STARTRITE®

MERCURY

TEN SPEED DRILLING MACHINE

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND PARTS LIST

CONNECTION TO THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY.

THREE PHASE :

Machines are usually fitted with dual voltage
Before connecting machine to the
c supply, check that terminal linkage
and the motor terminal box are linked to suit

the operating voltage (see illustrations).

2 links for 380-440 volts.



3 links for 220 volts.

Connect three brown leads to a 10 amp fused supply and the yellow/green lead to earth. Interchange any two brown leads to reverse rotation of motor.

SIN PHASE :

Connect brown lead to 10 amp fused supply, blue lead to neutral and yellow/green lead to earth. Temporary connection can be made to a 13 amp ring main circuit by fitting a standard plug to supply leads.

IMPORTANT: THE MACHINE MUST BE EFFECTIVELY EARTHED. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE MACHINE IS CONNECTED TO THE SUPPLY BY AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER.

YELLOW/ GREEN



BROWN

OPERATING SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

Personal injury can occur if this drill is not safely used.

To ensure safety the machine should be firmly bolted down on a level surface.

Before attempting to operate the machine, become familiar with the controls and operating instructions.

It is the users responsibility to ensure that the drill is safely used and that training is given if necessary.

Remove chuck key and set drill guard to cover drill before starting machine. Position and securely lock the table (remove heavy workpiece before adjusting table). Check that locking collar is clamped before releasing drill head ing control.

Ture the workpiece is securely held to prevent rotation (do not exceed the real am table load). It is essential that small pieces are held in a vice or clamped by some means, never hold small pieces by hand.

Beware of entanglement. Secure long hair and loose clothing, and never operate machine when wearing gloves or with bandaged fingers. Wear eye protection. Do not leave the machine running while unattended, isolate machine before making adjustments or removing swarf.

Ensure that the working area is clean and well lit.

Become familiar with the dangers involved in machining certain materials and take the necessary precautions:-

Materials containing minerals of the asbestos group give off toxic dust and 'The Asbestos Regulations 1969' may require that special precautions are taken when machining these materials. The dust from some other materials, such as the thermosetting phenolics can also create a hazard to health, while other materials may cause personal injury by fire or explosion. In all such cases it is imperative that expert advice is obtained on the correct handling of such materials, and the fitting of any necessary extra equipment needed to achieve the required standard of safety.

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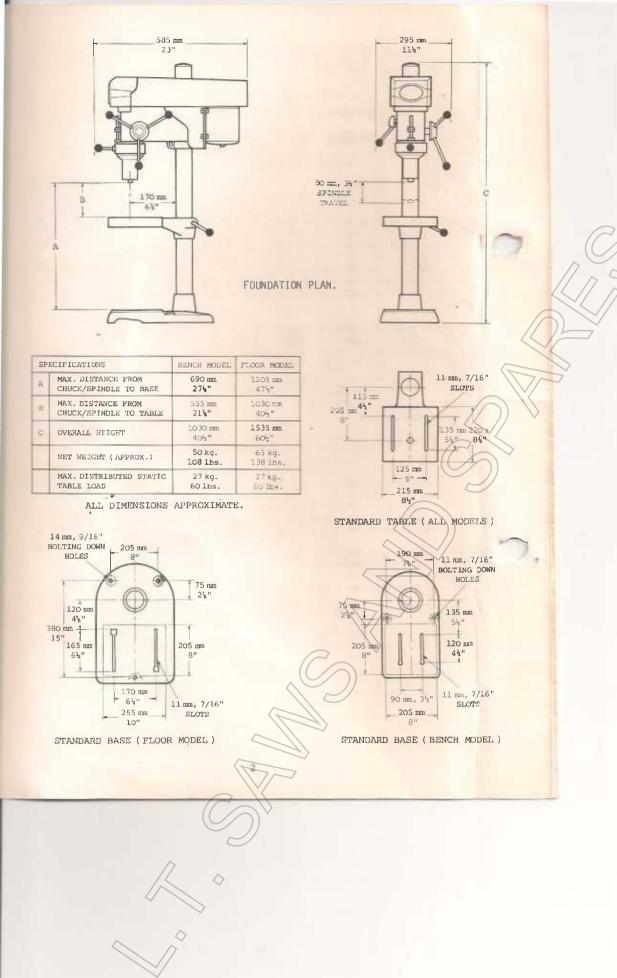
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TWIST DRILLS.

