# Stretch-O-Matic® Models 7500, 8400, 8400 Elite and 9600 Elite



## OPERATOR'S MANUAL

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As a manufacturer of quality goods we, hereby, certify that our bale wrappers Stretch-O-Matic® are made of the best materials, brand new and unused, by first class workmanship. We manufacture our Stretch-O-Matic® since 1990. After inspection of the merchandise we, Jacques Bernier, can confirm that it complies in all aspects with our high quality standards of performance.



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Models: 7500, 8400 and 9600

#### REFERING TO THIS PRESENT DECLARATION, IS CONFORM TO THE NORMS:

Number	Title	Date
NF EN 12100-1	Machines Security	2004
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NF EN 982	Security Prescription, hydraulic	1996
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98/37/CEE	Machines Directive	1998

Made in Saint-Eugène (Québec) Canada, le 20 juillet 2005,

Mr Jacques Bernier, president

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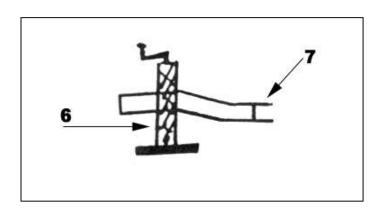
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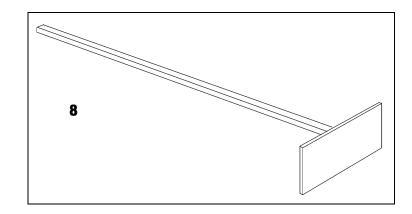
# Your Stretch-O-Matic® Models 7500, 8400, 8400Elite & 9600Elite

AM Machinery Inc. built the Stretch-O-Matic for wrapping big silage, round or square,



- 1 Bale pusher for silage
- 2 Hoop rotating
- 3 Plastic roller
- 4 Stretcher
- 5 Roller table
- 6 Jack
- 7 Pole
- 8 Unloading bar





### Strech-O-Matic® Twelve Months Warranty\*

Congratulations! You are now the proud owner of the best wrapper on the market, the Stretch-O-Matic® Models 7500, 8400, 8400 Elite or 9600 Elite. We are convinced that you will enjoy the trouble free experience of working with the Stretch-O-Matic.



### CAUTION!

For your safety and to get the best out of your investment, please read the operator's manual carefully before operation.

The design of the Stretch-O-Matic® bale wrappers are protected under Canadian Patent 1285862 and USA patent 4793124.



### **IMPORTANT**

Warranty registration form (page 5) must be completed and returned to A.M. Machinery within ten days of ownership to validate warranty.

#### Warranty coverage

AM Machinery Inc. warranties that the Strech-O-Matic® bale wrapper Models 7500 & 8400 is manufactured under high quality standards and agrees to replace or repair at seller's place of business all parts (\*\*except: tires, battery, film tensionners and the motor), which are defective in material or workmanship without charge for parts and labor if a defect appears within 12 months from the date of the purchase by the original purchaser.

The warranty is only valid if the fault is reported to us or our distributors by the dealer submitting a complete warranty claim form *within 15 days of the breakdown*. The purchaser shall pay any charge for making service call and for transporting the machine to the place where the warranty work is to be performed.

#### **Exclusion**

This warranty covers only defective material or workmanship. It does not cover depreciation or damage caused under normal wear, accidents, improper maintenance, and improper protection in storage or improper use.

The cost of normal maintenance and normal replacement of service items such as air filters, oil filters, etc. shall be paid by the purchaser.

#### Disclaimer of consequential damage

The warranty exclude any secondary damage, for example consequential losses caused as a result of machine breakdown or non-availability of spare parts.

As for the final product, high quality forage depends on many factors (example : the quality of forage being put up, the quality of the plastic used etc.)

A.M. Machinery accepts no liability for forage losses or poor quality forage conservation.

- \* If used and maintained according to the owner's manual instructions.
- \*\* Tires, battery, film tensionners and motor are under the warranty of their respective manufacturer.

### Warranty Registration

Must be completed and returned to

A.M. Machinery, 9, Rue des Industries, L'Islet (Québec) G0R 1X0 Canada within 10 days of ownership to validated warranty.

