Bravo Platform Unpacking Guide

This guide describes how to unpack the Bravo device from the shipping carton. Depending on the order, the shipment can include additional packages for the Bravo utilities, pipetting head, computer, and accessories.

Before you start

1  **Shipping containers.** Examine the container for any obvious external damage. If the container appears damaged, note on the carrier's bill of lading that there is apparent damage subject to inspection and test.

2  **Site specifications.** Ensure the installation site meets the requirements described in the *Bravo Platform Site Preparation Checklist* and *Bravo Automated Liquid Handling Platform Safety and Installation Guide*.

3  **Tools and equipment.** Ensure that you have the following:
   - Scissors
   - Cross-tip screwdriver
   - Variable torque wrench that spans 9-22 in-lb
   - 2.5-mm and 3-mm hex wrenches
   - 4-mm wrench
   - 2.5-mm and 3-mm hex bits
   - T10 (Torx) bit
   - Cart for moving the Bravo device.

4  **Personnel requirements.** Make sure two people are available to unpack the Bravo device.

**WARNING**  The Bravo device weighs approximately 52.1 kg (114.9 lb). Attempting to move the device without assistance could cause personal injury. Request assistance and use proper lifting techniques when lifting the Bravo device.

**CAUTION**  Save the packing materials and shipping carton for potential future moves. Packing the Bravo device using other materials might damage the device and void your warranty.
Unpacking the carton

To unpack the Bravo device:

1. Cut the straps that secure the Bravo carton.

![Image of someone cutting the straps]

**WARNING** The shipping straps are under tension and will spring back with force when cut. Wear eye protection and ensure that you stay clear of the sides of the container when cutting the straps.

2. Open the top flaps of the carton.

![Image of an open carton]

3. Remove the three boxes on the top. The outer two are empty and are used for packing (1).

![Image of the removed boxes]
4 Open the middle box (2) and make sure you have the following items:
   • Envelope containing regulatory compliance documents (not shown)
   • y-main cover (3)
   • Gripper fixed top-cover (4)
   • x-rail cover (5)
   • Tie-plate cover (6)
   • Four fasteners for replacing shipping bracket screws and 14 fasteners for installing covers (7)
   
   Note: The cover fastener package has two extra fasteners.

Figure  Contents of middle box, top view

5 In the main carton, remove the foam block covering the Bravo device.

6 With two people, one on either side of the carton, grasp the carton at the edges and carefully lift the carton up and off of the Bravo device, leaving the Bravo device on the crate base. Note that there is an inner carton that also needs to be removed.
7 Remove the plastic covering from the Bravo device (not shown).

Removing the shipping braces

To remove the shipping braces:

1 Remove the \(x\)-axis shipping brace:
   a Loosen the nylon screws that hold the brace against the Bravo device, until they are flush with the nut (1).

b Using a 3-mm hex wrench, remove the four M4 x 25-mm SHCS and M4 flat washers that attach the brace to the \(x\)-axis rail (2).
c Being careful not to damage the flat-flex cable (3), slide the brace out, away from the Bravo device.

2 Using the torque wrench set to 21 in-lb (2.37 Nm) and the 3.0-mm hex bit, attach the two M4 x 12-mm rail-mounting screws (G5550-01493), provided, on the outer-most holes to which the brace was attached (4). Add two drops Loctite 242, if available.
3 Using a wrench, remove the six nuts and three black bars holding the Bravo device to the crate base.

*Note:* You might need to insert a 4-mm hex wrench into the protruding bolt to hold it in place while you loosen the nut.

4 Using the following lift points, lift the Bravo device onto the lab bench or table.

*CAUTION* Never lift from, or tug on, the tie bar.
5 Remove the $y$-axis shipping brace at the front of the head mount:

**IMPORTANT** If you are also installing risers on the Bravo device, do not remove the $y$-axis brace until after you have installed the risers.

a Remove the four M3 SHCS and M3 split washers holding the brace to the $y$-axis rails.

b Firmly pull the brace down from its position.

6 Using the torque wrench set to 9 in-lb (1.02 Nm) and fitted with the 2.5-mm hex bit, attach the two M3 x 8-mm rail mounting screws (G5550-01487) to the underside of the Bravo arm provided with the Bravo device in the indicated positions, as the following figure shows. Add two drops Loctite 242, if available.
Installing the covers

To install the covers:

1. Carefully, position the \( x \)-main cover in place over the top \( x \)-rail, ensuring no wiring or flat-flex cables are pinched between the top \( x \)-rail cover and back plate. Using the torque wrench set to 9 in-lb (1.02 Nm) and fitted with the T10 bit, install the four M3 x 5-mm screws (1) to secure it in place.

2. Carefully, position the \( y \)-main cover in place over the top of the arm assembly, ensuring no wiring or flat-flex cables are pinched between the cover and mounting tabs. Using the torque wrench set to 9 in-lb (1.02 Nm) and fitted with the T10 bit, install the four M3 x 5-mm screws (2) to secure it in place.
3 Carefully, position the gripper cover over the gripper assembly and slide it into place, ensuring no wiring or flex cables are pinched. Using the torque wrench set to 9 in-lb (1.02 Nm) and fitted with the T10 bit, install the four M3 x 5-mm screws to secure it in place.

4 Position the white face plate, which displays the Agilent logo, at the top of the Bravo tie bar. The face plate is held in place magnetically.
Inspecting the shipped items

Inspect all items for completeness and shipping damage. If an item is missing or defective on arrival, contact the Automation Solutions Business Center as soon as possible. In North America, call 1.800.227.9770. In other locations, contact your region’s Agilent Technologies office: http://www.chem.agilent.com/en-US/ContactUs/Pages/ContactUs.aspx.

If you are an Agilent Field Service Engineer and you have questions, contact the Channel Assist at http://intranet.chem.agilent.com/sites/partners/support/assist/default.htm.

About installation

See the Bravo Automated Liquid Handling Platform Safety and Installation Guide for instructions.

Accessing product user documentation

You can access the product Knowledge Base from the help menu within the automation software or online at www.agilent.com/chem/askb.

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