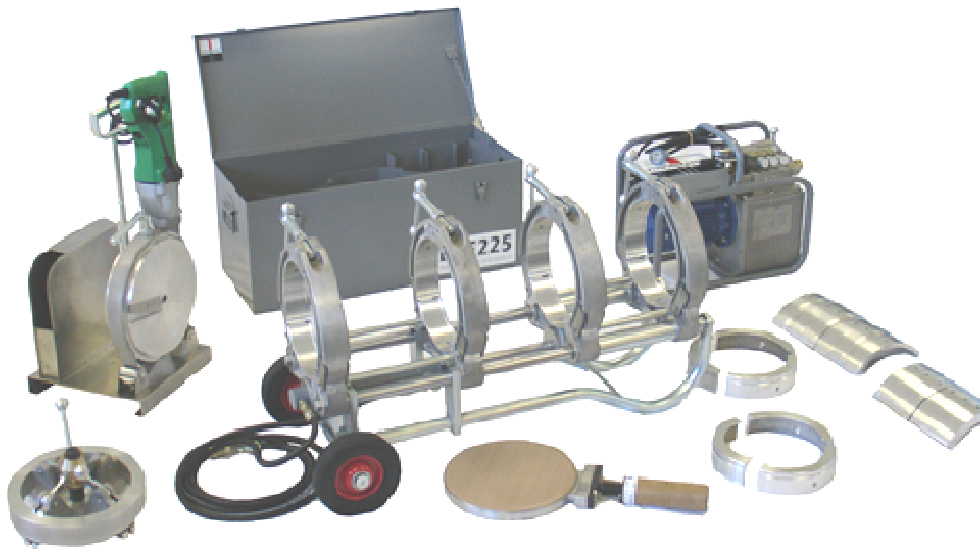




EHF225

OPERATOR'S MANUAL



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1. Safety considerations

This machine should only be used by an operator fully trained in its use.

Read these operating instructions carefully. Learn the operation, limitations and potential hazards of using your butt fusion machine.

Avoid dangerous environments

The equipment is not explosion proof. Never carry out butt fusion in a gaseous or combustible atmosphere.

Electrical safety

Use only a qualified electrician to carry out electrical maintenance work.

Connect electrical components only to a voltage source that corresponds to that marked on the components.

Do not operate the electrical equipment in damp or wet locations.

Prevent electric shock by correctly grounding electrical components. The green (or green/yellow) conductor in the electric cable is the grounding wire and should never be connected to a live terminal. The use of earth leakage protection with portable electric tools is essential and must be provided by the user.

Heater

The heater operates at over 200°C and contact can cause serious burns. Always wear gloves when handling the hot plate.

The heater is supplied with a 10 amp 1.8 metre cord that has an EPR rubber outer sheath which will delay, but will not prevent, the inevitable life threatening situation which could occur if the cord is allowed to contact the hot plate and melt through.

Never use a standard appliance cord with low melting point PVC sheath (eg. Computer cord).

Stand the hot plate so that the temperature controller handle is not vertically above the hot plate will direct the cord away from the hot surface, and keep the controller relatively cool.

Facer

The facing machine is powerful and the cutting blades are sharp. To prevent injury the facer should only be operated when it is securely located in the pipe cutting position.

The nature of the machine and welding process makes it impractical to guard the operational area. Do not attempt to remove shavings from the cutting area while the facer is running. Remove loose clothing or jewelry to prevent these items being dragged into moving parts.

Hydraulic pressure

A sudden hydraulic oil leak can cause serious injury or even death if the pressure is high enough. Do not search for oil leaks with the fingers because a fine jet of pressurised oil could penetrate the skin causing serious injury. Use a piece of cardboard to test for leaks under pressure.

Avoid spraying oil into eyes when bleeding air from the system by wearing safety glasses and keeping the face clear of the area.

Keep fingers and limbs well clear of moving clamps, facer or heater to avoid crush injuries.

Maintain equipment carefully

The machine has moving parts and/or parts that may deteriorate with age and require maintenance. Regular inspection is recommended. For best results keep all machine components clean and properly maintained. Always disconnect the power when adjusting, servicing or changing accessories. Repair or replace damaged electric cables.

Transporting the machine

Dixon equipment mounted on wheels is not designed for on-road towing. Any attempt to do so could result in machine damage and/or personal injury. Transportation should be by truck or similar, with the machine well secured. Do not allow the heater plate to contact the facer.

2. Machine Description

The FUSIONMASTER® EHF225 is designed for “single pressure – low pressure” butt welding of pipe from 225mm down to 63mm. It is ideally suited to joining PE pipe to pipe in the field.

The EHF225 machine strength is derived from the hard chromed, high strength steel guide shafts, rigid sub frame and high strength cast aluminium alloy clamps. Mild steel machine components are zinc plated for maximum corrosion protection.

Two solid rubber wheels and a basic machine weight of only 40kg allow easy mobility. The two fixed and two moving clamps have three segments to help reduce alignment problems caused by excessive pipe ovality.



2.1. General Specification

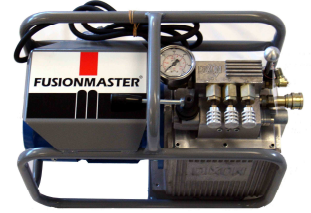
Machine dimensions	
Main clamp bore	225 mm
Length overall	860 mm
Width overall	410 mm
Height overall (wheels attached)	460 mm
Component Weights	
Butt machine	40kg
Heater plate	3.5kg
Facer	11kg
Fittings chuck	4.4kg
Heater/Facer stand	5.2kg
Reducing liner sets	3kg (min.) to 6.4kg (max.)
Hydraulic power pack	26kg
Carry case containing heater, facer, liners	44kg
Liner carry case (loaded)	45kg
Shipping crate (loaded)	160 kg
Hydraulic Specifications	
Cylinder area for weld calculation	753 mm ²
Electric pump	0.37kW, 240V, single phase
Relief valve setting	7,500kPa
Pressure gauge	0 - 8,000kPa
System oil capacity	3 litre
Recommended hydraulic oil	Any brand with viscosity ISO 46
Heater plate	1400W, 240V, single phase
Minimum genset for field operation.	3.5kva, 240V, single phase
Recommended grease for facer drive	Shell Alvania EP/LF2

2.2. Hydraulic System

A portable electric hydraulic power pack applies pressure to the hydraulic cylinders to transport the moving clamps.

The maximum machine pressure is factory set by adjusting a pressure relief valve located inside the oil tank.

Three pressure regulators control the Carriage Cylinder Pressure during the fusion process. The regulators allow the operator to independently preset facing pressure, bead-up and/or welding-cooling pressure or drag pressure, depending on how the operator prefers to work. The regulators do not control pressure, nor does the gauge register pressure during travel in the reverse direction



A 3-way selector allows the operator to easily choose one of the pre-set pressures during the weld process.

Carriage motion direction is controlled by pushing the directional control valve lever in the required direction of travel.

2.3. Heater Plate

The 1400W, 240V, single phase aluminium heater plate has a cast in circular element to ensure uniform heat distribution across the 240mm effective heating diameter.

Plate temperature is regulated by an electronic controller sealed inside the heater handle. LED's indicate when power is connected to the electric element. A dial thermometer indicates internal plate temperature. (Refer section on heater technology.) It takes less than 15 minutes to heat up to working temperature.

Replaceable non-stick cloths are fitted to the heater surfaces to eliminate hot plastic adhesion. They are secured by snap rings enabling quick and easy field repair if the surface is damaged.

The detachable 1.8m electric cord has a high melting point outer sheath for protection against short periods of accidental contact with the heater.

When not in use, the heater plate is stored in a protective floor stand shares with the facer.

2.4. Facer

The lightweight electric powered facing head is self aligning and will always produce parallel pipe joint faces. Operating the variable speed motor at low speed will provide adequate torque and speed to process small or large diameter pipes quickly. There is one blade on each cutting face that will cut pipe from 225mm OD, to 45mm inside diameter.

2.5. Reducing Liners

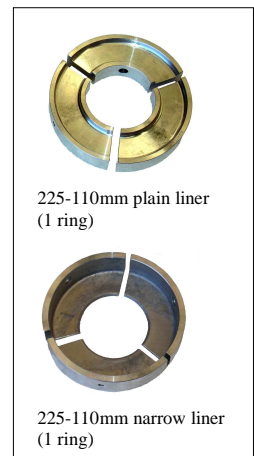
Each reducing liner set consists of 2 plain rings and 2 narrow rings. Each ring is made up of 3 segments.

