TruLaser Tube

Tubes prefer TRUMPF
Accelerate growth with laser tube cutting

The world we live in is growing, and so is the demand for products on a larger scale and a wider range of materials. Tubes are an elementary part of this. With high growth rates, the market for laser-cut tubes offers exceptionally good chances of success. Choose laser tube cutting to stay on the cutting edge in the future.

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We are living in a world of tubes

What does an intricate designer lamp share with the sturdy frame of a combine harvester, or the complex tubular system of a scaffold? They are all produced from laser-cut tube and profile designs. No wonder, because no tool is as versatile and offers as much contouring freedom as a laser. You can find evidence of it in furniture, cars, commercial vehicles, transport, on construction sites, in mechanical engineering and plant construction, in agriculture, in the fitness industry, climate and energy technology, or in retail store fixtures.
Why process tubes with lasers?

No need for sawing, drilling or deburring: Compared with conventional tube cutting the laser replaces a number of work steps. It can cut very precisely complex contours in materials such as mild steel, stainless steel, aluminum or nonferrous metal. Laser tube cutting offers a wide range of design options, opening the door to new products, customers, and orders.

“Laser tube cutting offers new design options for tube manufacturers to delight their customers. Innovative designs also offer a great potential for savings.”

Norbert Beier, Head of Sales Laser Tube Cutting
TruLaser Tube

Your benefits

Make full use of versatile contouring options
You can cut every conceivable contour with a laser beam. At the same time, machines are easy to use – your design options are almost unlimited.

Cost-effective manufacturing
Carry out several different work steps on a single machine, manufacturing parts precisely and quickly.

Save on tools
With the laser tool you can process different types of materials, wall thicknesses, and profile geometries in a completely noncontact procedure. Save time and money as there is no need to change tools.

Comparison of work steps for laser tube cutting and conventional production

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Redesign and save on costs

Innovative tube designs save time and give you the technical edge. With bending frames, for example, you will need fewer parts. Positioning aids facilitate error-free assembly. The amount of work required for downstream work steps, for example welding, is noticeably reduced. And all this with just one machine.

How can you optimize your parts? Speak with our expert consultants on parts design to receive a wide range of tips that are tailored to your exact needs. Ready for optimal parts design?

Easier positioning, connecting and assembling

Clever designs with laser tube cutting simplify your processes: prepare your parts perfectly for subsequent work steps.

Thanks to bevel cuts of up to 45°, you can further process corner connections more quickly – with optimal material utilization.

Use tube-blank connections for simple fixing, optionally with lugs or coding function.

Replace time-consuming welding fixtures with plug, dovetail and bayonet connections.

Connect tubes together easily using attachments – the perfect option for load-carrying tube designs.
Increased technical advantages, reduced parts costs

Get straight to the bottom line: thanks to bend connections, recesses and pins, you can reduce the time needed to make this sample part by 49% and the cost by 31%.

- Designing, programming, ordering: -47%
- Processing: -33%
- Intermediate handling, reworking: -100%
- Hourly rates: +50%
- Total time per part: -49%
- Costs per part: -31%

Laser tube cutting with TruLaser Tube
Conventional production (sawing, milling, drilling)
Better utilization for greater profit

Would you like to increase your vertical range of manufacture, improve your machine utilization rate, or lower the costs for fixtures? Then you should manufacture fixtures from laser-cut tubes in the future. It’s easier than you think.

Tube fixture design

Simply produce your own fixtures
The design of tube fixtures allows you to tap into an additional application field, and utilize more of your laser tube cutting machine’s capacity. Learn about the design rules for tube fixtures and how you can optimally design your assemblies through training sessions and consultations. These will allow you to design, adapt, and replicate assemblies quickly and cost-effectively in the future.

The example shows that while the conventionally manufactured welding fixture needs to be laboriously adjusted via a clamping device, the new design features a spring effect for tolerance compensation.
Cleverly designed welding fixture

Ergonomic solution including spring effect and tolerance compensation
A tube plug-in design replaces the entire milling block. The laser tube cutting machine not only cuts the tube cross section to size, it also provides all parts with joining aids, which allow for precise positioning. The laser tube cutting machine also creates threads directly.

