

BOOST PRODUCTIVITY

WITH THE AFFORDABLE, VERSATILE, AND EASY-TO-USE **VECTIS COBOT WELDING TOOL**

"We were cutting shrinkwrap in the morning and in production by the afternoon."

— Travis Jordan, President, MT Solar

"We *tripled* production by leveraging the Vectis Cobot Welding Tool."

— Josh Rudkin, Owner, RCI Metalworks

"The Vectis tool is wonderful, helps me with the mundane."

"I love this thing. I finish a batch 2-4x faster with it."

- Jason and Cameron - welders using the Vectis system

"We'll take 4 more."

- Omar Stoltzfus, Breeo LLC, owner of 5 Vectis systems

"Vectis has changed the game!"

- Perry Kinoshita, Sr. Dir. Ops/Eng, Noffsinger Mfg

"The system couldn't have arrived at a more perfect time. Our manpower shortage included welders so the Vectis cobot picked up the slack."

— Tim Mann, Plant Manager, Wayne Combustion



"Vec·tis" / 'vek(t)əs / Latin:

A lever, leverage



With **100+ years** of combined experience in the robotic welding industry, the **VECTIS** team is known for its delivery of **substance** and **results**.

With the American Welding Society estimating a shortage of 400,000 welders by 2025...

We know you need more leverage!

Vectis Automation empowers you with a fully integrated, ready-to-weld Cobot Welding Tool featuring DIY programming and setup that gives you leverage to boost productivity in your weld shop.

It's weld automation for less cost, less risk, and less setup time than ever before.

But don't just take our word for it. Here's what our customers have to say:

"How likely are you to recommend Vectis to a friend or colleague?"

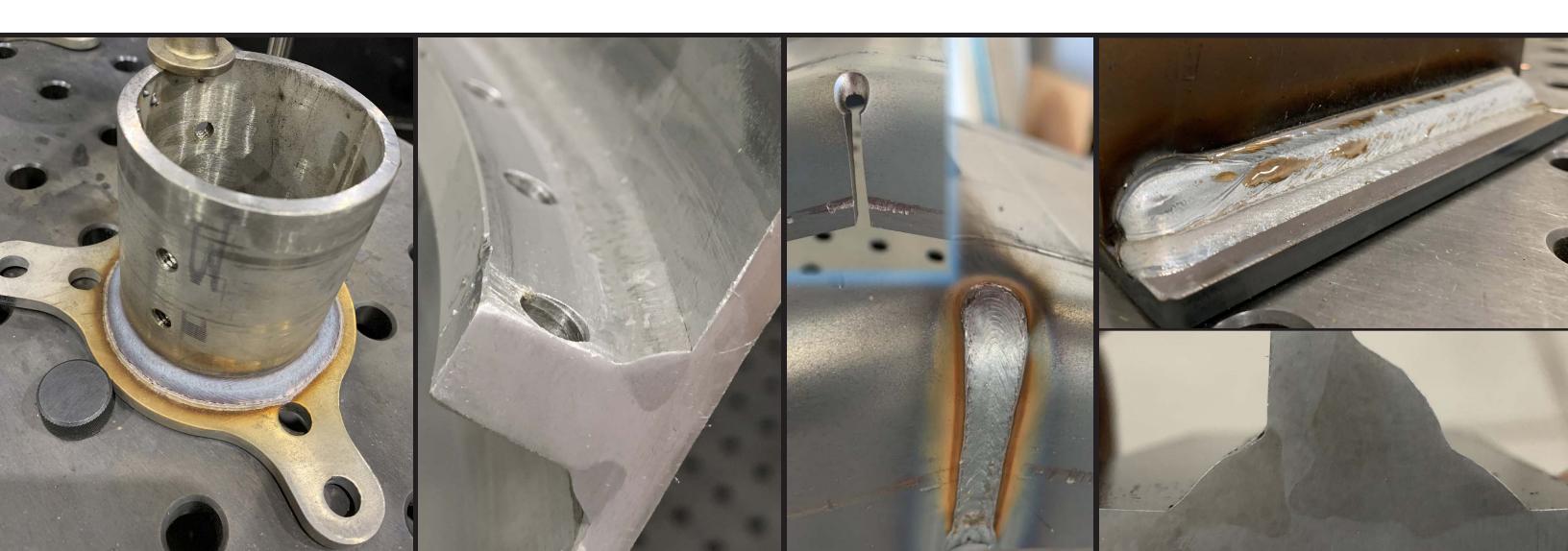


"How would you rate Vectis during the upfront sales/application process?"

