**Gator Piss Etching Instructions :** 



(All instructions based on a etchant temp of 65-75 degrees) (Any cooler and etching will take longer)

- Start with a surface finish of 600 grit minimum! 800-1000 preferred (Higher you go, the higher luster you'll have in the final finish. If you have a solid core you need to darken, 600 grit recommended)
- Degrease with Brake Cleaner
- Place steel into Gator Piss and watch for any streaks (If streaks appear immediately pull steel from etchant and scrub with a plastic bristled brush, or repeat step one) (If streaks are not present leave in the piss for about 20 minutes)
- Repeat this process as needed for desired etched depth and contrast (Enough to catch a finger nail)
- If you find areas not etching properly, take blade out and neutralize. Then buff with a fine rouge on a loose cloth buffing wheel or hit with 2500 grit paper. Then repeat degrease and etching steps.
- Once you have pulled the steel from its final etch, immediately neutralize acid in blade with a neutralizing agent such as windex or submerse in a baking soda bath.
- Rinse and spray with oil (wd40 or such)
- Let oxides set for a minimum of 6 hours in a dry location before touching the steel again
- Oil and wipe for final luster

Want to see this process demonstrated in a video? Head on over to our website <u>www.gatorpiss.shop</u> and click on the "How To" Video. Or checkout our Baker Forge & Tool YouTube channel