

Lincoln Electric® Technology Increases Learning and Efficiency for UA Local Union 123

The United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitter's Local Union 123 is based out of west-central Florida, serving eleven counties and providing the finest training programs for their craftsman. The union's programs have benefited tremendously from the additions of the MasterPipe® Compact Profiler and FlexCut 80®. Richard Cranker speaks out about just how much of an impact Lincoln Electric Technology has had on their programs.

DEVELOPING THE MOST HIGHLY TRAINED CRAFTSMAN

Training time and preparedness for the workforce is exceedingly important to UA Local Union. The unsurpassed training programs offered by UA Local Union paired with the time saving technology of Lincoln Electric's MasterPipe Compact Profiler results in the most highly trained craftsman in the field, whether it be for plumbing, pipefitting, HVAC, or pipe welding.

"Our guys and gals who are preparing to take welding tests here and across the country have more time to practice and hone their welding skills since they no longer need to cut and bevel the coupons they are practicing on. Our welders are more prepared for the field, bottom line."

Richard's team uses their MasterPipe Compact Profiler to cut welding coupons to increase productivity and efficiency. Richard speaks on the benefits of the MasterPipe Compact Profiler in terms of his cutting needs, noting that before "...it took us two days to cut 20 feet of 6 inch schedule 80 pipe into 4 inch coupons with a bevel on one side. Now, in that same amount of time, we can cut down 20 feet of 6 inch schedule 80, 40 feet of 2 inch schedule 80 and 40 feet of 2 inch schedule. As if that wasn't enough, we can even cut and bevel all our Stainless and Chrome pipe as well."



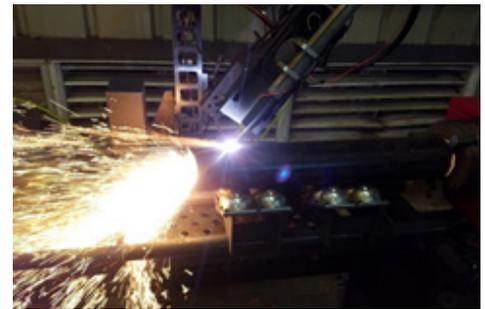
DIVERSE USES

The MasterPipe Compact Profiler is Lincoln Electric's most economical profiler, with expansions that allow the machine to handle pipes and tubes up to 24 feet long and one to eight inch outside diameter pipe. Lincoln Electric offers fume extraction solutions to keep your workers and students safe, so that you can forge ahead without worrying about excessive fumes in your shop or classroom. With the highly intuitive software, in coordination with Lincoln Electric's ACCUMOVE motion control technology, new users can begin to successfully cut their pipe soon after machine installation. With the ability to cut

steel and stainless steel in addition to other materials, this machine is ready to handle a diverse workload, from cutting welding coupons to preparing fencing and handrails. With sharp cuts every time, the MasterPipe Compact Profiler is capable of a variety of cuts, including straight, saddle, tee, gusset, and elbow support.

ADVICE TO OTHERS

"We highly recommend the MasterPipe Compact Profiler to anyone in a fabrication shop or school environment." For Richard's union, the addition of the profiler to their repertoire has proved invaluable, and contractors and local technical schools have begun looking into the MasterPipe Compact Profiler as a result of his purchase.



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