A drill with an incorrectly ground point will produce a ragged oversize hole, require greater feed force to penetrate the material and tends to break or jam. Some considerable skill is needed to accurately free hand grind drill points to the correct profile and it is therefore advisable to use a drill grinding jig for the resharpening operation. The grinding jig will also provide the true genical





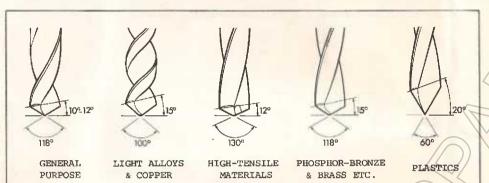


CORRECT CUT

INCORRECT INCORRECT
CUTTING EDGES ANGLES UNEQUAL
UNEQUAL

jig will also provide the true conical 'backing off' to form the lip clearance angle.

The standard H.S.S. twist drill will cope fairly well with a wide range of materials but drills of special form may be necessary to obtain maximum efficiency. Where the small number of holes to be drilled does not warrant the purchase of special drills, the efficiency of the standard drill can be considerably improved by modifying the point angles.



In general, drills with an acute or more pointed angle are better for soft materials such as soft alloys and plastics. A harder material such as steel, particularly in sheet form, is best drilled with a drill having a more obtuse or flatter angle. Larger drills having the flatter angle will most probably require the drill point to be thinned to assist penetration. Point thinning involves reducing the thickness.



penetration. Point thinning involves reducing the thickness of the web at the drill point. It is of course important that the web is thinned equally on both sides to avoid runout.

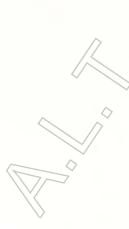
Some materials such as pronze may tend to cause the drill to 'snatch', that is the cutting edges of the drill dig in too deeply and the drill then jams in the hole. The tendency to snatch can be reduced by grinding a small flat to reduce the helix angle of the flute at the cutting edge.



OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS.

Before inserting the appropriate drill into the Morse Taper Socket make sure that the drill shank is clean and undamaged. Unless the shank is a good fit in the socket the drill may not run true or may work loose during withdrawal of the drill from the workpiece. On no account should the point of the drill be hammered to wedge the shank in the socket. Under normal circumstances the drill will be firmly pressed home by bringing it down onto a piece of wood or soft material placed on the machine table.





OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED).

The drill can be removed by turning the drill spindle to line up with drift slots and lightly tapping in a drift (see illustration). Before extracting a drill. place a piece of wood under the point to prevent the drill striking the table as it is ejected from the spindle. Always use correct size drifts as make-shift methods such as using a file tang may damage both drill and machine.

When setting up the machine make sure the clearance hole in the table is aligned with the drill bit, or place packing under the workpiece to avoid damaging



REMOVING DRILL

the table. It is essential that the workpiece is adequately supported so that it cannot wobble or be deflected by the pressure of the drill. A large workpiece may be held by hand against some form of stop to prevent rotation, but small pieces must always be securely held by a vice or clamps. For loads over 9 kg. (20 lbs.)

