## CLEAN ROOM DEVICES, INC.

# CRD202 AUTOMATIC TUBING EXPANDER

**OPERATIONS MANUAL** 



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## 1.0 General Product & Safety Information

#### 1.1 Product Information

- Unit is designed to expand flexible tubing up to a durometer of Shore A 85 (Shore D 35), including any non-metallic braided materials.
- The minimum/maximum inside tube diameter is 1/16" 9/16".
- The expander jaws are universal in design to meet most applications.
- The device features simple yet reliable jaw adjustment, which can be made by the operator.
- The device features a calibrate-able pressure gage conveniently mounted for additional process control.
- The device features independently adjustable expansion and interval period adjustments from 0.5-5 seconds, allowing for repeatability of operation.
- The serial number for the device is located on the bottom, rear of the base.



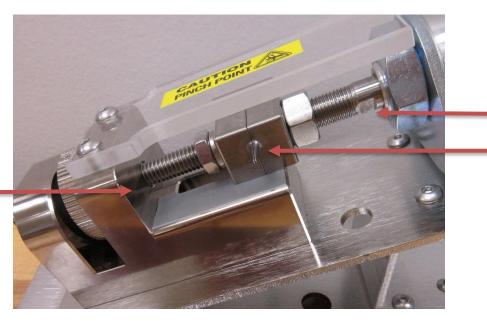
Figure 1.1

#### 1.2 Safety Information

This product uses an air cylinder and foot pedal or optical sensor to pneumatically actuate
the expanding jaws. The unit is not intended to expand anything other than flexible
tubing.

WARNING

Avoid placing your fingers between the upper jaw block and the air cylinder mounting bracket while operating unit, sufficient pressure exists to cause personal injury.



Arrows indicate pinch points

## 2.0 Installation

Ensure all five (5) rubber feet are completely stabilized on your work surface prior to applying air pressure to the unit.

## 2.1 Air Supply

- Connect a 1/4" OD air supply hose to the inlet on the pressure regulator. The air supply should be free of moisture and contaminates and provide a minimum of 100 psi.
- The regulator on the unit should be set to 80-100 psi.

#### 2.2 Electrical

• 120 to 240V AC power supply required for operation. The unit will come with the appropriate 24 VDC power supply.

## 2.3 Connection Setup

Setting up the connections on the CRD202 is a simple task. Please reference *Figure* 2.3.1 below when making all connections to the back panel:

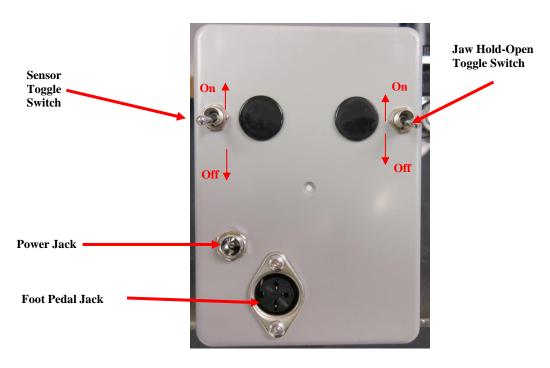


Figure 2.3.1: Electronics enclosure connections

## 3.0 Operation

## 3.1 Jaw Adjustment

- Start by using a 9/16" wrench to loosen the 3/8" hex nut at the bottom end of the lower jaw support block assembly to adjust the unit for the proper tubing size.
- With A/C power and compressed air attached to the expander, actuate the sensor or optional electric foot switch, which will activate the expander. Adjust the expander lower jaw to the position you want using the *Thumb Wheel Knob*. Note that the jaws may be set to remain in the "open" position using the toggle switch noted in **Figure 3.3.1**, and triggering the foot pedal. Make sure the toggle switch is returned to the "off" position, or the jaws will remain open.
- Locate the lower expander jaw position for your tubing size using the larger *thumb-wheel*.

(This adjustment may require fine tuning depending on your tubing I.D., O.D., Durometer or material. It is recommended you note or log the jaw gap settings for future applications, or usage.)

