OPERATOR'S MANUAL AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS WITH INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

TURBOMILL 40B MAGNETIC MACHINING CHUCK SERIES ELECTROPERM CHUCKS



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Never attempt to operate this chuck until you have read and understand this OPERATOR'S MANUAL

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1 INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing this O. S. Walker, Inc. Chuck. If used and maintained properly, it should serve you for many years. However, if installed and used improperly it can be rendered inefficient and unsafe. Therefore, it is absolutely essential that anyone who uses this chuck and is responsible for its application be trained on how to use it correctly.

Read this manual carefully to learn how to operate and maintain your chuck. Failure to do so could result in serious injury, or even death, to yourself and others in the area.

This manual should be considered a permanent part of your chuck and should always be available to all operators and remain with the chuck if it is re-sold.

NOTE: Before using chuck, record this data from the *nameplate for future use in obtaining service.

MODEL NO._____, PART NO._____, SERIAL NO. _____

information located on the terminal box end of the chuck body.

To request additional copies of this manual, call 1-800-962-4638 in the USA; In Canada: 905-643-3338; In Europe: 31-4973-83835

2 SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 General Safety Rules

Danger always exists when using industrial holding equipment, especially if the equipment is not being used properly or is poorly maintained. Because accidents and sever bodily injury or death can result, special safety precautions apply to the installation, operation, inspection, and maintenance of all holding equipment.

Following these simple rules can help to avoid accidents:

A DANGER

- **Never** attempt to operate your magnetic chuck until you read and understand this operator's manual.
- **Never** disconnect a magnetic chuck from the control's DC power source while it is energized! Electrical arcing will occur and may cause serious injury or death.
- **Only** qualified personnel shall make adjustments within the control while it is energized!
- **Never** operate the chuck until it has been verified that a proper electrical ground for the control and Chuck has been established.
- Never operate damaged or malfunctioning controls or magnetic chucks.

Remember, proper holding knowledge and techniques in the use of this equipment are the responsibility of the operator. Be sure to read and understand the instructions and safety warnings contained in this manual before using your chuck control and magnetic chuck.

If you do not understand everything in this manual contact O.S. Walker for assistance before using the equipment.

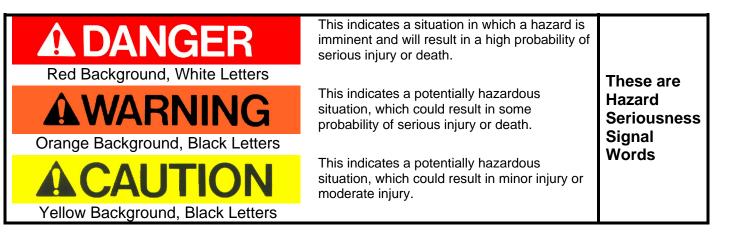
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2.2 Recognize Safety Information



This is the safety alert symbol. When you see this symbol on your chuck or in this manual, be alert to the potential for personal injury. Follow recommended precautions and safe operating practices at all times.



2.2.1 Ways to Avoid a Reduction of Holding Capacity

AWARNING

To avoid any reduction of holding capacity:

- The holding surface of the chuck and the contact area of the workpiece where it will contact the chuck must be clean, smooth, flat, and free of nicks and burrs
- The surface of the workpiece must contact equal areas of the chuck's opposite polarity, major magnetic poles.
- The workpiece must be low carbon steel such as AISI 1020.
- The chuck control must provide "FULL" power to the chuck, that is, maximum output voltage.
- The workpiece thickness must be at least equal or greater than the width of the chuck's major magnetic poles.
- The temperature inside the chuck control enclosure must not be greater than 104° Fahrenheit (40° Celsius), nor the temperature of the chuck must not be greater than 110° F (43° C).
- Repair of this chuck control should only be done by the O. S. Walker Co.*
- If you have any difficulty holding a work piece, DON'T attempt to machine it! Call the O.S. Walker Co. for advice at 1-800-962-4638.