advisable to fit a locking collar under the table for extra safety (see Optional Extras). Do not exceed maximum table load (27 kg., 60 lbs.). The depth of blind holes and counterbores can be accurately controlled by setting the collars of the feed stop control. When working to marked out lines, provide a positive starting location for the drill by centre punching. This is particularly necessary if the face to be drilled is at an angle to the drill or is curved. Extra accuracy can be achieved by starting the hole with a centre drill, drilling through with a pilot drill (small diameter) and finally using the drill of the desired size. The rate of feed must be judged by feel and by observing the type of swarf being produced. In mild steel for instance, an extra heavy feed would produce stubby discoloured chips while a powdery swarf would be the result of a very light feed. A correctly ground drill operating at an appropriate speed and feed should

produce two equal continuous spiral ribbons when drilling mild steel. When drilling deep holes, the drill should be periodically eased back to assist removal of swarf and prevent it becoming entangled with the drill. Take care to reduce the feed when the drill is about to break through the workpiece, as this is the most likely moment that the drill will snatch.

Select a speed that is appropriate to the material and drill size concerned (see Chart on page 6). A very slow drill speed will result in very slow progress and increase the temptation to apply excessive feed pressure. Small drills are very easily broken by this treatment. Running the drill at too high a speed will cause the cutting edges to overheat and rapidly break down. When in doubt as to the correct speed and feed, start off with a slow speed and light feed, and increase

speed or feed until best results are obtained. sh applied coolant (soluble oil and water mixture) may help when drilling les in ferrous materials, but cast iron is best drilled dry. The tendency of soft non-ferrous materials to clog the drill can usually be reduced by applying a few drops of paraffin. Water can assist the drilling of deep holes in some thermosetting plastics.

Store drills in an orderly fashion. It is a time wasting business to continually select drills from a box full of assorted sizes.

TAPPING AND REAMING.

Both of these operations should be carried out with the drilling machine running at low speed.

A pilot hole 0.4 mm (0.15") smaller than the reamer diameter will produce the correct machining allowance for most applications, but it may be necessary to reduce the allowance where tough materials or small holes are involved. To produce a well finished hole use a sharp end-cutting machine reamer applied with a gentle feed. Forcing the feed will produce score marks or even cause the reamer to seize in the hole.

























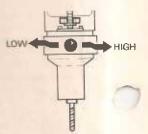
TAPPING AND REAMING (CONTINUED).

For efficient tapping operations the machine should be fitted with a tapping head. Some tapping is possible without this attachment providing that the machine is fitted with a reversing switch. Machine taps should be used as the design of hand taps will generally cause them to clog with swarf. In the case of tapping and reaming steel, lubricate the tool with brush applied neat or soluble oil, aluminium or die cast alloys with paraffin. Brass, most bronzes and cast iron are usually machined without lubricant.

DRILL SPEED SELECTION.

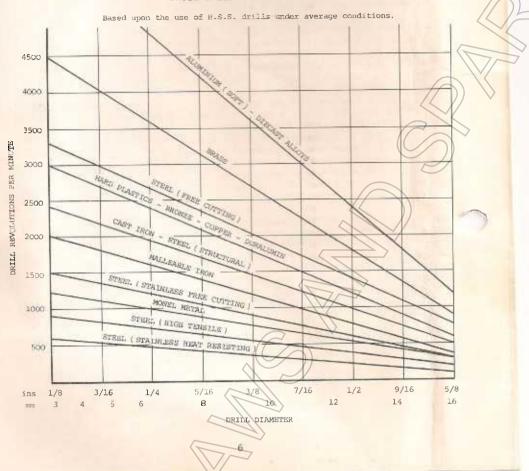
Switch off the drilling machine and wait until spindle comes to rest. Loosen securing screw and lift up belt guard and select required speed (see Chart below) by shifting the vee-belt into appropriate pulley grooves. The gearshift lever must be fully engaged for either HICH gear or LOW gear (see illustration) before starting machine. Turning drill spindle by hand will help the gears engage. Close belt guard and tighten securing screw before starting machine.

IMPORTANT: Always switch off machine and allow the spindle to stop before operating gearshift lever.



