



## US15 PRO LARGE FORMAT SLITTING TOOL



Patent Pending

**WARNING! THIS TOOL SHOULD NOT BE USED ON LIVE ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS. IT IS NOT PROTECTED AGAINST ELECTRICAL SHOCK!**

Always use OSHA/ANSI/CE or other industry approved eye protection when using tools. This tool is not to be used for purposes other than intended. Read carefully and understand instructions before using this tool.

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### Product Overview

The UtilityTool® US15 PRO tool is a heavier duty slitting tool primarily used to assist in the removal of outer sheathing and primary insulation on low and medium voltage power cables. The tool will cut through many forms of insulated material such as PE, XLPE, PVC, EPR, silicon rubber, EPDM, and TGGT. The tool is particularly useful on flexible conductor cables up to 5kv. The US15 PRO has a micro adjustable blade depth to avoid underlying cable damage. Ring, spiral, and longitudinal cuts can be accurately made by indexing the blade position. The high grade tool steel blade is also capable of slitting lead, Sealpic®, and other thin metallic sheathing.

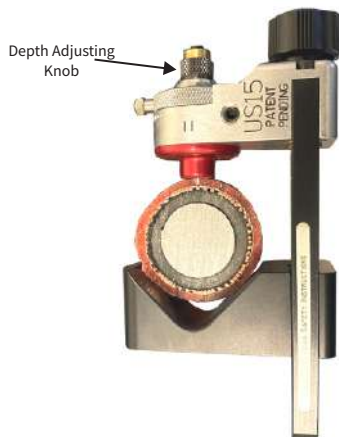
### Product Features

- Diameter range: 0.39" - 2.36" (10.0 - 60.0 mm)
- Blade depth range: 0 - .216" (0 - 5.5 mm)
- Micro blade adjustment
- Highly durable alloy steel blade

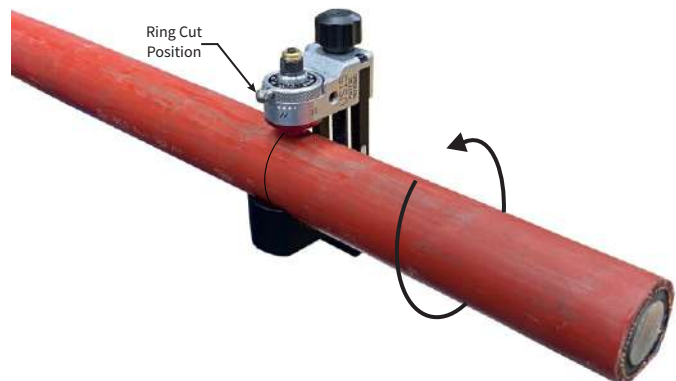
**Some applicable cables:** three phase jacketed industrial cable, jacketed medium voltage power cable, Tiger® brand mining cable, 2kv DLO cable, 600v and 2kv oil and gas cable, shielded instrumentation cable, 600v and 2kv flex strand EPDM, 600v flex stand THHN, shielded telephone cable, TGGT wire

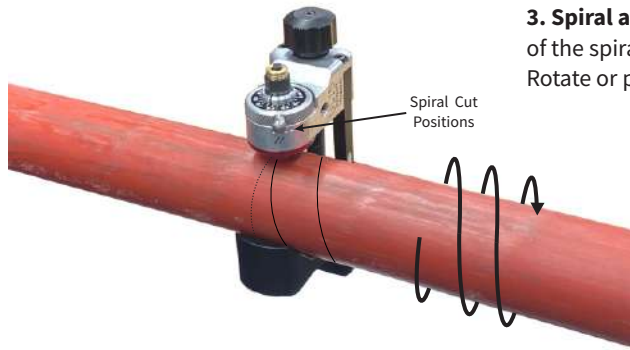
### Operating Instructions

**1. Set the blade depth.** Set an appropriate blade depth to score the jacket or insulation. For jackets with consistent thickness, set the blade depth 75-90% of the thickness. For irregular shape jackets, set the blade depth shy of the thinnest section to avoid cable damage.

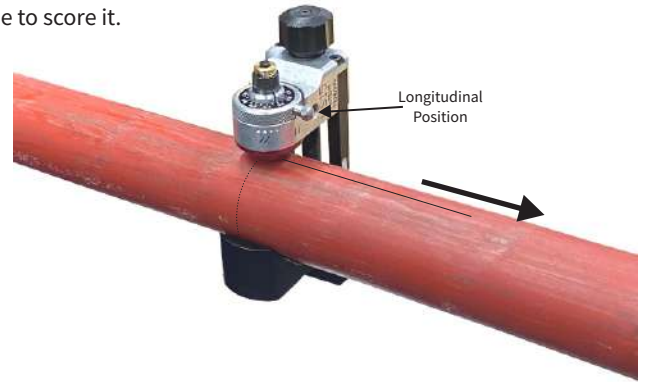


**2. Ring cut the cable.** Index the blade carriage to the ring cut position. The positioning knob faces forward. Snug the tool up with the tightening knob. Do not over tighten the tool on the cable. Rock the tool to feel the tension on the cable. Rotate counter clockwise to make a full ring cut.





**3. Spiral and Longitudinal Cut.** Index the tool to one of the spiral or the longitudinal position, as desired. Rotate or pull the tool down the cable to score it.



**4. Remove the jacketing.**



**5. Follow the same procedure with the US15 PRO to remove the insulation from the conductor.**

| Tool Model        | Feature                                                                                     | Tool Part Number | Replacement Blade |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| US15 PRO (metric) | Metric scale with 0.05mm increment<br>blade depth adjustments up to 5.5 mm<br>maximum depth | US15-7010        | US15-7501         |
| US15 PRO (inch)   | Inch scale with 0.002" increment blade<br>depth adjustments up to 0.216"<br>maximum depth   | US15-7011        | US15-7501         |

#### **Blade Replacement Instruction**



1. Turn the black blade adjusting knob counterclockwise fully for a 0 blade depth.
2. Secure a section of scrap cable into the tool.
3. Loosen the blade retaining screw with a 1/16 hex wrench and remove the blade from the collar.
4. Insert a new blade through the collar with the flat facing the screw. Drop the blade so it is resting on the cable OD. Re-tighten the blade holding screw against the flat portion of the blade shaft.
5. Re-adjust the blade to the desired depth setting.

#### **Blade Alignment feature**



Blade alignment adjusting screw

The US15 tool is designed with a blade alignment feature to ensure the ring cut will track squarely. If misalignment is determined, turn the blade alignment adjusting screw with a 1/8" hex wrench in the correct direction to bring the tool back to a properly tracking ring cut.