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The Edge Technologies Minuteman 320 is designed for automatically feeding round, square and hexagonal bar stock in lengths up to 12', in a diameter range of 3-20 mm, into CNC lathes.

#### Double Pusher

The two pusher system drastically reduces the overall length of the unit by as much as 4 feet. A short pusher pre-feeds the bar then retracts, then a second full-length pusher lowers into position to continue the feeding process.

#### Dual Anti-Vibration Devices

Dual anti-vibration devices stabilize the bar stock at two critical points between the guide channel and lathe spindle maximizing RPM potential. Its adjustable roller design provides superior support and easy set up of all bar diameters without the cost of multiple bearing blocks.



 The first roller steady rest is mounted internal to the front of the bar feeder providing support to the bar as it enters the telescopic nose.





The second roller steady rest is outboard mounted onto the rear of the sliding headstock following the stock as the headstock moves on the z-axis. The bar stock and bar pusher are held in center at the rear of the headstock in both feeding and turning operations.





## O Gripper - Remnant Retract

The gripper device holds and inserts the new bar into the bar collet and is also used to extract the remnant. Bar ends that are free of burrs require no additional chamfering. The gripper requires no adjustment for bar size changes as it "self-centers".

The bar remnant is withdrawn to the back end of the magazine. A gripper extracts it from the bar stock collet and deposits it in a hide-away remnant basket.





# Rotating Tip & Collet

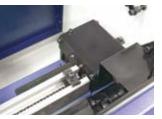
The bar pusher is equipped with a standard rotating tip that ensures smooth running at high RPM. The bar stock collet is a common thread-on type.



# Sync Device

As a standard feature on the Minuteman 320, the Syncronization device for Swiss style lathes employs an electro-magnetic coupling, mechanically linking the lathes headstock's z-axis travel to the bar feeder's pusher to ensure synchronous movement and no loss of connection between the bar stock and collet-pusher.







#### Control

A Mitsubishi controller and servo drive provide the Minutman's motion control and functionality.



#### Remote Pendant

The Minuteman 320 features the convienience of an easy-to-use remote control pendant. Functions include:



- manual and automatic operation
- manual load/unload of bar stock for set-up and/or changover
- movement of bar pusher
- emergency stop

### Operator Control Panel

The control is easy to program, yet flexible enough for all applications. Parameters are set through simple F functions. Alarms are well defined

and displayed on the operator control panel. Panel swings out for ease of use.



#### Robust Construction

Heavy gauge structual steel ensures rigidity and long term durability.

### Large Storage Capacity

The bar stock magazine is an incline rack with a loading capacity of 10 linear inches. Bars can be loaded from the front or the rear sides of the bar feeding.

### Stock Alignment Guides

The bar stock alignment guides are quickly and easily adjusted for different bar diameters, effectively reducing set up time.



### **Guide Channels**

Steel ribbing added to the Minuteman's polyurethane guide channels increases strength and stability, making these guide channels best in class.

• The channel is flooded with oil to create a hydrodynamic effect resulting in higher RPM with reduced noise and vibration.



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#### **Technical Data**

- Power consumption 1.5 KW
- Feed force adjustable, max. 450 N
- Forward feed rate adjustable max. 600 mm/sec
- Return feed rate 1000 mm/sec
- Loading time25 sec (for bars of 3800 mm)
- Oil capacity55 litres (15 gallons)
- Oil viscosity ISO 100 hydraulic oil
- Operating voltage 230 V/60 Hz
- Compressed air supply 0,6 MPA (=6 bar)
- Compressed air consumption approx. 8 litres per loading action
- Weight without oil 1320 lbs
- Remnant length 381mm max (15 inches)



- Reversible Configuration
  - Hood is reversible to load material from front or rear.

