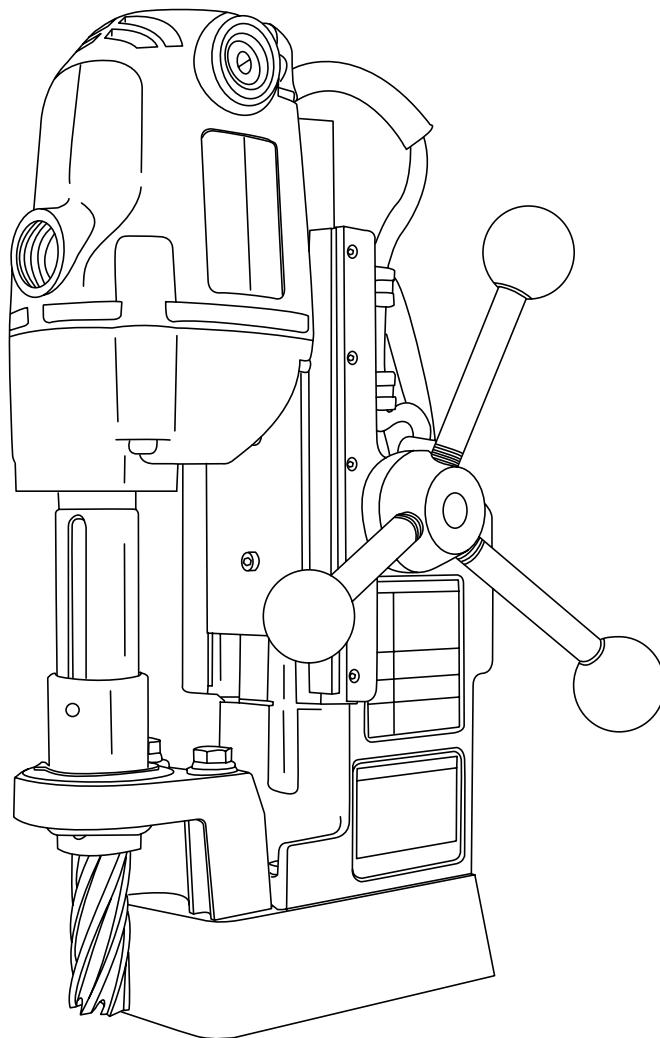




# HMD904

## PORTABLE MAGNETIC DRILL

# OPERATOR'S MANUAL



FOR USE WITH "12,000-SERIES" HOUGEN® CUTTERS

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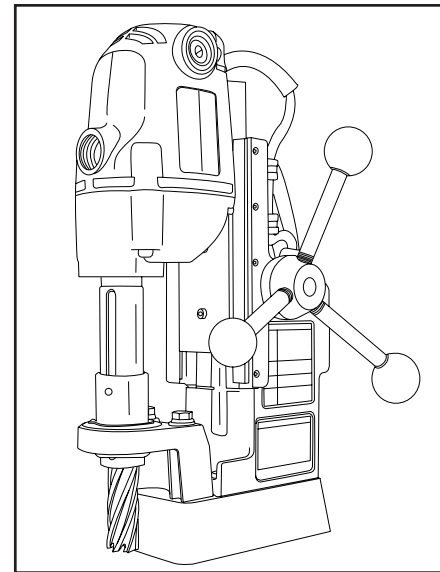
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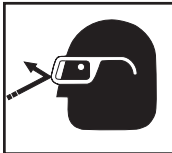
### Welcome to Hougen

Congratulations on your purchase of the Hougen® Portable Magnetic Drill Model HMD904. Your model is designed to produce superior holes quickly and efficiently. Through constant innovation and development, Hougen is committed to provide you with hole-producing tools and products to help you be more productive.

Before attempting to operate your new Portable Magnetic Drill, please read all instructions first. These include the Operator's Manual and Warning Label on the unit itself. With proper use, care, and maintenance, your model will provide you with years of effective hole drilling performance. Once again, thank you for selecting our product and welcome to Hougen.



## SAFETY FIRST



Always wear eye protection while using cutting tools, or in the vicinity of cutting.



**CAUTION!** Cutters are sharp. Wear gloves when installing or removing cutter from arbor. Do not grab a rotating cutter.



**CAUTION!** The slug is ejected at the end of the cut. Do not aim cutter or arbor so that ejected slug may hit someone around, or below you.



**CAUTION!** To prevent electric shock, do not use power tools near wet areas, or where power tool may become wet.

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# UNPACKING YOUR NEW MAGNETIC DRILL

1. Open shipping carton and remove the literature and hardware packages.
  2. **Read and Follow All Instructions** before attempting to operate your new Magnetic Drill.
  3. Complete and mail the Product Registration Card now. It is important that Hougen Manufacturing, Inc. have a record of product ownership.
  4. Open hardware package and check contents.
    - 10565 1/8" Hex wrench for Gib Adjustment
    - 04558 Feed handles (3)
    - 04532 Feed handle knobs (3)
    - 10506 Set screw for cutter installation (2)
    - 10730 Safety chain
    - 02635 Hex wrench for cutter installation
    - 13013 5/32" Hex wrench for safety switch adjustment
  5. Using the handle of Magnetic Drill, lift unit out of the shipping case.
  6. Remove all packing and securing material from the drill unit.
  7. Screw the three Knobs (04532) into the three Feed Handles (04558) and then screw Handles into the Hub Assembly (40254). Do not overtighten or may strip the knobs.
  8. Your Magnetic Drill was factory adjusted prior to shipping. Check to make sure that all gib adjustment screws, motor mount screws, front support bracket screws, and magnet mounting screws are snug and have not vibrated loose in transit.
  9. Your new Magnetic Drill comes complete with arbor mounted. The 3/4" diameter arbor bore fits all 3/4"-shank "12,000-Series" Hougen Cutters. A 1/2" diameter bore Arbor Adapter (10851), for mounting 1/2" shank "12,000-Series" Hougen Cutters, is optional.
- Reread Safety Warnings listed in the Operator's Manual and on the drill unit to avoid injury. Follow operating procedures.**

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

**WARNING:** When using electric tools, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury, including the following:

