

	<b>Saw Trax</b>	<b>Competition</b>
	<b>Sign Makers Special Compact 52</b>	<b>Signature Series C4</b>
Bearings on Carriage	Steel Sealed Bearings, 12 per carriage Tighter tolerances, easier movement	U-Bolt with nylon washers, 4 per carriage
Alignment System	Patented Accu-Square System Set & Forget	No Alignment System 7 adjustment points
Saw Replacement	Off the Shelf Porter Cable Saw Limited Down Time	Proprietary - Must be replaced through Manufacturer
Carriage Design	See blade for cut alignment	Can't see to align saw blade with mark on material
Carriage Locks	2	1 - Not as secure as 2 when rip cutting
Shipping	Crated	Uncrated, What do you do if it arrives damaged???
Instructions	Instructional CD Video plays in computer and Manual	Manual only
Guide Tubes	Nickel Chromed Better action, longer wear	Zinc Plated
Retraction Cable on Carriage	Off-set	Not offset. Can pull when feeding bowed material from side
Material Rollers	10 Never Need Adjustment	8 (6 can go out of alignment)
Cross & Rip Cut	52" Cross Cut/Unlimited Rip	50" Cross Cut/Unlimited Rip
Blade Change	Less than a minute, built in arbor release lever and arbor lock	Must find wrench and remove blade housing exposing top of saw blade
Blade Guard	Guarded on and off machine	<b>No-</b> blade can get damaged when feeding from side, <b>dangerous, exposed blade when off machine</b>
Blade	7 ¼" – Found Most Everywhere	8" - Harder to find
Depth of Cut/Adjust	1.75" / <b>YES</b>	1.75" / <b>NO</b>
Bevel Cut	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Sign Package</b>	\$2049	\$1599+299= \$1898
Folding Stand	Folds like a ladder Take one person to move	Need two people to fold, one in front to steady machine and one in back to pull and reinsert pin
Knife Cutter	Razor Knife Cutter Rip & Cross Cuts Segmented blade, easy to sharpen Blade retracts when off machine	Knife Cutter does not rip cut Must replace blade to sharpen, blade does not retract <b>dangerous exposed blade off machine</b> Add \$199.00
Wheels	Standard	\$49.00
Stop Bar & Tapes	2 tapes, stop and bar for cutting strips	1 tape, 1 stop
Dust Collection	Standard, Dust brush under carriage contains dust, cleans on retraction	\$199.00 No dust brush
Spring Hold Down	Standard	Standard
Backer board	No need due to unique dust pan design	Standard Has to be removed to make rip cuts, Can bend saw blade causing the need to replace blade, very time consuming to put on and take off
Sheet clamp available?	<b>Yes</b> , holds long pieces on mid fence or narrow pieces for cross cutting	<b>NO</b>
Floating saw available?	<b>Yes</b> , extremely effective dust collection traps and collects dust	<b>NO</b>
Floating router available?	<b>Yes</b> , converts panel saw to panel router in seconds	<b>NO</b>
Longer cross cut available in this width machine?	<b>Yes</b> , Compact 64 add \$200	Yes add \$300
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2049.00</b>	<b>\$2345.00</b>