



MODEL 52H HYDRAULIC SHEAR

OPERATION, PARTS & MAINTENANCE MANUAL



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MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS

TENNSMITH	Model 52H 16 gauge / 1,6mm
Maximum shearing capacity, stainless steel	20 gauge / 1,0mm
Maximum cutting length	52-1/4 in. / 1327mm
Back gauge range	30 in. / 762mm
Front gauge range	37 in. / 940 mm
Floor space, gauges in position	60 x 80 in. / 1524 x 2032 mm
Overall dimensions, less gauges, LxWxH	61 x 25 x 42 in. / 1550 x 915 x 1067 mm
Strokes per minute, full length	60
Maximum operating pressure	1450 psi / 98.6 atmos.
Motor-230/460v, 3 phase, 60Hz, 1745 RPM	3 hp
Amp Draw of 3 phase motor 3hp	8.6 230 volt 3 phase
Motor-230, 1phase, 60Hz, 1725 RPM	3 hp 230 volt 1 phase
Amp Draw of 1 phase motor 3hp	10.7 amps
Shipping weight	1300 lbs. / 590 kg

APPROXIMATE SHEARING, BENDING AND FORMING CAPCITIES FOR VARIOUS MATERIALS COMPARED TO MILD STEEL

Mild Steel Capacity	10	20ga.	18ga.	16ga.		teel Capa	2		20ga.	18ga.	16ga.
NON-FERROUS META Aluminum	LS			2	FERROUS METALS		20ga.	18ga.	16ga.		
1100-0, 2024-0		.070	.090	.125	Iron-dead soft 5 Steel low carbon			20ga.	Toga.	Toga.	
5052-0, 6061-T4	1	.070	.090	.125				24ga.	22ga.	20ga.	
2024-T3, 5052-I	-	.048	.063	.090	Hot Rolled			20ga.	18ga.	16ga.	
5086-H36, 6061		.048	.063	.090	Low carbon Cold Rolled			20ga.	18ga.	16ga.	
Copper and Alloys	10	.010	.005	.090	Stainle		Annealed	a monea	24ga.	22ga.	20ga.
Electrolytic Cop	per	18ga.	16ga.	14ga.		R MATE			8	84	=•84.
Bronze Comme	-	18ga.	16ga.	14ga.	Plastics						
Brass 70-30	0	18ga.	16ga.	14ga.		ABS C	ompound	ls .120	.150	.200	
Nickel Alloys	21	e e	U	e			rbonate		.075	.105	.125
Inconel 600	1	24ga.	22ga.	20ga.	Printed	Circuit I	Boards				
Monel R405		24ga.	22ga.	20ga.	Copper-Clad						
Nickel 200A An	nealed	24ga.	22ga.	20ga.		Ероху	Laminate	e	.086	.115	.150
Zinc as Rolled		20ga.	18ga.	16ga.							
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Approximate Gauge Equivalents											
Gauge	28	26	24	22	20	18	16	14	12	11	10
Inches	.015	.018	.024	.030	.036	.048	.060	.075	.105	.120	.135
Millimeters	.38	.46	.61	.76	1.00	1.25	1.60	2.00	2.70	3.05	3.50
IVIIIIIIICUCI S	.50	.70	.01	•/0	1.00	1.43	1.00	2.00	4.10	5.05	3.50



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FOREWORD

This manual has been prepared for the owner and operators of the TENNSMITH Model 52H Shear. Its purpose, aside from operation instruction, is to promote safety through the use of accepted operating procedures. Read all instructions thoroughly before operating your shear.

Also contained in this manual is the parts list for your shear. It is recommended that only TENNSMITH factory authorized parts be used for replacement parts.