You benefit from fewer parts and less effort. Only one clamping device is required in the upper clamping tube. The visible longitudinal sections provide a spring effect to the fixture, and compensate for the tolerances in the component. The vertical design of the fixture makes it easily accessible and ergonomic. The entire welding assembly can now be welded in one clamping, in the exact size, and with higher quality. All in all, the manufacturing time and weight are reduced.

-80% in costs
Your product range for the world of tubes

The 3D software Programming Tube takes you quickly, easily and intuitively to the NC program. Thanks to strong automatisms, no programming is required for many finished parts. Numerous cases, for example automatic production of innovative bend connections and positioning aids, are already stored. The software solution also offers flexible data import and powerful design, supporting you throughout the entire programming process.

Programming Tube

- Programming system for tube and profile processing
- Strong automatisms: Parts already programmed when loading
- Easy to learn thanks to modern, intuitive user interface
- Direct manipulation: Change processing directly in 3D
- Optimize parameters in the running simulation
- Preset rules and TRUMPF cutting data
**Automatic programming of threads**
Based on the thread parameters, Programming Tube automatically creates the NC program including tools and processing sequence.

**Flexible data imports**
Import all common formats in Programming Tube. The program corrects incorrect data as well as rounding radii and splits up their assemblies.

**Adding tube connections**
Design positioning aids and bend connections with just a few clicks of the mouse and reduce your rejects. Positioning aids simplify downstream work steps such as mounting or welding. Bend connections help you to connect tubes more precisely and quickly.
Functions that take you forward

With clever functions and integrated expertise, your TruLaser Tube simplifies the path of your tubes and profiles through the machine. From loading to cutting and unloading to downstream processes, the purpose is clear: to help you build on your competitive edge.

- **Safe and automatic loading** even of special profiles – Smart Profile Detection detects the position and orientation of the profile with the help of sensors and adapts the cutting program accordingly.

- **Automatic tube alignment** is carried out by SeamLine Tube. It detects weld seams or markings and aligns the tube suitable to the cut geometry.

- **Quick and efficient manufacturing of small lot sizes** is facilitated by the pivoted manual conveyor system. Loading is automatic and also perfectly suited to special profiles.

- **Productive manufacturing of material thickness up to 0.12 in.** using the function RapidCut. It uses the high feed rates of the solid-state laser even with small contours, allowing you to process your parts up to 30% faster.

- **Reduce piercing times** with PierceLine, depending on the material type and thickness, by 10–60% compared to preset values.

- **One cutting head for all wall thicknesses** is all you need thanks to the single cutting head strategy of TRUMPF.

- **Protect the cutting head and avoid collisions** using the ControlLine function – the distance between the cutting nozzle and the surface remains constant, even with uneven tube surfaces. The magnetic coupling minimizes the impact of unavoidable collisions.

- **Reduce rejects and material costs** with the help of AdjustLine. It helps you cut even lower quality material quickly and easily.

- **Adapt the focus position to the material type and thickness** using the automatic FocusLine function.
Unloading

- **Sort parts according to orders** with the help of wire mesh boxes, customer-specific containers, or conveyor tables which protect your materials.

- **Automate loading and unloading even further** using the digital unloading interface, for example by connecting a robot.

Simplify downstream processes

- **Prepare bevel edges optimally** using the bevel cut function with patented TRUMPF technology for high-quality bevel cuts up to 45°.

- **Apply threads in a single work step** using the technology package for tapping directly on your machine. Using an NC-controlled spindle unit, you can carry out processes such as twist drilling, thread cutting, flow drilling, and tapping.

- **Clean inside of tubes** are ensured by the spatter protection device for round tubes, avoiding the need for reworking.

- **Identify your parts** easily using a Dot Matrix Code.
TruLaser Tube
3000 fiber

The machine that’s always worth it for laser tube cutting.

Cost-effective
even when it is not fully utilized

Whether you want to insource quality, require flexible manufacturing to tight deadlines, or want to win new customers and markets: this machine pays for itself, even if you don’t utilize it fully.

