

Quality assured in the new production facility at Osborne Engineering

Since 1984 Osborne Engineering have specialised in the manufacture and repair of all types of white metal components. Primarily, work is carried out for End Users and Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) in the Oil, Gas, Petrochemical and Power Generation industries where there is a need to provide bearing repair and/or replacement to the highest degree of quality.

With a rapidly expanding product range and the opening of a new state of the art production facility in Cramlington, *Osborne decided to purchase the 2003 Euromold award winning Faro Gage*. This has transformed their capability to precisely inspect both in their controlled inspection room, and also to mount the Gage onto, or beside the machine tool.

Quality Manager Stephen Hornby commented:

"Quality has always formed a cornerstone of our company policy, all of our new or repaired components are subject to a quality plan and are despatched with a Certificate of Conformity. The Faro Gage further enables us to custom inspect and can be incorporated to meet the most exacting of standards."

With its ± 0.005 repeated accuracy and 1.2m (24") volumetric reach the Faro Gage, combined with it's very easy to use software interface, allows inspection to be conducted by machine operators.

Stephen continued:

"All manufactured or refurbished components undergo a dimensional, visual and penetrant inspection according to written standards and procedures. All dimensions are checked to ensure that they are within tolerances dictated on the manufacturing drawings. *The Faro Gage has become an integral part of our quality process and ensures we maintain our quality standards.* We consider our reputation our most valuable asset. Maintaining it is our mission."

The user friendly software interface, infinite rotation of the major axis and the compact lightweight design of the Gage make it the only truly portable CMM for machinists.

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