

1. Determine machine's taper.
2. Determine the weight of the workpiece, while taking cutting forces into consideration. Weight of workpiece noted next to each item is the maximum weight the live center can safely carry.

How to Select a Live Center

3. Determine required operating speed.
4. Determine point style that best suits application. Standard points are best when rigidity and weight requirements are most

important. Tracer points and long points offer maximum tool clearance for typical lathe applications.