

 **CLEAN ROOM DEVICES, INC.**

**CRD500  
3-JAW TUBE EXPANDER**

OPERATIONS MANUAL



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## **1.0 General Product & Safety Information**

### *1.1 Product Information*

- The expander unit is designed to expand most types of soft tubing, primarily silicone, latex, and soft (40-50) durometer PVC.
- The minimum/maximum inside tube diameter is 3/32” to 1”
- The expander jaws are designed to meet most applications
- The units design allows for simple operator adjustment

### *1.2 Safety Information*

- This product uses an air cylinder and foot pedal to pneumatically actuate the expanding jaws. The unit is not intended to expand anything other than flexible tubing.
- The desired air supply should be free of moisture/contaminates, and a minimum 100 psi facility air supply is recommended. It is also recommended that a suitable filter/regulator be installed onto the supply line prior to the unit to preserve the life expectancy of the air components.

## **2.0 Installation**

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

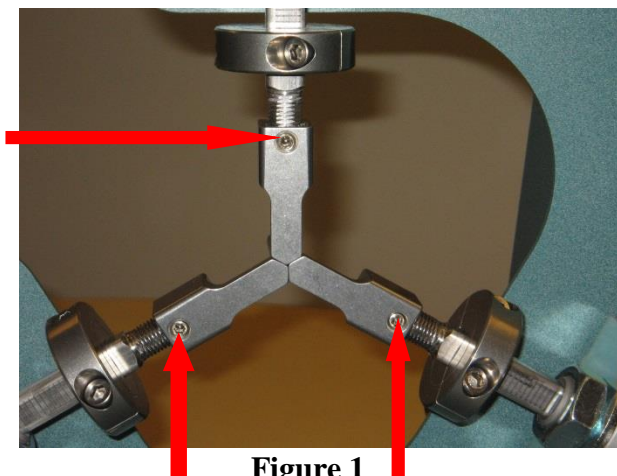
### *2.1 Air Supply*

- Connect a 1/4” air supply hose to the fitting found on the regulator. The air supply should be free of moisture and contaminants. Adjust the regulator within the range of 40-80 psi for operation. Lower than 40 psi may affect the unit’s ability to stretch the tubing properly with even pressure. Running pressures higher than 80 psi can damage the jaws.

## 3.0 Operation

### 3.1 Jaw Alignment and Collar Position

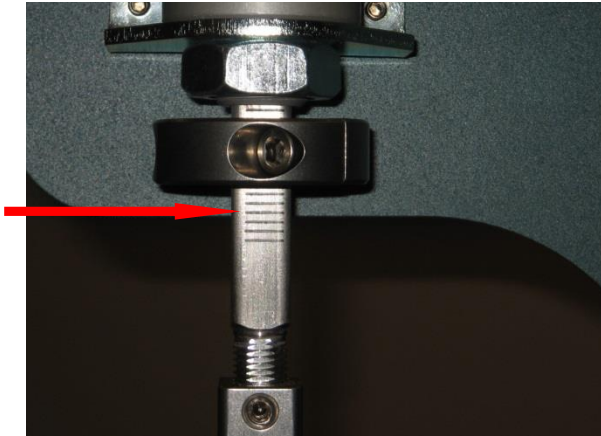
- Start by ensuring the jaws are properly aligned with each other. Maintaining this alignment is critical to the correct operation of this expander.
- Break loose the set screws on all three (3) jaws using a 1/8" hex wrench. (**Figure 1**)
- Adjust the jaws by letting all three (3) jaws come together (they will somewhat self-align) twisting the jaw slightly by hand or using an 11/16 open end wrench will ensure that the jaws are properly seated together. (**Figure 2**)
- Once aligned tighten all three (3) set screws in the jaws. (**Figure 1**)
- The jaws should form a tight circle when properly aligned, no gaps between jaws. (See **figure 2**)
- The graduations on the cylinders represent approximately 0.072 of an inch. (**Figure 3**)
- Break loose the two (2) bolts on each of the three (3) stop collars using a 3/16" hex wrench. Position the stop collars at the same indicator mark on all three (3) cylinder shafts. (**Figure 4**)
- Repeat this process until the desired tube opening is met.