2.2.2 Additional Warnings

AWARNING

- Never operate damaged or malfunctioning chuck.
- Never remove or damage Operating and Warning labels.
- Persons using pacemakers or any other medical devices should not use this magnet until they have consulted with their physician.
- The electrically conductive body of this chuck must be connected to a proper electrical ground.

AWARNING

- Disassembly or repair of this chuck control can result in reduced holding power and/or cause an unsafe condition. Therefore, any time the control is disassembled or repaired it should be thoroughly inspected and re-tested for proper electrical grounding and power output.
- Modification of any operating circuits and electrical safety grounding can reduce the chuck control's effectiveness and/or cause an unsafe condition.
- Repair or modification of this chuck should only be done by O.S. Walker*.

2.3 Designated Person

*Walker replacement parts may be installed by a ****Designated Person**.

** **Designated Person -** A person selected or assigned by the employer as being competent to replace specific replacement parts listed in this manual and is able to verify the proper functioning of the specific replacement parts and the entire product after the completion of the installation.

2.4 Electrical Ground

AWARNING

ELECTRICAL GROUNDING

Because the O. S. Walker Co. does not know the specifics of each application and installation of these products and the electromagnetic device to which they are attached, it can only warn the installer and user that the electrically conductive body of the electromagnetic device MUST be connected to a proper electrical ground.

According to ANSI/NFPA 79 1997(an American National Standard) "Electrical Standard for Industrial Machinery":

- Section 19.3 Equipment Grounding: The machine and all exposed noncurrent-carrying conductive parts, material, and equipment, including metal mounting panels that are likely to become energized and are mounted in nonmetallic enclosures, shall be effectively grounded.
- Section 19.2.4 Grounding Conductors: It shall be permissible to use machine members or structural parts of the electrical equipment in the grounding circuit provided that the cross-sectional area of these parts is at least electrically equivalent to the minimum cross-sectional area of the copper conductor required.
- Section 19.6.1 Continuity of the Grounding Circuit: The continuity of the grounding circuit shall be ensured by effective connections through conductors or structural members.
- Section 19.6.3 Continuity of the Grounding Circuit: Moving machine parts, other than accessories or attachments, having metal-to-metal bearing surfaces shall be considered as bonded. Sliding parts separated by a non-conductive fluid under pressure shall not be considered as bonded.

PRIOR TO ENERGIZING THE ELECTROMAGNETIC DEVICE, CHECK ALL THE ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS AND CONFIRM THAT THE METAL BODY OF THE ELECTROMAGNETIC DEVICE IS ELECTRICALLY GROUNDED.

3 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MOUNTING THE CHUCK

3.1 Grinding the Mounting Surfaces of Rectangular Chucks

- A) Clean and degrease magnetic chuck. Soak chuck with WD-40 and let sit for 15 minutes to remove kosmolene. (Protective Coating)
- B) Check bottom surface for sharp edges or burrs. Use file or oil stone to remove them.
- C) Clean the machine's table surface and place the chuck, face down, on the sliding table of a surface grinder and indicate the surface of the chuck lengthwise and crosswise. Shim as necessary to level the surface to be ground.
- D) Loosely clamp or block each end of the chuck to the table so as not to distort the chuck and to prevent the chuck from moving while being ground. DO NOT HOLD IN PLACE BY ENERGIZING THE CHUCK.
- E) Grind the bottom surface with a roughly dressed grinding wheel using a general-purpose medium hardness 36 - 40 grit type-grinding wheel. Wet grind using a semi synthetic, synthetic, or oil-base coolant.
- F) Depth of cut can vary dependant on machine size and wheel type, consult machine manual or grinding wheel manufacturer.
- G) Cross feed-half wheel width per pass dependant on machine and wheel size, consult machine manual.
- H) Table speed should be set at about 75 feet per minute dependant on machine and wheel size, consult machine manual.
- I) Grind to clean bottom of chuck. DO NOT DRY GRIND THE CHUCK.
- J) After the base surface has been ground flat, remove the chuck, clean, and dry the mounting area of the table. Be sure to clean thoroughly freeing from all burrs before mounting in the normal upright position. Apply a thin coat of light oil to the table surface.
- K) Place the chuck on the table with the holding surface up.
- L) The clamps provided with rectangular type chucks should initially be tightened only enough to prevent the chuck from moving. Then the chuck should be aligned with the table and the clamp bolts gradually tightened in an alternating sequence to a torque of 10 foot-pounds. Then only the bolts on one end of the chuck should be tightened to 15 foot-pounds. This will allow for expansion without distortion along the chuck length as the chuck and machine reach their normal operating temperature.
- M) At this time, electromagnetic chucks can be turned on and allowed to stabilize at the "median" temperature of the machine. Normal coolant flow should be used during this period. Electro-perm magnetic chucks do not contribute heat, but also require a stabilization to reach the "median" temperature of the machine.
- N) Finish grind the surface of the chuck to be assured it is in alignment with the machine axis following steps E. thru I. for best results.