Reliable
thanks to robust design and intelligent functions

No need for time-consuming manual setting of the machine that is more likely to cause errors, as the machine automatically performs many of the tasks itself. It uses ControlLine to avoid collisions and AdjustLine to cut lower quality material safely. Thanks to FocusLine, the focus is always in the right place.

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02 Value for larger versions (option).
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Easy to handle

Easy to operate: minimal setup times, outstanding accessibility – so that you never lose sight of the process. Loading and unloading can easily be carried out manually or automatically using LoadMaster Tube, crane, or part removal flap.

Precision cutting and clamping

Its precision matches that of the 5000 and 7000 series: high-precision clamping system, exact optics setup and precise tube guidance for best part quality. Thanks to the adaptive clamping system, you can process L- and U-profiles yourself.

Max. outside diameter of round tube in inches: 6\[1\]
Max. outer circle diameter of rectangular tube in inches: 6.7
Max. workpiece weight in lbs/ft.: 13.75 (288/357 lbs total)[2]

More information about the TruLaser Tube 3000 fiber can be found here:
TruLaser Tube 5000 fiber

Solid-state laser technology for fast and flexible processing. The TruLaser Tube 5000 fiber uses these strengths more than any other laser tube cutting machine has ever done before.

Highly productive with solid-state laser and RapidCut

Thanks to RapidCut, the high feed rates of the solid-state laser come into their own even with smaller contours. With thin material in particular, this is a huge productivity advantage.

Setup-free thanks to clamping system

Setup is so outmoded – the clamping system of the TruLaser Tube 5000 fiber lets you produce tubes in the entire standard clamping range with no setup. The step rollers automatically adjust to the different diameters of the pipes.

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Highly productive with solid-state laser and RapidCut

With RapidCut, you can reduce part cutting times for material thicknesses of up to 0.12 in.

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Setup-free thanks to clamping system

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[2] Max. outer circle diameter of rectangular tube 7 in. optionally possible. Rectangular profiles with side length > 6 in. only with manual loading.

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More information about the TruLaser Tube 5000 fiber can be found here:
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Perfectly accessible thanks to intelligent beam guard

Tube processing by solid-state laser is not only possible with a complete housing – the open machine concept makes your TruLaser Tube 5000 fiber optimally accessible. Load and unload individual tubes quickly and easily from the front.

Easily expandible for follow-up processes such as tapping

Easily integrate further processes: With the technology package for tapping, you can carry out machining processes such as flow drilling, tapping, and twist drilling. In the laser network, you can operate several TRUMPF machines with one laser.

Max. outside diameter of round tube in inches: 6[1]
Max. outer circle diameter of rectangular tube in inches: 6.7[2]
Max. workpiece weight in lbs/ft.: 18 (378/468 lbs total)[3]
TruLaser Tube 7000 fiber

Highest level of productivity – even for XXL tubes.

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Dynamic and productive
with solid-state laser and RapidCut

The superimposed movement of the tube axis and cutting head increases the dynamics of your machine by more than four times. Thanks to RapidCut, the high feed rates of your solid-state laser come into their own even with smaller contours. With thin material in particular, this is a huge productivity advantage.

02

XXL tubes up to 10 in diameter

Whether large or small, thick or thin: With your TruLaser Tube 7000 fiber you can cut a broad spectrum of parts. This includes even extra-large tubes and profiles with diameters up to 10 in, and wall thicknesses of up to 0.66 in. for mild steel.

With RapidCut, you can increase the acceleration by up to four times.
Max. outside diameter of round tube in inches: 10
Max. outer circle diameter of rectangular tube in inches: 10
Max. workpiece weight in lbs/ft.: 30 (630/900 lbs total)

Perfectly accessible during loading and unloading

The open machine concept makes your TruLaser Tube 7000 fiber optimally accessible. This allows you to load individual XXL tubes – for example by crane – quickly and efficiently. For small lot sizes and special profiles you can use the swivel-mounted conveyor system.

