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

- Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS
  - Do not try to light any appliance.
  - Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.

• Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
• If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
- Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency or the gas supplier.

If higher water temperature is needed in part of the water system, automatic temperature limiting devices must be used on all lines to water taps.

WARNING
Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service or maintenance can cause serious injury or property damage. Refer to this manual. For assistance or additional information, consult a qualified installer or service agency.

WARNING
Install in accordance with all local codes. In the absence of local codes, refer to NFPA 54 or CSA B149.1.

CAUTION
The recommended temperature for normal residential use is 120°F. The dial on the aquastat does not always reflect the out-coming water temperature and it could occasionally exceed 120°F. Variation in out-coming temperature could be based on factors including but not limited to usage patterns and type of installation.

WARNING
Hotter water increases the risk of scald injury. Before adjusting the water temperature setting, read this instruction manual. Temperatures at which injury occurs vary with the person's age and the length of exposure. The slower reaction time of children, elderly or physically or mentally challenged persons increases the scalding hazard to them. It is recommended that lower water temperatures be used where these exposure hazards exist. Households with small children or invalids may require a temperature setting less than 120°F to prevent accidental contact with hot water. To produce less than 120°F, use point-of-use temperature limiting devices.

This manual has been prepared to acquaint you with the installation, operation, and maintenance of your water heater and to provide important safety information.

Read all instructions thoroughly before attempting installation or operation of your water heater. Keep these instructions for future reference.

Local plumbing and electrical codes must be followed in the installation of this water heater. In the absence of a local code use the UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE and the NFPA Code. Local codes may supersede instructions in this installation manual.

These instructions are a guide for the correct installation of the water heater. The manufacturer will not be liable for damages caused by failure to comply with the installation and operating instructions outlined on the following pages.

DO NOT use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the appliance and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.

Failure to follow these instructions or all applicable building codes and regulations voids the warranty on this water heater.
IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

The proper installation, use and servicing of this water heater is very important to your safety and the safety of others.

⚠️ This is the safety alert symbol. Statements following this symbol contain important safety information. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

Important safety information will be preceded by the safety alert symbol and the words DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION, OR NOTICE.

⚠️ DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in serious injury or death.

⚠️ WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death.

⚠️ CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE calls attention to observe a specified procedure.

⚠️ DANGER
Water heaters utilizing Liquefied Petroleum gas (LP) are different from natural gas models. A natural gas heater will not function safely on LP gas and vice versa. To avoid possible equipment damage, personal injury or fire: DO NOT connect this water heater to a fuel type not in accordance with the rating label. These units are only certified for a single fuel type.

⚠️ DANGER
Failure to properly install the vent and combustion air intake system as outlined in this manual can result in unsafe operation of the water heater. To avoid the risk of fire, explosion, or asphyxiation from carbon monoxide, never operate this water heater unless it is properly vented and has adequate air supply for combustion and dilution of flue gas. Be sure to inspect the system for proper installation at initial start-up; and at least annually thereafter. See the Maintenance section for more information.

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**SECTION I: SPECIFICATIONS**

![Diagram of water heater](image)

Table 1: Dimensions

| Model   | Rated Storage Capacity, GAL (L) | Rated Maximum Input, Btu/hr (kW) | Thermal Efficiency (%) @ Max. Input | Recovery @ 100 °F rise, GAL/HR (L/HR) | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | COLD (NPT) | HOT (NPT) | RECIRCULATION RETURN (NPT) | Gas (NPT) | Air Intake (NPT) | Shipping Weight, LBS (kg) |
|---------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| OT300*2 | 300,000 (87.9)                  | 80,000 (23.4)                    | 99                                | 357 (1,351)                            | 78.50 (199) | 32.00 (81) | 62.78 (159) | 11.43 (29) | 9.43 (24) | 61.7 (156) | 74.40 (188) | 36.3 (92) | 2" | 2" | 1" | 1-1/2" | 4" | 4" | 1100 (500) |
| OT400*2-A| 300,000 (87.9)                  | 80,000 (23.4)                    | 99                                | 357 (1,351)                            | 78.50 (199) | 32.00 (81) | 62.78 (159) | 11.43 (29) | 9.43 (24) | 61.7 (156) | 74.40 (188) | 36.3 (92) | 2" | 2" | 1" | 1-1/2" | 4" | 4" | 1100 (500) |
| OT500*2 | 499,999 (146.5)                 | 80,000 (23.4)                    | 96                                | 576 (2,010)                            | 78.50 (199) | 32.00 (81) | 62.78 (159) | 11.43 (29) | 9.43 (24) | 61.7 (156) | 74.0 (188) | 36.3 (92) | 2" | 2" | 1" | 1-1/2" | 4" | 4" | 1100 (500) |

**NOTE:** * denotes fuel type, N or LP, and suffix "-A" denotes ASME version.

Replace * in Model with fuel type abbreviation. Natural Gas (N) or Propane Gas (LP).

For HIGH ALTITUDE models, the following additional suffixes are defined as:

*"HA" = Approved for altitudes greater than 2,000 up to 7,800 FT
*"HS" = Approved for altitudes greater than 2,000 up to 5,400 FT
*"HA25" = Approved for altitudes greater than 2,000 up to 5,400 FT
*"HA58" = Approved for altitudes greater than 5,400 up to 7,800 FT

For natural gas:

**MINIMUM GAS SUPPLY PRESSURE** (at gas control) = 3.5" W.C. (dynamic)

**MAXIMUM GAS SUPPLY PRESSURE** (at gas control) = 14" W.C. (static or dynamic)

Note: Dynamic pressure is measured while gas is flowing and static pressure is measured while gas is not flowing.

All Bock products meet or exceed current ASHRAE standards.

These products are design certified by UL (Underwriters Laboratories) and meet ANSI Z21.10.3/CSA 4.3 requirements for operation up to 180°F (82°C) as a Category IV water heater.

Approved for use as a direct vent automatic storage water heater.

For LP gas:

**MINIMUM GAS SUPPLY PRESSURE** (at gas control) = 8" W.C. (dynamic)

**MAXIMUM GAS SUPPLY PRESSURE** (at gas control) = 14" W.C. (static or dynamic)

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SECTION II: GENERAL INFORMATION

WHEN YOU RECEIVE YOUR NEW WATER HEATER

Check the new equipment to see if all components are in good condition. If damage is observed or parts appear to be missing, contact your wholesaler.

WATER TREATMENT/FILTRATION

In areas where poor water conditions are suspected (i.e. lime, iron, and other minerals), it is essential that the water be tested and appropriate action taken to prevent damage to the water heater and ensure the quality of the water.

TEMPERATURE CONTROL

The water heater is equipped with a main operating control that manages the temperature regulating and limiting functionality. For domestic hot water, the proper temperature setpoint is 120°F. For commercial applications, the maximum approved temperature setpoint is 180°F. Sensors in the top of the tank measure water temperature. The control constantly compares the sensor values to the temperature setpoint and controls the burner power (on/off) and modulation accordingly.

The manual reset, temperature limiting safety function is managed by the main operating control. In the event that the tank temperature sensor reads 190°F, the control will shut off all gas to the water heater. Manually reset the control to allow the heater to resume normal operation. Should overheating occur and the gas supply fails to automatically lock out manually flip off the power switch.

The temperature setpoint is factory set at 120°F. If hotter water is required a tempering device or anti-scald device must be installed at the domestic hot water outlet of the heater or at the point of use. Table 2 details the approximate relationship of water temperature and time with regard to scald injury. It is important for the user to understand the necessity of tempering or anti-scald devices when using hotter water in domestic water heating systems.

⚠️ CAUTION: Hot water in excess of 120°F can cause scalding!

