Acrylic Spa
Owner's Manual

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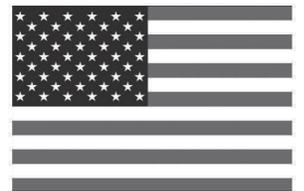
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Important Safety Instructions

READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

WARNING:

To reduce the risk of injury, do not permit children to use this product unless they are closely supervised at all times.

DANGER -- Risk of accidental drowning:

Do not allow children to be in or around a spa unless a responsible adult supervises them. Keep the spa cover on and locked when not in use. See instructions enclosed with your cover for locking procedures.

DANGER -- Risk of injury:

The suction fittings in this spa are sized to match the specific water flow created by the pump. Should the need arise to replace the suction fittings, or the pump, be sure the flow rates are compatible.

Never operate the spa if the suction fitting or filter baskets are broken or missing. Never replace a suction fitting with one that is rated less than the flow rate marked on the original suction fitting.

DANGER -- Risk of electric shock:

Install the spa at least 5 feet (1.5 meters) from all metal surfaces. As an alternative, a spa may be installed within 5 feet of metal surfaces if each metal surface is permanently bonded by a minimum #8 AWG solid copper conductor to the outside of the spa's control box.

DANGER -- Risk of electric shock:

Do not permit any external electrical appliances, such as lights, telephones, radios, televisions, and etc., within five feet (1.5 meters) of the spa. Never attempt to operate any electrical device from inside the spa.

WARNING -- To reduce the risk of injury:

The spa water should never exceed 104°F (40°C). Water temperatures between 100°F (38°C) and 104°F (40°C) are considered safe for a healthy adult. Lower water temperatures are recommended for young children and when spa use exceeds 10 minutes.

High water temperatures have a high potential for causing fetal damage during pregnancy. Women who are pregnant, or who think they are pregnant, should always check with their physician prior to spa usage.

The use of alcohol, drugs or medication before or during spa use may lead to unconsciousness, with the possibility of drowning.

Persons suffering from obesity, a medical history of heart disease, low or high blood pressure, circulatory system problems or diabetes should consult a physician before using the spa.

Persons using medications should consult a physician before using the spa since some medications may induce drowsiness while others may affect heart rate, blood pressure and circulation.

HYPERTHERMIA DANGER:

Prolonged exposure to hot air or water can induce hyperthermia. Hyperthermia occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches a level 3°F to 6°F above the normal body temperature of 98.6°F (or 2°C to 4°C above 37°C). While hyperthermia has many health benefits, it is important not to allow your body's core temperature to rise above 103°F (39.5°C).

Symptoms of excessive hyperthermia include dizziness, lethargy, drowsiness and fainting. The effects of excessive hyperthermia may include:

- Failure to perceive heat
- Failure to recognize the need to exit spa or hot tub
- Unawareness of impending hazard
- Fetal damage in pregnant women
- Physical inability to exit the spa
- Unconsciousness

WARNING: The use of alcohol, drugs, or medication can greatly increase the risk of fatal hyperthermia.

Read This First!

DANGER -- **Risk of electric shock:**

• Replace a damaged power cord immediately.

• Do not bury the power cord.

• Connect to a grounded, grounding-type receptacle only.

WARNING: People with infectious diseases should not use a spa or hot tub.

WARNING: To avoid injury, exercise care when entering or exiting the spa or hot tub.

WARNING: Do not use drugs or alcohol before or during the use of a spa or hot tub to avoid unconsciousness and possible drowning.

WARNING: Do not use a spa or hot tub immediately following strenuous exercise.

WARNING: Prolonged immersion in a spa or hot tub may be injurious to your health.

CAUTION: Maintain water chemistry in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

Preparing for Your New Portable Spa

Pre-Delivery Checklist

Most cities and counties require permits for exterior construction and electrical circuits. In addition, some communities have codes requiring residential barriers such as fencing and/or self-closing gates on property to prevent unsupervised access to the property by children. Your dealer can provide information on which permits may be required and how to obtain them prior to the delivery of your spa.

Before Delivery	
	Plan your delivery route
	Choose a suitable location for the spa
	Lay a 5 - 8 cm concrete slab
	Install dedicated electrical supply
After Delivery	
	Place spa on slab
	Connect electrical components

Planning the Best Location

Safety First

Do not place your spa within 10 feet (3 m) of overhead power lines.

Consider How You Will Use Your Spa

How you intend to use your spa will help you determine where you should position it. For example, will you use your spa for recreational or therapeutic purposes? If your spa is mainly used for family recreation, be sure to leave plenty of room around it for activity. If you will use it for relaxation and therapy, you will probably want to create a specific mood around it.

Plan for Your Environment

If you live in a region where it snows in the winter or rains frequently, place the spa near a house entry. By doing this, you will have a place to change clothes and not be uncomfortable.

Consider Your Privacy

In a cold-weather climate, bare trees won't provide much privacy. Think of your spa's surroundings during all seasons to determine your best privacy options. Consider the view of your neighbors as well when you plan the location of your spa.

Provide a View with Your Spa

Think about the direction you will be facing when sitting in your spa. Do you have a special landscaped area in your yard that you find enjoyable? Perhaps there is an area that catches a soothing breeze during the day or a lovely sunset in the evening.

Keep Your Spa Clean

In planning your spa's location, consider a location where the path to and from the house can be kept clean and free of debris.

Prevent dirt and contaminants from being tracked into your spa by placing a foot mat at the spa's entrance where the bathers can clean their feet before entering your spa.

Allow for Service Access

Make sure the spa is positioned so that access to the equipment compartment and all side panels will not be blocked.

Many people choose to install a decorative structure around their spa. If you are installing your spa with any type of structure on the outside, such as a gazebo, remember to allow access for service. It is always best to design special installations so that the spa can still be moved, or lifted off the ground.

Clearance for Service Access

While you are planning where to locate your spa, you need to determine how much access you will need for service.

All spa models require a minimum of three feet / one meter access to all sides of the spa for potential service. For this reason, the spa should never be placed in a manner where any side is permanently blocked. Examples include placing the spa against a building, structural posts or columns, or a fence.

Spa models require access to all sides in case they need service or repair. See the figure below.

If you are planning to enclose or surround your spa with a deck, make sure there is easy access for service or repair.

Spas require clearance on all sides of the spa.

3 feet / 1 meter

3 feet / 1 meter

3 feet / 1 meter

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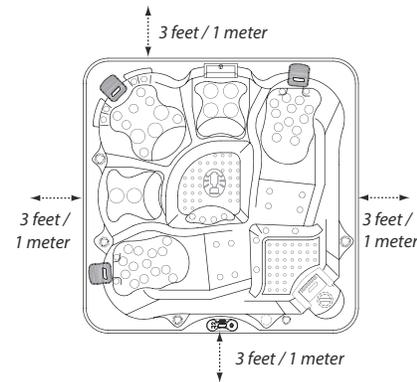
Preparing a Good Foundation

Your spa needs a solid and level foundation. The area that it sits on must be able to support the weight of the spa, with water and the occupants who use it. If the foundation is inadequate, it may shift or settle after the spa is in place, causing stress that could DAMAGE YOUR SPA SHELL AND FINISH.

Damage caused by inadequate or improper foundation support is not covered by the warranty. It is the responsibility of the spa owner to provide a proper foundation for the spa.

Place the spa on an elevated 3 to 4" / 30 cm concrete slab. Pavers, gravel, brick, sand, timbers or dirt foundations are *not* adequate to support the spa.

We strongly recommend that a qualified, licensed contractor prepare the foundation for your spa.

If you are installing the spa indoors, pay close attention to the flooring beneath it. Choose flooring that will not be damaged or stained.

If you are installing your spa on an elevated wood deck or other structure, it is highly recommended that you consult a structural engineer or contractor to ensure the structure will support the weight of 150 pounds per square foot (732 kg / m2).

To properly identify the weight of your new spa when full, remember water weighs 8.33 lbs. per gallon, or 1 kg per liter. For example, an average 8' spa holds approximately 500 gallons, or 1892 liters, of water. Using this formula, you will find that the weight of the water alone is 4,165 lbs, or 1892 kg. Combined with the dry weight of the spa you will note that this spa will weigh approximately 5,000 lbs, or 2267 kg, when full of water.

12" / 30 cm minimum distance from edge

The following electrical connections must be performed by a licensed electrical contractor. Unscrew and remove the two corner panels on each side of the spa's front door.

Remove the front door panel.

Note that the drain pipe is internal to the cabinet.

Pictured to the right is the inside of the spa behind the front door. The electrician now has access to connect the spa for power. While the front door is off, refer to page 10 for instructions on ensuring the plumbing fittings are secure (but do not be tempted to over-torque or over-tighten these fittings).
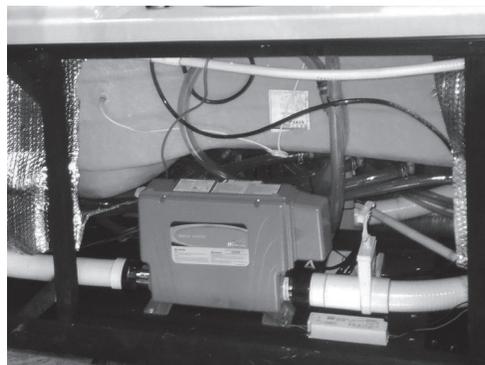
Reattach and screw panels back in. (Front door is installed first, then install the corner panels.)

Preparing for Your New Portable Spa

240 Volt Electrical Installation

All 240V spas must be permanently connected (hard wired) to the power supply. See the wiring diagram on page 7.

These instructions describe the only acceptable electrical wiring procedure. Spas wired in any other way will void your warranty and may result in serious injury.

When installed in the United States, the electrical wiring of this spa must meet the requirements of NEC 70 and any applicable local, state, and federal codes.

The electrical circuit must be installed by an electrical contractor and approved by a local building or electrical inspector.

Failure to comply with state and local codes may result in fire or personal injury and will be the sole responsibility of the spa owner.

The power supplied to the spa must be on a dedicated GFCI protected circuit as required by NEC 70 with no other appliances or lights sharing the power.

Use copper wire with THHN insulation. Do not use aluminum wire.

Use the table below and on the next page to determine your GFCI and wiring requirements.

Wires that run over 100 feet must increase wire gauge to the next lower number. For example: A normal 50 amp GFCI with four #6 AWG copper wires that run over 100 feet would require you to go to four #4 AWG copper wires.

GFCI and Wiring Requirements

One Pump Control System uses a VS300 control box and requires one 40 amp GFCI and four #8 AWG copper wires. Two Pump Control System uses a 5100 control box and requires one 50 amp GFCI and four #6 AWG copper wires.

120 Volt Electrical Installation

Always follow applicable local, state and federal codes and guidelines.

Use only a dedicated electrical line with a 15 amp breaker.

Cord-and-plug connections may not use a cord longer than 15 feet (4.6 m) and must be plugged into a dedicated 15 amp GFCI connection (NEC 680.42(A)(2)). Do not use extension cords!

Always use a weatherproof-covered receptacle.

Receptacle shall be located not less than 5 feet (1.5 m) from and not exceeding 10 feet (3.0 m) from the inside wall of the spa. (NEC 680.43(A))

Do not bury the power cord. If your cord becomes damaged, replace it before next usage.

All 120V spas must have a GFCI. This can be either a 15 amp GFCI receptacle or a 15 amp GFCI cord and plug kit as shown (CKIT110 - P/N ELE09700087).

Testing the GFCI

Test the GFCI plug prior to first use and periodically when the spa is powered.

1. Plug in the GFCI into the power outlet. The indicator should turn on.

2. Press the TEST button. The GFCI will trip, the indicator will turn off, and the spa will stop operating.

3. Press the RESET button. The GFCI will reset, the indicator will turn on again, and the spa will turn back on.

The spa is now safe to use.

If the GFCI trips while the spa is in use, press the RESET button. If the GFCI does not reset, unplug the spa and call your local Cal Spas dealer for service. DO NOT USE THE SPA!

Testing the GFCI Breaker

Test the GFCI breaker prior to first use and periodically when the spa is powered. To test the GFCI breaker follow these instructions (spa should be operating):

1. Press the TEST button on the GFCI. The GFCI will trip and the spa will shut off.

2. Reset the GFCI breaker by switching the breaker to the full OFF position, wait a moment, then turn the breaker back on. The spa should have power again.

GFCI Breaker Box

Front View of GFCI

LINE IN (BLACK)
LINE IN (RED)

ON
OFF

TEST

LOAD OUT (BLACK)
LOAD OUT (RED)

GRN (GROUND)
WHT (NEUTRAL)
RED (HOT)
BLK (HOT)

WHT
GRN (GROUND)

BLK (LOAD HOT)
RED (LOAD HOT)
WHT (LOAD NEUTRAL)
GRN (GROUND)

GFCI (Bottom View)

OFF
TEST

LOAD OUT (BLACK)
LOAD OUT (RED)

RED (HOT)
BLK (HOT)
WHT
WHT (LOAD NEUTRAL)

System Box

WHITE (NEUTRAL)
BLACK (HOT)
RED (HOT)

GROUND TERMINAL BLOCK
(ATTACHED TO OUTSIDE
OF SYSTEM BOX)

GREEN (GROUND)

CIRCUIT BOARD

House Breaker Box

ON ON ON ON ON
OFF OFF OFF OFF OFF

RED (HOT)
BLK (HOT)
WHT (NEUTRAL)
GRN

GFCI Wiring Diagram (NEO)

GFCI Breaker Box

Front View of GFCI

LINE IN (BLACK)

LINE IN (RED)

ON

OFF

TEST

LOAD OUT (BLACK)

LOAD OUT (RED)

GREEN (GROUND)

WHITE (NEUTRAL)

RED (HOT)

BLACK (HOT)

WHITE

GREEN (GROUND)

BLACK (LOAD HOT)

RED (LOAD HOT)

WHITE (LOAD NEUTRAL)

GREEN (GROUND)

GFCI (Bottom View)

OFF

TEST

LOAD OUT (BLACK)

LOAD OUT (RED)

RED (HOT)

BLACK (HOT)

WHITE

WHITE (LOAD NEUTRAL)

Spa Control Box

EGND/GRN — SH1

NEU/WHT/BLU — SH2

LINE1/BLK — SH3 LINE1

LINE2/RED — SH4 LINE2

NOT USED — LINE3/BRW

House Breaker Box

ON ON ON ON ON

OFF OFF OFF OFF OFF

RED (HOT)

BLACK (HOT)

WHITE (NEUTRAL)

GREEN (GROUND)

NEO Wiring Diagram

Instructions

- **For 120V Conversion**
  - Add jumper wire between SH3 & SH4

- **For 240V Heater Conversion**
  - Remove jumper wire betwn SH3 & SH4

50 Hz Instructions

- **For 1 phase power (TB1 - Line 1/BLK)**
  - Add jumper wire between SH3 & SH4

- **For 2 phase power (TB1 - Line 1/BLK, TB1 - Line 3/BRN)**
  - Move Blue wire from JL9 to JL1
  - Remove jumper wire between SH3 & SH4
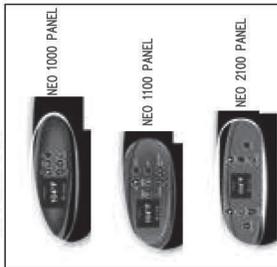
Filling and Powering Up Your Portable Spa

1. Inspect the spa equipment.
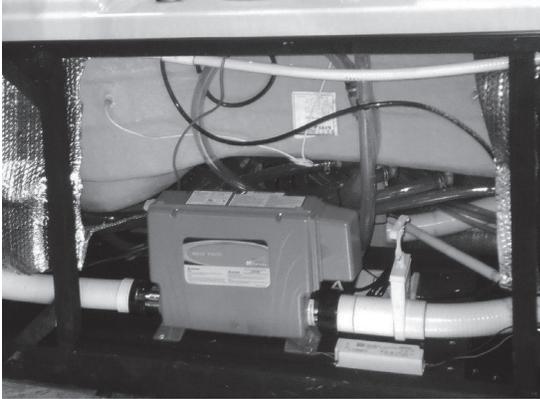
After the spa has been placed on an approved surface and has been correctly wired by a licensed electrician, inspect all plumbing connections in the equipment area of your spa. Ensure that these connections are secure and that they did not loosen during shipment.

If your spa has gate valves, make sure they are all in the UP or OPEN position. **IMPORTANT NOTE: Depending on the year and model, your particular spa may not be equipped with gate valves.**

Never run the spa with the gate valves closed or without water circulating for long periods of time. Be careful not to over-tighten the plumbing fittings.

2. Remove the cartridge from filter canister.

Unscrew the cartridge and remove it.

⚠ After you remove the filter, remove the plastic wrapper and soak it in water for 30 minutes before you replace it. A dry filter can allow air into the filtration system which can cause the pump to fail to prime. Never try to pull the filter cartridge while the spa is running in low or high speed (i.e., any speed).

3. Fill the spa.

Place a garden hose in the filter canister and fill your spa with *regular tap water* about six inches from the top.

If the water level is too low or too high, your spa will not operate properly.

⚠ Always fill the spa through the filter canister! Failure to do so may cause air to be trapped in the filtration system and prevent the pumps from operating properly.

