

What to Look for in a Saw & Tool Sharpening Service

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About



- Founded in 1949
- Niche Machinery importer (Striebig, Lamello, & Grinding)
- HQ in Kingston, MA. Satellite in CA and NC
- Over \$1m in support inventory
- Factory trained techs in all locations
- Over 5,000 machines installed
- Large enough to serve you, small enough to care

About Needham Saw

- Founded in 1970s by John Pellegrini
- Typical Saw Shop.....Provide new tools as well as resharpening service
- Family owned in Needham, MA for 40 yrs
- Several CNC Saw Grinders
- Specialists in carbide round Sawing applications
- Pickup and Delivery service

Your Saw Service should have:

- Automatic Grinding machines (face & top)
- Cleaning and inspection service
- Pickup and delivery
- Ability to relieve steel, replace teeth, hammering, straightening
- Make recommendations based on your application
- My Tablesaw Blades get a Grind

Your tool service should

- Sell new tools as well as sharpen
- Explain the benefits between brazed, corrogated, insert, and diamond tooling
- Basic advice on feed and speed rates
- Offer tools from a couple of different vendors

Shortcuts I need to be aware of

- Facing only
- Not Steel relieving
- Not replacing teeth
- Removing too much material (you don't get as many sharpenings)
- No Cleaning or inspection



Lets Sharpen a Blade





OK So How do I know when my blades need sharpening?

How Much should I be paying?

And How many sharpenings should I get per blade?