







Worthington Industries Uses Wauseon Machine for Prototype to Production

Wauseon Machine helps a global metals manufacturer quickly and efficiently produce parts for a new product launch.

As a precision machining partner with prototype-to-production capabilities, Wauseon Machine and Manufacturing delivers quicker production times, shorter lead times, and faster product improvements.

Here's how we worked as a single-source partner for Worthington Industries to manage a project for a new business segment all the way from prototyping of parts to production at scale.

The Challenge

Worthington Industries is a globally diversified metals manufacturing company based in Columbus, Ohio. It's a publicly traded company (NYSE: WOR) with 51 facilities and 7,500 employees.

With deadlines to meet for a product launch, Worthington Industries wanted a consultative partner that could:

- · Get started right away
- · Adhere to their branding requirements
- Manage the process from prototype to production



The Solution

After discussing Worthington's needs, we started with a prototype part to test for fit and functionality. Our team made modifications as requested – for example, changing an angle to put a probe toward the bottom of the tank. Prototyping enabled greater efficiency and faster time to market.

We ensured Worthington didn't have to work with additional vendors during the project by:

- · Getting their custom color for powder coating
- · Laser-etching their logo into parts
- Building, shipping, and following up to get feedback on all parts



Wauseon Machine ramped up to produce around 2,500 parts per year for Worthington. In addition to making high-quality parts, we developed strong relationships with managers at the company and have helped them gain business in segments beyond manufacturing.





"Working with Wauseon Machine and Manufacturing is a great experience. Their experience and facilities mean they were able to assist us from initial prototype all the way through full-scale production."

> Jaime Perkins Supplier Development Manager, Worthington Industries

Work With a Machining Partner That Can Do It All

Wauseon Machine is a premium precision machining shop offering a full suite of manufacturing services, from prototyping to production. We offer over 570 years of combined toolmaking experience, with experience deep enough to handle any complexity.

