

CUTTING A THREAD



Cut the female thread with a 1 - 2 mm flat lead-in and a 1 - 2 mm run-out.

Close-up the thread should have small flats instead of a point.

Note that the cutter will not go fully to the bottom. Nor will it later cut all the length of the male part. So the lead-in and run-out flats are important to ensure that the parts fit together. They also make it easier for the threads to meet when putting the parts together.



If a 60° cutter is used then the thread height is equal to p x 0.866

With this height known and the female thread measured (f), the male part of the work can be made to a measured size of f + (2 x h)



But m actually needs to be a little smaller than f + (2 x h) to allow for the flat points on f and to ensure that there is a little bit of space between the two parts of the thread.



Now, cut a thread on the male part with a lead-in and run-out so that it will fit into the female part.

Note that if the lead-in is generous on each part there is no need for a run-out on either part.