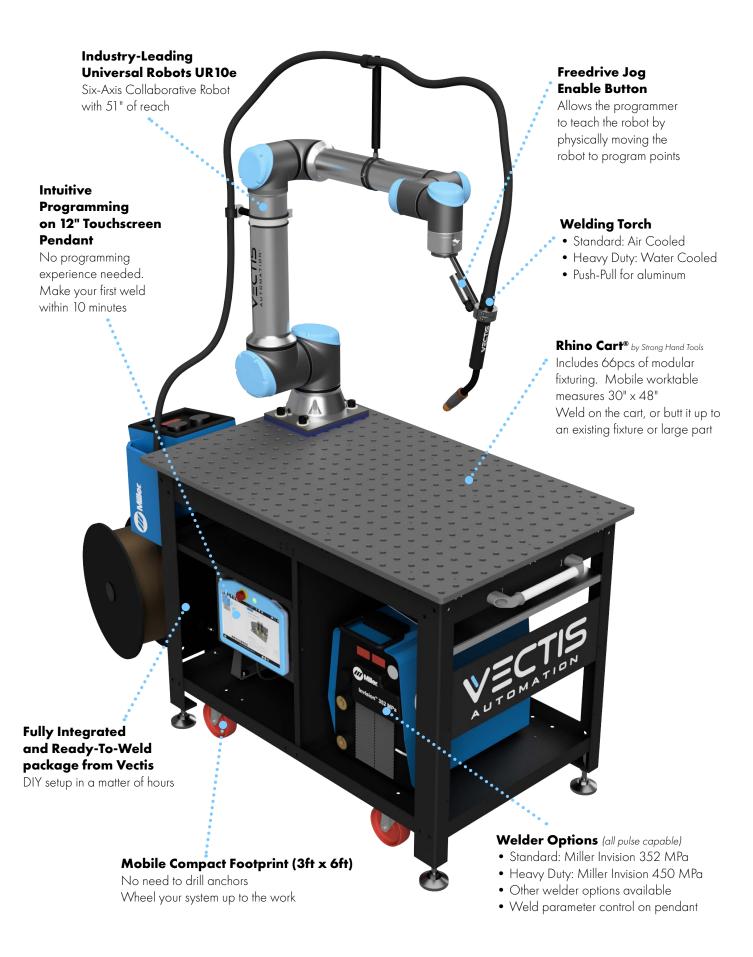


"How would you rate Vectis' post-sales support & responsiveness?"





THE VECTIS COBOT WELDING TOOL



KEY BENEFITS AND FEATURES



Peace-of-Mind:

- "Safety Net" 30-day Return Program: Return within 30 days for a full refund, no questions asked.
- "Try Before You Buy" rental and rent-to-own programs.
- Honest and upfront **Application Evaluations** at no cost to you.
- Lifetime Technical Support. Quick response times enabled by remote video chat (FaceTime, GoToMeeting, etc).



Lower Cost:

- Our Cobot Welding Tool is often 25-40% less than the all-in cost of a traditional robot cell.
- DIY installation, setup, and training no need to fly to our facility nor pay a tech to come on-site.
- Shipping is included in our price. Most traditional systems require a costly dedicated air-ride semi.



Extreme Ease-Of-Use *plus* handy Software Features for welding:

- No programming experience needed: Make your first weld within 10 minutes after plug-in.
- Weld Template Library provides you with parameter starting points for common weld sizes.
- Handy software features include Weaving, Pattern, Stitch, Tack, Touch Sensing, MultiPass.
- More features are continually being developed by Vectis' in-house Welding Software Team.



Get into production faster:

- Our solution ships to you in a few short weeks.
- Most customers are setup and in production within hours or days of system arrival.
- DIY commissioning no need to fly to weeklong training classes nor pay to have our tech on-site.
- "I made my first part program in just an hour" Scott Yach, Cobot Champion, Ludlow Mfg.