3.1.1 Connecting the Chuck

The DC output to the chuck must include a ground wire that is connected to the safety ground lug on the chuck and to the chassis of the chuck control. It is recommended that the conduit for the DC output not be routed near high voltage AC wires. Many chucks are installed on machines with moving tables. Choose a means of wiring the chuck that allows adequate freedom of movement over the full range of table travel.

4 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 System Operation

The electro-perm chucks operate via a chuck control. The control for this particular Electroperm chuck should be either a Walker VFR-10 or a Walker Smart 100T control. You can refer to the chuck control manual for detailed information on the installation and operation of this control. Use of other model controls could result in reduced holding force or cause permanent damage to the chuck.

The basic on/off sequence of operation of the chuck is by depressing the "ON" or "OFF" button on the remote station of the control. Electroperm chucks can be unplugged once the cycle is complete.

Always be sure the work piece is completely resting on the top surface of the chuck before turning the chuck "ON". Also, use caution when handling metal objects near the top surface of the chuck when it is "ON". The permanent magnetic field can cause these objects to be attracted to the chuck.

4.2 Important Facts about Magnetic Holding

Work piece characteristics must be considered in order to determine the magnetic holding attraction that a magnetic chuck can provide.

This is true for all magnetic chucks because they all operate using the same fundamental laws of physics. Magnetic power is often pictured as lines of magnetic force flowing from north to south pole. Anything that limits the flow of these magnetic lines of force obviously reduces the magnets holding capacity. Many important factors limit the flow of these lines of force.

4.3 Surface Conditions

Magnetic lines of force do not flow easily through air. They need iron in order to flow freely; therefore, anything that creates a space or an air gap between the magnet and the work piece limits the flow of magnetic lines of force and, thus, reduces the holding capacity of a magnetic chuck.

4.3.1 Magnetic Chuck Surface Condition

The holding surface of a magnetic chuck must be clean, smooth, flat, and free of nicks or burrs in order to minimize the air gap between the chuck holding surface and the Work piece. All Walker chucks are designed with soft, low carbon steel magnetic poles in the chuck in order to maximize the holding capacity; therefore, special care must be taken to protect these areas.

4.3.2 Workpiece Surface Condition

The holding capacity of the chuck will be reduced if certain surface conditions exist. A rough surface finish on the work piece creates an air gap. Foreign materials such as dirt, paint, rust, paper, and rags will create an air gap.

4.3.3 Workpiece Thickness

The greater the number of lines of magnetic force flowing from a magnet into the work piece the greater the effectiveness of the magnetic chuck. The thicker the work piece, the more lines of magnetic force are able to flow. After a certain thickness of the work piece, no additional lines of force will flow because the magnet has reached its full capacity.

Thin work pieces mean less iron available, and thus fewer lines of magnetic force flow from the magnet into the work piece. Therefore, the chuck holding capacity is reduced.

Typically, the minimum thickness of a work piece required to reach full holding capacity is the same as the thickness of the chuck major magnetic steel poles.

