

KEY CUTTING

CUT KEYS. NOT CORNERS. A quick shop guide for accurate duplicates



QUICK SHOP GUIDE

SIX STEPS TO A KEY THAT ACTUALLY WORKS

1 MATCH THE BLANK

Match the head, length, blade cross-section, and groove locations. A close cousin is still the wrong blank.

2 SET BOTH JAWS

Choose Standard, Narrow, Wide, or X for the key. Rotate the left and right jaws to the same station.

3 CLAMP IT LEVEL

Pattern/original: LEFT. Blank: RIGHT. Seat both flat and level. Firm hand pressure only - no pliers.

4 ALIGN THE GAUGE

Use shoulders when present; use the tip or recessed tip when they are not. Snug both to the gauge, then raise it.

5 CUT WITH CONTROL

Wear eye protection. Guide left through every cut, then retrace right. Use both hands and steady, light pressure.

6 FINISH AND CHECK

Switch OFF before removal. Deburr lightly on the nylon brush. Test gently; never force a questionable copy.

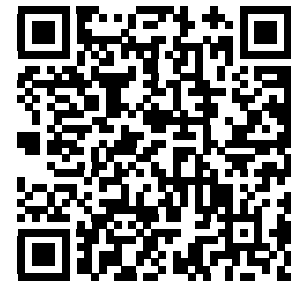
SMALL THINGS THAT PREVENT LARGE AMOUNTS OF SWEARING

Clean chips from the vise jaws and carriage shaft. Heavy burrs, a shrill sound, or slower cutting can mean the cutter is dull.

Use the original when possible. A copy of a copy is how tiny errors get promoted.

SCAN OR CLICK

WATCH THE 045 HD DEMO



How I use the 045 HD key machine

SCAN OR CLICK

OPEN THE FULL MANUAL



Setup, jaws, cutting, adjustments, and parts