The Safety Handle Kit includes:
- Safety Handles for one tong
- Drill Guide (Figure 1)
- Drill Bit (3/8”)
- Roll Pins (2 per handle)

Step 1
Position the Drill Guide on the tong jaw as shown in Figure 2. The recess in the drill guide will center the hole with the steel handle of the tong jaw.

Step 2
Drill through the hole of the drill guide to establish an indentation to position the drill bit. Remove the drill guide and drill approximately 1” deep. Be sure that the hole is well past the inner surface of the flat handle member. Figure 3 shows the hole drilled into the handle.

Step 3
Cut out the round steel handle as shown in Figure 4. The handle may be cut with 1) an acetylene torch, 2) an abrasive wheel saw, or 3) a hand-held band saw.

Note: The torch cut will not affect the metallurgy of the tong jaw because it is distant from the critical part of the jaw.

Step 4
Install the handle as shown in Figure 4.

Note: The exact shape of tong jaw handles varies with the manufacturer of the tong. If the tong jaw casting interferes with the safety handle such that the holes do not align, the safety handle may be shaped using a hand-held abrasive grinder.

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