WARRANTY

Your shear has a three year limited warranty from the date of purchase. The terms of the warranty are stated on the warranty registration card shipped with your machine. Please complete and return this card to activate your warranty.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Know the safety and operating instructions contained in this manual prior to operation of this shear. Become familiar with and understand the hazards and limitations of this shear. Always practice safety.
- 2. Wear approved eye safety protection, such as safety glasses or goggles, etc., when operating the shear to protect your eyes.
- 3. Protective type footwear should be worn, and jewelry such as rings, watches, necklaces, etc., should be removed prior to operation of this shear.
- 4. Do not remove the front hold-down guard (Index # 3). This is a protective device. If the hold-down is inoperable, immediately disconnect the power and lock the main power to the machine, and contact Tennsmith or your authorized distributor for a replacement part.
- 5. Keep the hold-down (Index #3) at the minimum gap required to feed the material into the shear. The gap should never be higher than 3/16" from the table. If you have questions regarding the Hold-down, please consult the factory.
- 6. Always keep hands clear of the blade.
- 7. Do not misuse the shear by using it for other than its intended purpose.
- 8. Never exceed the rated capacity of this machine.
- 9. Keep the work area clear and clean to avoid tripping or slipping.
- 10. Always disconnect the power to the shear prior to performing any maintenance or adjustments to the machine.
- 11. Turn off machine when not in use.
- 12. Any malfunction or abnormality pertaining to this machine should be reported to the maintenance supervisor immediately.



DO NOT OPERATE THE SHEAR WITHOUT SAFETY WARNING LABELS AND HOLD DOWN GUARD IN PLACE.

RECEIVING THE SHEAR

Examine the shear and accessories package for evidence of any possible damage sustained during transit. Any damage should be reported to your distributor immediately.

INSTALLING THE SHEAR

Carefully remove the shear from the shipping pallet. Locate the shear in a well-lighted area on a solid level floor. Use lag screws or bolts with expandable shields or similar holding devices through the mounting feet, located on the bottom of the side panels.

Place an accurate machinist level on the table top, and check the level of the machine in both directions. Use metal shims between the floor and the shear mounting surface to adjust the level. After the machine is level, tighten the mounting bolts. Periodically, recheck the unit for levelness.

NOTE: Proper levelness greatly affects the performance of your shear, it is very important to ensure your machine is level prior to operation.

The 52H shear is available in several electrical configurations, which include both 3-phase and single phase. The electrics on your shear should be clearly marked on the outside of your electrical box and should be stated on the original bill of lading from Tennsmith. Only certified electricians should perform electrical connections and any necessary maintenance on this machine. If you have any questions, please consult Tennsmith.

OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

The mild steel capacity of the Model 52H shear is 16gauge. Included in the manual is a standard shearing, bending, and forming conversion chart for various materials including Aluminum, Stainless, and Plastics. If you have any capacity related questions on materials that do not appear on the chart, please contact Tennsmith technical support to help determine the exact capacity ratings.

NEVER ATTEMPT TO SHEAR ANY MATERIAL GREATER THAN THE MAXIMUM RATING FOR YOUR SHEAR.

The 52H is a fixed angle designed machine. Reducing the maximum width of your material does not increase the capacity rating of this shear.

NEVER ATTEMPT TO SHEAR ANY MATERIAL WHICH WOULD BE LESS THAN A ½" CUT ACROSS THE FULL LENGTH OF THE TABLE UNDER FULL CAPACITY.

The model 52H is equipped with a start/stop Power switch (Part #109) located on the right side panel of the shear facing from the front. Press the green start button to engage the hydraulics and start the shear. Your machine is now ready to shear. To activate the cutter bar (Part #2); press the footswitch (part #106).

BLADE GAP ADJUSTMENT

The factory setting for the gap between the upper and lower blade is .002. This setting is the optimal clearance for the entire range of material likely to be sheared on this machine. Different materials and thickness may require a larger or slightly smaller clearance. If you have any specific questions regarding optimal blade gap, please consult Tennsmith.

To adjust the blade gap of your shear, the turnbuckles (55) are utilized to move the cutter bar down and hold the position while the blade adjustment is being made. Please note: when checking the blade clearance between the blades at any particular point across the travel of the bed, check the gap at the point where the upper blade intersects the lower blade by 1/8" depth.

To start, disconnect the main power connection to the shear.