1. **Read All Instructions**
2. **Grounding Instructions**

This tool should be grounded while in use to protect the operator from electric shock. The tool is equipped with a 3-conductor cord and a 3-prong grounding type lug to fit the proper grounding type receptacle. The green (or green and yellow) conductor in the cord is the grounding wire. Never connect the green (or green and yellow) wire to a live terminal. If your unit is for use on 115V, it has a plug that looks like that shown in sketch (A). If it is for use on 230V, it has a plug that looks like that shown in sketch (D). An adapter, see sketches (B) and (C), is available for connecting 115V type plugs to 2-prong receptacles. The green-colored rigid ear, lug, or the like, extending from the adapter must be connected to a permanent ground, such as a properly grounded outlet box. (See Table 2, Page 5)
3. **Extension Cords**

Use only 3-wire extension cords that have 3-prong grounding type plugs and 3-pole receptacles that accept the tool's plug. Replace or repair damaged cords. Make sure the conductor size is large enough to prevent excessive voltage drop which will cause loss of power and possible motor damage. (See Table 1)
4. **Consider Work Area Environment**

Do not expose tool to rain. Do not use tool in damp or wet locations. Keep work area well lit. Do not use tool in presence of flammable liquids or gases.
5. **Guard Against Electric Shock**

Prevent body contact with grounded surfaces. For example: pipes, radiators, ranges, refrigerator enclosures.
6. **Safety Chains**

For Operator safety -Always use the provided safety chain every time you use the unit. Failure to use the safety chain can result in serious personal injury plus possible damage to your machine.
7. **Keep Children Away**

Do not let visitors contact tool. All visitors should be kept away from work area.
8. **Store Idle Tools**

When not in use, tools should be stored in a dry, land high or locked-up place — out of reach of children.
9. **Use Right Tool**

Do not force small tool or attachment to do the job of a heavy duty tool. Do not use tool for purpose not intended — for example — do not use a circular saw for cutting tree limbs or logs.
10. **Secure Work**

Use clamps or a vise to hold work. It is safer than using your hand and it frees both hands to operate tool.

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (CONT)

11. **Always Wear Safety Glasses or Goggles**
12. **Dress Properly**

Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. They might entangle with spinning chips or get caught in moving parts. Rubber gloves and nonskid footwear are recommended when working outdoors. Wear sturdy leather gloves when working indoors. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair.
13. **Do Not Abuse Cord**

Never carry drill unit by its cord or yank it to disconnect from receptacle. Keep cord away from heat, oil, and sharp edges.
14. **Do Not Overreach**

Keep proper footing and balance at all time.
15. **Maintain Tools With Care**

Keep tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance. Do not use dull or broken Houghen Cutters. Follow instructions for lubricating and changing accessories. Inspect tool cords periodically and, if damaged, have repaired by authorized service facility. Inspect extension cords periodically and, if damaged, have repaired by authorized service facility. Keep handles dry, clean, and free from oil and grease.
16. **Disconnect Tools**

When not in use, before servicing, and when changing Houghen Cutters or accessories.
17. **Remove Adjusting Keys and Wrenches**

Form a habit of checking to see that keys and wrenches are removed from tool before turning it on.
18. **Check Damaged Parts**

Before further use of the drill, a part that is damaged should be carefully checked to determine that it will operate properly and perform its intended function. Check for 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 should be properly repaired or replaced by an authorized service center unless otherwise indicated elsewhere in this operator manual. Do not operate tool if switch does not turn it on and off.
19. **Stay Alert**

Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate tool when you are tired. Have defective switches replaced by authorized service center.
20. **Outdoor Use Extension Cords**

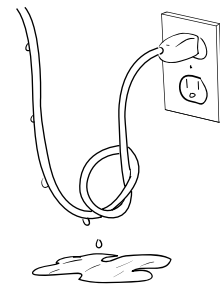
When tool is used outdoors, use only extension cords intended for use outdoors and so marked. Refer to **Table 1** for recommended extension cord gauge.
21. **Additional Safety Precautions**

Arbor and cutter should never be used as a hand hold. Keep hands and clothing away from all moving parts. Do not use Houghen Cutters where ejected slug might cause injury (slug ejected at end of cut). Be sure that all safety devices are properly adjusted and in use. Also, adhere to all operating instructions. Do not drill through any surface that may contain live electrical wiring. Drilling into a live wire could cause exposed metal parts of the drill to be made live. Remove chips wrapped around Houghen Cutter and arbor after each hole. With motor off and power disconnected, grasp chips with leather gloved hand or pliers and pull while rotating counterclockwise. Should the cutter become jammed in the work, stop the unit immediately to prevent personal injury. Disconnect the drill from the power supply and loosen jammed cutter by turning the arbor counterclockwise. Never attempt to free the jammed cutter by starting the motor. If service is required contact your nearest authorized service center.
22. **Non-Conforming Cutting Tools**

Your Magnetic Drill is designed to use Houghen Cutters. The use of drilling tools having different shank styles is not recommended as they may not tighten securely in the drill arbor with risk of accident or injury.
23. **Operating Near Welding Equipment**

It is not recommended to operate your magnetic drill near or around a welder while welding is being performed. Damage to your drill could result.
24. **Safe Electrical Connection**

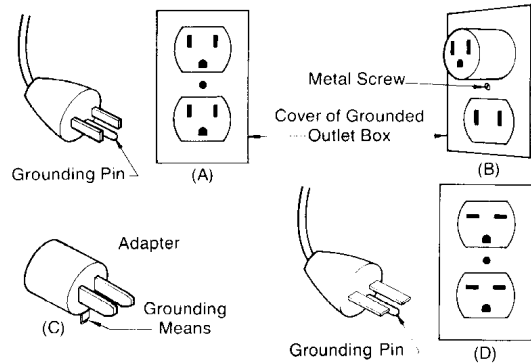
Wet electrical connections are shock hazards. To prevent the cutting fluid from traveling along the cord and contacting the plug or power outlet, tie a drip loop as shown. Also elevate extension cords or gang box connections.
25. **Save These Instructions**



### TABLE 1

Length of Cord, Feet	Recommended Wire Gauge	Recommended Wire Gauge
	115V Motor 10-12 Amps	230V Motor 4-6 Amps
Up to 25	16	18
26-50	14	18
51-100	10	16
101-200	8	14
201-300	6	12
301-500	4	10

### TABLE 2



## SAFETY SWITCH INDICATOR LIGHT

The Safety Switch Indicator Light is a New Standard Safety Feature on HMD904 magnetic drills. Its purpose is to inform the user that an unsafe condition exists or the safety switch needs adjusting.

