Instruction Manual for Residential Direct Vent Manufactured Home Gas Water Heaters

FOR USE:
– ONLY IN MANUFACTURED HOMES
– ONLY WITH VENTING SYSTEM SUPPLIED WITH WATER HEATER
WHETHER A NEW INSTALLATION OR A REPLACEMENT INSTALLATION

GAMA certification applies to all residential gas water heaters with capacities of 20 to 100 gallons with input rating of 75,000 BTU/Hr. or less.

ALL TECHNICAL AND WARRANTY QUESTIONS: SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE LOCAL DEALER FROM WHOM THE WATER HEATER WAS PURCHASED. IF YOU ARE UNSUCCESSFUL, PLEASE WRITE TO THE COMPANY LISTED ON THE RATING PLATE ON THE WATER HEATER.

For Your Safety AN ODORANT IS ADDED TO THE GAS USED BY THIS WATER HEATER

WARNING: If the information in these instructions are not followed exactly, a fire or explosion may result, causing property damage, personal injury or death.

– Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.
– WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS
  • Do not try to light any appliance.
  • Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
  • Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier’s instructions.
  • If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
– Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency or the gas supplier.

WARNING
Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service or maintenance can cause DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. Refer to this manual for assistance or consult the local gas utility for further information.

WARNING
Flammable vapors may be drawn by air currents from other areas of the structure to this appliance.

WARNING
READ THE GENERAL SAFETY SECTION BEGINNING ON INSIDE COVER AND THEN THIS ENTIRE MANUAL BEFORE INSTALLING OR OPERATING THIS WATER HEATER.

Save this Manual for Future Reference.
General Safety

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**WARNING**

At the time of manufacture this water heater was provided with a combination temperature-pressure relief valve certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials, as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, and the latest edition of ANSI Z21.22 and the code requirements of ASME. If replaced, the valve must meet the requirements of local codes, but not less than a combination temperature and pressure relief valve certified as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, ANSI Z21.22 by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials. The valve must be marked with a maximum set pressure not to exceed the marked hydrostatic working pressure of the water heater (150 lbs./sq. in.) and a discharge capacity not less than the water heater input rate as shown on the model rating plate. (Electric heaters - watts divided by 1000 x 3415 equal BTU/Hr. rate.)

Your local jurisdictional authority, while mandating the use of a temperature-pressure relief valve complying with ANSI Z21.22 and ASME, may require a valve model different from the one furnished with the water heater. Compliance with such local requirements must be satisfied by the installer or end user of the water heater with a locally prescribed temperature-pressure relief valve installed in the designated opening in the water heater in place of the factory furnished valve.

For safe operation of the water heater, the relief valve must not be removed from it's designated opening or plugged. The temperature-pressure relief valve must be installed directly into the fitting of the water heater designated for the relief valve. Position the valve downward and provide tubing so that any discharge will exit only within 6 inches above, or at any distance below the structural floor. Be certain that no contact is made with any live electrical part. The discharge opening must not be plugged or blocked. The discharge opening must not be smaller in size under any circumstances. Excessive length, over 30 feet, or use of more than four elbows can cause restriction and reduce the discharge capacity of the valve.

No valve or other obstruction is to be placed between the relief valve and the tank. Do not connect tubing directly to discharge drain unless a 6" air gap is provided. To prevent bodily injury, hazard to life, or property damage, the relief valve must be allowed to discharge water in quantities should circumstances demand. If the discharge pipe is not connected to a drain or other suitable means, the water flow may cause property damage.

The Discharge Pipe:
- Must not be smaller in size than the outlet pipe size of the valve, or have any reducing couplings or other restrictions.
- Must not be plugged or blocked.
- Must be of material listed for hot water distribution.
- Must be installed so as to allow complete drainage of both the temperature-pressure relief valve, and the discharge pipe.
- Must terminate at an adequate drain.
- Must not have any valve between the relief valve and tank.

**WARNING**

WATER HEATERS EQUIPPED FOR ONE TYPE GAS ONLY: This water heater is equipped for one type gas only. Check the model rating plate near the gas control valve for the correct gas. The indicated gas may be either Natural or Propane (L.P.). By following the conversion instructions in this manual or the instructions near the gas control valve, the water heater must be converted if it is to be used with the opposite gas. DO NOT USE THIS WATER HEATER WITH ANY GAS OTHER THAN THE ONE SHOWN ON THE MODEL RATING PLATE. Failure to use the correct gas can cause problems which can result in DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. If you have any questions or doubts consult your gas supplier or local utility.

**WARNING**

A fire can start if combustible materials such as clothing, cleaning materials, or flammable liquids are placed against or next to the water heater.

**WARNING**

INSTALLATIONS IN AREAS WHERE FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS (VAPORS) ARE LIKELY TO BE PRESENT OR STORED (GARAGES, STORAGE, AND UTILITY AREAS, ETC.): Flammable liquids (such as gasoline, solvents, propane (L.P.) or butane, etc.), all of which emit flammable vapors, may be improperly stored or used in such areas. The gas water heater pilot light or main burner can ignite such vapors. The resulting flashback and fire can cause death or serious burns to anyone in the area, as well as property damage. If installation in such areas is your only option, then the installation must be accomplished in a way that the pilot flame and main burner flame are elevated from the floor at least 18 inches. While this may reduce the chances of flammable vapors from a floor spill being ignited, gasoline and other flammable substances should never be stored or used in the same room or area containing a gas water heater or other open flame or spark producing appliance. NOTE: Flammable vapors may be drawn by air currents from other areas of the structure to the appliance.

**WARNING**

HOTTER WATER CAN SCALD: Water heaters are intended to produce hot water. Water heated to a temperature which will satisfy clothes washing, dish washing, and other sanitizing needs can scald and permanently injure you upon contact. Some people are more likely to be permanently injured by hot water than others. These include the elderly, children, the infirm, or physically/mentally handicapped. If anyone using hot water in your home fits into one of these groups or if there is a local code or state law requiring a certain temperature water at the hot water tap, then you must take special precautions. In addition to using the lowest possible temperature setting that satisfies your hot water needs a means, such as a mixing valve, should be used at the hot water taps used by these people or at the water heater. Mixing valves are available at plumbing supply or hardware stores. Follow manufacturers instructions for installation of the valves. Before changing the factory setting on the thermostat, read the “Temperature Regulation” section in this manual.

**WARNING**

BEFORE LIGHTING [PROPANE (L.P.)] GAS WATER HEATERS: Propane (L.P.) gas is heavier than air. Should there be a leak in the system, the gas will settle near the ground. Basements, crawl spaces, skirted areas under manufactured homes (even when ventilated), closets and areas below ground level will serve as pockets for the accumulation of this gas. Before attempting to light or relight the water heater's pilot or turning on a nearby electrical light switch, be absolutely sure there is no accumulated gas in the area. Search for odor of gas by sniffing at ground level in the vicinity of the appliance. If odor is detected, follow steps indicated at “For Your Safety” on the cover page of this manual then leave the premises.
General Safety (cont’d)

⚠️ WARNING
This water heater must not be installed directly on carpeting. Carpeting must be protected by a metal or wood panel beneath the appliance extending beyond the full width and depth of the appliance by at least 3 inches (76.2mm) in any direction, or if the appliance is installed in an alcove or closet, the entire floor must be covered by the panel. Failure to heed this warning may result in a fire hazard.

⚠️ WARNING
A gas water heater cannot operate properly without the correct amount of air for combustion. Provide ventilation and combustion air by means of floor openings as shown in the drawings on page 7. Never obstruct the flow of ventilation air. If you have any doubts or questions at all, call your gas company. Failure to provide the proper amount of combustion air can result in a fire or explosion and can cause DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

⚠️ WARNING
If this water heater will be used in beauty shops, barber shops, cleaning establishments, or self-service laundries with dry cleaning equipment, it is imperative that the water heater or water heaters be installed so that combustion and ventilation air be taken from outside these areas. Refer to the “Locating The New Water Heater” section of this manual and also the latest edition of the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1, also referred to as NFPA 54 for specifics provided concerning air required.