4.3.4 Portion of the Chuck Surface In Contact With the Workpiece

The full surface of the chuck top plate must be covered by the work piece to achieve the maximum holding capacity. The surface of the work piece must contact equal areas of the chuck opposite polarity major magnetic poles to obtain maximum holding force.

4.3.5 Workpiece Material

Low carbon steel such as SAE 1020 steel, are nearly as good conductors of magnetic lines of force as pure iron. However, many other alloys contain non-magnetic materials, which reduce the ability of magnetic lines of force to flow. An alloy such as SAE 300 series stainless steel is almost as poor a conductor of magnetic lines of force as air.

Type 416 stainless steel is considered magnetic, but it contains enough chromium so that a magnet can develop only about one half as much magnetic force as it can on an SAE 1020 steel work piece. In addition, because of the carbon content, the force developed on typical cast iron is less than one half that developed on SAE 1020 steel. (Chilled cast iron further reduces the force to less than one quarter.)

Additional concerns regarding Magnetic Holding should be forwarded to O. S. Walker, Inc.

4.4 Guidelines for the Reduction of Rated Holding Capacity



Each Walker chuck model is rated for different holding limits. Load characteristics will affect the holding capacity of the chuck. The holding guidelines for the chuck models are shown below.

THIS TABLE PROVIDES SOME REDUCTION FACTORS FOR MATERIAL OTHER THAN SAE 1020 STEEL.

Reduction factors for material other than SAE 1020 Steel		
Materials	Reduction Factor	
Cast Steel	0.90	
3% Silicon Steel	0.80	
SAE 1095 Steel	0.70	
416 Stainless Steel	0.50	
Cast Iron (non-chilled)	0.45	
Pure Nickel	0.10	

Table 4-1 Reduction Factor for material other than SAE 1020 Steel

For other materials, contact O.S. Walker

4.5 The Basics of Magnetic Attraction

Magnetic lines of force (flux) exist between the north and south poles of a magnet.

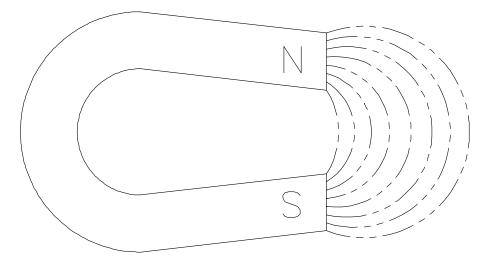


Figure 4-1 Basic Magnetics

This flux can be used to attract and hold ferrous components, which when placed in a flux field have poles induced in them of opposite polarity to the magnet. These are attracted to the magnet until contact occurs. As the ferrous parts get closer to the magnet, more flux lines are induced into the work, as the distance decrease and flux lines increase, the holding force increases until contact is made and the maximum force is achieved.

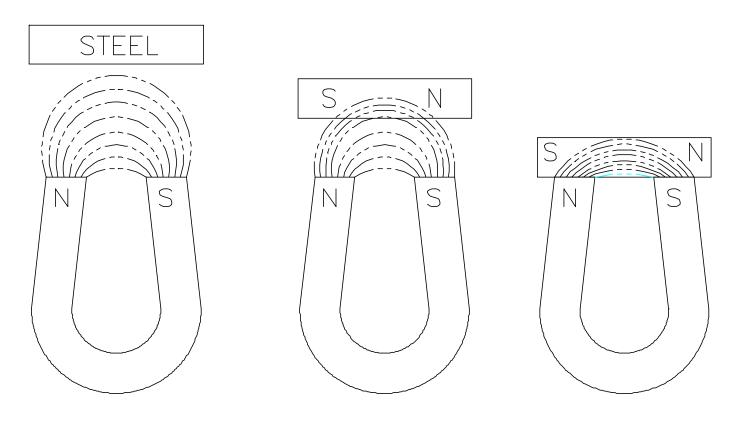


Figure 4-2 Magnetic Attraction

4.5.1 Principles of Magnetic Work Holding

The ability to hold a work piece magnetically on a milling chuck is dependent on the characteristics of the work piece itself and, of course, the degree of machine force exerted upon it.