When welding pipe to pipe the plain rings are usually mounted in the inner two clamps, with the narrow rings in the two outer clamps. The narrow rings are for clamping short leg moulded fittings and must be placed in the inner clamps when welding elbows.

The wide liners for 63mm, 75mm and 90mm nest inside 110mm wide liners. All the narrow liner sizes fit directly into the main 225mm clamp.

Reducing liners can be manufactured to suit any pipe size from 200mm to 63mm, in either metric or imperial dimensions.

Note: *The EHF225 is not able to hold 225mm short leg moulded elbows or most short leg moulded Tees. Such fittings should be purchased with long leg lengths to enable the Tee or elbow section to protrude beyond the end clamp.*



2.6. Fittings Attachment

The fittings attachment tool is used when butt welding stub flanges or shouldered end fittings to pipe. It is usually held in the inner 225mm main clamp on the hydraulic cylinder side. The tool

centrally locates flanges or shouldered ends quickly and accurately. It will securely hold the fitting either by the outside or inside diameter depending on the fitting size.

2.7. Accessory Cases

A steel accessory case provides storage for the heater, the facer, the heater floor stand, and up to three sets of reducing liners.

Up to five additional liner sets may be stored in a separate steel carry case.

2.8. High Pressure Welding

The EHF225 is not designed for high pressure welding. However the high pressure method may be used providing the combined welding + drag pressure for a particular job falls within the range of the fitted pressure gauge.

3. Using the EHF225 – single pressure low pressure method

3.1. Preparation

1. Connect only to a 240v, 50Hz power source. Ensure the output of any portable generator used is 240v \pm 20v.
2. Check for air in the hydraulic system and bleed if necessary (see maintenance section).
3. Clean and/or replace the non-stick cloths. Clean the heater plate before every weld with clean dry paper or cotton cloth - never use synthetic materials that may melt.
4. Check, and if necessary adjust the heater surface temperature.
5. Install the correct reducing liners for the pipe to be welded.
6. Check the facer cutting action (the shaving thickness should be 0.30-0.40mm).
7. Before facing, clean inside and outside of each pipe end, and the cutter blades.
8. Record the drag pressure from the pressure gauge before every weld.
9. Add the drag pressure to the calculated pressure to determine the appropriate bead up and fusion gauge pressures.

3.2. Pipe Alignment

Place the pipes in the clamp jaws with about 25mm of pipe extending past the clamps into the weld zone. Tighten the clamp toggle bolts securely to prevent the pipe from moving when under hydraulic pressure. The outer ends of the pipe should be supported such that any external bending loads on the machine are eliminated and drag pressure is minimised

Move the pipe ends together until they are almost touching, then check for misalignment (maximum allowable misalignment is 10% of wall thickness). Tolerances on small bore pipes should be sufficient to permit pipe alignment in the EHF225 without much adjustment of the three segment clamps. However, in severe out of round situations, adjust out any misalignment by loosening the clamps and rotating the pipes, and/or using packers as necessary. (Adjustment will not be possible if the pipe ends are in contact and under pressure.)

Move the pipe end clear of the weld zone and record the drag pressure. Add this value to the fusion pressure required to join the pipe (refer welding table).

3.3. Drag Pressure

"DRAG" is the amount of pressure required to overcome carriage friction plus the effort required to move the pipe. As drag pressure is a variable, it must be measured before every weld.

To determine the drag pressure, open the directional control valve and observe the pressure at which the carriage just begins to move. The EHF225 drag pressure without pipe loaded should be in the range 200-500kPa.

If drag pressure is excessive it may adversely affect the weld. Drag may be reduced by one or more of the following actions:

1. Use a low friction pipe support/roller system.
2. Ensure the pipe support/roller system maintains the whole length of the pipe level with the machine base to prevent bending forces acting on the machine frame.
3. Minimise the amount of pipe being pulled. Welding machines are not designed to pull multiple lengths of pipe.
4. Ensure the heater/facer rest bar does not obstruct carriage movement

All of these techniques are always important, but become critical when working near the limits of machine capacity.

3.4. Facing

Ensure the heater plate rest bars are retracted during the facing operation.

Position the power pack such that hydraulic levers can be reached while holding the drill switch on.

Move the pipe ends apart and place the facing machine between the pipe faces. Ensure the facer body is securely hooked on to both guide shafts as this will ensure the facer sits square to the frame and parallel with the clamps.

Start the facer rotating. Move the pipe ends into contact with the facer and apply the minimum pressure necessary to achieve cutting until a continuous shaving of plastic is simultaneously produced from both sides of the facer.

Caution: *To maximise drill and facer drive life, operate the drill at low speed (for maximum torque), and do not apply excessive carriage pressure – e.g. never exceed 1,000 kPa more than drag.*

On completion of facing, reverse the pipe carriage away from the facer then stop facer rotation. This prevents a step being produced in the faced ends. Raise the facer up and fully out of the machine.

3.5. Re-Check Pipe Alignment

Clear away all plastic cuttings without contaminating the pipe ends. **Do not touch the cut surface or re-clean it.** Move the pipe ends together and re-check pipe alignment (maximum allowable misalignment is 10% of wall thickness).

Always re-face the pipe ends if it becomes necessary to rotate the pipe in the clamps after initial facing.

3.6. Bead Up

Extend the heater rest bars through the left clamp into the weld zone ready to support the heater plate.

Check the heater plate temperature before commencing each joint in case there has been any failure of the power supply or temperature controller.

Place the heater plate between the pipe faces.

Move the carriage to bring the pipe faces into contact with the heater plate. Increase pressure to the predetermined “bead-up” pressure.

Maintain pressure until an initial bead has formed completely around the pipe circumference on both sides of the heater plate. The bead up time is variable, and is influenced by weather conditions and pipe dimensions.

Caution: *Ensure the heater handle is NOT standing vertically above the plate or dangerous overheating may occur. Do not allow the electric cord to rest on the hot plate.*

3.7. Heat Soak

After bead up, reduce the pressure down to the drag pressure to maintain a slight positive pressure between the pipe and the heater for the heat soak period. Failing to reduce pressure forces hot plastic out of the joint zone and could lead to a weld failure.

On completion of heat soak time, reverse the carriage direction to “crack” the heater plate away from the melted pipe, then move the heater plate out of the weld zone as quickly as possible. (Refer to parameters table for allowable changeover time).

The unique non-stick cloths allow a “peeling off” action as the pipe is cracked away, minimising adhesion of the melted pipe to the heater.

Remove the heater plate and replace it in the floor stand.

Caution: *Do not allow the heater plate to slide across the pipe ends and distort the melted surface. Do not contaminate the melted surface in any way.*

3.8. Fusion Cycle

Bring the melted pipe faces into contact with each other immediately to minimise heat loss from the weld zone. Smoothly build up to the required fusion pressure to avoid squeezing out too much hot plastic.



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Unless hydraulic pressure is maintained while the weld is cooling, shrinkage will occur and voids may form in the weld zone. It is essential to run the pump and maintain the pipe under pressure in the clamps until the weld/cooling time is complete.

3.9. Weld Quality Check

Inspect the uniformity of the bead size inside and out, top and bottom of the pipe. It is advisable to monitor and record times, temperatures and pressures at each phase of every joint for future reference. (See section on trouble-shooting weld failures.)

4. Maintenance - Daily

4.1. Maintenance - Daily Check List

1. Keep the machine and accessories clean and free of dust and grease. *Do not lubricate any EHF225 components except for the facer drive (see later).*
2. Inspect hydraulic components for leaks from connections and seals. Overhaul seals and fittings as necessary.
3. Check for air in the carriage cylinder (as evidenced by shuddering, and/or “springing back” of the cylinder). Air trapped in the hydraulics will adversely effect weld quality and must be removed by bleeding (see later).
4. Check the pressure gauge needle returns to zero and does not stick.
5. Check the temperature of a number of points on the surface of both sides of the heater plate. The reading at any point on either side of the heater plate surface should not be more than $\pm 10^{\circ}\text{C}$ from the desired welding temperature. (Refer later section on heater plates.)
6. Do electrical safety checks.
7. Replace non-stick cloths if damaged in way of the weld area.
8. Facing blades should be sharp and have defect free cutting edges to provide continuous shaving thickness of 0.30-0.40mm. Shim worn blades if necessary; sharpen cutter blades if blunt; replace cutter blades if chipped.
9. Ensure the facer drill is securely fixed into the facer body casting, if not the drive gears may not mesh properly causing extensive damage.
10. Feel for “sloppy” movement of the cutter plates. This indicates the need to adjust the facer drive internally.
11. If using a portable generator, ensure its output is $240\text{v} \pm 20\text{v}$ and 50hz, to protect electronic equipment from permanent damage.