⚠️ WARNING
No vent damper installation is compatible with this sealed combustion water heater design. No vent damper, whether it is operated thermally or otherwise is to be installed on this sealed combustion water heater. Alteration of any part of the vent assembly could result in improper operation due to restriction of flue gases, spillage of flue gases and may cause carbon monoxide poisoning.

⚠️ WARNING
1. The appliance and its individual shutoff valve must be disconnected from the gas supply piping system during any pressure testing of the gas system at test pressures in excess of 1⁄2 pound per square inch (3.5kPa).
2. The appliance must be isolated from the gas supply piping system by closing its individual manual shutoff valve during any pressure testing of the gas supply piping system at test pressures equal or less than 1⁄2 pound per square inch (3.5kPa).

⚠️ WARNING
Soot build-up indicates a problem that requires correction before further use. Turn “OFF” gas to water heater and leave “OFF” until repairs are made, because failure to correct the cause of the sooting can result in a fire or explosion causing DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

⚠️ WARNING
The water heater with vent pipe installed must be properly vented to a roof jack which terminates outdoors. Never operate the water heater unless it is vented to the outdoors and has adequate air supply to avoid risks of improper operation, explosion or asphyxiation.

⚠️ WARNING
Obstructed or deteriorated vent systems may present a serious health risk or asphyxiation.

⚠️ WARNING
Chemical vapor corrosion of the flue and vent system may occur if air for combustion contains certain chemical vapors. Spray can propellants, cleaning solvents, refrigerator and air conditioner refrigerants, swimming pool chemicals, calcium and sodium chloride, waxes, bleach, and process chemicals are typical compounds which are potentially corrosive.

⚠️ WARNING
Minimum clearances between the water heater and combustible and noncombustible construction are 0” from sides, 0” from back, 4” from front of jacket to closet door and 27” from top of jacket to combustible material. Minimum vent clearance: 6”. Provide 24” front clearance for servicing and adequate clearance between the jacket top & ceiling for servicing the flue area.

⚠️ WARNING
HYDROGEN GAS: Hydrogen gas can be produced in a hot water system that has not been used for a long period of time (generally two weeks or more). Hydrogen gas is extremely flammable and explosive. To prevent the possibility of injury under these conditions, we recommend the hot water faucet be opened for several minutes at the kitchen sink before any electrical appliances which are connected to the hot water system are used (such as a dishwasher or washing machine). If hydrogen gas is present, there will probably be an unusual sound similar to air escaping through the pipe as the hot water faucet is opened. There must be no smoking or open flame near the faucet at the time it is open.

⚠️ WARNING
INSULATING JACKETS: When installing an external water heater insulation jacket on a gas water heater:
   a. DO NOT cover the temperature-pressure relief valve.
   b. DO NOT put insulation over any part of the top of the gas water heater.
   c. DO NOT put insulation over the gas control valve or gas control valve/burner cover, or any access areas to the burner.
   d. DO NOT let insulation around the gas water heater to get within 8 inches of the floor (air must get to the burner).
   e. DO NOT cover or remove operating instructions, and safety related warning labels and materials affixed to the water heater.

Failure to heed this will result in the possibility of a fire or explosion.

⚠️ WARNING
Flood damage to a water heater may not be readily visible or immediately detectible. However, over a period of time a flooded water heater will create dangerous conditions which can cause DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. Call a qualified service technician or contractor to replace a flooded water heater. Do not attempt to repair the unit! It must be replaced!

⚠️ CAUTION
WATER HEATERS EVENTUALLY LEAK: Installation of the water heater must be accomplished in such a manner that if the tank or any connections should leak, the flow of water will not cause damage to the structure. When such locations cannot be avoided, a suitable drain pan should be installed under the water heater. Drain pans are available at your local hardware store. Such a drain pan must be not greater than 1/2 inches deep, have a minimum length and width of at least 2 inches greater than the water heater dimensions and must be piped to an adequate drain. The pan must not restrict combustion air flow. Under no circumstances is the manufacturer to be held liable for any water damage in connection with this water heater.
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**Introduction**

Thank You for purchasing this water heater. Properly installed and maintained, it should give you years of trouble free service.

**Abbreviations Found In This Instruction Manual**
- CSA - Canadian Standards Association
- ANSI - American National Standards Institute
- NFPA - National Fire Protection Association

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**Preparation for the New Installation**

1. Read the “General Safety” section, pages 2 and 3 of this manual first and then the entire manual carefully. If you don’t follow the safety rules, the water heater will not operate properly. It could cause DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. This manual contains instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the gas-fired water heater. It also contains warnings throughout the manual that you must read and be aware of. All warnings and all instructions are essential to the proper operation of the water heater and your safety. Since we cannot put everything on the first few pages, **READ THE ENTIRE MANUAL BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO INSTALL OR OPERATE THE WATER HEATER.**


   **Instructions to Manufactured Home Manufacturers:**
   The installation must conform with the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Title 24 CFR, Part 3280.

   **Instruction for replacement installation:**
   The installation must conform with the instructions in this manual; gas company rules; and Local Codes, or in the absence of Local Codes, with the latest edition of the National Fuel Gas code, ANSI Z223.1, also referred to as NFPA 54. This publication is available from your local government or public library or gas company or by writing NFPA, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

3. If after reading this manual you have any questions or do not understand any portion of the instructions, call the local gas utility and/or plumbing inspector.

4. Carefully plan the place where you are going to put the water heater. Correct combustion, vent action, and vent pipe installation are very important in preventing death from possible carbon monoxide poisoning and fires. Examine the location to ensure the water heater complies with the “Locating the New Water Heater” section in this manual.

5. For California installation this water heater must be braced, anchored, or strapped to avoid falling or moving during an earthquake. See instructions for correct installation procedures. Instructions may be obtained from your local dealer, wholesaler, public utilities or California Office of the State Architect, 400 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

6. Massachusetts Code requires this water heater to be installed in accordance with Massachusetts 248-CMR 2.00: State Plumbing Code and 248-CMR 5.00.

7. Complies with SCAQMD rule #1121 and districts having equivalent NOx requirements.
This appliance has been design certified as complying with ANSI Z21.10.1 • CSA 4.1 water heater standard and is considered suitable for water (potable) heating only.

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WARNING
Toxic chemicals such as used for treatment of boilers or non-potable water heating appliances shall never be introduced into a potable water space heating system.

NOTE: To protect against untimely corrosion of hot and cold water fittings, it is strongly recommended that di-electric unions or couplings be installed on this water heater when connected to copper pipe.
Facts to Consider About the Location

Whether replacing an old water heater or putting the water heater in a new location, the following critical points must be observed.

This manufactured home gas-fired water heater is for use in a manufactured home. You should carefully choose an indoor location for the new water heater, because the placement is a very important consideration for the safety of the occupants in the building and for the most economical use of the appliance. This water heater is for use only in a manufactured home and not intended for outdoor installation.

This water heater has been designed and certified as a direct vent (sealed combustion) unit and no draft diverter is to be used.

The new water heater can have 0” minimum clearance at side and back walls. If the water heater is to be enclosed, a 4 inch clearance is required between the front of the jacket and the door of the enclosure.

The combustion and ventilation air flow must not be obstructed.

Combustion air must be supplied from outside the manufactured home by way of the furnished 3 inch diameter (30 & 40 Gal.) or 4 inch diameter (50 Gal.) air intake duct assembly. A 3½ inch diameter (30 & 40 Gal.) or 4½ inch diameter (50 Gal.) floor opening below the water heater is required to accommodate the air intake duct assembly. Weight of the water heater on duct gasket seals the water heater to air intake duct assembly.

When a manufactured home is skirted, an air intake opening with a minimum free area of 32 square inches must be provided in the skirt. If the opening is covered by louvers or screen, the total free area must be 32 square inches. Other gas fired appliances in the home will require additional free air openings; consult these manufacturers for correct sizing.

