# MECHANICAL J ACKS 



Butt End


Screw End

Simplex Trench Braces provide efficient, economical protection against cave-ins and costly redigging in construction and utility maintenance. Braces extend by turning the lever nut handle. The ball socket joints tilt for added safety on angular mounting. Holes on each end facilitate mounting to wood members.

## Specifying Simplex Trench Braces

Simplex trench braces are designed for use with standard schedule 40 pipe. Screw end models SE-12, SE-16 and butt end model BE-25 use 1 1/2" diameter pipe. Model SE-18 and butt end BE-35 use 2" diameter pipe. Pipe should be cut to length based on the chart below and drawing in Fig. 1.

| Model <br> Number | Adjust <br> Range <br> (in) | Pipe <br> Size |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (in) |  |  | Butt $\left.$| "A" |
| :---: |
| End | | "B" |
| :---: |
| Min. Pipe |
| Length (in) | | "Bin. Closed |
| :---: |
| Ht. (in) | \right\rvert\,

Dimensions assume the use of both screw \& butt ends together as an assembly.

## Quick Reference Timber/Trench Brace Equivalency Tables*

The following charts are based on OSHA Timber/Trench Brace Charts* which do not consider transverse loading conditions.
Soil Type A $\quad P_{a}=25 \times H+72$ psf (2ft. Surcharge)

| Trench Depth (ft) | Horizontal Spacing (ft) | Cross Brace |  |  |  | Wales |  | Uprights (in) Max. Allowable Horizontal Spacing (Ft) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Width of Trench (it) |  |  | Vertical Spacing <br> (ft) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Size } \\ & \text { (in) } \end{aligned}$ | Vertical Spacing (ft) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | up to 4 | up to 6 | up to 8 |  |  |  | $4^{\prime}$ | 5 ' | $6{ }^{\prime}$ | 8' |
| $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | up to 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SE12 } \\ & \text { SE16 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SE12 } \\ & \text { SE16 } \end{aligned}$ | SE18 | 4 | Not Req. |  |  |  | 2"x6" |  |
|  | up to 8 | SE12 SE16 | SE12 SE16 | SE18 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2"x6" |
|  | up to 10 | SE18 | SE18 | SE18 |  | $8 \times 8$ | 4 |  | 2"x6" |  |  |
|  | up to 12 | SE18 | SE18 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2"x6" |  |
| 10 to | up to 6 | SE12 SE16 | SE12 | SE18 |  | Not Req. |  |  |  | 3"x8" |  |
| 15 | up to 8 | SE18 | SE18 |  |  | $8 \times 8$ | 4 | 2"x6" |  |  |  |

Soil Type B $\quad P_{a}=45 \times H+72$ psf (2ft. Surcharge)

| Trench Depth (ft) | Horizontal Spacing <br> (ft) | Cross Brace |  | Vertical Spacing <br> (ft) | Wales |  | Uprights (in) <br> Max. Allowable <br> Horizontal Spacing (Ft) <br> $3^{\prime}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Width of Trench (ft) |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Size } \\ & \text { (in) } \end{aligned}$ | Vertical Spacing <br> (ft) |  |
|  |  | up to 4 | up to 6 |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | up to 6 | SE-18 | SE-18 | 5 | $6 \times 8$ | 5 | 2"x6" |

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[^0]:    * Refer to OSHA Standard, 29CRF 1926, subpart P-Excavations (tables C-1.1 \& C-1.2).

