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DIFFERENT MODES:

The extractor operates in two different modes. The mode can be selected using the switch (red) in the middle, up or down.

See image. **Please leave the switch in the manual position.**



Manual Mode: Set your speed using the dial on the right hand. The extractor will gradually increase velocity until the desired speed is reached. This mode is ideal for tangential or radial extractors.

TURNING THE EXTRACTOR ON:

Please always use the extractor with the surge protector.

Ensure the lid is closed – or lift and close the lid.

Flick the on/off switch (the black switch on the left) to either the left or right arrow. The left arrow will spin the cage anti-clockwise, and the right arrow will spin the cage clockwise. When the switch is in the middle position, the extractor is turned off and will not operate.

Loading the Extractor: it is essential to try and balance the load (opposite frames being as near as possible of equal weight). Do not load any frames which may come apart or have a loose comb.

To increase the extractor speed: adjust the dial on the right. The rate changes as you adjust the dial. The dial represents a percentage of the top speed. Always start slowly at the start of extraction.



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Extracting / Spinning

- Choose the desired maximum speed by adjusting the central dial. Spin slowly at first, gradually increasing to about 50% for a few minutes. Do the same in the other direction. After this, you can increase the speed to extract more from the frames.
- Reduce the speed to zero, then move the direction dial to the left or right, depending on which direction you started with.
- The extractor will spin until it is manually stopped.

Make sure frame lugs are always clear of the honey. Drain off when required. Do not let honey cover the bearings.

Stopping the Extractor:

- To stop the extractor with a short braking period, turn the speed dial to zero and toggle the on/off switch to the middle.
- The extractor will slow down and stop. Please do not place your hand into the extractor until it has stopped moving.
- Opening the lid and activating the safety switch will stop the extractor with a brief braking period. It will not stop the extractor immediately.

Cleaning: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DISMANTLE the extractor. Ideally, use a power washer and wipe round the bottom. Use warm or cold water but NOT hot water, which may coat parts in beeswax. The deposit will be kept if the extractor is returned sticky/dirty and requires cleaning.

WARNING:

- **Do not exceed 70% on the speed dial**
- **Never open or unscrew the lids unless the extractor is turned off.**
- **The extractor is not a toy; children and pets should be supervised.**
- **Never put your hand under the extractor whilst turned on.**
- **Opening the lid will stop the extractor but NOT instantaneously. Never attempt to put anything in the extractor while switched on and running.**