TROUBLE SHOOTING DIAMOND BLADES

BURNING



CAUSE: Insufficient coolant (water) at the cutting surface of a wet cut core bit or blade.

REMEDY: Increase the flow of water and check for proper direction of the water to the cutting surface.

CAUSE: Insufficient cooling (air) REMEDY : Allow the blade to cool every few feet of cut by running it

SEGMENT LOSS



CAUSE: On stone or masonry blades the material may not have been held firmly which allowed the blade to twist or jam. REMEDY: Material must be held firmly. CAUSE: Overheating due to an inadequate

supply of water.Look for burning or discoloration near missing segments.

REMEDY: Provide adequate supply of water.

CAUSE: Undercutting which wears away blade core and weakens the weld between segment and core.

REMEDY: Increase water supply and if material being cut is very abrasive switch to wear-resistant cores.

CAUSE: Blade is too hard for material being cut causing excessive dullness and the segment seperates because of impact, fatique or frictional heat..

REMEDY: Use the proper blade specification for material being cut.

UNDERCUTTING

LOSS OF TENSION

CAUSE: A condition in which the steel core wears at a faster rate than the diamond segments. It is caused by highly abrasive material grinding against the core. REMEDY: The blade core should be equipped with undercut protectors or polyarc segements.

CAUSE: Blade is used on amisaligned saw.

Blade is excessively hard for the

CAUSE: Material slippage causing blade to twist.

CAUSE: Undersize or mis-matched blade collars.

REMEDY: Maintain a firm grip on material while

REMEDY: Minimum 3-7/8" - 4-1/2" on concrete

saws, 6" Minimum on blades over 30".

CAUSE: Blade used at improper RPM.

CAUSE: Improper mounting on arbor shaft

REMEDY: Make sure blade is securely on arbor

allows collars to bend blade when tightened.

shoulder until outside flange and nut are firmly

REMEDY: Check for proper saw alignment.

material being cut.

REMEDY: Correct bond spec.

REMEDY: Check shaft RPM.

tightened.

CAUSE:

cutting.





WORN OUT-OF-ROUND



ARBOR OUT OF ROUND



CAUSE: Blade is too hard for material being cut. (Wrong spec.) Bond will not wear away to expose new diamonds.

REMEDY: Choose a softer bond.

CAUSE: Material being cut is too hard.

- REMEDY: Dress or sharpen the blade with a soft concrete block or old abrasive wheel to expose new diamonds. If continual dressing is needed change to a softer bond.
- CAUSE: Insufficient power to permit blade to cut properly.
- REMEDY: Check and tighten belts and make sure adequate horsepower is available for application
 - CAUSE: Worn shaft bearings on saw which allows blade to run eccentric.
 REMEDY: Install new bearings.
 CAUSE: Engine not properly tuned which causes "hunting".
 REMEDY: Tune the engine.
 CAUSE: Blade arbor hole is damaged.
 REMEDY: If blade is in good condition the core may be re-bored.
 CAUSE: Blade mounting arbor is worn or is the wrang size.
 - the wrong size. REMEDY: Replace worn arbor busing or arbor shaft.

CAUSE: Bond is too hard for material causing machine to "pound" at regular intervals, thereby wearing one half of the blade more than the other.

CAUSE: Blade collar is not properly tightened allowing it to turn or rotate on shaft.
REMEDY: Tighten collars.
CAUSE: Worn or dirty collars which do not allow proper blade clamping.
REMEDY: Clean and replace if necessary.
CAUSE: Blade not properly mounted.

REMEDY: Rebore arbor hole if within

EXCESSIVE WEAR UNDERCUTTING



- CAUSE: Using the wrong blade spec. on highly abrasive materials.
- REMEDY: Change to a more abrasive resistant bond.
- CAUSE: Lack of sufficent coolant to the blade often detected by excessive wear in the center of the segment.
- REMEDY: Make sure water supply system is functioning properly.
- CAUSE: Wearing out-of-round accelerates wear. Usually caused by bad bearings, loose or worn "V" belts.
- REMEDY: Replace bad bearings or worn "V" belts

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BLADE WILL NOT CUT

(GLAZING)

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CORE CRACKS



SEGMENT CRACKS

CAUSE: Blade is too hard for material being cut.
REMEDY: Change to softer bond.
CAUSE: Excessive cutting pressure, or jamming or twisting of the blade
REMEDY: The saw operator should use a steady even pressure without twisting the blade in the cut.
CAUSE: Overheating through inadequate water supply or not allowing a dry blade to intermittently cool down.

REMEDY: Use adequate water on wet cutting blades and allow adequate air flow on dry blades.

Blade is too hard for the material

REMEDY: Use correct blade with a softer

CAUSE:

being cut.

bond.

MISMOUNTING



CAUSE: Blade collars are not properly tightened or are worn out. REMEDY: Check tightness and replace collars if necessary.

UNEVEN SIDE WEAR

CAUSE: Insufficient water, generally on one side of blade.
REMEDY: Make sure water is being distributed evenly on both sides of blade.
CAUSE: Equipment problem which causes blade to wear out of round.
REMEDY: Replace bearings, worn arbor shaft or misaligned spindle.
CAUSE: Saw Head is misaligned.
REMEDY: Check saw head alignment for squareness both vertically and horizontially.