CHANGING GEAR

DRILL SPEED SELECTION CHART.





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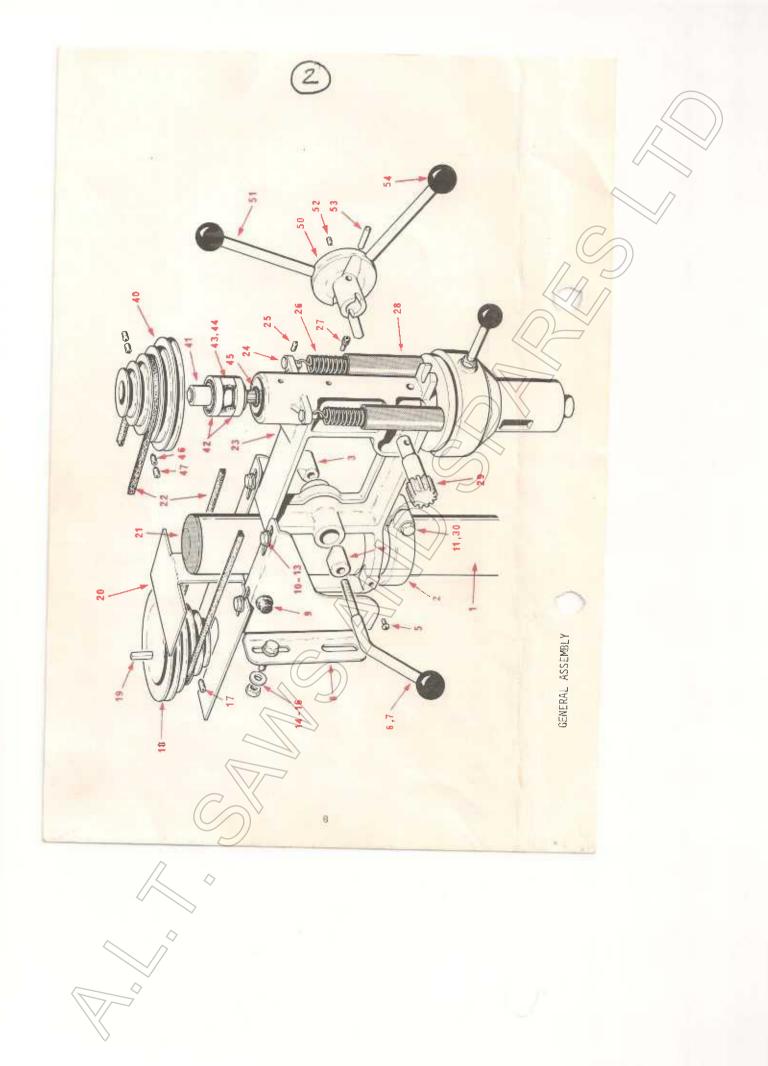
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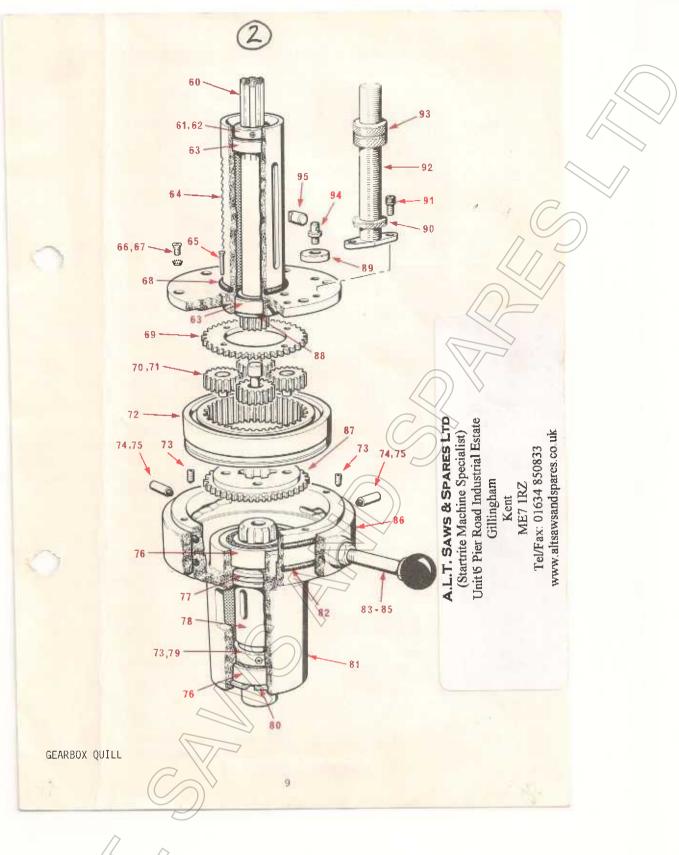
WHEN ORDERING PARTS, PLEASE STATE: -

