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Sherline DC Motor

Assembly and Mounting Instructions

Mounting the Motor to the Headstock

- Mount the Inner Belt Guard to the Motor using the two Standoffs (P/N 43100). Next, install the Motor Pulley (P/N 43360) to the Motor Shaft and tighten the set screw. NOTE: See the drawing above for assembly details and the Exploded View on the last page for part numbers.
- 2. Place the Drive Belt over the Motor Pulley.
- 3. Place the round post on the Speed Control Hinge Plate in hole on the Inner Belt Guard.
- 4. Set the Outer Belt Guard in place locating the other post of the Hinge Plate in its pivot hole. The Motor Standoff ends will register in the holes in the Outer Belt Guard. Make sure the Drive Belt is routed properly. Then secure the cover with (2) 1-3/8" pan head screws which go into nuts pressed into the back of the Inner Belt Guard.
- 5. Place the Drive Belt over the Spindle Pulley and insert the 10-32 x 3/4" socket head screws (with 2 washers on each) through the Motor Mount slot and into the holes in the ends of the Motor Standoffs. (The Standoff ends should be exposed through locating holes in the Outer Belt Guard.)
 - **NOTE:** The normal operating position for the Drive Belt is on the large diameter groove on the Motor Pulley and the small diameter groove on the Spindle Pulley. Use of the other (low RPM) position is discussed in the instructions below.
- 6. Tighten the Motor Mount Screws, tilt the Speed Control Unit out of the way and check the alignment of the Drive Belt. It should be perpendicular to the Drive Pulleys. If it is not, loosen the set screw on the Motor Pulley and adjust it in or out on its shaft until the Drive Belt is square with the Motor.
- 7. Pull the desired tension into the Drive Belt by sliding the Motor Unit out in the Bracket Slot. Tighten the Mounting Screws to hold the Motor/Speed Control unit in place.

NOTE: Do not over-tension the Drive Belt. Just

make sure it has enough tension to drive the Spindle Pulley without slipping under normal load. By not overtightening the belt you will not only extend its life, but will also provide a margin of safety for belt slippage should a tool jam in a part or an accident occur. The belt must be a little tighter when used in the low speed range because small diameter pulleys are not as efficient.

- 8. Set the Mounting Plate into the top of the Belt Guard Housing so it rests on the rails molded onto inside surfaces of housing. (The pressed-in nut goes down and to the outside.) Slide the plate toward the outside (toward the Spindle Pulley) until it stops.
 - **NOTE:** The Mounting Plate was designed to be easily removable so it is out of the way when adjusting the Drive Belt position.
- 9. Rotate the Speed Control unit into place and insert the single 10-32 x 3/8" socket head screw through the hole in the Speed Control Housing and into the Nut in the Mounting Plate. Tighten enough to hold in place. Do not overtighten.
- 10. **NOTE:** Those of you who machine a lot of wood or brass may want to purchase and install a toggle switch dust cover (P/N 3015) to keep the fine dust out of the power switch. The wood dust can gum up the switch causing intermittent operation. Brass dust can short out the switch or cause a risk of electric shock to the operator. The cost of the switch cover is about \$10.00.

Why Sherline Uses a DC Motor

Sherline used an AC motor and speed control through 1992. The switch to DC is one that was worth the effort and will increase the utility of Sherline tools even further.

The DC motor is much quieter than the previous AC motor. When you begin to take cuts with it, you will also notice that DC power offers a great advantage in torque. Comparing horsepower figures between the two is not even valid, as the measurements are deceiving. You will find the new motor offers much more usable power than the previous 1/2 HP AC motor. You still get smooth, continuous adjustment to

2,800 RPM with the electronic speed control. In addition, the new two-position pulley system offers even further speed range by giving you the option to gear it down even further using the new low speed/high power position. This position is very helpful when turning large parts or when low RPM is needed.

CAUTION—The Motor Is Thermally Protected

Thermal protection means there is a built-in circuit breaker that will shut down the motor if it gets too hot. This keeps the motor from burning out. The breaker will automatically reset as soon as the motor cools and you can go back to cutting, but you should be aware of how it works and what to do if the machine suddenly shuts itself down. If your motor is shutting down from overheating on a regular basis, it means you are taking too heavy a cut or operating at too high an RPM for long periods. Slow your speed down, reduce your cut or feed rate and you should have no further problems.

Due to the nature of miniature machining, overloading the machine is a common problem. It is often tempting to try to speed up the process by working faster. Keep in mind this is a small machine, so work with patience and precision—don't be in a hurry. Your parts will come out better and your machine will last much longer if it is not overstressed.

What to Do if the Motor Shuts down

If your thermal protection circuit shuts down the motor while work is in progress, immediately shut off the power switch and then back the tool out of the work. It should only take 10 seconds or less for the circuit breaker to reset. Then you can turn the motor on and start the cut again, this time putting a little less stress on the motor. If you leave the tool engaged in the part and the power on, when the circuit breaker kicks back on, the motor must start under load. This can be very hard on your motor.

Thermal protection is built into your motor to make sure it is not damaged by overloading. Use good common sense when operating the motor, and it will provide many years of trouble free operation.

Thank you, Sherline Products Inc.

Exploded View DC Motor Parts List PART # DESCRIPTION 30220 90080 30220 Toggle Switch Lock Ring 30230 Toggle Switch 40670 Cup Point Set Screw, 10-32 x 3/8" 31080 32100 Hex Nut, 10-32 43200 40040 **Drive Belt** 43110 40440 Self Tapping Screws (2) 43140 SHC Screw, 10-32 x 3/8" 40510 90060 40520 Cup Point Set Screw, 10-32 x 3/16" 43150 40620 110 V. AC Power Cord and Plug 40660 Washers (4), 3/16" I.D. 30230 40670 SHC Screw, 10-32 x 1/2" 40620 40690 SHC Screw, 10-32 x 3/4" (2) 43460 41080 Hex Nuts (2), 6-32 Speed Control Knob and Set Screw 41130 43100 DC Motor Standoffs (2) 43120 43110 DC Speed Control Cover 40440 45475 43120 DC S/C Hinge Plate 43190[\] 40520 43130 DC S/C Cover mounting Plate 43130 43140 S/C Tab, Small 41080 32100 43150 S/C Tab, Large 31080 43160 Belt Guard (Outer) 40040 Pan Head Screws(2), 6-32 x 1-3/8" 43170 43230 Belt Guard (Inner) 43180 43190 Flat Head S/M Screws (2), #2 x 1/4" Headstock Assembly and Motor Mounting Brackets 43200 DC Speed Control Label 43230 Stepped Headstock Pulley 43180 43360 43360 Stepped Motor Pulley 43100 45475 DC Motor DC Electronics 43460 43160 90060 5K Potentiometer 43170 90080 Hex Nut, 3/8" x 32 40660 DC Motor Assembly Instructions, Pa. 2 OF 2