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How to change the blade on Xpert Solid Blade Gasket Shears.

Equipment list:

- Xpert solid blade Gasket Shears (Product code: GKT03104)
- Replacement SK5 blade for Xpert Gasket Shears (Product code: GKT03105)
- 8mm nut spinner
- 6mm round hole punch hand tool or, failing that, a 6mm blunt drill bit works just as well
- Protective gloves

Changing the blade:

Before you start, make sure you are wearing appropriate gloves to protect your hands when handling the blade. Ensure the blade safety catch is on.

1. Use the 8mm nut spinner to undo the nut where the blades join and push out the centre pivot bolt.
2. Once the pivot bolt is removed, open blade safety catch and then pull the blade section free.
3. Place the blade section over a vice that is open slightly and tap out the collet that retains the blade using a hammer and 6mm punch tool (or a blunt 6mm drill bit which works just as well). Keep the collet because you'll need it later.
4. Once the collet is removed, pull out the old blade. This bit can be fiddly and you might need to tap out the old blade with a hammer. Be careful not to cut yourself and dispose of the old blade safely.
5. Insert the new blade. You'll need to line up the centre pivot hole so the fastening can pass through it.
6. Once the hole is aligned, put the blade handle section flat on the workbench and hammer the original collet back in until flush.
7. Push the spring mechanism in on the shears, slide the blade handle section back into position and re-assemble the two halves of the shears together.
8. Insert the centre pivot bolt back through the collet, fasten the nut and tighten with the nut spinner. Be careful not to overtighten or the spring mechanism won't work.

Once you're satisfied that the shears are working correctly, engage the safety catch and job done!

