

ABD TapSplitter User Instructions

Before starting work, make sure the plug is in the plughole to prevent losing parts down there.

Identify a safe place to store components when removed.

1. Turn off water supply to the tap and open the tap to drain off any water in the pipes.
2. Remove the tap handle cap (usually marked hot or cold) to get to the tap handle fixing screw. Safely store the cap.
 - a. Some caps require levering out.
 - b. Other caps require unscrewing.
3. Remove the tap handle fixing screw and the tap handle. Safely store the screw and handle.
4. Remove the tap bonnet (if fitted) from over the tap headgear nut. Safely store the bonnet.
 - a. We recommend using a rubber strap wrench to prevent damage to the tap finish.
5. The tap headgear nut must be unscrewed in an anticlockwise direction to access the tap washer.
6. Select the hexagonal insert that best fits and place over the tap head nut.
7. Place TapSpanner over the insert to the left of the tap at approx 45 degrees to the spout.
8. Secure the insert to the TapSpanner with the small clips provided.
9. Adjust the screw until it touches the tap, holding the splitter spanner level.
10. Place the TapTool sleeve over the spout, sloping face to the right hand side of the tap.
11. If the TapTool sleeve is loose remove it, insert wide rubber filler and replace. If still loose, add smaller rubber insert and replace.
12. Place the washer on the eyebolt and screw the long nut onto the end of the eyebolt.
13. Attach eye of the eyebolt over the end of the spanner and place the nut & washer in the sleeve slot; you are now ready to undo the headgear.
14. Hold the tap splitter components steady with one hand, and use the small spanner to screw the long nut clockwise against the sleeve.
15. The tap spanner is pulled in the direction of the spout and will “crack “ the joint. Keep turning the small spanner to free the head nut further, allowing it to be unscrewed later with ease.
16. The force applied is indirect and guaranteed not to damage ceramics or water pipes however much is applied when following these instructions.
17. Once you have replaced the tap washer, the TapTool can be used to tighten up the tap head by placing the components on the other (right hand) side of the tap, again with no danger of damage to ceramics or water pipes.
18. Reassemble the tap in reverse order and turn the water back on.



Done - it's as easy as ABD!