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Feed Tap™ SERVICE BULLETIN #1



PRODUCT INFORMATION

Reed's Feed Tap™ drilling machine cuts through PVC, PE, cast iron, ductile iron and steel pipe while under pressure using a corporation stop inserted into a service saddle. The compact design, featuring a separate, independent feed control for advancing the heavy duty shell cutter into the pipe, allows the user to easily complete the tap using an electric or cordless drill, right-angle drill, or even a 7/16" socket with ratchet wrench for manual power. For best control of the drill, a side handle is recommended.

CAUTION:

Hazards exist when drilling into pressurized pipe. Hazards also exist when drilling into unpressurized pipe as it could fail when it becomes pressurized. If the tapping process is performed improperly, C900 and other PVC pipe can split longitudinally. To minimize the risks when performing the tap, apply minimum feed force to the shell cutter and always use sharp shell cutters.

Note: Use correctly sized saddles and evenly tighten each clamp nut and torque the nuts to values recommended by the saddle manufacturer. If tapping into PVC or PE, make sure the tapping saddles are made for use with plastic and provide full circumferential support.

DO NOT USE impact or hammering-type power drills.
DO NOT USE on natural gas or petroleum piping.

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