### If light is Green:

In normal operation the safety switch light will be green. Motor "On" and "Off" Switches function normally.

### If light is Red:

A condition with the safety switch exists that needs to be corrected.

Possible causes:

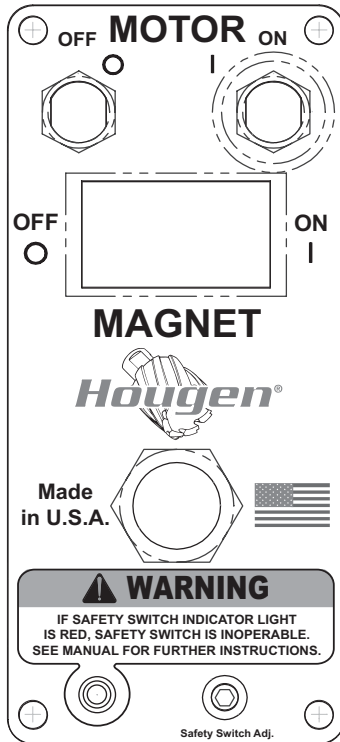
- Safety Switch is out of adjustment (See Page 7).
- Safety Switch is defective. Have drill serviced.
- Uneven work surface or material. Check work surface for flatness.
- Dirt or chips under magnet. Clean work surface.
- Too thin material. Make sure material is at least 3/8" thick.

**HOUGEN MANUFACTURING RECOMMENDS THAT CONDITIONS ARE CORRECTED SO LIGHT TURNS GREEN. THIS ALLOWS FOR THE UNIT TO BE OPERATED IN A SAFE MANNER.**

When light is Red the motor will still function, but "ON" switch becomes a momentary switch. (The switch must be held down to operate motor.)

For any questions please contact Hougen Manufacturing's Technical Service at (810) 635-7111.

# CHECK OUT OPERATION OF CONTROLS BEFORE INSTALLING HOUGEN CUTTER



CONTROL PANEL SWITCH PLATE  
FIGURE 2

**IMPORTANT:** Before turning on the machine, it is important that the operator understands the interrelated functions of the SAFETY SWITCH, GLIDE POST, MAGNET SWITCHES, AND MOTOR SWITCHES.

**READ SAFETY SWITCH INDICATOR LIGHT INSTRUCTIONS PREVIOUS PAGE.**

**SAFETY SWITCH** — Located in base of drill. Enables motor operation only when magnet is properly seated on a clean and flat work surface. Turns motor off if switch detects shift or lift or unit.

**MAGNET ON SWITCH** — Energizes the magnetic base and activates the safety switch. Motor can now be started by pushing the motor START switch.

**MAGNET OFF SWITCH** — De-energizes the magnetic base and deactivates motor START switch. (Note: Magnet OFF switch will not function while motor is on.)

**MOTOR START SWITCH** — Starts the motor (will not function unless the magnetic base is energized and the safety switch is activated).

**MOTOR STOP SWITCH** — Deactivates motor. Magnetic base remains energized and safety switch activated.

**GLIDE POST** — Lifts magnet and breaks residual magnetic energy after magnet is turned off. It also acts as a glide point when drill is being moved from one position to another on the work surface, thus minimizing wear on magnet. It also permits easier repositioning and protects the safety switch.

1. Place Magnetic Drill on clean, flat steel plate that is at least 3/8" thick.
2. Plug unit into proper AC power source. **DO NOT use with DC Power.**
3. Locate the Magnet **ON** and **OFF** switches and the motor **STOP** and **START** switches (Fig. 2).
4. **NOTE: A loss of power will de-energize the magnetic base and deactivate the motor. When power is restored, the magnet will reenergize, however, the motor START switch must be depressed before the motor will start.**

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Always remember that the magnet's holding power is directly related to the workpiece thickness and surface condition. Since magnetic attraction diminishes with thinner material or rough surfaces, mechanical clamping of drill unit to the workpiece should be used when cutting thin material (3/8" or less) or material with uneven surfaces.

1. Make sure workpiece and bottom of magnet are free of chips, oil, etc.
2. Position drill by sliding it and gently feeding Arbor so that pilot point is touching center of hole to be drilled.
3. Secure unit to workpiece with safety chain.
4. Turn magnet ON by pressing the magnet ON button.
5. Turn Feed Handle, raising the cutter until the pilot is above the work surface.
6. Make certain that cutter is clear of workpiece and turn motor ON by pressing the motor START button.
7. Feed Hougen Cutter slowly into workpiece. Only after cutting path is established to a depth of about 1/16" can full force be applied to feed handles.
8. Ease up on feed pressure as cutter starts breaking through.
9. At conclusion of cut, turn motor OFF by pressing motor STOP button. Turn Feed Handles to raise Arbor thereby ejecting the slug if it hasn't already fallen free.
10. Turn magnet OFF by pressing the magnet OFF button. As the magnet de-energizes, the rear of the magnet should lift up off the work surface.
11. **Disconnect from power source.**
12. If necessary, remove chips from cutter and magnet, preferably wearing leather work gloves and/or with pliers. Disconnect safety chain and you are ready to move unit to new drilling position.

## INSTALLING HOUGEN CUTTER IN ARBOR

1. Disconnect from power source.
2. Lay drill on its side with feed handles up or be sure Arbor clears table if unit is in normal operating position.
3. Turn Feed Handles until cutter mounting set screws are exposed and completely remove the set screw.
4. Insert proper pilot in shank end of Hougen Cutter.
5. Insert Hougen Cutter until flat on cutter shank is aligned with set screw holes and is exactly perpendicular to axis of set screw holes. If 1/2" diameter shank cutter is used, slip (10851) Arbor Adapter over the cutter shank with adapter hole positioned exactly over flat on cutter shank prior to inserting into Arbor bore.
6. Insert set screws and tighten. When mounting 1/2" diameter shank cutter with adapter, use longer set screw. (ordered separately) Check to be certain that cutter is secure.

