Thermoseal NL 3R

User's Guide





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Preface

Dear user,

Welcome to the large group of Worldpatch users! The product you bought has been taken good care of since the moment it was produced. We do all we can to ensure that you will have much profit from this Worldpatch product.

In the first place we help you along with this user's guide. Worldpatch products have been developed with extra attention for your convenience. However, we suggest that you go through this manual, to prevent accidents while using the machine.

In this manual you will find information concerning the NL-3-R of Worldpatch in Almere (the Netherlands). This user's guide is meant for all users of the machine, but also for the people who will install and maintain the NL-3-R. You can read about the installation, the maintenance and the various components of the NL-3-R, but of course also about operating the machine.

In case there were any damages on receipt of your product, please contact your Worldpatch distributor.

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1. Introduction Thermoseal NL 3R

1.1 What did you receive?

The Thermoseal NL 3R has been packed in a cardboard box. The following articles should have been delivered:

- ♦ Thermoseal NL 3R heat seal machine
- ♦ User's Guide

If one of these articles is missing, please contact your Worldpatch distribitor.

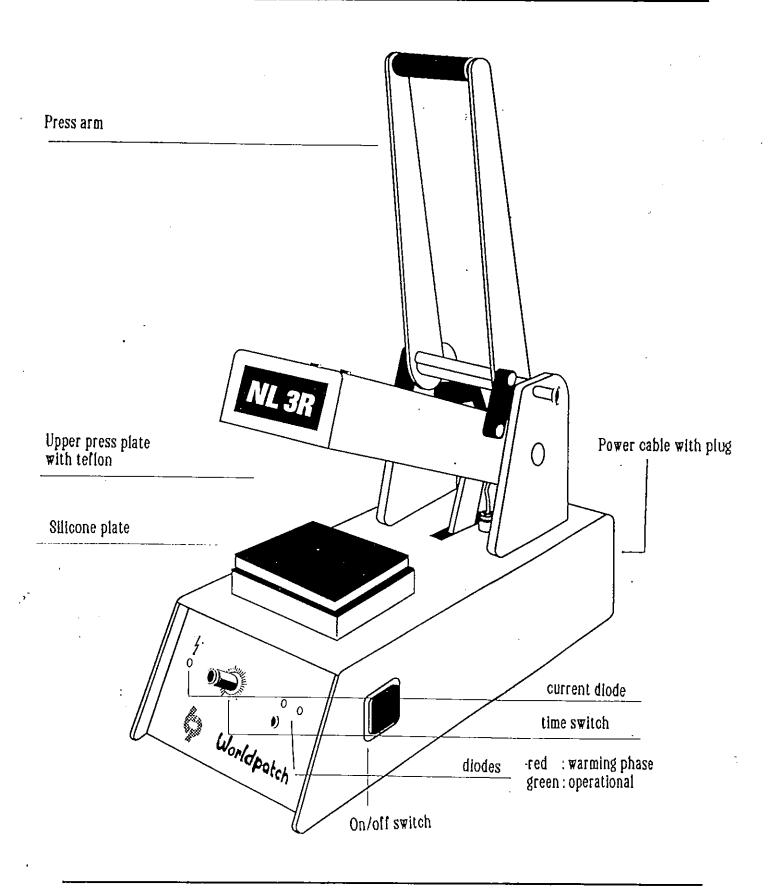
1.2 Your supplier

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You can easily order supplies or components for the NL 3R from your Worldpatch distributor by filling in the order form (page 17), preferably by fax. Please write down the order number from the list on page 15 and 16 of this user's guide and give the quantity of the items you want to order.

1.3 Illustration of the NL 3R



1.4 Specifications of the Thermoseal NL 3R

The NL 3R is a practical heat seal press suitable for all Worldpatch labels, patches and emblems. Four springs located below the lower plate provide an even pressure throughout the surface, even when working with thick fabrics.

The Thermoseal NL 3R meets the German GS standard under no. 93027 together with the European CE criteria 89/392/EWG and 91/368/EWG.