Bock recommends a tempering valve or anti-scald valve be installed and used according to the manufacturer’s directions to prevent scalding. Many state and local codes now require installation of these devices. Point of use temperature may be hotter than the setting on the water heater thermostat. The tempering valve or anti-scald valve will ensure potable water temperatures at the desired set point with a higher degree of accuracy.

**Table 2: Scald Temperature/Time Relationships**

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⚠️ DANGER

Water temperature over 125°F can cause severe burns instantly or death from scalds. Children, disabled and elderly are at highest risk of being scalded. See instruction manual before setting temperature at water heater. Feel water before bathing or showering. Temperature limiting valves are available, see manual.
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ANODE RODS

The water heater is supplied with a factory installed powered anode system to prevent corrosion of internal tank components. Specifically, the type of anode system that is used is an impressed-current anode system. This system uses a power supply that regulates the protective current output based on actual conditions inside the tank. The anode rods in the tank are not consumed over time and, therefore, do not need to be removed and inspected. Refer to the Maintenance section of this manual for periodic inspection instructions for the powered anode system.

NOTICE TO THE OWNER: The water heater must be connected to the power supply for the powered anode system to operate. DO NOT DISCONNECT THE WATER HEATER FROM THE POWER SUPPLY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. WITHOUT POWER, THE ANODE SYSTEM WILL NOT BE CAPABLE OF PROVIDING CORROSION PROTECTION. When the power switch to the right of the display is OFF and there is a connection to the power supply, the powered anode system will still function. If the water heater must be disconnected from the power supply for an extended period, the tank must be drained. Refill the tank prior to reconnecting the water heater to the power supply.

CAUTION

Hydrogen gas is produced in a hot water system served by the heater that has not been used for a long period of time (2 weeks or more). Hydrogen gas is extremely flammable. To reduce the risk of injury under these conditions, it is recommended that a hot water faucet be opened for several minutes before using any electrical appliance connected to the hot water system. When hydrogen is present, there will probably be an unusual sound such as air escaping through the pipe as the water begins to flow. There should be no smoking or open flame near the faucet at the time it is open.

TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE (T&P)

CAUTION

To reduce the risk of excessive pressures and temperatures in this water heater, install temperature and pressure protective equipment required by local codes and no less than a combination temperature and pressure relief valve certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials, as meeting the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas ShutOff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, ANSI Z21.22. This valve must be marked with a maximum set pressure not to exceed the marked maximum working pressure of the water heater. Install the valve in an opening provided and marked for this purpose in the water heater, and orient it or provide tubing so that any discharge from the valve exits only within 6 inches above, or at any distance below, the structural floor, and does not contact any live electrical part. The discharge opening must not be blocked or reduced in size under any circumstances. No valve is to be added between the relief valve and tank.

CAUTION

Scalding injury and/or water damage can occur from either the manual lifting of the lever or the normal operation of the T&P valve if it is not piped to a proper drain. If the valve fails to flow water or reseat, call your plumber.

The T&P valve is factory installed. A discharge drain tube must be installed (responsibility of the installer) and shall terminate plain, not threaded, 6 inches above the floor drain. The drain tube material must be approved for temperatures of 120°F or greater and a pressure of 150 PSI or greater.
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BACKFLOW PREVENTER (CLOSED SYSTEM)
Some local municipal codes and ordinances require the use of these devices on potable (domestic) water lines. Where backflow preventers, check valves, or pressure regulating valves are required, it will be necessary to install a thermal expansion tank (designed for use with potable water) in order to prevent pressure build up in the water heater and associated piping, which could cause the T&P valve to discharge. Follow the expansion tank manufacturer’s recommendations when selecting a tank for your hot water system. The expansion tank pressure shall equal the water heater system pressure prior to initial warm up. Periodic relieve valve discharges may be a result of thermal expansion in a closed water supply system. Contact the water supplier or local plumbing inspector for information about thermal expansion tanks.

Note: Working pressure of the water heater is 150 PSI. Do not exceed 150 PSI.

CONDENSATION
Condensation of flue gases will occur in the exhaust vent and portions of the heat exchanger during burner operation. Condensate is considered acidic based on its typical pH range of 3.5 to 3.8 on a scale of 0 to 14 (a pH of 7 is neutral). Some installations may require the use of a condensate neutralizer kit to reduce the acidity of the condensate prior to it entering the building’s drainage system. When possible, locate a floor drain in close proximity to the water heater to minimize the length of the drain line. The water heater is supplied with a condensate elbow assembly that must be installed to the water heater before the exhaust vent is connected. Horizontal sections of the exhaust vent shall slope upward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8” per foot. This will allow the condensate in the vent to run back to the condensate drain on the water heater. In some instances, condensate may form in the intake piping during periods following burner operation. Horizontal sections of air intake piping shall slope downward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8” per foot. A condensate drainage tube shall be installed on the intake piping (at the factory provided tee.). See Section IV: Installation / Vent and Combustion Air Intake / Condensate Elbow Assembly and Section IV: Installation / Vent & Combustion Air Intake / Intake Drain for installation details.
SECTION II: GENERAL INFORMATION

SEISMIC RESTRAINT

Regions of the United States and Canada that are considered earthquake zones require that the water heater is properly braced to avoid movement or falling during a seismic event. Bock recommends the Holdrite Quick Strap® QS-120 or equivalent strapping system. The Holdrite QS-120 is approved by the California Division State Architect and is UPC/IPC/IAMPO listed. Figure 2 shows water heaters strapped to a (field supplied) support frame.

The water heater is rated for zero clearance to combustibles. Figure 3 shows the installation of seismic restraints when the heater is located against a wall.

![Figure 2: Seismic Restraints to Support Framing](image1)

![Figure 3: Seismic Restraints to Wall](image2)
SECTION III: PRE-INSTALLATION

LOCATION

⚠️ CAUTION
This water heater must be located in an area where leakage of the tank, water line connections, or the temperature and pressure relief valve will not result in damage to the area adjacent to the water heater or to lower floors of the structure. When such location cannot be avoided, a suitable drain pan must be installed under the water heater. The drain pan depth must be suitable for draining and collecting water. The drain pan can be purchased from your plumbing professional. The drain pan must be piped to an adequate drain and all drain piping must be at least 0.75” in diameter and pitched for proper drainage.

⚠️ CAUTION
DO NOT store or use gasoline or other flammable, combustible, or corrosive vapors and/or liquids in the vicinity of the water heater or any other appliance.

IF YOU SMELL GAS:
• DO NOT try to light any appliance.
• DO NOT touch any electric switch; do not use any telephone in your building.
• Immediately call your gas supplier from a telephone in another building. Follow your gas supplier’s instructions.
• If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
DO NOT OPERATE THE APPLIANCE UNTIL THE LEAKAGE IS CORRECTED!

⚠️ CAUTION
Do not drop water heater or lay heater down on its side. Move the water heater into position by sliding or using an appropriately sized hand truck.

⚠️ CAUTION
If the water heater is installed directly on carpeting, the water heater shall be installed on a metal or wood panel extending beyond the full width and depth of the water heater by at least 3 inches (76.2 mm) in any direction or, if the water heater is installed in an alcove, the entire floor shall be covered by the panel. The panel must be strong enough to carry the weight of the heater when full of water.

Locate the heater so it is not subject to physical damage from moving vehicles or flooding. Do not locate the water heater in a room where swimming pool chemicals or large quantities of water softener salt are kept. Installing a water heater in this environment will result in premature failure of tank and burner components due to corrosion caused by these elements diffusing into the air.

NOTE: To comply with the installation requirements in NSF Standard 5, the bottom of this water heater must be sealed to the floor with a silicone based sealant.