To establish the feasibility of a specific application, three key parameters must be considered.

1) Work Piece Material

As a rule, though there are some exceptions, magnetic conductivity in a material decreases with greater alloy content. Mild steel is more conductive than tool steel, which is more conductive than cast iron, and so on.

2) Work Piece Contact Surface

Any condition that creates a non-magnetic gap between the chuck and the work piece will reduce holding force. Rust, scale, weld spatter, shims; warped pieces can all contribute to reduced holding. The greater the air gap in a magnetic circuit, the more inefficient it is. Therefore, hold down force increases with flatter contact surfaces.

3) Work Piece Contact Area

Hold down pulling force is measured in lbs/sq. inch Therefore; increased contact area will ultimately increase hold down force.

4.6 Forces Generated by Milling

Turbo-mill milling chucks can generate up to 5 tons/ft² holding force, so it is very unlikely that a work piece will lift away from the holding surface of the chuck. However, the resistance force to horizontal sideways movement is approximately four to five times less than the downward holding force. Consequently, if the cutting forces exceed the chuck's resistance force to horizontal sideways movement, the work piece will slide in the direction of the forces.

Therefore, when it is feasible, it is strongly recommended to use side and end stops. The side and end stops will provide added support to resist the forces generated by the cutting tool in conventional, climb, face, and edge milling applications. (See pages 4-5, 4-6, 4-7, 4-8, 4-9, 4-10, & 4-11)

4.6.1 Conventional Milling

The cutter tries to pull the work up and push it along the chuck. The machining force is F tangential to the cutter its horizontal component FH is resisted by the end stop to the left, and the friction between the work piece and chuck face. The vertical component FV is resisted by the downward pull of the chuck.

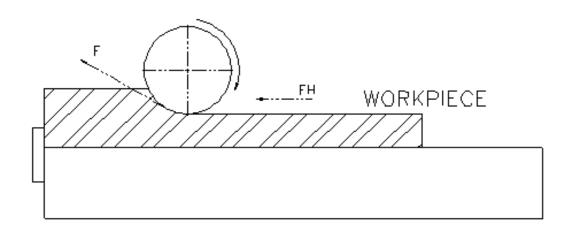
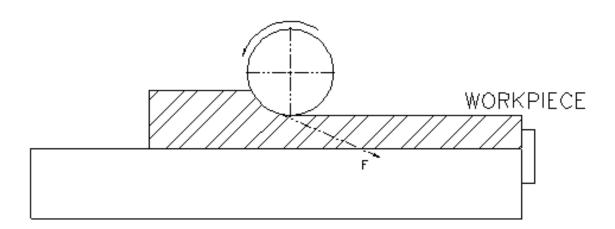


Figure 4-3 Conventional Milling

4.6.2 Climb Milling

The machining force F is downward toward the chuck and to the bottom right hand corner of the work piece. Therefore, the end stop is placed at the end where the cut starts. As the cut proceeds, the machining force helps to hold the work piece down onto the chuck face. This means that heavier cuts can be taken in climb milling.





4.6.3 Face Milling

For on-center face milling, the action of the cutter tends to push the work up to the left hand end and to the side of the chuck because the center of the cutter is over the center of the work pieces. This condition cannot always be met, however, and it is sometimes necessary to position the work piece off-center in relation to the cutter. For off-center milling, the work piece is still pushed to the same side but towards the end stop on the right.