Never fill your spa with soft water.

⚠ Soft water makes it impossible to maintain the proper water chemistry and may cause the water to foam, which will ultimately harm the finish of the spa and void your warranty.

Water level
About six inches from the top
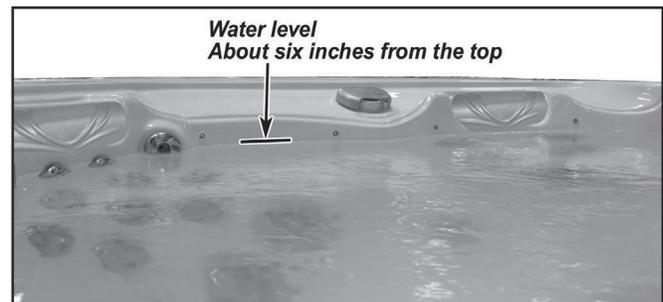
4. Turn on power to the spa.

When the spa is filled to the correct level, turn on the power at the GFCI breaker. (Ensure that the 120V spas are connected to the proper electrical outlet.)

5. Prime the pump.

For **NEO 1100.** Press the **RETURN** button on the control panel. After two minutes, the pump should prime. If it does not, follow the priming instructions on the next page. If it does, continue with the next step.

For **TP500**. Your spa will perform a self-diagnostic check and go into Priming Moe. The control panel will display either **RUN PUMPS PURG AIR** --- or **Priming Mode,** depending on which control panel you have.

Do the following:

1. Press the JETS or JETS 1 button once to start the pump in low speed.

2. Press it again to switch the pump to high speed.

3. If you have other pumps, press JETS 2 or JETS 3 to turn them on also.

Running the pumps helps the pumps prime.

After two minutes, the pump should prime. If it does not, follow the priming instructions on the next page. If it does, continue with the next step.

Starting Up: Priming Mode for Neo-Pack Systems

The system will enter the priming mode. **Priming Mode** will display on the control panel. In Priming Mode, all devices such as jets and lights are operable. Jets can be turned on and off to help prime the pump. The system will exit Priming Mode and go to the Main display when the RETURN button is pressed, or after four minutes of activity.

Exiting Priming Mode for Neo-Pack Systems

You can manually exit Priming Mode by pressing the RETURN button. Note that if you do not manually exit the priming mode, the priming mode will be automatically terminated after 4 to 5 minutes. Be sure that the pumps have been primed by this time.
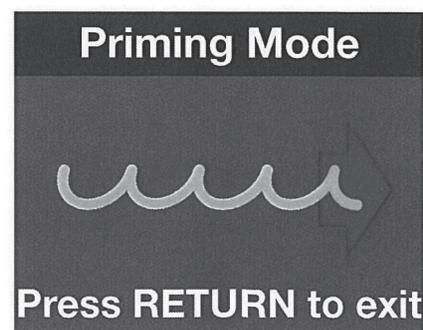
6. **Install the filter into the filter canister.**

⚠ Make sure the filter has soaked at least 30 minutes before you install it. Insert the filter all the way and screw it in. Do not over-torque the cartridge during installation, just hand tighten gently.

7. **Adjust water chemistry.**

Test and adjust the water chemistry.   See the section on page 51 for instructions on water clarity.

8. **Let the spa heat up.**

When the spa has finished priming, the heater will activate. Put the cover on and let the spa heat to the set temperature.

Priming the Pump

New spa owners often have difficulty the first time they start their spa and the pump fails to prime. This can be frustrating, but these simple instructions can help you.

Sometimes air can become trapped in the pump while filling the spa. You will know this has happened when after you have filled and started the spa, the pump does not seem to function. You will hear the pump operating, but no water will be moving.

There are two methods of priming the pump.

The first method will remove small air bubbles trapped in the pump.

1. Turn the spa on and wait for PR (Priming Mode) to appear on the topside display.

2. Press the JETS 1 button to turn on the pump and let it run for 10 seconds. The pump should be running in low speed.

3. Press the JETS 1 buttons again and let the pump run in high speed for 10 seconds.

4. Press the JETS 1 button again to turn off the pump. The pump should be left in the off position for 10 to 15 seconds.

5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 until water is flowing through all the jets and all air is removed from the plumbing.

The second method will remove a large air lock within the pump.

1. Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove the front panel from the spa and locate the pump.

2. While the spa is operating, turn the bleeder valve counter clockwise with a small pair of pliers or a flat head screwdriver until the air has been released from the pump.

3. If this is unsuccessful, loosen the white union nut on side of the pump with channel locks. When air is bled out, tighten the nut and set the pump on high speed.

⚠️ The pump will not work properly while air is trapped in it. Continuing to operate the pump in this way will cause damage.

Whenever you fill your spa, fill it through the filter canister and make sure all jets are open.

Note: If you press the **Temp** button any time during Priming Mode, it will exit that mode and begin Standard Mode.

Union Nut

Bleeder Valve
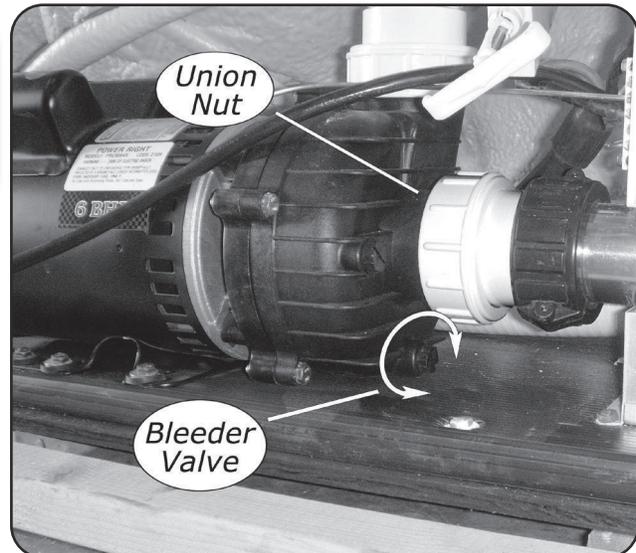
Spa Topside Control (Balboa)

For one and two-pump systems

102°F

WARM

COOL

MENU JETS I

LIGHT AUX

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Initial Start-up

When first powered up, your hot tub will perform a self-diagnostic check and go into priming mode. When the control panel displays **PR**, IMMEDIATELY do the following:

1. Press the JETS 1 button to turn on the pump and let it run for 10 seconds. The pump should be running in low speed.

2. Press the JETS 1 button again and let the pump run in high speed for 10 seconds.

3. Press the JETS 1 button again to turn off the pump. The pump should be left in the off position for 10 to 15 seconds.

4. Repeat steps 1 through 3 until water is flowing through all the jets and all air is removed from the plumbing.

When the hot tub has finished priming, the heater will be activated and the water temperature will be maintained in standard mode. The hot tub will heat to 100°F (37.5°C) at start up until the set temperature is changed as described below.

Temperature Adjustment

(Range 80°F to 104°F, 26°C to 40°C)

The electronic control panel displays the actual water temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. The displayed temperature will only be current after the pump has been running for at least two minutes.

To display the temperature that the hot tub is set to:

• Press the **Temp** button. The temperature setting will flash.

• While the display is flashing, each time you press **Temp** button, the set temperature will change up or down one degree.

• If the desired temperature is opposite of the direction each press of the button is making, release button, allow display to stop flashing and then press **Temp** button to change temperature the other direction.

Spa Topside Control (NEO)

NEO one-pump system

NEO two-pump system

MAIN SCREEN:

The main screen displays current time, water temperature, and status of the system accessories. The screen below from bottom, left to right indicates LIGHT ON, BLOWER ON, JET 1 at low speed.

PRIMING MODE:

When power is ON, the system will enter a priming mode with priming screen display on the panel. In this mode, all devices such as JETS, BLOWERS or LIGHT are operable. JETS can be turned on and off to prime the pump. System will exit priming mode and go to MAIN display when RETURN button is pushed, or after 4 minutes of inactivity.
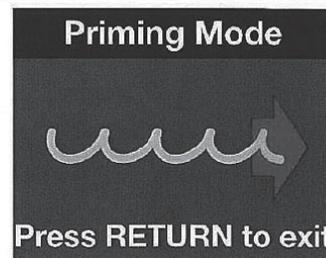
SPA OPERATION:

Turn system accessories ON and OFF by pushing appropriate button on the right side of panel (LIGHT, JET 1, BLOWER, JET 2…) These accessories have timeout defaults from the manufacturer and will turn OFF automatically after the time has expired. Timeout time for LIGHT default is 60 minutes; BLOWER default is 15 minutes; JET at low speed default is 60 minutes; and JET at high speed is 15 minutes. User can change these default times in "DEVICE TIMEOUT" setting menu.

MENU NAVIGATING:

• MENU button: use to enter setting menu and sub-menu screens. For screens with several settable fields (example: DATE-TIME screen), use MENU button to navigate between different fields within the screen.

• UP and DOWN button: use to navigate between different options or changing values of a field.

• RETURN button: use to confirm the setting and goes back to previous screen.

SETTING TEMPERATURE:

To change water set temperature, use UP and DOWN buttons to set the desired temperature. The screen will display "SET TEMP" with the current set temperature. After 5 seconds without any change to the set temperature, the screen will reverse back to MAIN screen with current water temperature display. Changing set temperature will make heat pump turn on to get accurate water temperature to determine if water needs to be heated up.

Set Temp

100°F
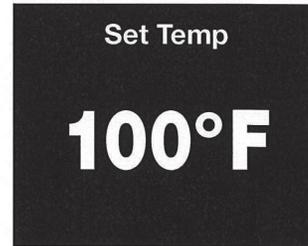
SELECTION ICONS:

1 FILTER CYCLE 1

2 FILTER CYCLE 2

3 FILTER CYCLE 3

4 FILTER CYCLE 4

LIGHT ON

HEATER ON

HEATER START-UP

E ENERGY SAVING HEAT MODE

V VACATION HEAT MODE

C CLEANER CYCLE

P POLLING CYCLE

TEMPERATURE LOCK

PANEL LOCK

OZONE ON

JET ON LOW SPEED

JET ON HIGH SPEED

BLOWER ON

SPECIAL TEMP SELECT

OPTION

PANEL TIMEOUT:

If user is in Setting Menus and no button is pushed within 15 seconds, the screen will timeout, current screen setting will be lost and panel reverts back to MAIN screen.

In MAIN screen, if no buttons is pushed within 60 minutes, all LED and LCD lights will turn off and panel goes to sleep. Any button pushed in this time will wake the panel up, LED and LCD lights will turn back on and panel will poll for water temperature.

ENTER SETTING SCREENS:

Press MENU button to display a list of set up screens.

Use UP and DOWN to navigate between various set up screens.

Press MENU again to enter a particular set up screen or press RETURN to goes back to MAIN screen.

Rotate View
Special Temp
Heat Mode
Filter Cycles
Date-Time

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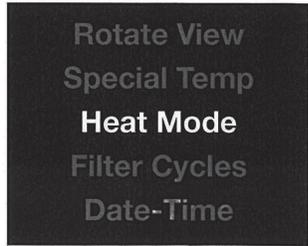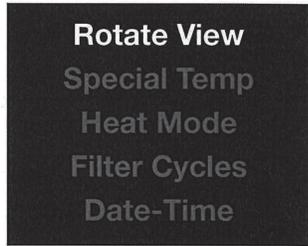
Settings Screens

- **ROTATE VIEW:** rotate the view 180 degrees, the UP and DOWN button also swap when rotated. With ROTATE VIEW highlighted press MENU to enter ROTATE VIEW setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desire setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **SPECIAL TEMP:** to temporarally heat spa to 105°F or 106°F once, and return to previous temperature setting. With SPECIAL TEMP highlighted press MENU to enter SPECIAL TEMP setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **HEAT MODE:** select STANDARD heating mode for most users or ENERGY SAVING mode (reduces polling for water temperature) or VACATION mode (set temp set to 50°F). With HEAT mode highlighted press MENU to enter HEAT mode setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **FILTER CYCLES:** set up filter cycle start time, duration and date for filtering the spa. For FILTER CYCLE 1 and 2, if duration is set to zero the system will do a purge cycle at the start time setting. With FILTER CYCLE highlight press MENU to enter FILTER CYCLE 1, 2, 3, or 4 setting. Select a FILTER CYCLE and press MENU again to enter TIME/DURATION setting screen. In this screen, press MENU to move between HOURS, MINUTES and DAYS setting; UP/DOWN to change the values and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **DATE-TIME:** set up date and time for the spa. With DATE-TIME highlighted press MENU to enter DATE-TIME setting. In this screen, pressing MENU will move and highlight various fields that can change the setting; UP/DOWN to change the values and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **DEGREE F/C**: displays spa temperature in Celsius or Fahrenheit. This option is only available for 60 Hz countries and automatically displays Celsius for 50 Hz. With DEGREE F/C highlighted press MENU to enter DEGREE F/C setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **TIME DISPLAY:** display spa time in AM/PM or 24 hours time. With TIME DISPLAY highlighted press MENU to enter TIME DISPLAY setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **DEVICES TIMEOUT:** allows changes to timeout setting for various devices. LIGHT can set to a maximum of 4 hours; PUMP in high speed and BLOWER can be set to a maximum of 1 hour; and PUMP in low speed can set to a maximum of 2 hours. With DEVICES TIMEOUT highlighted press MENU to enter and select various devices setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired time setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **PANEL LOCK:** locks all panel buttons except MENU button. With PANEL LOCK highlighted press MENU to enter PANEL LOCK setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **TEMP LOCK:** locks TEMPERATURE setting with UP/DOWN buttons. With TEMP LOCK highlighted press MENU to enter TEMP LOCK setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **SERVICE MODE:** *only available for Authorized Dealers and Spa Manufacturer.*

- **DEMO MODE:** to demonstrate all device capabilities of the spa. With DEMO MODE highlighted press MENU to enter MODE setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **GENERAL INFORMATION:** displays general information for the spa. With GENERAL INFORMATION highlighted press MENU to enter GENERAL INFORMATION menu. Use UP/DOWN to view different pages and information and RETURN to exit the page.

- **LANGUAGES:** to select various languages for the spa display. With LANGUAGES highlighted press MENU to enter and select a specific language. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **SERENITY MODE:** to turn off all outputs and provide a quiet time setting. With SERENITY MODE highlighted press MENU to enter and select a specific time. Use UP/DOWN to select the desire time setting. Press MENU again to navigate to EXIT/START. Select the desired option and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **ENERGY INTERVAL:** *only available for Non-Circ systems.* With ENERGY INTERVAL highlighted press MENU to enter ENERGY INTERVAL setting. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired minutes setting and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **SILENT TIME:** *only available for Non-Circ systems.* Set up the time for no polling. With SILENT TIME highlighted press MENU to enter SILENT TIME setting. In this screen, pressing MENU will move and highlight various fields that can change the setting; UP/DOWN to change the values and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

- **CLEANER CYCLE:** *only available for Non-Circ systems.* To turn on filtration after using the spa for short cleaning period. With CLEANER CYCLE highlight press MENU to enter and select a specific duration. Use UP/DOWN to select the desired time setting. Press Menu again to navigate to Exit/Start. Select the desired option and RETURN to exit and confirm the setting.

Error Screens

Plumbing Error

Press RETURN to clear

◄ Error caused when SENSOR 1 and SENSOR 3 have been plugged in incorrectly. Swap the SENSOR 1 and SENSOR 3 plug in controller to correct this problem.

Check SENSOR 1 connection. ►

Sensor 1 open

1

Press RETURN to clear

Insufficient Flow

Press RETURN to clear

◄ Error caused by no water flow through heater or no water in heater. Check to be sure there is enough water flow through heater.

Check SENSOR 1 connection or replace SENSOR 1. ►

Sensor 1 short

1

Press RETURN to clear

Low Flow
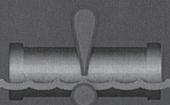
Press RETURN to clear

◄ Check to be sure there is enough water flow through heater.

Check SENSOR 2 connection. ►

Sensor 2 open

2

Press RETURN to clear

Water Overheat

110F
43C

Press RETURN to clear

◄ Wait for water temperature to cool down.

Check SENSOR 2 connection or replace SENSOR 2. ►

Sensor 2 short

2

Press RETURN to clear

Heater Overheat

118F
48C

Press RETURN to clear

◄ Wait for water temperature to cool down. Check to be sure there is enough water flow through heater.

Check SENSOR 3 connection. ►

Sensor 3 open

3

Press RETURN to clear

Potential Freeze

Press RETURN to clear

◄ Error casued when SENSOR 1, 2, or 3 detects low temperature. All JETS and BLOWERS will turn on automatically to protect plumbing from freezing. JETS and BLOWERS will shut down when all 3 SENSORS reach a desired temperature.

Check SENSOR 3 connection or replace SENSOR 3. ►

Sensor 3 short

3

Press RETURN to clear

Adjusting Date-Time and Filtration Settings

Shown below is the default topside screen. (Your temperature setting may vary according to your preferences.) In order to access and change the internal clock of your spa, first press MENU. **The color and button pattern of your topside panel may differ from those shown below. However, the functions of your buttons will be the same as shown in the directions.**

That action will take you to this screen

Use the COOL (Down arrow) to highlight the Date-Time option (which is now highlighted in white).

