# **Manual Straw Filling Machine by IMV**

## **Instructions for Assembly and Operation**

Your manual straw filling machine is equipped with the following items which are also illustrated in the attached diagram:

- 1 Suction Pump
- 1 Suction Flask
- 1 Bubbler Dish Stand (Stainless Steel)
- 25 Bubbler Combs, Straw Supports and Disposable Bubbler Dishes
- 1 Straw Filling Nozzle
- 2 Flexible Silicone Tubing
- 2 Straw Clips

Assembly:

### A) Suction System

- 1) Remove all items from their packaging
- 2) Take one section of flexible tubing and attach it firmly to the suction pump port indicated on the diagram.
- 3) Attach this same piece of tubing to one of the nipples of the suction flask.
- 4) Take the second piece of flexible tubing and attach one end to the un-occupied nipple of the suction flask.
- 5) Connect the Straw Filling Nozzle to the final open end of the flexible tubing.

#### **B)** Bubbler Dish Assembly

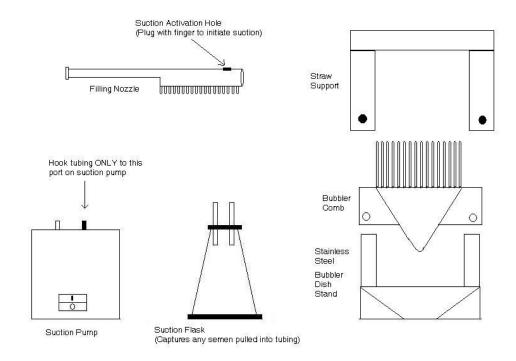
- 1) Remove 1 each of the following (bubbler comb, bubbler dish and straw support)
- 2) Place Bubbler dish into stainless steel bubbler dish stand
- 3) Assemble the bubbler comb and straw support together by placing the round male and female connectors together.
- 4) Slide the joined comb and straw support into the slots of the bubbler dish stand. With the tapered (triangle end) of the comb pointing down into the disposable bubbler dish

### C) Operation

- 1) Prepare straws for filling by placing **15 straws** into each of the straw clips and locking the clips closed around the straws
- 2) Attach the end of the straws with the wick and powder plug onto the nipples of the filling nozzle.

- 3) Pour extended semen into disposable bubbler dish
- 4) Turn on suction pump.... Test suction by placing finger over the suction activation hole on the nozzle. You should hear air being drawn up into the straws.
- 5) Gently place open end of straws into extended semen
- 6) Cover the suction activation hole with your index finger to initiate semen uptake
- 7) Fill straws completely, making certain that the wick and powder plug has been thoroughly wetted and seated.
- 8) Release finger off of suction activation hole (capillary pressure will hold semen in straws
- 9) Align straws with top points of bubbler comb
- 10) Gently push straws over bubbler combs to make desired size air-space.
- 11) Excess semen will be forced out of the straws and run back into the disposable bubbler dish for re-loading.
- 12) Seal the open end of the straw by the following methods:
  - a) Heat Impulse Sealer
  - b) PVC Powder

Repeat Steps 1-12 until no semen is left in the disposable bubbler dish.







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