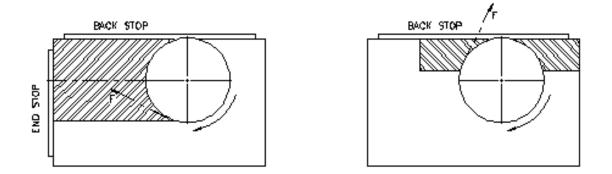
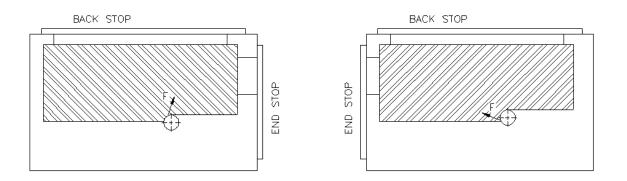


Figure 4-5 Face Milling

4.6.4 Edge Milling

In all cases, when the chuck is working to full capacity, it is better to climb mill the work piece into the side and end stops. However, the centerline of the cutter in relation to the edge of the work piece will have an adverse affect to the ultimate direction of the force exerted to the work piece.

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4.7 Workpiece Blocking

Using Walker's heavy duty milling chuck, the smallest work piece to be held on the magnet should be at least 4" x 7-1/2". Smaller pieces will need blocking.

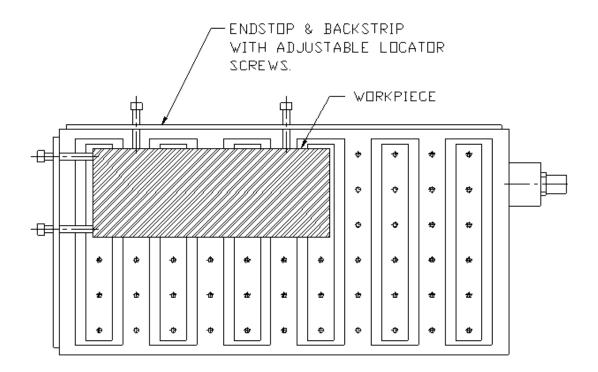
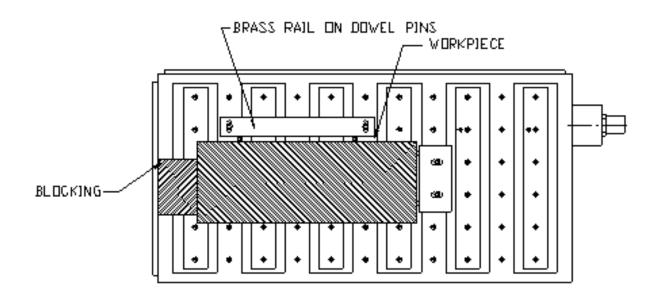
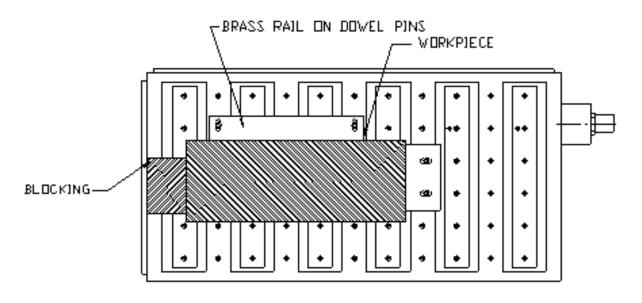
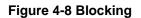


Figure 4-7 Blocking







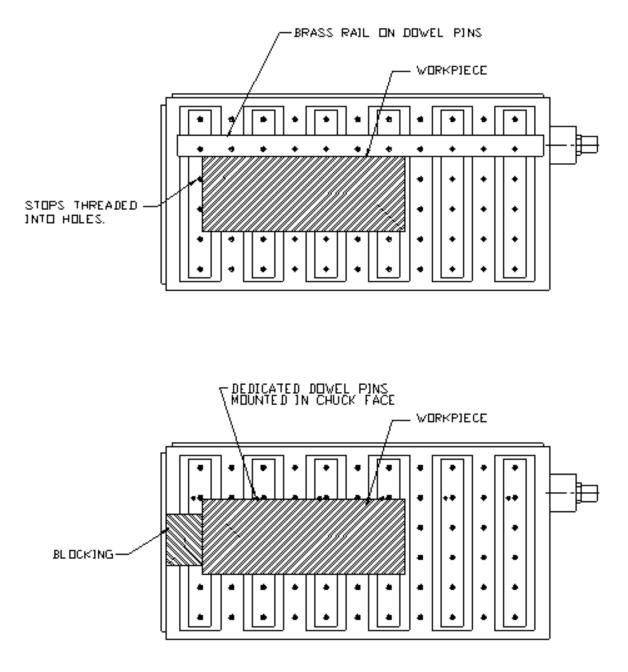


Figure 4-9 Blocking

Another option for smaller pieces would be to put them in a vise and put the vise on the magnet to machine the part.