5. Maintenance - Periodic

In addition to the daily checks, more detailed inspections of the key machine components should be carried out before commencing each new project, or after 250 operating hours. Any faults found should be corrected as described in this section.

5.1. General/Drag

Check the hydraulic cylinder shafts for cuts or dents likely to damage the hydraulic seals.

Check the machine frame, main carriage guide shafts, hydraulic shafts and heater rest bars are not damaged or bent such that excessive drag pressure results. Without pipe in the machine, drag pressure should not exceed 500kPa.

5.2. Heater Plate

Heater surfaces should be flat, smooth and free of dents or gouges. Dress as necessary.

FUSIONMASTER® heater plates have a vent machined in the edge of the casting to allow entrapped air to escape from under the non-stick cloth. Clean out any build up of foreign material from the air vent to prevent any adverse temperature effect.

Caution: Ensure heater plate non-stick surfaces are protected from damage during transport.

5.3. Heater Temperature Adjustment

The temperature setting of the EHF225 heater is adjusted by turning the screw in the end of the heater handle, clockwise for higher temperature, and anticlockwise for lower temperature. One degree of turn will result in approximately one degree of temperature change. Always allow several minutes for the plate temperature to stabilise after making any adjustment.

The controller is factory set to 220°C . It has an operating range of 180°C to 260°C .

5.4. Temperature Calibration

The thermometer in the heater plate indicates the internal plate temperature not the surface temperature, although the difference will not be great.

It is essential to check and record the surface temperature of the heater plate before every weld. This is best measured with either a contact pyrometer or a non contact infrared pyrometer. The outer circumference of the heater should not be measured as this is too far from the weld area.

The pyrometer used to measure surface temperature will itself require calibration to a procedure as recommended by the pyrometer manufacturer.

Caution: *Be aware that an insulating air gap can form between the Teflon cloth and the hot plate. Always ensure the cloth is forced into contact with the hot metal surface when using an infrared or non contact pyrometer or a false reading is likely to occur. Never use an infrared pyrometer on a shiny surface as a false reading will occur.*

5.5. Heater Non-Stick Cloth Replacement

The non-stick cloths should be replaced if they are torn, contaminated, or badly discoloured (due to overheating) or lose their non-stick ability. Use the following procedure.

1. Use a screw driver to lever the snap rings out of their securing grooves. This takes very little force. Do not attempt to remove the snap rings if the plate temperature is more than 40°C because they will not release.
2. With the plate flat, place a new cloth into position and reposition the snap ring over the cloth.
3. Push the snap ring into the groove around an arc of the plate. Hold in position with one hand. With the free hand, use a piece of wood or plastic to force the snap ring completely into its groove. (This may take several attempts until some experience is developed.) Never use metallic objects to force the snap rings back into position as this may result in accidental damage to the cloth.

5.6. Temperature Controller Failure

1. When power is connected, one LED glows amber. When the electric element is drawing power the other LED glows red. Either of the LEDs flashing on-off indicates the temperature controller has failed and must be replaced.
2. If neither LED glows when power is connected, first test the power supply and the power cord to ensure those items are not at fault. If not faulty, next test the element pad before replacing the temperature controller.

5.7. Electrical safety testing heater plate

Use an appliance tester capable of performing a *Class 1 250V Run Test* to verify the functionality of **FUSIONMASTER®** model MV70, SV70, LF110, HF225, EHF225 heater plates. These devices cannot be safety tested either as an earthed appliance or as a double insulated appliance because the temperature controller is fitted with surge protection (i.e. metal oxide varistor), and uses solid state switching that only functions when power is applied.

5.8. Element Pad Failure

Caution: *This job must be performed by a qualified electrician.*

1. Disconnect the power supply.
2. (Refer to heater plate drawing.) Remove the screws securing the temperature controller handle to the heater bracket, and the screws securing the bracket to the heater plate.
3. Remove the bracket and gasket from the heater plate to expose the temperature sensor probe. (If the gasket is broken by this action it should be replaced.)
4. Withdraw the sensor probe with long nose pliers, pulling on the metal case, not the fine lead wires.
5. Disconnect the quick connect leads from the element ends and unscrew the earth connection and measure the resistance across the two ends of the element

(should be 40 ohms $\pm 10\%$). If there is a short circuit, the element pad must be replaced. If the element, leads and connectors are OK, the controller will be faulty and must be replaced.

6. Before re-fitting the controller, sparingly coat the sensor probe with some silicon heat sink compound to increase thermal sensitivity, then carefully insert the probe into the probe hole.
7. Reassemble the handle and bracket to the heater plate and tighten screws securely.
8. Reconnect the power cord and switch on. Both LEDs should glow immediately. Allow 20 minutes for the heater to reach temperature and to stabilise before making any adjustments or measuring temperature.

5.9. Hydraulic Operating Pressure

Start the hydraulic pump and note the gauge readings for each pressure regulator. The operating pressure of the EHF225 is limited to 7,500kPa by a relief valve that is located inside the oil tank adjacent to the pump. Should it be necessary to adjust the relief pressure contact the manufacturer for advice. Care should be taken if increasing the pressure above this setting as the pressure gauge may be damaged.

(Older models may be fitted with a 0-6000kPa gauge relieved to 5,500kPa.)

Caution: *During normal operation the hydraulic oil temperature will reach up to 80°C, and the electric motor up to 70°C. Handle with care.*

5.10. Pressure Gauge Calibration

Pressure gauges are easily damaged and may lose their accuracy. Periodically either

1. Remove the pressure gauge and check it against a known standard test gauge, or
2. Replace the pressure gauge with a certified gauge from time to time.

5.11. Hydraulic Bleeding Method

The presence of air in the system could result from loose hydraulic fittings, damaged hydraulic cylinder shaft or seals. These should all be inspected and repaired before bleeding the system.

The following method is recommended for recharging with oil (use ISO 46 viscosity)

1. Check that all fittings are tight. Remove the filler nut from the top of the oil tank and insert a filling funnel.
2. Roll the machine on to its side along its longitudinal axis so that the cylinder piping entry points are pointing vertically up which allows trapped air to rise and escape.
3. Fill the tank to the top of the level gauge. Start the pump and slowly apply pressure until the cylinder begins to move. Then reverse the directional valve and apply pressure until the cylinder has moved some way in the other direction. Check the oil reservoir level and top up as required. (If motion stops, the oil level is probably too low.)
4. Repeat this movement several times, increasing the distance moved by the cylinder a few millimetres each time as more oil is transferred into the cylinder.
5. Repeat this cycle in each direction until any change of the directional control lever, and the resultant motion of the carriage, is immediate and exactly in sequence. There should also be no clamp spring back at the end of the cylinder stroke (either end) on changing the directional control valve.
6. At this point all air should be fully expelled from the system. Top up the tank as necessary to the top of the level gauge.

5.12. Facer Drive Service/Replacement

Refer to Facer drawing.

1. Access the facer drive assembly by removing the securing screw from the facer plate and removing the plate.

2. Inspect the worm and worm wheel assembly for wear. If the worm, or worm wheel, or worm shaft or dog coupling is excessively worn or broken, the complete worm drive assembly must be replaced as a matching assembly.
3. Inspect the worm shaft needle thrust bearing for damage and replace if necessary.
4. Otherwise, clean out and re-grease sparingly with a high pressure grease e.g. Shell Alvania EP2.
Do not use molybdenum disulphide, graphite grease or similar as these may run and cause welding contamination.
5. Replace felt dust seals as required.

5.13. Cutter Blade Sharpening

If chipped or damaged, the blades should be replaced.

If blunt, the high grade tool steel blades may be sharpened with a die grinder. Shim the cutter blades if they are sharp, but shavings are too thin.

6. Notes About Heater Plates And Temperature

6.1. PE Welding Temperatures

Polyethylene pipe is weldable at temperatures ranging from 180°C to 260°C. However butt fusion parameters typically specify 220 ±15°C which is the required surface temperature of the heater plate.

Temperatures greater than 240°C when coupled with long heat soak times may result in diminution of the anti-oxidants in the pipe.

Cold joints will result if the weld temperature is too low, or the heat soak time is too short, or the time between removal of the heater and butting the pipes together is too long.

Caution: Either situation may lead to premature joint failure.

6.2. Heater Plate Temperature

Heater plate temperature displays generally indicate the internal heater temperature. Actual surface temperature may vary from the display, and will also fluctuate, for the following reasons.