The water heater can be installed on combustible or non-combustible flooring. Maintain clearances specified in this manual and in accordance with the National Fuel Gas Code (NFPA 54, ANSI Z223.1) unless otherwise directed by state and local code requirements. Locate the water heater such that plastic vent pipe lengths and the number of connection fittings are minimized. Adequate downward pitch is required on the condensate line for proper drainage. See Section IV: Installation / Vent & Combustion Air Intake / Condensate Elbow Assembly for details. If pitch is insufficient and the use of a low profile condensate pump is not feasible, the heater needs to be placed on a concrete slab to increase the distance between the condensate line connection and the floor.
Minimum clearance from combustible material is 0” for the sides, top, and back of this water heater, as shown in Figure 4. This water heater is approved for installation in an alcove with the clearances shown in Figure 4. For ease of access and proper maintenance, the clearances in Figure 5 are recommended.

Prior to installation, contact your local gas utility to confirm that sufficient gas service is available for the water heater. The gas meter must have adequate capacity to supply the rated maximum gas input of the water heater in addition to other gas fired equipment connected to the meter.

**Minimum Gas Supply Pressure**

The gas supply must be capable of maintaining a minimum pressure at the inlet of the gas control during water heater operation at maximum input. The pressure will be lowest at the gas control during water heater operation (i.e. gas is flowing) at maximum input. For natural gas models, during operation at maximum input, the supply pressure at the gas control must be at least 3.5” W.C. For LP gas models, during operation at maximum input, the supply pressure at the gas control must be at least 8” W.C.

Refer to Table 3 for gas supply line sizing. The table shows maximum input in thousands of BTU’s per hour for various pipe sizes and lengths. The table assumes gas supply pressures of 14” W.C. or less and a pressure drop of 0.3” W.C.

**Table 3: Gas Supply Line Capacity**

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At minimum, use 1-1/4” gas supply pipe for models OT300*2 and OT400*2. For model OT500*2, use a minimum of 1-1/2” pipe.

**Maximum Gas Supply Pressure**

The gas supply pressure shall never be greater than 14” W.C. Pressures greater than 14” W.C. may damage the gas control which could cause a fire or explosion.

Refer to Section IV: Installation / Gas Connections for further installation instructions.
SECTION III: PRE-INSTALLATION

COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION AIR

The water heater can be installed to utilize combustion air from either inside or outside the building. Refer to “Section IV: Installation” for detailed venting specifications. If indoor air is used for combustion air it is imperative that the room has an adequate air supply. Inadequate air supplies may lead to unsafe levels of carbon monoxide (CO) and excessive levels of soot. See NFPA 54 or the discussions of “Unconfined Space” and “Confined Space” below. In addition, poor ventilation will also result in hot spots around the heater. Temperatures over 90°F near the water heater generally indicate a lack of ventilation.

UNCONFINED SPACE

Unconfined space is defined by NFPA 54 as a space with a volume greater than 50 cubic feet (during typical use) per 1000 BTUH of the total combined input of all fuel burning appliances in the space. Rooms leading directly to the installation space through doors that cannot be closed can be considered part of the space. Exception: Buildings with full vapor barriers, tight doors and windows or air infiltration rates of less than 0.35 air changes per hour will be considered a confined space and require additional air supplies.

CONFINED SPACE

Confined space is defined by NFPA 54 as a space with a volume less than 50 cubic feet (during typical use) per 1000 BTUH of the total combined input of all fuel burning appliances in the space. Buildings or rooms of unusually tight construction are also considered a confined space. See “Unconfined Space: Exception”.

When installing fuel burning appliances in a confined space, air must be supplied to that space from either inside or outside of the building as conditions allow.

A. Inside Air Supply: A confined space shall be provided with two permanent openings; one within 12 inches of the top and one within 12 inches of the bottom of the enclosure. These openings shall lead directly to room(s) of sufficient volume so that the combined volume of all the space meets the criteria for unconfined space. Each opening shall have a minimum free area of 1 square inch per 1000 Btu/hr of the combined total input of all fuel burning appliances in the space. Each opening shall have an area of not less than 100 square inches or a minimum dimension of not less than 3 inches.

B. Outside Air Supply: Confined spaces shall be provided with two permanent openings; one within 12 inches of the top and one within 12 inches of the bottom of the enclosure. These openings shall communicate directly, or by ducts, with the outdoors or spaces that communicate with the outdoors.

1.) Leading directly to the outside or through vertical ducts: Each opening shall have a minimum free area of one square inch per 4000 Btu/hr of total input rating of all equipment in the enclosure.

2.) Leading to outside through horizontal ducts: Each opening shall have a minimum free area of one square inch per 2000 Btu/hr of total input rating of all equipment in the enclosure. Note: All ducts shall have the same cross sectional area as the free area of each opening to which they connect. The minimum dimensions of all ducts shall not be less than three inches. Powered combustion air supplies are also commercially available and may be used.

LOUVERS & GRILLES

In calculating the free area of an opening, consideration must be given to the blocking effects of louvers or grilles protecting the opening. Any screens used must be no finer than ¹⁄₄ inch mesh. If the free area of a louver or grille is known, this should be used in calculating the size of opening required. If free area is unknown, it may be assumed that wood louvers will have 20 to 25% free area and metal louvers and grilles will have 60 to 75% free area. Louvers and grilles should be fixed in the open position or interlocked with the equipment so that they open automatically during equipment operation.
SECTION IV: INSTALLATION

VENT & COMBUSTION AIR INTAKE

⚠️ DANGER
Failure to properly install the vent and combustion air intake system as outlined in this manual can result in unsafe operation of the water heater. To avoid the risk of fire, explosion, or asphyxiation from carbon monoxide, never operate this water heater unless it is properly vented and has adequate air supply for combustion. Be sure to inspect the system for proper installation at initial start-up; and at least annually thereafter. See the Maintenance section for more information.

⚠️ NOTICE
Failure to comply with orientation and minimum spacing requirements between exhaust vent and air intake terminals may lead to cross-contamination of combustion air. Cross-contamination may lead to nuisance lockouts from ignition or flame failures and will increase maintenance on parts such as the flame rod.

In some cases cross contamination may occur even when orientation and minimum spacing requirements are followed. Therefore attention must be given to the unique conditions at every jobsite to avoid the possibility of exhaust gas entering the air intake.

The water heater venting and combustion air intake can be installed as a power direct vent system (combustion air from outside the building) or power vent system (combustion air from inside the building). Vertical or horizontal (side-wall) configurations may be used.

The venting system shall be installed in accordance with these instructions, and, where applicable, the instructions of the venting system manufacturer.

**Note:** If air from inside the building will be used for combustion air, the requirements in Section III, “Unconfined Space” must be met.

A power direct vent system may terminate in a 2-pipe configuration or with a concentric vent kit. The concentric vent kit must be purchased separately. The IPEX System 636® 4” concentric kit is approved by Bock Water Heaters. The connection size on the concentric vent cannot be smaller than the vent and intake pipe diameter. The vent and intake equivalent lengths must comply with minimum and maximum lengths specified in Tables 4 and 5.

The water heater is supplied with a pre-assembled PVC condensate assembly that must be installed to the exhaust pipe prior to connection of the exhaust venting. See instructions in Section IV: Installation / Vent & Combustion Air Intake / Condensate Elbow Assembly.

A 4” PVC 90 deg. standard bend elbow is supplied and must be used as the combustion air intake termination fitting for either a direct vent or power vent system. For a power vent system, connect the elbow directly to the 4” connector supplied with the water heater. For a direct vent system, use the elbow as the outside termination fitting. The supplied 90 deg. elbow contains a protective screen to block foreign debris or small animals from entering the pipe. If a screen is preferred at the exhaust termination, it must have a low resistance to airflow. Refer to the type of screen used in the supplied elbow. A screen that significantly restricts airflow will reduce the performance of the water heater and could cause nuisance control lockouts.