Specifications

| Power consumption | 400 watts |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Power supply | 220/240 volts |
| Temperature | 204 °C |
| Machine height (open) | |
| Machine height (closed) | |
| Machine width | |
| Machine depth (connections included) | 520 mm |
| Net weight | 22 kg |
| Press pad dimensions | 130 x 100 mm |
| Fuses | |
| A-weighted noise level | $< 70 \text{ dB (A)}$ |

1.5 Safety

The Thermoseal NL 3R has been equipped with various safety features to ensure safe operation.

a Safety thermostat

The safety thermostat near the heating element (component no. CE 2373) interrupts the current should the temperature of the element exceed 260 °C. Once the safety thermostat has been activated, it must be replaced.

b Acoustic signal

Once the press cycle is complete a buzzer will be audible, the press will open automatically.

Safety tips

The Thermoseal NL 3R meets the German GS standard under no. 93027 together with the European CE criteria 89/392/EWG and 91/368/EWG.

For safety reasons, however, we provide you with some instructions by means of which you can keep the risks to a minimum.

- ♦ Always switch off the current (pull the plug out of the socket) when undertaking maintenance work or when cleaning the machine.
- Ensure that there is sufficient space around the machine. Cables and connections must not get jammed. Although the heat radiation of the press is low, there should be enough space for cooling down.
- Avoid contact with the press element and the heating element.

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2. Installation

2.1 Transport instructions

On receipt the machine is packed in a cardboard box. If you have to replace the machine at a later time, it is recommended to pack it in a similar way. Please let the press first cool down and push the press arm down.

2.2 Installing the machine

Take the Thermoseal NL 3R out of the box and put the machine on a work table near an earthed socket. Ensure that there is sufficient free space around the machine. Also ensure that there are no items near the machine which are sensitive to heat radiation.

2.3 Electrical Requirements

The Thermoseal NL 3R should be connected to the electricity grid (220 V / 240 V alternating current).

Use the machine's power cable to provide current. The NL 3R is an earthed machine and has been provided with a fuse of 4 amps (slow).

3. How to operate the NL 3R

3.1 Starting with the NL 3R

1 Turn on the NL 3R.

The on/off switch is situated to the right side of the machine. On the left of the control panel a green diode lights up confirming power to the unit.

2 Wait until the standard temperature has been reached.

This will take about ten minutes. As long as the element does not have the right temperature, a red diode will light up on the right of the control panel. The standard operating temperature has been set to 204 °C.

3 The press can be operated now.

3.2 Working with heat seal materials

With the NL 3R it is very easy to apply heat seal material - labels, emblems and patches - on textiles. Follow the procedure listed below:

1 Set the time

Almost all Worldpatch heat seal materials need 12 seconds for correct adhesion. Turn the adjustment knob at the front of the press until the arrow points to the 12.

2 Put the fabric over the press pad.

The part of the fabric where the label should be situated, fully covers the press pad. Be sure that the fabric is tight.

3 Place the label.

Remember: Worldpatch materials cannot be removed easily. The material is meant for permanent adhesion. Therefore, make sure that the position is correct.

4 Press the press arm down.

In this way, you press the heating element against the plate. At the same time, the electronic timer is triggered.

At the end of the press time, a buzzer will be activated, advising that the operation is complete.

5 Open the press.

When the operation is complete, the press will open automatically.

6 Remove the fabric.

Once cool, the label is permanently attached.

Press times

With this heat seal press you can attach both repair and marking materials, you cannot use emblems or patches with a low temperature coating.

Repairs

Preferably repair damages without the loss of fibres, such as right-angled tears, from the back side of the fabric. In almost all cases it is sufficient to use a press time of 12 seconds. Exceptions are thick fabrics like materials for gauntlets and patches for protective clothing, which require 15 to 20 seconds.

Labels and emblems

Confirm that the fabric does not have a finish or contain impurities. If necessary, wash the fabric or put the part where the label will be positioned under the press for a few seconds.

