

SMITH Fibercast™

A Varco Company

MODEL 2300 or MODEL 2300-I⁽¹⁾ POWER TOOL

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

INTRODUCTION

The Model 2300 or 2300-I power tool consists of a grinding drum centrally located *between* a set of five mandrels. The tool is capable of tapering 1", 1½", 2", 3" and 4" GREEN THREAD® pipe and 2", 3", and 4" POLY THREAD® pipe. The tapering angle is factory set. To compensate for wear of the grinding drum, Smith Fiberglass Products provides a thickness adjustment (see Section B).

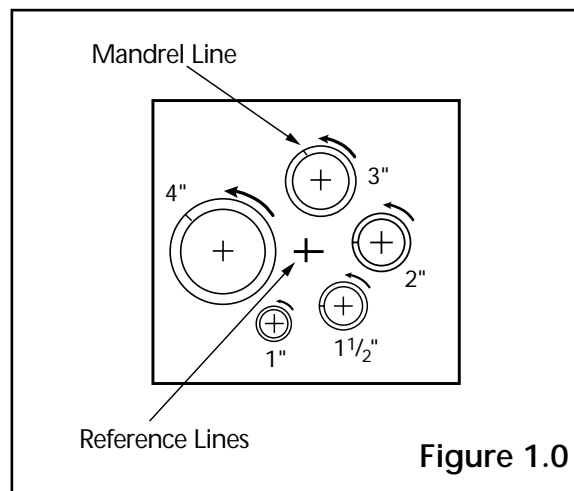
⚠ WARNING: Use caution when operating this tool. Hold pipe firmly. Do not allow machine to turn pipe. Check mandrels often to make sure they are properly tightened.

A. TO TAPER

1. Cut pipe ends square ($\pm \frac{1}{8}$ "), and set up tool in either the horizontal or the vertical position.
2. Turn motor on. Allow a few seconds until the motor reaches speed.
3. Slowly insert the pipe onto the mandrel, making sure alignment is as even as possible. Rotate in a counter-clockwise direction until the end of the pipe rests against the back plate. Do not turn the pipe too quickly, as this can stall the motor. If the motor starts to bog down, slow your rotation and insertion, but do not stop. The sound of the motor will indicate whether the motor is bogging down. Keep turning until the pipe is making minimum contact with the grinding drum. Make two to three complete revolutions and retract pipe from the tool while continuing to rotate pipe. Turn motor off.
4. If the grinding drum locks up on the pipe, **turn the motor off immediately** and try to wiggle the pipe loose. If this doesn't work, cut the pipe off as near the mandrel as possible, loosen the mandrel (allen head bolt inside of mandrel), remove pipe, and retighten the mandrel.
5. Occasionally check the tapered pipe by inserting a field-made spigot into the bell of a factory fitting, and compare the insertion with the insertion of a factory spigot into the same bell. Insertion tolerance for the field-made spigot is $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ ".

B. TO ADJUST THICKNESS

1. Loosen the allen head bolt located in the center of the hollowed out mandrel.
2. Adjust machined thickness as follows:
 - a. Rotate mandrel line away from reference line to increase thickness, i.e. to make thicker (see Fig. 1.0).
 - b. Rotate mandrel line towards reference line to decrease thickness, i.e. to make thinner.
 - c. Tighten the allen head bolt securely.



PRODUCT FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Weighs approximately 50 lbs.
- Electrically powered.
- Tapers 1" – 4" pipe in just 10 seconds.
- No loose blades, blade holders, or mandrels.
- Specially designed for tapering GREEN THREAD and POLY THREAD piping.

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⁽¹⁾ The Model 2300-I tool is a 50 cycle, 240 volt unit.

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