All vent length measurements specified in this manual are in addition to the pre-assembled piping and supplied assemblies and fittings. Equivalent pipe lengths shall not be greater than the maximum lengths (or less than minimums) given in Tables 4 and 5. See the notes under Tables 4 and 5 for additional information pertaining to direct vent or power vent system lengths.

**Note:** DO NOT connect the water heater to an existing vent or chimney. It must be vented separately from all other appliances.
The following materials are approved for use as the vent and combustion air intake piping:

- PVC (DWV, ASTM-D2665 or CSA B181.2)
- PVC (Schedule 40, ASTM-D1785 or CSA B137.3)
- PVC (SDR Series, ASTM-D2241 or CSA B137.3)
- CPVC (Schedule 40, ASTM-F441 or CSA B137.3)
- CPVC (SDR Series, ASTM-F442)
- ABS (Schedule 40, DWV, ASTM-D2661 or CSA B181.1)
- AL29-4C Stainless Steel
- PVC IPEX 1738 (UL 1738, ASTM D2665)

In Canada, check local codes to ensure that SDR series is approved for use. SDR is not approved for all installations in Canada.

The following materials are approved for use for the fittings in the vent and combustion air intake systems:

- PVC (Schedule 40 DWV, ASTM D2665)
- CPVC (Schedule 40, ASTM F438)
- ABS (Schedule 40 DWV, ASTM D2661)
- AL29-4C Stainless Steel
- PVC IPEX 1738 (UL1738, ASTM D2665)

The use of cellular core PVC (ASTM F891), cellular core CPVC, or Radel® (polyphenylsulfone) in non-metallic vent pipe and systems is prohibited. Covering non-metallic vent pipe and fittings with thermal insulation is prohibited.

**NOTICE**

Installations in Canada must conform to the requirements of CSA B149 code. Plastic vent systems must be assembled with pipe, fittings, cements, and primers listed to ULC S636. Components of this listed system shall not be interchanged with other vent systems or unlisted pipe/fittings. In Canada, the primer and cement must be of the same manufacturer as the vent system; do not mix primers and cements from one manufacturer with a vent system from a different manufacturer. The supplied plastic pipe/fittings are certified as part of the water heater.
Minimum and Maximum System Lengths

The water heater should be located such that plastic vent pipe lengths and the number of connection fittings are minimized. Minimum and maximum equivalent pipe lengths for the vent and combustion air intake systems are given in Tables 4 and 5. Either 4 in. or 6 in. plastic piping may be used. The water heater is provided with a 4” female PVC connection for the air intake and a 3” female PVC connection (on the condensate assembly) for the exhaust vent. For ease of installation and potential future inspection, a 4” flexible coupling is supplied for connection to the 4” PVC fitting on the air intake. The flexible coupling should be used as the first connection on the intake for both 4” and 6” vent systems. Slide the large end of the flexible coupling over the female PVC fitting.

DO NOT use less than 4 in. diameter plastic pipe and DO NOT use unequal sizes except as shown to increase from 4 in. to 6 in. diameter at the point of connection to the water heater. Figure 6 shows the proper connections to increase from 4” to 6” plastic pipe.

![Figure 6: Adapting Air Intake and Exhaust Vent for 6" Piping (optional)](image)

NOTE: The equivalent straight pipe length of a 90°, 1/4 standard bend elbow and a 45°, 1/8 standard bend elbow is 5 feet and 2.5 feet, respectively. DO NOT use short bend elbows.

NOTE: An elbow used as an exhaust vent termination fitting must be included when determining the total number of elbows.
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### Table 4: Minimum and Maximum Vent and Air Intake Pipe Lengths (4” Pipe)

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<th>Fuel Type</th>
<th>Vent Arrangement</th>
<th>Minimum Equivalent Pipe Length (per pipe run)</th>
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<td>OT300&lt;sup&gt;2&lt;/sup&gt;, OT400&lt;sup&gt;2&lt;/sup&gt;, OT500&lt;sup&gt;2&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>NAT or LP</td>
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<td>Power Vent</td>
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<sup>1</sup> Equivalent length is measured between the 4” pipe connection on the water heater and the required 90° elbow termination fitting.

<sup>2</sup> Equivalent length is measured after the point of connection to the condensate assembly and includes the termination fitting (if used).

<sup>†</sup> Shown as a balanced system. Vent length may exceed air intake length if total combined length does not exceed 100 ft.

**Intake length cannot exceed exhaust length.**

### Table 5: Minimum and Maximum Vent and Air Intake Pipe Lengths (6” Pipe)

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<sup>3</sup> Equivalent length is measured between the 4” pipe connection on the water heater and the required 90° elbow termination fitting.

<sup>4</sup> Equivalent length is measured after the point of connection to the condensate assembly and includes the termination fitting (if used).

<sup>‡</sup> Shown as a balanced system. Vent length may exceed air intake length if total combined length does not exceed 240 ft.

**Intake length cannot exceed exhaust length.**
The vent and combustion air intake systems must be sufficiently supported along vertical and horizontal sections. At minimum, it is recommended that a support is placed along the vent or air intake piping every 4 feet. For horizontal systems, the first support shall be located immediately adjacent to the first 90-deg. elbow following the vertical section connected to the water heater. The support method should act to isolate the vent and combustion air intake piping from floor joists or other structural members to reduce transmission of noise and vibration.

**NOTE:** Do not support, pin, or secure the vent and combustion air intake pipe in a way that restricts the normal thermal expansion and contraction of the venting material.

For replacement installations, thoroughly inspect the existing vent and combustion air intake systems prior to installing the new water heater. The following steps shall be taken to properly inspect the existing vent system:

- Verify that the materials as specified in this manual have been used.
- Verify the maximum and minimum vent and combustion air intake equivalent lengths and terminal clearances meet the specifications in this manual.
- Inspect the vent and combustion air intake systems for cracking. Pay close attention to joints between elbows and straight pipe.
- Inspect the system for misalignment of components. This may lead to sagging and unwanted stresses in the joints.

If any corrections are required they must be computed before installing the replacement water heater.

**Condensate Elbow Assembly**

Prior to connecting the exhaust vent pipe, the condensate trap assembly (supplied) must be connected to the exhaust pipe on the water heater.

The drain elbow shall be connected to the 3” exhaust pipe such that the arrow (showing flow direction on elbow) is pointing vertically (90° ± 5°), and the drain is parallel to the floor. Prior to mounting, apply a bead of silicone around the inside of the socket connection on the elbow. For maximum durability and sealing, use a high heat silicone caulk appropriate for direct vent appliances (rated for at least 150°F). Apply a bead around the end of the exhaust pipe as well. Push the end of the 3” drain elbow on the exhaust pipe as far as the elbow allows.

![Figure 7: Installation of the Condensate Trap](image)
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The condensate trap is made up of three parts and connected by two unions, labeled ‘A’ and ‘B’. The drain elbow has already been installed. There are two orienters included; one with an angle of 135° and another with an angle of 90°, choose whichever one minimizes the number of fittings required for proper drainage. Figure 8 shows the difference between the two options. Install the orienter of your choice by connecting the union portions labeled ‘A’.

![ORIENTER CHOICE](image)

**Figure 8: 90° and 135° orienter**

Determine which direction minimizes the length of the condensate drain line, and point the orienter in that direction. Install the trap portion by connecting the union parts labeled ‘B’ so that it is pointing in the proper direction. See Figure 7 for a view of how the condensate trap is assembled, and Figure 9 for the top view of both orientation options. After the condensate trap is properly installed, the exhaust pipe adapter can be installed to allow connection to a 4” exhaust pipe.

![Figure 9: Orientation of the Condensate Trap](image)
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The orientation of the trap portion of the drain is critical for proper venting of gas and drainage of condensate. This portion must be level after both unions are fully tightened. See Figure 10 for proper final orientation of the assembly.

