

The Veritas Short-Blade Honing Guide is designed to sharpen short blades, such as those used on spokeshaves. It can also be used for honing other blades up to 25/8" wide and 1/4" thick. One edge of the guide is configured for honing a 30° bevel; the other, a 25° bevel. The registration jig sets the correct blade extension for three blade thicknesses (1/8", 3/16" and 1/4"). The included shim can be used to hone a micro-bevel of approximately 2°.

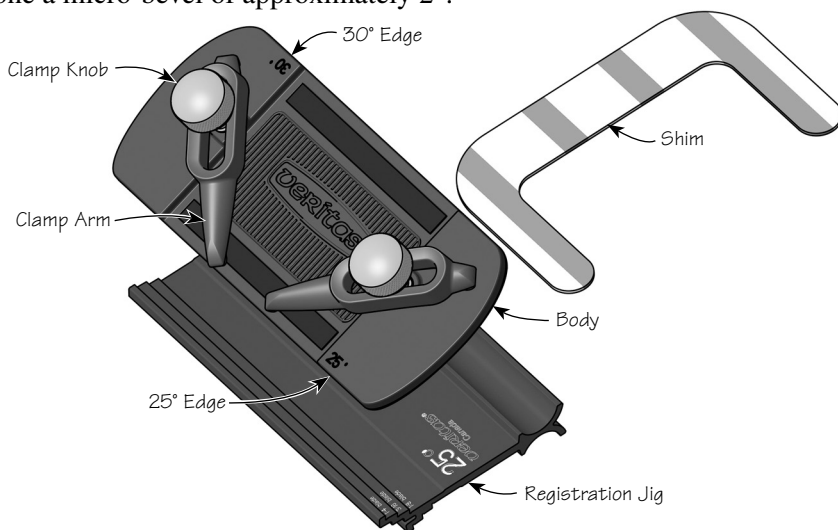


Figure 1: Veritas Short-Blade Honing Guide.

For honing a primary bevel, place the honing guide on the appropriate side of the registration jig for the bevel angle being honed. Install the blade edge against the step indicated for the thickness of the blade. Secure the blade to the guide using the clamp arms.hone the primary bevel.

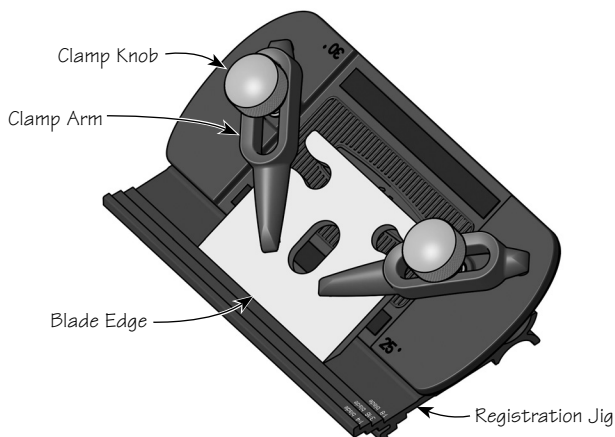


Figure 2: Using the registration jig to set the primary bevel.

If desired, a secondary bevel of approximately 2° can be honed. Set the shim on the stone, and then place the roller on one of the shim legs. Hone the blade while keeping the roller on the shim. This will tilt the guide up just enough to produce a secondary bevel.

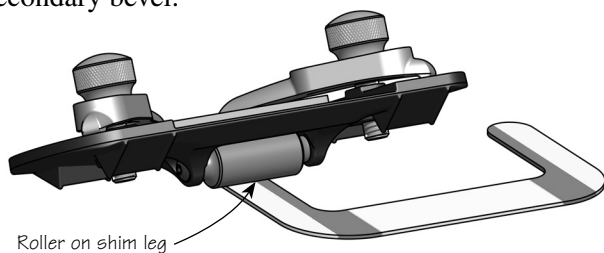


Figure 3: Using the shim to hone a secondary bevel.

Care and Maintenance

Since the guide is exposed to water and abrasive particles in use, fine particles can get between the roller and the axle to interfere with smooth operation. We recommend that you flush the roller with water, dry it and apply a drop of oil to the junction of the roller, every few times you use it. Work the roller with your fingers to ensure that the oil is well distributed inside. As grit from the sharpening process eventually fouls the clamping screws, they should be cleaned and oiled occasionally as well.