

# Slant Cabber GLASS/CRYSTAL MODEL



### INSTRUCTION MANUAL

## SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

# M IMPORTANT! READ FIRST

For your own safety be sure to read, understand and follow all warnings, safety rules and instructions in this instruction manual before using this machine. Failure to do so can result in serious personal injury. This instruction manual is intended for the following machine models: 20-011, 20-013, 20-004 and 20-005.

#### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING: This machine includes products that can expose you to chemicals including nickel, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information, go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov. This warning applies to the 360#, 600#, 1200# and 3000# diamond discs.

#### SETUP

- Intended for indoor use only.
- Avoid dangerous environments. Do not use this machine near gasoline or other flammable liquids.

# • Make sure machine is securely placed on a sturdy, level surface with ample working area and away from open electrical outlets.

• **Check for damaged parts.** Before use of this machine, always check for any damaged parts to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function. Check for proper alignment of moving parts, binding of moving parts, breakage of parts, mounting, and any other conditions that may affect its operation. A part that is damaged must be properly replaced through the manufacturer of this machine to avoid risk of injury.

• Use only identical Slant Cabber parts for replacement parts. Use of any other parts not originally intended for the Slant Cabber may create a hazard or cause product damage.

- Use only recommended accessories. The use of improper accessories on this machine may cause risk of injury.
- **Know your power tool.** Read this instruction manual carefully. Learn the correct applications and limitations as well as specific warnings and hazards related to this machine.

#### USAGE

• Always wear proper apparel. Do not wear any loose clothing, gloves, neckties or jewelry that can get caught in the machine's moving parts. Long hair must be secured with a rubber band or hair tie.

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• Always wear proper eye protection to protect you from any debris that may fly out while grinding. We recommend wearing safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields. Everyday glasses are not safety glasses. If anyone is around the machine while it is in use, they must wear safety glasses.

• Keep work area well lit and clean. Make sure your work area is not cluttered.

• **Do not operate unattended.** Adult supervision is required at all times. Never leave the machine running unattended.

### • Do not operate this machine while under the influence of drugs, alcohol or any medication.

• Never run discs dry. Make sure there is adequate water used while grinding so that rock dust is not formed. This dust contains chemicals that can be hazardous to your lungs if inhaled and is known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals, work in a well ventilated area and wear a face or dust mask if the grinding operation is dusty.

• Use only water as a coolant.

• Never grind more than one workpiece at a time.

#### • Some rocks contain poisonous elements.

Avoid grinding rocks that contain uranium, mercury, lead, arsenic, etc. Make sure you know the material you are grinding. • Do not allow water to run down the shaft and into the motor. This will cause the motor to instantly burn out. This machine is designed in such a way that this does not occur with normal use.

• **Do not force the tool** or attachment to do a job it is not designed to do.

• Discs continue to spin after turn off, eventually slowing to a stop.

• Avoid awkward operations and hand positions. Make sure you have good balance while working on this machine. A sudden slip could cause your hand to move into the disc.

#### MAINTENANCE

• Always disconnect from power before servicing. Disconnect machine from power source before making any adjustments and when not in use.

• **Do not abuse the power cord.** Never carry the machine by the cord or yank it to disconnect from receptacle. Keep cord away from heat, oil and sharp edges.

• **Do not open the blue machine housing.** There are no user serviceable parts inside.

Clean and dry machine after use.

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#### **REGISTER YOUR PRODUCT**

Register your Hi-Tech Diamond Slant Cabber at hitechdiamond.com/register to help facilitate any warranty related requests. You can also register your Slant Cabber by completing and mailing us the enclosed registration form. Complimentary mailing envelope is included for your convenience.

## ONE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

Reentel International Inc. stands behind the quality of its Hi-Tech Diamond machines. That's why they're warranted to be free from defect for one full year from the date of purchase. Registering your product helps facilitate warranty requests.

#### What does this warranty cover?

This warranty covers all parts of your Hi-Tech Diamond motorized equipment. This includes the 4" Trim saw, 5" Trim saw, 6" Trim saw, 10" Slab saw, All-U-Need and Slant Cabber.