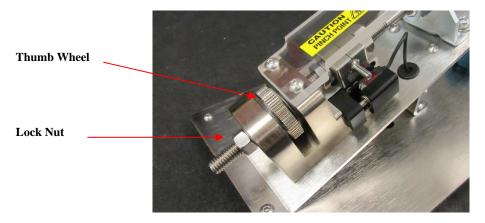


Figure 3.1.1: Jaw Adjustment

• Next, tighten the *thumb-wheel* against the lower mounting block and secure in place using the 9/16" wrench to snug the 3/8" hex nut against the bottom of the lower jaw support block assembly. Be careful that you do not over tighten the nut.

#### 3.2 Setting the Time Delays

- The CRD202 expansion operation is designed to expand each piece of tubing twice. After the first expansion, the jaws will close and the operator rotates the tube 90 degrees and the jaws will automatically expand again using the sensor. This ensures that the tubing is expanded in a uniform fashion, and not deformed in only one direction. To assist with this 2-step expansion operation, there are two time delays on the unit.
  - **Expansion Time** This setting adjusts the rate (0.5-5.0 seconds) at which the tube expansion occurs. The rate at which the tube is expanded is critical to prevent tearing. Some stiffer tubing might need a longer expansion time, while softer tubing can be expanded rapidly.
  - o **Interval Time** This setting adjusts the time delay rate (0.5-5.0 seconds) at which the jaws will cycle. It is adjusted to allow the operator to rotate the tubing 90 degrees at a comfortable pace between expanding.
- Remove the hole plugs with a screwdriver on the rear cover to gain access to the Time Delay adjustment pots. *Figure 3.2.1*



Figure 3.2.1: Removing Access Hole Plugs

• Using a small Phillips drive screwdriver adjust the Time Delay relays. *Figure 3.2.2* Turn the adjustment screw clockwise (to the right) to increase the delay. Turn the adjustment screw counter-clockwise (to the left) to decrease the delay.



Figure 3.2.2: Adjusting the Expansion Time pot

• *Figure 3.2.3* below shows the CRD202 with the rear cover removed, as well as the location of both time delay adjustments on the time delay relay:

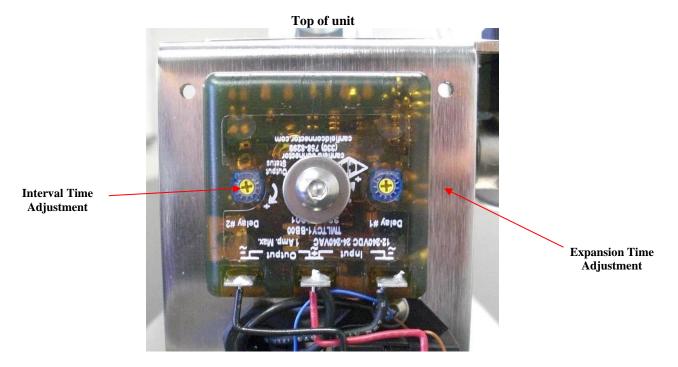


Figure 3.2.3: Time Delay Relay and Time Adjustments

## 3.3 Expanding Operation

• The CRD202 is designed to be used with a photo-sensor that will automatically sense the presence of tubing over the jaws. The sensor is aligned against the tangent of the jaw as shown in *Figure 3.3.1* below: **Note**: The unit may be operated with an optional electric foot switch as well. The CRD202 will operate via the electric foot switch, whether or not the Sensor Toggle Switch (see *Figure 2.3.1*) is in the ON or OFF position.

