Trouble-shooting

(1) Basic reasons for issues

Likely Cause	Troubleshooting	
The power does not	Please check for a problem with the power cord connection or a disconnection.	
turn ON.	While referring to the section on the Fuse (p.7-19), confirm whether the fuse is expired	
	or not, and if it is expired, replace the fuse.	
	If however the power still does not turn ON and the fuse cuts out again, the Oscillator	
	might be out of order.	
There is no	If it is possible to turn oscillation ON with the Test Switch, then the trouble is either that	
oscillation	the one of the External Connection Receptacle connection points or the external device	
	connection point might be weak or poorly secured.	
	When oscillation cannot be turned ON even with the Test Switch, the Oscillator might	
	be out of order.	
	The Volume of Amplitude might be set at the minimum. Please increase the Volume.	
There is no	It is not possible to confirm the ultrasonic oscillation by sight.	
ultrasonic oscillation	While referring to the Operational check (p.8-24) section, take hold of the Transducer	
	and compare the cutting performance while the oscillation is OFF with the cutting	
	performance while the oscillation is ON.	
The ultrasonic	It is not possible to confirm the ultrasonic oscillation by sight.	
oscillation is irregular	After checking abnormal actions and noises, as well as the cutting conditions, please	
	contact SONOTEC.	
Clean cut cannot be	The ultrasonic cutter is not a machine that can be used to cut everything.	
made	Although most materials that can be cut with a normal Blade are fine, in the case of	
Cut cannot be made	metal and glass, the resulting resonant vibration and other factors can make cutting	
	difficult.	
	(Fiber glass is a different matter)	
	Please refer to Operational check (p.8-24) and select the best configuration for cutting.	
The ultrasonic output	The ultrasonic cutter is a cutter that makes use of ultrasonic oscillation in order to cut.	
is noisy	Although a person with exceptionally good hearing may have the ability to hear the	
A high-pitched whine	output (the frequency is 20kHz or higher), most people will not hear the output.	
is emitted	If the Blade-mount is not rattling, then there are probably no issues affecting cutting.	
Sounds unrelated to	There is a danger that the internal parts may be vibrating.	
oscillation	There is a danger that the Blade-Mount may rattle.	
Rattling or abnormal	If there is no rattling, then there is no problem. If you have any further concerns, please	
vibration	contact SONOTEC.	

Sounds unrelated to oscillation Crackling is heard	There is a danger that there is an electrical short-circuit in the Transducer unit. If this occurs, cease operation and contact SONOTEC as quickly as possible.
-	There is a right that the flange, which compare the Oscillator and its housing, might have
The Blade-mount is There is a risk that the flange, which supports the Oscillator and its house	
rattling	deteriorated and be worn out. In this case, contact SONOTEC.
	The flange cannot be replaced or repaired except by SONOTEC engineers.
The Transducer has	The Transducer is a precision machine. Therefore there is a risk of
been dropped	breakdown/malfunction. While referring to the Operational check (p.8-24) section,
	perform an operational check. If abnormal sound, such as rattling occurs, please
	contact SONOTEC.
The Blade is broken	The Blade is a Limited-Life Component. Once the Blade has become worn, the load
	will increase and cause damage to the Blade. While referring to the section on
	Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20), please replace the Blade.
	If anew Blade breaks quickly, please consult with SONOTEC regarding the suitability
	of that particular Blade for cutting a particular material.
The Blade vibrates to	It is normally not possible to confirm the ultrasonic oscillation by sight.
the point that an	Therefore, if the Blade is visibly vibrating, this may be due to abnormal conditions.
after-image is visible	While referring to the section on Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20), when
	exchanging parts other than the Blade, please take note of the related movement as
	well.
Wanting to change	Even if a Blade can be inserted into the Blade-mount, that particular Blade may not be
the type of Blade	a suitable match for this Oscillator.
Wanting to use a	Any Blade not made to SONOTEC specifications cannot be used because it is not
non-SONOTEC	custom-designed to match our specific ultrasonic operation.
Blade	If a special design is desired, SONOTEC will produce a custom order when
	appropriate.
The Blade screw-bolt	The screw-bolt is a Limited-Life Component. Once the screw-bolt has become worn,
is broken	the load will increase and cause further damage to the screw-bolt.
	When using the Blade screw-bolt (Model: 7522), we recommend that the screw-bolt be
	replaced after every second Blade replacement.
Wanting to add	The ultrasonic oscillation causes the Holder to vibrate, as well as the Blade.
another Holder	The fitting of a Holder without prior consultation can interfere with the ultrasonic output
Wanting to file down	and cause malfunction.
Able to file down	Because the continued use of such a Holder may cause problems, please make sure
	to have a replacement Holder ready and use it instead.