After the assembly is properly mounted to the exhaust pipe apply more silicone caulk between the elbow and exhaust pipe. Caulk all the way around the pipe. If a proper seal is not made, combustion gas will leak into the room and condensate will collect on the floor. See Figure 11 for location of seal.

A detailed view of the condensate trap is shown in Figure 12. The discharge portion of the trap is designed with a vent and threaded ¾” female NPT connection. The trap may be cleaned by disconnecting union B and the threaded connection, then running water through the trap. Use rigid PVC pipe for the condensate drain line. The line must slope down, 1/8” per foot, away from the point of connection towards the drain. If there is insufficient clearance between the connection point and the floor to maintain slope, the heater should be installed on a concrete slab or use a low-profile condensate pump.
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Some installations require the use of a condensate neutralizer to reduce the acidity of the condensate prior to reaching the drain. Figure 13 shows the connection of a condensate line to a neutralizer. It is recommended that a low profile condensate pump is installed between the heater and neutralizer to facilitate flow through the neutralizer. For further details, refer to the instructions provided with the pump and neutralizer.

![Figure 13: Pump and Neutralizer](image)

**DANGER**

Failure to prime the condensate trap with water will result in combustion gas (which may contain carbon monoxide) entering the room. To avoid the risk of asphyxiation from carbon monoxide, never operate the water heater unless the condensate trap is sealed with water.

**Horizontal Venting, Direct Vent 2-pipe termination**

This water heater may be vented horizontally (through a sidewall) with a two-pipe termination. Two holes through an exterior wall are required for the vent and combustion air intake pipes. Minimum clearances between the terminals must be met as specified in Figure 15. All clearances must comply with local codes or the latest edition of NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 or CSA B149. See Figure 14 and Table 6 for terminal clearances.

![Figure 14: Terminal Clearances](image)

Check to make sure flue gases DO NOT recirculate into the air intake terminal when using direct venting. If the water heater is having service issues, flue recirculation may be a contributing factor. Even when the minimum vent terminal separation distances in Figure 15 are followed, recirculation may still occur depending upon the location outside the building, the distance from other buildings, proximity to corners, weather conditions, wind patterns, and snow depth. Periodically check to make sure that flue recirculation is not occurring. Signs of flue gas recirculation include frosted or frozen intake terminals, condensate in the intake terminal and venting system, oxidation or white chalk material on the flame rod or hot surface igniter. Correction to flue recirculation may involve angling the intake away from the exhaust terminal, increasing the distance between them, or using inside air for combustion. Check to be sure the intake and exhaust terminals are not obstructed, especially during periods of below freezing weather. All intake and exhaust venting components must have the same diameter size. DO NOT use a different size on the intake and exhaust venting.
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**Table 6: Direct Vent Terminal Clearances**

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<td>Clearance above grade, veranda, porch, deck, or balcony</td>
<td>12 in (30 cm)</td>
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<td>B=</td>
<td>Clearance to window or door that may be opened</td>
<td>6 in (15 cm) for appliances ≤ 10,000 Btu/h (3 kW), 12 in (30 cm) for appliances &gt; 10,000 Btu/h (3 kW) and ≤ 100,000 Btu/h (30 kW), 36 in (91 cm) for appliances &gt; 100,000 Btu/h (30 kW)</td>
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<td>Clearance to each side of center line extended above meter/regulator assembly</td>
<td>3 ft (91 cm) within a height of 15 ft (4.6 m)</td>
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<td>Clearance above paved sidewalk or paved driveway located on public property</td>
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3 If locally adopted installation codes specify clearances different than those illustrated, then the most stringent clearance shall prevail.
†A vent shall not terminate directly above a sidewalk or paved driveway that is located between two single family dwellings and serves both dwellings.
‡Permitted only if veranda, porch, deck, or balcony is fully open on a minimum of two sides beneath the floor.
* Manufacturer’s recommendation. Must be in accordance with local installation codes and requirements of the gas supplier.
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In addition to the clearances specified, the following items shall be accounted for during installation:

• The minimum distance from adjacent public walkways, adjacent buildings, openable windows, and building openings shall not be less than those values specified in the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, and/or the National Gas and Propane Installation Code, CSA B149.1.
• Do not terminate near soffit vents or crawl space or other areas where condensate or vapor could create a nuisance hazard or cause property damage.
• Do not locate the exhaust vent terminal where condensate or vapor could cause damage or could be detrimental to the operation of regulators, relief valves, or other equipment.
• Do not locate the exhaust vent terminal over public areas or walkways where condensate or vapor can cause nuisance or hazard.
• Do not locate the vent terminal in proximity to plants/shrubs.
• The vent and air intake shall terminate a minimum of 12” (30.5 cm) above expected snowfall level to prevent blockage.
• It is best practice to locate the intake and exhaust terminations on a common plane.

⚠️ CAUTION

Never install air intake terminal above vent (exhaust) terminal.
Install piping through the wall as shown in Figure 15. Adequate length of pipe must protrude beyond the exterior wall for attachment of the termination fitting. The recommended distance between the terminal fitting and the exterior wall is 1 in. (2.5 cm). A single 90° elbow is supplied with the water heater for the termination fitting on the air intake. If other fittings are required they must be purchased separately. The supplied 90° elbow contains a protective screen to block foreign debris or small animals from entering the pipe. If a screen is preferred at the exhaust termination, it must have a low resistance to airflow. Refer to the type of screen used in the supplied elbow. A screen that significantly restricts airflow will reduce the performance of the water heater and could cause nuisance control lockouts. Complete the installation of the remainder of the vent and air intake system and attach to the water heater as shown in Figure 16. Horizontal sections of the exhaust vent shall slope upward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8" per foot (10 mm per meter). This will allow the condensate in the vent to run back to the condensate drain on the water heater. Horizontal sections of air intake piping shall slope downward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8" per foot.

NOTE: If the air intake and exhaust vent terminations will be located on a side of the building that is frequently subjected to high winds, it is recommended that the air intake termination is located 24" (center-to-center) below the exhaust vent termination.

**CAUTION**

Annular spaces around vent pipe wall penetrations shall be permanently sealed using approved materials to prevent entry of combustion products into the building.

**Figure 15: Horizontal Venting, 2-pipe termination**
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Horizontal Venting, Power Vent 1-pipe termination

This water heater may be vented horizontally (through a sidewall) with a one-pipe termination. In this case, the water heater will be utilizing air from inside the building for combustion air. A single hole through the exterior of the building is required for the vent pipe.

Note: If air from inside the building will be used for combustion air, the requirements in Section III, “Unconfined Space” must be met.

All clearances must comply with local codes or the latest edition of NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 or CSA B149. See Figure 17 and Table 7 for vent terminal clearances.

Figure 17: Terminal Clearances
### Table 7: Power Vent Terminal Clearances

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† A vent shall not terminate directly above a sidewalk or paved driveway that is located between two single family dwellings and serves both dwellings.
‡ Permitted only if veranda, porch, deck, or balcony is fully open on a minimum of two sides beneath the floor.
* Manufacturer's recommendation. Must be in accordance with local installation codes and requirements of the gas supplier.
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In addition to the clearances specified, the following items shall be accounted for during installation:

- The minimum distance from adjacent public walkways, adjacent buildings, openable windows, and building openings shall not be less than those values specified in the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, and/or the National Gas and Propane Installation Code, CSA B149.1.
- Do not terminate near soffit vents or crawl space or other areas where condensate or vapor could create a nuisance hazard or cause property damage.
- Do not locate the exhaust vent terminal where condensate or vapor could cause damage or could be detrimental to the operation of regulators, relief valves, or other equipment.
- Do not locate the exhaust vent terminal over public areas or walkways where condensate or vapor can cause nuisance or hazard.
- Do not locate the vent terminal in proximity to plants/shrubs.
- The vent and air intake shall terminate a minimum of 12” (30.5 cm) above expected snowfall level to prevent blockage.
- It is best practice to locate the intake and exhaust terminations on a common plane.

