PRODUCTION Machining

Editorial Submission Guidelines

SCOPE/FIELD OF INTEREST
Production Machining covers the manufacture of precision parts in high volumes—commonly referred to as the precision machined parts industry. We welcome articles and illustrations of products and services germane to all aspects of this industry.

SECTIONS
Each section description below covers a key area of the magazine for which Production Machining will consider editorial submissions. Word count and image requirements are included along with links to examples of the described section.

Feature Articles are the primary editorial content of the magazine. Each issue includes two emphasis topics, and feature articles should present a comprehensive discussion of these topics. Story angles include case studies of successful shop practices or detailed explanations of processes or technologies that could positively impact a manufacturer’s business. It is highly recommended that contributors consult the editors prior to submission of potential feature material. Word count: 1,800-2,000. High-resolution, color photography and/or illustrations are mandatory. Example: short.productionmachining.com/WorkTeams

Case in Point articles cover applied technology by discussing how a product or service has positively impacted, in a quantified way, the operation of a precision machined parts business. It’s a case study format that states a problem and explains how application of a product or service solved the problem. The solution is quantified by explaining in various metrics better throughput, lower costs, faster cycle times, longer tool life, and so on. Word count: 800-1,200. High-resolution, color photography and/or illustrations are mandatory. Example: short.productionmachining.com/InsertHelp

Tech Briefs cover technological innovations as they relate to the manufacturing of precision machined parts. We ask for a concise, generic treatment of the subject technology that cites the potential usefulness of the product or service as it relates to the reader’s interest. Word count: 800-1,000. High-resolution, color photography and/or illustrations are mandatory. Example: short.productionmachining.com/RotoBroach

News covers time-sensitive industry events, personnel changes, relocations, news about companies and other industry-specific announcements. Word count: 100-250. This is primarily a text-only section. Example: short.productionmachining.com/NewsExmpl

New Products are covered in press releases that should cite the features and benefits of new products or services that relate to the precision machined parts industry. Word count: 200-500. High-resolution, color images and/or illustrations are preferred, but not mandatory. Example: short.productionmachining.com/ProdExmpl
Last Word is a one-page guest column providing an executive overview of a current industry trend or challenge. Bylined by an industry leader, content should be a generic discussion of the topic. Word count: About 850 words. A high-resolution portrait-style photo of the contributor, along with job title and contact information, is required. Example: short.

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EDITING & EXCLUSIVITY
Production Machining will edit any editorial submissions for content and to conform to our style guide. Contributed feature articles must be exclusive to PM magazine and must not have been published previously in another publication. Authors may be asked to sign a copyright release or to assign in writing one-time rights to PM magazine.

EDITORIAL FORMAT
Feature articles should be submitted as Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) documents; news and product releases also may be in PDF format. Tables, graphs, photographs and other illustrations must be separate files, rather than incorporated or embedded within the text document.

IMAGES
Images should be in .jpg or .tif file formats, with minimum resolution of 300 dpi at a minimum size of 4 x 5 inches. All photographic materials must be clear, sharp, in-focus and properly exposed. Captions should be provided for each photograph, and each photograph should be identified.

COMPRESSED (.ZIP) FILES
Please note that we cannot accept .zip files via email. If you need to submit a .zip file, use the file uploader on our publisher’s website available at files.gardnerweb.com.

DEADLINES
Editorial deadlines are two and a half months in advance of the issue date. Contact our editors about six months in advance with story ideas so that we may begin the process of planning the story.

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