Collaborative Robot (Cobot) Technology:

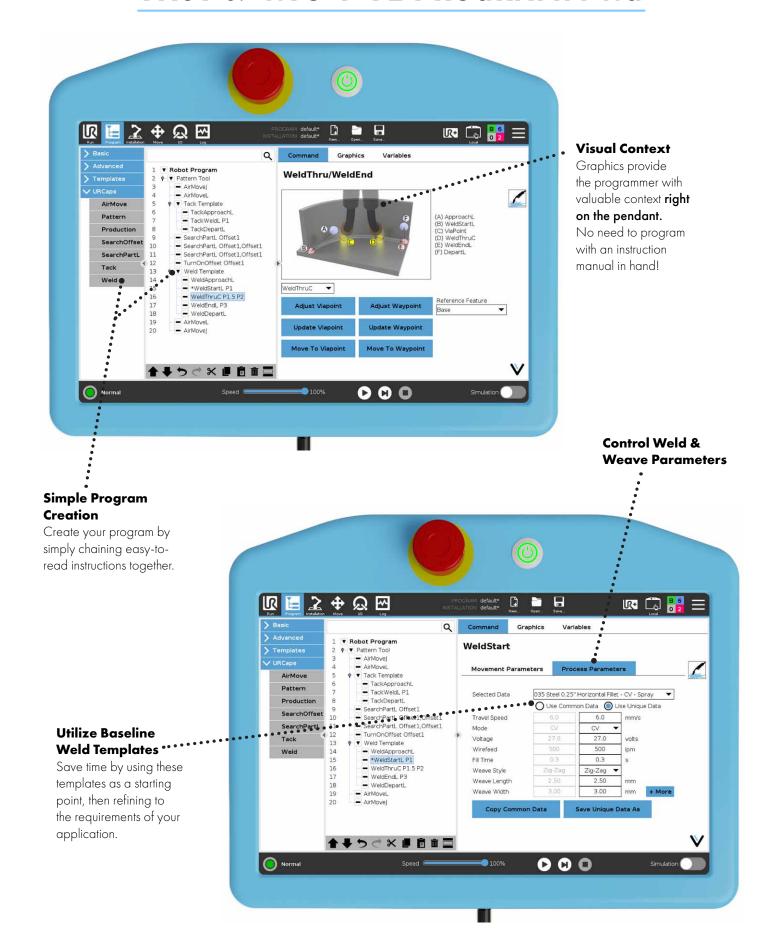
- Freedrive Jog allows the programmer to teach by physically moving the cobot to program locations.
- Built-in safety allows the cobot to safely work alongside humans, without permanent barriers.
- During production gaps in the weld shop, the cobot arm can even be repurposed to other tasks.



Portable, Compact, and Versatile:

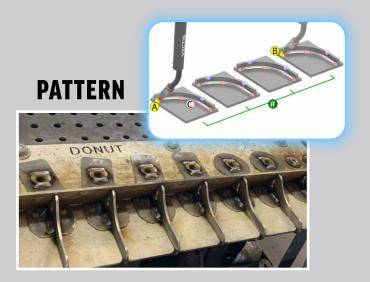
- Mobile and compact footprint only 3ft x 6ft
- Bring the Cobot Welding Tool to the work no need for a dedicated footprint or work envelope.
- Use the Rhino Cart surface to weld smaller parts; or wheel it up to a stationary part or existing fixture.
- Versatile utility setup: system can interchangeably run on single-phase or three-phase power.

FAST & INTUITIVE PROGRAMMING



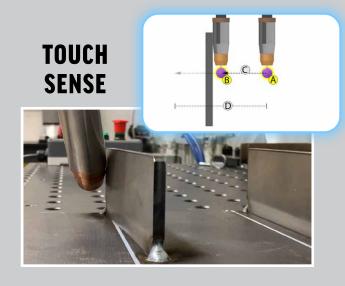
TIME-SAVING SOFTWARE FEATURES

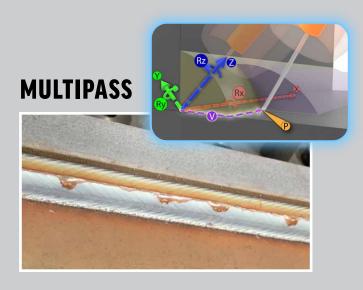
Developed by software engineers that actually weld!