Use the following press times:

a Label tapes

Poly/cotton and 100% polyester 12 seconds

b Emblems

Thermocrest, Topline 12 seconds

c Embroidered emblems 20 seconds

d Transfers 5 seconds

Attention! Please be aware that some modern fabrics like terylene and various types of nylon cannot withstand the press temperature of 204 °C. If you cannot be sure of the result, use a sample of the same fabric to see the result. If the result is not satisfactorily please contact your Worldpatch Distributor. We can not take any liabilities for the results obtained by using the NL 3R.

Removing heat seal material

Because Worldpatch materials must be wash resistant to all industrial washing processes, it is not easy to remove heat seal material. You can act as follows:

- 1 Put the garments with the label to be removed under the press for about 7 seconds.

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 - The glue layer will return to its liquid state.
- 2 Leave the garment on the plate and remove the label, if necessary by means of a pair of blunt scissors or tweezers.
- 3 Please take care, the press plate is hot!
- 4 Repeat this procedure if you cannot remove the label from the garment.

3.3 Stopping the machine

You can temporary interrupt the operation at any moment by pushing the arm of the heat seal machine up during the press cycle.

You can shut down the machine if you stop working by turning the on/off switch on the right side. Both green indicators on the control panel are turned off.

3.4 Trouble shooting

Some problems and failures that can occur in practice are listed below. After mentioning each problem, the possible cause (or causes) is (are) given, as well as a solution(s).

If the described solution cannot solve the problem, please contact the service department of Worldpatch.

Inferior press results

♦ Insufficient adhesion of the glue layer

- 1) Press time too short. Increase the time in steps of 2 seconds and try again.
- 2) Temperature too low. Check with Thermolabels and increase the temperature, if necessary (see chapter 4).
- 3) Press pad of the lower plate is worn-out. Install a new pad.
- 4) The Teflon coating of the press element is impure or worn-out. Clean with a damp cloth and replace it, if necessary.

♦ Glue layer and/or transfer ink runs

- 1) Press time too long. Decrease the time in steps of 2 seconds and try again.
- 2) Temperature too high. Check with Thermolabels and decrease the temperature, if necessary (see chapter 4).

Failures

♦ Press does not warm up, indicator does not light up

- 1) The machine is not connected to the electricity grid. Put the plug of the power cable in an earthed socket and switch the machine on
- 2) The machine is not connected. Set the switch on the right to the correct position.

♦ Press does not warm up, red diode lights up

- 1) The sensor is defective. Please contact your Worldpatch distributor.
- 2) The safety thermostat has been activated. Please contact your Worldpatch distributor.
- 3) The heating element is defective. Please contact your Worldpatch distributor.

♦ The press time cannot be correctly set

- 1) The adjustment knob is loose. Fasten the knob according to the instructions in chapter 4.
- 2) The electronics are defective. Please contact your Worldpatch distributor.

♦ There is no signal at the end of the press time

- 1) The timer is defective. Replace the timer with a new one.
- 2) The electronics are defective. Please contact your Worldpatch distributor.

4. Maintenance and settings

4.1 Daily maintenance

For good press results it is important to keep the press surfaces clean. Therefore, clean the teflon coating of the upper plate with a clean, dry cloth. Do not touch the heating element!

Also clean the rubber of the press shoe daily with a dry cloth. Do not use solvents or other chemical substances to remove impurities. Do not let buttons, zips, etcetera come between the plates. In this way, the silicone rubber will remain intact for a long time.

4.2 Periodic maintenance

The mechanism of the NL 3R needs no maintenance. The gas spring is also maintenance-free.

The rubber pad and the teflon of the upper plate must be cleaned once or several times daily. Clean them with a clean and dry cloth when they have cooled down. The teflon must be absolutely smooth and clean.

Both the teflon and the lower press pad should be replaced regularly.

In order to replace the adhesive teflon, the press machine must be cooled down. Remove the old teflon pad. Carefully remove all glue residue from the metal surface. The surface must be absolutely clean and smooth, so that the new teflon sticks well.

