

First of all, thank you for buying a BlackJack 16208 Edge Bander. I'd like to share with you a couple notes on how to get the most out of your new machine.

I'm sure you've purchased new woodworking machines before so you know that the factory never has them ready to run out of the box. We always need to assemble them and adjust them to work just the way we work. The edge bander is no different. Although it requires very little assembly, the banding guides may need slight adjusting so the banding runs true to the edge of your material. The instructions included with the machine are good to read but somehow they never tell us the secrets that we wish they would tell. This simple sheet describes how I made my bander run perfectly in my shop.

Most important thing to remember.

Both guides need to be at the same height off the machine base. I usually raise the top guides out of the way so I can pass a steel rule through where the banding passes while the edge is tight against the top surface of the white table top.

Then I adjust the bottom guides 1/16" to 3/32" below the steel rule. This gives me my bottom trim material.

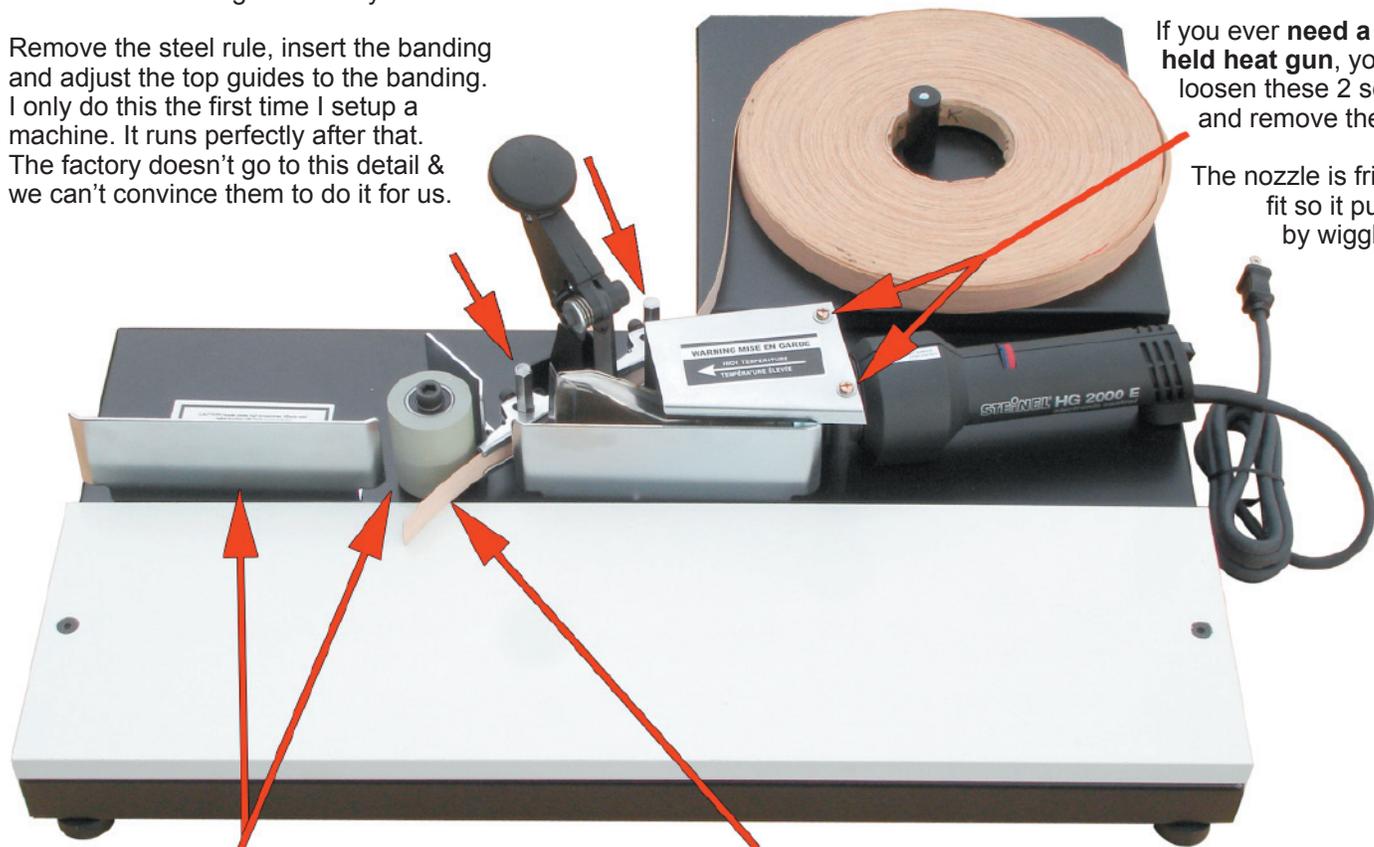
Remove the steel rule, insert the banding and adjust the top guides to the banding. I only do this the first time I setup a machine. It runs perfectly after that. The factory doesn't go to this detail & we can't convince them to do it for us.

Avoid using an extension cord. It risks damaging the heater. If you must use an extension cord, use 14 gauge no longer than 25' or 12 gauge no longer than 50'.

I like to run my machine at **75% heat position**. It lets the glue get just hot enough to just before the point of bubbling when the wood then makes contact. It gives a really strong bond. This also lets me run the material through at about 4 to 5 feet per minute.

If you ever need a hand held heat gun, you can loosen these 2 screws and remove the gun.

The nozzle is friction fit so it pulls off by wiggling it.



Adjust fence so roller is forward. This assures contact between the wood and roller at all times. Remove this fence when you edge band contoured work. Then follow the roller with the contour.

Guides must be positioned so the edge banding exits slightly below the table top. I personally prefer to center the banding on the thickness of the material being banded. The note at the top left gives my personal experience on adjusting the guides

Always read the manual and follow all operating instructions and safety rules.

Thank you again for buying the edge bander. If you have any questions, please contact us!

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