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We're here to help you answer this because we want to **empower your success.** Below are some general themes, but every part is unique – contact us for a free in-depth Application Evaluation.



1. CONSISTENCY IS KING

Automation thrives on consistency: of parts, fixturing, joint cross-section, material condition, consumables condition, etc. Repeatability is more important than accuracy because automation is programmed on a "master part" and then simply repeated by the arm in production. If the part location or weld conditions change, the arm does not inherently know – which may cause a degradation in quality.

Some adapting technologies exist, but their use is limited to certain scenarios. They also tend to add cycle time, cost, and complexity.

The best way to manage inconsistencies is to improve upstream processes!



2. THE LOW HANGING FRUIT

While the temptation may be to automate the large, complex parts that create a significant labor drain whenever they go through the shop, we've seen the most efficient deployment of automation to be on the smaller, simpler parts. Let automation take care of the repetitive parts, which allows your skilled welders to shift their focus to the skilled weldments. We've also seen success in larger parts being broken up into subassemblies. Here are a few common aspects of low-hanging weldments:

- GMAW (MIG) fillets and bevel
- Steel or Stainless Stee
- A relatively "open" design for torch acces
- Parts that don't require repositioning
- High arc time relative to # of weld



3. THE RIGHT CHAMPION

An integrator can provide all the ingredients for success – even go so far as to provide a turnkey solution. But without the right "Automation Champion", your potential for long-term success is limited.

From our experience, the best Champions have a high sense of ownership and are eager to make it work. We've found these "soft" attributes to be more critical than the "hard" technical aspects. The technical aspects can be easily taught to a an eager Champion with accountability. We've seen successful Champions from all backgrounds: owners, owners' children, engineers, welders, machine operators, foremen, apprentices.

REDUCE YOUR LEAD TIMES LOWER YOUR COSTS HELP GROW SALES With the right application, solution, and champion, AUTOMATION CAN: SOFTEN THE BLOW OF THE SKILLED LABOR SHORTAGE REDUCE POST-OPS REDUCE OPERATOR FATIGUE

THE VECTIS PROCESS

With over 100 years of combined experience in the welding automation industry, we've learned the recipe for success.

We're here to help guide you through the process of evaluating and implementing automation.

START

Let's start a conversation to see if our Cobot Welding Tool can lend a hand in your shop.

You can reach us at Connect@VectisAutomation.com or by calling 970-852-5200

EVALUATE

Share application information with us (pictures, drawings, etc), and together we'll evaluate your application's fitness-for-automation and its fit for the Vectis system in particular. If there are potential snags or hurdles in automating your weldments, we'll be upfront with you about that – and then talk about ways to overcome them.

We can also support on the commercial evaluation – cycle time estimates, ROI, and capacity planning.

DECIDE

Our mission is to provide you with a practical solution to increase your welding capacity, quality, and stability. This may come in the form of our Cobot Welding Tool, or it may not. It might be some other form of automation, just as it might be process recommendations in manual welding and/or upstream. We will never recommend our product if it is not a sensible fit for both your technical and your commercial needs.

PREPARE

Our system ships to you in just a few weeks. In that short timespan, you'll go through our Prep Guide and start familiarizing yourself with the system via our User Manual and <u>Instructional Videos on Youtube (link)</u>

SETUP

Be welding within hours thanks to the quick & easy setup of the Vectis system. Roll the system off the pallet, mount the cobot with four bolts, connect utilities and power on, check tool calibration, and then run your first weld!

PRODUCE

Your Cobot Champion will teach part programs using our intuitive interface and weld templates. Programs can be created, saved, and later recalled in order to handle the many part numbers that go through your shop. Once the part program is created and saved, the Vectis Cobot Welding Tool simply repeats the program in production mode.

And remember Vectis is here to support your Cobot Welding Tool for life: Support@VectisAutomation.com 970-852-5200

