

# **CUT-OFF SAWING TROUBLESHOOTING**

# **CUTTING RATE TOO SLOW**

- 1. Band pitch too fine. Use coarser pitch band.
- 2. Increase band speed.
- 3. Increase feed force.

## **INACCURATE CUTTING**

- 1. Band teeth worn or dull. Replace band.
- 2. Hard spot in stock. Make new cut.
- 3. Chip brush not cleaning teeth. Adjust or replace.
- 4. Decrease feed force.
- 5. Check coolant. Replace if dirty.
- 6. Coolant not supplied evenly to both sides of band.
- 7. Crooked stock. (Usually results in straight, but not square cuts.)
- 8. Guide arms too far from stock.
- 9. Wrong pitch band. Select correct pitch.
- 10. Increase band speed.
- 11. Wrong band tension. Readjust.
- 12. Check adjustment of saw guide inserts and back-up 2. Increase band speed. bearing. Readjust.
- 13. Check machine alignment.

# SURFACE FINISH TOO DRY

- 1. Check for vibration. (See below)
- 2. Damaged band. Readjust.
- 3. Wrong coolant or mixture too weak. Replace.
- 4. Stock not firmly clamped.
- 5. Saw guide inserts worn or promptly adjusted. Readjust or replace.
- 6. Back-Up bearings worn. Replace.
- 7. Wrong band tension. Readjust.

# **VIBRATION**

- 1. Dull or damaged band. Replace.
- 2. Wrong band speed or feed force. Readjust.
- 3. Wrong pitch band. Select correct pitch.
- 4. Stock not firmly clamped. Tighten vises.
- 5. Saw guide inserts worn or improperly adjusted. Readjust or replace.
- 6. Back-up bearing worn. Replace.
- 7. Wrong band tension. Readjust.

# BAND NOT RUNNING TRUE AGAINST BACK **UP BEARING (MAY CAUSE VIBRATION)**

- 1. Check back-up bearings. Replace if chipped or worm more than 0.020-inch (0.5mm)
- 2. Check saw guide pivot bolts. Replace if worn.
- 3. Check machine Alignment.

# BAND TOOTH STRIP PAGE

- Decrease feed force.
- 2. Chipped tooth lodges in cut. Make new cut.
- 3. Chip welding. Check coolant mixture or reduce band
- 4. Faulty stock. (Heavy scale, hard spots, etc.) Decrease band speed by 1/2.
- 5. Wrong band. Too coarse for thin stock, use finer pitch.
- 6. Chip brush not cleaning teeth, adjust or replace.
- 7. Stock not firmly clamped. Tighten vises.
- 8. Saw guide inserts worn or improperly adjusted. Readjust or replace.
- 9. Back-up bearings worn. Replace.
- 10. Coolant not supplied correctly. Readjust.
- 11. Increase band speed.
- 12. Wrong band tension. Readjust.

# BAND TOOTH LOADING

- 1. Band pitch too fine. Use coarser pitch band.
- Chip brush not cleaning teeth. Adjust or replace/
- 4. Decrease feed force.
- 5. Coolant not supplied correctly. Readjust.
- 6. Wrong band tension. Readjust.

## PREMATURE TOOTH DULLING

- 1. Cutting rate too high. Decrease band speed and feed force.
- 2. Faulty stock (heavy scale, hard spots etc) Decrease band speed by 1/2.
- 3. Wrong band. Select correct. Readjust.
- 4. Coolant not supplied correctly. Readjust.
- 5. Check for vibration. (See above).
- 6. Chipped tooth lodged in cut. Make a new cut.
- 7. Chip welding. Check coolant mixture or reduce band
- 8. Wrong coolant or mixture to weak. Replace.
- 9. Decrease feed force to "break in" band on first few cuts.
- 10. Wrong band tension.

# PREMATURE BAND BREAKAGE

- 1. Poor weld. Replace band.
- 2. Band dropped into stock. Slow approach.
- 3. Decease feed force.
- 4. Stock not firmly clamped. Tighten vises.
- 5. Increase band speed.
- 6. Check adjustment of saw guide inserts and back-up bearing. Readjust.
- 7. Insufficient coolant. Readjust.
- 8. Band pitch too fine. Use coarser pitch band,
- 9. Wrong band tension Readjust.

