

# MK-145 TILE SAW OWNER'S MANUAL, PARTS LIST & OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



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**Caution:** Read all safety and operating instructions before using this equipment. This owner's manual **MUST** accompany the equipment at all times.



MK-145 INTRODUCTION

We at MK Diamond want to congratulate you on selecting the MK-145 Tile Saw. We are certain that you will be pleased with your purchase. MK Diamond takes pride in producing the finest products in the industry.

Operated correctly, your MK-145 should provide you with years of quality service. In order to help you, we have included this manual. This owners manual contains information necessary to operate and maintain your MK-145 safely and correctly. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the MK-145 by reading and reviewing this manual.

If you should have questions concerning your MK-145, please feel free to call our friendly customer service department at: 1-800-421-5830

Regards,

MK Diamond

### **NOTE** THIS INFORMATION FOR FUTURE USE:

MODEL NUMBER:	
SERIAL NUMBER:	
PURCHASE PLACE:	
PURCHASE DATE:	

**NOTE:** For your (1) one year warranty to be effective, complete the warranty card (including the Serial Number) and mail it in as soon as possible.

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Read and follow all safety, operating and maintenance instructions. Failure to read and follow these instructions could result in injury or death to you or others. Failure to read and follow these instructions could also result in damage and/or reduced equipment life.

#### **SAFETY MESSAGES**

A safety message alerts you to potential hazards that could hurt you or others. Each safety message is preceded by a safety alert symbol ( ) and one of three words: **DANGER**, **WARNING**, or **CAUTION**.

**DANGER** You WILL be KILLED or SERIOUSLY INJURED if you do not follow directions.

**WARNING** You **CAN** be **KILLED** or **HARMED** if you do not follow directions.

**CAUTION** You **CAN** be **INJURED** if you do not follow directions. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

### DAMAGE PREVENTION AND INFORMATION MESSAGES:

A Damage Prevention Message is to inform the user of important information and/or instructions that could lead to equipment or other property damage if not followed. Information Messages convey information that pertains to the equipment being used. Each message will be preceded by the word **NOTE**, as in the example below.

**NOTE:** Equipment and/or property damage may result if these instructions are not followed.

## **GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND HAZARD SYMBOLS**

In order to prevent injury, the following safety precautions and symbols should be followed at all times!

#### SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



**ALWAYS** read this Owner's Manual before operating the machine.



**ALWAYS** keep the Blade Guard in place.



#### REMOVE ADJUSTING KEYS AND WRENCHES

Form a habit of checking to see that keys and adjusting wrenches are removed from the power tool before it is turned on.



#### **KEEP WORK AREA CLEAN**

Cluttered work areas and benches invite accidents.



## **DO NOT USE IN DANGEROUS PLACES**



**DO NOT** use power tools in damp or wet locations nor expose them to rain. Always keep the work area well lighted.



#### **KEEP CHILDREN AWAY**

All visitors and children should be kept a safe distance from work area.



#### MAKE THE WORKSHOP KID PROOF

Make the workshops kid proof by using padlocks, master switches or by removing starter keys.



#### DO NOT FORCE THE TOOL

A power tool will do a job better and safer operating at the rate for which it was designed.



#### **USE THE RIGHT TOOL**

**DO NOT** force a tool or an attachment, to do a job that it was not designed to do.



#### **USE THE PROPER EXTENSION CORD**

If using an extension cord make sure it is in good condition first. When using an extension cord, be sure to use one heavy enough to carry the current your product will draw. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage that will result in a loss of power and overheating. TABLE 1, Page 9 shows the correct AWG size to use depending on cord length and nameplate ampere rating. If in doubt, use the next heavier gage. The smaller the gage number, the heavier the cord.



#### **USE PROPER APPAREL**

**DO NOT** wear loose clothing, gloves, neckties, rings, bracelets, or other jewelry that may be caught in moving parts. Non-slip footwear is recommended. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair.



**ALWAYS** wear approved eye protection.



**ALWAYS** wear approved respiratory protection.



#### SECURE WORK

Clamps or a vise should be used to hold work whenever practical. Keeping your hands free to operate a power tool is safer.



#### DO NOT OVERREACH

Keep proper footing and balance at all times by not overreaching.



#### MAINTAIN TOOLS WITH CARE

Keep tools clean for the best and safest performance. Always follow maintenance instructions for lubricating, and when changing accessories.



#### **DISCONNECT TOOLS**

Power tools should always be disconnected before servicing or when changing accessories, such as blades, bits, cutters, and the like.



**ALWAYS** place the power **ON/OFF** switch in the **OFF** position when the saw is not in use



### **USE RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES**

Consult the owner's manual for recommended accessories. Using improper accessories may increase the risk of personal or by-stander injury.