If the manufactured home is installed over a basement or crawlspace, combustion air must be supplied from outside the manufactured home. The combustion air intake piping can be 3” PVC for 30 and 40 gallon models and 4” PVC for 50 gallon models. The air intake piping cannot exceed a total of 30 feet including vertical and horizontal runs and have no more than 3 elbows. All horizontal runs require adequate support at 3½ feet intervals.

WARNING

Minimum clearances between the water heater and combustible and noncombustible construction are 0” from sides, 0” from back, 4” from front of jacket to closet door and 27” from top of jacket to combustible material. Minimum vent clearance: 6”. Provide 24” front clearance for servicing and adequate clearance between the jacket top & ceiling for servicing the flue area.

The water heater should be secured to the floor and to the wall of the enclosure with the mounting brackets provided. For bracket location refer to “Securing Water Heater to Floor and Wall” in the “Installing the New Water Heater” section.
When a drain pan is required, see installation instructions on pages 9 and 10.

**WARNING**

A gas water heater cannot operate properly without the correct amount of air for combustion. Provide ventilation and combustion air by means of floor openings as shown in the drawings on pages 9 and 10. Never obstruct the flow of ventilation air. If you have any doubts or questions at all, call your gas company. Failure to provide the proper amount of combustion air can result in a fire or explosion and can cause DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

**WARNING**

When the system requires water at temperatures higher than required for other uses, the hot water system may require a means such as a mixing valve to be installed to temper the water at certain points of use. Some people are more likely to be permanently injured by hot water than others; these include the elderly, children, the infirm, or the physically/mentally handicapped. Before immersing yourself or anyone else in hot water, be sure to check the water temperature. WARNING: HOTTER WATER INCREASES THE RISK OF SCALD INJURY. (Also see “Temperature Regulation” section) Mixing valves are available at plumbing supply or hardware stores. Follow manufacturers instructions for installation of these valves.

**WARNING**

This water heater shall not be connected to any heating systems or component(s) previously used with a non-potable water heating appliance.

**WARNING**

Toxic chemicals such as used for treatment of boilers or non-potable water heating appliances shall never be introduced into a potable water space heating system.

**WARNING**

Propellants of aerosol sprays and volatile compounds, (cleaners, chlorine based chemicals, refrigerants, etc.) in addition to being highly flammable in many cases, will also change to corrosive hydrochloric acid when exposed to the combustion products of the water heater. The results can be hazardous, and also cause product failure.

**WARNING**

This water heater must not be installed directly on carpeting. Carpeting must be protected by a metal or wood panel beneath the appliance extending beyond the full width and depth of the appliance by at least 3 inches (76.2mm) in any direction, or if the appliance is installed in an alcove or closet, the entire floor must be covered by the panel. Failure to heed this warning may result in a fire hazard. 

**CAUTION**

WATER HEATERS EVENTUALLY LEAK: Installation of the water heater must be accomplished in such a manner that if the tank or any connections should leak, the flow of water will not cause damage to the structure. When such locations cannot be avoided, a suitable drain pan should be installed under the water heater. Drain pans are available at your local hardware store. Such a drain pan must be not greater than 1½ inches deep, have a minimum length and width of at least 2 inches greater than the water heater dimensions and must be piped to an adequate drain. The pan must not restrict combustion air flow. Under no circumstances is the manufacturer to be held liable for any water damage in connection with this water heater.
Installing the New Water Heater

Water Heater Installation

1. To locate the position of the 3½" or 4½" hole to be cut in the floor, refer to Figures 1 and 2.

2. If you have found that the water heater is being installed in an area which, if the water heater was to leak, would cause damage and have elected to install a drain pan refer to Figures 3, 4, and 5. If you are not installing a drain pan go directly to the next step.

3. Insert the duct assembly as shown in Figure 6 with lip facing forward, and using only nails, secure the duct assembly to the floor.

4. Set the water heater in place against the lip of the duct assembly as shown in Figure 7.

5. Secure the water heater to the duct assembly using the screw provided.

NOTE: See pages 13 and 14 for installing an air intake through an outside wall when the manufactured home is located over a basement or crawlspace.
Securing Water Heater to Floor and Wall

The water heater must be secured to the floor and to the wall of the enclosure with the three mounting brackets and screws packaged in the carton with the water heater. The two small brackets stamped #0110064 are used to attach the water heater to the floor and the one large #0110063 bracket is used to secure the top of the water heater to the wall.

Because of installation variances these brackets can be located at any points around the circumference of the jacket. When the bracket locations are determined using the 1/8" drill bit for a pattern, drill only through the outer jacket of the water heater. Then using the screws provided, secure the bracket to the water heater, floor and wall.
Installing the New Water Heater (cont’d)

Roof Jack Installation

Roof Jack Kit Models VENT KIT / 12 IN. (9002964), VENT KIT / 32 IN. (9002965), VENT KIT / 60 IN. (9002966), and VENT KIT / 95 IN. (9002967)

1. Cut 5½” diameter holes through the roof and ceiling directly in line with the flue connection on top of the water heater. For a sloped roof, the roof hole may have to be enlarged to allow the roof jack to be installed vertically.

2. Telescope down the flue pipe in the roof jack assembly to a length that will project at least 6” below the finished ceiling before installing the roof jack assembly.

**NOTE:** Flue pipe joints have silicone seals that must remain in place. A soapy water solution sprayed around the seal area will enable the flue pipe and outer pipe below to telescope more freely.

3. Telescope down the outer pipe of the roof jack assembly to a length that will project at least 2” below the finished ceiling before installing the roof jack assembly.

4. Ease the roof jack assembly through the roof and ceiling openings. The roof jack flashing tilts up to 22.6° degrees for use on a sloping roof.

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VENT KIT / 95 IN.

VENT KIT / 60 IN.

VENT KIT / 32 IN.

VENT KIT / 12 IN.

TELESCOPE OUTER PIPE AND FLUE PIPE DOWN

OUTER PIPE

FLUE PIPE

96° MAX. 49° MIN.

60° MAX. 32° MIN.

32° MAX. 17° MIN.

12° MAX.

23° MAX.

136° MAX. 55° MIN.

100° MAX. 40° MIN.

56”

72° MAX. 25° MIN.

52° MAX. 18° MIN.

55° MIN.

49° MIN.
Installing the New Water Heater (cont’d)

Roof Jack Installation (cont’d)

5. Use sealant or caulk on the roof to seal under the flashing of the roof jack assembly. Use roof nails or screws on wood construction or sheet metal screws on metal roofs (nails and screws not provided).

6. Remove the paper backing from the 1 1⁄2” x 9 3⁄4” woven tape seal (found attached to the heater top) and apply the seal around the flue collar of the water heater.

7. Extend the flue pipe down close to the water heater flue collar.

8. Slide the securing clamp over the bottom of the flue pipe and pull the pipe down over the flue collar. Locate vent securing clamp in top and secure clamp with sheet metal screw. Tighten nut and bolt of clamp until flue pipe is tight in clamp.

NOTE: An optional Roof Jack Extension Pipe (9002588) is required when the roof pitch is 5/12 or greater, or where local codes require the roof jack cap (outlet) terminate above the peak of the roof.

NOTE: All joints for vent piping between roof jack and water heater are sealed from the manufacturer. No additional sealing of vent pipe is necessary.
MANUFACTURED HOME INSTALLED OVER A BASEMENT OR CRAWLSPACE – AIR INTAKE THROUGH AN OUTSIDE WALL

ALL 30 AND 40 GALLON MODELS

3” PVC Schedule 40 intake air vent piping:
Optional Kit No. 9002986 contains a 3” PVC Schedule 40-45° vent cap with screen and two 3” wall collars.

ALL 50 GALLON MODELS

4” PVC Schedule 40 intake air vent piping:
Optional Kit No. 9002987 contains a 4” PVC Schedule 40-45° vent cap with screen and two 4” wall collars.