Call O.S. Walker and fax part size for help with difficult to hold work pieces. We will assist with proper blocking details.

4.8 Mild Steel Pole Riser

Pole extensions are probably the most important and versatile pieces of tooling that can be used on O.S.W. milling chuck.

We recommended that several sets of different heights be produced for your chuck as accessory tooling.

Pole risers are useful for several reasons:

- 1) Locating surfaces for repeat operations.
- 2) Raise work for boring through operations.
- 3) Raise work up for access to sides.



Figure 4-10 Fixed Riser

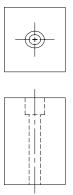


Figure 4-11 Fixed Riser

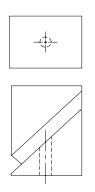


Figure 4-12 Adjustable Riser

O.S. Walker can provide pole risers to meet your requirements. O. S. Walker recommends that pole risers be machined from 1020 mild steel.

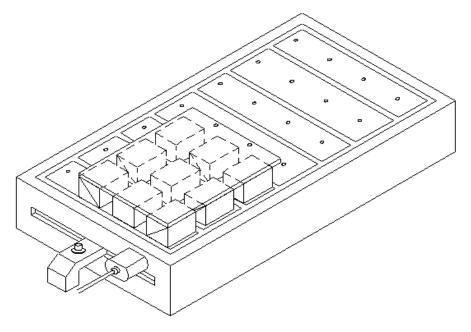


Figure 4-13 Sliding & Fixed Pole Risers

4.8.1 How to Use Riser Blocks

Each setup situation is unique and cannot be covered in this manual. The following are general guidelines for the use of riser blocks, fixed and adjustable.

The workpiece should be supported at three points with fixed riser blocks, either individual or groups.

The entire surface under the workpiece should be supported with adjustable riser blocks.

When the adjustable riser blocks are positioned under the work piece, orient the blocks as shown in Figure 4-14.

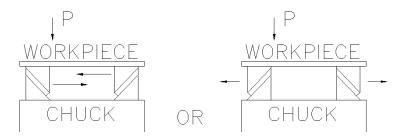


Figure 4-14 Riser Orientation

5 INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Daily Inspection

- Inspect the holding surface of your magnetic chuck. It must be clean, smooth, flat, and free
 of nicks or burrs in order to minimize the air gap between the chuck holding surface and the
 Work piece. All Walker chucks are designed with soft, low carbon steel magnetic poles in
 the chuck in order to maximize the holding capacity; therefore, special care must be taken
 to protect these areas. Regrind when necessary (see section 3.1)
- The cord must be free of nicks and cuts. Replace if damaged.
- Inspect the receptacle for damage or wear. Make necessary repairs.
- Perform an overall inspection of the chuck for wear or damage and correct any deficiencies.

5.2 Replacement Parts List

- Electrical receptacle
- Cord
- Clamps
- Rails
- Risers

Contact O.S, Walker for specific part numbers for your model chuck.

6 RETURN AND REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS

For warranty and non-warranty repairs on any part of your chuck system, contact O.S. Walker, Inc. TOLL FREE at 1-800-W-MAGNET. A return authorization number will be issued along with any applicable packaging and shipping instructions. After receipt of the components to be repaired, O.S. Walker, Inc. will perform an inspection and provide an estimate of the repair costs at no charge to the customer. Authorization from the customer must be obtained by O.S. Walker, Inc. before repairs are made. Transportation charges, both to and from the factory, are the sole responsibility of the customer.

FOR FAST RESPONSE, CALL 1-800-W-MAGNET



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