#### **NEVER STAND ON THE TOOL**

Serious injury could occur if a power tool is tipped, or if a cutting tool is unintentionally contacted.



#### **CHECK FOR DAMAGED PARTS**

Before using a power tool, check for damaged part. A guard or any other part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine if would operate properly and perform its intended function. Always check moving parts for proper alignment or binding. Check for broken parts and mountings and all other conditions that may affect the operation of the power tool. A guard, or any damaged part, should be properly repaired or replaced.



#### **DIRECTION OF FEED**

**ALWAYS** feed work into a blade or cutter against the direction of rotation. A blade or cutter should always be installed such that rotation is in the direction of the arrow imprinted on the side of the blade or cutter.



#### **NEVER LEAVE A TOOL UNATTENDED**

**TURN POWER OFF** - Do not leave a tool until it comes to a complete stop. Always turn a power tool **OFF** when leaving the work area, or when a cut is finished.

## **CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 MESSAGE**



## **WARNING**

Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contain chemicals known [to the State of California] to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:

- Lead, from lead-based paints
- Crystalline silica, from bricks and cement and other masonry products and
- Arsenic and chromium, from chemically treated lumber

For further information, consult the following sources:

http://www.osha.gov/dsg/topics/silicacrystalline/index.html

http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/96-112/

http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/law/P65law72003.html

http://www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/sub4.html

Your risk from these exposures varies depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals, work in a well-ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

## **HAZARD SYMBOLS**



#### **ELECTRICAL SHOCK**

**NEVER** touch electrical wires or components while the engine is running. They can be sources of electrical shock which could cause severe injury or burns.



#### **ROTATING PARTS**

Keep hands, feet, hair, and clothing away from all moving parts to prevent injury. Never operate the motor with covers, shrouds, or guards removed.



### **OVER SPEED**

**NEVER** tamper with the governor components or settings to increase the maximum speed. Severe personal injury and damage to the engine or equipment can result if operated at speeds above maximum.



#### DO NOT EXPOSE TO RAIN

**DO NOT** expose to rain or use in damp locations.



## **WARNING**

Sawing and drilling generates dust. Excessive airborne particles may cause irritation to eyes, skin and respiratory tract. To avoid breathing impairment, always employ dust controls and protection suitable to the material being sawed or drilled; See OSHA (29 CFR Part 1910.1200).



## WARNING

Diamond Blades improperly used are dangerous. Comply with American National Standards Institute Safety Code, B7.1 and, Occupational Safety and Health Act covering Speed, Safety Guards, Flanges, Mounting Procedures, General Operating Rules, Handling, Storage and General Machine Conditions

#### **ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS AND GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

In order to prevent potential electrical shock and injury, the following electrical safety precautions and symbols should be followed at all times!



### **WARNING**

In case of a malfunction or breakdown, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This tool is equipped with an electric cord having an equipment-grounding conductor and a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into a matching outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

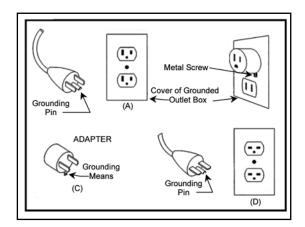
- Do not modify the plug provided if it will not fit the outlet; have the proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.
- Improper connections of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in a risk of electric shock. The equipment-grounding conductor is the insulated conductor that has an outer surface that is green, with or without yellow stripes. If repair or replacement of the electric cord or plug is necessary, do not connect the equipment-grounding conductor to a live terminal.
- Check with a qualified electrician or service personnel if the grounding instructions are not completely understood, or if in doubt as to whether the tool is properly grounded.
- Use only 3-wire extension cords that have 3-prong grounding plugs and 3-pole receptacles that accept the tool's plug.
- Repair or replace a damaged or worn cord immediately.



## **WARNING**

This tool is intended for use on a circuit that has an outlet that looks like the one shown in Sketch A. The tool has a grounding plug that looks like the plug illustrated in Sketch A. A temporary adapter, which looks like the adapter illustrated in Sketches B and C, may be used to connect this plug to a 2-pole receptacle as shown in Sketch B, if a properly grounded outlet is not available. The temporary adapter should be used only until a properly grounded outlet can be installed by a qualified electrician. The green-colored rigid ear, lug, and the like, extending from the adapter, must be connected to a permanent ground such as a properly grounded outlet box.

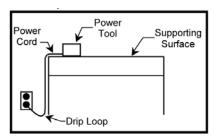
**NOTE:** Use of a temporary adapter is not permitted in Canada.





## WARNING

To avoid the possibility of the appliance plug or receptacle getting wet, position the machine to one side of a wall mounted receptacle. This will prevent water from dripping onto the receptacle or plug. A "drip loop," shown in the picture below, should be arranged by the user to properly position the power cord relative to the power source.