#### What does this warranty not cover?

This warranty does not cover problems resulting from abuse, misuse, intentional damage, incorrect usage, failure to adequately take care of the machine or improperly following the instructions. This warranty also excludes all Hi-Tech Diamond accessories. Per industry standard, consumable items such as saw blades, diamond abrasives and polishing accessories will not receive our one-year warranty service.

#### Who is covered under this warranty?

This warranty covers the original purchaser of the equipment and is non-transferable.

#### What is the warranty period?

This warranty service is in force for one full year from the date of your purchase. **Please retain the original invoice of your machine for proof of warranty or register your product.** 



### Whom should I contact if I need a warranty service?

Contact Hi-Tech Diamond directly by phone at 1 (630) 596-9909 or by email at sales@ hitechdiamond.com and we will assist you through our warranty service. **You must prove that you are under warranty by providing us** with the original invoice of your machine or by registering your product in order to receive our warranty service.

## MACHINE DETAILS

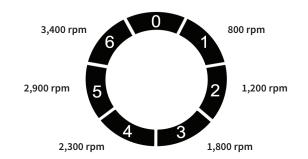
This image shows parts and accessories included with your Slant Cabber machine

- 1. On/off power control knob
- 2. Modular water tube with water control valve
- **3.** Silver arbor with black knob and washer
- **4.** Slant Cabber base unit (1/4 hp variable speed motor)
- 5. Black spray shield
- **6.** Clear drain tube (included with instruction manual)
- 7. 3/32" Allen wrench (included with instruction manual)
- 8. 360# diamond disc with acrylic backing plate
- 9. 600# diamond disc
- 10. 1,200# diamond disc
- 11. 3,000# diamond disc
- **12**. Tech-11 polishing pad with 14,000# diamond paste syringe
- **13.** Acrylic backing plate to be used with Tech-11 pad
- **14.** Disc bushing inserts into backing plate arbor hole



The motor installed in the Slant Cabber is variable speed, delivering speeds of 800 rpm - 3,400 rpm. Use this speed chart as a guide so you can work at the speed you desire. These values are approximate. Actual speeds may vary.





## **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1** Carefully unpack the Slant Cabber from the box and remove all loose foam and accessories. Set the packaging aside should you need it in the future. Check to make sure all parts are present on both the machine and in the accessory kit. If you find any missing or damaged parts, call us immediately at 1 (630) 596-9909 or email us at sales@hitechdiamond. com. Place the Slant Cabber on a table or surface that is flat in a well lit location. Make sure the machine sits level.

2 Set up the water system by inserting the clear drain tube into the fitting located on the right side of the machine. Place the other end of the tube into a bucket (not included). Fill the top water reservoir with clean water. Adjust the flexible modular water tube to the center of the disc (Fig. A). This allows the water to spread evenly across the surface of the discs while they spin. Never re-use water. Note: To install the optional Pro-Flow water cooling system, see page 11.



Fig. A

**3** Included in the Slant Cabber accessory kit are four nickel-electroplated diamond discs, one Tech-10 polishing pad, one 2-gram diamond paste syringe and one acrylic backing plate. To determine what disc you need to start with, see page 8. To properly install your discs, place the



Fig. B

backing plate onto the arbor (Fig. B). The backing plate has a 1/2" arbor hole which fits snug onto the lip of the arbor. Next, place the diamond disc on top of the backing plate, making sure the 1/2" arbor hole in the disc and the 1/2" arbor hole in the backing plate are centered. Secure the disc and backing plate with the 1/4"-20 thread knurled knob and washers (Fig. B). Make sure the disc has even contact with the backing plate surface. Note: Always use a backing plate for diamond discs or polishing pads on the Slant Cabber.

Put on safety goggles (not included) and turn the power switch on. Use the black water control valve located on the centered water tube to control the water flow on and off. You only need a few constant drops of water to lubricate the discs. Do not use wipers or sponges, as they may become contaminated with larger diamond particles. <u>IMPORTANT NOTE:</u> If water isn't coming out of the water tube after twisting the water control valve on, refer to Troubleshooting on page 15.

