Steps to Apply Foam Strips

- Lift rubber off the foam
- Pull foam strips off the board
- Scrape board of any excess adhesive before putting tape down
- Put high temperature double sided tape, 3M 926 or 3M 969, around the perimeter, twice, side by side
- Put foam down, butt it up nice and tight so bevel is pointing toward the center
- Put one strip of tape across the top of the foam. (2 on bottom, one on top)
- Reapply the rubber to the top
- Do lid hinge adjustment (which allows it to conform to the extra thickness, also heat helps to set the tape)

Vacuum Press Lid Adjustment Procedure

Requirements: At least Two People, Allen Wrench, Needle Nose Pliers, Rubber Mallet (optional).

Make sure there is nothing in the press and that your vent cloth is lying properly, covering both manifolds. Heat press to 180 degrees.

Open the lid; you will see two gas springs, one on each side, which support the lid. On the bottom portion of the gas spring, you will see a spring (safety clip). Using needle nose pliers, remove the clip by pulling out of the drilled hole. While your assistant holds the lid open, you will remove the gas springs. To remove, first pop the bottom portion away from the ball stud, (bumping away from machine) with the palm of your hand or rubber mallet. Then remove the top by tilting and or slightly tapping out. (It is very important that these gas springs are removed. Not doing so could cause injury or damage to the machine).

Close the lid and locate the hinges at rear of machine. You will loosen the screws (do not remove) in the bottom slotted holes only. Turn the manual vacuum on and allow approximately 30 to 45 seconds to pull vacuum. The machine sometimes will pull the lid back into alignment on its own. If this does not happen, walk around the machine applying slight downward pressure. Once pressure is achieved, return to rear of press and retighten all hinge screws.

Turn vacuum off. Once it reaches 0, slightly lift lid to burp press, and close. Turn the vacuum back on and see if pressure comes up within 30 to 45 seconds. If it does, you're good to go. Replace gas springs, top black portion first, then plunger portion to base. If not, loosen screws and try again.

Front Latch Adjustment for Older Models:

Loosening the setscrew and turning the plunger clockwise for more pressure or counterclockwise for less can adjust the latch plunger. If there is difficulty in opening or closing, you can also adjust the three ball bearings in the top portion of the latch. There is a setscrew in each to allowing you to either loosen or tighten the grasp onto the plunger.