The teflon coating has component no. N9 9000. The press pad has component no. CE 9063.

4.3 Cleaning

Clean the outside of the machine regularly with a clean, moist cloth. First switch off the machine, let it cool down and pull the plug out of the socket. The inner part of the press must also be cleaned from dust now and then. First switch off the current before performing this operation and remove the bottom plate.

Attention! All pressure-loaded, movable components of the machine have been provided with self-lubricating bearings and do not need oil or grease.

4.4 Settings

♦ Setting the time switch

It may occur that the timer on the front of the machine does not show the correct time anymore. It is recommended to check if this is the case from time to time. The problem can be solved easily.

- 1 Remove the rubber stop of the adjustment knob.
 Use a small screwdriver or a pair of scissors for this action.
- 2 Loosen the lock nut and remove the knob.
- 3 Turn the adjustable axle to the left. Keep turning until the axle is blocked. This is the zero position.
- 4 Put the knob back and set the arrow to 0 (zero) seconds.
- 5 Fasten the nut again and put the rubber stop on it.

♦ Set the temperature

The temperature of the upper plate has been set to 204 °C. Although an electronic thermostat regulates the temperature, the value can deviate slightly after intense use. By means of Thermolabels (paper thermometers, can be ordered at your Worldpatch distributor) you can determine such a deviation. If necessary, you can set the temperature as follows:

- 1 Remove the rubber knob of the potentiometer.
 You can find this knob below the green indicator on the control panel.
- 2 Turn the potentiometer a quarter of a turn.
 Use preferably a small screwdriver. Turning right (clockwise) increases the temperature, turning left decreases the temperature.
- 3 Wait for about five minutes.
- 4 Check the modified temperature by means of Thermolabels.
 In most of the cases the correct value is set after a slight turn. Replace the rubber knob on completion.

5. Accessories and components

5.1 Components that should be replaced regularly

- ♦ Press pad, adhesive 130 x 100 mm CE 9063
- ◆ Teflon coating upper plate 130 x 100 mm N9 9000

5.2 List of components (see drawings from page 19 onwards)

| Drawing no | Component no | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 3 | CE 2003 | press arm |
| 6 | CE 2006 | axle |
| 11* | CE 2011 | heating element 400 W / 220 V |
| 12* | CE 2012 | temperature sensor PT 100 |
| 13 | CE 2013 | octagonal axle |
| 17 | CE 2017 | eccentric shaft |
| 18 | CE 2018 | stop |
| 21 | CE 2021 | gas spring |
| 26 | CE 2026 | protective cap |
| 28 | CE 2028 | disk with seconds scale |
| 29 | CE 2029 | time switch |
| 30 | CE 2030 | rubber stopper |
| 31 | CE 2031 | print attachment |
| 34 | CE 2034 | slide bearing |
| 35 | CE 2035 | slide bearing |
| 36 | CE 2036 | slide bearing |
| 37 | CE 2037 | axle locking ring 12 mm |
| 39 | CE 2039 | screw M6 x 20 |
| 40 | CE 2040 | screw M6 x 45 |
| 42 | CE 2042 | lock nut M8 |
| 43 | CE 2043 | locking ring M8 |
| 44 | CE 2044 | self-tapping screw |
| 46 | CE 2046 | countersunk-head screw 3.5 x 9.5 |
| 47 | CE 2047 | nut M8 |
| 51 | CE 2051 | screw M8 x 25 |
| 52 | CE 2052 | screw M8 x 20 |
| 53 | CE 2053 | screw M8 x 16 |
| 55 | CE 2055 | disc |
| 57 | CE 2057 | clamping bush |
| 58 | CE 2058 | rope swivel |
| 59 | CE 2059 | attachment for |
| 61 | CE 2061 | print connector 6 poles |
| 62 | CE 2062 | print connector 4 poles |
| 63 | CE 9063 | rubber press pad |
| 64 | CE 2064 | screw M6 x 8 |
| 65 | CE 2065 | rubber stopper |
| 81 | CE 2081 | screw M4 |
| 85 | N9 9000 | teflon (adhesive) |
| 92 | CE 2092 | power cable with plug |
| 94 | CE 2094 | electromagnet |
| 95 | CE 2095 | ring transformer |
| 96 | CE 2096 | rectifier |
| 97 | CE 2097 | fuse holder |
| 99 | CE 2099 | magnet drawing disc |
| 102 | CE 2102 | compression spring |
| 116 | CE 2116 | plastic bush |
| 133 | CE 2133 | disc M3 |
| 153 | CE 2153 | disc M3 |
| 157 | CE 2157 | lock nut M10 |
| 300 | CE 2300 | intermediate plate |
| 304 | CE 2304 | right side plate |
| 305 | CE 2305 | left side plate |