**Drip Loop Information** 

The "drip loop" is that part of the cord below the level of the receptacle, or the connector, if an extension cord is used. This method of positioning the cord prevents the travel of water along the power cord and coming in contact with the receptacle.

If the plug or receptacle gets wet, **DO NOT** unplug the cord. Disconnect the fuse or circuit breaker that supplies power to the tool. Then unplug and examine for presence of water in the receptacle.



## **WARNING**



Use only extension cords that are intended for outdoor use. These extension cords are identified by a marking "Acceptable for use with outdoor appliances; store indoors while not in use." Use only extension cords having an electrical rating not less than the rating of the product. Do not use damaged extension cords. Examine extension cords before using and replace if damaged. Do not abuse extension cords and do not vank on any cord to disconnect. Keep cords away from heat and sharp edges. Always disconnect the extension cord from the receptacle before disconnecting the product from the extension cord.



### **WARNING**



To reduce the risk of electrocution, keep all connections dry and off the ground. Do not touch the plug with wet hands. Use of under sized extension cords result in low voltage to the motor that can result in motor burnout and premature failure. MK Diamond warns that equipment returned to us showing signs of being run in a low voltage condition, through the use of undersized extension cords will be repaired or replaced totally at the customer's expense. There will be no warranty claim.

To choose the proper extension cord,

- Locate the length of extension cord needed in the table below.
- Once the proper length is found, move down the column to obtain the correct AWG size required for that length of extension cord.

EXTENSION CORD MINIMUM GAGE FOR LENGTH			
VOLTS	TOTAL LENGTH OF CORD IN FEET		
	25 ft. AWG	50 ft. AWG	75-100 ft. AWG
115V	12	10	8
230V	14	14	12

## **LOCK OUT:**



To prevent accidental starting, and to help ensure your workshop is "Kidproof," this saw is provided with a means to deactivate the functioning of the motor switch. The switch is provided with a removable toggle. With the toggle removed, the switch does not function and the motor cannot be turned on. Replacing the toggle reactivates the switch function.

#### SAFETY LABEL LOCATIONS

Safety labels are located according to Figure 1 to 3 below. The labels contain important information. Please read the information contained on each label. These labels are considered a permanent part of your saw. If a label comes off or becomes hard to read, contact MK Diamond or your dealer for a replacement.

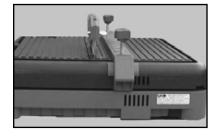
ITEM	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	PART NO.
1	Switch Side	General Safety Warnings	158315
2	Water Basin	Water level warning	N/A
3	Back	Serial Number and Motor Specifications	158316



1: General Safety Warning



2: Water Level Warning



3: Serial Number and Motor Specifications

## **TILE SAW SPECIFIC WARNINGS**



## WARNING

Wear eye protection.

Use splash guard for every operation for which it can be used.

Disconnect saw before servicing, when changing cutting blades, and cleaning. Replace damaged cutting blade before operating.

#### PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:

The MK-145 is a versatile tabletop tile saw. Operated and used according to this manual, the MK-145 will provide years of dependable service.

## **General Description:**

The MK-145 tile saw is engineered as a self-contained wet saw consisting of a powerful 120V motor in a hard plastic case. The saw is capable of cutting a tile up to (1) inch (25mm) thick. The water basin located below the tabletop can be filled with ordinary tap water, and is easily cleaned following use.

Voltage	120V
Overall Amperage	4.0 A
Frequency	50/60 Hz
RPM	6000 rpm
Weight	11 lbs / 5kgs

Table 2

### Motor Specifications:

Motor specifications for the MK-145 are listed in Table 2 below.

### Blade Capacity:

The MK-145 uses a 4-1/2 inch diameter continuous rim MK Diamond blade with a 1/16-inch cutting width. The MK 145 can miter cut at a 45-degree miter angle or a 22.5-degree angle for octagonal shapes.

#### Tile Types:

The MK-145 can cut a variety of tile types including Porcelain, Terracotta, Marble, Quarry and Slate, or almost any other non-ferrous material.

**NOTE:** The MK-145 is not designed to cut plastic or ferrous (metals) material.

MK-145 ASSEMBLY

## **UNPACKING:**

Your MK-145 has been shipped from the factory thoroughly inspected. Only minimal assembly is required.

If not done, remove the MK-145 from the box and place on a flat surface. Remove the Water Basin, Cover (See Step 1 of the Blade Guard Installation Procedure; page 13.), and remove the accessories package from the Water Basin.



**CAUTION** 

Use proper lifting techniques when lifting the MK-101.

