Focuser - Manufacturing Procedure

 Cut a piece of 1-8 low carbon steel threaded rod to a length of 2.63" on the bandsaw. (6:56) <u>Tools used</u>: Combination square

Lathe Operations:

Mount stock in a 1" collet in a 5C collet chuck on the lathe with 1" stick-out.

2) Face one side to clean. (8:15) <u>Tools used</u>: 6" rule, HSS turning tool, digital readout, coolant

Flip part around and remount with 1" stick-out.

3) Face opposite side to clean. (10:09) <u>Tools used</u>: 6" rule, HSS turning tool, digital readout, coolant

Remove part, measure length with dial caliper, remount with 1" stick-out.

- **4)** Face to 2.5" overall length. (10:35) Tools used: 6" rule, HSS turning tool, digital readout, dial caliper, coolant
- **5)** Turn Ø.83" to .39" from end. (11:23)
 Tools used: HSS turning tool, digital readout, 0-1" micrometer, coolant
- 6) Cut Ø.80" X .07" wide groove at .32" from end of part. (13:32)
 - Visually align point of chamfering tool to end of part, zero digital readout, position tool .32" from end of part, feed tool in X axis until it lightly touches off on Ø.83" turned surface, set digital readout to actual measured value of turned surface, plunge to just under Ø.80", move tool to .39" from end of part with carriage handwheel, retract tool, measure and recut if necessary.

Tools used: HSS chamfering tool, digital readout, dial caliper, heavy cutting oil

7) Cut .02" X 45° external chamfer. (17:24)

Tools used: HSS chamfering tool, digital readout, heavy cutting oil

- 8) Form fine diamond knurls. (17:43)
 - Adjust knurling rollers square to part surface, move along Z axis to position knurling
 rollers over surface to be knurled, align pivot of knurling tool to center of rotation of
 spindle, feed tool in X axis to position knurling rollers over center of rotation of
 spindle, hand-tighten clamp nut to touch off knurling rollers on part surface, tighten
 carriage lock, apply oil, tighten clamp nut one wrench flat (1/6th turn), turn on spindle
 (slow speed) and then turn off after a few revolutions. Repeat, adjusting clamp nut in
 increments of one-half to one flat at a time, until knurls are fully formed. Apply oil
 frequently to flush away swarf. Loosen clamp nut and carriage lock, retract tool.

<u>Tools used</u>: Clamp-style knurling tool with fine diamond rollers, adjustable wrench, heavy cutting oil

- 9) Spot hole for 5/8-18 UNF 2B threads. (22:54) Tools used: #4 HSS center drill, drill chuck, coolant
- **10)** Pilot drill for 5/8-18 UNF 2B threads all the way through part. (30:19*) <u>Tools used</u>: 1/4" HSS twist drill, drill chuck, coolant
- 11) Drill for 5/8-18 UNF 2B threads through part. (23:10) <u>Tools used</u>: 37/64" HSS twist drill, morse taper adapter, coolant
- 12) Tap 5/8-18 UNF 2B threads through part. (24:27)

<u>Tools used</u>: 5/8-18 UNF HSS plug tap, tap handle, spring-loaded tap guide, drill chuck, heavy cutting oil





13) Bore Ø.694" to .56" from end. (25:27)

Tools used: 3/8" boring bar with CCMT 2(1.5)1 carbide insert, digital readout,

- 0-1" micrometer, telescoping gage (size A), coolant
- 14) Cut .04" X 45° internal chamfer. (28:18)

Tools used: HSS chamfering tool, digital readout, heavy cutting oil

15) Tap 3/4-16 UNF 2B threads .3" deep. (28:39)

<u>Tools used</u>: 3/4-16 UNF HSS plug tap, tap handle, spring-loaded tap guide, drill chuck, heavy cutting oil

Flip part around and remount with 1" stick-out.

16) Cut .04" X 45° internal chamfer. (29:42)

Tools used: HSS chamfering tool, digital readout, heavy cutting oil

17) Cut .10" X 45° external chamfer. (29:53)

Tools used: HSS chamfering tool, digital readout, heavy cutting oil

*Pilot drill step was added to the manufacturing procedure after recording demonstration, but is discussed in a supplement at the end of the video.