## OPERATION OF CUTTING FLUID RESERVOIR

1. With Magnetic Drill in operating position, turn the feed handles so that cutter and pilot are above the work surface.
2. With magnet turned ON and motor OFF, fill reservoir by introducing cutting fluid through slots in Arbor.  
**Cutting fluid should not leak out.**
3. Test metering capabilities of Arbor/Cutter/Pilot assembly (magnet ON-motor OFF) by feeding the Arbor gently toward work surface until pilot is pushed up into Cutter, thus allowing fluid to filter down onto work surface through groove in pilot.
4. For proper lubrication, all cutting fluid in reservoir should empty onto work surface in no less than 15 seconds and no longer than 30 seconds.

## ADJUSTMENT OF GIBS

1. Loosen all Gib Screws (40237).
2. Feed the drill in and out a few times and then, with top of motor slide flush with top of housing, tighten the Gib Screws until you feel them touch the Steel Gib (02431).
3. Feed the drill in and out again.
4. Adjust Gib Screws so that there is uniform pressure from top to bottom. (Top of motor slide flush with top of housing.)
5. Turn each Gib Screw in about 1/8 to 1/4 turn, depending upon your preference.
6. Gibs should be tight enough so that slide moves up and down smoothly with no wobble or shaking. (Looseness will cause cutter breakage.) **NOTE: Gibs should be lubricated regularly.**

## ARBOR ADJUSTMENT

**Adjust Gibs before adjusting front support bracket.**

1. Loosen Arbor Support Bracket Bolts.
3. Be sure top of arbor is flush with the shoulder on motor output shaft. Also make certain arbor is securely fastened.
4. Turn feed handle until motor and spindle are at the bottom of their travel.
5. Tighten Arbor Support Bolts.
6. Feed slide up and down a few times, checking for free and uniform movement.

**NOTE: Check Arbor support bolts regularly to make certain they are tight. Tighten as required.**

## SAFETY SWITCH ADJUSTMENT

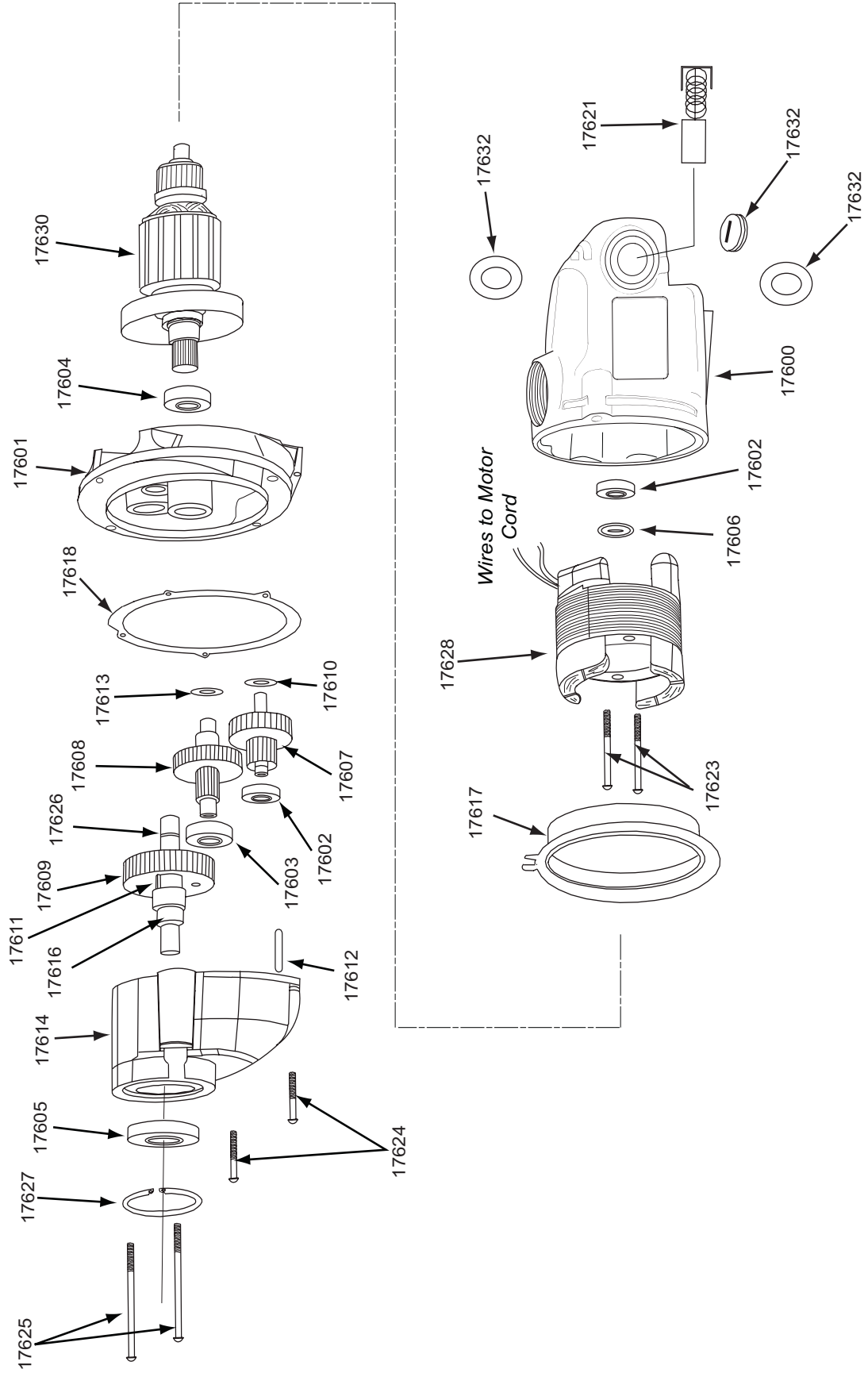
1. Unplug unit from power source and place it on a flat sheet of steel that is at least 3/8" thick. Only magnet portion should be on steel plate. Rear support block (Glide posts should hang over the edge of the steel plate).
2. Remove Access Hole Screw (10977) from the bottom of the panel assembly.
3. Insert 5/32" Allen Wrench into access hole and back off (counterclockwise) Microswitch Adjusting Screw (10969) about three full turns.
4. Turn adjusting screw in (clockwise) about 1/8 turn at a time (removing wrench, plugging motor to power source, and turning magnet and motor ON each time) until you find exactly where motor starts.

**CAUTION — Turn switches OFF and unplug motor from power source prior to each adjustment.**

5. After determining point where motor starts, turn adjustment screw clockwise one and a half turns.
6. Plug unit to power source. Turn Magnet and Motor switches ON. Strike side of magnet at rear with rubber hammer. Motor should shut off before the magnet moves 1/2" in any direction.