**5** The arbor may be adjusted up and down using the included Allen wrench to keep the discs below the black spray shield. See page 10 for arbor adjustment instructions.

## **GRINDING AND POLISHING**

#### **STEP 1: ROUGHING**

The 360# diamond disc is the coarsest disc that comes with this Slant Cabber. If you have less than a millimeter to remove, we suggest skipping this step and begin at step 2. The 360# disc is required if you need to remove a large amount of material from your work piece, or to remove glass left from the punty. Install the 360# disc according to the instructions on page 7. Remove material until you obtain the general shape, size or depth of your finished piece.

#### **STEP 2: SHAPING**

The 600# diamond disc will either create your first intial shape, or if you started at step 1, remove the deeper scratches left by the 360# disc and attain the final shape. Install the 600# disc according to the instructions on page 7. Remove material until you have a look similiar to a surface having been roughly sandblasted.

#### **STEP 3: SMOOTHING**

The 1,200# diamond disc will remove scratches left behind from step 2. Install the 1,200# disc according to the instructions on page 7. Proceed to grind until you have a finely frosted surface. A properly shaped surface is perfectly smooth and satiny in appearance. Rinsed and dried, you should not see any scales (aka dimples, facets, flats, etc,) or scratches. Hold it up to a bright light and look for deep lines. Scales are most easily observed by watching the piece dry. Because the "scales" will have deeper puddles of water, they will evaporate more slowly. Wet your piece and watch for this phenomenon. If you see any scratches or scales, you may not have smoothed long enough. If after additional smoothing you



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still see scratches or scales, they are too deep to remove. You must return to step 1 (360# disc) and start this process over. If after this step, your piece has a finely frosted finish, then you are ready to move onto step 4.

#### **STEP 4: PRE-POLISHING**

The 3,000# diamond disc removes the satin-like finish from the previous step. Install the 3,000# disc according to the instructions on page 7. Your goal after this step is a very smooth, hazy surface. There should be no visible scratches or scales at this point. If you can still see scratches, you need to go back to step 1. This disc preps your piece for the final polish.

#### **STEP 5: POLISHING**

The Tech-10 polishing pad is used to put the final polish on your material. You will need to charge the Tech-10 polishing pad with the 14,000# diamond paste before use. To do this, take the diamond paste syringe, remove the cap and squeeze the syringe plunger in a series of small dots onto the surface of the Tech-10 pad (Fig. C). Use your fingers to rub these small dots into the pad. Once charged, you will only need to apply additional diamond paste to the pad when you notice that the pad is no longer polishing. Using the Tech-10 polishing pad with water is not required because the diamond compound mixture contains its own carriers. However, if vou are working with brittle, heat sensitive material, such as opal, be careful not to let your work piece overheat. To avoid overheating, use a very small amount of clean water to keep your work piece cool or simply lower the RPM to reduce heat buildup. Note: Use only one type of polishing compound per Tech-10 polishing pad. Do not mix.



## MAINTENANCE & ADJUSTMENTS

#### **OILING & ARBOR ADJUSTMENTS**

The only part you need to oil on the Slant Cabber machine is the inside of the 2" silver arbor. This is required because the motor shaft and arbor are made of different materials. Over time, they can seize together, making it impossible to remove the arbor. Every two months or so, remove the arbor by inserting the included Allen wrench into the set screw, turning counter-clockwise. Turn the arbor upside down. Apply a few drops of motor oil, way oil, lithium or water pump grease into the area where the arbor fits onto the shaft. Make sure there is no excess oil so that oil doesn't drip down the motor shaft and get into the motor. This will cause an instant motor burn-out. When putting the arbor back onto the shaft, make sure the screw is positioned against the flat side of the motor shaft. If the screw is positioned against the rounded side of the shaft, it will make a squeaking noise and create friction, causing the motor shaft to get hot. Once the arbor is positioned properly, check the set screw for tightness on the arbor using the Allen wrench. Do not over tighten the set screw. The arbor may be adjusted up and down as necessary to keep the spinning disc below the black spray shield.



