



(P/N 6502 shown)

# **Spindle Precautions**

It is important to realize that this spindle should be considered light duty. To make the spindle versatile on Models 6501 and 6502, the spindle nose includes both a 3/4-16 external thread and a #1 Morse internal taper. A .405 (10 mm) through hole allows long stock to be passed through the spindle. This design provides a lot of versatility, but was not intended for long or out-of-round parts to be rotated at high RPM. The same precaution regarding long stock applies to the ER-16 collet models. It is up to the operator to determine if the spindle and the setup are adequate and safe for the job being attempted.

The spindle is equipped with a dust cap, but it is not totally sealed. The presence of dust from grinding operations can shorten bearing life considerably. It was also not designed to be operated in a coolant bath. The spindle shaft should be shielded from coolant spray.

# Introduction

The Sherline industrial headstock was developed based on the headstock used on the Sherline lathe and milling machine. It features two 20mm, class 5, lifetime lubricated ball bearings with an adjustable preload nut. The preload is adjusted at the factory to .0002" (.005 mm) of endplay. This is controlled by the outer races of the bearings being held apart by the headstock case and the inner races being pulled together by the preload nut. This is appropriate for extended running at speeds in the range of 4000 RPM or less. You may need a slightly looser preload setting of .0003" for operating speeds up to 10,000 RPM.

# **Optional Nickel/Teflon Spindles**

Most of our spindles are available with a Nickle/Teflon plating as a rustproof option for an additional cost. You can select the option to add the Nickel/Teflon plating to your spindle order.

# Adjusting the Spindle Bearing Preload

To reduce the preload adjustment, remove the spindle pulley, loosen the set screw in the preload nut and back the preload nut off four degrees of rotation (counterclockwise). The bearings are lightly pressed into the case, so the inner race

#### **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

6501—3/4-16 Spindle w/ 30-tooth timing belt pulley 6502—3/4-16 Spindle w/ 2-step V-belt pulley 6503—ER-16 Spindle w/ 30-tooth timing belt pulley 6504—ER-16 Spindle w/ 2-step V-belt pulley



# Industrial Tapered Headstocks with Flat Bases P/N 6501, 6502, 6503, 6504

will not move without a sharp tap with a plastic mallet to the end of the spindle where the pulley was attached. When adjusted, retighten the set screw and reinstall the pulley.

If you find your bearings are set too loose, you may want to take up on the endplay. You can check them with an indicator or by spinning the spindle without the drive belt engaged. If the spindle spins freely with a chuck or faceplate on it, the spindle is too loose for normal work. Adjust the preload nut until the spindle turns approximately one and a half revolutions when spun by hand.

# **Mounting the Headstock**

Two 1/4-20 holes are provided in the bottom of the headstock for mounting to your fixture. They are located on the spindle centerline with 2.0" between centers. A 3/16" wide x .100" deep slot is provided between the mounting holes should you wish to use a 3/16" alignment key to aid in precisely locating your headstock.

# **Accessories Available**

Sherline manufactures a complete line of accessories for the headstock, including 3-jaw and 4-jaw chucks, drill chucks, collets, and special tool holders. These accessories will fit the 3/4-16 external spindle thread or the #1 Morse internal taper. See our tools and accessories website at <u>Sherline.</u> <u>com</u>, or call for a catalog.

# **Purchasing ER-16 Collets**

ER-16 collets and collet nuts are available from major tool suppliers including the following:

- Manhattan Supply Co. (MSC)—(800) 645-7270
- McMaster-Carr—(562) 692-5911
- Travers Tool Co.—(800) 221-0270

# **Specifications**

- Spindle base size: 3.0" long x 3.36" wide (76.2 mm x 85.4 mm)
- Spindle case height: 3.66" (93.1 mm)
- Spindle centerline height above table: 2.50" (63.5 mm)
- Hole through spindle: .405" (10 mm)

- Spindle nose thread (Models 6501, 6502): 3/4-16
- Spindle nose internal taper (Models 6501, 6502): #1 Morse
- Spindle nose thread and taper (Models 6503, 6504): ER-16
- Bearings: (2) 20 mm, class 5, lifetime lubricated ball bearings with adjustable preload
- Runout at spindle nose: 0.001" (Most are within .0005")
- End play (factory preload adjustment): .0002" (.0051 mm)
- Recommended continuous spindle speed: 4000 RPM or less
- Maximum spindle speed: 10,000 RPM
- Mounting provision: 2 holes, 1/4-20, 2" (50.8 mm) between centers on part centerline
- Alignment provision: 3/16" x .10" slot between mounting holes on spindle centerline for 3/16" alignment key

Thank you, Sherline Products Inc.

# Parts List

NO. REQ.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	31080	10-32 x 3/8" Flat Point Set Screw
1	40160	Preload Nut
1	40230	3/4-16/#1 Morse Spindle (used on P/N 6501, 6502)
1	40320	Bearing Dust Cover Washer
1	40330	10-32 x 5/8" SHCS
2	40410	Headstock Class 5 Bearings
2	40440	#2 x 1/4" Self-Tapping Phillips Head Screws
1	43230	2-Step V-Belt Pulley (used on P/N 6502, 6504)
1	65016	30-T Timing Belt Pulley (used on P/N 6501, 6503)
1	65021	Industrial Headstock Case w/ Flat Base
1	65023	ER-16 Spindle (used on P/N 6503, 6504)
1	65026	ER-16 collet nut (used on P/N 6503, 6504)