Press the MENU button to select the option.

Press the UP-DOWN buttons to increase or decrease the value of each highlighted field.

Press the MENU button to advance to the next field you wish to change.

Press RETURN when you have finished setting date and time to save your chosen settings.

Once the screen has reverted back to temperature, you can now adjust Filter Cycles. **NOTE: You do not necessarily have to adjust the Filter Cycles because the default factory settings give you two Filter Cycles per day automatically.** In any case, to access the Filter Cycles, press the MENU button.

This time select Filter Cycles. (Press the MENU button to access the sub-menus.)

Filter Cycles 1 and 2 are the factory-programmed defaults. These may be satisfactory for your needs, but can be customized if you wish. **If you leave the Filter Cycles option untouched, you will still have Filter Cycles 1 and 2 working for you every day.** Filter Cycles 3 and 4 can also be employed in addition to Filter Cycles 1 and 2 and these Cycles allow full customization as well.
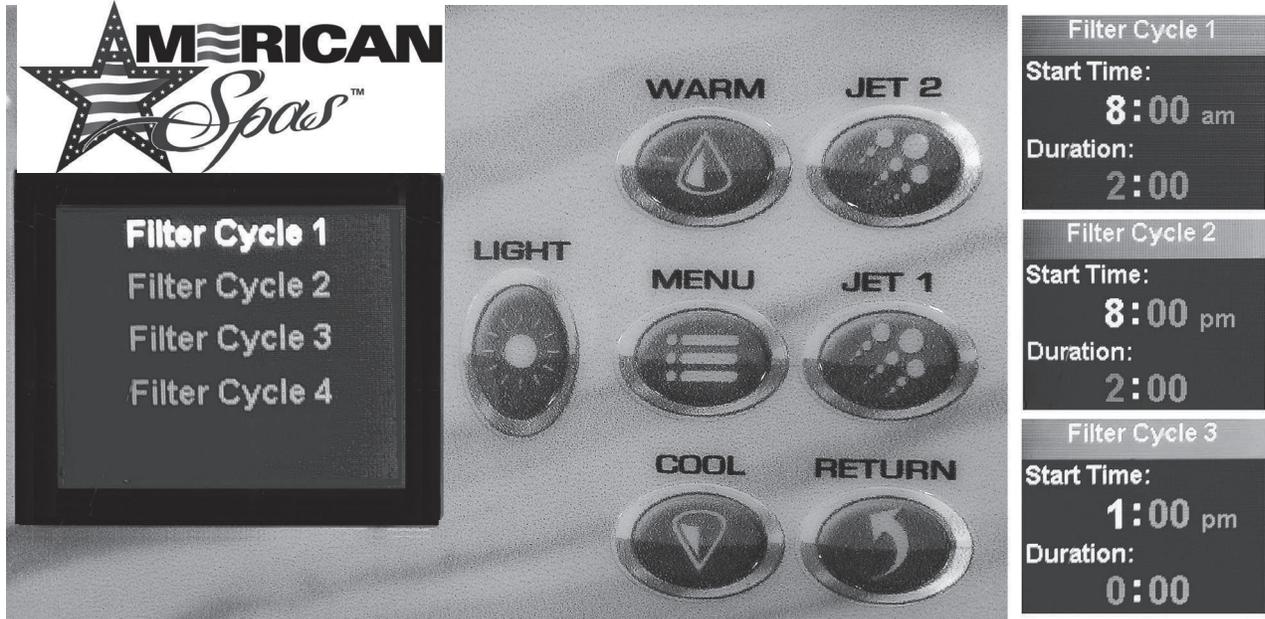
Filter Cycles 1, 2, 3 and 4 can all be adjusted in 15 minute increments. Use the MENU button to move from field to field, use the UP and DOWN arrows to make adjustments and then press RETURN once you're satisfied with your selections for all Cycles. Please note that the system will not allow you to set overlapping or contradictory Cycles.

NEO Settings for Cold Climates

It may be necessary to adjust some settings of the NEO Spa controller in cold climates. The guidance below will help to make certain you will continue to enjoy your spa despite the change in season.

Make certain:

The cover of the spa is securely fastened to the spa when the spa is not in use.

- Keeping the cover on the spa will conserve heat and energy.

The 'ENERGY INTERVAL' is set to 15 minutes:

- Press MENU
- Select 'ENERGY INTERVAL'
- Use WARM/COOL to adjust the interval to 15 minutes.
- Press RETURN to save the setting.
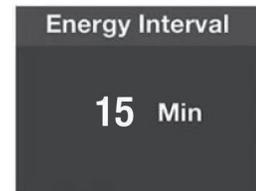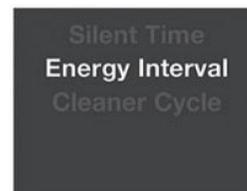
This will make certain the spa checks the temperature of the water every 15 minutes to maintain the Set Temperature.

Silent Time	Energy Interval
Energy Interval	**15** Min
Cleaner Cycle	

A video guide can be found here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3l9iOlTL-k

The system is in 'STANDARD' heat mode:

- Press MENU
- Press WARM/COOL to select 'HEAT MODE'.
- Press MENU to enter 'HEAT MODE'.
- Press WARM/COOL to select 'STANDARD'.
- Press RETURN to save the setting.

Rotate View	Heat Mode
Special Temp	• Standard
Heat Mode	Energy Saving
Filter Cycles	Vacation
Date-Time	
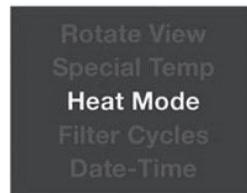
A temperature higher than 104 degrees (F) may be desired on occasion.
'SPECIAL TEMP' can be used for these instances:

- Press MENU
- Press WARM/COOL to select 'SPECIAL TEMP'.
- Press MENU to enter 'SPECIAL TEMP'.
- Press MENU to enter or RETURN to exit.
- Press WARM/COOL to select '105' or '106'.
- Press RETURN to save the setting.

Rotate View	Special Temp
Special Temp	• Off
Heat Mode	105
Filter Cycles	106
Date-Time	
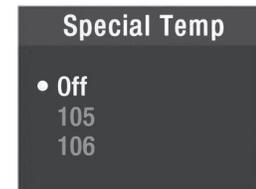
'Special Temp' will heat the spa one time to the selected temperature.
The spa will then maintain the previous 'Set Temperature'.

Operating Your Spa

TP500S Control Panel

User Guide for Standard Menu

System Model: All BP series systems
Panel Model: TP500S Series
Panel Software Version: All versions

TP500S

Display Icons

A - Heat
B - Ready Mode
C - Rest Mode
D - bba™2 On
E - WiFi (Cloud Connection)

F - Light
G - Cleanup Cycle
H - Jets 1
I - Jets 2
J - Blower
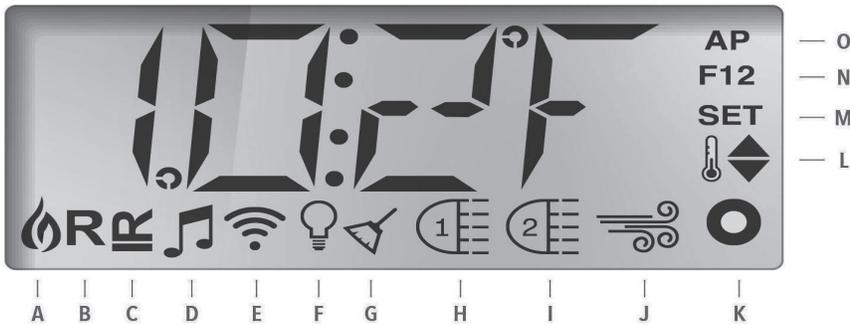
K - Auxiliary (Jets 3 or MICROSILK®)
L - Temperature Range (High / Low)
M - Set (Programming)
N - Filter Cycle (1 or 2 or Both)
O - AM or PM (Time)

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Main Menus

Navigation

Navigating the entire menu structure is done with 2 or 3 buttons on the control panel.

Some panels have separate WARM (Up) and COOL (Down) buttons, while others have a single Temperature button. In the navigation diagrams Temperature buttons are indicated by a single button icon.

Panels that have two Temperature buttons (Warm and Cool) can use both of them to simplify navigation and programming where a single Temperature icon is shown.

The MENU/SELECT Button is used to choose the various menus and navigate each section.

Typical use of the Temperature button(s) allows changing the Set Temperature while the numbers are flashing in the LCD. The menus can be exited with certain button presses. Simply waiting for a few seconds will return the panel operation to normal.

Power-up Screens

Each time the System powers up, a series of numbers is displayed.
After the startup sequence of numbers, the system will enter Priming Mode (See Page 3).

Key

■ Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
■ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
♪ A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button

●●●●● Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.

★★★★★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Main Screen
102°F
R

≡ Press Menu/Select.

TEMP SET

≡
MODE SET
R

≡
TIME   **8:57** P

≡
FLIP SET

If Time of Day is not set "SET TIME" will appear in this menu.

LOCK

≡
HOLD SET

≡
FLTR 1

≡
FLTR 2

≡

Light Cycle if enabled
LITE   **TIMR**

≡
PREF

≡
UTIL

≡
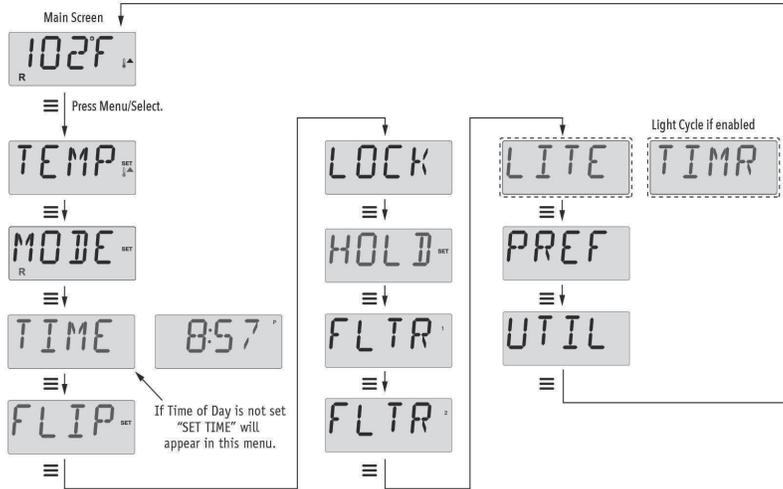
Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

Main Screen
102°F
R

Waiting a few seconds in the Main Menu
will allow the display to revert to the Main Screen.
Most changes are not saved unless Menu/Select ≡ is pressed.
Refer to key above.

Fill it up!

Preparation and Filling

Fill the spa to its correct operating level. Be sure to open all valves and jets in the plumbing system before filling to allow as much air as possible to escape from the plumbing and the control system during the filling process.

After turning the power on at the main power panel, the top-side panel display will go through specific sequences. These sequences are normal and display a variety of information regarding the configuration of the hot tub control.

Priming Mode - MO19*

This mode will last for 4-5 minutes or you can manually exit the priming mode after the pump(s) have primed.

Regardless of whether the priming mode ends automatically or you manually exit the priming mode, the system will automatically starts normal heating and filtering at the end of the priming mode. During the priming mode, the heater is disabled to allow the priming process to be completed without the possibility of energizing the heater under low-flow or no-flow conditions. Nothing comes on automatically, but the pump(s) can be energized by pushing the "Jets" or "Aux" buttons.

If the spa has a Circ Pump, it can be activated by pressing the "Light" button during Priming Mode.

Priming the Pumps

As soon as the above display appears on the panel, push the "Jets" button once to start Pump 1 in low-speed and then again to switch to high-speed. Also, push the "Jets 2" or "Aux" button, if you have a 2nd pump, to turn it on. The pumps will now be running in high-speed to facilitate priming. If the pumps have not primed after 2 minutes, and water is not flowing from the jets in the spa, do not allow the pumps to continue to run. Turn off the pumps and repeat the process. Note: Turning the power off and back on again will initiate a new pump priming session. Sometimes momentarily turning the pump off and on will help it to prime. Do not do this more than 5 times. If the pump(s) will not prime, shut off the power to the spa and call for service.

Important: A pump should not be allowed to run without priming for more than 2 minutes. Under NO circumstances should a pump be allowed to run without priming beyond the end of the 4-5 minute priming mode. Doing so may cause damage to the pump and cause the system to energize the heater and go into an overheat condition.

Exiting Priming Mode

You can manually exit Priming Mode by pressing the "Warm" or "Cool" button. Note that if you do not manually exit the priming mode as described above, the priming mode will be automatically terminated after 4-5 minutes. Be sure that the pump(s) have been primed by this time.

Once the system has exited Priming Mode, the top-side panel will momentarily display the set temperature but the display will not show the water temperature yet, as shown below.

This is because the system requires approximately 1 minute of water flowing through the heater to determine the water temperature and display it.

*MO19 is a Message Code. See Page 18.

Spa Behavior

Pumps

Press the "Jets" button once to turn pump 1 on or off, and to shift between low and high speeds if equipped.
If left running, the pump will turn off after a time-out period.

On non-circ systems, the low-speed of pump 1 runs when the blower or any other pump is on. If the spa is in Ready Mode (See page 6), Pump 1 low may also activate once in a while for at least 1 minute to detect the spa temperature (polling) and then to heat to the set temperature if needed. When the low-speed turns on automatically, it cannot be deactivated from the panel, however the high speed may be started.

Circulation Pump Modes

If the system is equipped with a circ pump, it will be configured to work in one of three different ways:

1, The circ pump operates continuously (24 hours) with the exception of turning off for 30 minutes at a time when the water temperature reaches 3°F (1.5°C) above the set temperature (most likely to happen in very hot climates).

2, The circ pump stays on continuously, regardless of water temperature.

3, A programmable circ pump will come on when the system is checking temperature (polling), during filter cycles, during freeze conditions, or when another pump or blower is on.

The specific Circulation Mode that is used has been determined by the Manufacturer and cannot be changed in the field.

Filtration and Ozone

On non-circ systems, Pump 1 low and the ozone generator will run during filtration. On circ systems, the ozone will run with the circ pump.

The system is factory-programmed with one filter cycle that will run in the evening (assuming the time-of-day is properly set) when energy rates are often lower. The filter time and duration are programmable. (See page 10)
A second filter cycle can be enabled as needed.

At the start of each filter cycle, all water devices (other than the primary pump) will run briefly to purge the plumbing to maintain good water quality. The term "water devices" includes the Blower.

Freeze Protection

If the temperature sensors within the heater detect a low enough temperature, then the pump(s) and the blower automatically activate to provide freeze protection. The pump(s) and blower will run either continuously or periodically depending on conditions.

In colder climates, an optional freeze sensor may be added to protect against freeze conditions that may not be sensed by the standard sensors. Auxiliary freeze sensor protection acts similarly except with the temperature thresholds determined by the switch. See your dealer for details.

Clean-up Cycle (optional)

When a pump or blower is turned on by a button press, a clean-up cycle begins 30 minutes after the pump or blower is turned off or times out. The pump and the ozone generator will run for 30 minutes or more, depending on the system. On some systems, you can change this setting. (See the Preferences section on page 12)

Temperature and Temp Range

Adjusting the Set Temperature

When using a panel with Up and Down buttons (Temperature buttons), pressing Up or Down will cause the temperature to flash. Pressing a temperature button again will adjust the set temperature in the direction indicated on the button. When the LCD stops flashing, the spa will heat to the new set temperature when required.

If the panel has a single temperature button, pressing the button will cause the temperature to flash. Pressing the button again will cause the temperature to change in one direction (e.g. UP). After allowing the display to stop flashing, pressing the Temperature Button will cause the temperature to flash and the next press will change the temperature in the opposite direction (e.g. DOWN).

Press-and-Hold

If a Temperature button is pressed and held when the temperature is flashing, the temperature will continue to change until the button is released. If only one temperature button is available and the limit of the Temperature Range is reached when the button is being held, the progression will reverse direction.

Dual Temperature Ranges

This system incorporates two temperature range settings with independent set temperatures. The High Range designated in the display by a thermometer and an "up" arrow, and the Low Range designated in the display by a thermometer and "down" arrow.

These ranges can be used for various reasons, with a common use being a "ready to use" setting vs. a "vacation" setting. The Ranges are chosen using the menu structure below. Each range maintains its own set temperature as programmed by the user. This way, when a range is chosen, the spa will heat to the set temperature associated with that range.

For example:

High Range might be set between 80°F and 104°F.

Low Range might be set between 50°F and 99°F.

More specific Temp Ranges may be determined by the Manufactur

Freeze Protection is active in either range.

See Ready and Rest on Page 6
for additional heating control information.

