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1.	00:00	360 view of machine Shot of slug pulling	Congratulations on your recent purchase of DTC Products' Slug Keeper Machine! In the stamping environment, one of the biggest
		Shot of slug on die mold Worker sorting through parts; Shot of box w parts, CG: "REJECTED"	problems is slugs pulling during the production process. This small – but significant – problem can cause damage to both parts and the die. Slugs can also cause additional costs by the rejection of stamped parts and the painstaking process of sorting parts by hand.
		Machine in action Shot of press running	This machine will help to eliminate the problem of slugs pulling during stamping operations by putting precise grooves into die openings, keeping slugs in the die opening where they belong. This allows you to keep your presses running, making you <i>MONEY</i> .
¥ ⊴®		Shot of Jeff taking case to work area; in press; on the grinder	The portable Slug Retention Machine can be used anywhere you need it! Whether in a stamping press, in the tool room, or on a surface grinder, the Slug Keeper is easy to set up and gets the job done quickly and accurately!
¥¥ ⊲⊄		CUs of each part mentioned CG: Installing and uninstalling the grinding bit	Step one is to select the proper slug retention grinding bit. Your new Slug Keeper Machine comes with 3 borzon wheels for all steels and 3 diamond wheels for carbide material. Grinding bits are thirty-five thousandths, sixty-two thousandths, and ninety-three thousandths diameter. Special wrenches, which are attached to the top of the Slug Keeper for easy retrieval, are used for installing the grinding bits. Depending on the material thickness you are stamping, choose the bit that is right. Then, to install the bit, loosen the screw knob and remove the two wrenches. Put the wrenches on the flats and loosen the screw. This will allow the current bit to slide out, and a new one put in. Again, put the wrench on the flat, snug it with your fingers, and then tighten it with the wrench, locking it in position. Then take the two wrenches, and



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			position, screwing the knob back on. As you have seen, installing or replacing the grinding bit is simple and quick. Use the handy position-able LED light that comes with your Slug Keeper, as well as two attached lights, to illuminate your grinding surface precisely.
2.		CG: Adjusting the air- grinder height: CU of screw being loosened Shot of air-grinder moving up and down Shot of SK on die block Shot of SK on surface	The second step in preparing to use the Slug Keeper machine is adjusting the air-grinder height. Using the same wrenches used for the installation of the grinding bits (or just your fingers) to loosen the front knob. This will allow the air grinder to slide up or down so you can get the grinding wheel positioned close to the work pieces. Then, lock the grinder in place by using one of the wrenches to be sure the air grinder does not slide up or down during the grinding operation.
		Shot of Side stop Back to CU of screws, hand tightening them	Now you can fine-tune the stop position by using the side stop. Loosen the 2 screws and push the spring-loaded plugger head down until the wheel is into the opening at the desired depth. We recommend you go the full depth allowed on DTC Products' grinding bit, approximately three-sixteenths of an inch deep. Now, slide the stop against the plugger and hand-tighten the screws. Check the stop position by pushing the plugger unit up and down, verifying the grind depth looks correct.
3.		Using the SK in the press, putting it on press – using it – taking it off & starting production back up Shot of cutting strip and Removal of strip	Keeping your press running all day – without slugs pulling and stopping valuable production time – is essential for a profitable business. Your new Slug Keeper Machine is small enough to be used inside a press, saving you the time of pulling the die out of the press and taking it to the tool room when slug problems arise. Simply begin by cutting



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			the strip and removing the strip from the tool.
4.		Shot of slug keeper on die Shot of positioning the grinder	Place the slug keeper machine into the die, on a flat surface, positioning it perpendicular to the edge you want to grind.
		Adjust top of machine back and forth; Graphic: Zero to 5 degrees movement Check grinding wheel	Adjust the grinder to the position you want before you grind.
		Turn magnet on	Move it close, so that the grinding bit is near
		Plug in air hose	the edge. Turn the magnet on to hold it in
		Turn on grinder [get some nat sound]	position. Verify that the grinding wheel will go deep enough, approximately a 3/16 of an
		CU of grinder making groove in die	inch below the top of your die surface. At that point, plug in your air hose and turn on your air grinder.
		Turn on micrometer, set to zero	
		Adjust the grinder, up and down	Using the micrometer adjustment, move the grinding wheel close to the edge of the die block. At the same time, move it up and down until you see a slight groove on the edge of the block.
		Graphic: about 3% to 5% of Material thickness	
			Turn on the micrometer and set it to zero by holding the on /off /zero set button in for about 30 seconds – you will see the numbers change to all zeros. BE SURE THE MICROMETER LOCK IS SNUG or the micrometer can vibrate, causing it to move on its own. Now, you want to adjust the wheel into the edge of the die opening a few tenths at a time, while pushing the plugger unit down and allowing it to come up, causing the grinding bit to go up and down – grinding



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			a precision retention groove into the die edge. The recommended depth is shown in the operation manual. The deeper you can go without causing a burr on the final stamped part, the better.
5.		Shot of row of surface grinders Shot of SK Machine on surface grinder, long shot; CU shot Place bushing on magnet	The Slug Keeper Machine can be used on any standard surface grinder. Place the Machine and the die insert or bushing on the magnet; the surface grinder magnet will hold the insert or bushing in place while the Slug
			Keeper Machine is putting the slug retention groove into the opening.
6.		Show SK Machine in action on surface grinder wide Shot of bushing on magnet CU of groove in bushing	With the slug keeper machine magnet on, we now place the die insert or bushing in position under the grinding wheel. Position it close to the edge that you would like to grind. Turn on the surface grinder magnet and move the grinding wheel, using the micrometer to closely position where you want to grind. At this time, turn on the grinding wheel, and begin to move it up and down until you see a slight groove on the die opening edge. Once that is accomplished, reset the micrometer to zero, and – adjusting a few tenths at a time – come up and down until you get the groove the desired depth shown on the micrometer readout.
7.		Shot on Tool bench Close lid of case?	Because the Slug Retention Machine is lightweight and portable, you can use it anywhere in your shop, anytime! Return your Machine to the handy carrying case that holds and protects your Machine when it's



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			not in use.
8.		Hand holding damaged part	Slugs are small – but can cost your company
		Beauty shot of SK Machine	big money. Use your Slug Keeper Machine
			to make sure your dies and stamped parts
			are free of this nuisance, every time!
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			information.