Important Safety Precautions

Plead read all the instructions before using this tool.

1) Always keep your work area clean. Cluttered areas invite injuries.
2) Do not use tools in damp, wet or poorly lit locations. Do not expose to rain.
3) Children should be kept away from the work area.
4) When not in use, tool should be kept in a dry place to inhibit rust.
5) Do not force the tool. It will do the job better and more safely at the rate for which it was intended.
6) Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry.
7) Wear ANSI approved impact goggles and protective gloves.
8) Use clamp or vise to hold the work piece if possible. It is safer than using your hands.
9) Keep tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance
10) Keep proper footing and balance at al times.
11) Serious injury could occur if the tool is tipped over.
12) Never operate the machine unless all the guards are functioning properly.
13) Get help when lifting tools and materials that are too heavy for you to do yourself.
14) When appropriate and whenever possible, use a fork truck or a hoist.
SPECIFICATIONS

Width: 12”
Thickness: 20 Gauges
Fingers: 5
Brake Angle: 0 to 135 Degrees
Weight: 20 kgs

UNPACKING

CT153 is carefully packed in a box and completely assembled. The unpainted surfaces of the machine are coated with rust prevention waxy oil and you will want to remove this after unpacking the machine.

The machine comes fully assembled, so before you begin you need to mount your machine.

Mounting the machine

To mount the machine to a workbench, you need 4 bolts, 4 washers and 4 nuts for the four holes located on the base of the machine.

Take the machine and put it on a work surface where you want to mount it. Make sure there is enough space at the back of the machine, so that when operating the machine, there should be enough space to accommodate the material. The box and pan brake should be mounted on the bench in such a way that when looking at it, the handle of the machine should be on the right and there should be enough space for it to move.

Now, mark the holes on the work bench and remove the machine. Take a drill and drill the holes on the work surface. Place the machine on the work surface and align the box and pan brake base holes to the work surface holes. Take the nuts, washers, and bolts and mount the machine to the work bench.
**ADJUSTMENTS**

**Fingers**

The box and pan brake has got 5 fingers. To adjust these fingers you need to loosen the cap-screws on the fingers first. Then push the fingers up into the hold down assembly tightly and tighten the screws back.

When tightening the cap-screws, make sure the fingers are held square to the hold down and parallel to the apron and then tighten the cap-screws. Failure to do so may cause problems while operating the machine or poor result.

**Metal Thickness**

To adjust the machine for the metal thickness, loosen the screws at the back of the hold down assembly on both sides. Now you should move the hold down assembly by rotating the eccentric at the back of the hold down assembly which will make the fingers move away from the apron edge.

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**Figure-2**

A. Hold Down Assembly  
B. Hold Down Stop  
C. Fingers  
D. Finger Knife edge  
E. Apron Face  
F. Apron
The distance between the fingers edge and the apron edge must be 1 1/2 times or more thick than the material thickness. It should not be less than 1 1/2 or it will cause damage to the finger knife edge.

Turn the hex nuts located on the turnbuckle on both sides of the machine. Use the turnbuckle to adjust the hold down assembly for metal thickness. The holding pressure should be strong enough to hold the material and make sure the material does not move while bending. But it should not be so tight to make it hard to rotate the hold down assembly handle. Now, tighten the hex nuts on both sides of machine. See Figure-2.

**OPERATIONS**

**Bending Metal**

To bend metal, open the hold down assembly by lifting up the hold down handle. Put the work metal sheet between the fingers and the apron edge. Align the fingers to bend the metal sheet and move the hold down handle to hold the work-piece. Do not force the hold down handle. The pressure should be tight enough to just hold the work piece and do no let the work piece to move while bending it.

Now, bend the metal by lifting up the apron handle with both hands. Once your work piece reaches to your desired angle, lift up the hold down handle to open the hold down assembly and then remove the bent work-piece.

To bend only certain portions of your work-piece, simply loosen the bolts that hold the fingers and remove or add fingers as desired.

**LUBRICATION**

1. Apply a small amount of the oil or grease to the sliding areas.

2. To keep the fingers free from rust, keep a light coat of oil on them.
CT153-12” BOX & PAN BRAKE
PARTS LIST

1. BODY
2. BLADE BODY
3. BENDING LEAF
4. TRANSMISSION SHAFT
5. RING
6. RIGHT ECCENTRIC
7. HINGE SHAFT
8. ECCENTRIC
9. ECCENTRIC SHAFT
10. M8X15 BLOT
11. M6X10 BLOT
12. M6X10 BLOT
13. 76 WASHER
14. M6X10 BLOT
15. M8X30 BLOT
16. 1”’ BLADE
17. 2”’ BLADE
18. 2”’ BLADE
19. 3”’ BLADE
20. 4”’ BLADE
21. HANDLE
22. M8 SCREW
23. HANDLE COVER
24. PULL BLOT
25. 4MM FLAT WASHER
26. ECCENTRIC
27. PLASTIC HANDLE
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- Returns must be pre-authorized by us in writing.
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- Items returned for warranty purposes must be insured and shipped pre-paid to the nearest warehouse.
- Returns must be accompanied with a copy of your original invoice as proof of purchase. Returns must be in an un-used condition and shipped in their original packaging a letter explaining your reason for the return. Incurred shipping and handling charges are not refundable.
- Busy Bee will repair or replace the item at our discretion and subject to our inspection.
- Repaired or replaced items will be returned to you pre-paid by our choice of carriers.
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