Key

▮ Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
▮ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
◡ A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button

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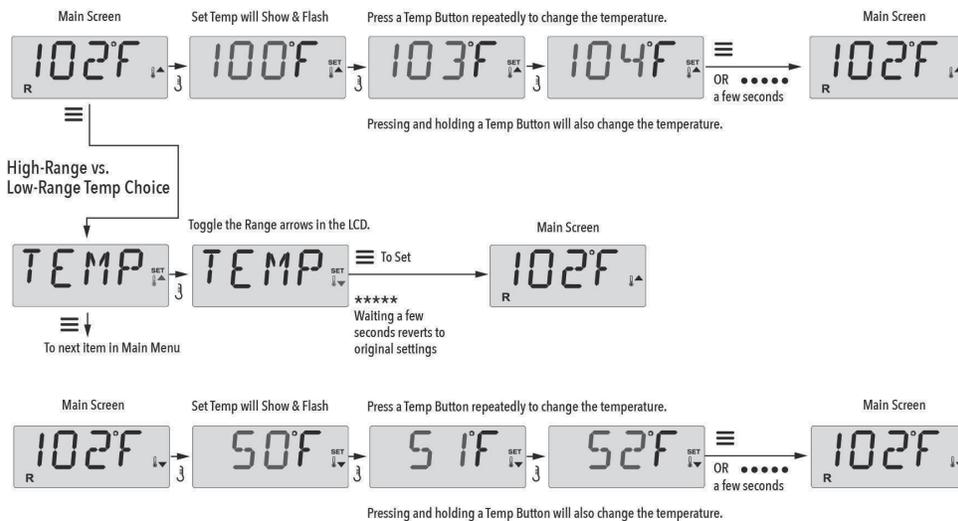
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Mode – Ready and Rest

In order for the spa to heat, a pump needs to circulate water through the heater. The pump that performs this function is known as the "primary pump."

The primary pump can be either a 2-Speed Pump 1 or a circulation pump.

If the primary pump is a 2-Speed Pump 1, Ready Mode (indicated by **R**) will circulate water periodically, using Pump 1 Low, in order to maintain a constant water temperature, heat as needed, and refresh the temperature display. This is known as "polling."

Rest Mode (indicated by **R**) will only allow heating during programmed filter cycles. Since polling does not occur, the temperature display may not show a current temperature until the primary pump has been running for a minute or two.

Circulation Mode (See Page 4, under Pumps, for other circulation modes)

If the spa is configured for 24HR circulation, the primary pump generally runs continuously. Since the primary pump is always running, the spa will maintain set temperature and heat as needed in Ready Mode, without polling.

In Rest Mode, the spa will only heat to set temperature during programmed filter times, even though the water is being filtered constantly when in Circulation Mode.

Key

Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
⅃ A temperature button, used for "Action"
☰ Menu/Select button

●●●●● Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
★★★★★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Main Screen

102°F R

☰ Press **Menu/Select** repeatedly until MODE appears in the LCD.

MODE SET R

⅃

MODE SET

☰ To Set
★★★★★
Waiting a few seconds reverts to original settings

Main Screen

102°F

☰↓ To next item in Main Menu If not toggled

Toggle between Ready (indicated by **R**) and Rest (indicated by **R**).
Pressing **Menu/Select** when the display is toggled will go to Main Screen.

Ready Mode will allow the spa to Poll and determine a need for heat. The panel will maintain a "current" temperature display.

Rest Mode will not Poll and will only heat during filter cycles. The panel will not display a current temperature at all times.

Main Screen

102°F | 1 Hour ●●●●● | **RUN** | **PUMP** | **FOR** | **TEMP** | **-- -- -- --**

The Main Screen will display RUN PUMP FOR TEMP if the primary pump has not run for over 1 hour.
The Main Screen will display normally during Filter Cycles or when the spa is in use.

If the primary pump has been off for an hour or more, when any function button, EXCEPT Light, is pressed on the panel, the pump used in conjunction with the heater will run so that temperature can be sensed and displayed.

Ready-in-Rest Mode

R R appears in the display if the spa is in Rest Mode and "Jets" is pressed. It is assumed that the spa is being used and will heat to set temperature. The primary pump will run until set temperature is reached, or 1 hour has passed. After 1 hour, the System will revert to Rest Mode. This mode can also be reset by entering the Mode Menu and changing the Mode.
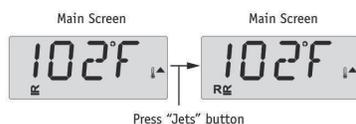
Main Screen | Main Screen

102°F → **102°F** RR

Press "Jets" button

Show and Set Time-of-Day

Be sure to set the Time-of-Day

Setting the time-of-day can be important for determining filtration times and other background features.

When in the TIME menu, SET TIME will flash on the display if no time-of-day is set in the memory.

24-hour time display can be set under the PREF menu. (See Page 12)

Key

■ Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
■ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
ʒ A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button

• • • • • Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
✶ ✶ ✶ ✶ ✶ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Main Screen

102°F
R

≡ Press Menu/Select repeatedly until TIME appears in the LCD.

TIME   **8:57** • • • • • Main Screen **102°F** R
                   A few seconds

≡ To next item in Main Menu

8:57 SET ʒ **9:57** SET ≡ **9:57** SET ʒ **9:58** SET ≡ To Set Main Screen **102°F** R
✶✶✶✶✶ Waiting a few seconds reverts to origianl settings

SET   **TIME**   **8:57**   If Time of Day is not actually programmed due to a power cycle, SET TIME will appear in the menu instead of just TIME.

Note:

This note refers to systems that do not keep track of Time-of-Day when powered down.

If power is interrupted to such a system, Time-of-Day is not stored. The system will still operate and all other user settings will be stored. If filter cycles are required to run at a particular time of day, resetting the clock will return the filter times to the actual programmed periods.

When such a system starts up, it defaults to 12:00 Noon, so another way to get filter times back to normal is to start up the spa at noon on any given day. SET TIME will still flash in the TIME Menu until the time is actually set, but since the spa started at noon, the filter cycles will run as programmed.

Flip (Invert Display)

Main Screen

102°F
R

≡ Press Menu/Select repeatedly until FLIP appears in the LCD.

FLIP SET ʒ **dI7J** SET ≡ or Main Screen **J201** R
                            a few seconds
                            • • • • •

≡ To next item in Main Menu If not toggled

Toggle the inversion of the segmented characters
Pressing Menu/Select when the display is toggled will go to Main Screen.

Bather Load

"Bather Load" is the term used to describe the number of people using a spa, combined with the length of usage, and the frequency of usage. All these factors have a great effect on the spa water. The higher the bather load, the more chemicals need to be added and a longer filtration time will be needed.

Recommendations are designed for spas with average bather load (3 to 4 people, 15 minutes of usage, three times a week at 100 degrees) If your bather load exceeds these guidelines, and you experience water quality problems, increase the amount of filtration first, (go to the next higher filtration number) then if water quality is still not adequate, consult the advice of your dealer for additional chemical or system recommendations. Be sure to give them your bather load information.

Ozonator / Optional Item

The ozone generator releases ozone into the spa water. You will still need to test for chlorine or bromine and occasionally replenish it to return the sanitizer level to the baseline. See page 53.

For spas without a circulation pump, pump 1 will run at low speed and the ozonator will run during filtration. You will need to increase your filtration to a minimum of six hours per day.

For spas with a circulation pump, the ozonator will run with the circulation pump.

The spa's control system is factory-programmed with one filter cycle that will run in the evening when energy rates are often lower. The time and duration of the filter cycle can be set according to your needs. In addition, a second filter cycle can be enabled. Filtration time may need to be increased with heavy bather load.

See instructions for setting filtration cycles on page 20.

Always make sure water diverter valves are turned all the way to the left or right and never left in the center position during filtration cycles. When the diverter valve is in the center position, there is not enough suction from the pump in order to inject ozone into the spa. The ozonator will generate ozone, but it will not be injected into the water.

Troubleshooting Water Clarity Problems

Problem	Probable Causes	Possible Solutions
Cloudy Water	Dirty filter	Clean filter and run jet pump
	Excessive oils / organic matter	Shock spa with sanitizer
	Improper sanitization	Add sanitizer
	Suspended particles / organic matter	Adjust pH and/or alkalinity to recommended range
	Overused or old water	Drain and refill the spa
Water Odor	Excessive organics in water	Shock spa with sanitizer
	Improper sanitization	Add sanitizer
	Low pH	Adjust pH to recommended range
Chlorine Odor	Chloramine level too high	Shock spa with sanitizer
	Low pH	Adjust pH to recommended range
Musty Odor	Bacteria or algae growth	Shock spa with sanitizer – if problem is visible or persistent, drain, clean and refill the spa
Organic Buildup / Scum Ring Around Spa	Buildup of oils and dirt	Wipe off scum with clean rag – if severe, drain the spa, use a spa surface and tile cleaner to remove the scum and refill the spa
Algae Growth	High pH	Shock spa with sanitizer and adjust pH
	Low sanitizer level	Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level
Eye Irritation	Low pH	Adjust pH
	Low sanitizer level	Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level
Skin Irritation / Rash	Unsanitary water	Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level
	Free chlorine level above 5 ppm	Allow free chlorine level to drop below 5 ppm before spa use
Stains	Total alkalinity and/or pH too low	Adjust total alkalinity and/or pH
	High iron or copper in source water	Use a stain and scale inhibitor
Scale	High calcium content in water – total alkalinity and pH too high	Adjust total alkalinity and pH – if scale requires removal, drain the spa, scrub off the scale, refill the spa and balance the water
		Use a stain and scale inhibitor

Operating Your Spa

Adjusting Filtration

Main Filtration

Filter cycles are set using a start time and a duration. Start time is indicated by an "A" or "P" in the bottom right corner of the display. Duration has no "A" or "P" indication. Each setting can be adjusted in 15-minute increments. The panel calculates the end time and displays it automatically.

Key

◾ Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
◾ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
🕭 A temperature button, used for "Action"
☰ Menu/Select button

• • • • • Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.
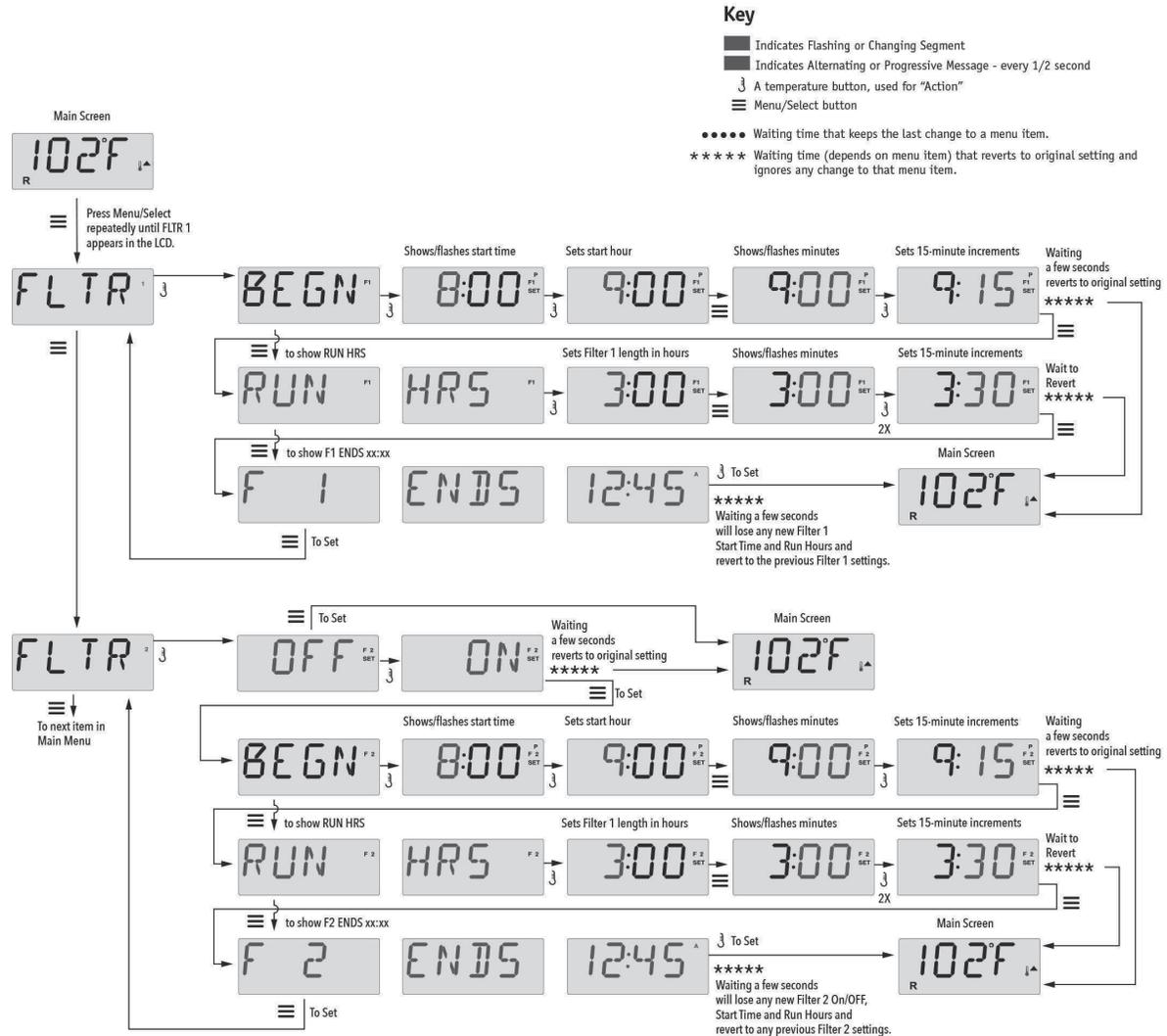
Filter Cycle 2 - Optional Filtration

Filter Cycle 2 is OFF by default.

It is possible to overlap Filter Cycle 1 and Filter Cycle 2, which will shorten overall filtration by the overlap amount.

Purge Cycles

In order to maintain sanitary conditions, secondary Pumps and/or a Blower will purge water from their respective plumbing by running briefly at the beginning of each filter cycle.

If Filter Cycle 1 is set for 24 hours, enabling Filter Cycle 2 will initiate a purge when Filter Cycle 2 is programmed to begin.

Light Timer Programming

Light Timer Option

If LITE TIMR does not appear in the Main Menu, the Light Timer feature is not enabled by the manufacturer.

When available, the Light Timer is OFF by default.
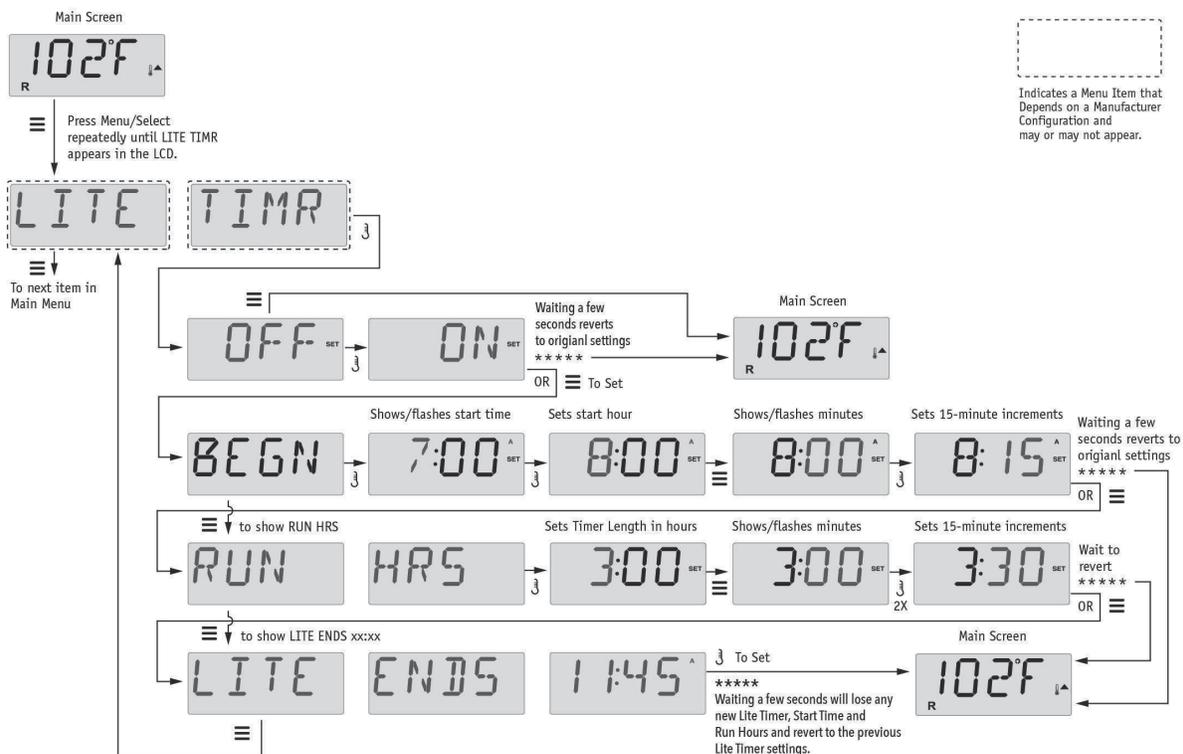
Preferences

F / C (Temp Display)

Change the temperature between Fahrenheit and Celsius.

12 / 24 (Time Display)

Change the clock between 12 hr and 24 hr display.

RE-MIN-DERS (Reminders)

Turn the display of reminder messages (like "Clean Filter") On or Off.

Note: Reminders continue to run in the background even when not displayed. So turning the display of Reminders On or Off does not reset any Reminder counts.