Holder is broken	The Holder is a Limited-Life Component. While referring to the section on Maintenance
Holder is damaged	of the Transducer (p.7-20), please replace the Holder. The build-up of heat often
	causes the Holder to deteriorate. Please refer to the section on Cooling air (p.10-33)
	and check the Volume of air flow.
	If anew Holder breaks or is damaged quickly, please consult with SONOTEC regarding
	the condition of the Blade-mount and the cutting of a particular material.
Holder color	The ultrasonic output causes the Blade, the Blade screw-bolt, and the Holder to vibrate.
changes	The color change is due to heat generated by friction from the vibration.
Burning occurs	Please refer to the section on Cooling air (p.10-33) and check the Volume of air flow.
The Holder cover	While referring to the section on Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20), please use a
cannot be loosened	pin spanner to loosen the Holder cover. In the event that through an oversight a pin
It cannot be removed	spanner is not included, please contact SONOTEC.
Cord has been cut	Stop use immediately, please contact SONOTEC.
Cord is ruptured	There is a risk of electric shock and breakdown/malfunction.
Power cord	
Transducer Con.	
cord	
External Con. A / B	
Transducer has	The Transducer is a precision machine. Stop use immediately, please contact
fallen in oil or water	SONOTEC.
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(2) Error Lamp is illuminated

Error Details Lamp is	If the Error Stop is the result of an Overload Error resulting from the Transducer, please
illuminated	refer to Error Status Lamp: O / L (Over-Load) (p.9-29) and confirm the cause of the
O/L	Overload.
Error Details Lamp is	If the "O/H OSC" Lamp is illuminated, this indicates that there is over-heating occurring
illuminated	on the Oscillator.
O/H OSC	After turning the power OFF, check the state of the fan to make sure that there is no
	problem with cooling.
	If the over-heating issue is solved, then the Oscillator can be used.
Error Details Lamp is	If the O/H TRD Lamp is illuminated, this indicates either that there is over-heating
illuminated	occurring through the Transducer or that there is a connection issue.
O/H TRD	After turning the power OFF, check the sections on Cooling air (p.10-33) and the
	Connecting the Transducer with the Oscillator (P.10-34) and check to make sure that
	there is no problem with the Cooling air supply to the Transducer. If everything is
	properly connected, then the Transducer can be used despite the generation of some
	heat.

(3) Overload Stop occurs

In the case where an Overload occurs, make sure to pinpoint the cause of the Overload.

If a reset cannot be performed after an Overload, please contact SONOTEC.

Likely Cause	Troubleshooting
Material cannot be cut with this unit.	In the case of metal and glass, the resulting resonant
The material is glass or metal. Glass or metal is	vibration and other factors can make cutting difficult.
contained in the material.	Even if the material can be cut, it will cause the
	components to wear rapidly.
Cutting conditions are difficult	When the feed-rate is fast, the load that accumulates on
The feed-rate is fast.	the Transducer is increased. Therefore, reduce the feed-
	rate.
The Blade is not properly aligned with the	There is a risk that if the Blade is not properly aligned
Transducer set-up.	with the Transducer, the load will increase. Check the
	alignment with the Transducer and then resume use.
Blade is in contact with the frame or jig.	Please make sure that the Blade is not in contact with
	anything other than the material being cut.
A portion of either the Blade screw-bolt or the	Please make sure that there is no contact with the
Holder is in contact with the material being cut.	material being cut in order to prevent friction and
	melting.
The Blade is defective. Cracks, chips, or wear is	Check the condition of the tool and if necessary consult
observed.	the Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20) section and
	perform the necessary maintenance.

Grime (dirt) is adhering to the Blade.	Any change in the shape or weight of the Blade will
	affect the resonance of the ultrasonic oscillation.
	Clean off any adhering material at regular intervals.
Part defective. Cracks, chips, or wear is	Check the condition of the tool and if necessary consult
observed.	the Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20) section and
	perform the necessary maintenance.
The Blade screw-bolt or the Holder have been	A specified amount of torque has been designated for
improperly affixed. Grime has accrued or	the tightening of each part. Please consult the
tightening has not been executed properly.	Maintenance of the Transducer (p.7-20) section and
	perform the necessary maintenance.
Components not produced by SONOTEC have	Any component not made to SONOTEC specifications
been used.	cannot be used because it is not custom-designed to
	match our specific ultrasonic operation.
	Since SONOTEC is able to produce custom-designed
	components when necessary, please contact us.