ALL MODELS

1. PVC, ABS or CPVC Schedule 40 piping and fittings are acceptable materials for the intake air vent system.

2. The intake air vent system must terminate horizontally to the outdoors.

3. Remove the screws which attach the wind baffle to the existing metal air intake vent pipe underneath the home. Discard the wind baffle and screws.

4. Attach a 3” or 4” PVC street elbow to the metal air intake vent using 3 sheet metal screws. Continue PVC piping to outside wall and terminate with vent cap and screen.

   3” size - 30 and 40 gallon models
   4” size - 50 gallon models

See page 14 for cementing instructions.

NOTE: Vent cap must be located a minimum of 12” above the ground.

5. Vertical and horizontal runs must be securely supported at 3½ foot intervals.
AIR INTAKE THROUGH AN OUTSIDE WALL (cont’d)

6. The intake air vent piping can be installed with no more than 3 elbows.

CUTTING OPENING THROUGH AN OUTSIDE WALL AND COLLAR INSTALLATION

Determine the location of the opening in the wall and cut a 3⅜” hole (30 & 40 gal.) or 4⅜” hole (50 gal.) through an outside wall.

The 3” or 4” PVC, ABS or CPVC Schedule 40 vent pipe can be run from the water heater through the wall or from the wall to the water heater, whichever is most convenient. The vent pipe must extend a minimum of 1½” through the exterior wall. Note that the inside collar must be slipped over the vent piping before locating the pipe through the wall. Before securing the inside and outside collars to the wall, use a silicone sealer between pipe and opening to insure a water and air tight seal.

INSTALLATION SHOWING USE OF PVC, ABS OR CPVC PIPE

NOTE: Wall collars are for aesthentic purposes and are not required for the heater to operate.

Cementing PVC, ABS OR CPVC Pipe and Fittings

Read and observe all safety information printed on primer, cleaner, and cement containers.

**DANGER**

Primer, cleaner, and cements are extremely flammable. They are harmful or fatal if swallowed. The vapors are harmful. They may irritate eyes and skin and can be absorbed through the skin.

**PRECAUTIONS**

Always store primers, cleaner, and cements in cool, dry, well ventilated places. Do not store them near heat, sparks, or flames. Keep containers closed. Use them in well ventilated areas. Wear impervious clothing while handling. Do not smoke, eat, or drink while handling. Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating. Wear eye protection when handling. If swallowed, drink water, do not induce vomiting, and call a physician or poison control center immediately. If inhaled, get fresh air and seek medical attention if ill feelings persist. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

All primers, cleaners, and cements must meet all local codes and applicable standards of the American Society For Testing Materials Standards.

Before using primers, cleaners, and cements, stir or shake, making sure contents are liquid. Do not use if found to be lumpy or jelly-like.

1. Cut pipe ends squarely removing all burrs and dirt.
2. Dry fit pipe and fittings to be connected for proper fit.
3. Clean pipe and fitting with a primer/cleaner.
4. Apply a thin coat of cement to fitting, avoiding puddling inside.
5. Apply a liberal coat of cement to pipe leaving no voids.
6. QUICKLY assemble parts while cement is fluid! If you wait too long, re-coat pipes.
7. Push pipe completely into socket of fitting, turning as it goes until it bottoms.
8. Hold pipe and fitting together for 30 seconds. Then carefully clean off excess with a cloth. Allow connections a sufficient time to cure before disturbing.
9. Remember that vent pipes must be adequately and securely supported.

APPROXIMATE SETTING TIME FOR 2⅜” TO 4” PIPE JOINTS

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Water Piping

⚠️ WARNING

HOTTER WATER CAN SCALD: Water heaters are intended to produce hot water. Water heated to a temperature which will satisfy clothes washing, dish washing, and other sanitizing needs can scald and permanently injure you upon contact. Some people are likely to be permanently injured by hot water than others. These include the elderly, children, the infirm, or physically/mentally handicapped. If anyone using hot water in your home fits into one of these groups or if there is a local code or state law requiring a certain temperature water at the hot water tap, then you must take special precautions. In addition to using the lowest possible temperature setting that satisfies your hot water needs a means, such as a mixing valve, should be used at the hot water taps used by these people or at the water heater. Mixing valves are available at plumbing supply or hardware stores. Follow manufacturer’s instructions for installation of the valves. Before changing the factory setting on the thermostat, read the “Temperature Regulation” section.

⚠️ WARNING

This water heater shall not be connected to any heating systems or component(s) previously used with a non-potable water heating appliance.

⚠️ WARNING

Toxic chemicals such as used for treatment of boilers or non-potable water heating appliances shall never be introduced into a potable water space heating system.

If a water heater is installed in a closed water supply system; such as one having a back-flow preventer, check valve, water meter with a check valve, etc... in the cold water supply; means shall be provided to control thermal expansion. Contact the water supplier or plumbing contractor on how to control this situation.

NOTE: To protect against untimely corrosion of hot and cold water fittings, it is strongly recommended that dielectric unions or couplings be installed on this water heater when connected to copper pipe.

NOTE: This water heater is super insulated to minimize heat loss from the tank. Further reduction in heat loss can be accomplished by insulating the hot water lines from the water heater.

The illustration shows the attachment of the water piping to the water heater. The water heater is equipped with 3/4" water connections.

NOTE: If using copper tubing, solder tubing to an adapter before attaching the adapter to the cold water inlet connection. Do not solder the cold water supply line directly to the cold water inlet. It will harm the dip tube and damage the tank.

WATER PIPING PRESSURE TEST

This section is only for the manufacturer installing the water heater when the installation is to comply with H.U.D. Standards.

When testing the water ways, H.U.D. Standards state:

“Water distribution system. All water piping in the water distribution system shall be subjected to a pressure test. The test shall be made by subjecting the system to air or water at 100 psi for 15 minutes without loss of pressure. When air pressure is used, the water heater shall not be connected during the test.”

⚠️ WARNING

If the water piping system is to be air pressure tested, the water heater must be disconnected from the water piping system. Failure to disconnect the water heater during air pressure testing of the water piping system could result IN DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.
## Temperature-Pressure Relief Valve

### WARNING

At the time of manufacture this water heater was provided with a combination temperature-pressure relief valve certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials, as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, and the latest edition of ANSI Z21.22 and the code requirements of ASME. If replaced, the valve must meet the requirements of local codes, but not less than a combination temperature and pressure relief valve certified as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, ANSI Z21.22 by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials.

The valve must be marked with a maximum set pressure not to exceed the marked hydrostatic working pressure of the water heater (150 lbs./sq. in.) and a discharge capacity not less than the water heater input rate as shown on the model rating plate. (Electric heaters - watts divided by 1000 x 3415) equal BTU/Hr. rate.

Your local jurisdictional authority, while mandating the use of a temperature-pressure relief valve complying with ANSI Z21.22 and ASME, may require a valve model different from the one furnished with the water heater.

Compliance with such local requirements must be satisfied by the installer or end user of the water heater with a locally prescribed temperature-pressure relief valve installed in the designated opening in the water heater in place of the factory furnished valve.

For safe operation of the water heater, the relief valve must not be removed from its designated opening or plugged.

The temperature-pressure relief valve must be installed directly into the fitting of the water heater designated for the relief valve. Position the valve downward and provide tubing so that any discharge will exit only within 6 inches above, or at any distance below the structural floor. Be certain that no contact is made with any live electrical part.

The discharge opening must not be blocked or reduced in size under any circumstances. Excessive length, over 30 feet, or use of more than four elbows can cause restriction and reduce the discharge capacity of the valve.

No valve or other obstruction is to be placed between the relief valve and the tank. Do not connect tubing directly to discharge drain unless a 6" air gap is provided. To prevent bodily injury, hazard to life, or property damage, the relief valve must be allowed to discharge water in quantities should circumstances demand. If the discharge pipe is not connected to a drain or other suitable means, the water flow may cause property damage.

