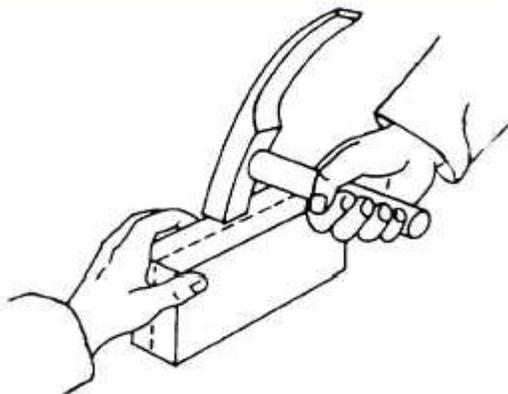


BRICK CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

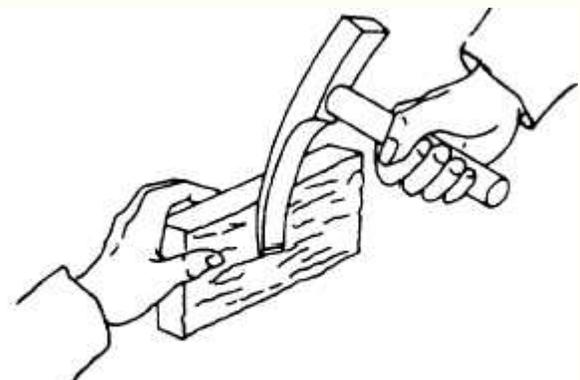


CUTTING BRICK WITH A CHISEL (FIGURE 1)

CUTTING BRICK To cut a brick to an exact line, you should use a chisel (figure 1), or brick set. The straight side of the tool's cutting edge should face both the part of the brick to be saved and the bricklayer. One mason's hammer blow should break the brick. For extremely hard brick, first roughly cut it using the brick hammer head, but leave enough brick to cut accurately with the brick set. Use a brick hammer for normal cutting work, such as making the closure bricks and bats around wall openings or completing corners. Hold the brick firmly while cutting it. First, cut a line all the way around the brick using light hammer head blows. Then, a sharp blow to one side of the cutting line should split the brick at the cutting line (View 1). Trim rough spots using the hammer blade, as shown in view 2.



1. Striking Brick to One Side of Cutting Line



2. Trimming Rough Spots