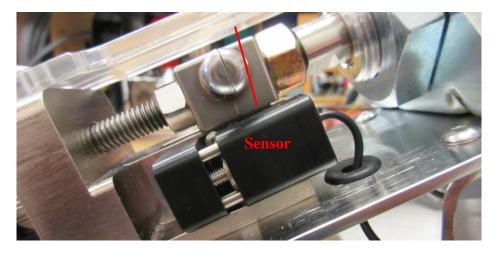


Figure 3.3.1: Photo-sensor line of sight

- To adjust the jaws for the size tubing to be expanded you need to loosen the 3/8" hex nut (Lock Nut.)
- With A/C power and compressed air attached to the expander, actuate the electric foot switch which will activate the expander. Adjust the expander lower jaw to the position you want using the *Thumb Wheel Knob*. Note that the jaws may be set to remain in the "open" position using the toggle switch noted in **Figure 3.3.1**, and triggering the foot pedal. Make sure the toggle switch is returned to the "off" position, or the jaws will remain open.
- Turning the *Thumb Wheel* clockwise will increase the jaw expansion size, counter clockwise will decrease the jaw expansion size. This adjustment may require fine tuning depending on your tubing I.D., O.D., durometer and/or material.
- Once you have the expansion size you want tighten the *Lock Nut* to secure the adjustment.
- Place the desired tubing over the ends of **both** expander jaws and hold firmly in place.
- Once the tube is placed over the jaw, the jaws will expand at a rate determined by the expansion time setting. **Note**: The unit may be operated with an optional electric foot switch as well.
- The jaws will then close and the operator will rotate the tubing 90 degrees. Failure to do so may result in uneven expansion and/or damaged tubing!
- After the interval time has expired, the jaws will then perform their second expansion operation, again at the appropriate expansion time.
- The jaws will then close a second time, and the machine cycle will be complete.

Note: Several expanding actions may be necessary to effectively expand the end of the tube for the fitting/connector to slide in. Each time you expand the tubing remember to rotate the tubing 90 degrees on the jaws.

- Quickly insert the component or tube connector before the tubing regains its original size.
- If adjustment of sensor position is desired, use a 3mm hex wrench to turn the adjustment screw shown below in **Figure 3.3.2**. Turning the sensor adjustment screw clockwise will move the sensor line closer to the jaws, while counterclockwise moves the sensor line away from the jaws.

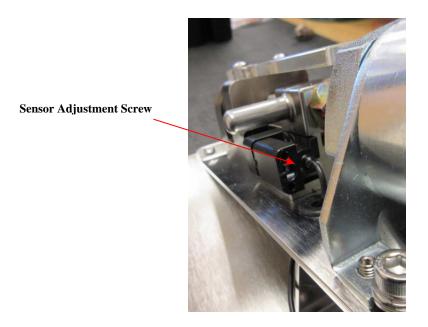
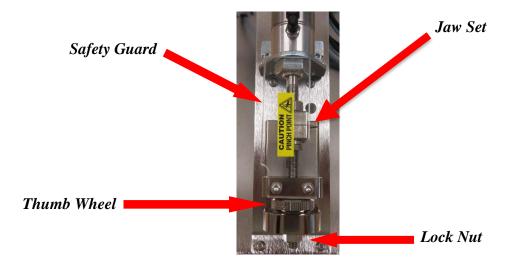


Figure 3.3.2: Sensor Adjustment Screw

• To operate the foot switch (optional), turn the switch on the rear cover to the up position and plug in the foot switch jack. Note: The foot pedal will operate the unit when it is plugged in, regardless of the switch position. Please use caution.



#### 3.4 Jaw installation and removal

- Tools required are: 3/8" open ended wrench, 9/16' open ended wrench, 11/16" open ended wrench, 3mm, 4mm and 3/32nd hex wrench
- Remove jaw guard by removing two 5x10mm screws using a 3mm hex wrench.
- Turn the thumb wheel clockwise until the cylinder shaft is fully extended in the jaw block channel. *Figure 3.4.1*

#### Cylinder shaft shown fully extended and retracted in jaw block channel

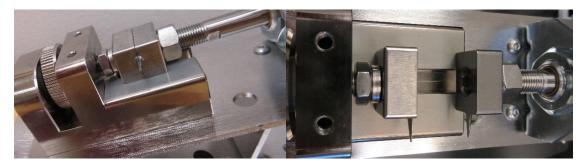
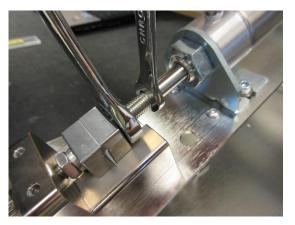


