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06-28-2006, 05:12 AM #1

frisco
Flashaholic

Join Date: Dec 2005
 Location: San Francisco
 Posts: 457

Help! Online source for machine tooling????

Just about ready to get my Mill back up and running after it's been in storage for a few years. It's a full size Bridgeport style with a R8 spindle. I used to buy my tooling from a local shop, but I think I was paying way to much.

I'm looking to stock up on some new end mills, ball ends, slot cutters, roughers and some other stuff.

What are your favorite online suppliers???? Or local suppliers in the San Francisco/San Jose area.

Thanks in advance !!!

frisco

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#2



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Re: Help! Online source for machine tooling????

I order most of mine from Enco, MSC-direct or even Harbor Freight. I've been lucky so far, well except for the centerdrill that I thought was 3/8 inch diameter, 7/8 inch length of cut and 3/8 shank.

it ws really 3/8 inch diameter, 7/8 inch shank and 3/8 length of cut It would not fit in any of my tools with a 7/8 shank.

Other than that, I've been happy with the tools from enco and MSC. The HF tools are good for most small non-critical projects and the price is often right.

Daniel

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Youth is a difficult time... it gets tougher the longer you draw it out



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#3

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Flashaholic

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Posts: 445

Re: Help! Online source for machine tooling????

I agree with Daniel on MSC Direct and Enco... great selection, decent prices and fast shipping. They have searchable web sites, but the sites aren't that great. If you get their full catalogs I hope you have a lot of space on your bookshelf because those babies are like metropolitan phone books.

McMaster-Carr is also a great place to get machine tools. Their web site is better than either MSC or Enco because its search engine is more intelligent. Plus they're all over the place, offer will-call service and they'll pull your order super fast. BTW, McMaster doesn't sell the cheap Chinese stuff so don't be expecting any fire-sale prices there hahaha.



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#4



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Re: Help! Online source for machine tooling????

frisco, if you can make it down to SJ, you should drop by Western Tools.
Their pricing is far better than MSC for cutting tools.

The only exception is when MSC have those clearance sales, then it's hard to beat. I grab myself couple sets of Micro 100 solid carbide grooving and threading cutters for \$15/each.

Enco normally carry some of the medium quality stuff that MSC have for 5-10% cheaper. Plus if you order alot (>\$200) you get free shipping.

Typically MSC and Enco grounds shipping makes it to us (SF/Bay Area) within 1-2 business day.

Other online retailer that are "competitive" are:

www.mcmaster.com --> luv their search engine but hate the \$\$\$

www.jlindustrial.com --> I believe Kenmetals sold it to MSC. Overprice but good selection.

www.msdiscount.com --> similar to Enco but no free shipping & no tax

www.wttool.com --> similar to MSC but a whole lot cheaper

www.shars.com --> lowest price for chinese import all around

www.ebay.com --> be careful with what you buy



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#5

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Re: Help! Online source for machine tooling????

Much thanks guys !!!

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