

The Mandrel Saver Tailstock Center

This system is designed to save the center point and the mandrel shaft from damage caused by over tightening the tailstock center.

Remove the tailstock live center assembly from the tailstock housing of your lathe. Install this mandrel saver in its place.

Mount your bushings and blanks on your mandrel as you normally would to turn your blanks.

Do not use the knurled nut. Slide the tailstock towards the mandrel and direct the shaft to slide into the mandrel saver. Lock the tailstock in place. Crank the tailstock quill adjustment wheel and add medium pressure against the mandrel bushings. Lock the quill.

Turn on your lathe, engage the turning tool, apply light pressure to start removing material. If the blanks spin, add additional pressure with the quill adjustment wheel and retighten. Continue turning.

