



Hypertherm announces major enhancements to TurboNest and NestMaster nesting software

Roosendaal, The Netherlands — Aug. 28, 2012 — Hypertherm, a manufacturer of advanced metal cutting systems, today announced major releases of its TurboNest[®] 2012 and NestMaster[®] 2012 nesting software. Major enhancements include 2D CAD design capability with everything needed to create or edit a detailed CAD drawing. The part list pane has been redesigned for greater flexibility and control over parts from the main software window and DXF output was added as a standard feature. In addition, TurboNest only enhancements include:

- **Better material grade and gauge functionality** to further differentiate beyond material type and thickness.
- **Customized material naming** for anyone wishing to use a different naming convention than the TurboNest default.
- **Substantial improvements to interior cut sequencing** for faster processing and shorter traverse motions.
- **Consolidation of rectangular and true shape nesting** into a single Automatic Nesting module.

"The software enhancements announced today make the nesting process even more efficient and easier for our customers," said Derek Weston, Product Marketing Manager for Hypertherm's CAM Solutions software team. "These products leverage the capabilities found in our flagship ProNest[®] software, to deliver a cutting solution that specifically meets the needs of customers cutting with conventional plasma and oxyfuel processes."

ProNest has been the industry's leading nesting software for two decades, offering best-in-class performance and reliability with a straight-forward, easy-to-use design. ProNest is also a component of Hypertherm's Integrated Cutting Solutions, providing support for True Hole[™] and Rapid Part[™] technologies.

TurboNest and NestMaster nesting software are designed specifically for conventional plasma and oxyfuel applications across a range of entry to intermediate machine investment levels. The products deliver exceptional performance and reliability while being easy to learn and use. Benefits of the software include material cost savings, and repeatable results from parameter-based setups that provide consistent cut quality and productivity, at a lower overall operating cost.

Hypertherm designs and manufactures advanced cutting systems for use in a variety of industries such as shipbuilding, manufacturing, and automotive repair. Its product line includes handheld and mechanized plasma and laser systems, consumables, as well as CNC motion and height controls and CAM cutting software. Hypertherm systems are trusted for performance and reliability that results in increased productivity and profitability for tens of thousands of businesses. The company's reputation for plasma innovation dates back more than 40 years, to 1968, with Hypertherm's invention of water injection plasma cutting. The company has more than 1,200 associates along with operations and partner representation worldwide.

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