⚠️ CAUTION

Never install air intake terminal above vent (exhaust) terminal.
Install piping through the wall as shown in Figure 18. Adequate length of pipe must protrude beyond the exterior wall for attachment of the termination fitting. The recommended distance between the terminal fitting and the exterior wall is 1 in. (2.5 cm). A single 90° elbow is supplied with the water heater for the termination fitting on the air intake. If other fittings are required they must be purchased separately. The supplied 90° elbow contains a protective screen to block foreign debris or small animals from entering the pipe. If a screen is preferred at the exhaust termination, it must have a low resistance to air flow. Refer to the type of screen used in the supplied elbow. A screen that significantly restricts airflow will reduce the performance of the water heater and could cause nuisance control lockouts. Complete the installation of the remainder of the vent and air intake system and attach to the water heater as shown in Figure 19. Horizontal sections of the exhaust vent shall slope upward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8” per foot (10 mm per meter). This will allow the condensate in the vent to run back to the condensate drain on the water heater. Horizontal sections of air intake piping shall slope downward away from the water heater a minimum of 1/8” per foot.

**CAUTION**

Annular spaces around vent pipe wall penetrations shall be permanently sealed using approved materials to prevent entry of combustion products into the building.
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**Vertical Venting, Direct Vent 2-pipe termination**

This water heater may be vented vertically (through a roof) with a two-pipe termination. Multi-story venting is allowed provided maximum vent lengths are not exceeded. Two holes through the roof are required for the vent and combustion air intake pipes. All clearances must comply with local codes or the latest edition of NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 or CSA B149. As a basic guide, the following minimum clearances shall be used:

- Minimum 12 inches (30 cm) above roof.
- Minimum 12 inches (30 cm) above anticipated snow level.
- Maximum 24 inches (61 cm) above roof level without additional support for vent.
- 4 feet (1.2 m) from any gable, dormer or other roof structure with building interior access (e.g., vent or window).
- 10 feet (3 m) from any forced air inlet to the building. Any fresh or make-up air inlet such as a dryer or furnace area is considered to be a forced air inlet.
- Minimum 24 inches (61 cm) between the vent and combustion air intake terminal centerlines.

Note: It is best practice to locate the intake and exhaust terminations on a common plane.

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![Diagram of Vertical Venting, 2-pipe termination](image)

**Figure 20: Vertical Venting, 2-pipe termination**

⚠️ **CAUTION**

Never install air intake terminal above vent (exhaust) terminal.

Install piping through the roof as shown in Figure 20. Adequate length of pipe must protrude beyond the exterior of the roof (see dimension Y). Two 90° elbows are recommended for the intake and exhaust terminations to reduce the risk of rain, snow, or foreign objects entering the system. Complete the installation of the remainder of the vent and air intake system and attach to the water heater. Piping must be sufficiently supported. At minimum, it is recommended that a support is placed along the vent or air intake piping every 4 feet.
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**CAUTION**

Annular spaces around vent pipe wall penetrations shall be permanently sealed using approved materials to prevent entry of combustion products into the building.

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A 2-pipe system may also be vertically vented through a flat roof. In addition to minimum clearances above the roof and for snow levels, attention must be given to building features such as a parapet. Parapets can create stagnant zones that lead to accumulation of exhaust gas and eventual cross-contamination of intake air. Always terminate the vent above the parapet to allow for proper evacuation of exhaust gas. See Figure 22 for details.

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**Figure 21: Vertical Direct Vent Arrangement**

**Figure 22: Flat Roof - Vertical Venting, 2-pipe termination**
**Vertical Venting, Power Vent 1-pipe termination**

This water heater may be vented vertically (through a roof) with a one-pipe termination. In this case, the water heater will be utilizing air from inside the building for combustion air. A single hole through the roof of the building is required for the vent pipe.

**Note: If air from inside the building will be used for combustion air, the requirements in Section III, “Unconfined Space” must be met.**

All clearances must comply with local codes or the latest edition of NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1 or CSA B149. As a basic guide, the following minimum clearances shall be used:

- Minimum 12 inches (30 cm) above roof.
- Minimum 12 inches (30 cm) above anticipated snow level.
- Maximum 24 inches (61 cm) above roof level without additional support for vent.
- 4 feet (1.2 m) from any gable, dormer or other roof structure with building interior access (e.g. vent or window).
- 10 feet (3 m) from any forced air inlet to the building. Any fresh or make-up air inlet such as a dryer or furnace area is considered to be a forced air inlet.

![Diagram](image_url)

**Figure 23: Vertical Venting, 1-pipe termination**

Install piping through the roof as shown in Figure 23. Adequate length of pipe must protrude beyond the exterior of the roof (see dimension Y). Two 90° elbows are recommended for the exhaust termination to reduce the risk of rain, snow, or foreign objects entering the system. Complete the installation of the remainder of the vent system and attach to the water heater. Piping must be sufficiently supported. At minimum, it is recommended that a support is placed along the vent piping every 4 feet.
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Assembling Vent and Air Intake Joints

**WARNING**

Cements and primers are highly flammable. Assemble joints in an adequately ventilated area away from heat sources or open flames. Do not smoke. Read cautions and warnings on material containers.

**CAUTION**

DO NOT use cement that is lumpy or thick. DO NOT thin cement.

Connections (i.e. joints) between plastic pipe and fittings must be properly sealed. This requires that an appropriate primer (cleaner) and cement (solvent) are used for the type of material (PVC, CPVC, ABS) that is used in the venting system. For PVC use ASTM D2564 grade cement, for CPVC use ASTM F493 grade cement, for IPEX 1738 PVC use UL1738 certified cement and primer that also meets the performance requirements of ASTM D2564, and for ABS use ASTM D2235 grade New grade cement for IPEX1738. The following steps should be taken when connecting plastic pipe and fittings:

- Cut pipe square with hand saw and remove burrs from inside and outside edges.
- Clean fitting socket and pipe joint area of all dirt, grease, or moisture.
- Check dry fit. Pipe should easily go 1/3 of the way into the fitting socket.
- Liberally apply primer to inside of fitting socket and pipe joint area.
- Over the wet primer, apply a medium coat of cement to the fitting socket and pipe joint area.

Figure 24: Vertical Power Vent Arrangement
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• Insert pipe into fitting with a slight twisting motion. Ensure that the pipe is bottomed into the fitting.

• Hold pipe and fitting for 30 seconds to prevent push off.

• Wipe off excess cement. Cure time may be at least 2 hours for Ø4” pipe at 60°F. Longer cure time is required for larger diameter pipe and/or lower temperatures.

Note: The vent and combustion air intake pipe/fittings must overlap a minimum of 1/2 inch (1.3 cm) at each joint. DO NOT drill or punch holes in the plastic pipe or fittings.

Intake Drain

An intake drain port is included from the factory to drain moisture buildup from the intake vent. When proper pitching of the vent is not possible or a vertical direct vent arrangement is used, install a drain line. Follow these steps to properly install the drain line:

• Turn off all electrical power to the water heater.

![Figure 25: Condensate Drain on Air Intake Piping](image)

• Remove the cap from the hosebarb and connect 1/4” ID plastic tubing to the hose barb.

• Form a trap by looping a portion of the plastic tube into a circle. Secure the loop in place with a plastic zip tie.

• Route the plastic tubing to an appropriate floor drain. Use a condensate neutralizer if necessary.

• Prime the loop trap with water prior to resuming operation of the water heater. Disconnect the end of the tube that was connected to the hose barb. With the free end above the loop trap, pour water into the tube until the loop is filled halfway.