- 1. Loosen the jam nuts (54) that lock the turnbuckle in position.
- 2. Move the cutter bar down by tightening each turnbuckle. To avoid putting the cutter bar in a bind, tighten each turnbuckle evenly. The first checkpoint when verifying or changing the blade gap is 2 inches from the right side end of the blade facing the machine. Make sure the upper blade intersects the lower blade by 1/8". Once you have moved the cutter bar into the desired position, use a set of shim feeler gauges to verify the blade clearance between the two blades. The second checkpoint is the center of the shear, and the last is 2 inches from the left end of the blades.
- 3. To close the gap on the either the left or the right ends of the blade, loosen the table bolts(24) for the particular end you are adjusting, and loosen the 9/16" adjustment screw (22) located in the front of your side panel by a ¼ turn. Next tighten the set screw (21) to move the lower blade towards the upper blade. When you have reached the desired gap verified by your feeler gauge, tighten the adjustment screw (22) to ensure the proper tension on the set screw. To open the gap, reverse the previous procedure.
- 4. After you have reached the desired gap, tighten the table bolts (24) on each side.
- 5. The blade gap in the center of the shear is controlled by the adjustment screw (40) located on the backside of the cutter bar of the shear. To close the gap, tighten the screw in ¹/₄ increments until you have reached the desired gap.
- 6. After you have adjusted the shear gap to the desired settings, move the cutter bar back to its original settings. This is called the pitch or rake of the blade:

Rake angle settings:

Use a marker to mark the shear bed 2 inches to the from the right side edge of the table. Next, measure over 48 inches from the right side edge of the table and make another mark. Starting at the right hand side (facing the machine) at the designated mark on the table, rotate the turnbuckle (55) until the distance between the top and bottom blades is approximately 3/8 of an inch. At the opposing end, repeat the procedure allowing 1 ³/₄ inches clearance between the upper and lower blades. After you have the desired clearance between the upper and lower blades slightly adjust the turnbuckles so that they have an equal amount of tension. That is, if one turnbuckle has more play or lost motion in it than the other, it should be readjusted accordingly. Once the rake has been set and equal tension verified between the turnbuckles, retighten the jam nuts (54) and lock the turnbuckles in place.

HOLD-DOWN ADJUSTMENT

CAUTION: THIS SHEAR SHOULD NOT BE OPERATED WITHOUT THE HOLDDOWN IN PLACE AND PROPERLY ALIGNED. The hold-down (3) is designed to engage the material before the blades yet allow only minimal clearance between the guard's feet and the table surface. The gap between the hold-down feet and table surface should never be above 3/16" of an inch. The gap between the hold-down and the table is controlled by turning the nut on the hold-down studs (10). Clockwise rotation will increase clearance; counter clockwise turns will decrease the gap.

The guard should be held snug against the milled pads on the cutter bar and not feel loose. You must be careful, however, that the hold-down bolts (13) are not so tight as to bind the guard when the cutter bar is in the down position. Properly aligned, the bolts will snug but still allow rotation of the hold-down bolt washers (14). At the rear of the cutter bar you will find two tapped holes wherein hold-down jam screws (45) are located. Once you have applied proper tension to the hold-down bolts, tighten the jam screws to lock alignment in place. (Note: The milled pads on the front and rear of the hold-down should be greased periodically to maintain proper action.