#### CONTENTS:

In your container, you will find one (1) MK-145, one (1) 4-1/2 inch diamond blade, one (1) metal inner flange, one (1) plastic outer flange, one (1) retaining nut, (1) 45° cutting guide one, (1) adjustable cutting guide, two (2), adjustable cutting guide retaining knobs, one (1) adjustable blade guard, one (1) blade guard retaining screw, one (1) MK-145 table stop, one (1) blade wrench, one (1) owners manual, and one (1) warranty card



MK-145



Diamond Blade



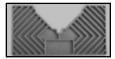
Metal Inner Flange



Plastic Outer Flange



Retaining Nut



45° Cutting Guide



Adjustable Cutting Guide



Adjustable Cutting Guide Knobs



Blade Guard



Blade Guard Retaining Screw



MK-145 Table Stop



Blade Wrench



Owners Manual



Warranty Card

## TRANSPORT:

The MK-145 weighs approximately eleven (11) pounds, making transport easy.



CAUTION

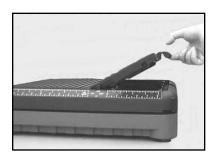
Never transport the MK-145 with water in the Cooling Basin.

The MK-145 is designed with recessed edges in the molded plastic case for ease of transport. To transport the MK-145, simply grasp it by the two recessed edges, lift and move it to the desired location.

MK-145 ASSEMBLY

#### **ASSEMBLY:**

Follow the assembly instructions to prepare your MK-145 for operation. Blade Guard Installation:



(A)
Lift Water Basin Cover and pull
out the Water Basing Cover



(B)
Insert Blade Guard into the small Slot of Cutting Table

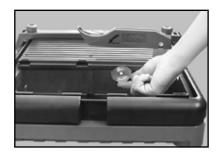


(C)
Rotate Blade Guard Upright
and insert Blade Guard
Retaining Screw

### **Diamond Blade Installation:**



(A)
Locate the flat sides of the
Gear Shaft



(B)
Install the Metal Inner
Flange onto the Gear
Shaft and rotate until it is
seated on the flat sides of
the Gear Shaft



(C)
Orient the Blade with the
Directional Arrow facing
out and install the Blade
through the Table Blade
Slot from below



(D)
Verify the Blade is seated
on the Gear Shaft and the
Directional Arrow matches
the Directional Arrow on
the Blade Guard



(E)
Install the Plastic Outer
Flange onto the Gear Shaft



(F)
Install the Retaining Nut
onto the Gear Shaft –
DO NOT CROSSTHREAD THE NUT

**NOTE:** Do not cross-thread the Retaining Nut during installation.

MK-145 ASSEMBLY



(G)
Hold the Diamond Blade
still and rotate the Blade
Wrench clockwise to tighten
- DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN

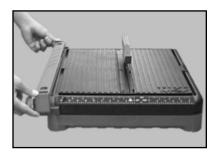


(H)
Insert the three (3) Cover
Retaining Tabs into the three
(3) Cover Alignment Slots and seat the Water Basin Cover on the MK-145

## Adjustable Cutting Guide Installation:

**NOTES:** 1. The Adjustable Cutting Guide can be used on either side of the Diamond Blade.

2. Step A may be skipped if the Adjustable Cutting Guide is installed.

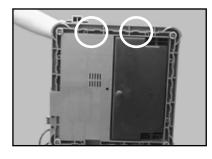


(A)
Fit the Retaining Tabs of the Adjustable Cutting
Guide to the Grooves of the MK-145 and slide the Adjustable Cutting Guide onto the MK-145



(B)
Install the two Retaining
Knobs into either side
of the Adjustable
Cutting Guide

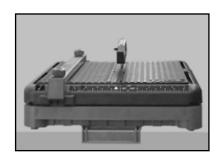
## Table Stop Installation:



(A)
Rotate the MK-145 onto
the back end and locate
the Table Stop Retaining
Slots



(B)
Install the Table Stop into
the MK-145 Retaining
Slots



(C)
Place the MK-145 onto the
workbench and position
the Table Stop against the
side of the work bench

**MK-145 SETUP** 

#### SETUP:



## **A** CAUTION

• Before powering or starting, check for damage, that could prevent this equipment from proper operation or performing its intended function. Check for binding and improper alignment of moving parts. Check for damaged, broken, or missing parts.

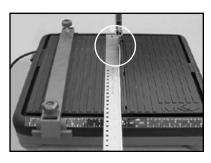
- Verify the On/Off switch is in the OFF position.
- Before connecting the MK-145 to a power supply, be sure the voltage, cycle and phase of the job site power source meet the requirements of TABLE 3.