1. The rate of heat loss from the heater surface depends on the design of the heater plate and temperature controller. The surface temperature could be significantly different to the thermometer indication. This variation will be greatest on cold, windy days. Always use a shelter when welding in these conditions.
2. As power input cycles on and off the temperature will be highest just after the power cycles off and lowest just as it cycles back on.
3. The temperature is unlikely to be exactly the same at every point on the heater surface due to manufacturing tolerances.
4. As heat is transferred into the pipe during heat soak, the heater temperature initially falls but eventually returns to the set point.

6.3. Measuring Surface Temperature

Note:

It is not physically possible for heater surface temperatures to vary significantly from one point to another. If such a variation is observed, it is most likely to result from using an incorrect temperature measuring technique.

1. Always wait 5 minutes after the heater has first reached set temperature for the temperature to stabilize before recording measurements.
2. Take readings at several points (at 3, 6, 9, 12 o'clock) on both sides of the heater, at the diameter of the pipe being welded.
3. **FUSIONMASTER**® heater plates are fitted with non-stick replaceable cloth. It is essential to use a contact probe to force the cloth into intimate contact with the plate. (Incorrect readings will result when the cloth system traps an insulating air layer between the cloth and the heater surface.)
4. If a contact probe is used it should be held in position for several seconds before the reading is taken.
5. If an infra red pyrometer is used incorrect reading are likely to result unless:
 - the emissivity is set at 0.95 for use on the non-stick cloth;
 - the device is held square to the surface being measured;
 - the non-stick cloth is forced into intimate contact with the heater plate (see suggestion below).
6. Never use an infra-red pyrometer to take a reading from a shiny aluminium surface (such as a **FUSIONMASTER**® heater without cloths, or the outer rim of a heater plate) or an error will result.

6.4. Suggestion

Use a "spot control adapter" fitted to an Infra-red pyrometer for consistently accurate measurements. When pressed squarely against the heater surface the infra-red beam is correctly focused every time, and intimate contact between the heater plate and non-stick cloth is assured.



7. Butt Welding Guidelines

It is recommended that the following guidelines be downloaded from Plastics Industry Pipe Association of Australia Ltd web site (www.pipa.com.au)

1. *POP003 Butt Fusion Jointing of PE Pipes and Fittings - Recommended Parameters.*
2. *TP003 Specifying Butt Welding of Polyethylene Pipe Systems.*

FUSIONMASTER® welders are designed for the "single pressure – low pressure" fusion method described in POP003.

The welding tables appended to the EHF225 operating manual are based on POP003-SP-LP.






Operators should take care to determine the compatibility of materials for butt welding and only attempt to weld pipes and fittings made of the same polymer, eg PE to PE, PP to PP, PVDF to PVDF, etc.

The joint area must always be protected from adverse weather conditions, eg strong winds, excessive cold or heat, or rain, which could lead to the pipe wall developing non-uniformly heated zones and consequent failure issues.

The weld zone should be free of bending stress, free of notches or similar damage, and be free of contamination.

8. Weld failure trouble shooting

(Bead shapes are exaggerated for effect.)

	Uniform bead correct welding. NB the external bead is always more uniform than the internal bead.
	Crack down centre of bead. "Cold weld" signified by clean break through the middle of the weld with a smooth appearance. Could be due to insufficient heat soak time or temperature, or changeover time too long, or excessive soak pressure, or insufficient fusion pressure, or no allowance for drag pressure, or drag pressure too great eg due to pulling pipe up a gradient.
	Misalignment - maximum allowable 10% of wall thickness. Care should also be taken to ensure pipes or fittings being joined have the same diameter and wall thickness or the probability of weld failure is significantly increased.
	Insufficient bead roll over. Could be due to insufficient heat soak time or temperature, or changeover time too long, or insufficient fusion pressure, or no allowance for drag pressure,
	Unequal bead size. Look for temperature gradients e.g. pipe surface in the hot sun vs pipe in the shade, or heater plate hot spots. Look for unequal application of pressure. If unequal uniformly around the whole circumference, look for physical difference in materials being joined eg melt flow index.

9. Warranty

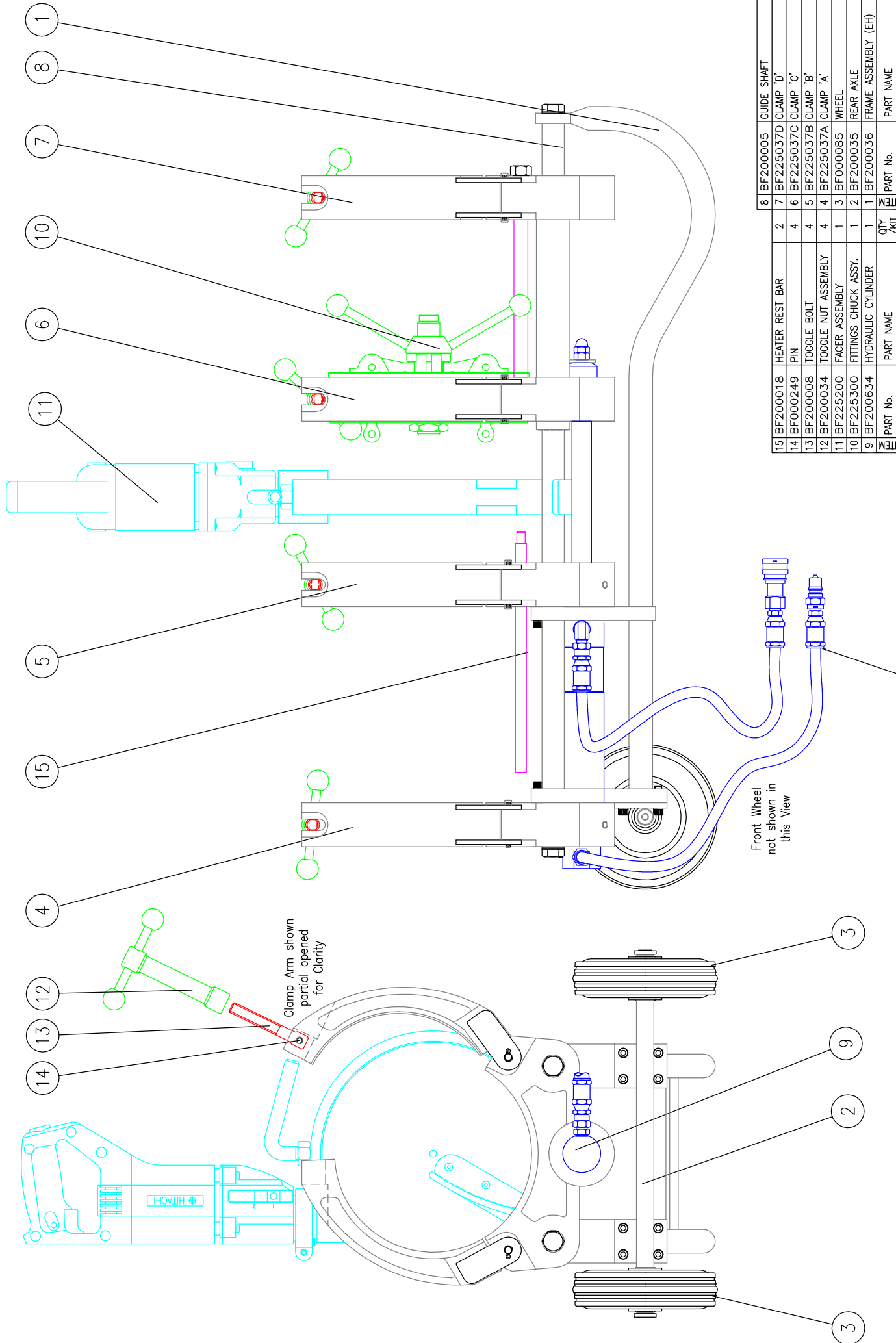
FUSIONMASTER® Butt Fusion Equipment

1. Subject to the terms below, Dixon Industries Pty Ltd (“**The Company**”) warrants to repair or replace at its option ex-works Adelaide any product manufactured or repaired by it within 2 years from the date of shipment which are found to be defective due to either faulty workmanship or use of faulty materials, provided that such defective product is returned to the Company’s works at the customer’s expense, unless otherwise agreed.
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4. A warranty claim must be made to the Company in writing within 14 days of the first occurrence of the event or condition on which the claim is based. The claim must include proof of purchase and a detailed statement of the manner in which the product has been used and the event or condition occurred. The Company’s decision to admit or refuse any warranty claim shall be binding.
5. Replacement parts provided to the customer before the right to a warranty claim is accepted by the Company will be invoiced at the full cost of the parts, including applicable taxes and freight charges. If a warranty claim is accepted, the cost of any replacement parts covered by the warranty claim which have been so invoiced will be credited to the customer.
6. All costs of returning product to the customer shall be paid by the customer.
7. Other than provided in this warranty, the Company excludes any other responsibility or liability whatever to the maximum extent permitted by law including liability for breach of contract, negligence or incidental, consequential, indirect or special damages including without limitation, interruption to use of the product or any other plant or equipment.

