

Band Saw Blade Application Overviews

Extremely Important...

TechTips

BLADE BREAK-IN

The extremely sharp tooth points and edges of new blades must be broken-in before applying full feed pressure to the blade.



A good analogy is that of writing with a freshly sharpened wooden pencil.

RECOMMENDED BREAK-IN PROCEDURE

- Maintain proper blade speed for the material to be cut.
- Reduce blade feed pressure or feed rate by 50% for the first 50 to 100 square inches of material cut.
- Gradually increase feed pressure or feed rate after break-in to full pressure or rate.

Bi-Metal

Production Cutting

M-42

- ▼ Used on medium to heavy production machines to cut solids and heavy-walled structures
- ▼ Variable pitch teeth can handle a wider range of cross sectional sizes
- ▼ High wear and heat resistance
- ▼ Use positive rake for solids, 0 degree rake for tubing or thin wall pipe

Specialty Structural

CHALLENGER™

- ▼ Specially designed for structural steel
- ▼ Increased beam strength for straighter interrupted and bundle cuts
- ▼ Reduces vibration and noise associated with interrupted cutting profiles
- ▼ Constant tooth height for even chip load and less tooth strippage

Heavy Production Cutting

INDEPENDENCE II®

- ▼ Small to medium solids
- ▼ Fewer blade changes in a wide range of materials resulting in less downtime
- ▼ Extreme fatigue resistance to eliminate pre-mature breakage
- ▼ Tougher and more wear resistant than M42

General Purpose

MATRIX II

- ▼ Good general purpose blade. Tough impact resistance high speed steel
- ▼ Good Value on light to medium production and maintenance applications
- ▼ Handles solids, bundles and stacked pieces
- ▼ Use positive rake for solids, 0 degree rake for tubing or thin wall pipe

Production Cutting

THE MORSE ACHIEVER™

- ▼ Production cutting of solids, layers, and bundle cuts
- ▼ Best overall performance in a wide range of materials
- ▼ Exceptional long fatigue life to eliminate pre-mature breakage
- ▼ Exceptional tooth durability in a wide range of mild to difficult materials

Heavy Production Cutting

INDEPENDENCE EXS®

- ▼ For exotics and large cross section solids
- ▼ Good with difficult to machine high temperature high strength material
- ▼ Extreme fatigue resistance to eliminate pre-mature breakage
- ▼ Tougher and more wear resistant than M42

Select Blade Based Upon Target Application **CARBON STRUCTURAL ALUMINUM & ALLOY STEELS TOOL STAINLESS NICKEL BASE TITANIUM MOLD STEELS STEELS STEELS** LT. ALLOY STEELS **STEELS ALLOYS ALLOYS** STEELS **MATRIX II** M-42 **THE MORSE ACHIEVER™ CHALLENGER/STRUCTURAL INDEPENDENCE II**

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HARD BACK

- ▼ Stiffer than flexback due to hardened and tempered backer.
- ▼ Ideal for applications where straighter cuts or heavier feed pressure are required. multi-head resaw systems.
- ▼ Not recommended for blade speed exceeding 4,000 SFM
- Good on easy to machine metals and easy to cut materials

WOOD MILL / RESAW

- ▼ Available in both flex back and hard back
- ▼ Applications: Portable and stationary wood mills, Scragg mills, Single head and
- ▼ Hard back blades offer straighter cuts
- ▼ Can be resharpened for longer tooth life

FLEX BACK

- resistant
- ▼ Can be run at speeds up to 15,000 SFM (surface feet per minute)

QUIKSILVER®

- ▼ Flexible back makes them more fatigue ▼ Available in both flex back and hard back
 - ▼ Applications: Wood cutting with increased fatigue resistance
 - ▼ Can be resharpened for longer tooth life

ETS FLEX BACK

- ▼ The ETS (Every Tooth Set) set pattern and aggressive hook tooth design offers the precision and contour control required in furniture manufacturing.
- ▼ Aggressive tooth design cuts faster with longer tooth life
- ▼ Can be resharpened

CARBIDE TIPPED M-FACTOR - GP **CARBIDE GRIT** M-FACTOR - FB M-FACTOR - CH X FACTOR -GULLETED Selection Based Upon **Target Application CAST IRON & HARDENED STEEL CERAMICS & FORMED GLASS TIRES & WIRE** REINFORCED RUBBER **FIBERGLASS CABLE & WIRE ROPE CEMENT & CONCRETE GRAPHITE** COMPOSITES **ALUMINUM & LT. ALLOY STEELS ALLOY STEELS MOLD STEELS CARBON STEELS** STAINLESS STEELS **NICKEL BASE ALLOYS TITANIUM ALLOYS CASE HARDENED ALUMINUM CASTINGS ABRASIVE WOODS** HASTELLOY / INCONEL

CARBIDE TIPPED BLADES

M-FACTOR by Morse® – GP

- **▼** Alloy steels
- ▼ Stainless steels
- ▼ Typical users include: Steel service centers, Forging operations and General Manufacturing

M-FACTOR by Morse® – FB

- Aluminum castings: gates, risers, extrusions
- ▼ Abrasive wood & plywood
- ▼ Typical users include: Aluminum foundries, Graphite manufacturing, Composite wood (furniture)

CARBIDE GRIT BLADES

CONTINUOUS

- **GULLETED**
- ▼ Very smooth finish
- ▼ Reversible to extend service life
- Available in continuous and gulleted cutting edges
- ▼ Continuous grit for brittle materials, or materials thinner than 1/4" (6.4mm) with surfaces that chip
- ▼ Gulleted grit for 1/4" and larger wall thickness
- ▼ Available in medium to coarse grit
- ▼ Medium grit for thin materials or fine finishes
- ▼ Coarse grit for cutting thick materials

M-FACTOR by Morse® – CH

- ▼ Work hardened, chrome plated hydraulic cylinder shafts
- ▼ Case hardened shafts & shapes
- ▼ Heat treated thick wall tubing
- ▼ Typical users include: Steel service centers, Automotive parts makers, Cylinder Manufacturers, **Bearing Manufacturers**

M-FACTOR by Morse® - EX

- ▼ Stainless Steels (all grades)
- Inconel
- **▼** Hastelloy
- ▼ Other difficult alloys
- ▼ Typical users include: Steel service centers, Forging operations and General Manufacturing



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