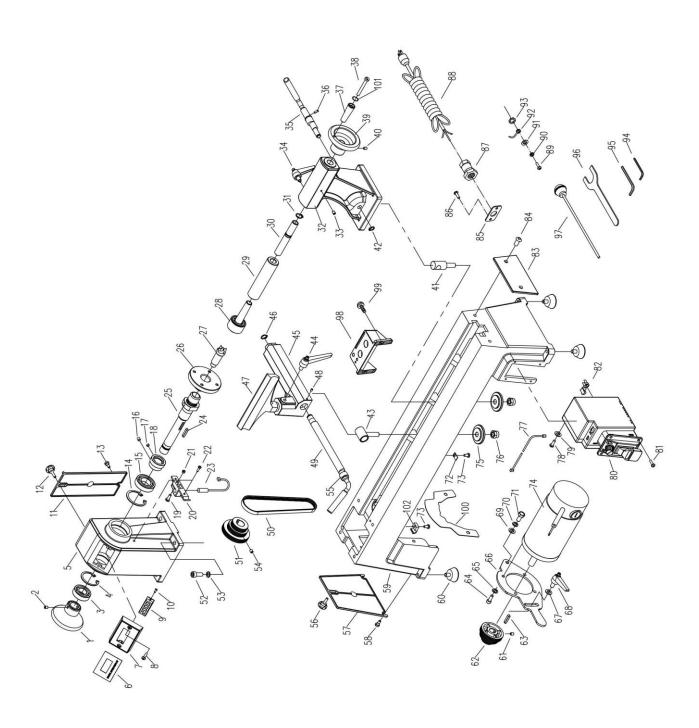
#### Rust

The lathe is made from steel and cast iron. All non painted surfaces will rust if not protected. It is recommended that they are protected by applying wax.

#### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION	
	Excessive cut	Reduce depth of cut	
Motor or spindle stalls	Improper belt adjustment, or worn belt	Adjust or replace belt	
or will not start	Worn spindle bearing	Replace bearing	
	Circuit breaker is triggered	Press the reset button	
	Workpiece warped, out of round, has major flaw, or was improperly prepared for turning	Correct problem by planning or sawing workpiece, or discard entirely and use new workpiece	
Excessive vibration	Worn spindle bearing	Replace spindle bearings	
	Worn drive belt	Replace drive belt	
	Lathe on uneven surface	Place lathe on flat surface	
	Dull tools	Keep tools sharp	
Tools tend to grab or	Tool rest set too low	Reposition tool rest height	
dig in	Tool rest set too far from work piece	Reposition tool rest closer to workpiece	
	Improper tool being used	Use correct tool for operation	
	Cam lock nut needs adjusting	Tighten cam lock nut	
Tailstock moves when applying pressure	Lathe bed and tailstock mating surfaces are greasy or oil	Remove tailstock and clean surfaces with a cleaner. Re-apply light coat of oil to lathe bed surface	

# **ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM**



# **PART LIST**

	ILISI	
No.	Description	QTY
1	Handwheel	1
2	Set screw	2
3	6004zz Ball bearing	1
4	Retaining ring	1
5	Head	1
6	Digital display label	1
7	Digital display mounting box	1
8	Pan head screw	2
9	Digital display	1
10	Thread forming screw	2
11	Back cover	1
12	Knob	1
13	Screw	1
14	Retaining ring	1
15	6005zz Ball bearing	1
16	Set screw	1
17	Magnet	1
18	Magnet seat	1
19	Pan head screw	1
20	Sensor seat	1
21	Hex nut	1
22	Thread forming screw	2
23	Speed sensor	1
24	Key	1
25	Shaft	1
26	Face plate	1
27	Spur center	1
28	Living center	1
29	Quill	1
30	Screw stem	1
31	Retaining ring	1
32	Tail stock	1
33	Set screw	1
34	Lock handle	1
35	Tail stock locking lever	1
36	Spring pin	1
37	Handle	1
38	Handle screw	1
39	Handwheel	1
40	Set screw	2
41	Drawbar	1
42	Retaining ring	1
43	Drawbar	1
44	Lockhandle	1

No.	Description	QTY
45	Tool rest base	1
46	Retaining ring	2
47	Tool rest	1
48	Set screw	1
49	Locking lever	1
50	Belt	1
51	Shaft pulley	1
52	Set screw	4
53	Lock washer	4
54	Set screw	1
55	Bushing	1
56	Knob	1
57	Left cover	1
58	Screw	2
59	Base	1
60	Foot	4
61	Set screw	1
62	Motor pulley	1
63	Key	1
64	Set screw	4
65	Lock washer	4
66	Motor support plate	1
67	Flat washer	1
68	Lock handle	1
69	Flat washer	1
70	Lock washer	1
71	Hex head bolt	1
72	Cord clamp	3
73	Pan head screw	4
74	Motor	1
75	Clamp	2
76	Hex nut	2
77	Power cord for display	1
78	Pan head screw	2
79	Flat washer	2
80	Switch box assembly	1
81	Pan head screw	4
82	Bushing	1
83	End stop plate	1
84	Pan head screw	2
85	Bushing mounting plate	1
86	Pan head screw	2
87	Strain relief	1
88	Power cord	1

No.	Description	QTY
89	Pan head screw	1
90	Lock washer	1
91	Flat washer	1
92	Earth terminal	1
93	Serrated washer	1
94	3mm Hex wrench	1
95	5mm Hex wrench	1

No.	Description	QTY
96	Wrench	1
97	Knockout rod	1
98	Tool holder	1
99	Pan head screw	2
100	Sealing plate	1
101	Rubber ring	1
102	Cord clamp	1



# **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**



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