

## **RS100 TOBACCO CUTTER INSTRUCTIONS**

The RS100 Tobacco Cutter is suitable for the home grower to shred tobacco leaves. It is not suitable for high volume cutting in a short period of time. Before using the RS100 tobacco cutter please read these instructions in full.

1. The first thing you need to do before using the cutter is to remove the main stem from each tobacco leaf. The easiest way to do this is to pull the stem out and away from the top of the leaf, then grasp right beneath the top of the leaf, and pull the stem out and down (Fig 1). You should be left with a leaf minus the main stem (Fig 2).
2. After you have removed the main stem, you need to make sure that your leaf is dry before putting it through the cutter, otherwise you will clog the cutter, which can result in damage to the unit that is not covered by warranty. You need your leaf to be dry, but not crisp. If you start to shred your tobacco, and it starts clumping up under the rollers, it is too wet and needs further drying.
3. When your leaf is properly dry, unbox the RS100 cutter and remove the surface protection tape covering the unit.
4. Check that both combs (which are screwed to plates under the rollers) are screwed in tightly (Fig 3).
5. Set up the RS100 cutter on a suitable bench and attach the supplied handle.
6. The feet of the cutter include holes which can be used to bolt the cutter to a bench top if required (bolts not included).
7. It is recommended you rub some cooking oil into the two bearing housings before each use to ensure good lubrication. Bearing housing 1 is where the handle attaches to the cutter. Bearing housing 2 is directly next to this and holds one of the rollers in place (Fig 4).
8. Leaves should be fed into the cutter one leaf at a time. Do not try to feed more than this into the unit at once or you may damage the unit.
9. Turn the handle at a steady pace to shred each leaf. If the handle becomes difficult to turn, tobacco may be caught in the rollers, turn the handle backwards and remove any stuck leaf material. Turn the handle forward again to clear out any leftover leaf.
10. If using a mechanical drive, you will need a 6mm socket, and a power screwdriver with a maximum speed of 200rpm. However, damage to the cutter from use with a mechanical drive is not covered by warranty so use with caution.
11. Be sure to keep an eye on the combs that are situated under the rollers. If tobacco is clogging up, your tobacco may be too wet, and should be dried further. Combs should be removed and cleaned regularly. Do not allow tobacco to clump up under the rollers as this can damage the combs.



Fig 1



Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4

### **12 Month Warranty**

Your RS100 Tobacco Cutter comes with a 12 month warranty on structural components. Warranty does not cover use from a mechanical drive, misuse resulting in damage, commercial use, or expendable items (ie. bearings, rollers, and combs). For warranty claims, return your product to the place of purchase and the retailer will arrange for your item to be returned to the service agent. The service agent will advise the retailer if the damage is covered by warranty and whether a repair or replacement can be given, and whether there is a charge or not. This may take one to two weeks.