REMOVAL USING A SCREWDRIVER

Smalley Retaining Rings are supplied standard with removal notches to enable easy extraction from a groove. The notch is provided to form a small gap between the ring end and the shaft or housing, permitting a blunt object to be inserted at the end of the ring to pry the free end out radially and up.



Use a Screwdriver or Dental Pick as a blunt object.

1. Insert a screwdriver or dental pick into the removal notch.
2. Use the tool to pry out the first end of the ring.
3. Manually spiral the ring around until it is free from the groove.



Access Slot

1. To facilitate removal, an access slot may be provided in the housing as illustrated.
2. The slot exposes the ring's radial wall and the back edge of the ring sitting on the groove.
3. To remove the ring, fit the tool behind