Model:	Serial number :
Date of purchase : _	Machine built in :
Dealer Informa	ation :
City State Country Telephone	Zip Code
	Dealer's signature
Owner Informa	ation :
Address City State Country Telephone Fax	Zip Code
The above machine thorough knowledge I am aware that the	e has been received by me in accordance with the foregoing and I have a e of its care adjustment and operation. e dealer as inspected the wrapper. The wrapper seems assembled correctly g order. I accept the warranty terms stated in this book.
	Owner's signature
Returned to: <b>A.M. Machiner</b> 9, Rue des Indu	<b>y</b> , ustries, L'Islet (Québec) CANADA G0R 1X0

### Safety Guides Lines

<u>Take note</u>: this safety alert symbol found throughout this manual is used to call your attention to instructions involving your personal safety and the safety of others. Failure to follow these instructions can result in injury or death.

#### These symbol means:



**ATTENTION!** 

**BECOME ALERT!** 

### YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED

#### **Important Signal Words**

**DANGER**: indicates an imminently hazardous situation that, if not avoids, will result in death or serious injury. This signal word is to be limited to the most extreme situations, typically for machine components which, for functional purposes, cannot be guarded.

**WARNING**: indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury and include hazard that are exposed when guards are removed. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

**CAUTION**: indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.



Picture # 2 safety guards dangerous zone

<u>Warning!</u> Always stop the engine and remove the key and lock the electric switch before entering inside the zone, open the security guards, adjust the photocells, fill-up the oil or gas tanks or remove a bale that became undone in the hoop or in the front of the push bar. Do not climb on the machine or enter the inside zone when the motor is operating.

If you have any questions not answered in this manual or require additional copies or, if your copy of this manual is damaged, please contact your local dealer.

### Security is everyone's business

At AM Machinery, safety of the operator is one of the main concerns in designing and developing a new piece of equipment. Designers and manufacturers build in as many safety features as possible. However, every year many accidents occurs which could have been avoided by a few seconds of thought and a more careful approach to handling equipment. You, the operator, can avoid many accidents by observing the following precautions. To avoid personal injury, study the following precautions and insist that those working with you, or for you, follow them.

#### **General information**

- This equipment is dangerous to children and persons unfamiliar with its operation. The operator should be a responsible adult familiar with farm machinery and trained in this equipment's operation. Do not allow anyone to operate or assemble this unit until they have read this manual and have developed a thorough understanding of the safety precautions and how it works.
- Review the safety instructions with all users annually.
- Never exceed the limits of a piece of machinery. If its ability to do a job or to do so safely is in question, DON'T TRY IT.
- Do not attempt to operate this equipment under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Replace any «CAUTION», «WARNING», «DANGER» or instruction safety decal that is not readable or is missing. Location of such decal is indicated in the figures numbers 6, 7, 8, 10 and 13 in Parts Manual at the end of this manual.

### Lighting, marking, National Road Rules

It is the responsibility of the customer to know the lighting and marking requirements of the local highway authorities and to install and maintain the equipment to provide compliance with the regulations.

Add extra lights when transporting at night or during periods of limited visibility. Lighting kits are available from your dealer or from the manufacturer.

#### Safety sign care

Keep safety signs clean and legible at all times.

Replace safety signs that are missing or have become illegible.

Replaced parts that displayed a safety sign should also display the current sign.

Safety signs are available form your Dealer Parts Department or Distributor or directly from AM Machinery.

### Remember

- Your best insurance against accidents is a careful and responsible operator.
- If there is any portion of this manual or function you do not understand, contact your local authorized dealer or the manufacturer.

### Prepare to wrap

Do not wear loose-fitting clothing, which may catch in moving parts. Always wear protective clothing and substantial shoes.

We strongly recommend that you make certain that there is no non implicated people on the wrapping site. This is particularly important for the owner of an automatic model operated from the tractor. Never let the machine operated without superintendence.

### Before starting to work with your Stretch-O-Matic®, we strongly suggested tha vou:

- Carefully study and understand this manual.
- Give the unit a visual inspection for any loose bolts, worn parts or cracked welds, and make the necessary repairs.
  - Follow the maintenance safety instructions included in this manual.
- Be sure there are no lying tools on/or in the equipment.
- Do not use the unit until your are sure the area is clear, especially from visitors, children and animals.
- Because it is possible that this equipment may be used in dry areas or in presence of combustibles, special care should be taken to prevent fires and fire-fighting equipment should be readily available.

