

Bennett Read KVS101

Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer

MODEL KVS101 - INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Introduction

The Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer is designed to extend the shelf life of your food by removing air and sealing in freshness. This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your appliance. By following these instructions, you can maximize the benefits of your vacuum sealer, preserving flavors and nutrients while reducing food waste.

Important Safety Instructions

Please read all instructions carefully before using the Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer. Failure to follow these safety guidelines may result in electric shock, fire, or serious injury.

- Do not immerse the appliance, power cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.
- Keep the appliance out of reach of children and pets.
- Unplug the appliance from the power outlet when not in use, before cleaning, or before performing any maintenance.
- Use only genuine Bennett Read vacuum sealer bags or other compatible bags designed for vacuum sealing.
- Do not operate the appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or if the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Contact customer support for assistance.
- Do not use the appliance outdoors.
- Place the appliance on a stable, flat, and dry surface during operation.
- Avoid touching hot surfaces, especially the sealing bar, immediately after use.

Product Overview

Components

- **Lid:** Opens to access the vacuum channel and sealing bar.
- **Vacuum Channel:** Area where air is extracted from the bag.

- **Sealing Bar:** Heats to create a secure seal on the bag.
- **Control Panel:** Contains buttons for operation.
- **Latch/Lock Mechanism:** Secures the lid during operation.

Control Panel

The control panel features intuitive buttons for easy operation:

- **Vacuum/Seal Button:** Initiates the automatic vacuuming and sealing process.
- **Quick Seal Button:** Allows for immediate heat sealing without vacuuming, ideal for delicate foods or resealing snack bags.



This image shows the top view of the Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer, highlighting its sleek silver design and the intuitive control panel.

Setup

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove the vacuum sealer and all accessories from its packaging. Retain the packaging for future storage or transport.
2. **Placement:** Place the unit on a flat, stable, and dry surface, ensuring there is enough space around it for proper ventilation and operation.
3. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wipe the exterior of the appliance with a damp cloth. Ensure the vacuum channel and sealing bar are clean and dry.
4. **Power Connection:** Plug the power cord into a standard electrical outlet.

Operating Instructions

Preparing Bags and Food

- Use only genuine Bennett Read vacuum sealer bags or other high-quality, compatible bags designed for vacuum sealing.
- Ensure the open end of the bag is clean, dry, and free from food particles or moisture, as this can prevent a proper seal.
- Leave sufficient space (at least 7-10 cm or 3-4 inches) between the food item and the open end of the bag to allow for proper vacuuming and sealing.
- For foods with sharp edges (e.g., bones), consider wrapping them in a paper towel or using a larger bag to prevent punctures.

Vacuum Sealing Process

1. **Open Lid:** Lift the lid of the vacuum sealer.
2. **Position Bag:** Place the open end of the bag flat into the vacuum channel, ensuring it covers the entire channel and is free of wrinkles.
3. **Close Lid:** Firmly press down on both sides of the lid until you hear a click, indicating it is securely latched.
4. **Start Vacuum/Seal:** Press the 'Vacuum/Seal' button. The appliance will automatically begin to extract air from the bag and then proceed to heat seal it.
5. **Completion:** Once the vacuuming and sealing process is complete, the indicator light will turn off.
6. **Remove Bag:** Open the lid by pressing the release buttons (if applicable) and remove the securely sealed bag.



This image demonstrates the Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer in operation, sealing a salmon fillet to preserve its freshness.

Quick Seal Function

The Quick Seal function is ideal for sealing bags without vacuuming, such as resealing opened snack bags (e.g., chips, cereals) or sealing delicate foods that might be crushed by vacuuming (e.g., bread, soft fruits).

1. **Position Bag:** Place the open end of the bag directly over the sealing bar.
2. **Close Lid:** Close the lid firmly until it latches.
3. **Start Quick Seal:** Press the 'Quick Seal' button. The appliance will only heat seal the bag without extracting air.
4. **Completion:** The sealing process is complete when the indicator light turns off.
5. **Remove Bag:** Open the lid and remove the sealed bag.



This image illustrates various food items, including asparagus and steaks, properly sealed in vacuum bags, demonstrating the effectiveness of the vacuum sealer in preserving different types of food.

Maintenance and Cleaning

Cleaning the Appliance

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your vacuum sealer.

- Always unplug the appliance from the power outlet before cleaning.
- Wipe the exterior of the appliance with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners, scouring pads, or harsh chemicals.
- Clean the vacuum channel and sealing bar regularly to prevent food residue buildup, which can affect sealing performance. Use a damp cloth and mild soap if necessary, then wipe dry.
- Ensure all parts are completely dry before storing or next use.

Storage

Store the appliance in a dry place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. It is recommended to store the lid unlatched to prevent compression of the sealing gasket, which can prolong its lifespan and ensure a consistent seal.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer, refer to the table below for common problems and their solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Appliance does not turn on.	Not plugged in; Power outlet fault.	Ensure power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet; Test power outlet with another appliance.
Bag does not vacuum properly.	Bag not positioned correctly; Bag opening is wet or dirty; Bag has a hole or tear.	Reposition bag, ensuring it is flat and fully within the vacuum channel; Clean and dry bag opening; Use a new, undamaged bag.
Bag does not seal.	Sealing bar is dirty or has residue; Sealing strip is worn or damaged; Lid not properly latched.	Clean the sealing bar and surrounding area; Contact customer support for replacement parts if worn; Ensure lid is firmly pressed down until it clicks into place.
Air leaks into bag after sealing.	Food residue on seal area; Bag is punctured; Improper sealing due to moisture.	Ensure the area to be sealed is clean and dry; Check the bag for any punctures and use a new bag if found; Re-seal the bag, ensuring proper placement.

Specifications

Key technical specifications for the Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer (Model KVS101):

Feature	Detail
Model Number	KVS101
Brand	Bennett Read
Colour	Silver
Material	Stainless Steel
Product Dimensions	39.2 x 8.8 x 19.8 cm
Item Weight	1.26 kg
Power / Wattage	200 watts
Manufacturer	Tevo (Pty) LTD

Warranty and Support

This Bennett Read Vacuum Sealer comes with a standard manufacturer’s warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms and conditions, including warranty duration and coverage.

For technical support, spare parts, or warranty claims, please contact Bennett Read customer service. Contact details can typically be found on the product packaging, the official Bennett Read website, or your purchase receipt.

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