The discharge pipe:
- Must not be smaller in size than the outlet pipe size of the valve, or have any reducing couplings or other restriction.
- Must not be plugged or blocked.
- Must be of material listed for hot water distribution.
- Must be installed so as to allow complete drainage of both the temperature-pressure relief valve, and the discharge pipe.
- Must terminate at an adequate drain.
- Must not have any valve between the relief valve and tank.

### WARNING

The temperature-pressure relief valve must be manually operated at least once a year. Caution should be taken to ensure that (1) no one is in front of or around the outlet of the temperature-pressure relief valve discharge line, and (2) the water manually discharged will not cause any bodily injury or property damage because the water may be extremely hot.

If after manually operating the valve, it fails to completely reset and continues to release water, immediately close the cold water inlet to the water heater, follow the draining instructions, and replace the temperature-pressure relief valve with a new one.

### RELIEF VALVE OPENING

*THIS WATER HEATER IS PROVIDED WITH A COMBINATION TEMPERATURE-PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE. FOR SAFE OPERATION OF THE WATER HEATER, THE RELIEF VALVE(S) MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM ITS DESIGNATED POINT OF INSTALLATION OR PLUGGED.*

YOUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONAL AUTHORITY, WHILE MANDATING THE USE OF A TEMPERATURE-PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE COMPLYING WITH ANSI Z21.22 AND ASME, MAY REQUIRE A VALVE MODEL DIFFERENT FROM THE ONE FURNISHED WITH THE WATER HEATER.

COMPLIANCE WITH SUCH LOCAL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE SATISFIED BY THE INSTALLER OR END USER OF THE WATER HEATER WITH A LOCALLY PRESCRIBED TEMPERATURE-PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE INSTALLED IN THE DESIGNATED OPENING IN THE WATER HEATER.

SEE MANUAL HEADING—"TEMPERATURE-PRESSURE RELIEF VALVES" FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF RELIEF VALVE, DISCHARGE LINE AND OTHER SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.
Installing the New Water Heater (cont’d)

Filling the Water Heater

**CAUTION**

Never use this water heater unless it is completely filled with water. To prevent damage to the tank, the tank must be filled with water. Water must flow from the hot water faucet before turning “ON” gas to the water heater.

To fill the water heater with water:
1. Close the water heater drain valve by turning the handle to the right (clockwise). The drain valve is on the lower front of the water heater.
2. Open the cold water supply valve to the water heater.
   **NOTE:** The cold water supply valve must be left open when the water heater is in use.
3. To insure complete filling of the tank, allow air to exit by opening the nearest hot water faucet. Allow water to run until a constant flow is obtained. This will let air out of the water heater and the piping.
4. Check all new water piping for leaks. Repair as needed.

Gas Piping

**WARNING**

Make sure the gas supplied is the same type listed on the model rating plate. The inlet gas pressure must not exceed 10.5 in water column (2.6 kPa) for natural gas or 13 in. water column (3.2 kPa) for propane (L.P.) gas. The minimum inlet gas pressure listed on the rating plate is for the purpose of input adjustment.

**WARNING**

If the gas control valve is subjected to pressures exceeding 1/2 pound per square inch (3.5kPa), the damage to the gas control valve could result in a fire or explosion from leaking gas.

**WARNING**

If the main gas line shut off serving all gas appliances is used, also turn “OFF” the gas at each appliance. Leave all gas appliances turned “OFF” until the water heater installation is complete.

A gas line of sufficient size must be run to the water heater. Consult the latest edition of National Fuel Gas Code ANSI Z223.1, also referred to as NFPA 54 and the gas company concerning pipe size.

There must be:
- A readily accessible manual shut off valve in the gas supply line serving the water heater, and
- A drip leg (sediment trap) ahead of the gas control valve to help prevent dirt and foreign materials from entering the gas control valve.
- A flexible gas connector or a ground joint union between the shut-off valve and control valve to permit servicing of the unit.

Be sure to check all the gas piping for leaks before lighting the water heater. Use a soapy water solution, not a match or open flame. Rinse off soapy solution and wipe dry.

When installed at elevations above 5,000 feet, input ratings should be reduced at the rate of 4 percent for each 1,000 feet above sea level.

**WARNING**

Use pipe joint compound or teflon tape marked as being resistant to the action of petroleum (Propane (L.P.) gases.

**WARNING**

The appliance and its gas connection must be leak tested before placing the appliance in operation.
**WARNING**

Contaminants in the gas lines may cause improper operation of the gas control valve that may result in fire or explosion. Before attaching the gas line be sure that all gas pipe is clean on the inside. To trap any dirt or foreign material in the gas supply line, a drip leg (sometimes called a sediment trap) must be incorporated in the piping. The drip leg must be readily accessible. Install in accordance with the “Gas Piping” section. Refer to the latest edition of the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1, also referred to as NFPA 54.

**Installation Checklist**

**BEFORE LIGHTING THE PILOT:**

1. Check the gas line for leaks.
   a. Use a soapy water solution. DO NOT test for gas leaks using a match or open flame.
   b. Brush the soapy water solution on all gas pipes, joints and fittings.
   c. Check for bubbling soap. This means you have a leak. Turn “OFF” gas and make the necessary repairs.
   d. Recheck for leaks.
   e. Rinse off soapy solution and wipe dry.

2. Is the new temperature-pressure relief valve properly installed and piped to an adequate drain? See “Temperature-Pressure Relief Valve” section.

3. Are the cold and hot water lines connected to the water heater correctly? See “Water Piping” instructions in the “Installing the New Water Heater” section.


5. Will a water leak damage anything? See the “Locating the New Water Heater” section.

6. Is there proper clearance between the water heater and anything that might catch fire? See the “Locating the New Water Heater” section.

7. Do you have adequate ventilation so that the water heater will operate properly? See the “Locating the New Water Heater” section.

8. Is the vent piping properly secured? See “Installing the New Water Heater” section.

9. Is there proper clearance between the vent pipe and anything that might catch fire? See “Installing the New Water Heater” section.

10. Is the vent pipe properly sloped and does the vent terminate outdoors? See “Installing the New Water Heater” section.

11. Do you need to call your gas company to check the gas pipe and its hookup?

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**MODEL RATING PLATE**

- SUITABLE FOR WATER (POTABLE) HEATING ONLY
- AUTOMATIC STORAGE WATER HEATER FOR DIRECT VENT INSTALLATION IN A MFG. HOME

- ORIFICE SIZE: #40 FOR NAT. / #52 FOR LP
  IF CONVERTED - PROPANE RATE: 30,000 BTU

- ORIFICE SIZE: #38 FOR NAT. / #51 FOR LP
  IF CONVERTED - PROPANE RATE: 32,000 BTU

- For 30 Gal. heater: as shown above
- For 40 Gal. heater:
  ORIFICE SIZE: #38 FOR NAT. / #51 FOR LP
  IF CONVERTED - PROPANE RATE: 32,000 BTU

- For 50 Gal. heater:
  ORIFICE SIZE: #35 FOR NAT. / #51 FOR LP
  IF CONVERTED - PROPANE RATE: 36,000 BTU
“Fuel” Conversion Instructions
From Natural Gas To Propane (L.P.) Gas

**WARNING**

This water heater has been factory equipped to operate with the type rating plate found in the “EQUIPPED FOR” area of the model rating plate located near the gas control valve. The indicated gas may be either Natural or Propane (L.P.). By following the conversion instructions in this manual or the instructions near the gas control valve, the water heater must be converted if it is to be used with the opposite gas. DO NOT USE THIS WATER HEATER WITH ANY GAS OTHER THAN THE ONE LISTED ON THE MODEL RATING PLATE. Failure to use the correct gas can cause problems which can result in DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. If you have any questions or doubts consult your gas supplier or gas company.

Read and follow detailed conversion instructions located on the water heater and also in this manual in their entirety before starting the conversion.

Conversion kit with necessary parts are in a bag attached to the drain valve.

Step 1. Turn gas control knob “A” to “PILOT”. Depress and turn “OFF”. (See Figure 9, page 20).

Step 2. Remove outer access door from water heater.