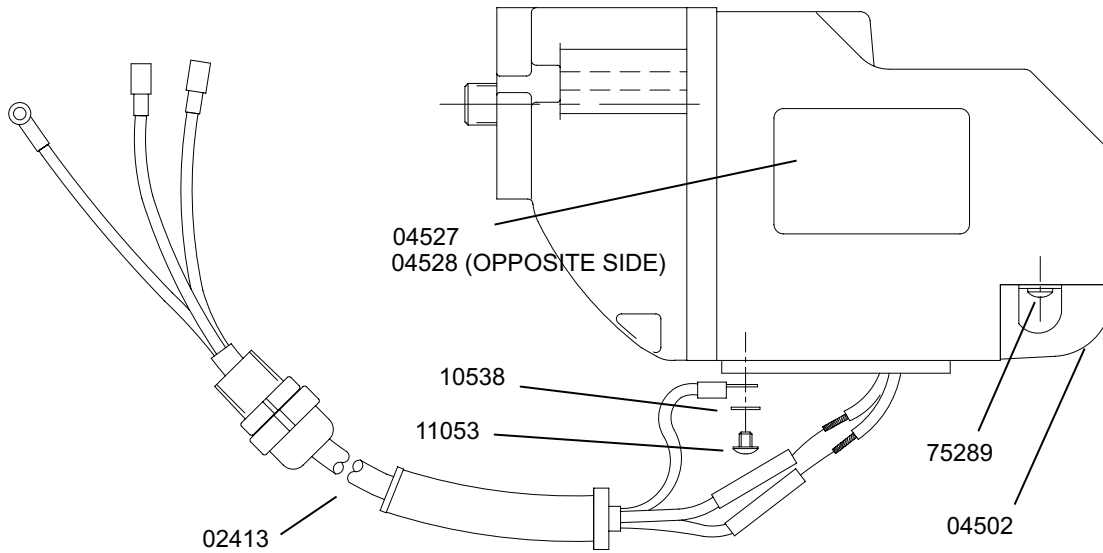
**NOTE: Safety Switch adjustment should be checked regularly following the procedure outlined in Step 6 above.**

# MOTOR PARTS DIAGRAM





# 04503 MOTOR ASSEMBLY

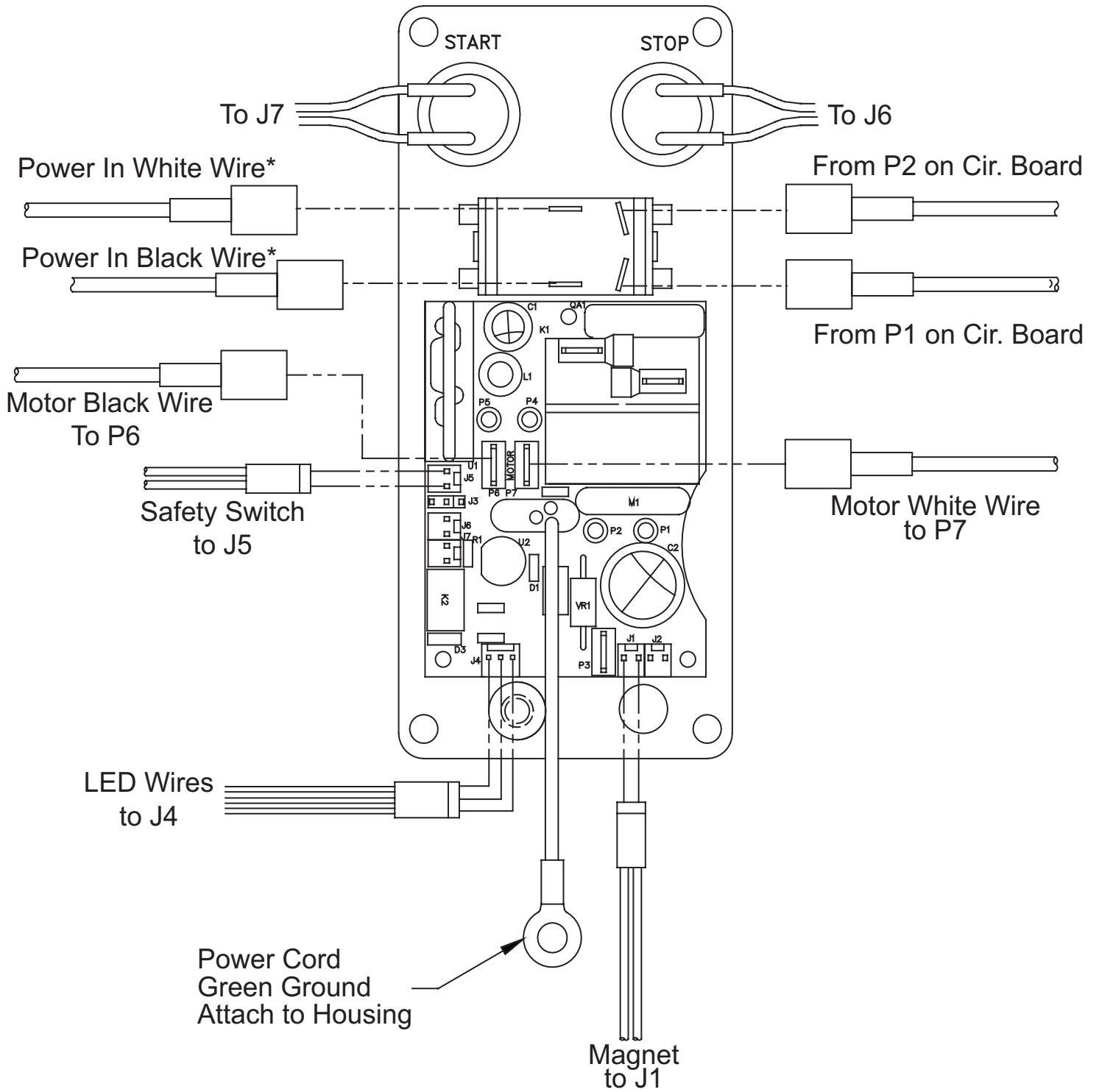


11053 BOLT TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS - TIGHTEN TO 18 IN-LBS  
 75289 BOLT TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS - TIGHTEN TO 25 IN-LBS