Figure 3.4.1 - Fully extended

Fully retracted

- Using a 3/8" open end wrench to hold the cylinder on the flats and a 11/16" open end wrench break the upper jaw nut loose by turning counter clockwise. *Figure 3.4.2*.
- Using a 9/16" open end wrench break the lower jaw nut loose while holding the thumb wheel in place, keeping the threaded rod from rotating. *Figure 3.4.3*





*Figure 3.4.2* 

*Figure 3.4.3* 

• Now remove the two 5x12mm screws holding the front cylinder mount bracket using a 4mm hex wrench. *Figure 3.3.4.* Rotate the cylinder backwards until it stops in the semi-vertical position. *Figure 3.4.5* 

#### Remove two 5x12mm screws



#### Cylinder semi-vertical position



- Figure 3.4.4 Figure 3.4.5
- Rotate the upper jaw by hand counter clockwise until removed.
- Important note: when screwing upper jaw onto cylinder shaft it is important to only screw the jaw 2/3 to 3/4 of the way on. Any farther and the jaw may slip off the jaw block when the cylinder is retracted.



Figure 3.4.6: Jaw threaded 2/3-3/4 onto shaft Figure 3.4.7: Jaw threaded on too far and has slipped off jaw block

- Using a 3mm hex wrench to turn the sensor adjustment screw, completely remove sensor. *Figure 3.4.8*
- Next remove the two sensor bracket screws with a 2mm hex wrench and then remove the sensor bracket. *Figure 3.4.9*
- When replacing the lower jaw do not loosen or tighten the jam nut on the threaded rod while it is in the mounting block. It will damage the mounting block.
- Remove the 3/8" hex nut (loosening with a 9/16" wrench, if necessary) and turning Thumb Wheel until the threaded rod comes out of the mounting block.
- Loosen or tighten jam nut with the threaded rod removed. (Fig15) This can be best accomplished by holding the back of the jaw in place with a 3/4" wrench and turning the jam nut with a 9/16" wrench.

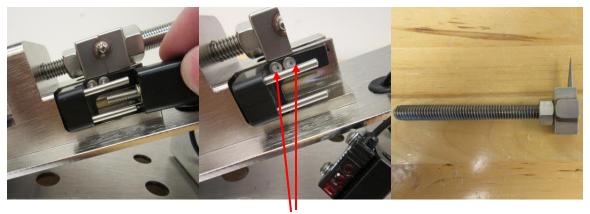
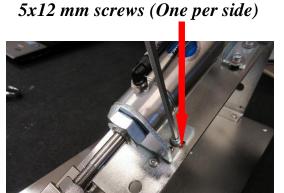


Figure 3.4.8: Remove Sensor

Figure 3.4.9: Sensor bracket screws Figure 3.4.10: Threaded rod removed

- Select replacement jaw set and assemble them in the reverse order of operations.
  - Note: If the cylinder shaft won't retract when being cycled the adjustment of both set screws on the front cylinder mount bracket will need to be adjusted. To make the adjustment you must first loosen the two 5x12mm screws using a 3mm hex wrench (Figure 3.4.11) and then by adjusting the two set screws using a 3/32<sup>nd</sup> hex wrench. Figure 3.4.12. Now tighten the two 5x12mm screws and ensure jaw alignment.