CLN-UP (Cleanup)

Cleanup Cycle Duration is not always enabled, so it may not appear. When it is available, set the length of time Pump 1 will run after each use. 0-4 hours are available.

M8

(This message may not appear on all systems.) On systems that have M8, it is enabled by default. It can be disabled (or re-enabled) here. M8 reduces polling intervals when the water temperature in the spa is steady.

DOL-PHIN-AD-DRES (Dolphin II and Dolphin III) Applies to RF Dolphin only. (This message may not appear depending on the configuration)

When set to 0, no addressing is used. Use this setting for a Dolphin Remote which is factory set for no address by default. When set between 1 and 7, the number is the address. (See the Dolphin manual for details.)

Preferences

Key

Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
♪ A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button

••••• Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
★★★★★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Main Screen

102°F
R

≡ Press Menu/Select repeatedly until PREF appears in the LCD.

PREF

≡↓ To next item in Main Menu (UTIL)

♪ To show first item in Preferences menu

Or •••••
wait a few seconds to return to the Main Screen

Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

Toggle °F and °C

F / C → **°F** SET → **°C** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set

PREF

≡↓ To next item in Main Menu (UTIL)

Press Menu/Select ≡ for 12-24

Toggle 12-hour clock and 24-hour clock

24·12 → **24HR** SET → **12HR** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set

Press Menu/Select ≡ for REMINDERS

♪ Toggle Yes and No

RE-- **MIN--** **DERS** → **YES** SET → **NO** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set

Press Menu/Select ≡ for CLEAN UP

♪ To view current setting and to toggle number of hours (0-4) in half hour steps.

Only if Cleanup Cycle is enabled.

CLN-- **UP** → **2.5H** SET → **3.0H** SET → **3.5H** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set

Press Menu/Select ≡ for CLEAN UP

♪ Toggle On and Off

M8 → **ON** SET → **OFF** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set

Press Menu/Select ≡ to show Address Menu for Dolphin II or Dolphin III

RF Dolphin only.

DOL-- → **PHIN** **AD--** **DRES** **-- -- --**

≡ Or ••••• a few seconds

♪ To veiw current setting and to toggle address numbers for Dolphin II or Dolphin III (0-7)

AD 0 SET → **AD 1** SET → **AD 7** SET

★★★★★ Wait to Revert
≡ To Set
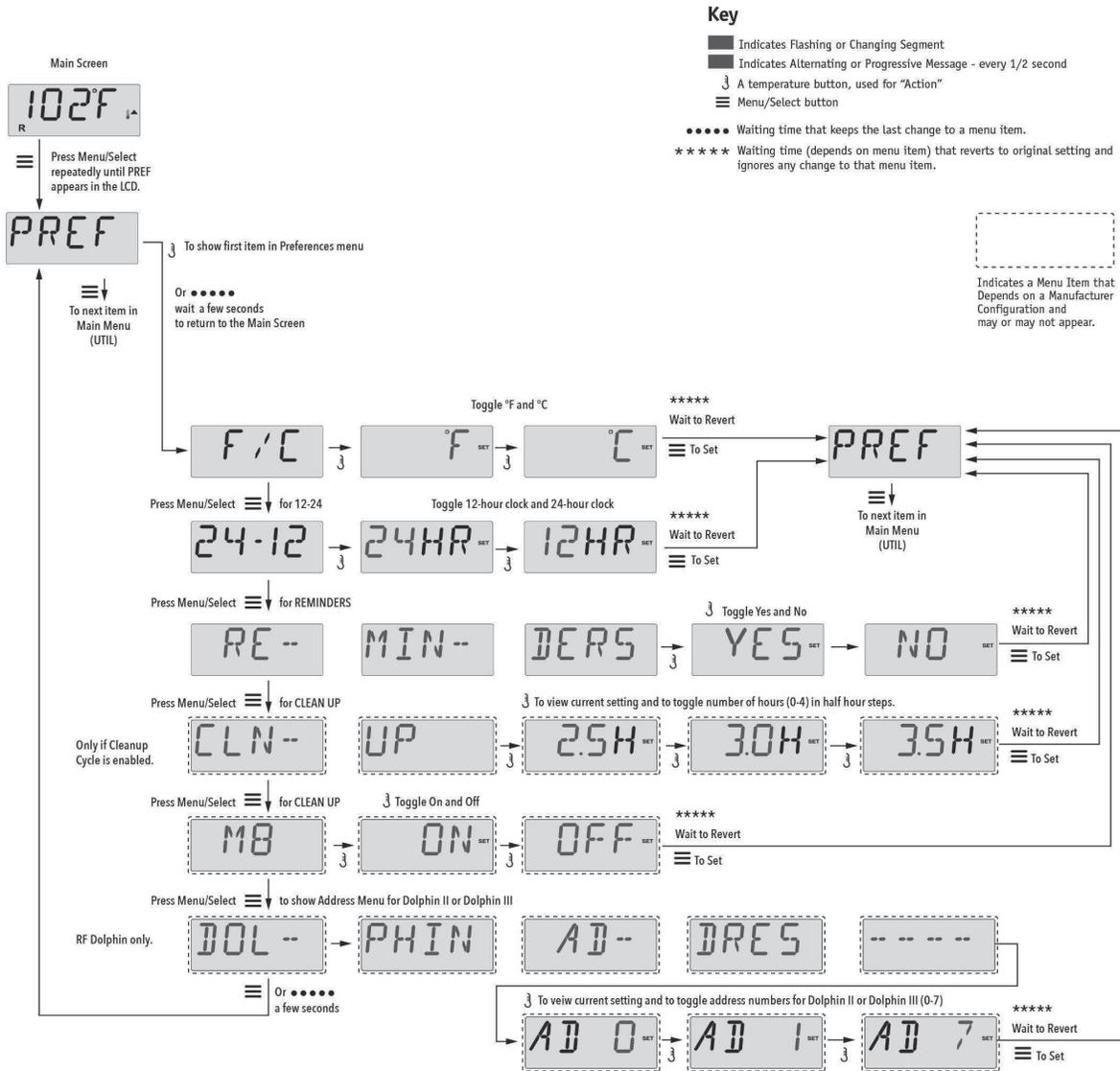
Utilities and Information

INFO (System Information sub-menu)

The System Information Menu displays various settings and identification of the particular system.

SSID (Software ID)

Displays the software ID number for the System.

MODL (System Model)

Displays the Model Number of the System.

SETP (Current Setup)

Displays the currently selected Configuration Setup Number.

Heater Voltage (Feature not used on CE rated systems.)

Displays the operating voltage configured for the heater.

Heater Wattage as Configured in Software (CE Systems Only.)

Displays a heater kilowatt rating as programmed into the control system software (1-3 or 3-6).

H _ (Heater Type)

Displays a heater type ID number.

SW _ (Dip Switch Settings)

Displays a number that represents the DIP switch positions of S1 on the main circuit board.

PANL (Panel Version)

Displays a number of the software in the topside control panel.

Additional Utilities

Utilities

In addition to INFO, The Utilities Menu contains the following:

GFCI (GFCI Test)
(Feature not available on CE rated systems.)

GFCI Test is not always enabled, so it may not appear. This screen allows the GFCI to be tested manually from the panel and can be used to reset the automatic test feature. If the GFCI Test Feature is reset, the device will trip within 7 days. (See Page 17)

A / B (A/B Sensor Temperatures)

When this is set to On, the temperature display will alternate to display temperature from Sensor A and Sensor B in the heater.

FALT LOG (Fault Log)

The Fault Log is a record of the last 24 faults that can be reviewed by a service tech.

DEMO (Demo Mode)

Demo Mode is not always enabled, so it may not appear. This is designed to operate several devices in a sequence in order to demonstrate the various features of a particular hot tub.

Utilities

Key

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■ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
ʒ A temperature button, used for "Action"
☰ Menu/Select button

••••• Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
★★★★★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

102°F R ►

☰ Press Menu/Select repeatedly until UTIL (Utilities) appears in the LCD.

UTIL ʒ → **INFO** ʒ → **SSID** ʒ → Start display of string. There is a 2 second delay on each number. **M 100** **_200** **V0.21**

☰→ ☰
To FIRST item in Main Menu (TEMP Range)

MODL ʒ → Start display of string. There is a 2 second delay on each number. **ABCD** **EFGH**

These strings will display once and return to the beginning. Press Temperature again to display the string again.

☰
SETP ʒ → **S 02**

•••••
Waiting 10 seconds will allow the screen to return to normal operation.

☰
SIG ʒ → Start display of string. There is a slight delay on each number. **1234** **0525**

☰
120V 120 or 240 VAC input power sensed by a UL system at startup. **OR** **3-6** 3-6 or 1-3 Heater Wattage as programmed. Displayed by a CE system at startup.

☰
H 0 Heater Type

☰
DIP Switch 1 – Test Mode Off (0) or On (1)
DIP Switch 2+3+4 = the number of HS pumps with heat
DIP Switch Settings **SW 16** ʒ → **0310** Store Settings (0) or Memory Reset (1)
N/A or Special Amperage Rule 1 or 2

☰
PANL ʒ → **V0.21**
☰

Only if GFCI is enabled **GFCI** ʒ → Displays GFCI Test Menu See Page 17

Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

☰
A/B° ʒ → **OFF** SET **ON** SET ☰ To Set
When set to ON, Panel will display alternate readings from Senor A and Sensor B on Main Screen

★★★★★ Waiting a few seconds reverts to original setting

☰
FALT **LOG** ʒ → Displays Fault Log See Page 18

☰
Only if DEMO Mode is enabled **DEMO** SET → **DEMO** ʒ **FOR** **0:57**

☰ Or ★★★★★ a few seconds
☰ Back to normal operation

Manufactured under one or more of these patents. U.S. Patents: 5332944, 5361215, 5550753, 5559720, 5,883,459, 6253227, 6282370, 6590188, 6976052, 6965815, 7030343, 7,417,834 b2, Canadian Patent: 2342614, Australian patent: 2373248 other patents both foreign and domestic applied for and pending.

Utilities – GFCI Test Feature

Not Available on CE Rated Systems.

A GFCI is an important safety device and is required equipment on a hot tub installation.

Your spa may be equipped with a GFCI Protection feature. (UL rated systems only.) If your spa has this feature enabled by the manufacturer, the GFCI Trip Test must occur to allow proper spa function.

Within 1 to 7 days after startup, the spa will trip the GFCI to test it. (The number of days is factory programmed.) The GFCI must be reset once it has tripped. After passing the GFCI Trip Test, any subsequent GFCI trips will indicate a ground fault or other unsafe condition and the power to the spa must be shut off until a service person can correct the problem.

Key

Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment

Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second

ʃ A temperature button, used for "Action"

≡ Menu/Select button

••••• Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.

★★★★★ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

Main Screen

102°F

Press Menu/Select repeatedly until UTIL (Utilities) appears in the LCD.

UTIL → **INFO**

To FIRST item in Main Menu (TEMP Range)

Only if GFCI is enabled

GFCI

One of these screens will appear.

ARMD

PASS

TRIP may also appear briefly under certain circumstances.

When the GFCI trips, the spa will shut down. After the breaker is reset, PASS will appear in this menu and the spa will operate normally.

The GFCI will be tripped at a random interval.

If the GFCI does NOT trip, GFCI FAIL (see page 22) will appear and Spa will not operate.

TRIP → **TRIP** SET → **TRIP**

Only appears if a GFCI test has been passed.

RSET

★★★★★ Or wait to revert

ARM SET

★★★★★ Or wait to revert

★★★★★ Or wait to revert

To next item in Info Menu (A/B°)

★★★★★ Waiting a few seconds inside the GFCI Menu will allow the screen to return to normal operation.

Forcing the GFCI Trip Test

The installer can cause the GFCI Trip Test to occur sooner by initiating it using the above menu.

The GFCI should trip within a few seconds and the spa should shut down. If it does not, shut down the power and manually verify that a GFCI breaker is installed and that the circuit and spa are wired correctly. Verify the function of the GFCI with its own test button. Restore power to the spa and repeat the GFCI Trip Test.

Once the GFCI is tripped by the test, reset the GFCI and the spa will operate normally from that point. You can verify a successful test by navigating to the above menu. PASS should appear after a temp button is pressed from the GFCI screen.

The end-user must be trained to expect this one-time test to occur and how to properly reset the GFCI.

Warning:

If freezing conditions exist, a GFCI should be reset immediately or spa damage could result. The end user should always be trained to test and reset the GFCI on a regular basis.

Operating your spa

Utilities – Fault Log

A Little History can tell a lot

The Fault Log stores up to 24 events in memory and they can be reviewed under the Fault Log Menu.

Each event captures a Fault Message Code, how many days have passed since the fault, Time of the fault, Set Temperature during the fault, and Sensor A and B temperatures during the fault.

Key

- Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
- Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
- ♪ A temperature button, used for "Action"
- ≡ Menu/Select button
- ●●●●● Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
- ＊＊＊＊＊ Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

102°F R

Press Press Menu/Select repeatedly until UTIL (Utilities) appears in the LCD.

UTIL ♪   **INFO**

To FIRST item in Main Menu (TEMP Range)

Press Press Menu/Select repeatedly until FALT LOG appears in the LCD.

FALT   **LOG**   **FT24 R**   M: Message Code   **MXXX R**

Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

DEMO SET   Only if DEMO Mode is enabled

FT23 R   M: ♪   D: Days Ago ♪   **DZZZ R**

24 Fault messages is the maximum. Fewer messages may be displayed.

Time ♪   **12:32 R**

FT02 R   M: ♪   Set Temperature ♪   **103°F**

FT01 R   M: ♪   Sensor A Temp ♪   **102°A**

The Fault Log is also available from the Test Menu (in Test Mode).

Sensor B Temp ♪   **105°B** ♪

＊＊＊＊＊
Waiting a few seconds inside the Fault Log Menu will allow the screen to return to normal operation.

See following pages for various Message Codes and definitions.

General Messages

| RUN | PMPS | PURG | AIR | -- -- -- -- |
| R | R | R | R | R |

Priming Mode – MO19

Each time the spa is powered up, it will enter Priming Mode. The purpose of Priming Mode is to allow the user to run each pump and manually verify that the pumps are primed (air is purged) and water is flowing. This typically requires observing the output of each pump separately, and is generally not possible in normal operation. Priming Mode lasts 4 minutes, but you can exit it earlier by pressing any Temp button. The heater is not allowed to run during Priming Mode.

NOTE: If your spa has a Circ Pump, it will turn on with "Light" in Priming Mode. The Circ Pump will run by itself when Priming Mode is exited.

| -- -- --°F | -- -- --°C |
| R | R |

Water Temperature is Unknown

After the pump has been running for 1 minute, the temperature will be displayed.

| 42°F | TOO | COLD |
| R | R | R |

Too Cold - Freeze Protection

A potential freeze condition has been detected, or the Aux Freeze Switch has closed, and all pumps and blower are activated, either one at a time, or all at once, depending on how your system was built. All pumps and blower are ON for at least 4 minutes after the potential freeze condition has ended, or when the aux freeze switch opens.

In some cases, pumps may turn on and off and the heater may operate during Freeze Protection.

This is an operational message, not an error indication.

| WATR | TOO | HOT | -- -- -- -- |
| R | R | R | R |

Water is too Hot (OHS) – MO29

One of the water temp sensors has detected spa water temp 110°F (43.3°C) and spa functions are disabled. System will auto reset when the spa water temp is below 108°F (42.2°C). Check for extended pump operation or high ambient temp.

| J29 |
| R |

J29 Warning – MO44

J29 is typically used as a Heater Disable input. As such, it should not typically be shorted at power-up. This message appears if J29 is shorted at power-up.

M0XX numbers are Message Codes. See Page 18.

* This message can be reset from the topside panel with any button press.

Heater-Related Messages

`HTR` `FLOW` `LOSS` `-- -- -- --`

Heater Flow is Reduced (HFL) – MO16

There may not be enough water flow through the heater to carry the heat away from the heating element. Heater start up will begin again after about 1 min. See "Flow Related Checks" below.

`HTR` `FLOW` `FAIL` `-- -- -- --`

Heater Flow is Reduced (LF)* – MO17

There is not enough water flow through the heater to carry the heat away from the heating element and the heater has been disabled. See "Flow Related Checks" below. After the problem has been resolved, you must press any button to reset and begin heater start up.

`HTR` `MAY` `BE` `DRY` `-- -- -- --` `WAIT` `-- -- -- --`

Heater may be Dry (dr)* – MO28

Possible dry heater, or not enough water in the heater to start it. The spa is shut down for 15 min. Press any button to reset the heater start-up. See "Flow Related Checks" below.

`HTR` `DRY` `-- -- -- --`

Heater is Dry* – MO27

There is not enough water in the heater to start it. The spa is shut down. After the problem has been resolved, you must press any button to reset and restart heater start up. See "Flow Related Checks" below.

`HTR` `TOO` `HOT` `-- -- -- --`
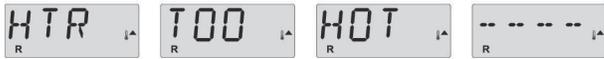
Heater is too Hot (OHH)* – MO30

One of the water temp sensors has detected 118°f (47.8°C) in the heater and the spa is shut down. You must press any button to reset when water is below 108°f (42.2°C). See "Flow Related Checks" below.