Voltage	120V
Cycle	60 Hz
Phase:	1-phase

Table 3

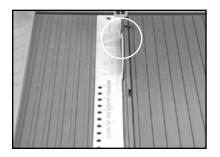
- If using an extension power cord, ensure sure the length and wire gauge correspond to the requirements listed in TABLE 1 on Page 9. An extension power cord that is too small in wire gauge (diameter), or too long in length, will cause the motor to overheat and could cause premature failure.
- Use an approved Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI).
- Do not cover the motor vents as this could lead to motor overheating.
- Do not overfill the Cooling Basin.

**NOTE:** In order to avoid breaker tripping, a 15-amp circuit breaker should be used.



(A)

Place MK-145 on a flat, level surface and verify the Diamond Blade is aligned with the Blade Guard Support Angle using straight edge



(B)

Loosen the Blade Guard Support Screw and align the Blade Guard to the Diamond Blade then retighten the Blade Guard Support Screw



(C) Lift Water Basin Cover and pull out on Water Basin Cover to remove

MK-145 SETUP

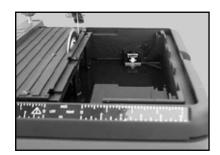


## WARNING

Overfilling the Water Basin can lead to water entering the motor compartment and potential electric shock.



(D)
Fill the Water Basin up to
the mark indicated on the
Water Level Label



(E)
Verify the Water Basin
water level, is below the
Upper Limit Indicator Arrow



(F)
Insert the three (3) Cover
Retaining Tabs into the three
(3) Cover Alignment Slots
and seat the Water Basin
Cover on the MK-145



## WARNING

If an extension cord is used, first verify it meets the requirements of TABLE 1 (Page 9). Plug the MK-145 into the extension cord, plug the extension cord into a GFCI and finally, plug the GFCI into the power source in that order.



(G)
Verify the **ON/OFF** Switch is in the **OFF** position



(H) Plug the MK-145 into a GFCI

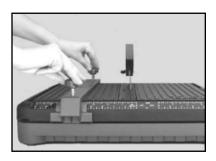


(I)
Plug the GFCI into the power source

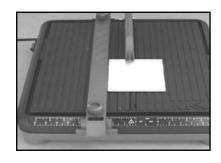
MK-145 OPERATION

#### **ADJUSTMENT AND OPERATION:**

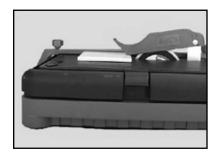
## **Cutting Straight Edges:**



(A)
Loosen the two (2)
Retaining Knobs and align
the Measuring Arrow of
the Adjustable Cutting
Guide to the cut length
indicated on the Cutting
Table Ruler then retighten
the Retaining Knobs



(B)
Position the tile against the
Adjustable Cutting Guide



(C)
Set Blade Guard above the top of the tile



(D)
Turn **ON** the MK-145 and verify Cooling Water Flow around Blade Guard



(E)
Feed the tile into the
Diamond Blade with a
steady even pressure
(forcing the tile will cause
the blade to slow which
could cause motor
overheating)



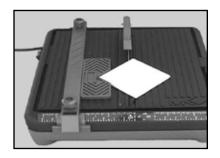
(F)
Turn saw **OFF** when cutting is complete



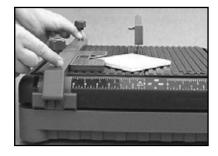
**DO NOT FORCE TOOL**, it will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.

MK-145 OPERATION

## **Diagonal Cutting:**



(A)
Place the Diagonal
Cutting Guide against
the Adjustable Cutting
Guide and fit the tile into
the retaining slot of the
Diagonal Cutting Guide



(B)
Loosen the two (2)
Retaining Knobs, align
the Adjustable Cutting
Guide to the desired cut
position and retighten the
Retaining Knobs



(C)
Set Blade Guard above the top of the Tile



(D)
Turn on the MK-145 and verify cooling water flow around Blade Guard



(E)
Feed the tile into the
Diamond Blade with a
steady even pressure
(forcing the tile will cause
the blade to slow which
could cause motor
overheating)



(F)
Turn saw **OFF** when cutting is complete



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MK-145 OPERATION

Cutting 22.5 and 45 Degree Angles:



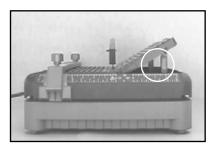
## CAUTION

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(A)

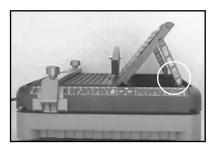
Pull out the two (2) Cover Stays located on the bottom of the Water Basin Cover



(B)

## 22.5 Degree Cutting:

Place the Cover Stays into the two (2) 22.5-degree Angle Slots (lower slots) located inside the Water Basin then go to Step D



(C)

## **45 Degree Cutting:**

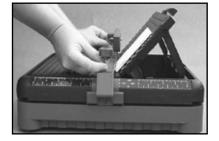
Place the Cover Stays into the two (2) 45-degree Angle Slots (upper slots) located inside the Water Basin then go to Step D

**NOTE:** Placing the Adjustable Cutting Guide against the edge of the tile will provide added support during the cut, and, will reduce the chance of being injured by sharp edges and chips.



