

## DC – Bander Maintenance and Troubleshooting

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<b>Purpose</b>	To guide the Distribution Center in the proper bander maintenance and troubleshooting procedures.
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<b>Cleaning Bander</b>	Follow the steps below to properly cleaning the banding machine.
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Step	Action
1	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.  
2	Remove top plates, use shop air to blow away any debris inside the machine.
3	Wipe down the cover plate and tension arm with a shop towel and cleaning alcohol.  
4	Once the machine is clean reinstall top plates and turn it back on.

**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"> <li>Remove cover plate over the heating element and visually inspect for damage such as broken or bent prongs.</li> <li>Use a cup brush or brush to help remove excess melted plastic.</li> <li>Use a rag and cleaning alcohol to remove excess debris</li> </ul> 

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Please see your mentor if you have any questions.