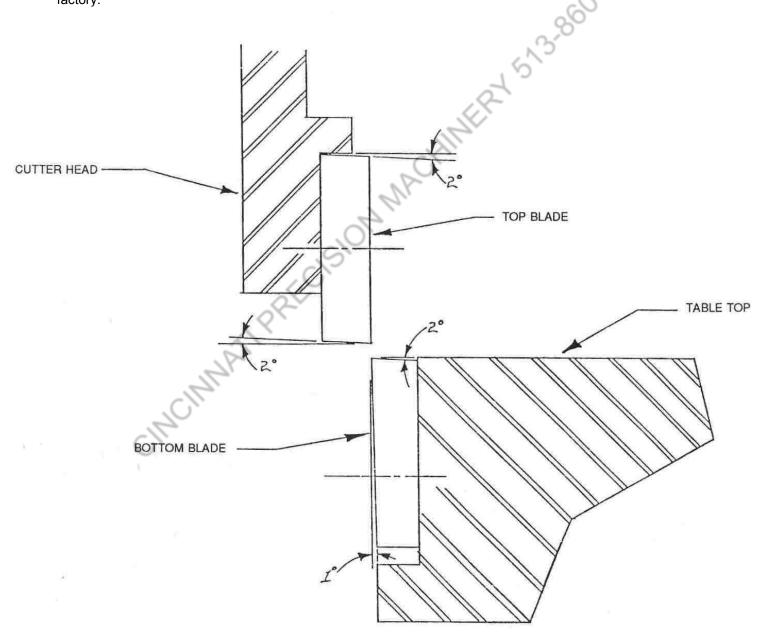
BACK GAUGE ADJUSTMENT

Slide back gauge rods (62) through the adjustment blocks (66) and brackets (71). Mount the rods in the holes found at the rear of the cutter bar. Move the gauge angle (63) up the rods until it contacts with the lower blade. Observe the pointers attached to the adjustment blocks and adjust the rods in or out until the embossed scales read zero on the pointers. Tighten the set screws (44) to lock the rods in place.

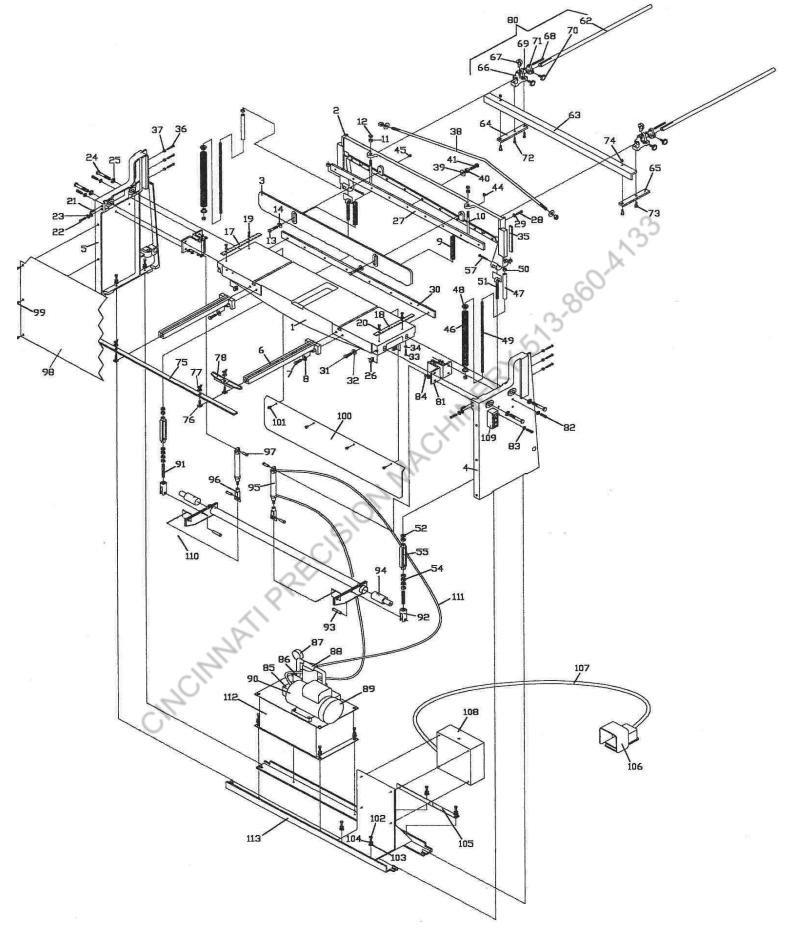
To attain a particular setting, loosen the four lock screws (70) and slide the gauge to an approximate position. Fine tune adjustments are accomplished by locking the screws of the two adjustment brackets (71) while keeping those of the blocks (66) loose. The adjustment dial (68) can then be used to position the gauge in or out.

