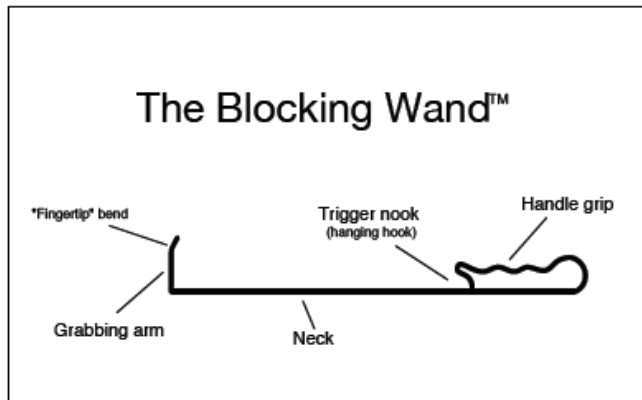


Instructions



There are many ways to use the Blocking Wand. In fact, any method that feels comfortable and allows you to control the movement of merchandise is the “right way” to utilize this tool. That being said, here’s a list of key insights that will help you get off to a good start:

- The **handle grip** features a plastic coating and finger curves that help provide grip. Resting your index finger on the **trigger nook** will make it easier for you to pull items forward.
- The **grabbing arm** is effective on a broad range of merchandise. To move large products, position the **fingertip bend** around the center of the item. For narrower items, set the **grabbing arm’s** angle so that the **fingertip bend** curls around the opposite side of the item. This not only provides a secure grip, but also ensures that the Blocking Wand’s **grabbing arm** will not disrupt items in the adjacent row.
- When possible, use your free hand to support and guide. You can also use the Blocking Wand to pull items into your free hand for placement.
- While it is sometimes possible to adjust an entire row at once, it is often easier to make two or three passes within a row. This is particularly true when dealing with larger, heavier products. Simply pull the front two products forward, then reach behind and pull two or three more items forward, then reach behind again.
- Work on your backhand. After pulling a row of items forward, fully rotate the arm into the adjacent row, block that row “on the backhand”, and then withdraw. The backhand can also be used to apply a straightening correction from the opposite side of the row just blocked if it buckled a little while being moved.
- As you gain experience, you will find yourself using the Blocking Wand on an increasing range of merchandise. However, some items, such as large bags of pasta, heavy boxes of cake mix, etc., are more easily blocked by hand. When you want to switch to hand blocking, the **trigger nook** provides several options for momentarily setting the Blocking Wand aside. Simply hang the Blocking Wand from your belt or pocket, your shopping cart, or the shelf edge.
- For a final straightening touch, hold the Blocking Wand by the **fingertip bend** and **trigger nook** using both hands. This gives you a nice straight edge to gently press against the front face of the shelf you have just straightened.