- Quantity required.
 Part No. (where applicable) and description. Specify power supply for electrical components.
 Machine Model and Serial No.

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|------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--------|----------------------------|--|
| | GENERAL ASSEMBLY | | | 971 | Pinion Shaft Hex. Screw | |
| ITEM | PART NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION | | | | // | |
| | | | | NOT IL | NOT ILLUSTRATED: | |
| 1 | 2110 | 40" Column (Bench Model) | | SP38 | Rotary Switch 1 or 3 Phase | |
| | 721 | 60" Column (Floor Model) | | SP95 | Shroud | |
| 2 | 969 | Locking Collar | | SP258 | Belt Guard | |
| 3 | 947 | Lock Pad (Threaded) | | | | |
| 4 | 948 | Lock Pad (Plain) | | DULLEY | - ASSEMBLY No.SP273 | |
| 5 | | Rd. Hd. Screw Recessed | | PULLET | - ASSEMBLT NO. SP273 | |
| | | | 40 | 2240 | 5-Step Pulley | |
| 6 | 968 | Clamp Handle | 41 | 2245 | Splined Bush | |
| 7 | | Ball Knob | 42 | | Ball Bearing | |
| 8 | 962 | Motor Bracket R.H. or L.H. | 43 | 2243 | Outer Spacer | |
| | | (Motor Shaft 5/8" Dia) | 44 | 2244 | Inner Spacer | |
| | 4052 | Motor Bracket R.H. or L.H. | 45 | | 'O' Ring | |
| | | (Motor Shaft 14 mm Dia) | 46 | | Soc, Set Screw | |
| 9 | 1850 | Rubber Buffer | | | - Dog Point | |
| 10 | | Soc. Set Screw | | | Soc. Set Screw | |
| 11 | | Hex. Nut | | | - Dog Point | |
| 12 | | Washer | 47 | | Soc. Set Screw | |
| 13 | | Fibre Washer | | | Soc. Set Screw 1 | |
| 1.4 | | Hex. Hd. Screw | | < | | |
| _5 | | Hex. Nut | | HAND W | HEEL - ASSEMBLY No. SP93 | |
| 16 | | Washer | | | | |
| 17 | | Soc. Set Screw | 50 | 1715 | Hub | |
| Τ, | | Soc. Set Screw | 51 | 885// | Feed Handle | |
| 18 | 2239 | Motor Pulley | 52 | | Soc. Set Screw | |
| 10 | | Motor Pulley | (53 | \ \ | - Cup Point | |
| 19 | 2239/1 | Key 3/16" Sq | 53 | 955 | Torque Pin | |
| 19 | | Key 5 mm Sq | 54 |)) | Ball Knob | |
| 20 | 5211 | Pulley Guard | | | | |
| 21 | 1208 | | | 8 SPEE | D DRILLING MACHINES: | |
| | 1208 | Column Cap | | | | |
| 22 | 0.5.4 | Vee-Belt | 41 | | ALL MACHINES UP TO SERIAL | |
| 23 | 950 | Drill Head | | | No.5906 8 SPEED ONLY. | |
| 24 | 1011 | Spring Attachment Pin | 18 | 972 | 4-Step Motor Pulley | |
| 25 | | Soc. Set Screw | 22 | | Vee-Belt | |
| 26 | 2109 | Spring | 40 | 953 | 4-Step Pulley | |
| 27 | | Soc. Cap Screw | | SP92 | 4 Speed Pulley Assembly | |
| 28 | 983 | Spring Cover | | | | |