#### SPRAY SHIELD ADJUSTMENT

The four screws located in the black spray shield are adjustable so you can raise and/or lower the spray shield to control the water splash.

#### CLEANING

The Slant Cabber is designed to be easily cleaned. After each use, flush out the bottom water reservoir with clean water so the rock sediment gets washed down the drain tube. Any used water must not be disposed down a sink, as it can harden like cement, closing off the drain. Allow the machine to dry completely then store it in a safe place, away from children. Note: When you are finished using the diamond discs, rinse and spin completely dry. Store them in a clean, dry plastic bag until next use. Maximum weight of any discs/laps should not exceed 1.5lbs on your Slant Cabber machine.

#### **FUSE DETAILS**

The fuse is installed in the back of the Slant Cabber machine. It is a 250V, 3AMP slo-blo cartridge fuse. If you need a replacement, this fuse can be found at your local hardware store. See below for how to change the fuse.



Push in with a flat head screwdriver, then turn to the left (counter-clockwise)

## **PRO-FLOW WATER SYSTEM**

The Pro-Flow offers two innovative ways to increase the water reservoir capacity on the Slant Cabber. If you're looking for an efficient cooling system, then the Pro-Flow is for you. Upgrade to the Pro-Flow water system today at hitechdiamond.com.

#### PRO-FLOW PRESSURE TANK

The Pro-Flow's one-gallon pressure tank provides hours of drips with the occasional priming. Instead of filling the top water reservoir, fill the pressure tank with clean water. Insert the black tube connected to the pressure tank into the tube located on the top water reservoir. Once connection is secure, use the Slant Cabber as normal and manually pump when needed.

#### **PRO-FLOW WATER PUMP**

The Pro-Flow's submersible water pump provides even more hours of drips than the pressure tank. Instead of filling the top water reservoir, fill a five-gallon bucket with clean water and place the water pump in the bucket. Insert the Pro-Flow tube connected to the water pump into the tube located on the top water reservoir. Once connection is secure, plug the water pump into an electrical outlet and use the Slant Cabber as normal. *Water pumps available in 110V and 220V.* 





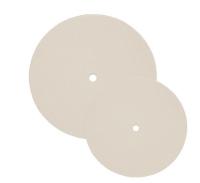
## ACCESSORIES

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#### **Backing plates**

Our 6" and 8" acrylic backing plates provide a flat surface to back diamond discs, diamond smoothing discs and polishing pads. They are 3/8" thick and have 1/2" arbor holes.



#### Tech-11 polishing pads

Our 6" and 8" Tech-11 polishing pads serve as a general polishing pad to polish stone and glass. Use with cerium oxide, tin oxide or diamond compound.



#### Final polish pads

Our 6" and 8" final polishing pads are specially designed to put a mirror polish on stone and glass. They are pre-charged with cerium oxide so you don't need to mess with slurry or diamond paste.



#### Electroplated diamond discs

Our 6" and 8" diamond discs are used for precise rough and fine grinding on glass and stone. They are nickel electroplated, using top grade diamond powder. Discs are 1mm thick top plates. Select from the following grits: 60#, 80#, 100#, 180#, 260#, 360#, 600#, 1,200# and 3,000#.

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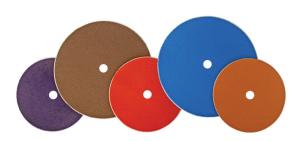
#### **Electroplated diamond laps**

Our 6" and 8" diamond laps use high quality diamond discs for precise rough and fine grinding. This disc is then professionally bound to an acrylic backing plate, making it ready to use. Select from the following grits: 60#, 80#, 100#, 180#, 260#, 360#, 600#, 1,200# and 3,000#.



