

Cutting internal threads and cutting external threads

How to cut internal threads		How to cut external threads	
1) 2)	At first, select the correct taps and the tap wrench. Next apply a suitable cutting fluid to the	1)	At the beginning, chamfer the end of your workpiece with a file or on the disc sander.
	tap. Keep in mind that you do not need any cutting fluid if you want to tap brass	2)	Then fasten the chamfered workpiece securely in a vice.
3)	or cast iron. When beginning to tap, place the tap in	3)	Next, select the correct die and the die holder.
	the hole as vertically as possible.	4)	Before you start threading, do not
4)	handles of the tap holder.		tapered end of the die.
5)	After turning clockwise for two turns, remove the tap holder and check if the	5)	Place the lubricated tapered end of the die squarely on the workpiece.
	tap is square.	6)	Then press down equally on both
6)	If the tap did not enter the hole squarely, remove it from the hole and		handles of the die holder and turn it clockwise for several turns.
	restart tapping. When doing so, apply	7)	After several turns, check whether the
	away from which the tap leans.	8)	die has worked squarely. If not, remove the die and restart
7)	Now turn the tap clockwise one-quarter	0)	threading.
	turn to break the chip.	9)	turn it back again about one and a half
8)	Repeat this process steadily until you		turn to break the chip. Do not forget to
9)	Finally, clean the tapped hole and check		threading process.
	it with a thread gage or an appropriate bolt.	10)	When you have finished cutting the thread, check the thread with a thread ring gage or an appropriate nut.

