





DC – Bander Maintenance and Troubleshooting

Purpose To guide the Distribution Center in the proper bander maintenance and troubleshooting procedures.

Cleaning Bander Follow the steps below to properly cleaning the banding machine.


Step	Action
1	<p>Turn off machine and unplug it, allow the heating element to cool down. Use shop towels and cleaning alcohol to wipe away any dirt and rubber from the top plates.</p> 
2	<p>Remove top plates, use shop air to blow away any debris inside the machine.</p>
3	<p>Wipe down the cover plate and tension arm with a shop towel and cleaning alcohol.</p> 
4	<p>Once the machine is clean reinstall top plates and turn it back on.</p>

Bander not cutting and releasing strap properly

Step	Action
1	Turn off bander, unplug the machine and remove top plates. (Caution) Heating element will remain hot, let the bander cool down before proceeding.
2	Locate banding tensioner and back off locking nut and unscrew bolt to release “L” shaped tension bar. 
3	Raise the “L” shaped bar until the tension on the spring is higher. Screw the bolt back in and tighten the locking nut to keep the bolt in place. 
4	Turn bander back on, allow 1 to 2 minutes for the heating element to get hot. Check for proper functioning and reinstall top covers.

Banding material not sealing together

When the banding material does not seal together properly, it results in broken bands.

Step	Action
1	Repeat steps 1 & 2 from above
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove cover plate over the heating element and visually inspect for damage such as broken or bent prongs. Use a cup brush or brush to help remove excess melted plastic. Use a rag and cleaning alcohol to remove excess debris 

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Please see your mentor if you have any questions.