| | GEARBO | X QUILL - ASSEMBLY No.SP390 |
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| ITEM | PART N | UMBER AND DESCRIPTION |
| 60 | | Spindle |
| 61 | 666 | Spindle Locking Collar |
| 62 | 0 | Soc. Set Screw |
| | B62000 | Ball Bearing |
| 64 | 3097 | Quill |
| 65 | | C'sk, Hd. Rivet |
| | | |
| 66 | | Soc. Hd. C'sk. Screw |
| | | |
| 67 | | C'sk. Shakeproof Washer |
| | | |
| 68 | | 'O' Ring |
| 69 | 988 | Static Gear |
| 70 | 998 | Planet Pinion |
| 71 | 994 | Planet Pinion Pin |
| 72 | 1092 | Special Ball Bearing |
| 73 | | Soc. Set Screw |
| 74 | 1008 | Gear Shift Pin |
| 75 | 2104 | Neoprene Plug |
| 76 | | |
| 77 | 2 | |
| | 2853 | Spindle Nose |
| 79 | | Collar |
| 80 | 2002 | Circlip Internal |
| | | |

Gearbox Housing

Gear Shift Lever

Gear Shift Annulus

Ball Race Spacer

Soc. Hd. Cap Screw

Locking Ring

Locking Ring

Quill Key

Spring Anchor

Planet Pinion Carrier

'O' Ring

Ball Knob

Lock Nut

Collar

SP252 Depth Stop

GEARBOX MAINTENANCE.

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All bearings within the gearbox are sealed-for-life and do not require further lubrication. Should the gearbox be dismantled for any reason, a smear of ROCOL MTS 1000 grease should be applied to all bearings and gears before reassembling.

DRILL GUARD - ASSEMBLY No. SM954

| 100 | SM955 | Top Guard |
|-----|-------|----------------|
| | | _ |
| 101 | 5167 | Pin |
| 102 | | Wing Nut |
| 103 | | Washer |
| 104 | SM912 | Slide Plate |
| 105 | 5173 | Pin |
| 106 | 5360 | Bottom Guard |
| 107 | | Soc. Cap Screw |
| 108 | | Spring |
| 109 | | Lock Nut |
| 110 | | Spring Pin |
| 111 | | Stud |
| 112 | 5362 | Clamp Bar |
| 113 | 5358 | Guard Adaptor |
| | | |

NOTE: When ordering drill guard state whether guard is for use on 8 or 10 speed drills.

TABLES & BASES:

| 120 | 1183 | Standard | Table (All Models) |
|-----|------|----------|----------------------|
| 121 | 720 | Standard | Base (Floor Model) |
| 122 | 1182 | Standard | Base (Bench Model) |

OPTIONAL EXTRAS:

| 130 | SP151 | Tilting Table |
|-----|---------|-----------------------|
| 131 | 2727 | Production Table with |
| | | Suds Trough |
| 122 | CM1 207 | Dedestal Disa 6 |

132 SM1387 Pedestal Base Box Column

133 SM948 Belt Guard Switch Interlock (Includes T.O.N.V.R. Starter)

NOT ILLUSTRATED :