(D)

Place the tile onto the raised Cutting Table with the glazed side down and verify the tile is resting against the Tile Support Groove of the Cutting table



(E)

Loosen the two (2) Retaining
Knobs and position the
Adjustable Cutting Guide
against the edge of the tile then
retighten the Retaining Knobs



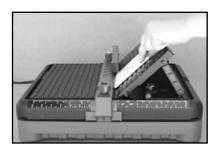
(F)

Set Blade Guard above the top of the tile



(G)

Turn **ON** the MK-145 and verify cooling water flow around Blade Guard



(H)

Feed the tile into the Diamond Blade with a steady even pressure (forcing the tile will cause the blade to slow which could cause motor overheating)



(l)

Turn saw **OFF** when cutting is complete

MK-145 CLEANUP

## Cleanup:



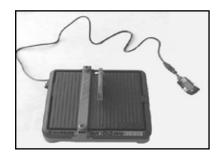
WARNING

**NEVER** empty the Cooling Basin with the **ON/OFF** switch in the **ON** position, or when power is applied.

**NOTE: DO NOT** use solvents or acids when cleaning the MK-145.



(A)
Verify the **ON/OFF** switch is in the **OFF** position



(B)
Unplug the MK-145 from
the power source and
unplug the MK-145 from
the GCFI



(C)
Lift Water Basin Cover and pull out on Water Basing
Cover to remove



(D)
Empty the contents of the Water Basin (Conform to Federal, State and Local laws, codes and ordinances relative to environmental protection if unsure of disposal requirements)



(E)
Clean the MK-145 with clean, fresh water and dish soap then rinse with clean water and dry the MK-145 with a clean cloth or paper towels



During the cleaning process, do not allow water to enter the motor compartment of the MK-145.

MK-145 MAINTENANCE

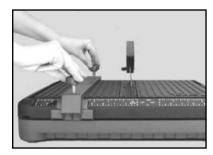
#### **MAINTENANCE:**

#### **Blade Dressing:**

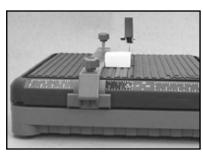
Like most cutting instruments, a diamond blade performs best when it is dressed. Over time and use, diamonds on the outer edge will become smoothed or "glazed" over. This will reduce grinding efficiency and may cause the blade to "wander" or bend giving the illusion of an alignment problem. When this occurs, the blade will need to be dressed. The diamond blade can be dressed using the MK Dressing Stick (part number 152792) and by following the steps below.



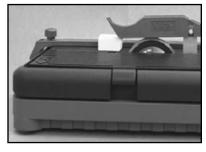
(A) Setup the MK-145 for operation



(B)
Loosen the two (2) Retaining
Knobs and position the
Adjustable Cutting Guide to
cut a length of 1/16-inch then
retighten the Retaining Knobs



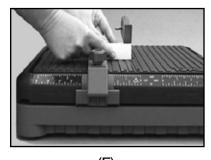
(C)
Place the Dressing Stick on the Cutting Table against the Adjustable Cutting Guide



(D)
Set Blade Guard above the top of the Dressing Stick



(E)
Turn on the MK-145 and verify Cooling Water Flow around Blade Guard



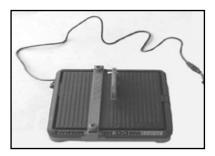
(F)
Feed the Dressing Stick into
the Diamond Blade with a
steady even pressure (forcing
the tile will cause the blade
to slow which could cause
motor overheating)



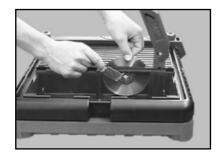
(G)
Turn saw off when cutting is complete

MK-145 MAINTENANCE

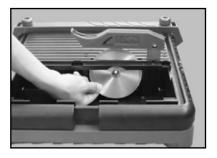
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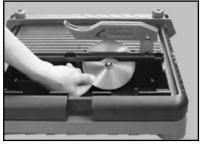
(A)
Unplug the MK-145 from
the power source and
unplug the MK-145 from
the GCFI



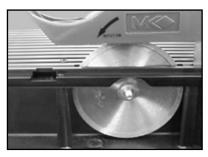
(B)
Hold the Diamond Blade
still, rotate the Blade Wrench
counter-clockwise to loosen
and remove the Retaining Nut
and Outer Flange



(C)
Remove the Blade out from between the Table Blade
Slot from below



(D)
Orient the Blade to the
Gear Shaft with the
Directional Arrow facing
out and install the Blade
through the Table Blade
Slot from below