`PRES` `BTTN` `TO` `RSET` `-- -- -- --`

A Reset Message may Appear with other Messages.

Some errors may require power to be removed and restored.

Flow-Related Checks

Check for low water level, suction flow restrictions, closed valves, trapped air, too many closed jets and pump prime.

On some systems even when spa is shut down, some equipment may occasionally turn on to continue monitoring temperature or if freeze protection is needed.

* This message can be reset from the topside panel with any button press.

Sensor-Related Messages

`102°F` `SNSR` `BAL -` `ANCE`

Sensor Balance is Poor – MO15

The temperature sensors MAY be out of sync by or 3°F. Call for Service.

`SNSR` `SYNC` `-- -- --` `CALL` `FOR` `SRVC` `-- -- --`

Sensor Balance is Poor* – MO26

The temperature sensors ARE out of sync. The Sensor Balance is Poor fault has been established for at least 1 hour.
Call for Service.

`SNSR` `A` `-- -- --` `CALL` `FOR` `SRVC` `-- -- --`

`B`

Sensor Failure – Sensor A: MO31, Sensor B: MO32

A temperature sensor or sensor circuit has failed. Call for Service.

Miscellaneous Messages

`NO` `COMM`

No Communications

The control panel is not receiving communication from the System. Call for Service.

`BETA` `VER-` `SION` `-- -- --`

Pre-Production Software

The Control System is operating with test software. Call for Service.

`102°T`

°F or °C is replaced by °T

The Control System is in Test Mode. Call for Service.

* This message can be reset from the topside panel with any button press.

System-Related Messages

`STUK` `PUMP` `-- -- --`

A Pump Appears to be Stuck ON – MO34

Water may be overheated. POWER DOWN THE SPA. DO NOT ENTER THE WATER. Contact your dealer or service organization.

`HOT` `FALT` `-- -- --` `CALL` `FOR` `SRVC` `-- -- --`

A Pump Appears to have been Stuck ON when spa was last powered - MO35

POWER DOWN THE SPA. DO NOT ENTER THE WATER.
Contact your dealer or service organization.

`WATR` `LEVL`

The water level is too low

Some systems have a water level detect, and this message appears if it detects that the water level is too low.

* This message can be reset from the topside panel with any button press.

Restricting Operation

The control can be restricted to prevent unwanted use or temperature adjustments.

Locking the panel prevents the controller from being used, but all automatic functions are still active.

Locking the Temperature allows Jets and other features to be used, but the Set Temperature and other programmed settings cannot be adjusted.

Temperature Lock allows access to a reduced selection of menu items.
These include Set Temperature, FLIP, LOCK, UTIL, INFO and FALT LOG.

Main Screen

102°F

Press Menu/Select repeatedly until LOCK appears in the LCD.

Key

▮ Indicates Flashing or Changing Segment
▮ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
𝔧 A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button
••••• Waiting time that keeps the last change to a menu item.
***** Waiting time (depends on menu item) that reverts to original setting and ignores any change to that menu item.

Locks Temp. and Settings.   Locks all function buttons.

LOCK SET → TEMP SET → PANL SET ≡

To next item in Main Menu

••••• A few seconds

OFF SET ↔ ON SET ≡ To Set

***** Waiting a few seconds reverts to origianl settings

Main Screen

102°F

Panel Locked

Main Screen

102°F   Any Button Press → LOCK   A Few Seconds •••••   Main Screen 102°F

LOCK will remain on the display for 3 seconds and then revert to the normal display.

Temperature Locked

Main Screen

102°F → 100°F → LOCK   A Few Seconds •••••   Main Screen 102°F

When the Temperature is locked, the panel will display the Set Temperature by pressing a Temperature Button, as usual.
LOCK will appear if an attempt to reset the temperature is made with a subsequent button press.
Adjustable settings in the menus are also locked.
Other function buttons will operate normally.

Unlocking

This Unlock sequence may be used from any screen that may be displayed on a restricted panel.

𝔧 While pressing and holding the Temperature Button (or UP button, if available),
≡ ≡ Slowly press and release the Menu/Select button two times.

→ UNLK   A Few Seconds •••••   Main Screen 102°F
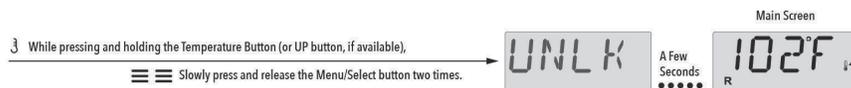
NOTE: If the panel has both an UP and a Down button, the ONLY button that will work in the Unlock Sequence is the UP button.

The temperature will not Unlock if the Unlock sequence is done while the panel is displaying "LOCK".

Hold (Standby)

Hold Mode –MO37*

Hold Mode is used to disable the pumps during service functions like cleaning or replacing the filter. Hold Mode will last for 1 hour unless the mode is exited manually.

Drain Mode

Some spas have a special feature that allows a pump to be employed when draining the water.
When available, this feature is a component of Hold Mode.
Drain Mode will time out with Hold Mode.

Key

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▬ Indicates Alternating or Progressive Message - every 1/2 second
ʓ A temperature button, used for "Action"
≡ Menu/Select button

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Indicates a Menu Item that Depends on a Manufacturer Configuration and may or may not appear.

Main Screen

`102°F` R

≡ Press Menu/Select repeatedly until HOLD appears in the LCD.

`HOL D` SET   A few seconds •••••

Main Screen

`102°F` R

≡ To next item in Main Menu   ʓ

`HOL D`   `ING`   `FOR`   `0:57`

Some spas will allow PUMP ING OUT (Drain Mode) with "Jets" button

≡ or ʓ

Press "Jets" Button for Pump Out/Drain, only if Drain Mode is enabled.

"Jets" will toggle pump on and off.

`PUMP`   `ING`   `OUT`   `FOR`   `0:57`

`DONE`   ≡ or a few seconds •••••

Main Screen

`102°F` R
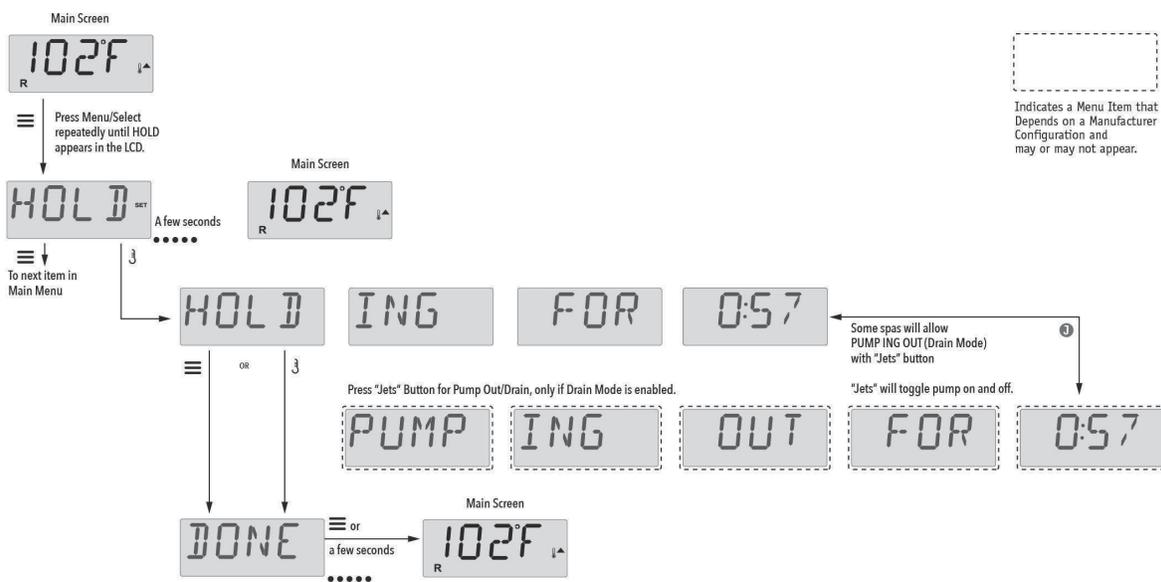
M037 is a Message Code. See Page 48

Jets

Almost all of the jets in your spa are adjustable. Rotating the face of an adjustable jet to the left (counter-clockwise) will decrease the amount of water flow through the jet. Rotating the face of an adjustable jet to the right (clockwise) will increase the amount of water flow through the jet. (See example shown below.)

Neck jets adjust in the opposite directions (counter-clockwise to increase, clockwise to decrease).

Water Diverters

Water diverter knobs are 1" and 2" knobs located around the top of your spa. They allow you to divert water through jets from one side of the spa to the other, or from floor jets to wall jets. This is accomplished by rotating the knob to the left or right to increase or decrease the flow of water through the jets.
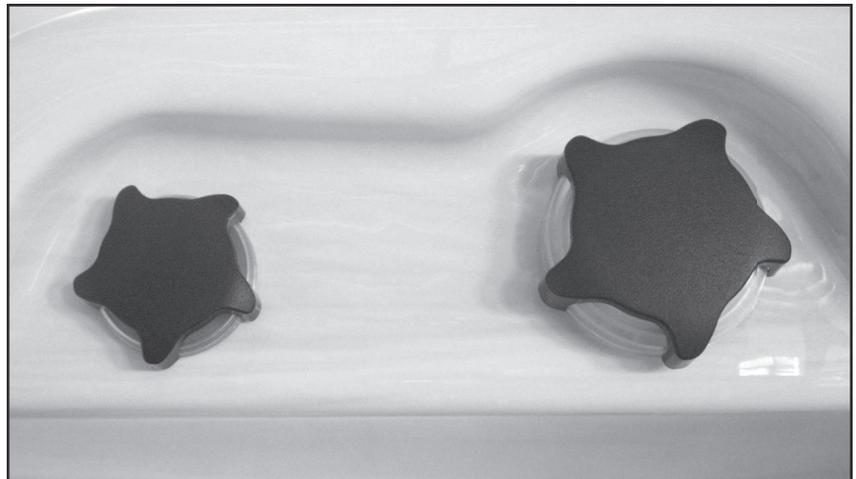
Air Control

The air controls is the 1" knob located around the top of your spa. The air control will let you add a mixture of air with the jet pressure. This is accomplished by rotating the knob to the left or right to increase or decrease the amount of airflow through the jets.

Waterfall / Optional Feature

Some spa series include a waterfall. When the booster pump is on, rotate the knob on top to adjust the force of the cascade waterfall as shown here or use the knob to turn off the waterfall completely.

Hydro Streamer Waterfall / Optional Feature

Your spa may include two to eight streamer waterfalls. When the booster pump is on, turn the 1" diverter knob to adjust the rate of flow to the waterfall jets.

The waterfall jet faces are not adjustable. Do not turn the jet faces because you may accidentally remove them.

Always shut off water to the hydro streamer jets before you place the cover on the spa. Water from the hydro streamer jets sprays in an arc that is higher than the top surface of the spa. When water from the hydro streamer sprays the bottom of the cover, it will collect and run to the edge of the spa and drip over the top.
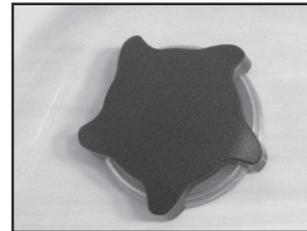
Cover Latches

When your hot tub is not in use, make sure you place the cover on top and latch it securely. Besides protecting your hot tub from sun damage and keeping out contaminants, it will prevent small children from drowning in the hot tub.

Your cover will have four clips attached to the ends of the four latches, two on each end of the hot tub cover. There will also be a small bag with eight wood screws.

After you place the cover on the hot tub, attach the clips to the side of the hot tub using the wood screws.

Clear Water Plan

This section is intended for new spa owners with no experience with water chemistry. Everyone's experience with maintaining water quality is different, but there are some general concepts you need to know.

Water maintenance is not difficult, although it requires regular attention. The most important thing to understand about taking care of your spa water is that preventive action is much easier than correcting water quality issues.

Contents of this section:

Testing and Adjusting Spa Water
Sanitation
Filtration
Bather Load
Starting the Spa with Fresh Water
Maintenance Schedule
Troubleshooting Water Clarity Problems

The Key to Clear Water

Excellent water quality is a simple matter of four things:

Regularity

Clear water requires regular maintenance. Establish a routine based on a regular schedule for your spa water maintenance.

Maintaining your water quality helps the enjoyment of your spa and extends your spa's life by preventing damage from neglect and chemical abuse.

See page 55 for the schedule of recommended maintenance.

Filtration

Cleaning your filter regularly is the easiest and most effective single thing you can do to keep your water clear.

A clogged or dirty filter will cause the heater and pump to work harder than they need to, possibly causing them to fail.

The spa's heating system will only function with the proper amount of water flow through the system.

See page 54 for filter cleaning instructions.

Sanitation

Sanitizers kill bacteria and viruses and keep the water clean. A low sanitizer level will allow microbes to grow quickly in the spa water.

We recommend using either chlorine or bromine as your sanitizer.

See page 53 to learn how to use sanitizer.

Chemical Balance

You will need to test and adjust the chemical balance of your spa water. Although this is not difficult, it needs to be done regularly.

Depending on your choice of sanitizer, you need to test the level of calcium hardness, total alkalinity, and pH.

See page 52 to learn how to balance your spa water.

Testing and Adjusting Spa Water

You have two types of testing methods to choose from:

- **The reagent test kit** is a method which provides a high level of accuracy. It is available in either liquid or tablet form.

- **Test strips** are a convenient testing method commonly used by spa owners.

Balancing the Total Alkalinity

Total alkalinity (TA) is the measure of the total levels of carbonates, bicarbonates, hydroxides, and other alkaline substances in the water. TA can be considered a "pH buffer". It is the measure of the ability of the water to resist changes in pH level.

The recommended total alkalinity is 80 - 120 ppm.

If the TA is too low, the pH level will fluctuate widely from high to low. Low TA can be corrected by adding an alkalinity increaser.

If the TA is too high, the pH level will tend to be too high and may be difficult to bring down. High TA can be corrected by adding an alkalinity decreaser.

When the TA is balanced, it normally remains stable, although adding water with high or low alkalinity will raise or lower the TA level.

Balancing the Calcium Hardness

Calcium hardness (CH) is a measure of the total amount of dissolved calcium in the water. Calcium helps control the corrosive nature of the spa's water and is why soft water is not recommended. The low calcium content of soft water is very corrosive to the equipment and can cause staining of the spa shell.

The recommended calcium hardness is 150 - 200 ppm.

If the CH is too low, add a calcium hardness increaser.

If the CH is too high, dilute the spa water with soft water.

When the CH is balanced, it normally remains stable, although adding soft water or very hard water will raise or lower the CH level.

Balancing the pH

The pH level is the measure of the balance between acidity and alkalinity.

If the pH is too low, it can cause corrosion of metal fixtures and the heating element. Low pH can be corrected by adding a pH increaser.

If the pH is too high, it can cause scaling by allowing metals or minerals to form deposits and stain spa surfaces. High pH can be corrected by adding a pH decreaser.

Ideal Water Chemistry

Testing For:	Ideal Range (ppm)	
	Minimum	Maximum
Total Alkalinity	80	120
Calcium Hardness	150	200
pH	7.2	7.6

Sanitation

Sanitizers kill bacteria and other organic waste by breaking them down to non-harmful levels and are filtered out. Before you fill your spa, you need to decide which chemical sanitizer you wish to use. Consult your Cal Spas dealer for the right decision with regards to your lifestyle and spa usage.

We recommend either **bromine** or **chlorine** as your sanitizer. Both work well when maintained regularly.

DO NOT use trichlor. Trichlor is very acidic and the hot temperature of the spa causes it to dissolve too quickly. It will cause damage to your spa and will void your warranty.

⚠ Whichever plan you decide on, follow it completely and don't take shortcuts. It will provide you with clean, safe, clear spa water with a minimum of effort. Spa owners with an ozonator still need to use a chemical sanitizer. See page 32 for a description of how the ozonator works.

Using Chlorine as a Sanitizer

If you choose to use chlorine as a sanitizer, only use granulated chlorine, not liquid chlorine.

Once a week, check the chlorine level using either a test strip or a reagent kit. See the table on the following page for the ideal range.

Add one or two tablespoons granulated chlorine to the spa water weekly. Note that chlorine dissipation rate will be faster at higher water temperatures and slower at lower temperatures.

When you add chlorine, open all of the jets and run the spa at high speed with the cover open for at least 30 minutes.

Follow the maintenance schedule on page 55.

Shocking the Water

In addition to using a chemical sanitizer, you will periodically need to shock the water. Shocking the water helps remove burned-out chemicals, bacteria, and other organic material from your spa's water and improves your sanitizer's effectiveness.

Do not use chlorinating shock, which will damage your spa's jets and pump seals. Only use an oxidizer shock. It can be used with either chlorine or bromine sanitizers.

Add one ounce of oxidizer shock once a week, after heavy bather loads, or if water has a strong odor.

Spa must be running with all of the jets on high for 30 minutes with the cover open. If necessary, repeat oxidizer shock in 30 minute intervals.

Using Bromine as a Sanitizer

Bromine is a very effective sanitizer that produces low chemical odors. Unlike chlorine, it can break down bacteria and other impurities to a safe level with a low burn-out rate.