### Instructions before towing your Stretch-O-Matic®



Wrapper's weight: model 7500: 1 248 kg, model 8400: 1 250 kg

It is possible to tow your bale wrapper but the recommended maximum speed is 40 kilometer per hour. And, certain precautions allow to avoid disastrous situations.

#### Therefore we recommend that you:

- Check that the roller table is safely locked into the upward position with the bar locked into place with both pins.
- Check that the draw pole is safely locked with the hitch pin locked into place.
- Attach a safety chain to the draw pole if the unit is to be towed on public road.
- Check that the wheels are straight.
- Close the steering cylinder's valve to lock wheels.
- Comply with state and local laws governing highway safety and movement of farm machinery on public roads.
- Use approved accessories, lighting, flags and necessary warning device to protect operators of other vehicles on public roads during daytime and nighttime transport. Various safety lights and devices are available from your local dealer.
- Make sure all parked machines are on a hard, level surface; use wheel chocks to prevent machine from rolling if necessary.

### How to start the motor, automatic model

Put the safety switch at ON
Pull the emergency button if is pushed
Press the reset button, the motor is ready to start (picture 5 p.17)
If the reset button is not press, the motor will not start.



picture #3 door security limit switch



picture #4 plastic limit switch

### **Plastic Installation**

For security reason, the motor will be stop when you open the side door to install the plastic roller, (photo #3 p. 11)

Need to reset to restart (reset button picture #5 p.17)

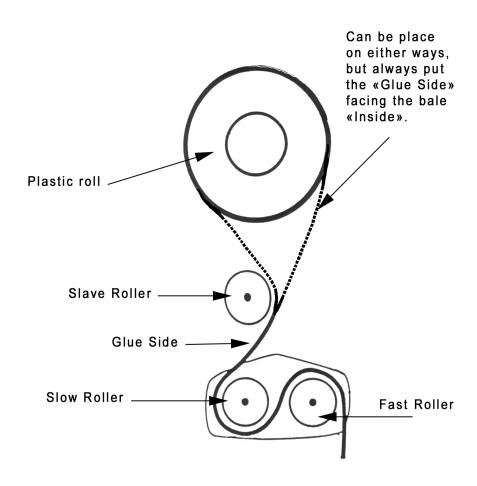
The plastic must be treaded over the slave roller and then through the two red rollers on the tensionner as shown on the diagram.

The two black stretcher rollers rotate at different speeds. This induce the plastic to be stretched. It is very important that the plastic go over the slow roller first and the faster roller second. The faster roller should be marked by a red dot opposite it on gear case.

#### If there is any question of which is the fast roller (For the serial numbers up to 345.)

- 1) Place a pen mark on each roller and rotate one roller one turn.
- 2) Check the location of the marks on the other roller.
  - If it has advanced further then, it is the fast roller.
  - If it has advanced less, it is the slow roller.

When the plastic is installed properly, it should stretch film tight on the bale to form a smooth linear tube.



### Making Silage

#### Bale quality

Well shaped firm bales are necessary for successful wrapping.

Bales are best wrapped as soon as possible after baling.

If bales are left unwrapped they will sag and lose shape.

Heating will start soon after baling and the protein quality will be lost. It is desirable to wrap within four hours of bailing.

The Stretch-O-Matic® can operate even under rainy condition.

#### Moisture

There is a considerable moisture range over which successful silage can be made. In general, 40 to 50 % moisture is satisfactory for dairy cows. Some beef farmers prefer 60 to 70 % moisture as it limits intake. A good rule of thumb is «Half way to Hay». The ideal being 55% moisture.

### **Dryer silage gives you**:

- 1. Lighter bales to handle
- 2. Less freezing in the winter



### Wrapping dry hay or straw

The Stretch-O-Matic wrapper can be used to weather protect dry hay and straw.