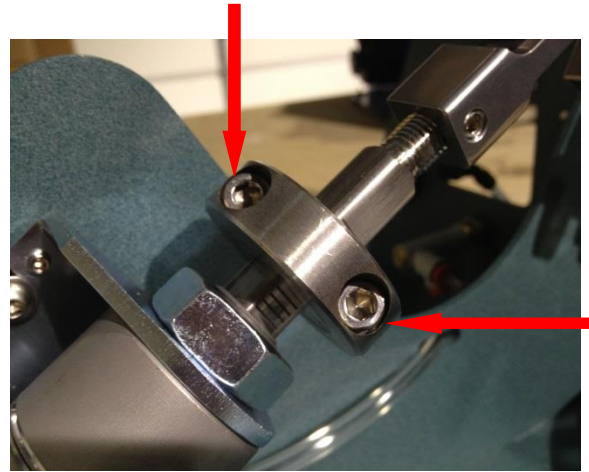
**Figure 1**  
Set screws



**Figure 2**  
Proper Jaw alignment



**Figure 3**  
**Cylinder graduations**



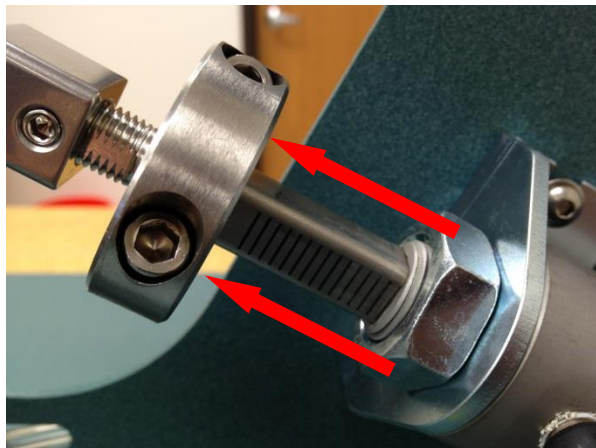
**Figure 4**  
**Stop collar bolts**

### 3.2 *Tube Expanding*

- Place the desired tubing over the ends of ***all three*** expander jaws at the required depth.
- Actuate the expanding motion by fully depressing the foot pedal.
- Once the tube is expanded satisfactorily, push the fitting through the jaws and into the tubing.
- The tubing and fitting may need to be spooned off of the side of the jaws rather than pushed through the center, depending on fitting size and shape.

### 3.3 *Jaw removal and installation*

- Remove all three set screws on the jaws using a 1/8" hex wrench. **(Figure 1)**
- Loosen the two bolts on all three stop collars and slide them forward on the cylinder shaft to where the threads start and tighten the bolts on all three stop collars. **(Figure 5)**



**Figure 5**  
**Stop collar shown all the way forward**

- Activate the expander by pressing on the foot pedal and keep it compressed while performing the jaw removal and installation. **(Figure 6)**



**Figure 6**  
**Jaws shown in the fully open position**

- Remove the jaws from each cylinder shaft (turning the jaws counter clockwise).
- While keeping the expander activated, with your foot on the foot pedal, twist on the new jaws onto each cylinder. Start the set screw into each jaw but do not tighten.
- De-activate the expander by taking your foot off of the foot pedal.
- Ensure that the jaws are aligned properly, as shown in **Figure 1 & 2**. Tighten the set screws on each jaw after you have the jaws properly aligned. **(Figure 2)**
- Re-adjust the stop collars to the desired opening you need and tighten the bolts. **(Figure 3)**

### *3.4 Ordering Additional or Replacement Jaw Sets*

- To order additional jaw sets, please specify the part number CD005-D-L where D is the jaw set diameter, and L is the desired length. Also, add the suffix “S” for straight jaws or the suffix “T” for tapered jaws.
- To order replacement jaws, please call in the part number or measure your current jaws and provide the D (jaw set diameter), L (the length of the jaw) and S or T (straight or tapered option).

## 4.0 Troubleshooting

Operating Error	Action
Unit does not operate.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Check the facility air connection.</li><li>2. Check all air hose connections on the unit.</li></ol>
Jaws do not spread.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Ensure no obstructions are keeping the jaws from expanding.</li><li>2. Completely depress the foot pedal to actuate.</li></ol>
Flexible tubing is splitting/tearing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Ensure the tubing being expanded does not exceed the performance of the material.</li><li>2. Ensure the lower jaw has been adjusted correctly for the tubing inside diameter (I.D.).</li><li>3. Verify facility air supply psi or unit pressure adjustment.</li></ol>

## 5.0 Maintenance

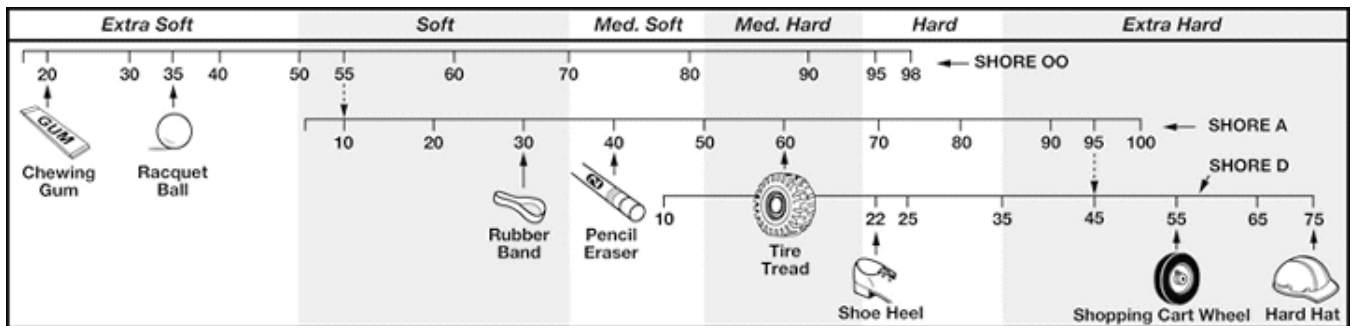
### 5.1 Periodic Cleaning (annually)

- Wipe down outer surfaces with alcohol, septihol or mild detergents as required.

## 6.0 Product Specifications

Unit Weight	37 LBS / 17KG
Overall Dimensions	21 in. (53cm) lg. x 21 in. (53cm) w. x 19 in. (48cm) ht.
Minimum/Maximum PSI	40 PSI / 80 PSI

## 7.0 Durometer Scale





## 8.0 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.

Unauthorized service voids the warranty and any resulting charge or subsequent claim will not be paid. Products repaired or replaced under warranty shall be warranted for the unexpired portion of the warranty applying to the original product.

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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.

### 8.2 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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