Step 3. Remove burner assembly from water heater control by first removing 6 screws holding inner door to heater, then loosening 3/8″ nut “H” holding burner assembly to control. (See Figures 10a and 10b, page 20). Loosen pilot tube nut “J” and thermocouple nut “K” at control.

Step 4. Remove screws “D” disengaging manifold from burner. (See Figure 11, page 20).

Step 5. Remove orifice “E” (See Figure 11, page 20) using 3/8″ wrench. Install orifice marked “L.P.” found in the bag into manifold. Tighten securely. Secure burner manifold with screws “D”.

Step 6. Loosen pilot tube nut “F” (See Figure 12, page 20). Remove orifice “G” and replace with red colored orifice found in bag. Reinstall nut “F” and tighten securely.

Step 7. Make sure all connections are tightened securely, and reinstall burner assembly into water heater. Position end of manifold inside bracket as shown in Figure 11 on page 20. Reinstall pilot tubing and thermocouple into control. (See Figure 10a, page 20). Reinstall inner door using the 6 screws removed in step 3.

Step 8. Place screwdriver in slot “B”. (See Figure 9, page 20). Depress and turn counter-clockwise ( ) to stop. Control screw must be in “IN” position for propane (L.P.) gas and in “OUT” position for natural gas. STOP! Read label “For Your Safety” located on your water heater.

Step 9. Set the thermostat to lowest setting by turning the water temperature dial clockwise, ( ) to its lowest temperature setting (with arrow on dial) as shown. DO NOT FORCE.

Step 10. Turn gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “OFF” position. Knob cannot be turned from “PILOT” to “OFF” unless knob is depressed slightly. DO NOT FORCE.

Step 11. Wait five (5) minutes to clear out any gas. If you then smell gas, STOP! Follow “B” in the safety information on “For Your Safety” label. If you don’t smell gas, go to the next step.

Step 12. Open pilot door. The pilot is located in front of the burner. (See Figure 12, page 20).

Step 13. If you don’t smell gas, turn knob on gas control counter-clockwise ( ) to “PILOT” position.

Step 14. Push in control knob all the way and hold down. Immediately light the pilot through pilot light hole with a match held by a match holder wire. Continue to hold control knob in for about one (1) minute after the pilot is lit. Release knob and it will pop back up. Pilot should remain lit. If it goes out, repeat steps 9 through 12.

- If knob does not pop up when released, stop and immediately call the gas supplier.
- If the pilot will not stay lit after several tries, depress and turn the gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “OFF” and call the gas supplier.

Step 15. Check for gas leaks with only pilot flame burning using a soapy water solution, not a match or open flame. Check for gas leaks at fittings “F” and “G” (See Figure 12, page 20) and at fitting “J” (See Figure 10a, page 20).

Step 16. Make sure temperature adjustment dial is turned clockwise ( ) in its lowest position (See Figure 9, page 20).

Step 17. Close pilot door. WARNING: Pilot door must be closed and securely fastened before turning gas control knob to “ON” position. Replace outer door.

Step 18. At arms length away turn gas control knob to the full “ON” position. WARNING: Do not use gas control knob to regulate gas flow. Turn temperature adjustment dial counter-clockwise ( ) until gas flows to main burner and ignites.

Step 19. With a soapy water solution, not a match or open flame, check for gas leaks at gas connection “H”. (See Figure 10a, page 20). If gas leak occurs, turn off immediately by shutting off gas cock at inlet to control, or by turning gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “PILOT” pushing down and turning to “OFF”. Repair gas leak as necessary, and repeat steps 9 through 19.

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Installing the New Water Heater (cont’d)

Step 20. At arm’s length away, set the thermostat to desired setting. The mark (▼) HOT indicative of approx. 120°F is preferred starting point. If hotter water is desired see the “Temperature Regulation” section in this manual.

⚠️ WARNING

Hotter water increases the risk of scald injury. Before changing temperature setting see the “Temperature Regulation” section in this manual.

Step 21. Replace the outer door if not replaced in step 17.

Step 22. Remove adhesive label found in conversion kit and place next to the model rating plate. Mark label indicating for which type gas the water heater is now equipped.

“Fuel” Conversion Instructions From Propane (L.P.) Gas To Natural Gas

⚠️ WARNING

This water heater has been factory equipped to operate with the type gas indicated in the “EQUIPPED FOR” area of the model rating plate located near the gas control valve. The indicated gas may be either Natural or Propane (L.P.). By following the conversion instructions in this manual or the instructions near the gas control valve, the water heater must be converted if it is to be used with the opposite gas. DO NOT USE THIS WATER HEATER WITH ANY GAS OTHER THAN THE ONE LISTED ON THE MODEL RATING PLATE. Failure to use the correct gas can cause problems which can result in DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. If you have any questions or doubts consult your gas supplier or gas company.

To convert from Propane (L.P.) gas to Natural gas, follow the “Fuel” Conversion Instructions From Natural Gas to Propane (L.P.) Gas” section except in Step 5, use orifice “E”, marked “NAT.”. In Step 6 use pilot orifice “G”, silver color and in Step 8 turn control screw “B” in Figure 6 clockwise (▼) to stop. Screw must be in “OUT” position for Natural gas.

See “Instruction Label” for orifice sizes.

Maximum Supply Pressure:
- 10.5” W.C. For Nat. Gas.
- 13” W.C. for Propane (L.P.) Gas

Minimum Supply Pressure
- 5” W.C. for Nat. Gas.
- 11” W.C. For Propane (L.P.) Gas
Lighting and operating instructions are located on front of the water heater, above or to one side of the gas control valve.

**WARNING**

BEFORE LIGHTING [PROPANE (L.P.) GAS WATER HEATERS]: Propane (L.P.) gas is heavier than air. Should there be a leak in the system, the gas will settle near the ground. Basements, crawl spaces, skirted areas under manufactured homes (even when ventilated), closets and areas below ground level will serve as pockets for the accumulation of this gas. Before attempting to light or relight the water heater’s pilot or turning on a nearby electrical light switch, be absolutely sure there is no accumulated gas in the area. Search for odor of gas by sniffing at ground level in the vicinity of the appliance. If odor is detected, follow the steps indicated at “For Your Safety” on the cover page of this manual, then leave the premises.

**WARNING**

AN ODORANT IS ADDED TO THE GAS USED BY THIS WATER HEATER.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

IF YOU SMELL GAS:
1. Do not try to light any appliance.
2. Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
3. Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor’s phone. Follow the gas supplier’s instructions.
4. If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.

**WARNING**

DO NOT force the gas control knob. Use only your hand to push it down to light the pilot, or to turn it to ON, OFF or PILOT. Never use a tool such as a lever, wrench or pliers. Do not hit or damage the knob. A damaged knob may result in an explosion and serious injury. If you have problem turning the knob, call the gas supplier immediately.

CHECK FOR LEAKS

Be sure to check all your gas pipes for leaks before lighting your water heater. Use a soapy water solution, not a match or open flame. Check the factory gas fittings after pilot is lit and gas control knob is still in “PILOT” position. Then, check the fittings when the main burner is turned “ON”. Use a soapy water solution for this, too.
FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE LIGHTING

WARNING

If you do not follow these instructions exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury or loss of life.

A. This appliance has a pilot which must be lighted by hand. When lighting the pilot, follow these instructions exactly.
B. BEFORE LIGHTING smell all around the appliance area for gas. Be sure to smell next to the floor because some gas is heavier than air and will settle on the floor.
C. Use only your hand to push in or turn the gas control knob. Never use tools. If the knob will not push in or turn by hand, don’t try to repair it, call a qualified service technician. Force or attempted repair may result in a fire or explosion.
D. Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the appliance and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.

LIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. STOP! Read the safety information above on this label.
2. Remove outer door.
3. Set the thermostat to lowest setting by turning the water temperature dial clockwise ( ) to its lowest temperature setting (with arrow on dial) as shown. DO NOT FORCE.
4. Turn gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “OFF” position. Knob cannot be turned from “PILOT” to “OFF” unless knob is depressed slightly. DO NOT FORCE. (Figure 13, page 21)
5. Wait five (5) minutes to clear out any gas. If you then smell gas, STOP! Follow “B” in the safety information above on this label. If you don’t smell gas, go to the next step.
6. Open pilot door. The pilot is located in front of the burner.
7. If you don’t smell gas, turn knob on gas control counter clockwise ( ) to “PILOT” position. (Figure 14, page 21)
8. Push in control knob all the way and hold down. Immediately light the pilot with a match held by a match holder wire. Continue to hold control knob in for about one (1) minute after the pilot is lit. Release knob and it will pop back up. Pilot should remain lit. If it goes out, repeat steps 3 through 8.
   • If knob does not pop up when released, stop and immediately call your service technician or gas supplier.
   • If the pilot will not stay lit after several tries, depress and turn the gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “OFF” and call your service technician or gas supplier. (Figure 13, page 21)
9. WARNING: Close pilot door. Fasten shut before turning gas control knob to “ON” position.
10. Turn gas control knob counter-clockwise ( ) to the full “ON” position. WARNING Do not use gas control knob to regulate gas flow. (Figure 15, page 21)
11. Set the thermostat to desired setting. The mark ( ) HOT indicative of approximate 120°F is preferred starting point. Some local laws may require a lower starting point. If hotter water is desired, see instruction manual and “warning” below.
12. Replace the outer door.

TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE

1. Set the thermostat to lowest setting by turning the water temperature dial clockwise ( ) to its lowest temperature setting (with arrow on dial) as shown. DO NOT FORCE.
2. Turn gas control knob clockwise ( ) to “OFF” position. Knob cannot be turned from “PILOT” to “OFF” unless knob is depressed slightly. DO NOT FORCE. (Figure 13, page 21)
3. Replace outer door (if removed).

WARNING

Hotter water increases the risk of scald injury. Before changing temperature setting see instruction manual.
Due to the nature of the typical gas water heater, the water temperature in certain situations may vary up to 30°F higher or lower at the point of use such as, bathtubs, showers, sink, etc.

This means that when the temperature adjustment dial is set at the mark approximating 120°F, the actual water temperature at any hot water tap could be as high as 150°F or as low as 90°F.

Any water heater’s intended purpose is to heat water. Hot water is needed for cleaning (bodies, dishes, clothing). Hot water will present a scald hazard. Depending on the time element, and the people involved (normal adults, children, toddlers, elderly, infirm, etc.) scalding may occur at different temperatures.

**⚠️ WARNING**

HOTTER WATER CAN SCALD: Water heaters are intended to produce hot water. Water heated to a temperature which will satisfy clothes washing, dish washing, and other sanitizing needs can scald and permanently injure you upon contact. Some people are more likely to be permanently injured by hot water than others. These include the elderly, children, the infirm, or physically/mentally handicapped. If anyone using hot water in your home fits into one of these groups or if there is a local code or state law requiring a certain temperature water at the hot water tap, then you must take special precautions. In addition to using the lowest possible temperature setting that satisfies your hot water needs a means, such as a mixing valve, should be used at the hot water taps used by these people or at the water heater.

**⚠️ WARNING**

Never allow small children to use a hot water tap, or to draw their own bath water. Never leave a child or handicapped person unattended in a bathtub or shower.

The thermostat of this water heater has been factory set at its lowest position, to reduce the risk of scald injury. It is adjustable and must be reset to the desired temperature setting. The mark (▼) HOT indicative of approximately 120°F is preferred starting point. Some states have a requirement for a lower setting. If you need hotter water, follow directions for temperature adjustment, but beware of the warnings in this section.

**⚠️ WARNING**

**HOT**—Is a thermostat setting of approximately 120°F, which will supply hot water at the most economical temperatures. The temperature adjustment knob can be turned lower than “HOT” if desired.

**A**—Is a thermostat setting of approximately 130°F.

**B**—Is a thermostat setting of approximately 140°F.

**C**—Is a thermostat setting of approximately 150°F.

**VERY HOT**—Is a thermostat setting of 160°F. It is recommended that the dial be set lower whenever possible.

**NOTE:** Water temperature range of 120°–140°F recommended by most dishwasher manufacturers.

**⚠️ WARNING**

Should overheating occur or the gas supply fail to shut off, turn “OFF” the manual gas control valve to the appliance.
Start Up Conditions

CONDENSATION
Whenever the water heater is filled with cold water, a certain amount of condensation will form while the burner is on. A water heater may appear to be leaking when in fact the water is condensation. This usually happens when:

a. When a new water heater is filled with cold water for the first time.
b. When gas burns and water vapor is produced in water heaters, particularly high efficiency models where flue temperatures are lower.
c. When you use large amounts of hot water in a short time and the refill water is very cold.

Moisture from the products of combustion condense on the cooler tank surfaces and form drops of water which may fall onto the burner or other hot surfaces to produce a “sizzling” or “frying” noise.

Excessive condensation can cause pilot outage due to water running down the flue tube onto the main burner and putting out the pilot.

Because of the suddenness and amount of water, condensation water may be diagnosed as a “tank leak”. After the water in the tank warms up (about 1-2 hours), the condition should disappear.

Do not assume the water heater is leaking until there has been enough time for the water in the tank to warm up.

An undersized water heater will cause more condensation. The water heater must be sized properly to meet the family’s demands for hot water including dishwashers, washing machines and shower heads.

Excessive condensation may be noticed during the winter and early spring months when incoming water temperatures are at their lowest.

Good venting is essential for a gas fired water heater to operate properly as well as to carry away products of combustion and water vapor.

SMOKE/ODOR
It is not uncommon to experience a small amount of smoke and odor during the initial start-up. This is due to burning off of oil from metal parts, and will disappear in a short while.

THERMAL EXPANSION
Water supply systems may, because of such events as high line pressure, frequent cut-offs, the effects of water hammer among others, have installed devices such as pressure reducing valves, check valves, back flow preventers, etc...to control these types of problems. When these devices are not equipped with an internal by-pass, and no other measures are taken, the devices cause the water system to be closed. As water is heated, it expands (thermal expansion) and closed systems do not allow for the expansion of heated water.

The water within the water heater tank expands as it is heated and increases the pressure of the water system. If the relieving point of the water heater's temperature-pressure relief valve is reached, the valve will relieve the excess pressure. The temperature-pressure relief valve is not intended for the constant relief of thermal expansion. This is an unacceptable condition and must be corrected.

It is recommended that any devices installed which could create a closed system have a by-pass and/or the system have an expansion tank to relieve the pressure built by thermal expansion in the water system. Expansion tanks are available for ordering through a local plumbing contractor. Contact the local water supplier and/or plumbing inspector for assistance in controlling these situations.

STRANGE SOUNDS
Possible noises due to expansion and contraction of some metal parts during periods of heat-up and cool-down do not represent harmful or dangerous conditions.

Condensation causes sizzling and popping with the burner area during heating and cooling periods and should be considered normal. See “Condensation” section.

Operational Conditions

SMELLY WATER
In each water heater there is installed an anode rod (see parts section) for corrosion protection of the tank. Certain water conditions will cause a reaction between this rod and the water. The most common complaint associated with the anode rod is one of a “rotten egg smell”. This odor is derived from hydrogen sulfide gas dissolved in the water. The smell is the result of four factors which must all be present for the odor to develop:

a. a concentration of sulfate in the supply water.
b. little or no dissolved oxygen in the water.
c. a sulfate reducing bacteria within the water heater. (This harmless bacteria is non-toxic to humans.)
d. an excess of active hydrogen in the tank. This is caused by the corrosion protective action of the anode.

Smelly water may be eliminated or reduced in some water heater models by replacing the anode(s) with one of less active material, and then chlorinating the water heater tank and all hot water lines. Contact the local water heater supplier for further information concerning an Anode Replacement Kit #9000029 and this Chlorination Treatment.
**For Your Information (cont’d)**

**SMELLY WATER (cont’d)**

If the smelly water persists after the anode replacement and chlorination treatment, we can only suggest that continuous chlorination and filtering conditioning equipment be considered to eliminate the water problem.