Set Screw (One per side)



Figure 3.4.11

Figure 3.4.12

## 4.0 Troubleshooting

Operating Error	Action
Unit does not operate.	<ol> <li>Check the facility air connection.</li> <li>Check all air hose connections on the unit.</li> </ol>

Jaws do not expand.	<ol> <li>Ensure there are no obstructions keeping the jaws from expanding.</li> <li>Completely depress the foot pedal to actuate.</li> <li>Ensure the toggle switch is set to the appropriate setting (sensor or foot pedal)</li> </ol>
Flexible tubing is splitting/tearing.	<ol> <li>Ensure the tubing being expanded does not exceed the recommended durometer.</li> <li>Ensure the lower jaw has been adjusted correctly for the tubing inside diameter (I.D.).</li> <li>Verify facility air supply psi or unit pressure adjustment.</li> <li>Increase the expansion time setting for a more gradual expansion.</li> </ol>

#### 5.0 Maintenance

- 5.1 Periodic Cleaning (annually)
  - Wipe down outer surfaces with alcohol, septihol or mild detergents as required.

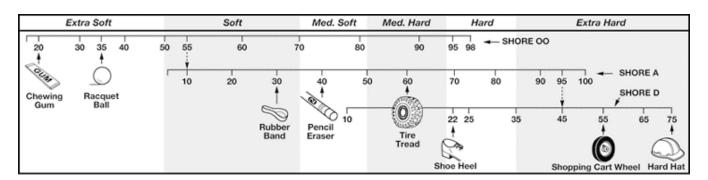
#### 5.2 Tools List

- 3/8", 9/16" and 11/16" open ended wrenches.
- 3/32", 3mm and 4mm hex wrenches (T-handle preferred).
- Small standard screwdriver, #0 Phillips screwdriver.

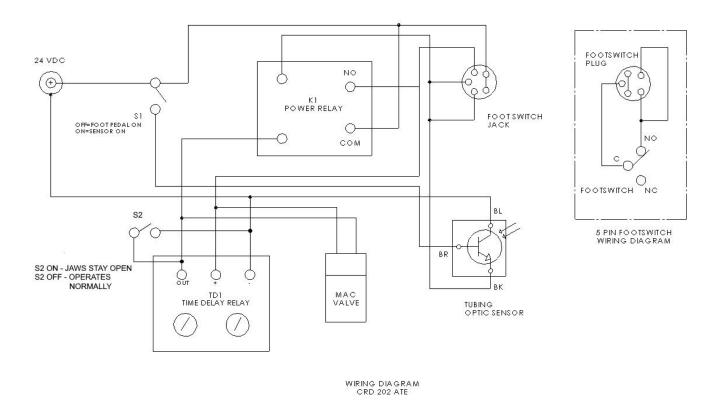
## **6.0 Product Specifications**

Unit Weight	8 LBS / 3.5 KG
Overall Dimensions	15 in. (38cm) lg. x 7 in. (18cm) w. x 7 in. (18cm) ht.
Minimum/Maximum PSI	80 PSI / 100 PSI

## 7.0 Durometer Scale



## 8.0 Wiring Schematic



Note: Schematic drawings are provided for troubleshooting only—not for modifying the machine in any way!

## 9.0 Warranty

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The manufacturer warrants the product manufactured by it, when properly installed, operated, applied and maintained in accordance with the procedures and recommendations outlined in the manufacturer's operation manual, to be free from defects in material or workmanship for a period as specified below, provided such defect is discovered and brought to the manufacturer's attention within the stated warranty period.

The manufacturer will repair or replace any product or part determined to be defective by the manufacturer within the warranty period, provided such defect occurred in the normal service and not as a result of misuse, abuse, neglect or accident. Normal maintenance items requiring routine replacement are not warranted. The warranty covers parts and labor for the warranty period unless otherwise specified. Repair or replacement shall be made at the factory or the installation site, at the sole discretion of the manufacturer. Any service performed on the product by anyone other than the manufacturer must first be authorized by the manufacturer.

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The manufacturer does not warrant any product, part, material, component, or accessory manufactured by others and sold or supplied in connection with the sale of manufacturer's products.

#### 9.2 Warranty Period

Parts and labor are for ninety (90) days from the date of shipment from the factory. Freight to the factory on units that the manufacturer requests to be returned shall be paid by the purchaser, all return freight to be paid by the manufacturer; means of transportation to be specified by the manufacturer.

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