SHARPENING BLADES

Your TENNSMITH shear features "Tri-Action" ground blades. The upper blade has two cutting edges which are ground with a 2 degree edge relief. The upper blade can be turned over to expose the new cutting edge. It can be sharpened on a surface grinder by grinding both wide sides to the blade. The lower blade has one cutting edge with a 2 degree cutting edge relief and a 1 degree face relief. It can be sharpened on a surface grinder by grinding the vide side side of the blade having the 1 degree relief. See Figure 2). Blade sharpening service is available from the factory.



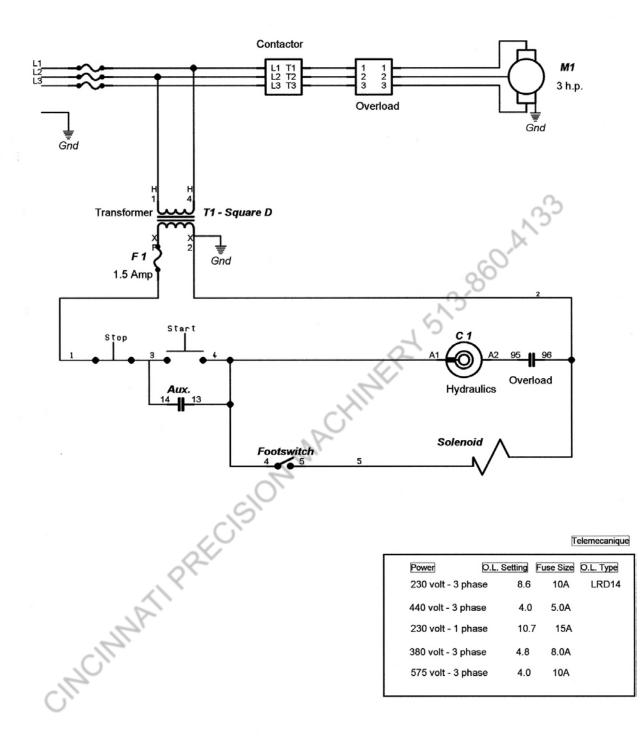
Model 52H Machine View



Model 52H Parts List

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			<u>Model 52H</u>	Parts	LIST	
	X 52H	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	NO.	52H	DESCRIPTION
NO. 1	520 10151	DESCRIPTION TABLE	u r. 1	NO. 84	э2п 05543	DESCRIPTION NUT, CYLINDER BRKT.
2	10151	CUTTER BAR	1	85	62551	HYDRUALIC PUMP
3	10152	HOLDDOWN	1	86	62552	HYDRUALIC VALVE
4	10051	R.H. SIDE PANEL	1	87	62553	PRESSURE GAUGE
5	10052	L.H. SIDE PANEL	1	88	62554	SOLENOID VALVE
6	10053	FRONT ARM EXT.	2	89	62555	MOTOR
7	05055	SCREW, FRONT ARM EXT.	4	90	62556	COUPLING, MOTOR
8	05673	WASHER, FRONT ARM EXT.	4	91	10302	STUD, TURNBUCKLE
9	10054	SPRING, HOLDDOWN	2	92	10303	CLEVIS, FOOT PEDAL
10	10164	STUD, HOLDDOWN SPRING	2	93	05544	PIN, FOOT PEDAL CLEVIS
			-			
11	05880	NUT, HOLDDOWN STUD	2	94	10304	PIN, PEDAL BAR
12	05907	CAP NUT, HOLDDOWN STUD	2	95	62590	HYDRUALIC CYLINDER
13	05060	SCREW, HOLDDOWN	2	96	62591	CLEVIS, CYLINDER
14	05673	WASHER, HOLDDOWN SCREW	2	97	62592	PIN, CYLINDER
17	10055	SCALE, L.H. TABLE	1	98	10305	GUARD PANEL, FRONT
18	10056	SCALE, R.H. TABLE	1	99	05545	SCREW, FRONT PANEL GUARD
19	05021	SCREW, TABLE SCALE	4	100	10306	PANEL GUARD, REAR
20	05639	WASHER, TABLE SCREW	4	101	05546	SCREW, REAR PANEL GUARD
21	05327	SET SCREW, TABLE ADJ.	2	102	05547	SCREW, MOUNTING
22	05035	SCREW, TABLE LOCK	2	103	05548	WASHER, MOUNTING
