

## Inflatable Gasket Info

Putting the inflatable gasket on the tank lid is similar to installing a tube on a bike tire.

1. Put the gasket stem through the small hole in the lid lip and stretch the gasket around the lid. The gasket will be very tight when first applied. This is normal. The gasket stretches upon inflation. To make assembly easier, simply attach the gasket to the pump and inflate/deflate once or twice before attaching the gasket to the lid.
2. Attach the air pump to the gasket using the vinyl tubing and screw clamps.
3. Inflate the gasket and check for leaks at the connections of tubing/gasket and tubing/pump. Use either soapy water (2 parts water/1 part dish soap) or immerse in water if possible.
- 4. The vast majority of leaks are at the connection of the vinyl tubing/gasket or pump/vinyl tubing. The leak can result from either under-tightening or over-tightening of the screw clamps. It is rare for either the pump or the gasket to be defective.**
5. It is advisable to annually cut the ends off the vinyl tubing or replace the vinyl tubing as it dries out and becomes less pliable.
6. Install floating lid. Simply float the lid on the wine (like a boat) and inflate the gasket to make the seal. Inflate only to make a seal and never exceed 0.8 bar. The green zone on the gauge is the maximum pressure zone. Typically 0.5 bar is sufficient but it will depend on the tank/gasket. Overinflation can result in one of two problems. 1)Forcing wine up the side of the tank above the lid and 2)lid slips up the side of the tank.

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