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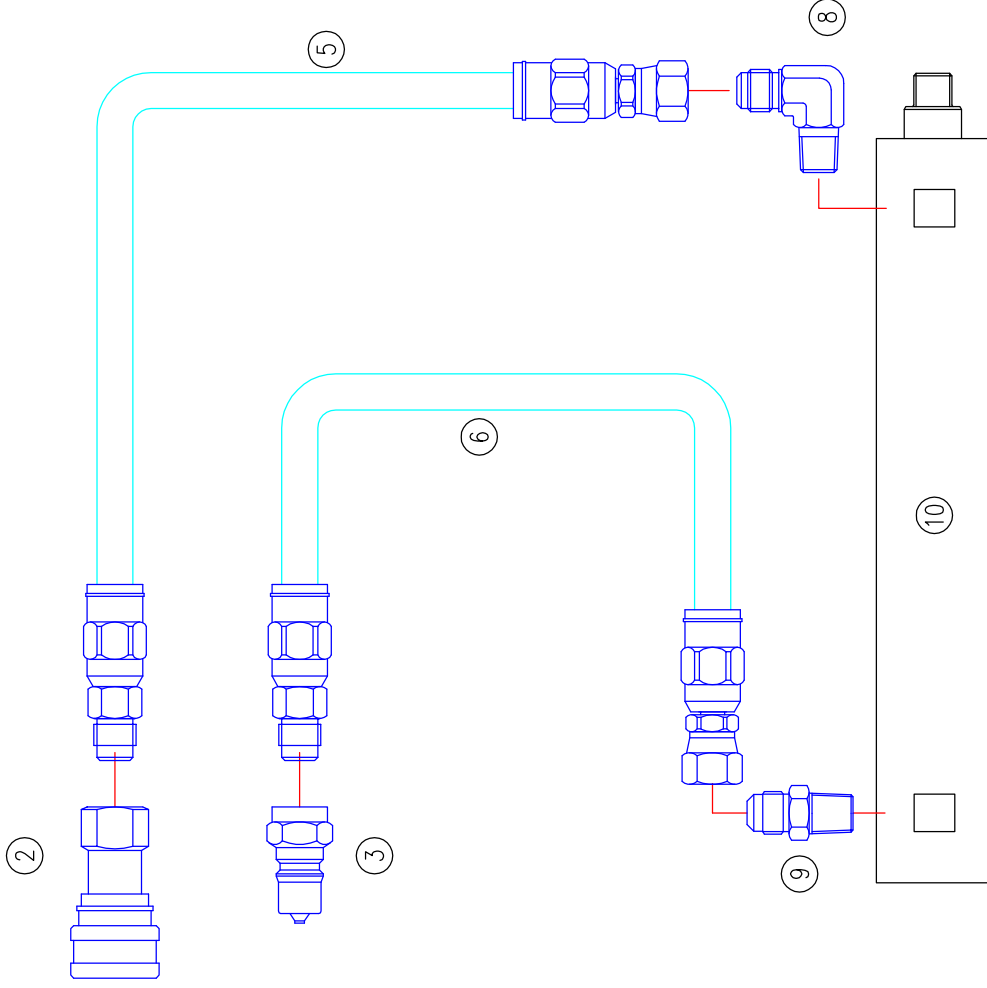
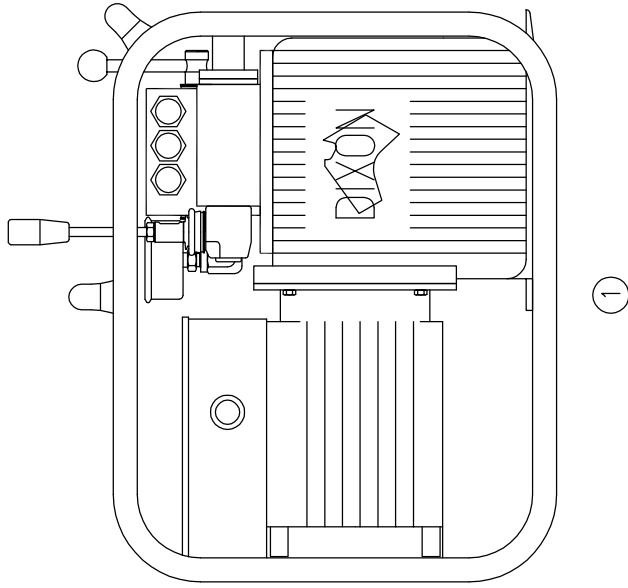
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1	5 BF225037B	CLAMP 'B'	4	12 BF200034	TOGGLE NUT ASSEMBLY
1	4 BF225037A	CLAMP 'A'	1	11 BF225200	FACER ASSEMBLY
2	3 BF000085	WHEEL	1	10 BF225300	FITTINGS CHUCK ASSY.
1	2 BF200035	REAR AXLE	1	9 BF200634	HYDRAULIC CYLINDER
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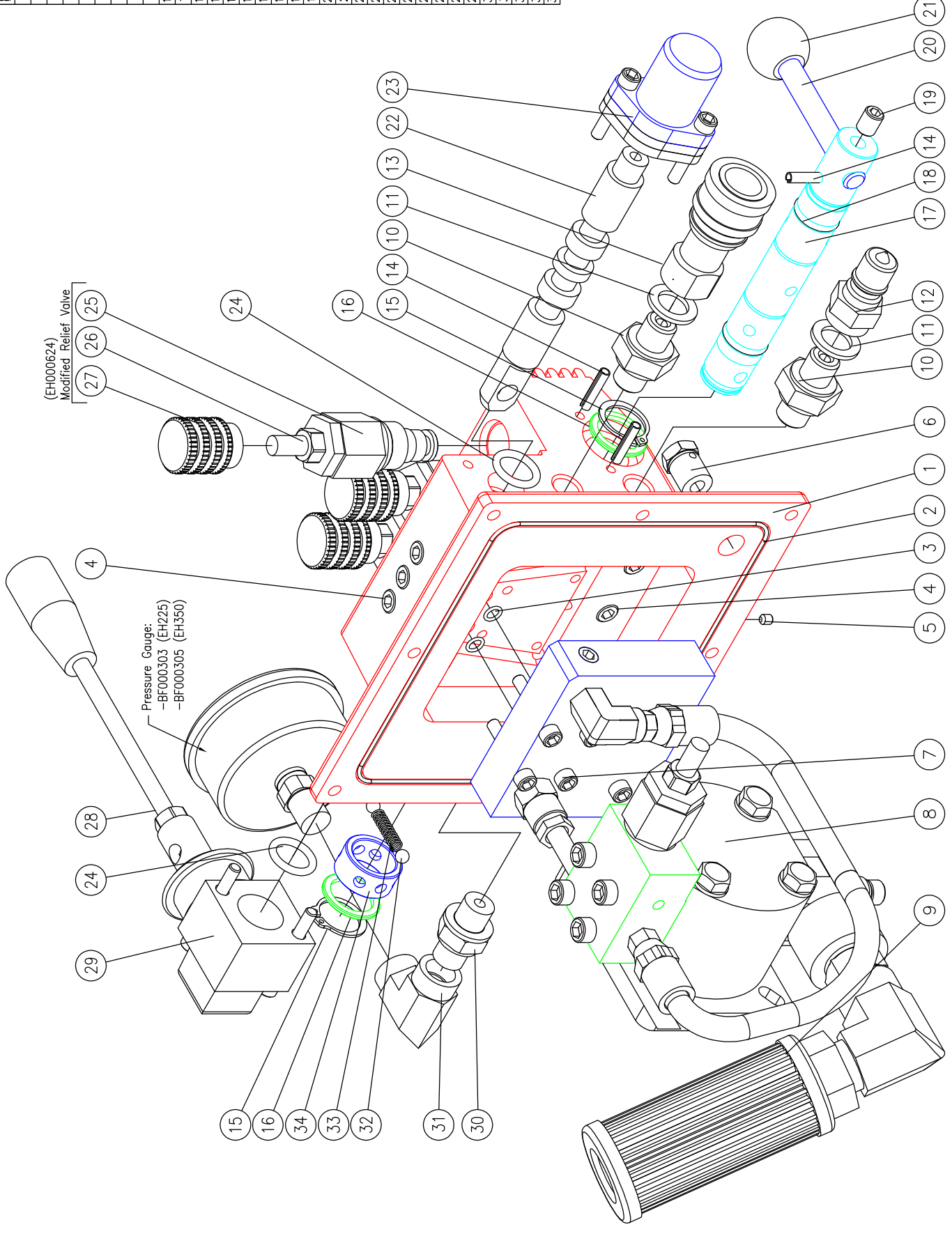
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1	EH000602 Valve Body	1
2	BF000033 O-Ring (Tank Lid)	1
3	BF000029 O-Ring	2
4	BF000065 Dry Seal Plug	6
5	BF000105 Set Screw	1
6	EH000626 Modified Plug	1
7	BF000106 Pump Assy Mtg Screw	6
8	BF000036 Pump	1
9	BF000193 Suction Element	1
10	BF000600 Nipple	2
11	BF000400 Metal Back Seal	2
12	BF000297 Quick Connect Male	1
13	BF000003 Quick Connect Female	1
14	BF000094 Roll Pin	3
15	BF000026 Circlip	2
16	BF630671 Spacer Washer	2
17	BF630680 Spool	2
18	BF000031 O-Ring (Spool)	2
19	BF000122 Set Screw	1
20	EH000608 Lever	1
21	BF200011 Knob	1
22	BF000005 Spool Type SD4	1
23	BF000020 Spool Detent Version 9	1
24	BF000032 O-Ring (Spool)	2
25	BF000212 Relief Valve Cartridge	3
26	EH000611 Piston	3