#### Glass/crystal disc kit

Our glass/crystal disc kit is the same accessory kit included with this All-U-Need. It's great for replacing all of your discs at once. Kits include the following: 360# disc, 600# disc, 1,200# disc, 3,000# disc, Tech-11 polishing pad, 14,000# diamond paste and two backing plates.



#### Diamond smoothing discs

Our 6" and 8" diamond smoothing discs are used for smoothing, refining and polishing gemstones, glass, synthetic material and metal. Discs are available in the following grits: 220#, 325#, 600#, 1,200# and 3,000#.



#### Sponge pads

Our 6" and 8" sponge pads are used under diamond smoothing discs and polishing pads to provide a cushion that helps facilitate doming into cabochons and removes flat spots. They are 1/8" thick and ideal for making cabochons.

### FAQS

### What lubricants should I use with the Slant Cabber?

Only use clean water with the Slant Cabber. If desired, you may add a water soluble coolant to the water.

### Can I reuse water for diamond grinding?

You can, but we don't recommend this. When you reuse water, you risk getting contamination on your diamond discs which increases the chances of unwanted scratches on your work pieces. For best results, use clean water every time you use the Slant Cabber.

### How do I clean the bottom water reservoir?

To prevent the drain tube from clogging with rock sediment, flush the bottom water reservoir after each use. Take a small bucket of clean water and pour the water into the reservoir so the leftover rock sediment gets flushed down the drain tube. Once you see all of the sediment gone and the reservoir is clean, your Slant Cabber will be ready for the next use.

#### Do you sell electrical spare parts for my Slant Cabber? Whom do I contact if I need a repair or replacement for my Slant Cabber?

Due to the technical nature of our machines, we do not offer electrical spare parts for you to install yourself such as motors, speed controllers, rectifiers, etc. Instead, we offer a repair service that is done in-house by our qualified technicians. For more information about our repair service, visit hitechdiamond.com/repairs.

### TROUBLESHOOTING

#### My machine is vibrating...

The motor that is installed in the Slant Cabber is variable speed, meaning you can adjust the speed in-between the range of 800 rpm - 3,400 rpm. When the Slant Cabber runs at lower speeds, you may experience a vibration. We recommend running the Slant Cabber at higher speeds to prevent this vibration. If you are still experiencing a vibration after running the Slant Cabber at high rpms, check to see if your discs are properly centered. If the diamond lap disc, diamond smoothing discs or polishing pads are not accurately centered with the 1/2" arbor hole in the backing plate, this will cause a vibration. Remember to always use your machine on a flat, sturdy workbench or surface.

### Water isn't coming out of my water tube.

This means an air bubble formed in the inner tubing, causing a blockage in the water system. Try one of two things:

Move the water tube clockwise in large circles.
Blow air through the top water reservoir fitting using compressed air or a straw.

Check out our YouTube video on how to do this here: https://youtu.be/vYjjsN24Fw0

### What should I do if the drain tube keeps clogging with sediment?

If the drain tube keeps clogging with leftover rock sediment, simply flush out the sediment with lots of clean water until the sediment gets flushed down the drain tube. If a large piece of sediment is clogged and stuck in the drain tube, use an air spray gun to blow it out.

#### My Slant Cabber makes a high speed, "whirring" sound. Is this normal?

Yes, this is a normal sound the Slant Cabber makes. The "whirring" sound is produced by a thin, white disc (also known as a slinger) that is installed under the arbor and around the motor shaft. This disc prevents water from getting into your motor.

### My motor is beginning to rust, why is this?

The only possible way the motor can rust is if there is water getting into the motor. Water should never get into the motor with the correct water set up so if you are seeing rust, make sure your water set up doesn't allow water to drip into the motor.

### I can't remove the arbor from the motor shaft.

If you can't remove the arbor from the motor shaft using the Allen wrench, it is most likely because the arbor and motor shaft seized together. This is a result from not oiling the inside of the arbor according to the oiling instructions on page 10. If it impossible to remove, please contact Hi-Tech Diamond at 1 (630) 596-9909 and one of our specialized technicians will help you over the phone for correct removal.



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