

First Look

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Dan's Discount Tools

This winter Dan's Discount Tools launched our first website. As a family-owned business, we have been selling on eBay for fifteen years. However, it was time to evolve and expand. We will continue to sell on eBay, but now you will be able to purchase the tools you need at www.dansdiscounttools.com. We will continue to provide free, fast shipping on our website and eBay.

By launching our own website, our company hopes to offer a valuable resource for machinists of all experience levels and backgrounds. Here are the three main reasons why:

Time is money, so we have developed a narrowing filter that will sort through thousands of tools in seconds. We believe this will make your buying experience quicker and easier. As far as we've heard our filter works just as good as the "big box" sites.

Unmatched customer support. We are a family-run business with a small but dedicated team. All you have to do is holler. Whether it's through Instagram, email, our forum, or Facebook, we are happy to help and will always respond.

Knowledge is power, which is why our website will feature a forum just



for machinists, where anyone will be able to earn store credit to buy tools they need simply by answering questions posted in the forum.

To our old eBay customers, thank you for the years of support. To new (and old) customers, here is a discount code that can be used at checkout:

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Send me an email and I will personally and happily respond: danmartstl@gmail.com.

Or just visit our store: dansdiscounttools.com.

"Together we can succeed." Thanks, Dan Macheca



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APSX (Advanced Production Systems)

As makers, designers, and manufacturers, we need to give our unique product ideas a shape that we can see and also touch. We built the machine (patent pending) that can make that happen: The APSX-PIM – Plastic Injection Machine.

We believe there is a future in an alternative to the conventional plastic injection molding market. Go with a do-it-yourself approach rather than paying high costs and dedicating long wait times to the big injection molding companies with their giant machines.

When there is a need for a molded plastic or metal part, there is no cost effective and quick solution in the market. The APSX-PIM plastic injection molding machine kills that pain. It is purposely designed to make plastic or metal injection molding cost effective and easy to apply when the quantities are low; for prototyping, testing, new product development, and

low-volume production.

APSX-PIM works by compressing a spring to create the injection pressure and injecting the melted material into the aluminum mold. This small plastic injection molding machine is easy to set up and can operate as fully automatic. The APSX-PIM solution is usually cheaper than typical conventional molds alone. Instead of getting the prototypes developed by third party plastic injection molders, you can do-it-yourself with a low-risk and low-cost alternative.

- Compact in size and light weight
- Works with 120V wall outlet
- No need for a water supply for cooling
- Fully automatic with precision sensors
- Electronic temperature control
- 10" touchscreen
- Great for every shop and garage

With this machine you can go from the 3D design on a PC to the real part in the same day. It can turn your 3D design into a tangible and high quality plastic (PIM) or metal part (MIM), allowing you to test the part and approve or modify if necessary.

We know you can make amazing things with this machine. You don't need deep pockets to make a real part anymore!

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