27	EH000609 Aluminium Knob	3
28	BF000028 LEVER ASSY STANDARD D/C	1
29	BF000019 LEVER ASSY STANDARD D/C	1
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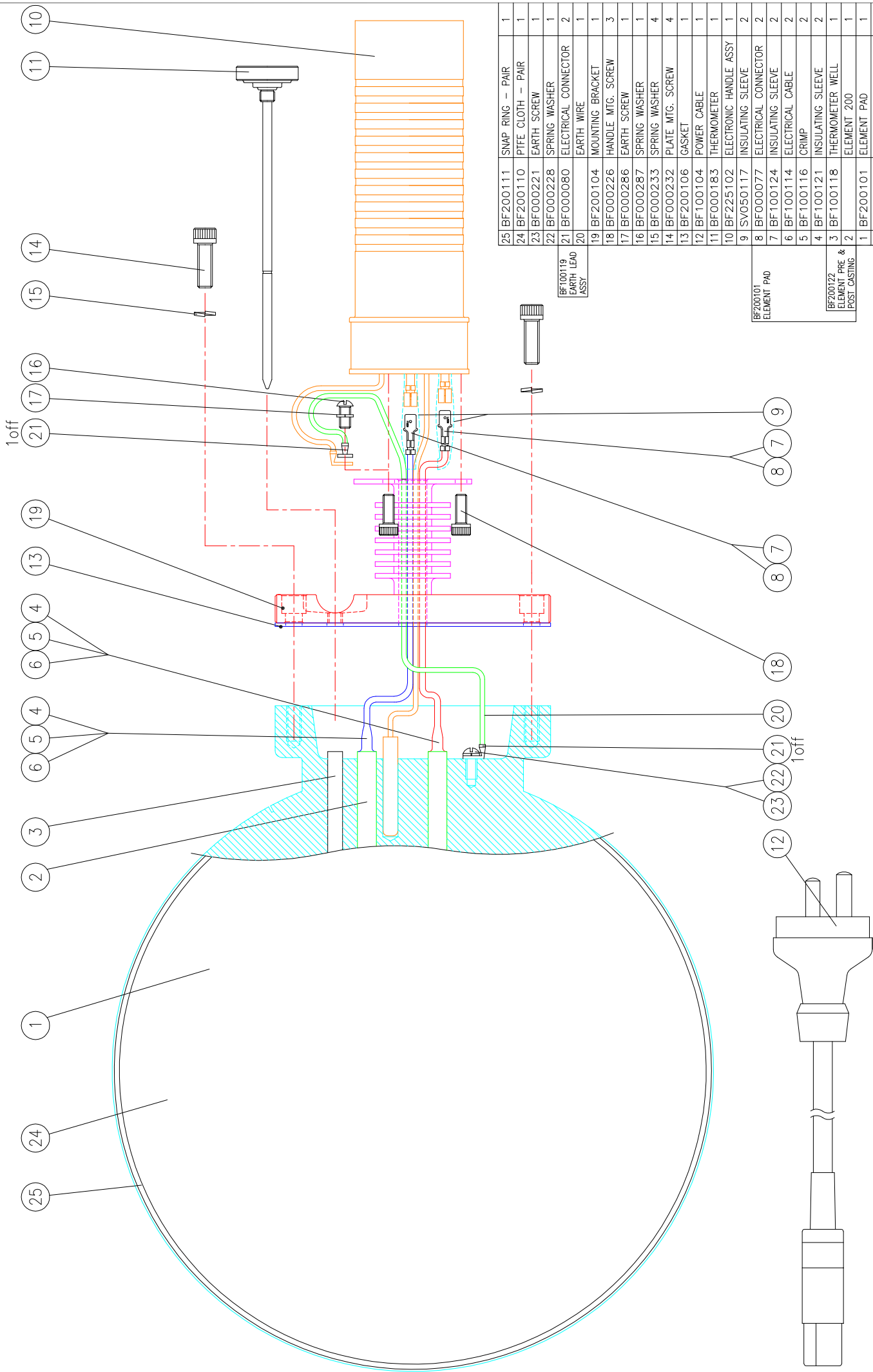
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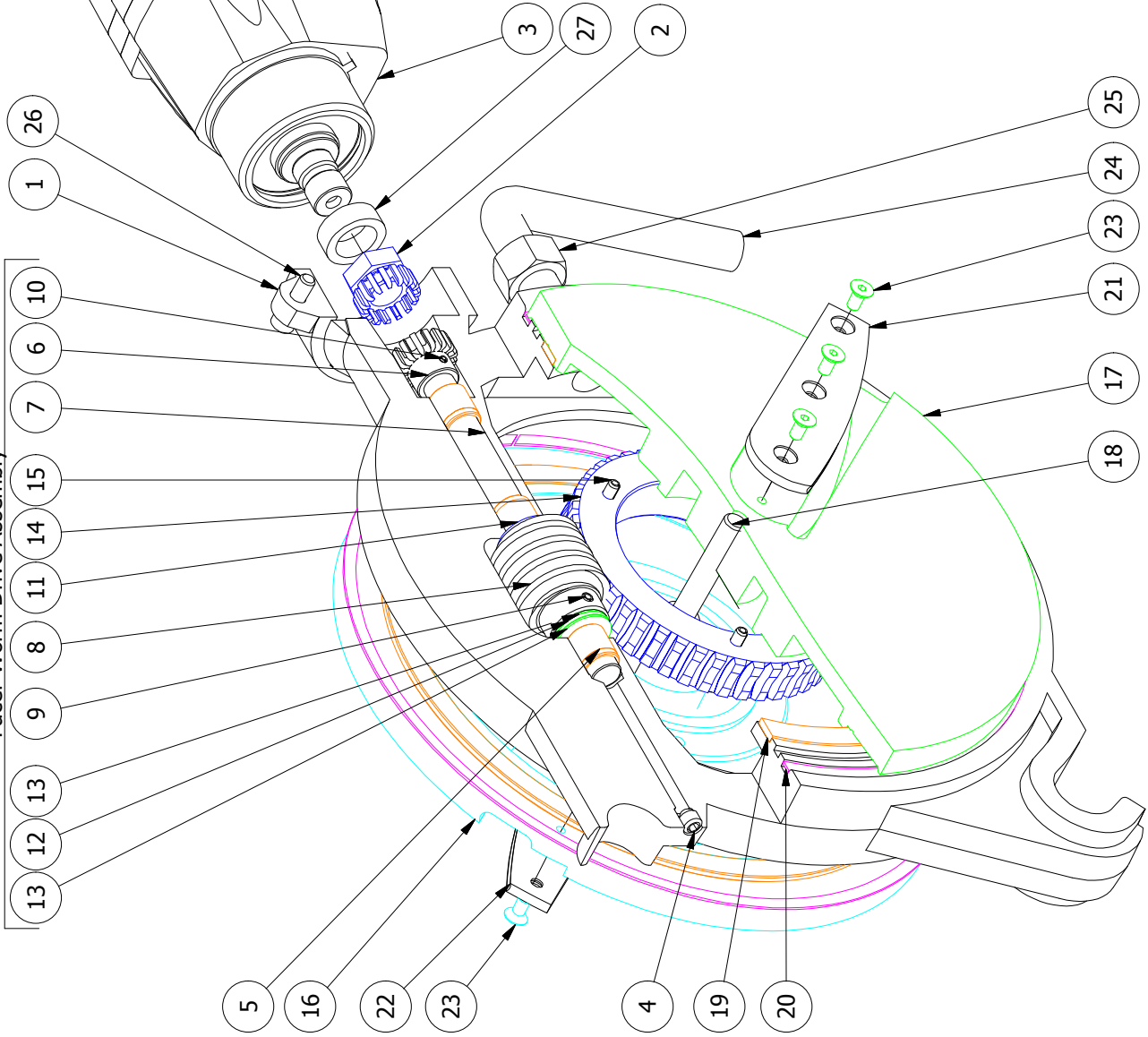
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24	BF200110	PIPE CLOTH - PAIR	1
23	BF000221	EARTH SCREW	1
22	BF000228	SPRING WASHER	1
21	BF000080	ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR	2
20	BF000080	ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR	2
19	BF200104	EARTH WIRE	1
18	BF200104	MOUNTING BRACKET	1
17	BF000226	HANDLE MTG. SCREW	3
16	BF000286	EARTH SCREW	1
15	BF000287	SPRING WASHER	1
14	BF000233	SPRING WASHER	4
13	BF000232	PLATE MTG. SCREW	4
12	BF200106	GASKET	1
11	BF100104	POWER CABLE	1
10	BF000183	THERMOMETER	1
9	SV050117	ELECTRONIC HANDLE ASSY	1
8	BF000077	INSULATING SLEEVE	2
7	BF100124	ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR	2
6	BF100114	INSULATING SLEEVE	2
5	BF100116	ELECTRICAL CABLE	2
4	BF100121	CRIMP	2
3	BF100118	INSULATING SLEEVE	2
2	BF100118	THERMOMETER WELL	1
1	BF200101	ELEMENT PAD	1
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Facer Worm Drive Assembly