Do not remove the anode leaving the tank unprotected. By doing so, all warranty on the water heater tank is voided.

**“AIR” IN HOT WATER FAUCETS**

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<td>HYDROGEN GAS: Hydrogen gas can be produced in a hot water system that has not been used for a long period of time (generally two weeks or more). Hydrogen gas is extremely flammable and explosive. To prevent the possibility of injury under these conditions, we recommend the hot water faucet be opened for several minutes at the kitchen sink before any electrical appliances which are connected to the hot water system are used (such as a dishwasher or washing machine). If hydrogen gas is present, there will probably be an unusual sound similar to air escaping through the pipe as the hot water faucet is opened. There must be no smoking or open flame near the faucet at the time it is open.</td>
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**HIGH TEMPERATURE SHUT OFF SYSTEM**

This water heater is equipped with an automatic gas shut off system. The high temperature shut off is built into the gas control valve. This system shuts off the gas supply to the water heater burners when high water temperatures are present. It is non-resettable. If the high temperature shut off activates, the gas control valve must be replaced. If this were to occur, turn “OFF” the entire gas supply to the water heater. Contact the local gas utility.

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<td>Should overheating occur or the gas supply fail to shut off, turn “OFF” the manual gas control valve to the appliance.</td>
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**NOT ENOUGH OR NO HOT WATER**

1. Check the manual gas shut off valve to be sure it is open.

2. Check the pilot flame. It may have gone out. All models have an opening behind the outer door for viewing the pilot.

3. If the pilot is not lit, follow the “Lighting” instructions in this manual or located above the gas control valve on the water heater to relight the pilot. If the water was extremely hot and is now cold, the high limit safety temperature shut off may have put out the burner and pilot. If the high temperature shut off activates, the gas control valve must be replaced.

4. The gas control knob must be turned to the “ON” position.

5. The temperature adjustment dial may be set too low. See the “Temperature Regulation” section.

6. The gas company can check the gas input to see if it is correct. An underfired water heater will not heat water as quickly.

7. Look for leaking or open hot water faucets. Make sure all are closed.

8. The cold water inlet temperature may be colder during the winter months. It will take longer to heat the water and seem like less hot water.

9. If you cannot find what is wrong, call the local gas utility and/or plumbing contractor.

**WATER IS TOO HOT**

1. The temperature adjustment dial may be set too high. See the “Temperature Regulation” section.

   **NOTE:** A period of time is necessary after an adjustment has been made for the water temperature to reach the new temperature setting.

2. If lower temperature settings will not lower the water temperature, call the local gas utility.
**Periodic Maintenance**

### Venting System Inspection

At least once a year a visual inspection should be made of the venting system. You should look for:

1. Obstructions which could cause improper venting. The combustion and ventilation air flow must not be obstructed.
2. Damage or deterioration which could cause improper venting or leakage of combustion products.
3. Rusted flakes around top of water heater.

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<td>Chemical vapor corrosion of the flue and vent system may occur if air for combustion contains certain chemical vapors. Spray can propellants, cleaning solvents, refrigerant and air conditioner refrigerants, swimming pool chemicals, calcium and sodium chloride, waxes, bleach and process chemicals are typical compounds which are potentially corrosive.</td>
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<td>If after inspection of the vent system you found sooting or deterioration, something is wrong. Call the local gas utility to correct the problem and clean or replace the flue and venting before resuming operation of the water heater.</td>
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### Burner Cleaning

In the event your burner needs cleaning, use the following instructions:

At least once a year a visual inspection should be made of the main burner and pilot burner. The drawing is for your reference.

You should check for sooting which is not normal and will impair proper combustion.

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<td>Soot build-up indicates a problem that requires correction before further use. Turn “OFF” gas to water heater and leave “OFF” until repairs are made, because failure to correct the cause of the sooting can result in a fire causing DEATH, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.</td>
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### Burner Inspection

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### Housekeeping

Vacuum around base of water heater for dust, dirt, and lint on a regular basis.

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<td>INSTALLED IN SUITABLE AREA: To insure sufficient ventilation and combustion air supply, proper clearances from the water heater must be maintained. See “Locating the New Water Heater” section. Combustible materials such as clothing, cleaning materials, or flammable liquids, etc. must not be placed against or adjacent to the water heater which can cause a fire.</td>
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Temperature-Pressure Relief Valve Operation

The temperature-pressure relief valve must be manually operated at least once a year.

Draining

The water heater should be drained if being shut down during freezing temperatures. Also periodic draining and cleaning of sediment from the tank may be necessary.

1. Turn the gas control knob to the “OFF” position.
2. CLOSE the cold water inlet valve to the water heater.
3. OPEN a nearby hot water faucet and leave open to allow for draining.
4. Connect a hose to the drain valve and terminate to an adequate drain.
5. OPEN the water heater drain valve to allow for tank draining.
   NOTE: If the water heater is going to be shut down and drained for an extended period, the drain valve should be left open with hose connected allowing water to terminate to an adequate drain.
6. Close the drain valve.
8. Follow the Lighting instructions in the “Lighting” section to restart the water heater.

Drain Valve Washer Replacement

NOTE: For replacement, use a \( \frac{17}{32} \) x \( \frac{13}{64} \) x \( \frac{1}{8} \) thick washer available at your nearest hardware store.

1. Turn “OFF” gas supply to water heater.
2. Follow “Draining” instructions.
3. Turning counter clockwise, remove the hex cap below the screw handle.
4. Remove the washer and put the new one in place.
5. Screw the handle and cap assembly back into the drain valve and retighten using a wrench. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.
7. Check for leaks.
8. Follow the lighting instructions in the “Lighting” section to restart the water heater.

Service

If a condition persists or you are uncertain about the operation of the water heater, let a qualified person check it out. Call the local utility and/or plumbing contractor.
Use this guide to check a “Leaking” water heater. Many suspected “Leakers” are not leaking tanks. Often the source of the water can be found and corrected.

If you are not thoroughly familiar with gas codes your water heater, and safety practices, contact the gas utility to check the water heater.

*Condensation may be seen on pipes in humid weather or pipe connections may be leaking.

*The primary anode rod fitting may be leaking.

Small amounts of water from temperature-pressure relief valve may be due to thermal expansion or high water pressure in your area.

*The temperature-pressure relief valve may be leaking at the tank fitting.

Water from a drain valve may be due to the valve opened slightly.

*The drain valve may be leaking at the tank fitting.

Combustion products contain water vapor which can condense on the cooler surfaces of the tank. Droplets form and drip into the fire or run on the floor. This is common at the time of startup after installation and when incoming water is cold.

Water in the water heater bottom or on the floor may be from condensation, loose connections, or the relief valve. DO NOT replace the water heater until a full inspection of all possible water sources is made and necessary corrective steps taken.

Leakage from other appliances, water lines, or ground seepage should also be checked.

*To check where threaded portion enters tank, insert cotton swab between jacket opening and fitting. If cotton is wet, follow “Draining” instructions in the “Periodic Maintenance” section and then remove fitting. Put pipe dope or teflon tape on the threads and replace. Then follow “Filling the Water Heater” instructions in the “Installing the New Water Heater” section.
Repair Parts

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*Also available at most hardware stores.

Now that you have purchased this water heater, should a need ever exist for repair parts or service, simply contact the company it was purchased from or direct from the manufacturer listed on the rating plate on the water heater.

Be sure to provide all pertinent facts when you call or visit.

Selling prices will be furnished upon request or parts will be shipped at prevailing prices and you will be billed accordingly.

The model number of your Gas Water Heater will be found on the rating plate located above the gas control valve.

WHEN ORDERING REPAIR PARTS, ALWAYS GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- MODEL NUMBER
- TYPE GAS [NATURAL OR PROPANE (L.P.)]
- SERIAL NUMBER
- PART DESCRIPTION

THIS IS A REPAIR PARTS LIST, NOT A PACKING LIST.