## MOTOR PARTS LIST

PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY. REQ'D.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY. REQ'D.
04503	MOTOR ASSY. REPLAC.		17611	KEY	1
04527	LABEL, MOTOR SPECS.	1	17612	DOWEL PIN	1
04528	LABEL, MOTOR HMD904	1	17613	FLAT WASHER	1
02413	MOTOR CORD ASSY.	1	17614	GEAR HOUSING	1
11053	SCREW, BHS #8-32	1	17616	SPINDLE	1
10538	WASHER #8 EXT.	1	17617	FAN GUIDE	1
04502	BRUSH COVER	1	17618	GASKET	1
75289	PAN HEAD SCREW	2	17630	ARMATURE	1
17600	FIELD CASE	1	17628	FIELD	1
17601	GEAR HOUSING COVER	1	17621	CARBON BRUSH	2
17602	BALL BEARING	2	17622	BRUSH CAP	2
17603	BALL BEARING	1	17623	PAN HEAD SCR.-FIELD	2
17604	BALL BEARING	1	17624	PAN HEAD SCR.-SHORT	2
17605	BALL BEARING	1	17625	PAN HEAD SCR.-LONG	2
17606	DUST SEAL	1	17626	RETAINING RING	1
17607	1ST. INTER GEAR ASSY	1	17627	RETAINING RING	1
17608	2ND. INTER GEAR ASSY	1	17632	PAPER WASHER	2
17609	SPUR GEAR	1			
17610	FLAT WASHER	1			

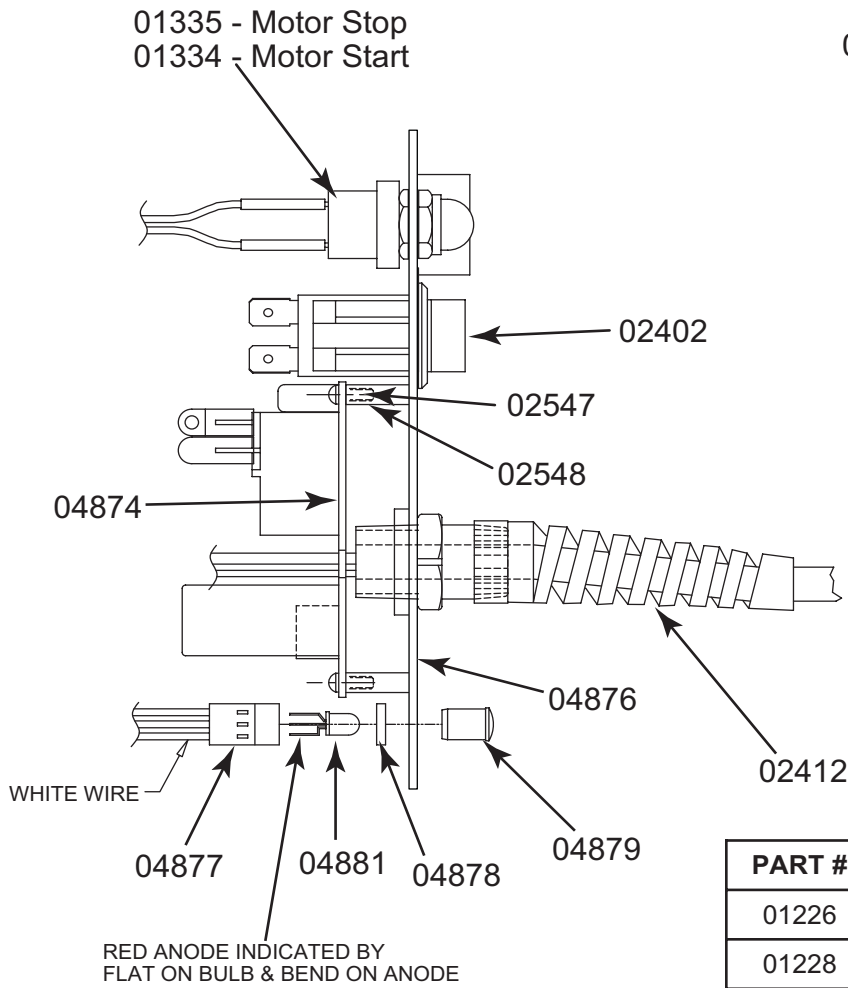
# CONTROL PANEL HOOKUP



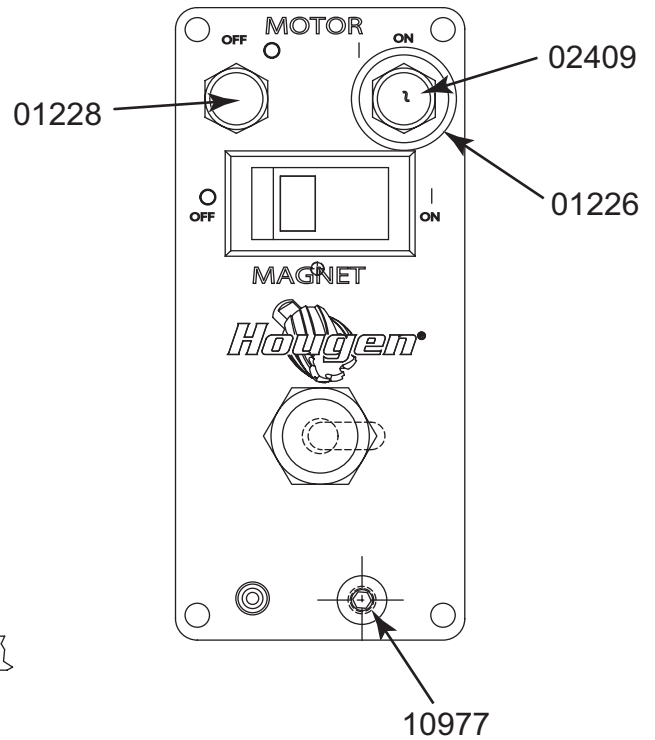
\* Power Wires route through center of circuit board