Note:
Festool Drill DR20E &
Dog Coupling Spacer
used after 26/02/2014

Item	Part No.	Part Name	QTY
27	BF25216	Dog Coupling Spacer (DR20E)	1
26	BF000232	Hexagon Socket Head Cap Screw	1
25	BF000166	Hex Nut	1
24	BF200218	Facer Handle	1
23	BF000217	Countersunk Screw	6
22	BF200212B	Cutter Blade (bored)	1
21	BF200212T	Cutter Blade (tapped)	1
20	BF200205	Felt Seal - pair	2
19	BF200207	Thrust Ring - pair	2
18	BF000267	Hexagon Socket Head Cap Screw	1
17	BF200208	Cutter Plate (tapped)	1
16	BF200202	Cutter Plate (bored)	1
15	BF000337	Pin - Slotted Spring	3
14	BF200223	Worm Wheel	1
13	BF000207	Thrust Washer	2
12	BF000176	Thrust Bearing	1
11	BF200210	Acetal Spacer	1
10	BF000213	Pin - Slotted Spring	1
9	BF000222	Pin - Slotted Spring	1
8	BF200222	Worm	1
7	BF200221	Silver Steel Shaft	1
6	BF200224	Dog Coupling, Fixed	1
5	BF25231	Nylon Bush	3
4	BF000239	Hexagon Socket Set Screw	1
3	BF25240_3	Drill suit 22.5 Facer	1
2	BF25208	Dog Coupling DRP20ET	1
1	BF25201_2	Facer Body	1

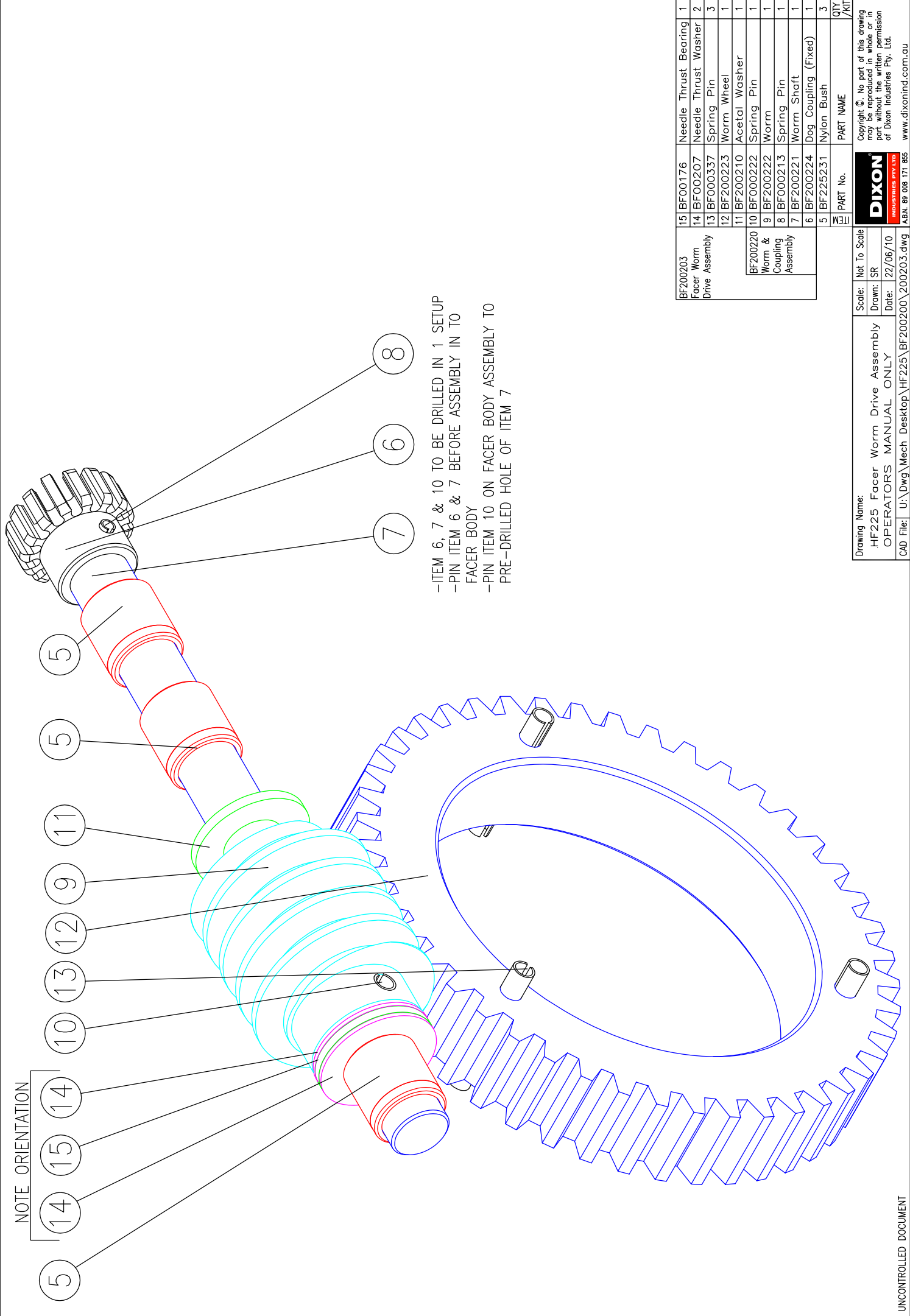
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Facer Worm
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Worm Drive
& Coupling
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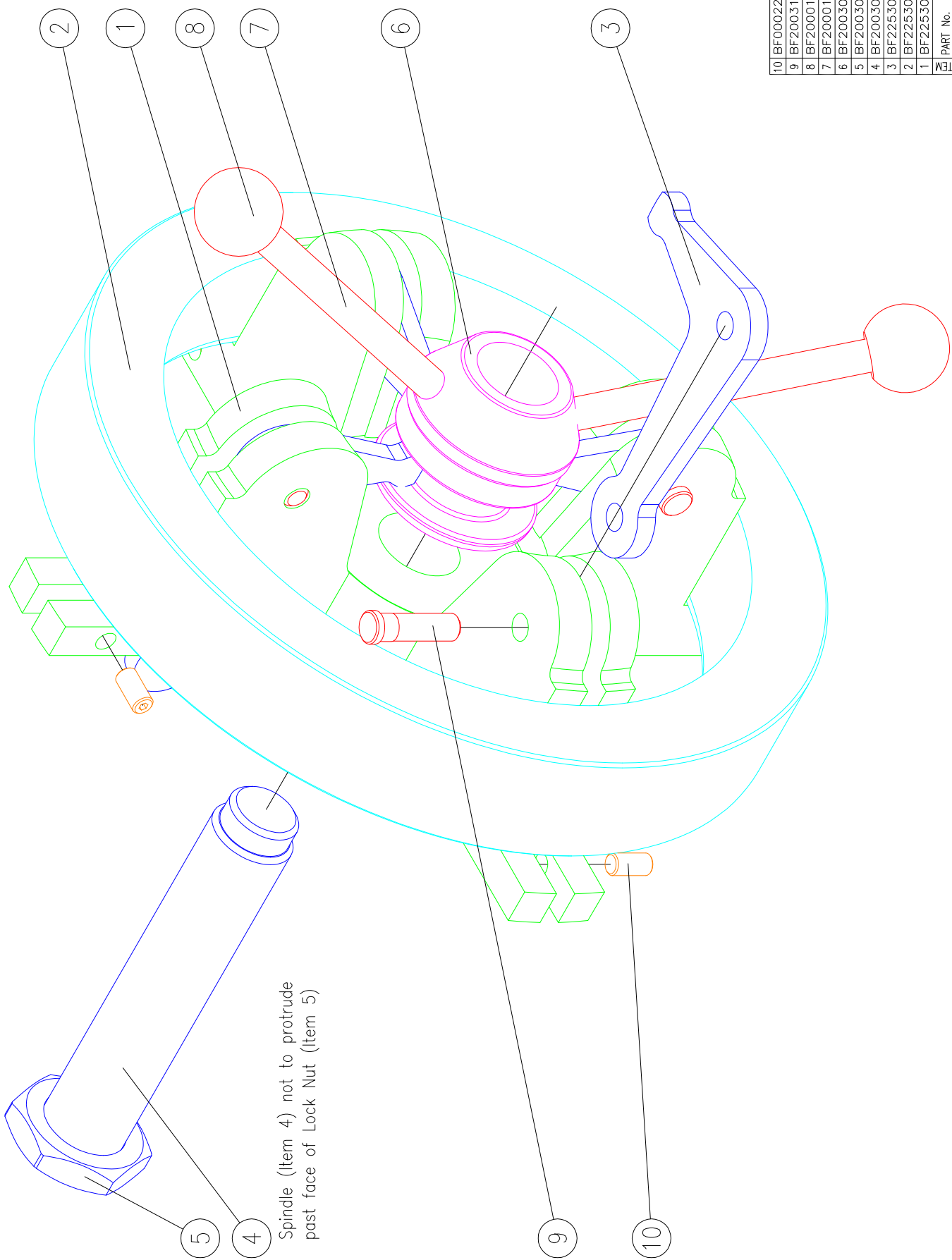
-ITEM 6, 7 & 10 TO BE DRILLED IN 1 SETUP
 -PIN ITEM 6 & 7 BEFORE ASSEMBLY IN TO
 FACER BODY
 -PIN ITEM 10 ON FACER BODY ASSEMBLY TO
 PRE-DRILLED HOLE OF ITEM 7