Use granulated sodium bromide to establish your bromine base.

When you begin with fresh water, add 2 ounces of granulated bromide. Open all of the jets and run the spa at high speed with the cover open for at least 30 minutes.

Follow the maintenance schedule on page 55.

Testing For:	Ideal Range (ppm)	
	Minimum	Maximum
Chlorine level		
Without ozonator	3.0	5.0
With ozonator	2.0	4.0
Bromine level		
Without ozonator	6.7	11.0
With ozonator	5.7	10.0

Bather Load

"Bather Load" is the term used to describe the number of people using a spa, combined with the length of usage, and the frequency of usage. All these factors have a great effect on the spa water. The higher the bather load, the more chemicals need to be added and a longer filtration time will be needed.

Recommendations are designed for spas with average bather load (3 to 4 people, 15 minutes of usage, three times a week at 100 degrees) If your bather load exceeds these guidelines, and you experience water quality problems, increase the amount of filtration first, (go to the next higher filtration number) then if water quality is still not adequate, consult the advice of your Cal Spas dealer for additional chemical or system recommendations. Be sure to give them your bather load information.

Filter Cleaning

The filter is the part of your spa that removes the debris from the water and needs to be cleaned on a regular basis to maximize your spa's filtering performance and heating efficiency.

In addition to spraying off the filter weekly to remove surface debris, your filter should be deep cleaned periodically to dissolve scale and particles that get lodged deep within the filter fibers and impede the filtration process. Even if the filter looks clean, scale and particles can clog the fibers and prevent water from flowing through the filter resulting in the most common spa problem—no heat, caused by a dirty filter.

We recommend you clean your filter once a month and replace it once a year or as necessary.

It is extremely important that you never run the spa without a filter. There is a possibility that debris may be sucked into the plumbing through the filter well.

Set the spa to SERENITY MODE before you remove the filter. SERENITY MODE pauses all spa operations for service functions like cleaning or replacing the filter. See page 18 for instructions on using SERENITY MODE.

Cleaning the filter

1. Remove the filter by unscrewing it and pulling it up and out.

2. Place the dirty filter into a bucket of water deep enough to cover the filter. Add 8 oz of liquid filter cleaner to the bucket of water.

   Note: It is a good idea to keep a spare filter to use in the spa while the dirty filter is being deep cleaned. This way, you can rotate the filters and both will last longer.

3. Soak the filter for a minimum of 24 hours.

4. Spray the filter with a water hose. Spray each pleat carefully.

5. Reinstall the filter. Do not overtighten.

Ozonator

The ozone generator releases ozone into the spa water. You will still need to test for chlorine or bromine and occasionally replenish it to return the sanitizer level to the baseline.

For spas without a circulation pump, pump 1 will run at low speed and the ozonator will run during filtration.

For spas with a circulation pump, the ozonator will run with the circulation pump.

The spa's control system is factory-programmed with one filter cycle that will run in the evening when energy rates are often lower. The time and duration of the filter cycle can be set according to your needs. In addition, a second filter cycle can be enabled. Filtration time may need to be increased with heavy bather load.

See instructions for setting filtration cycles on page 23.

Maintenance Schedule

Each time you refill the spa	Follow the section "Filling and Powering Up Your Portable Spa" on page 10**.**
Prior to each use	Test the spa water using either test strips a reagent test kit. Adjust chemical levels as necessary.
Once a week	Test the spa water using either test strips a reagent test kit. Adjust chemical levels as necessary. If your water source is high in calcium, add stain and scale preventer.
Once a month	Deep clean your spa's filter. (Follow filter cleaning instruction at beginning of this section)
Every two to four months	Change the spa water. How often you change the water depends on how much you use the spa. When you change the water, you will need to: • Clean and polish the acrylic surface (see page 59) • Clean and treat the spa cover and pillows (see page 59) • **Deep clean the filter (see page 54)** • Refill your spa (see page 10)
Once a year	Replace filter cartridges if the pleats appear frayed.

Troubleshooting Water Clarity Problems

Problem	Probable Causes	Possible Solutions
Cloudy Water	• Dirty filter • Excessive oils / organic matter • Improper sanitization • Suspended particles / organic matter • Overused or old water	• Clean filter • Shock spa with sanitizer • Add sanitizer • Adjust pH and/or alkalinity to recommended range • Run jet pump and clean filter • Drain and refill the spa
Water Odor	• Excessive organics in water • Improper sanitization • Low pH	• Shock spa with sanitizer • Add sanitizer • Adjust pH to recommended range
Chlorine Odor	• Chloramine level too high • Low pH	• Shock spa with sanitizer • Adjust pH to recommended range
Musty Odor	• Bacteria or algae growth	• Shock spa with sanitizer – if problem is visible or persistent, drain, clean and refill the spa
Organic buildup / scum ring around spa	• Buildup of oils and dirt	• Wipe off scum with clean rag – if severe, drain the spa, use a spa surface and tile cleaner to remove the scum and refill the spa
Algae Growth	• High pH • Low sanitizer level	• Shock spa with sanitizer and adjust pH • Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level
Eye Irritation	• Low pH • Low sanitizer level	• Adjust pH • Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level
Skin Irritation / Rash	• Unsanitary water • Free chlorine level above 5 ppm	• Shock spa with sanitizer and maintain sanitizer level • Allow free chlorine level to drop below 5 ppm before spa use
Stains	• Total alkalinity and/or pH too low • High iron or copper in source water	• Adjust total alkalinity and/or pH • Use a stain and scale inhibitor
Scale	• High calcium content in water – total alkalinity and pH too high	• Adjust total alkalinity and pH – if scale requires removal, drain the spa, scrub off the scale, refill the spa and balance the water • Use a stain and scale inhibitor

Please visit the cal spas website for accessories that enhance your backyard spa experience.

CAL METRO™ 36" BENCH
Part Number: CM959-CS

Dimensions: 16.5" x 36" x 18"

calspas.com

2 TIER 30" POLYURETHANE STEP - BLACK
Part Number: SSS-BLK

Dimensions: 30" x 15.75" x 22.50"

Cleaning and Maintenance

Removing and Reseating the Pillows

You can remove the pillows for cleaning and maintenance quickly and easily. This method works for all types of pillows.

Grab the lower edge of the pillow with both hands firmly and pull up. As you do this, the pillow inserts will pop out of the holes.

Reseat the pillows by aligning the pillow inserts with the holes and tapping the pillow hard enough to insert the pegs back into the holes.

Spa Cover

Important! Keep the spa covered when not in use!

- Covered spas will use less electricity in maintaining your set temperature.

- Covering your spa will protect your spa's finish from the sun's ultraviolet rays.

- You are required to keep the spa covered to maintain warranty coverage.

- Covering your spa helps prevent children from drowning in the spa.

See the manual enclosed with your cover for instructions on mounting the locks and how to lock and unlock the cover.

In addition, while the spa cover is rigid, it is not designed to support any weight. Therefore, as a safety precaution and to preserve the life of your cover, you must not sit, stand, or lie on it, nor should you place objects of any kind on top of it.

Draining Your Portable Spa

1. Turn off the power at the breaker.

2. Remove all filters.

3. Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove the screws to the access panel and open it.
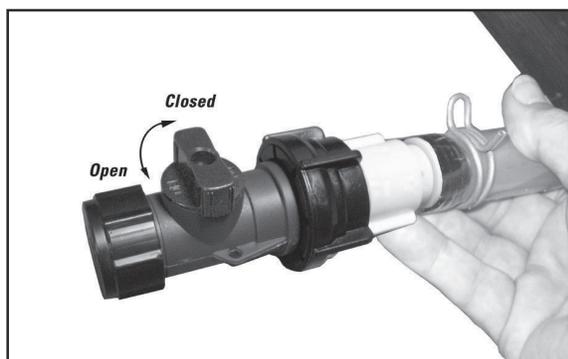
4. Locate hose ending with the ¾ inch hose-bib fixture.

5. Unscrew the cap.

6. Hook up the female end of a garden hose to the drain fitting.

7. Place the other end of the garden hose where you would like the water to drain to.

8. Turn the valve on the hose-bib fixture to open the drain.

9. Let spa drain completely, then remove garden hose.

10. Turn the valve on the hose-bib fixture to close the drain.

11. Replace the cap.

Winterizing (Cold Climate Draining)

In many areas of the country, the temperature drops below 32°F (0°C). We recommend that you always have your spa full of water and running at normal spa temperatures (80°F to 100°F, 26.7°C to 37.8°C). This will help reduce the risk of freezing in your spa and your spa's equipment.

Warning: If you find the need to drain your spa, be aware of the potential of freezing in your spas equipment and plumbing. Even if the directions below are followed perfectly, there is no guarantee that your spa will not suffer freeze damage. Freeze damage is not covered by your warranty.

1. Open all filter covers.

2. Remove the filter baskets and filters.

3. Drain your spa completely as described in the instructions above.

4. Vacuum water from the spa's main drain fitting with a wet/dry vacuum.

5. Open the bleeder valves on the pumps.

6. For spas with the UV lamp chamber mounted flat on the equipment floor:

   Loosen the quartz tube nut at the top of the UV lamp chamber and pull up the quartz tube to let the water drain from the UV lamp chamber.

7. Disconnect the unions from both sides of the pump.

8. Blow any remaining water out of the jets and equipment area with the wet/dry vacuum.

9. When it has completely finished draining, replace the quartz tube in the UV lamp chamber and retighten the nut. Close the bleeder valves and re-connect the unions on the pumps. Replace the filter baskets and filters.

10. Cover your spa with a good spa cover and an all-weather tarp to ensure that neither rain nor snow enters the spa.

Vacation Care

You can leave your spa unattended for up to two weeks if you follow these instructions.

ALWAYS lock your cover using the cover locks if you plan to be away from home and the spa is filled with water.

1. Set the spa to VACATION Mode. (See instructions on page 28 for changing modes.)

2. Following the water quality instructions starting on page 52, adjust the pH.

3. Shock the water (add either chlorine or bromine sanitizer).

4. When you return, check and adjust the pH and shock the water.

If you will not be using your spa for longer than 14 days and a spa maintenance service is not available, we strongly recommend you drain or winterize your spa.

Jet Removal and Replacement

Jets can be easily removed for cleaning.

Grasp the outer rim of the jet and turn it counter-clockwise. The jet will unscrew from the fitting until it is free.

(Shown below in the sequence from left to right is the process for removing the jet. A quarter turn counter-clockwise will turn off the jet. Another quarter-turn will allow you to pull out the jet from the spa.)

To replace the jet, place it in the fitting and turn it clockwise until it is snug in place. Do not overtighten the jet.

Cleaning and Replacing the Filter

Filtration is one of the most important steps you can take to ensure clean, clear water. It is far less expensive to fix water clarity problems by filtering your spa than by using excessive amounts of chemicals, excessive filtration times, or by water replacement. See the section "Clear Water Plan" for more information on cleaning your filter.

Cleaning Your Spa

Spa Cover and Pillows

Due to the constant punishment your spa cover and pillows receive, you should protect them by applying a vinyl and leather cleaner as part of your monthly maintenance plan. Use a product that is specifically designed to protect spa covers and pillows from chemical and ultraviolet light damage without leaving an oily residue behind that is normally associated with common automotive vinyl protectants.

Warning: *Do not* use automotive vinyl protectants on spa covers or pillows. These products are generally oil-based and will cause severe water clarity issues that are difficult to correct.

Spa Shell

Each time you drain your spa, before you refill it you should clean your spa shell with an all-purpose cleaner and apply a coat of surface protectant.

Use a low detergent, non-abrasive cleaner specifically formulated to clean the spa without damaging its acrylic finish.

Use a non-oil based surface protectant that is specifically formulated to protect the spa's finish from the chemicals and minerals associated with normal spa use.

Sound System and Perimeter Lighting/ Optional Feature

Using the Freedom Sound System

The Freedom Sound System™ entertainment option contains a Bluetooth-enabled speaker system that is available for certain Cal Spa models. Any Bluetooth-enabled device can be used to play audio through your spa.

Before you can use the sound system, you need to pair the Bluetooth module with your device. The Bluetooth module is installed within the spa cabinet. Everything can be done with your device. The example shown below is from an iPhone device. Your device may appear differently. Before you begin, make sure Bluetooth in enabled on your device.

1. Select Bluetooth from your device's option list.
2. Select **SWA8-6BT...** from the list of available devices to pair.
3. Your iPhone device will ask for a code: the code is **0000**.
4. Allow your device to pair with the spa's Bluetooth module.
5. When the devices have been connected, the device **SWA8-6BT...** will be highlighted.

Only one Bluetooth device can be paired with the Freedom Sound System™ at any time.

(For Android users, the systems will pair automatically - no code is needed.)

Once your device is paired and connected, all sounds from your device will be played through the sound system, including system sounds and telephone.
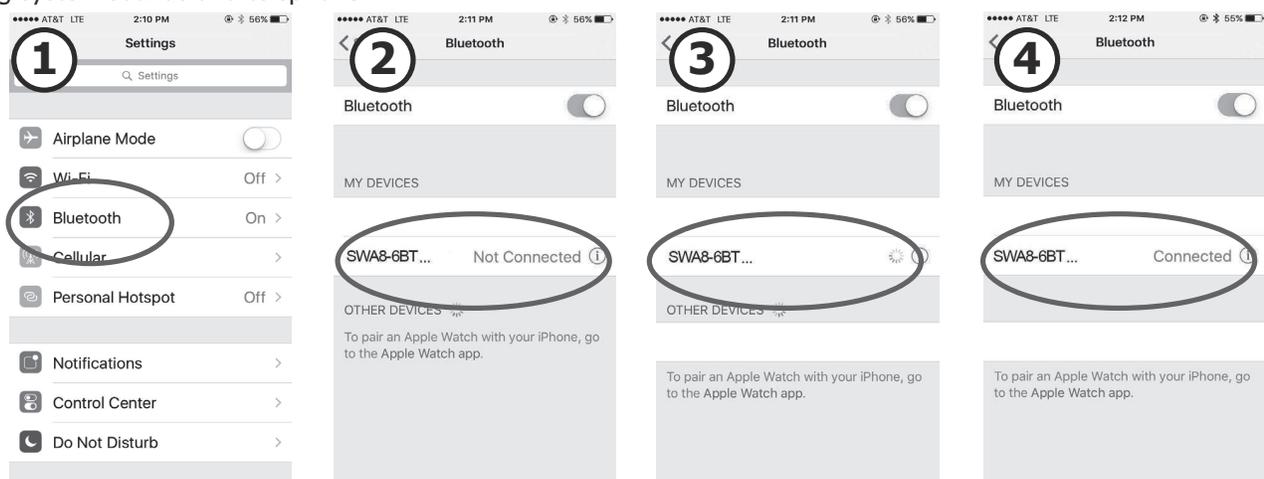
LED Lighting

Press the LIGHT button on the topside control panel to turn the spa light on. If your spa has perimeter LED lights, they will also light up at the same time as the spa light.

The LEDs operate in three modes:

1. **Cycle:** When you continually press the LIGHT button, the LEDs will cycle through the three main LED colors (Red, Green, and Blue) or combinations of the three that produce the following colors: light green, purple, light blue, yellow, etc.

   Each time you press the button, you immediately advance to the next color in sequence or eventually a different light pattern.

2. **Flashing:** When you are cycling through all the colors, the next time you push the LIGHT button, the LED lights may start flashing. This is another normal operational pattern option.

3. **Fading cycle:** The next phase of operation when you push the LIGHT button is a slow and/or fast fade random transition from one color to the next.

Spas with exterior corner LED lighting generally work in the same mode as described above. The variations in color and patterns provide you with multiple options to suit almost any lighting preference.

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Replacement Parts

Snap-in SQR Jet Inserts

SQN halo, 2" directional neck jet, 100% shut-off

Halo with gray eyeball

PLU29923-114-000

SQN halo, 2" neck jet, 100% shut-off

Halo w/ graphite gray center

PLU29520-611-500

SQ2D, 2" euro jet directional

Halo w/ graphite gray eyeball

PLU29520-011-500

SQ3D, 3" directional mini jet

Halo w/ graphite eyeball

PLU29530-111-500

Snap-in SQR Jet Inserts

SQ3M halo, 3" mini massage jet

Halo w/ graphite center

PLU29530-141-500

SQ4D, 4" directional maxi flow jet

Halo w/ graphite gray eyeball

PLU29540-111-500

SQ5R, 5" rotational jet

Halo w/ graphite gray eyeball

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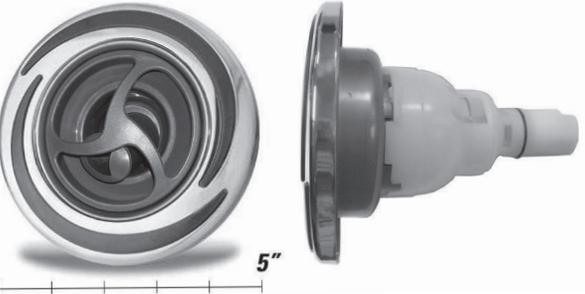
Please visit www.quickspaparts.com to order your replacement parts.