### Wrapping Site Recommendations

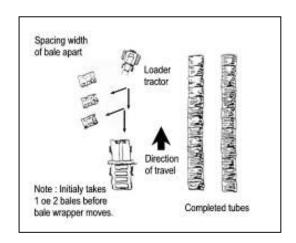
Select a site, which will allow for making adequate length rows of bales. The Stretch-O-Matic® is a very fast wrapper but requires time to set up and move to a new row. There should be space for at least fifty bales in a row.

Select a site that is accessible all year round and which does not flood in the spring.

A firm surface is preferable for the successful operation of the Stretch-O-Matic®. Wrap on a level or up a slight grade. If you must wrap along a slope, optional guide wheels are available.

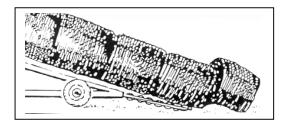
A site that is free from grass and debris will be less likely to attract rodents that can damage the plastic.

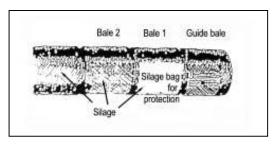
### Marking lay-out for best efficiency



If bales are brought to the site before wrapping, arrange them to allow easy access to bales and allow the wrapper and tractor plenty of room to move.

Note: initially takes 3 to 4 bales before bale wrapper moves.





A guide bale is first placed on the machine to protect the end of the line. Once the row is well under way, it is picked up.

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### Recommended Operating Procedure



### **WARNING!**

Always switch engine off and remove ignition key before installing or changing plastic rolls, doing maintenance or climbing on the wrapper.

We suggest the following method of operating the Stretch-O-Matic® models 7500 & 8400

### Manual and automatic models first steps

- Park the wrapper where you want the end of the row, facing in the right way.
- Lower the wrapper to the ground using the draw pole jack. Remove the jack.
   If your wrapper has hydraulic front wheel, use the up/down lever to lower the machine.
   Be certain that the forward-backward lever is in the «FLOATING POSITION»
   before starting to wrap bales.
- Attach the chain from the folding roller table to the bale pusher with the bale pusher in the open position.
- Stop the motor before installing plastic rolls. Open security guards, install plastic rolls according to diagram on page 9 in this manual. Properly close the security guards before starting the engine.
- Remove the transport lock bar.
- Open the steering lock valve.

### Manual model (Automatic model see next page)

- Use the bale pusher valve to close bale pusher, lowering roller table.
- Install roll of plastic according to Plastic installation diagram on page 9.
- Open bale pusher and place the first guide bale on the table. Push this bale through the hoop. This gives a stable end for the line. This bale is picked up and placed on the wrapper later when the line is well under way.
- Next, place a single bagged bale on the wrapper and push it to the hoop to form the end seal. Alternatively a bale of straw or a special plastic cap can be used to form a tight end seal.
- From the outside, pull out some plastic through the stretcher closest to you and tie it to the stabilization bar of the fix hoop. Push hoop lever forward to apply one and a half layer of plastic. Untie plastic and repeat with the other plastic roll.
- As the bale is pushed through the hoop, start the plastic dispenser rotating to apply plastic. Keep your plastic overlapping six inches, this will apply four layers. By adjusting the flow divider you will control the speed of the rotating hoop, thus controlling how many layers of plastic is applied on the bales.
- We recommend an extra layer of plastic on this first joint. This will compensate for the stress when the first bale touches the ground. The same recommendation is valid for the last joint of your line.

### **Automatic model**

- Start the engine, make certain it is free of hay or combustible material.
- Start as recommended at top of page above and after starting the engine put the machine in manual mode.
- Press forward button to close bale pusher, lowering roller table then install roll of plastic according to the *Plastic Installation Diagram* on page 12.
- Open bale pusher and place the first guide bale on the table. Push this bale through the hoop. This gives a stable end for the line. This bale is picked up and placed on the wrapper later when the line is well under way.
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- After enough bales have been wrapped manually for the machine to start moving forward, it is put on the automatic mode.





Picture #5 electronic box

picture #6 remote control

We pass in automatic form when it has enough wrapped bales so the bale wrapper back off by itself. At this moment it doesn't need an operator.