23	05670	WASHER, TABLE LOCK SCREW	4	104	05549	NUT, MOUNTING
24	05075	BOLT, TABLE	4	105	10307	SUPPORT PLATE, MOUNTING
25 26	05676 05925		4 4	106 107	45061	
20	10155	NUT, TABLE KNIFE, UPPER	4	107	45062 45063	CORD, FOOT SWITCH CONTROL PANEL
28	05033	SCREW, UPPER KNIFE	9	100	45064	POWER SWITCH
29	05670	WASHER, UPPER KNIFE	18	110	62557	HYDRAULIC HOSE ASSEMBLY
30	10156	KNIFE, LOWER	1	112	62558	OIL TANK ASSEMBLY
31	05035	SCREW, LOWER KNIFE	8	113	10309	MOUNTING ASSEMBLY
32	05670	WASHER, LOWER KNIFE	16			
33	05246	SET SCREW, LOWER KNIFE ADJ.	8		11.	
34	05759	NUT, LOWER KNIFE ADJ.	8		\sum	
35	10064	SHIM, C'BAR	2	MAC		
36	05249	SCREW, C'BAR SHIM	6	0		
37	05762	NUT, C'BAR SHIM SCREW LOCK	6	N		
38	10157	STRAIGHTENER ROD, C'BAR	1	6.		
39	05673	WASHER, STRAIGHTENER ROD	3	<u> </u>		
40	05787	NUT, STRAIGHTENER ROD	3			
41	10165	ADJ. SCREW, STRAIGHTENER RC				
44 45	05331	SET SCREW, BACKGAUGE ROD	4			
45	05331 10302	SET SCREW, HOLDDOWN LOCK SPRING, FOOT PEDAL				
40	15053	SPRING GUIDE	2 2 2 2 2			
48	15057	CAP, SPRING	4			
49	15055	STUD, SPRING				
50	05787	NUT, SPRING STUD	2 8			
51	10069	LINKAGE BOLT, C'BAR	2			
52	05827	NUT, LINKAGE BOLT, C'BAR	2			
54	05826	NUT, STUD	8			
55	10071	TURNBUCKLE	2			
57	06354	PIN, LINKAGE, MOUNTING	2			
62	10058	ROD, BACKGAUGE	2			
63	10163	STOP, BACKGAUGE	1			
64	10065	R. EXT. BAR, BACKGAUGE	1			
65 66	10066 10059	L. EXT. BAR, BACKGAUGE	1			
66 67		ADJ. BLOCK, BACKGAUGE	2			
67 68	10060 10075	ADJ. DIAL, BACKGAUGE ADJ. SCREW, BACKGAUGE	2 2			
69	05762	NUT, ADJ. SCREW	2			
70	10061	LOCK SCREW, BACKGAUGE	4			
70	10062	ADJ. BRKT. BACKGAUGE	2			
72	05027	SCREW, EXT. BAR	2			
73	05325	SWIVEL BOLT	3			
74	05765	NUT, SWIVEL BOLT	2			
75	10159	STOP, FRONT MATERIAL	1			
76	10074	"T"-NUT	3			
77	05938	WING NUT, "T"-NUT	3			
78	10063	BEVEL GAUGE	1			
80	10158	BACKGAUGE ASSEMBLY	1			
81	10301	CYLINDER BRKT.	2			
82 83	05541 05542	SCREW, CYLINDER BRKT. WASHER, CYLINDER BRKT.	8 8			
03	00042	WAUTER, UTEINDER DRAT.	U			



Hydraulic Shear 230vac 1 Phase 3 HP Motor 20 Amp (min) service #10 Wire