# CONTROL PANEL PARTS LIST

## Panel Assembly P/N: 04875

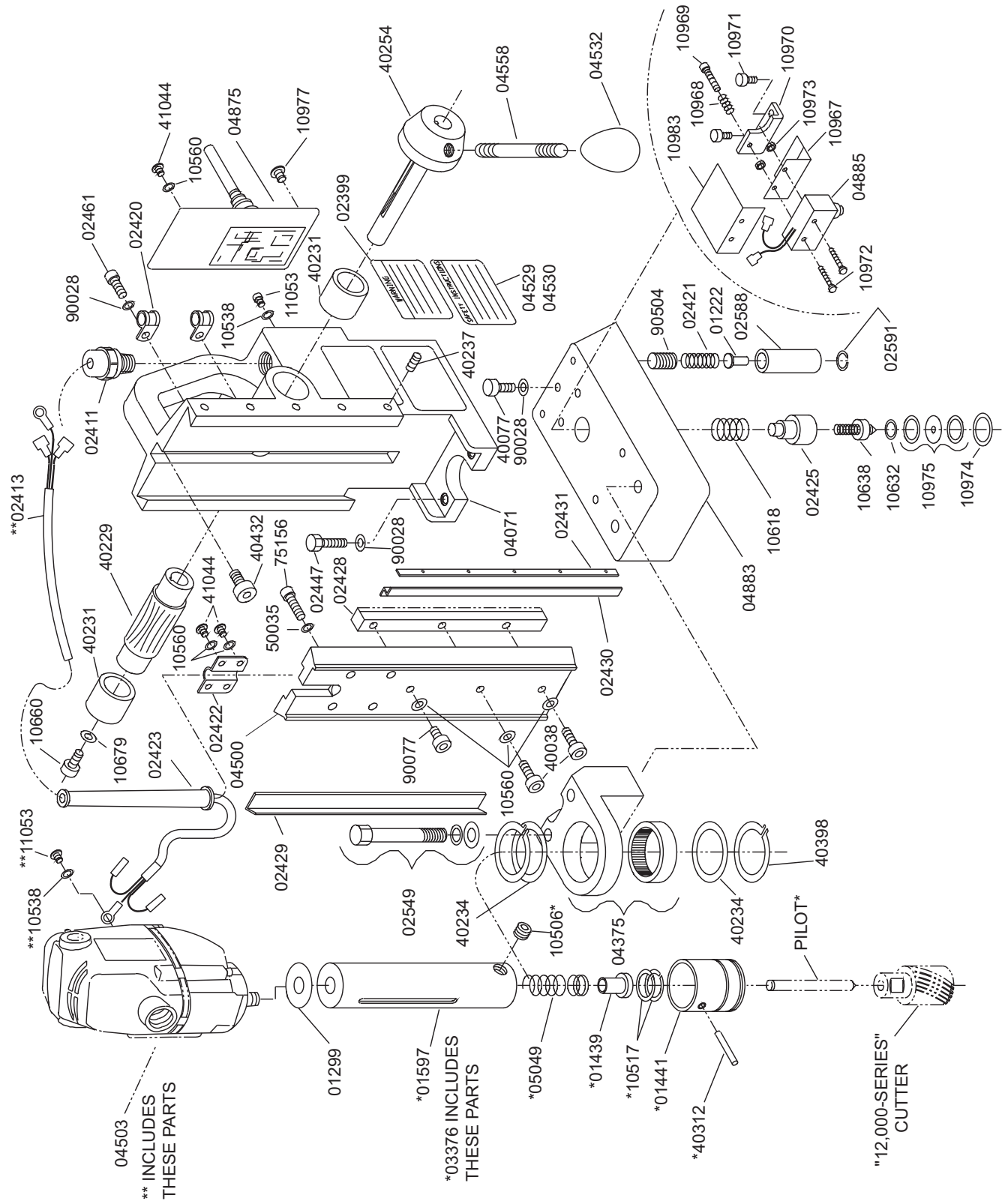


NOTE: WHEN INSERTING L.E.D. INTO HARNESS  
MAKE SURE RED ANODE FROM  
L.E.D. LINES UP WITH WHITE WIRE  
ON HARNESS.



PART #	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
01226	SWITCH GUARD	1
01228	SWITCH BOOT - RED	1
01334	SWITCH ASSY. ON/START	1
01335	SWITCH ASSY. OFF/STOP	1
02402	ROCKER SWITCH	1
02409	SWITCH BOOT - GREEN	1
02412	POWER CORD ASSY	1
02547	SCREW #4-40 PHILLIPS	3
02548	SPACER	3
04874	CIRCUIT BOARD 120V	1
04876	FACEPLATE	1
04877	WIRE HARNESS LED	1
04878	SPACER	1
04879	LENS CLEAR	1
04881	LED BULB	1
10977	SCREW, BH 1/4-20	1

