Maintenance

Your BOARD BUDDIES® are engineered for dependable service and ease of operation. However with most shop tools, they may need periodic inspection and cleaning.

• **NEVER** lubricate Board Buddy parts. Oil will attract sawdust and foreign material which could jam the mechanism or stain your workpiece.

• **ALWAYS** make sure the jam nuts (5) and the position locking thumbscrews (11) are tight, and the BOARD BUDDIES® are correctly adjusted.

Troubleshooting

Here are some common solutions for Board Buddy problems:

The Board Buddy does not clamp down on the stock as it should, the pivot arm binds, or the roller tension does not adjust correctly.

1. Refer to the Safety and Operation section and re-adjust the Board Buddy correctly.

2. Remove and clean the threads of the adjusting screws and thumbscrews. Replace any stripped adjustment screws and re-adjust.

3. Depress the pivot arm (1) and remove the shoe (7). Clean out any foreign material that is preventing the shoe from sliding inside the housing (2). See Figure 4.

4. Replace the shoe if it is broken or worn.

The Board Buddy roller does not lock rotation.

1. Incorrect roller, replace the roller with the correct roller.

2. The roller is broken. Replace the roller with a new one. DO NOT rebuild the rollers.

Parts List

Use Figure 4 and the parts list to inventory your package. Your new BOARD BUDDIES® are carefully packed. However, if any part is damaged or missing, contact Woodstock International Service and Support at 1-360-734-3482 or send e-mail to: tech-support@shopfox.biz.

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Introduction

BOARD BUDDIES® are made from die-cast aluminum and feature non-marring orange neoprene rubber wheels. Because the wheels turn counterclockwise only, they function as anti-kickback and hold-down devices. You can mount these to fences that are 3” (76.2mm) to 1½” (38.1mm) high x 1” (25.4mm) or wider. Each Board Buddy uses a mounting bracket, a main body, and a roller. The main body has a pivot arm which accepts the roller, a housing that contains the pivot point and a roller pressure spring.

**WARNING**

Read and understand your machine operators manual, and know the machine limitations.

NO ANTI-KICKBACK DEVICE WILL MAKE YOUR MACHINE COMPLETELY SAFE!
Assembly and Installation

Your BOARD BUDDIES® are partially assembled from the factory; however, some minor assembly and adjustment is required using Figure 3 and Figure 4 for reference.

The Board Buddy brackets (3) can be installed directly on an auxiliary wood fence (not included) or an optional sliding track (12" part # W1107 or 24" part # W1108 not included). The optional sliding track also mounts to the auxiliary wood fence. See Figure 2.

To assemble your BOARD BUDDIES®, see Figure 4 for item numbers and do these steps:

1. Unplug your machine!
2. Thread the lock nut (5) onto each pivot arm (1).
3. Thread the roller (4) onto each pivot arm no less than 1/2” (12.7 mm), and tighten the lock nut (5) against the roller nut (4).
4. Slide the housing (2) into the mounting bracket (3) and tighten the thumbscrews (11).

To install your BOARD BUDDIES®, see Figures 1 and 2, and do these steps:

1. Make an auxiliary wood fence that is approximately 3" (76.2 mm) tall, 1" (25.4 mm) thick, and is the length of the machine fence.
2. Mount the auxiliary wood fence to your machine with countersunk fasteners.
3. Position the mounting bracket on the auxiliary fence so it does not protrude into the path of the stock. See Figures 1 and 2.
4. Position the rollers so they are not closer than 1/2" (12.7 mm) to the front and rear of the saw blade. See Figure 1.
5. Make sure the rollers do not interfere with guard operation and other saw controls. Reposition the mounting brackets if there is any interference.
6. Mark the FRONT screw hole locations and drill the pilot holes into the wood fence for the wood screws (REAR holes are for the optional track). See Figure 2.
7. Install the mounting bracket with the provided wood screws.

Safety and Operation

BOARD BUDDIES® help prevent kickback by maintaining pressure against the stock with counter clockwise rotating rollers. See Figures 1 and 2.

1. Turn the saw motor so the blade is parallel to the fence and the blade rotates clockwise.
2. Position the infeed roller as far out as possible in the mounting bracket, place the outfeed roller between the line of cut and the saw fence, and tighten the position locking thumbscrews.
3. Adjust the roller nut, the lock nut, and the thumbscrew so the roller height is approximately 1/8" (3 mm) less than the stock thickness.
4. Turn the roller pressure adjustment wing nut so the roller applies a firm pressure on the stock, but does not tilt the Board Buddy off of the fence or sliding rack.
5. Make sure BOARD BUDDIES® DO NOT touch the saw blade during machine operation.
6. DO NOT adjust or reposition the BOARD BUDDIES® while the machine is running. Wait until the machine comes to a complete stop before making any adjustments.
7. Keep your hands away from all cutting tools, and feed stock evenly and smoothly.