

# Unpacking & Setting Up

## Unpacking Cutter's Mate

1. Carefully remove the two plastic-wrapped components from the box.
2. Cut the sealed plastic bags open and remove the components. Take care if using a sharp knife or scissors to open the bags.
3. Dispose of the plastic bags properly. These can be dangerous to small children or pets.

**NOTE:** You can retain the box to transport your Cutter's Mate.

## Meet Your Cutter's Mate

As you examine your Cutter's Mate for the first time, take a little time to get to know it. The components of Cutter's Mate are precision-manufactured for smooth movement in all directions. The handle is large and cushioned for comfort and control. The arm may seem heavy, but when attached to the base, you will find it to be perfectly balanced and weighted. You simply have to try your new Cutter's Mate to believe it.

## End Blocks

The arm will glide more smoothly along the slide shaft if the end blocks are placed against the spring and the silver shaft collar.

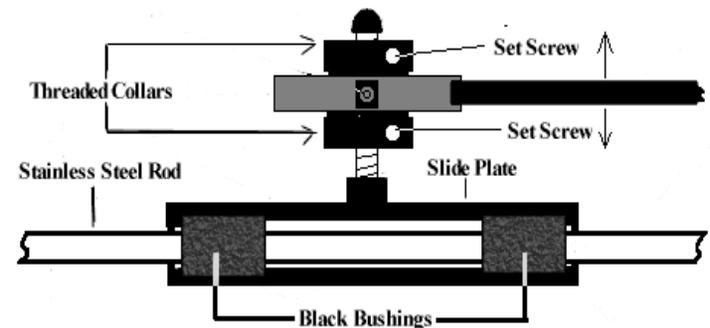
It may be necessary to move the end blocks closer together on the slide shaft to meet your personal needs (usually to fit a smaller surface or grid).

Use a hex wrench to loosen the set screw on the **black** shaft collar. Slide the collar to the desired position and retighten the set screw.

**IMPORTANT:** The black shaft collar is made to tighten around the shaft, whereas the silver shaft collar is held in place by a screw making contact to the shaft. Therefore repositioning the silver shaft collar (do not do this) will create marks on the shaft which could hinder movement of the nylon bushings.

## Adjusting the Cutting Angle

To maintain a 90-degree angle to the surface of the glass, your Cutter's Mate may need to be adjusted slightly. This is accomplished by raising or lowering the *threaded shaft collars* on the slide cylinder.



Loosen the screws in the threaded shaft collars. Turn the threaded collars to adjust the arm up or down the desired amount. Re-tighten the screws, being careful not to over tighten.

**NOTE:** Care should be taken when adjusting the threaded collars. If they are too tight against the arm disk, movement may be restricted. Leaving them too loose may cause the arm to have too much play.