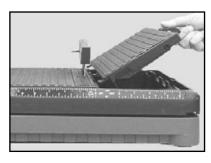
(E)
Verify the Blade is seated
on the Gear Shaft and verify
Blade Directional Arrow
matches the Directional Arrow
on the Blade Guard



(F)
Install the Plastic Outer
Flange onto the Gear Shaft
and install the Retaining Nut
onto the Gear Shaft



(G)
Hold the Diamond Blade
still and rotate the Blade
Wrench clockwise to
tighten – **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN** 



(H)
Insert the three (3) Cover
Retaining Tabs into
the three (3) Cover
Alignment Slots and seat
the Water Basin Cover on
the MK-145

**NOTE:** Do not cross-thread the Retaining Nut during installation

## TROUBLESHOOTING:



## **WARNING**

Turn the **ON/OFF** switch to the **OFF** position and unplug the saw from the power source before performing any troubleshooting procedure.

## **Motor Stops Turning:**



(A)
If not fully connected, reconnect plugs and turn on the saw. If fully connected, go to step B



(B)
If the GFCI is tripped reset it and turn on the saw. If the GFCI is not tripped, go to step C



(C)
If the circuit breaker is not 15 amps, move the saw to a 15-amp circuit breaker and turn on saw. If the circuit breaker is 15 amps, go to step D



(D)
If tripped, reset the breaker once and turn on the saw. If the saw trips again, proceed to step F. If the circuit breaker is not tripped, go to step E



(E)
If power source is not at 120V move the saw to another circuit and turn on the saw

MK-145 TROUBLESHOOTING

## Blade Will Not Cut Properly:



(A)
If blade is smooth, sharpen per Blade Sharpening
Section of this manual. If blade is not glazed, go to step B



(B)
Verify blade rotates
in counter-clockwise
direction as indicated by
arrow on the diamond
blade. If not rotating
correctly, reposition the
blade to correct position. If
rotating correctly,
go to step C



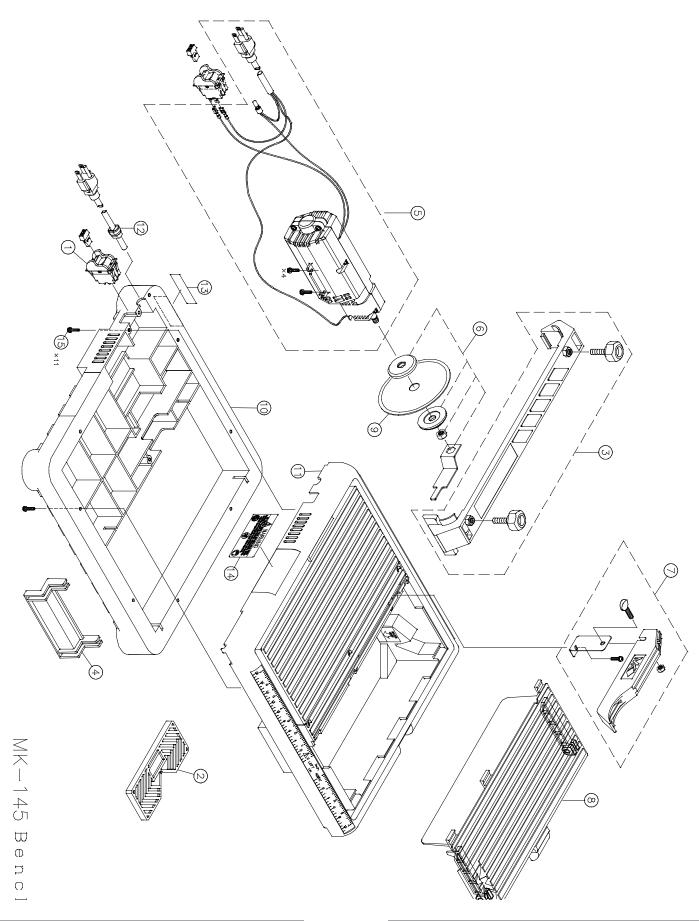
(C)
If the blade core is bent,
replace blade per the
Diamond Blade Changeout procedure of this
manual. If the blade core is
not bent, go to step D



(D)
Check Blade is correct for material being cut.