969 Locking Collar (Placed under table for heavy loads)

SP240 Machine Vice

SP868 Kick Stop Switch (Includes T.O.N.V.R. Starter) 1/2" Capacity Chuck & No.2

M.T. Arbor
Sanding Drum 2" Dia
Sanding Disc 6" Dia
Reversing Switch (3 Phase

Only) T.O.N.V.R. Push Button

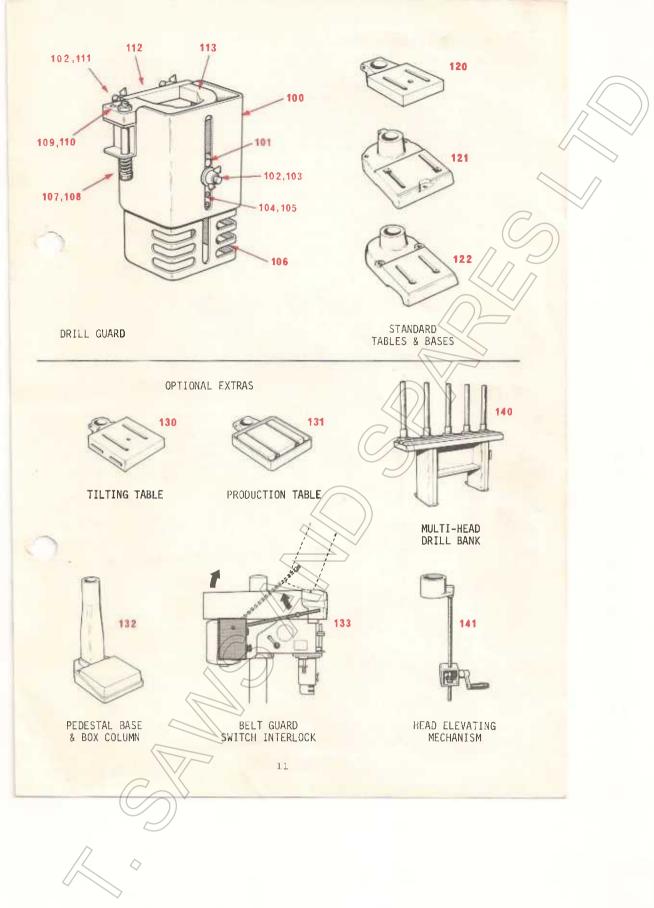
Starter Lighting Equipment 240 Volts Lighting Equipment 24 Volts

MULTI-HEAD DRILL BANKS:

SP255/2 2 Station Drill Base SP255/3 3 " " "

SP320 Head Elevating Mechanism
Coolant Kit (Not illustrated)

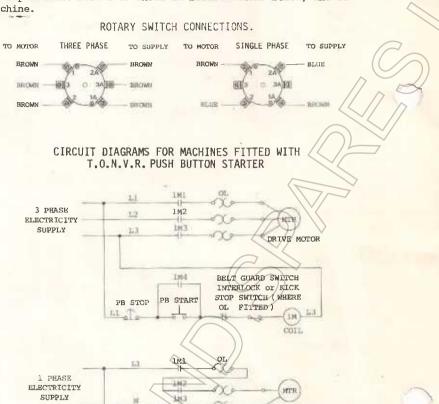
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHANGING ROTARY SWITCH.

IMPORTANT: ISOLATE MACHINE FROM MAINS SUPPLY. Lift up belt guard and remove vee-belt. Slacken off four hex. screws (Item 10 - see page 8) securing the motor platform. Support motor platform while removing screws and lift off motor platform and place to one side. Remove two screws (Item 5) on the switch side of the machine, then remove the locking handle (Item 6) and the switch knob. The shroud may now be sprung aside and when the two screws retaining the switch have been removed, the switch assembly may be withdrawn. Connect the replacement switch as shown in illustrations below, and reassemble machine.



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DRIVE MOTOR

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BELT GUARD SWITCE INTERLACE OF KICK STOP SWITCH (WEERE OL FITTED)