# MODEL HMD904 EXPLODED DIAGRAM



## HMD904 PARTS LIST W / ASSEMBLIES

PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY. REQ'D.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY. REQ'D.
01299	WASHER, THRUST	1	11053	SCREW, BHC #8-32	1
02411	STRAIN RELIEF - MTR. CORD	1	40038	SCREW, SHC #10-32	2
02413	MOTOR CORD ASSEMBLY	1	40077	SCREW, SHC 1/4-20	1
02420	MOTOR CORD CLAMP	2	40214	SCREW, SHC #6-32	1
02421	GLIDE POST SPRING	2	40234	THRUST WASHER	2
02422	MOTOR CORD BRACKET	1	40254	HUB ASSEMBLY	1
02423	MOTOR CORD FLEX PROTE.	1	40398	RETAINING RING	1
02425	PLUNGER BODY	1	40432	SCREW, SHC 1/4-28	1
02428	RACK GEAR	1	41044	SCREW, BHC #10-32	6
02429	BRASS GIB - RIGHT	1	50035	LOCKWASHER 1/4 EXT	4
02430	BRASS GIB - LEFT	1	90028	LOCKWASHER 1/4 HELI	5
02431	STEEL GIB	1	90052	LOCKWASHER #6 EXT.	1
02447	BOLT-HEX HEAD 1/4-28	2	90077	SCREW BHC #10-32 X 1/2	1
02461	1/4-20 X 3/8 BHC SCREW	2			
02591	RETAINING RING	2		<b>ASSEMBLIES</b>	
03376	ARBOR ASSY	1	<b>04541</b>	<b>HOUSING ASSEMBLY</b>	
04375	FRONT SUPP. BRKT. ASSY.	1	40231	BRONZE BUSHING	2
04500	SLIDE, MOTOR MOUNT	1	40229	FEED GEAR	1
04532	FEED HANDLE KNOB	3	04529	LABEL, SAFETY	1
04558	FEED HANDLE	3	04530	LABEL, WARNING	2
04883	MAGNET - 115V	1	04553	LABEL, WARNING CHAIN	1
04885	SAFETY SWITCH ASSY.	1	40237	GIB SCREWS	5
10538	LOCK WASHER	1	<b>03376</b>	<b>ARBOR ASSEMBLY</b>	
10560	LOCKWASHER #10 EXT.	11	01597	ARBOR BODY	1
10618	S/S COMP. SPRING	1	01439	SEAT-SPRING	1
10632	RETAINING RING	1	10517	RETAINING RING	2
10638	SAFETY SWITCH BRG. ASSY	1	05049	ARBOR SPRING	1
10660	SCREW SHC 1/4-20 X 5/8	1	01441	EJECTOR COLLAR	1
10679	1/4" FLAT WASHER	1	40312	ROLL PIN ALTERED	1
10968	S/S ADJUST SPRING	1	10506	SCR-SET 3/8-24 SPL	2
10969	S/S ADJUST SCREW	1	<b>02592</b>	<b>GLIDE POST ASSEMBLY (2)</b>	
10970	S/S ADJUST BRKT.	1	02588	BODY GLIDE POST	2
10971	SCREW SHC 1/4-20	2	01222	NOSE-PLUNGER	2
10972	SCREW BHC #6-32	2	02421	SPRING	2
10973	NUT WITH NYLON	2	90504	SCR-SOC SET 7/16-20	2
10974	RETAINING RING	1	<b>02549</b>	<b>BOLT KIT ASSEMBLY</b>	
10975	S/S SEAL ASSEMBLY	1	02460	BOLT HEX 3/8-24 X 2 3/4	2
10977	SCREW, BHC 1/4-20	1	40391	LOCK WASHER 3/8 HELI	2
10983	S/S SHIELD	1	40392	WASHER FLAT 3/8	2
			<b>04875</b>	<b>CONTROL PANEL ASSY</b>	
			<b>04503</b>	<b>MOTOR ASSY. REPLAC.</b>	

# MAINTENANCE

In order to minimize wear on moving parts and to insure smoother operation and longer life for your magnetic drill, the following maintenance should be done periodically, based on use.

1. Regularly tighten all fasteners and replace all worn parts.
2. Check motor brushes and replace if worn. (Break in period - 30 minutes at no load speed)
3. Check power cord and cord from panel to motor and, if cracked or frayed, return to an authorized repair center for replacement.
4. Apply grease to the slide dovetails, brass gibs, and the feed gear rack. For best results use Shell Cyprina-RA or equivalent.
5. Remove arbor and pack the bearing in the front support bracket with grease. Use Shell Cyprina-RA or equivalent.

## HINTS FOR SMOOTHER OPERATION

1. Keep insides of Hougén Cutter clear of chips. Chips will interfere with cutting to maximum depth, may impede the free oil flow and can cause cutter breakage.
2. Keep work, machine, arbor and Hougén Cutter free of chips and dirt.
3. Tighten all bolts and fasteners regularly.
4. We highly recommend using a light viscosity cutting fluid (preferably Hougén Cutting Fluid - Part No. 11742-4)
5. Occasionally check metering of cutting fluid flow. Lack of cutting fluid may cause Hougén Cutter to freeze in cut, slug to stick and may result in poor cutter life.
6. Always start cut with light feed pressure and then increase sufficiently to achieve maximum cutting rate.
7. Ease off on pressure as cutter begins to break through at the end of the cut.
8. Keep slide dovetails, brass gibs and feed rack lubricated and free of chips and dirt.
9. When slug hangs up in cutter, turn off motor and bring cutter down on a flat surface. This will normally straighten a cocked slug, allowing it to be ejected.
10. When cutting large diameter or deep holes it may be necessary to stop in the middle of the cut to add cutting fluid and remove the chips from around the arbor. (When doing this DO NOT raise the cutter out of the hole. Doing so can allow chips to get under the teeth of the cutter and make it difficult to restart the cut.)

**#1 cause of cutter breakage and prematurely dull teeth is too little feed pressure**

## REMEDIES FOR HOLEMaking PROBLEMS

1. **Trouble: Magnetic base won't hold effectively to work.**
  - a. Cause: Chips or dirt under magnet.  
*Remedy:* Clear area of chips and dirt.
  - b. Cause: Irregular surface on bottom of magnet or on workpiece.  
*Remedy:* Lightly surface grind the bottom of the magnet flat and/or file imperfections flat on the work surface as needed.
2. **Trouble: Cutter tends to move across surface of work.**
  - a. Cause: Magnetic base not holding effectively.  
*Remedy:* See causes and remedies under No. 1 above.
  - b. Cause: Too much feed pressure at start of cut.  
*Remedy:* Light pressure until a groove is cut. The groove then serves as a stabilizer.
  - c. Cause: Worn pilot.  
*Remedy:* Replace pilot
3. **Trouble: Out of round holes.**
  - a. Cause: Worn arbor support bracket bearing and or ejector collar.  
*Remedy:* Replace: (only a few thousandths wear permissible.)
  - b. Cause: Misaligned support bracket  
*Remedy:* Realign support bracket
4. **Trouble: Motor and slide won't stay in set position**
  - a. Cause: Gibs too loose  
*Remedy:* Adjust gibs
5. **Trouble: Erratic or intermittent feed.**
  - a. Cause: Worn or pinion and/or rack.  
*Remedy:* Replace worn parts.
6. **Trouble: Motor doesn't run when motor START button is pushed.**
  - a. Cause: Magnet is not turned on  
*Remedy:* Push magnet ON button.
  - b. Cause: Magnet on rough or dirty work surface and safety switch not fully depressed.  
*Remedy:* File work surface flat and clean all chips and oil from under magnet.
  - c. Cause: Safety switch out of adjustment  
*Remedy:* Adjust safety switch
  - d. Cause: No power  
*Remedy:* Check power source and extension cords.
  - e. Cause: Worn motor brushes  
*Remedy:* Replace brushes
  - f. Cause: Faulty motor START switch  
*Remedy:* Return unit to an authorized repair center to have switch replaced.

**NOTE: If you are unable to correct any malfunction after trying the above, do not attempt to operate the drill. Return the unit to the factory or authorized repair center for service.**

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