### Passing in automatic form

Turn the switch at automatic

Press the start button i twill activate the photocell

For the automatic form work, the plastic limit switch need to be in fonction

### **Remote control fonctions**

The remote have differents colors buttons

Red: stop

Grey: don't use or start the wrapping
Green: steering:turn the wheels on the left
Yellow: steering:turn the wheels on the right

When the operator press the RED button, the wrapping system stop.the operator need to press the reset on the control box and star. If the operation is STOP is press during the wrapping, it suggested to put the swith in manual mode and finish the bale manually after put back in automatic form and restart the processus automatic- reset- start

- The photocell located on the bale cradle is activated when the bale is placed on the wrapper. This switch starts the bale pusher (ram) moving the bale towards the hoop.
- The moment the bale pusher (ram) hits the second limit switch should correspond to the front of the bale entering the hoop. This switch will signal the hoop to start wrapping.
- When the pusher has fully advanced, it hits the third limit switch. This one will signal the hoop to stop turning and the ram to retract.
- As the ram retracts fully it will hit the first limit switch which will signal it to stop and wait for the next bale.



### **CAUTION!**

Before switching engine off, always have the machine in «MANUAL MODE» and the electronic control panel switch should be moved in «OFF POSITION». The remote control is used only when the button on the control box is in «Automatic mode». The operator must keep in mind that a visitor might not realize that he is operating with the remote control. Always keep a safe distance from the moving parts.

### **Plastic Application**

Careful application of an adequate amount of plastic is critical to gives good quality product. Careless application of plastic will result in losses.

Continually watch for «dark windows» indicating that not enough plastic has been applied.

 You can adjust the sliding limit switches positions to get a customized plastic application.

The **1**<sup>st</sup> limit switch gives the ram its starting position.

The **2**<sup>nd</sup> limit switch gives the hoop its starting command.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> limit switch gives the ram its retracting signal and the hoop its stop signal.

By changing the position of the limit switches 2 and 3, it is possible to automatically apply extra plastic layers on bale joints. You also can change the position of the limit switches when your bale length varies, thus you are not wasting any time or plastic.

- Use steering valve to keep row straight if necessary or «LEFT / RIGHT» buttons on automatic models.
- When the desired length of row has been reached, place a bale bag or cap on the last bale to seal the end.

### To Unload the Rolls

A special bar is provided for the unloading. She is placed on the right side of the machine.

- Insert the end of the bar in the pusher and attach the plate.
- Advance the pusher while finishing covering the last bale with plastic.
- Repeat this operation until the bale is fully at the end of the table with rollers.
- Put the bar back at it's place.
- Using the chain fixed at the back of the frame, remove the machine from the line of the bales, so you can put the tow bar. Or, if your wrapper is equipped with a traction, use the proper lever to move it.
- Do the opposite than the starting motion, raise the table, attach it with the locking bar for transport and install the hitch.

### After Wrapping

After wrapping, inspect the rows of silage regularly to insure there is no damage occurring from birds, rodents or livestock.

### Feeding out

With the Stretch-O-Matic® bale wrapper, bales can be picked up by a loader without cutting the plastic. The plastic breaks away between the bales and can be removed from the side of the bales before dropping the bales in the feeder.



#### Bale conservation

With Stretch-O-Matic® wrapped bales, the bales do not spoil as the line is fed. Unlike long bags of bales, the stretch wrap prevents air from moving pass the bales and causing the bales at the far end of the line to heat.

As the next bale is undisturbed, it will not spoil for one or two days in warm weather and for at least one week in cooler weather.

#### Disposal of plastic

Users of bale wrappers are encouraged to collect all plastic to prevent it from becoming an environmental problem. If there is a high temperature incinerator in your area, the plastic can be safely burned without producing hazardous by-products.

Plastic, although bulky, is inert in a landfill and will not pollute ground water.

Manufacturers are making serious efforts to economically recycle silage plastic. Until a recycling service is available collect and dispose of all plastic. Unsightly used silage plastic film will encourage complaints.

### Performing Maintenance

Good maintenance is your responsibility.

Poor maintenance is an invitation to trouble.



#### **WARNING!**

Before performing maintenance switch engine off and remove ignition key.

### **Maintenance procedures**

- Lubricate all grease points daily.
- Film tensionners is to be greased every 500 bales.

  Apply one shot of series 0 G46 SL EP lithium grease or equivalent.
- Check that chains are tightened equally.
- When wrapping in hot weather there can be a build up of adhesive on the plastic stretcher. This can cause the plastic to break. Wash the stretcher with soap and water.