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Snap-in SQR Jet Inserts

Hio, Roto, 3" pro-loc

PLU29530-121-500

Hio, Roto, 3.5" pro-loc

PLU29530-031-500

Euro Twist, 3"

PLU29520-021-500

2"

Water Diverter Valves	
Diverter Valve 2" Star Fire, Textured Black PLU21300468	
Diverter Valve 1" Star Fire, Textured Black PLU21300469	
Air Control Valve	
Air Control Valve Star Fire Black PLU21300526	
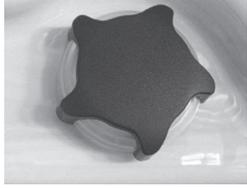
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Waterfalls/ Optional Features

Cascade II Waterfall Curved Black Textured with Valve

PLU21800826TEX

Hydro Stream Waterfall Flush Mount Special Black (#210-9201) '13

PLU21800624

Aqua Rail 12½" LED (Blk/Clear)

FIX25262-014-000

Drain

Super Hi Flow suction Dark Gray 2½" Slip Wall fitting (VGB2008) (#640-3589LGDSG V)

PLU21400137

Drain Hi Flo Suction 1½" Black (640-3251 VP)

PLU21400148

Filter / Cartridge

FIL50-5D13H15FCT-3

Replacement Cabinet Panels

The complete selection of replacement cabinets for all models is very extensive and too lengthy for this owner's manual. To order replacement panels for your spa, visit www.quickspaparts.com.

ALX Waterfall / optional features

Waterfall Snap Lid #212903-MG (ALX)

PLU21800831

Waterfall Body #212900-WHCL (ALX)

PLU21800832

Waterfall Gasket #212904 (ALX)

PLU21800833

Graphite Gray Cap, Silver Handle; 3/4" Smooth Barb; 2-1/16" (25056-101-000)

PLU25056-101-000

Covers

All spa covers are designed with a tapered height, angling downward from the center to the sides to drive off rain and prevent water from pooling.

Basic
4" - 2.5"
1.0 Lb. foam

The covers listed below are filled with 1 lb. foam.

| 64" x 84" | AM-534LS | Basic | Gray | COV6484B42G-CC-2 |

SIZE	FITS SPA MODELS	TYPE	PART NUMBERS		
84" x 84"	AM-739L AM-739B	Basic	Gray Slate	COV8484B42G-CC-2 COV8484B42G-WN-2
93" x 93"	AM-839L AM-839B	Basic	Gray Slate	COV9393B42G-CC2 COV9393B42S-WN-2
93" x 93"	AM-851L AM-851B	Basic	Gray Slate	COV9393B42G-CC2 COV9393B42S-WN-2
93" x 151"	AM-1325	Deluxe	Gray Dark Brown	COV 93151DG-3 COV 93151DDB-3
93" x 200"	AM-1681	Deluxe	Gray Dark Brown	COV 93200G-3 COV93200DDB-3
84" x 84"	AM-745L	Basic	Slate	COV8484B42S-WN-2
84" x 84"	AM-745L	Basic	Brown	COV8484B42S-WN-2
84" x 84"	AM-7100L	Basic	Slate	COV8484B42S-WN-2
84" x 84"	AM-7100B	Basic	Brown	COV8484B42S-WN-2

The Valentine model covers listed below are filled with either 1.5 lb or 2.0 lb foam.

Standard
4" - 2.5"
1.5 Lb. foam

Deluxe
5" - 3"
2.0 Lb. foam

Standard
4"   1.5 lb. foam   2.5"

Deluxe
5"   2 lb. foam   3"
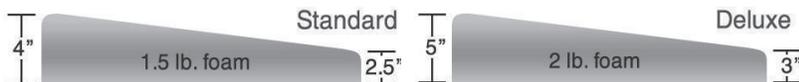
	Gray Standard	Slate Standard
86" x 48" Fits spa models: V418B, V420B, V422B	OPT86480B42G	OPT86480B42S

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Spa Cover Lock and Key
ACC01800020

Pillows
Counter Lounge Pillow   ACC01401500NL

Troubleshooting

Symptom	Possible Causes	Possible Solutions
System / Power Problems		
System does not work	Power is turned off	Reset spa
Control pad and spa equipment do not operate	No electrical power to spa	Turn on or reset the GFCI circuit breaker. If this does not solve the problem, have a qualified electrician check the electrical service.
	The 20 or 30A fuse, depending on the system, has blown	Contact your dealer
The spa does not turn off	Spa is trying to heat up	Check the temperature setting is in Standard mode
	Spa is in filter cycle	Normal. No adjustment necessary
	Spa is in Standard mode	Check setting
Control panel displays a message	An error may have has occurred	See Diagnostic Messages for message code meanings
GFCI breaker trips repeatedly	Improper wiring to spa or GFCI breaker is defective	Consult with a qualified electrician
	There is a defective component on the spa	Contact your dealer
Heat Problems		
Spa does not heat	Heating mode not selected	See control panel instructions on page 14
	Water level is too low	Add water to correct level
	No electrical power to spa	Turn on or reset the GFCI circuit breaker. If this does not solve the problem, have a qualified electrician check the electrical service.
	Heater is defective	Contact your dealer
	Gate valve is partially or fully closed	Open gate valves. Note: Never operate your spa with the gate valves closed!

Symptom	Possible Causes	Possible Solutions
Spa gets warm but does not get hot	Thermostat has been turned down	Set control panel to a higher temperature
	Insufficient filtration time	Increase filtration time
	Water level is too low	Add water to correct level
	No electrical power to spa	Turn on or reset the GFCI circuit breaker. If this does not solve the problem, have a qualified electrician check the electrical service.
	Dirty filter cartridge	Clean filter cartridge
	Gate valves closed	Open gate valves
	Spa cover improperly positioned	Align spa cover
Spa gets too hot	Filtration time is set too long	Reduce filtration cycles, especially during summer months

Water Problems

Water is not clean	For all water clarity problems, see page 56.	
High water consumption	Very high evaporation or heavy splashing	Use the cover and refill as necessary
Low water stream from the jets	Running in FILTER mode - slow speed	Select high speed jets
	Block wall suctions or skimmer	Clean the wall suction/skimmer. Remove blockage
	Dirty filter	Clean filter and replace
	Jets are closed	Open jets
	Valves closed	Open valves
No water stream from the jets	Pump has airlock	Remove airlock by priming spa (page 11)
	Jets are closed	Open jets
	Power switched off, system off	Reset power
	Pump is defective	Contact your dealer
	Pump fluctuations	Low water. Check level on skimmer flap
Water leakage from below the spa	Check the connections and empty the hoses	Close or turn off empty cycle if necessary

Water Pressure Problems

Jets surge on and off	Water level is too low	Add water to normal level
Jets are weaker than normal or do not work at all	Jet valves are partially or fully closed	Open jet valves
	Filter cartridge is dirty	See Cleaning the Filter
	Air is trapped in the pump	Open the air bleed valve on each pump's housing and allow air to bleed out of the system. Be sure to tighten each air bleed valve as soon as water starts to flow.
	The suction fittings are blocked	Remove any debris that may be blocking the suction fittings
	Gate valve is closed	Open gate valves. Note: Never operate your spa with the gate valves closed!

Symptom	Possible Causes	Possible Solutions
Air and Jets Problems		
No airstream from the jets	Air control not open	Open the control
	Jet spout opening not fixed properly	Check jet spout openings
	Jet spout opening missing	Check jets and replace as necessary
Light Problems		
Standard spa light does not work	Light bulb has burned out	Replace light bulb
	Lighting system is defective	Contact your dealer
Pump Problems		
Pump runs constantly — will not shut off	Problem with circuit board	Contact your dealer
Noisy pump	Water level is too low	Add water to normal level
	Blocked wall suctions or skimmer	Clean the wall suction/skimmer
	Damaged or worn-out motor block	Contact your dealer
	Clogged floor suction or skimmer	Clean floor suction or skimmer
	Leakage of air into suction line	Contact your dealer
	Debris is inside pump	Contact your dealer
	Gate valves are closed	Open gate valves. Note: Never operate your spa with the gate valves closed!
	Damaged or worn motor bearings	Contact your dealer
	Improper or defective wiring	Contact your dealer
Pump turns off during operation	Automatic timer has completed its cycle	Start the cycle again
	Pump has overheated due to the vents on the equipment door being blocked	Clear items away from vents
	The pump motor is defective	Contact your dealer
Pump has a burning smell while running	Damaged or worn motor bearings	Contact your dealer
Pump does not work	Power may be turned off	Reset power
	Pump has over heated	Let cool for one hour
	Incorrect or faulty wiring of electrical supply	Contact your dealer
	Switch is off	Auto reset after the motor has cooled down
	House circuit breaker tripped or in OFF position	Reset circuit breaker
		Contact your dealer
	Motor overload condition	Motor overload will reset automatically. If problem persists, contact your dealer
	Damaged electrical cord	Contact your dealer
	Pump cord not plugged in	Plug pump cord into red receptacle
	GFCI tripped or in OFF position	Reset GFCI

"Thermal Creep"

Cal Spas are designed with energy-efficient components and systems that are meant to sustain heat generated by the equipment, which is then cycled back into the spa water. In hot weather or in situations where the spa is set to extended run times, Thermal Creep may occur. Thermal Creep is a condition where the measured water temperature can be higher than the set temperature. To manage Thermal Creep you may:

Vent your cover. This means placing a folded cloth about ¾" (2cm) thick under all four corners of the cover before you lock the cover down.

Open your cover. Opening the cover at night will also quickly cool the water down if desired.

Open all air controls. Set your filtration cycles to run during the cooler times of the day or night.

Reduce the length of your filter cycles.

Visit your local dealer for additional guidance.

Since Thermal Creep only occurs in well-insulated hot tubs, it is not indicative of something that is wrong with your spa or its equipment.

Appendix

LIMITED WARRANTY

This limited warranty is extended to the original purchaser of an American Spa™ manufactured after January 1, 2023 and installed for residential use. This limited warranty is only valid on portable spas delivered in the United States and Canada.

Direct any warranty issue with your spa via email to customerservice@american-spa.com or phone (800) 225-7727.

5 Years Shell Structural

American Spas are warranted against water loss due to defects in the spa shell.

2 Years Shell Finish

American Spas are warranted against blistering, cracking, or delaminating of the interior surface of the spa shell.

2 Years Equipment and Controls

American Spa electrical equipment components – specifically limited to the pumps and control system – are warranted against malfunctions due to defects in workmanship or materials.

1 Year Plumbing

American spas are warranted against leaks due to defects in workmanship or materials.

1 Year Cabinet - Synthetic or fiberglass

American spa cabinets have a one-year guarantee against defects in workmanship or materials. Normal wear and weathering of the finish will occur naturally over time and are not defects.

1 Year Labor

American Spa warranty covers cost of service and repair while spa is under warranty.

Warranties for Other Components

The fuses, headrests, cabinet finish, and filters are warranted to be free of defects in workmanship and material at the time of delivery. The factory installed water purification system is warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship or material for one year from the original date of delivery. All stereo-related components (receiver, speakers, sub-woofer, power supply) are warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship or material for one year from the original date of delivery. All other factory-installed components not mentioned specifically, including, but not limited to the wood frame, jets, diverter valves, LED lighting systems, filter lids, and mechanical components, are warranted against malfunction due to defects in workmanship and material for two years from the original date of delivery.

Genuine American Spas Parts & Accessories

This Limited Warranty is void if American Spas (the "Manufacturer") or its designated representative determines that the spa has been subjected to damage or failure due to installation of aftermarket parts that are not genuine American Spas branded parts and accessories. This disclaimer includes, but is not limited to filters, ozone systems, repair parts and other accessories. Genuine American Spas brand parts and accessories are built to our highest standards of quality, durability and performance, and they are designed to work with your Spa to ensure optimal performance and function.

Performance

This warranty begins on the date of delivery of the spa, but in no event later than one year from the date of manufacture. To obtain service in the event of a defect

covered by this Limited Warranty, notify American Spas (the "Manufacturer") as soon as possible and use all reasonable means to protect the spa from further damage. Upon proof of purchase, a designated service representative will correct the defect subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Limited Warranty. There will be no charge for labor to repair the defect for one year, although providing access to affect the repair is your responsibility as the spa owner. Freight charges for replacement parts is the responsibility of the spa owner. You may be assessed reasonable repairman travel mileage charges. In the event that the spa is removed to a repair facility for repair and reinstalled, the cost of removal and reinstallation will be your responsibility as the spa owner. If the Manufacturer determines that repair of the covered defect is not feasible, it reserves the right to provide a replacement spa of equal value to the original purchase price. In such an event, reasonable costs for removal of the original spa, shipping costs from the factory for the replacement spa and delivery and installation of the replacement will be your responsibility as the spa owner. The replacement spa will carry the balance of the original spa's warranty. Spa covers are not included. This warranty ends either by specified time frame, owner-transfer, relocation, or installation of any component other than by manufacturer.

Warranty Limitations

This Limited Warranty is void if: American Spas (the "Manufacturer") or its designated representative determines that the spa has been subjected to alteration, neglect, misuse or abuse, or freight damage caused by the common carrier; any repairs have been attempted by anyone other than a designated representative; or if the failure is caused by accident, acts of God or other causes beyond the control of the Manufacturer. Neglect, misuse and abuse include any installation, operation or maintenance of the spa other than in accordance with the instructions contained in the owner's manual provided with the spa, including but not limited to the failure to maintain proper water chemistry and chemical balance and the use of abrasive or improper cleaners or non-genuine parts and accessories. This Limited Warranty does not provide coverage for the insulating cover, any item attached to or installed on the spa after the date of manufacture, or for gaining access to any component for repair or replacement. Spa units in commercial use are excluded from any coverage whatsoever. The spa owner accepts liability for repair work performed by anyone other than the Manufacturer or a designated American Spa representative.

Proration of Warranty

Units determined by the Company to be non-repairable will be replaced on a prorated basis with the same or a comparable unit. The user will be charged one percent of the current retail cost for each full month of ownership from the date of purchase through the date failure is determined to be non-repairable. This charge will be waived during the first twelve months of ownership.

Limitations

The Manufacturer disclaims all warranties, expressed or implied, in fact or in law, to the extent allowed by your State's Law, including the warranty of merchantability and fitness for use, except as stated specifically herein. All warranty service must be performed by the Manufacturer or its designated representative using authorized American Spa parts. No agent, dealer, distributor, service company or other party is authorized to change, modify or extend the terms of this limited warranty in any manner whatsoever. The Manufacturer will not be responsible for any statements or representations made in any form that go beyond, are broader than, or are inconsistent with any authorized literature or specifications furnished by American Spas.

Disclaimers

The Manufacturer and its representatives shall not be liable for any injury, loss, cost or other damage, whether incidental or consequential, arising out of any defect covered by this limited warranty, including without limitation, loss of use of the spa and cost for removal of defective product even if the Manufacturer was advised of the possibility of damage. The liability of the Manufacturer under this limited warranty, if any, shall not exceed the original amount paid for the defective product. Coverage under this limited warranty shall commence as of the original date of delivery and the duration of such coverage shall not extend for any reason whatsoever beyond the stated time periods. These disclaimers shall be equally applicable to any service provided by the Manufacturer and its designated representatives.

Legal Rights

This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may also have other rights that vary from state to state. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so this limitation may not apply to you.

Locating the Product Serial Number

The serial number of your spa is located on a metal plate attached to the lower right front panel of the spa. You will need this number to properly register your spa and activate coverage. Write this information in the space provided below.

Spa Model: _____

Spa Serial Number: _____

Date Purchased: _____

Date Installed: _____

Dealer's Phone Number: _____

Dealer's Address: _____

Removing the Support Block (Not Applicable to Valentine Models)

There is a 2" x 2" wooden support block attached to the frame of your hot tub. It is necessary during ship to keep the hot tub stable while it is on the pallet. When your hot tub is on the ground and placed on its foundation, the support may be removed. Use a ratchet and socket to remove the four bolts that attach the block to the frame.
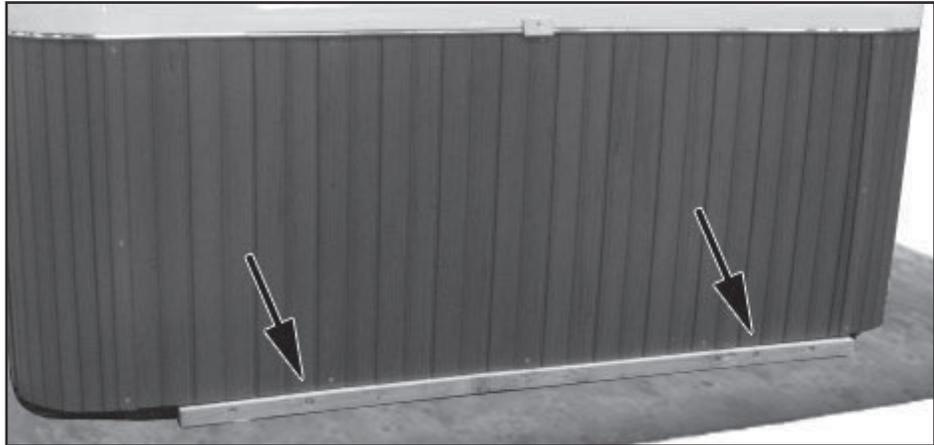
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