## **NOTES**

MK-145 EXPLODED VIEW



## MK-145 PARTS LIST

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PART #
1	SWITCH	158303
2	DIAGONAL CUTTING GUIDE	158304
3	ADJUSTABLE CUTTING GUIDE	158305
4	TABLE STOP	158306
5	MOTOR ASSEMBLY	158307
6	FLANGE ASSEMBLY	158308
7	BLADE GUARD ASSEMBLY	158309
8	CUTTING TABLE COVER ASSEMBLY	158310
9	DIAMOND BLADE	158311
10	MK-145 MOLDED BASE	158312
11	MK-145 MOLDED TOP	158313
12	POWER CORD	158314
13	WARNING LABEL	158315
14	NAMEPLATE LABEL	158316
15	MOUNTING SCREWS (TOP TO BASE)	158317

MK-145 THEORY

#### THEORY OF DIAMOND BLADES:

Diamond blades do not really cut; they grind the material through friction. Diamond crystals, often visible at the leading edge and sides of the rim/segment, remove material by scratching out particles of hard, dense materials, or by knocking out larger particles of loosely bonded abrasive material. This process eventually cracks or fractures the diamond particle, breaking it down into smaller pieces. As a result, a diamond blade for cutting soft, abrasive material must have a hard metal matrix composition to resist this erosion long enough for the exposed diamonds to be properly utilized. Conversely, a blade for cutting a hard, non-abrasive material must have a soft bond to ensure that it will erode and expose the diamonds embedded in the matrix. These simple principles are the foundation of "controlled bond erosion".



#### **Types of Cutting:**

There are two basic types of cutting-Dry or Wet. The choice of which type of blade to use depends on

- The requirements of the job
- The machine/tool utilizing the diamond blade
- The preference of the operator

In the case of DRY cutting, the overwhelming popularity and quantity of hand-held saws and the flexible nature of MK Diamond blades to professionally handle most ceramic, masonry, stone and concrete materials, make the DRY cutting blade a very attractive tool. When using a DRY blade, the user must be aware of distinct operating practices to ensure optimum performance. DRY cutting blades require sufficient airflow about the blade to prevent overheating of the steel core. This is best accomplished by shallow, intermittent cuts of the material with periods of "free-spinning" (for several seconds) between each cut, to maximize the cooling process.

For WET cutting applications, MK has the exact blade to compliment both the material to be cut and the wet cutting machine to be used. During cutting operations, liberal amounts of water act as a coolant to support the cutting effectiveness and longevity of the WET blade. Additionally, using water adds to the overall safety of cutting operations by keeping the dust signature down.

Know all you can about the material you wish to cut.

MK-145 ACCESSORIES

# **ACCESSORIES: ITEM NUMBER DESCRIPTION** Blade Guard Assembly 1. 158309 Diagonal Cutting Guide 2. 158304 3. Adjustable Cutting Guide 158305 Diamond Blade 4. 158311 Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter 5. 152610 (Not Included with the MK-145)

#### ORDERING INFORMATION

You may order MK Diamond products through your local MK Diamond distributor or, you may order direct from MK Diamond.

When ordering direct from MK Diamond, please have the following information ready before calling:

- · The Model Number of the saw
- · The Serial Number of the saw
- · Where the saw was purchased and when
- The Part Number for the part(s) being ordered
- The Part Description for the part(s) being ordered

**NOTE:** There is a \$25.00 minimum order when ordering direct from MK Diamond. A \$6.00 charge will be added to orders having a net billing value under \$50.00. All purchases must be made using VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

All parts may be ordered by calling toll free to – 800 421-5830 or 310 539-5221 and asking for Customer Service. For technical questions, call – 800 474-5594.

### **RETURN MATERIALS POLICY**

To expedite the service relative to the return of a product purchased through MK Diamond, please observe the following:

**NOTE:** When returning all items, they must have been purchased within the previous twelve (12) months.

- Have the Model Number of the saw
- Have the Serial Number of the saw
- Have the location of where the saw was purchased
- Have the date when the saw was purchased
- Contact Customer Service for approval to return the item(s)
- Obtain a Returned Goods Number (RGA) authorizing the return
- Follow the packaging instructions in the following section
- Ensure your item(s) are prepaid to the destination

For returned items, call toll free to  $-800\ 421-5830$  or 310 539-5221 and ask for Customer Service. For technical questions, call  $-800\ 474-5594$  or 310 257-2845.

#### PACKAGING INSTRUCTIONS

- Remove the Cutting Head and Support Angle Assembly
- Dry the saw before shipping
- When packing, include the following: Saw, Diamond Blade, Blade Guard and Support Angle Assembly and Adjustable Cutting Guide (Other Accessories are not required)
- Package the unit in its original container or one of comparable size (do not ship the unit partially exposed)
- Ensure all parts are secured in the packaging to prevent moving

#### **AUTHORIZED SERVICE CENTERS**

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This warranty does not obligate us to bear the cost of labor or transportation charges in connection with replacement or repair of defective parts. Likewise, it shall NOT apply to any unit which has been subjected to misuse, neglect or accident. This warranty does NOT apply to any machine which has been repaired or altered outside our factory.

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