

BENDYBUDDY

Key facts

Description: BendyBuddy

Ref.: 127205

Weight: 40 g

Introduction

The **BendyBuddy** is the ideal solution for fencers and armorers to bend foil and epee blades into the perfect position while the wire dries easily – whether at home or during tournaments.

Instructions

- **Preparation:**
 - Ensure the blade is clean and dry before threading the wire.
 - Thread the wire as usual.
- **Clamping the Blade:**
 - Insert the barrel of the foil blade into the smaller opening of the elongated cylinder holder. The barrel of the epee blade should be placed into the larger opening on the opposite side of the cylinder holder.
 - The tang of the foil or epee blade should be inserted into the smaller cylinder holder on the opposite side. For pistol grip blades: The BendyBuddy has a second hole in the strap, positioned lower, specifically designed for blades with a short tang. Use this hole to optimally secure the blade.
 - To insert the tang into the opening, the blade needs to be slightly bent.
- **Securing the Blade:**
 - Ensure that the blade sits securely in the holders to achieve a perfect bend.
 - Keep the blade in the bent position using the BendyBuddy until the wire is completely dry (approx. 24 hours).
- **Removing the Blade:**
 - Carefully remove the foil or epee blade from the holders.
 - Check that the wire is correctly positioned in the groove and completely dry.
 - Make additional adjustments if necessary.

Warnings

Use by minors is not permitted.

Keep away from small children – risk of strangulation, suffocation hazard!

Ensure that the BendyBuddy is used only for its intended purpose. Improper use can lead to serious injuries.

Always follow the manufacturer's instructions to ensure the correct use of the BendyBuddy.

Before deciding to reinsert a blade, it must be checked for damage, cracks, or deformation. Damaged blades with cracks or severe notches should not be reused. Completion of such blades is strongly discouraged.

Blade bending: If the blade bends more than 30°, it should no longer be used, as there is a risk of breakage. Completion of such blades is strongly discouraged.

Bent blades: A bent blade should not be straightened, as it may have cracks and could break during a match. Completion of such blades is strongly discouraged.

Broken blades pose a particular threat. The circumstances of a blade break can lead to high-speed tip movements and impacts with high energy. Always keep the blade at a stable, safe angle and ensure no one is in the vicinity to avoid any risk.

Do not touch the blade with bare hands to avoid injury from sharp edges, notches, or splinters. Wear appropriate gloves.

Avoid jerky movements to prevent uncontrolled blade movement.

Check the BendyBuddy for damage or abrasion regularly. Defective parts can lead to unsafe use.

Inspect the BendyBuddys band for tears and abrasion regularly. A torn or worn band may no longer pull the blade back properly or hold it, posing a risk of injury. A loose band can cause the blade not to be fixed properly, may loosen, or could unintentionally escape.

Ensure that no one is in immediate proximity when working with the blade and BendyBuddy. Injuries from unintended movements can be avoided by maintaining sufficient distance.

Storage and Transport

Ensure the correct storage of the draw-in aid along with the inserted blade to eliminate tripping or injury hazards. It should be placed in a secure, stable location where it cannot accidentally fall or be damaged.

If you need to transport the draw-in aid with the inserted blade, make sure the blade is securely fixed to prevent it from falling out or being improperly pulled or caught.

Disposal

The cylindrical body is made of plastic. Please check the local disposal regulations for plastic.

The lanyard is mostly made of polyester and must be disposed of according to the local textile disposal regulations.

The metal parts, such as eyelets and the carabiner hook, must be disposed of according to the local metal waste disposal regulations.