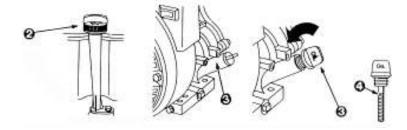


#### **WARNING!**

Clean engine filter frequently.
Hay or straw accumulation on the engine
will cause it to overheat resulting in a damaged engine
or causing a fire.

### **Engine oil level**

- •Check oil level regularly. Refer to engine manual for detail instructions.
- •Use yellow side dipstick number 3. Do not use top dipstick number 2.



### Pressure relief valve adjustment

If the push ram does not have enough power to push the bale through the ring after several bales are in place, the relief pressure valve may need to be adjusted. This valve is located in the pusher control valve. The oil can be heard flowing by this valve when pressure is applied to the bale, if it needs adjustment.

Remove the acorn nut from the valve and, using an Allen key, rotate the setscrew one half turn clockwise. An additional half turn may be necessary to provide full power.

#### CAUTION!

Replace and close all shields and guards after servicing and before moving. Never weld beside a battery.

**General Troubleshooting** 

PROBLEM Bale pusher has a jerky motion and does not push the bale all

the way.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Not enough hydraulic oil

SOLUTION Check hydraulic oil level, add more hydraulic oil if

needed.

PROBLEM Bale pusher pushes the bale all the way through the hoop

and engine stops.

POSSIBLE CAUSE The micro-switch located underneath the bale table near the

hoop needs adjustment.

SOLUTION Loosen the micro-switch adjusting screw and adjust the

little arm so it leans as far backward as possible. As soon as the bale pusher will hit this arm, it will signal it to stop. Alternatively you can move the whole switch along

its support bar.

PROBLEM The bale pusher returns to the back of the machine and the

engine stops.

POSSIBLE CAUSE The micro-switch located underneath the bale table near the

back of the machine needs adjustment.

SOLUTION Loosen the adjusting screw and adjust the little arm so it

leans more forward. As soon as the bale pusher will hit this arm, it will signal it to stop. Alternatively, you can

move the whole switch along its support bar.

PROBLEM You do not have enough time to drop your bale on the

machine before the bale pusher starts going forward.

POSSIBLE CAUSE The photocell located on the side of the bale table (same side

as the controls) needs adjusting.

SOLUTION Take the cover off the top of the photocell and adjust the

screw in the top right hand corner. To turn it counter clockwise will give you more time. Quart of a turn should

be sufficient. Use a small screwdriver and be gentle.

PROBLEM The hoop starts turning too soon or too late.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Mid micro-switch need adjustment.

SOLUTION Move the micro-switch along its support bar to get the

result you need. If you move the switch towards the back, the hoop will start turning sooner. To move it

forward will give the opposite result.

PROBLEM The electronic automation fails to work

POSSIBLE CAUSE Dead battery

SOLUTION Continue wrapping on the manual mode. Then see about

your battery.

Plastic Troubleshooting

PROBLEM Wrinkles in the plastic with seams between layers visible.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Plastic routed the wrong way

SOLUTION Check that the plastic is routed correctly through the red

tensionners see page 9.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Tensionner installed the wrong way

SOLUTION Check tensionner installation, the fast roller has to be on the

outside.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Tensionner gears broken. After extensive use the gears in the

tensionner gear case may fail.

SOLUTION Hold one red roller firmly. Attempt to rotate the other red roller. If

the rollers turn independently then the gears may be damaged and

should be replaced.

PROBLEM Plastic tears between tensionner and bale.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Reel roller not turning freely.

SOLUTION Lubricate and turn manually until free.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Slave roller not turning freely.

SOLUTION Lubricate and turn manually until free.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Poor quality plastic

SOLUTION Use brand name plastic with good tear resistance.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Tack build up on roller.

SOLUTION Particularly in hot weather the tack, which sticks the layers of

plastic together, can build up on the rollers. Clean the tensionner

rollers with warm soapy water.

POSSIBLE CAUSE Roll of plastic catching on the bottom of the bale.

SOLUTION If bales are misshaped the roll of plastic can drag on the bottom of

the bale causing the plastic to break. Use only firm round bales.