| Drawing no | Component no | Description |
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| 307 | CE 2307 | back bottom plate |
| 310 | CE 2310 | upper press plate |
| 311 | CE 2311 | bottom plate lower shoe |
| 312 | CE 2312 | housing press arm |
| 313 | CE 2313 | intermediate plate |
| 314 | CE 2314 | lower heating plate |
| 319 | CE 2319 | on/off switch |
| 320 | CE 2320 | complete switch |
| 332 | CE 2332 | silicone plate |
| 333 | CE 2333 | silicone ring |
| 342 | CE 2342 | set screw M8 x 60 |
| 360 | CE 2360 | front bottom plate |
| 361 | CE 2361 | sealing for bottom plate |
| 365 | CE 2365 | lead sheathing |
| 366 | CE 2366 | PVC tube |
| 367 | CE 2367 | brush left |
| 368 | CE 2368 | brush right |
| 369 | CE 2369 | protective cap for switch |
| 371 | CE 2371 | nut M4 |
| 372 | CE 2372 | ring M4 |
| 373 | CE 2373 | safety thermostat |
| 374 | CE 2374 | screw M3 |
| 378 | CE 2378 | disc M6 |
| 379 | CE 2379 | countersunk-head screw M6 x 16 |
| 380 | CE 2380 | screw M4 x 8 |
| 398 | CE 2398 | frame for magnet drawing disc |
| 427 | CE 2427 | control print NL2 |
| 461 | CE 2461 | connector 6 poles |
| 497 | CE 2497 | fuse NL 2 - 2.5 amps |
| 502 | CE 2502 | clamping bush |
| 503 | CE 2503 | screw M4 |
| 504 | CE 2504 | compression spring |
| 505 | CE 2505 | distributing ring |
| 506 | CE 2506 | fillister head screw M4 x 50 |
| 510 | CE 2510 | plastic screw |
| 511 | CE 2511 | housing |
| 512 | CE 2512 | set screw M8 x 70 |
| 513 | CE 2513 | screw M8 x 35 |
| 514 | CE 2514 | insulating bush |
| 515 | CE 2515 | plastic screw |
| 527 | CE 2527 | control print NL3 |
| 588 | CE 2588 | pattern plate NL 3R |
| 589 | CE 2589 | serial number plate |
| 590 | CE 2590 | front plate |
| 591 | CE 2591 | pattern plate NL 3R |
| 597 | CE 2597 | fuse 4 amps |
| 600 | CE 2600 | ring |
| 603 | CE 2603 | bar |
| 614 | CE 2614 | insulating bearing |
| 615 | CE 2615 | handle |
| 801 | CE 2801 | temperature sensor PT 100 complete |
| 802 | CE 2802 | heating element 240 V / 400 W, complete |
| 803 | CE 2803 | buzzer with cable and plug |
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All bold italic items only apply to the Thermoseal NL 3R. * not represented on the drawings

5.3 Order form components Thermoseal NL 3R

Should you wish to order components for the NL 3R, simply copy the form below, enter the part numbers and details of the items required and fax to your local Worldpatch distributor:

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6. Drawings and diagrams

On the next pages you will see respectively:

- 6.1 Exploded view NL2/NL3
- 6.2 Wiring diagram NL2/NL3

