

POLISHING ROCKS IN THE ULTRA-VIBE INDUSTRIAL VIBRATORY TUMBLERS - U-V 10 IND & U-V 18 IND

When selecting rocks to tumble, remember, the finished product is determined by the quality of rocks with which you start. The rocks you use should be sorted by hardness and roughness. Your rocks may vary in size to include a few up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter. <u>Vibratory tumblers are most suc-</u>

<u>cessful on rocks where the shape does not have to be changed a great deal or on rocks which have been previously sawed</u> <u>or shaped.</u> Agates and other hard stones should not be tumbled with soft materials such as opal. If you are planning to tumble beach-worn rocks, don't complicate the process by mixing them with hammer-broken rocks.

The Industrial Ultra-Vibe should be placed on a firm, smooth, level surface - preferably on <u>uncarpeted</u> floor with ample clearance around it. This allows proper air flow to the motor. DO NOT cover unit with anything to dampen noise as this may block air flow and cause the motor to overheat, or possibly create a fire hazard.

Place your tumbler where it will not be in the way because tumbling takes a number of days of continuous operation and there is a constant sound of rolling rocks connected with rock polishing.

The following are only general guidelines for polishing rocks as most people make modifications in the methods to fit their specific needs.

- 1. Fill Industrial Ultra-Vibe barrel with enough rocks to fill up past the centerline approximately 3/4 full. Tighten wing nut in center of barrel securely.
- 2. Add FINE GRIT (Check chart below for quantity needed for the various size vibratory barrels.) Turn on tumbler.
- 3. Begin adding water, <u>a little at a time</u> until the grit starts to cling to the stones which is what it should do. (Too much water will tend to rinse the grit back off the stones.)
- 4. Replace tumbler lid to prevent the water from splashing and evaporating. This will also reduce some of the noise connected with rock polishing.
- 5. The <u>FINE</u> grind will be the longest and will vary with the roughness and hardness of the stones from 2 to 7 days. The rocks should be checked two to three times daily because the build-up of "mud" (ground-up rock, grit and water) will cause the action in the tumbler to slow down. A <u>small</u> amount of water may be added to restore the action. <u>This is critical</u> because if the action stops significantly, the barrel could be damaged.
- 6. When desired results in the FINE grind are attained, the rocks and barrel should be rinsed thoroughly. DO NOT wash grit into sink or drain pipe. Make sure all traces of FINE grit are rinsed from the rocks and barrel. The rocks can then be replaced in the barrel, ready for the next phase of polishing.
- 7. Follow Steps 2 6 for each of the next three phases then PREPOLISH, and finally, POLISH. Use chart below for correct amount of grit for each barrel. These grinds will take only 1 3 days each. The stones and barrel should be washed <u>thoroughly</u> between grit changes.
- 8. After the POLISH you may wish to run the stones for a few hours in a solution of laundry detergent and enough water to make a <u>stiff</u> suds. This will clean off any remaining polish and do a final burnishing job on the stones.

<u>U-V 10 IND.</u>	<u>U-V 18 IND.</u>
FINE 60z.	FINE 80z.
PREPOL 3oz.	PREPOL 4oz.
POLISH 3oz.	POLISH 4oz.

CAUTION, ELECTRICALLY OPERATED PRODUCT. Not recommended for children under 12 years of age. As with all electric products, precautions should be observed during handling and use to prevent electric shock.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Tru-Square Metal Products warrants industrial Thumler's Tumblers against defect and will repair any defect free of charge for parts and labor for ninety (90) days from date of purchase. This warranty does not cover repairs necessary because of failure to operate or maintain machine in accordance with instructions. For warranty service, return Thumler's Tumbler with evidence of date of purchase to Tru-Square Metal Products, 640 First Street S.W., Auburn, WA 98001. Telephone (253) 833-2310. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Sealed Ball Bearing Motor–No Lubrication Necessary. These tumblers are relatively maintenance-free. Care should be taken to keep the motor and surrounding area dry and free of dust or accumulation of dirt and abrasives. This prevents any possibility of dirt and grit working into the bearings. Make sure no water or moisture gets into motor or surrounding area.

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