Integration of follow-up processes

Carry out follow-up processes on your machine with ease: With the optional technology package for tapping, for example, you can carry out machining processes such as flow drilling, tapping, and twist drilling – automatically.

More information about the TruLaser Tube 7000 fiber can be found here:
# Technical data

Here is the technical data for our TruLaser Tube machines and an overview of the availability of intelligent functions.

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TruServices. Your Partner in Performance

For a successful future, choose services that will help you progress in the long term: Whether you want to create the best conditions for successful manufacturing, make the most of your TRUMPF laser systems, or have the flexibility to adapt them to changing requirements – together we will find opportunities to maximize your value creation long-term. We will provide you with all-round support as a reliable partner with solutions and service packages for your needs – enabling you to manufacture economically and at a constantly high level.

Training – reach your full potential with professional development

**EMPOWER:** If you want to create the best conditions for successful production, we will support you in this.

If you are well trained, you can fully utilize the potential of your lasers, laser systems, machines and software, and secure key competitive advantages. In the laser cutting technology course, for example, you learn how to obtain the best possible cutting quality and determine piercing parameters for special materials.

TRUMPF protective glass – for a safe cutting process

**SUPPORT:** If flexibility and availability of equipment in day-to-day operations are essential to you, we can help.

Obtain the best cutting and welding results with original protective glass from TRUMPF. The special coating and especially pure raw materials allow for a lower degree of reflection, and prevent thermal changes to the glass. So you can provide optimal protection for the beam path of your machine.

Service agreements – get just the service you need

**IMPROVE:** If you want to gradually focus your production on maximum value creation, we can help you achieve your goal.

Where system maintenance and servicing are concerned, you will benefit from expert support of the highest quality. Ensure constant maximum machine availability, consistently high production quality, and low operating costs with service agreements from TRUMPF.
You can learn more about our complete and comprehensive package of useful services here:
www.trumpf.com/truservices
TruConnect – Your Smart Factory

Gain more freedom with digital networking: You see more, know more, and get the best out of your production. With TruConnect, the synonym for Industry 4.0 at TRUMPF, you can design your Smart Factory step by step. The solutions from TRUMPF support you on your path towards your networked production, helping you to make the entire process more transparent, more flexible, and above all, more efficient.

For companies big and small

From the simple product solution right through to fully networked production

- **Start simply** with machines that are equipped for networking as standard.
- **Customize step by step** with automated machines or autonomous processing cells embedded in a production solution.
- **Enjoy full networking** with a continuous production solution, from order to delivery.

Smart functions and Industry 4.0

Due to the Central Link interface, your TruLaser Tube machine is ready for Industry 4.0. In addition, it contains various TRUMPF Machine Apps, which can be used to analyze and display machine data. This provides transparency – and shows you exactly where you can optimize processes.

Indirect processes make up 80% of your production time – this is where the greatest potential for saving lies.

Discover what potential networked production offers you with two example scenarios: www.trumpf.com/s/smart-factory
Passion is what drives us

Whether it’s production and manufacturing technology, laser technology, or material processing – we develop highly innovative products and services which are suitable for industry and absolutely reliable. We put everything we’ve got into giving you a compelling and competitive edge – expertise, experience, and a lot of passion.

Lasers for manufacturing technology
Whether on a macro-, micro-, or nanolevel – we have the right laser and the right technology to produce innovatively and cost-efficiently in every industrial application. Beyond the technology itself, we support you with system solutions, application knowledge, and advice.

Power supplies for high-tech processes
From semi-conductor manufacturing to solar cell production: with our RF and MF generators, the current for induction heating, plasma and laser excitation is given a defined frequency and power – with high reliability and repeatability.

Machine tools for flexible sheet and tube processing
Whether it’s laser cutting, punching, bending, or laser welding: we offer tailor-made machines and automation solutions, including consulting, software, and services for all processes in flexible sheet metal processing – so you can reliably manufacture your products to exacting quality standards.

Industry 4.0
The TruConnect range of solutions links human and machine with information. It covers all steps in the production process – from the offer right through to the shipping of your parts.