

Starrett Universal Back Plunger Dial Test Indicators 196

No. 196 Series (.200")

No. 196M Series (.5 mm)

The Starrett No. 196 Universal Back Plunger Dial Test Indicator is one of the most versatile indicators available... and it is the "granddaddy" of them all. Over the years this tool has been improved by methods and materials but the basic design is unchanged. The design is older than most of you and has withstood the test of time and beaten all challengers because it is:

- Accurate and reliable
- Simple to operate
- Rugged, with few moving parts
- Smooth in operation
- Inexpensive - the best indicator value you can buy

While there is a need for test indicators with finer graduations, such as the [Starrett No.708 Series](#), this indicator with graduations to .001" and 0.02 mm will handle by far the majority of jobs. Shank diameter is 1/4" (6.3 mm). Antimagnetic models are also available below with Starrett Nos. 196A6Z and 196B6 (inch reading).

For full use, the operator first chooses the proper contact from the **three hardened contact points that come with each model**. Then the contact should be brought against the work with enough pressure to give the hand one full turn. Set the hand at zero by rotating the dial with the knurled bezel. This provides one full rotation of the hand both to the right and left of zero, showing a rise or drop in the work and the amount of that variation.