BF200203	15	BF00176	Needle Thrust Bearing	1
Face Worm Drive Assembly	14	BF00207	Needle Thrust Washer	2
	13	BF000337	Spring Pin	3
	12	BF200223	Worm Wheel	1
	11	BF200210	Acetal Washer	1
BF200220	10	BF000222	Spring Pin	1
Worm & Coupling Assembly	9	BF200222	Worm	1
	8	BF000213	Spring Pin	1
	7	BF200221	Worm Shaft	1
	6	BF200224	Dog Coupling (Fixed)	1
	5	BF225231	Nylon Bush	3
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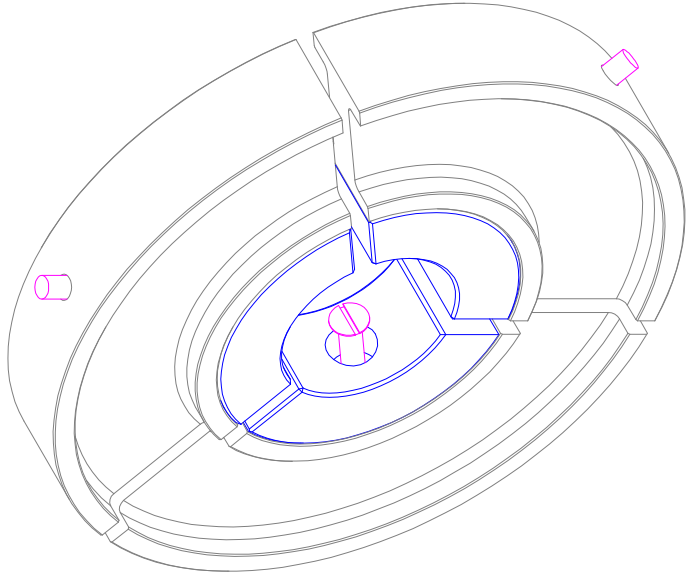
Spindle (Item 4) not to protrude past face of Lock Nut (Item 5)

Item No.	Part Name	Qty
10	BF000229 Set Screw	4
9	BF200310 Stepped Pin	4
8	BF200011 Aluminium Knob	2
7	BF200010 Tee Bar	2
6	BF200306 Adjusting Nut	1
5	BF200305 Lock Nut	1
4	BF200304 Spindle	1
3	BF225303 Finger Lever	4
2	BF225302 Rim	1
1	BF225301 Body	1
PART No.		QTY /KIT
PART NAME		

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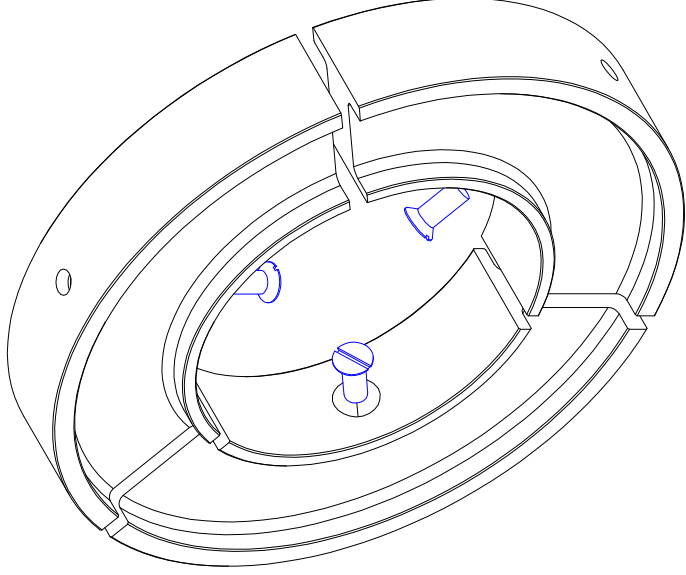
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USE MOUNTING SCREW
PART No. BF000354

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BF110969P	110-69
BF110975P	110-75
BF110990P	110-90

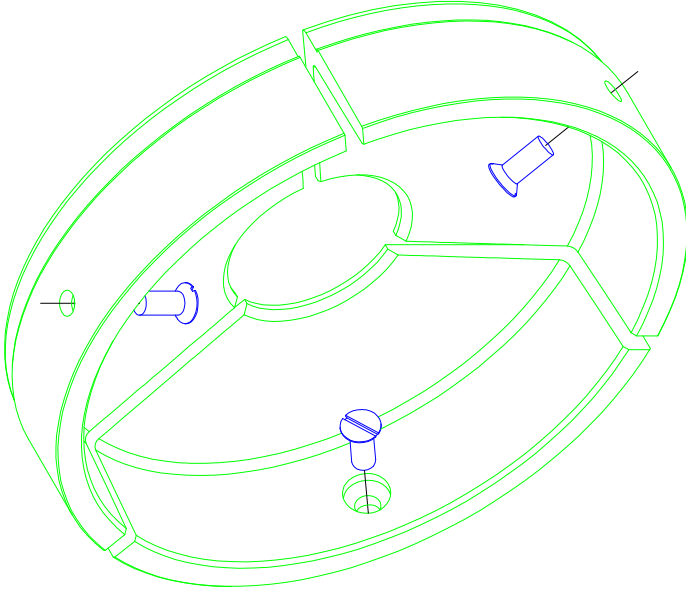
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LINERS FIT INTO 225-110 LINERS



USE MOUNTING SCREW
PART No. BF000236

PART No.	SIZE
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BF225914P	225-140
BF225916P	225-160
BF350925P	355-250
BF225918P	225-180
BF225920P	225-200

225-125 SHOWN
LINERS FIT INTO MACHINE CLAMPS



USE MOUNTING SCREW
PART No. BF000236

PART No.	SIZE
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BF225912N	225-125
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BF225916N	225-160
BF225918N	225-180
BF225920N	225-200

225-63N SHOWN
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