



## Go-Bagger® 250 Frequently Asked Questions

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### What should I do if the hopper stalls?

First try to clear the obstruction mechanically by reversing the rotation of the hopper agitator. If reversing the agitator rotation does not clear the obstruction, follow complete lockout and tagout procedures then access the hopper to clear the obstruction. Avoid plugging the hopper by dumping material into the hopper slowly and evenly.

### What should I do if I notice a surge of material or large clumps falling into my bags?

You will need to adjust the bagging head gate by adjusting the hold down bracket.

### I'm not getting accurate weight measurements.

Check to be sure that the bags are not touching the bag rails or roller bed to ensure accurate weight measurements. Additionally, check to ensure the scale has been zeroed out.

### What should I do if bags are slipping from the bagging jaws before they are filled completely?

Increase the bagging jaw pressure in small increments and test the jaw pressure in between each adjustment. Turn the adjustment screw clockwise to increase pressure and counterclockwise to decrease pressure. DO NOT EXCEED 250 PSI.

### How do I use the controller display to fine tune settings and configurations based on my bagging application?

To adjust a setting, scroll to that setting using the arrow pad then press the ok button to select the setting. Use the arrow pad to adjust then press ok to save your settings.

### What settings might I need to adjust on the Go-Bagger® 250?

- Belt speed. Belt speed is the speed at which the hopper belt will run when the fill cycle begins.
- Jaw delay. Jaw delay is the amount of time in which the jaws will continue to hold the bag after the hopper belt is stopped.
- Ramp down weight. Ramp down weight is the bag fill weight at which the hopper conveyor will switch to slow speed. Slow speed is the speed at which the hopper belt will run after the ramp down weight has been reached. Using the slow speed can help prevent surges of material from falling into the bag after the conveyor has stopped. Ramp down weight must be lower than target weight for the conveyor to switch to slow speed.

### How do I fine tune the sealer settings?

You will adjust the sealer heating time on the sealer. The recommended starting time is 2 seconds for a standard 3-millimeter bag. The sealer clamp time is adjusted on the controller display. Heating sealing time must be shorter than sealer clamp time.

### The light does not illuminate on the sealer.

Check that the bolt that pushes the switch on the sealer heating element on when the jaw closes is calibrated correctly.

### How do I change the bagging jaws?

Follow the lockout and tagout procedures that are outlined in your owner's manual. Remove the hydraulic cylinders from the bagging jaws. Remove the jaws. Install other bagging jaws, reconnect cylinders, zero out scales and readjust settings as needed.

### How do I remove the hopper agitator?

Follow the lockout and tagout procedures that are outlined in your owner's manual. Set directional valve to center or off position. Remove the two-piece coupler, unbolt the bearing at the opposite end of the hopper. Lift the agitator clear of the hopper using proper lifting equipment. After removing the agitator, you may need to load less material into the hopper to prevent bridging.

### Should I fill bags by time or weight?

Filling by time is appropriate for commodities sold by volume rather than weight, such as landscape mulch. Filling by weight is appropriate for heavy materials such as rock or sand sold by weight.

## How do I fill bags by Time?

When filling by time you can either hold to fill or tap to fill. When using hold to fill, the hopper conveyor will run as long as you hold the foot pedal. Hold fill is designed to fine-tune the time limit. When using tap to fill the hopper conveyor will run after the operator taps the foot pedal and the jaws will release after the set time limit is reached. The tap to fill setting is the most efficient setting for high-volume production.

## How do I fill bags by weight?

You will adjust the target weight from the home screen using the arrow pad. Zero out the scale before bagging by weight. Make sure the bagging jaws are free of debris and nothing is touching the jaw assembly. Press 0 scale. Filling weight displayed will usually fluctuate slightly after you zero the scale, but this minor fluctuation will not significantly affect your target weight.

## When should I use the manual fill setting?

The manual setting is helpful for filling a small number of bags without fine-tuning all the settings. The jaws will only grip the bag while the operator is pressing the foot pedal. When the operator releases the pedal the hopper conveyor will stop, and the jaws will release the bag.

## How do I adjust the sock filling settings?

Belt speed settings can be adjusted with the up/down arrows. Start with the belt speed at 150 and adjust as needed to keep the auger full. Do not overload. Auger will run forward by default, if auger jams press the reverse button. This will reverse the auger for 1/2 second to clear the jam. If that does not unplug the auger then you will have to shut it off and unplug the auger manually after performing proper lockout and tagout procedures.

## Does the Go Bagger® 250 have presets?

Yes, selecting a preset will automatically adjust the fill settings. Individual settings can then be adjusted to match your materials. Presets can be set as fast, medium and slow.

## Is there a way to count the number of bags that have already been filled?

Yes, you can use the counter to track your filled bags from the home screen. Press counter. Use the arrow pad to adjust the target count. Press ok to start or reset the count once the target count has been reached.

## What can I use to tow the Go-Bagger® 250?

The GB-250 can be towed with a pickup truck. *\*Please refer to manufacturers specifications for towing capacity.*

## What personal protective equipment (PPE) is required to operate the Go-Bagger® 250?

You will need to eye protection, ear protection, protective footwear, and high visibility clothing. For dusty applications you may also need a dust mask for protection.

## Where can I order bags and/or erosion sock for the Go-Bagger® 250?

### **Manchester Packaging Co.**

2000 East James BLVD  
St. James, MO 65559  
(573) 265-3569

### **Associated Bag Co.**

400 West Boden Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
(800) 201-8630

### **Shields Bag & Printing, Co.**

Yakima, WA 98902  
(800) 541-8630

### **Bags, Inc.**

6205 G Lookout Road  
Boulder, CO 80301  
(888) 740-2247 Ext. 2247

### **Carriff Corporation – Erosion Sock Supplier**

3500 Fieldstone Trace  
Midland, NC 28107  
(800) 845-5148