• Reconnect the tube to the hose barb and turn on electrical power to the water heater.
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WATER CONNECTIONS

**CAUTION**

This water heater incorporates fittings that contain a nonmetallic lining. **DO NOT** apply heat to these fittings when making sweat connections to the heater. Sweat tubing to an adapter before securing adapter to any fittings on water heaters.

ALL PIPING SHOULD CONFORM TO LOCAL CODES AND ORDINANCES. It is highly recommended that unions and shut-off valves are installed at the potable water connections to allow for isolation and/or movement during service. All piping should be adequately insulated with an approved material to minimize heat loss.

Piping diagrams are provided in Figures 27 - 30 for a variety of configurations.

**NOTICE**

If the water heating system incorporates a recirculation line that returns water to the water heater at a temperature that exceeds 155°F, a blocking or lockout error may occur.

POTABLE WATER CONNECTIONS

**IMPORTANT: THE WATER HEATER MUST BE FILLED WITH WATER BEFORE CONNECTING ELECTRIC POWER.**

1) Close the main water supply valve before continuing with the installation. After the main water supply is shut-off, relieve the water line pressure by opening a faucet. Once the pressure has been relieved, close the faucet. The “Cold” and “Hot” potable water connections are labeled on the water heater. Install a union and shut-off valve at both potable water connections. A tempering valve or anti-scald valve should be installed at the potable water outlet and used according to the manufacturer’s specifications to prevent scalding.

**IMPORTANT:** The water heater contains factory installed pipe nipples at the hot outlet connections. These pipes were tightened to proper orientation at the factory. **DO NOT ROTATE THESE PIPES WHEN CONNECTING FITTINGS IN THE FIELD.** The black indicator line on the side of the factory installed pipe nipple must be in line with the arrow on the label shown in Figure 26. If orientation is not correct there will be a reduction in water heater performance.

2) If a backflow preventer, check valve, or pressure regulating valve is required in the cold water supply, a properly sized expansion tank must be installed to control thermal expansion. Do not operate the water heater in a closed system without installing a thermal expansion tank. Follow the expansion tank manufacturer’s recommendations when selecting a tank for your system.

3) Following installation of the water lines, open the main water supply valve and fill the water heater. Open several hot water faucets to relieve air from the system. After water is flowing through the faucets and the system is void of air, close the faucets and check for water leaks in the system.

**Note:** Do not try to heat hard water as this will drastically reduce heater life. Install a water softener or other scale reducing water treatment system if the water heater is being installed in a hard water area (water hardness higher than seven grains).
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**Figure 27: Piping Diagram One Unit**

**Figure 28: Piping Diagram Two Units**
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Figure 29: Piping Diagram Three Units

Figure 30: Piping Diagram One Unit with Storage Tank
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WATER (POTABLE) HEATING AND SPACE HEATING CONNECTIONS

If this heater is used for water (potable) heating and space heating, the following requirements apply:

- Piping and components to the water heater for the space heating application must be suitable for use with potable water.

- Toxic chemicals, such as used for boiler treatment, shall not be introduced into the potable water used for space heating.

- A water heater which will be used to supply potable water shall not be connected to any heating system or component(s) previously used with a non-potable water heating appliance.

- If the space heating requires water at a temperature higher than required for other uses, a tempering valve shall be installed to reduce the water temperature for those uses in order to lessen scald hazard potential.

- This water heater cannot be used for space heating applications only.

- Space heating piping connections shall be made to the free Hot/Cold connections on the water heater. Two sets of Hot/Cold connections are supplied.

A piping diagram for water (potable) heating and space heating is shown in Figure 31.

![Figure 31: Piping Diagram One Unit with Space Heating](image)
CAUTION

Do not use this water heater with any gas other than the type listed on the rating label. Check the rating label on the front of the water heater and make sure the gas to be used matches the gas stated on the rating label. Consult your local gas company or Bock Water Heaters with any questions.

A manual valve, union, and a sediment trap shall be provided in front of the gas valve. All gas piping must conform to local codes and/or the National Fuel Gas Code ANSI 223.1/NFPA 54 or CSA B149.1. Figure 32 shows the installation of a sediment trap to the gas piping on the water heater.

The gas supply piping to the heater must be sized such that the pressure at the valve is sufficient when all other appliances are operating. Undersized gas piping will reduce water heater performance and result in nuisance lockouts. Refer to Section III: Pre-Installation / Gas Supply Line for pipe size requirements.

Verify that the gas service and meter are sized properly for the total load. If the gas supply pressure is greater than 14" W.C., the water heater must have a supply gas regulator installed in the gas supply line for each water heater. The regulator must be rated at or above the input rating (Btu/hr) of the water heater that it serves. Inlet and outlet connections on the regulator shall not be less than the minimum gas supply line size for the water heater. The Maxitrol 325-7 series of regulators with 1-1/4" or 1-1/2" connections is recommended.

For ease of measurement, install a tee with a pipe fitting and a manual shutoff valve between the main manual shut-off valve to the water heater and the pressure regulator. The pipe fitting should be adaptable to a pressure gauge for measuring incoming gas pressure. If further measurement of gas pressure is required due to lack of adequate pressure, measurement at the inlet of the gas control is recommended. Refer to Section III: Pre-Installation / Gas Supply Line for minimum pressure requirements.

During pressure testing of the gas supply piping, close the manual gas shut-off valve to the water heater. Test pressure shall not exceed ½ PSIG (14" W.C). The gas control is only rated for ½ PSIG. To test at a pressure greater than ½ PSIG, close the manual shut-off valve and disconnect the gas control. Turn on gas and inspect piping for leaks by “painting” each joint with a soapy water solution and check for bubbles.

WARNING

DO NOT use an open flame to check for leaks. Serious injury or death could result from fire or explosion.

The pipe thread compound that is used on gas piping must be of the type resistant to propane gas. Do not use teflon tape on gas piping.
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WIRING

All electrical wiring and connections must be in accordance with local codes. In the absence of local codes, wiring must conform to the National Electric Code ANSI/NFPA No. 70 or the Canadian Electrical Code C22.1. This water heater must be electrically grounded. Electrical power should be supplied through a fused disconnect switch located near the water heater. Where local codes permit, use the supplied power cord for field connection. A grounding receptacle is required. If local codes do not permit the use of the supplied cord, disconnect the power cord from the junction box and replace with suitable power supply (120V, 60 Hz) wiring and connections. The water heater draws less than 5 amps (maximum). Check for proper polarity at the main power connection prior to operating the water heater.

⚠️ CAUTION

Turn off or disconnect the electrical power supply to the water heater before servicing. Label all wires prior to disconnection when servicing controls. Wiring errors can cause improper and dangerous operation. Verify proper operation (including limits and safeties) after servicing.

Component and schematic wiring diagrams are shown in Figures 33 and 34.

Figure 33: Component Wiring Diagram
Figure 34: Schematic Wiring Diagram
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FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE OPERATING

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

A. This appliance does not have a pilot. It is equipped with an ignition device which automatically lights the burner. Do not try to light the burner by hand.

B. BEFORE OPERATING smell all around the appliance area for gas. Be sure to smell next to the floor because some gas is heavier than air and will settle on the floor.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS
- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electric switch; do not use any phone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor’s phone. Follow the gas supplier’s instructions.
- If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
- The gas control on this appliance does not have an “On/Off” knob. Turn off main power to the water heater to disable the gas control.
- Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified installer or service agency to replace a flooded water heater. Do not attempt to repair the unit! It must be replaced!

FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE OPERATING

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. STOP! Read the safety information above on this label.
2. Set the main power switch, located to the right of the control display, to the OFF position.
3. This appliance is equipped with a device which automatically lights the burner. DO NOT TRY TO LIGHT THE BURNER BY HAND.
4. Wait five (5) minutes to clear out any gas. If you smell gas STOP! Follow “B” in the safety information above on this label. If you don’t smell gas, go to the next step.
5. Set the main power switch to the ON position.
6. If the appliance will not operate, follow the instructions “TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE” and call your service technician or gas supplier.
7. Set the thermostat to the desired setting.
   CAUTION: Hotter water increases the risk of scald injury. Consult the manual before changing the temperature setting.

TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE

1. Set the thermostat to the lowest setting.
2. Set the main power switch to the OFF position.

Figure 35: Instructions To Put The Water Heater In Operation
Figure 36 gives a step-by-step description of the sequence of operations for this water heater. See Troubleshooting section of this manual for solutions to error codes.
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ADJUSTING THE CONTROLS

The temperature setpoint has been adjusted to 120°F at the factory. Allow the water heater to warm up to the factory adjusted setpoint and wait until the main operating control has shut off gas to the burner. Wait 30 seconds following shut-off of gas, then adjust the setpoint to a higher temperature.

The home screen displays the current status of the water heater (i.e. demand or no demand for heat).

**Figure 37: Steps to Adjust the Setpoint Temperature**
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Following adjustment of the setpoint to a higher temperature (see Figure 37), the main burner should relight. Next, adjust the setpoint to a lower temperature (i.e. back to 120°F) and the gas valve will close, extinguishing the burner flame. The thermostat should be adjusted to the minimum setting that will meet the hot water needs of the application.

⚠️ CAUTION

There is a scald potential if the thermostat is set too high. The recommended temperature setting for normal residential use is 120°F. If higher temperature settings are needed for combined appliance applications or commercial use, an automatic tempering valve must be installed on all domestic hot water lines.

MEASURING THE POINT-OF-USE WATER TEMPERATURE

The thermostat is factory set at 120°F for domestic use. It is the responsibility of the building owner to verify that the installer follows the recommended quantitative testing for measuring the point-of-use water temperature. To make sure that the system works properly after installation and in the future, it is recommended that the heater’s performance be measured and monitored. Run water out of a faucet nearest the heater until it comes out warm. Using a calibrated thermometer, take a measurement. If the water is not at a suitable temperature for the application, adjust the setting on the control or the tempering valve.

This log (or a similar one) should be filled out as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Person running test</th>
<th>Setpoint Temperature °F</th>
<th>Faucet Temperature °F</th>
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SECTION VI: MAINTENANCE

NOTICE TO THE OWNER: If you are having a mechanical problem with your water heater, contact your service company or installer.

The required maintenance schedule for this water heater is shown in Table 8. Further detail is given in this section for each component.

Table 8: Maintenance Schedule

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Operation</th>
<th>Interval</th>
<th>Required</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Water piping</td>
<td>Check for leaks</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Repair when necessary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T&amp;P Relief Valve</td>
<td>Verify operation</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Proper operation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Powered Anode System</td>
<td>Check status LED</td>
<td>3 months</td>
<td>Verify “green” LED status</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tank</td>
<td>Sediment removal</td>
<td>6 months</td>
<td>Flush tank</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vent System</td>
<td>Inspect</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Terminals are clear; vent screens are clean; joints are sealed; proper support</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Condensate Neutralizer</td>
<td>Replace Media</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Replace neutralizing media</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Condensate Trap</td>
<td>Inspect</td>
<td>6 months</td>
<td>Remove sediment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combustion System</td>
<td>Measurements</td>
<td>Annually</td>
<td>Check inlet gas pressure; take combustion reading (O2%)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

WATER PIPING

On an annual basis, all piping should be checked for leakage at joints, shut-off valves, and unions.

T&P RELIEF VALVE

On an annual basis, the temperature and pressure relief valve should be checked for proper operation. First, attach a drain line to the valve to direct the water discharge to an open drain. This is very important because the temperature of the discharge could be very hot. Second, lift lever at the end of the valve several times. The valve should operate freely and return to its original position properly. If water does not flow out of the valve, remove and inspect for corrosion or obstructions. Replace with a new valve if necessary. Do not repair the faulty valve as this may cause improper operation.

ANODE RODS

The water heater is supplied with a factory installed powered anode system to prevent corrosion of internal tank components. The anode rods in the tank are made from titanium and are not consumed over time and, therefore, do not need to be removed and inspected.

The powered anode module and status LED are mounted on the control panel underneath the control enclosure cover. The status LED is located on the left side of the panel. When the tank is filled with water and the heater is connected to the power supply, the status LED will be green. If the LED is flashing red, this indicates a system error. Refer to Table 14 in Section VII: Troubleshooting for possible causes and remedies when the LED is flashing red. Check the status LED every three months to ensure proper operation.

NOTICE TO THE OWNER: The water heater must be connected to the power supply for the powered anode system to operate. DO NOT DISCONNECT THE WATER HEATER FROM THE POWER SUPPLY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. WITHOUT POWER, THE ANODE SYSTEM WILL NOT BE CAPABLE OF PROVIDING CORROSION PROTECTION. When the power switch to the right of the display is OFF and there is a connection to the power supply, the powered anode system will still function. If the water heater must be disconnected from the power supply for an extended period, the tank must be drained. Refill the tank prior to reconnecting the water heater to the power supply.
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FLUSH THE TANK

Elements in the water such as lime and iron may accumulate in the heater. Accumulation of these elements can keep your water heater from operating at peak efficiency and may lead to premature tank failure. It is recommended that the tank is drained and flushed thoroughly twice a year to prevent buildup.

CHECK THE COMBUSTION SYSTEM

On an annual basis, verify that the combustion system is operating within acceptable parameters. Gas pressures and combustion measurements can be used to verify proper operation.

- Check the inlet gas pressure to the gas control. The pressure should be greater than 3.5” W.C. (natural gas) and 8” W.C. (LP gas) when the burner is operating at high fire. Gas pressure shall not exceed 14” W.C. when the burner is off.
- Measure the products of combustion in the exhaust vent. At maximum input, the % O₂ in the exhaust gas should be in the range of 3.0 - 4.5%. CO should be less than 25 ppm. If measurements are not within range, contact Bock Technical Support for adjustment instructions.

Figure 38: Honeywell Gas Control (Top View)
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INSPECT THE VENTING SYSTEM AND BURNER

The vent and combustion air intake system should be checked at least once a year for damage and blockage. Make sure all joints are secure and that the system is properly supported. Inspect the outdoor terminals and vents to make sure they are free of obstructions.

Inspect the condensate elbow assembly for blockage every six months. Disconnect the unions labeled ‘B’ as well as the threaded connection to the drain line. Run water through the running trap to clean out any debris. When re-installing ensure the condensate trap is level or there may be adverse effects on water heater operation.

▲ CAUTION

For your safety, removal of the blower assembly and the burner must be performed by a qualified service technician. All parts must be replaced to their original position prior to operating the water heater.

The water heater utilizes a forced draft combustion system to draw combustion air to the burner and remove exhaust gas from the vent. The combustion air intake is under a negative pressure which may cause unwanted objects to be pulled into the intake vent pipe. Over time, these objects may collect in the burner and affect burner ignitions and water heater performance. While not required as a periodic maintenance item, inspecting the burner for blockage should be done once all other potential causes for ignition failures have been checked (i.e. the ignitor, flame rod, gas supply pressure, etc.). In order to inspect the burner, a portion of the overall assembly must be removed for access. Before proceeding, make sure the power switch is OFF and close the main shut-off valve on the gas supply.

• First, remove the ignitor and flame rod and set aside.

• Second, disconnect the wiring harnesses and the air intake piping from the blower.

• Third, remove the blower, along with other connected components, by removing four screws at the gas control plus four nuts and washers at the burner mounting flange.

Refer to Figure 39 for a visual location of components.
With the blower disassembled from the burner assembly, lift the burner straight up and through the burner assembly mounting flange. All gaskets removed when disassembling the burner assembly should be discarded and replaced with new, undamaged, gaskets upon re-assembly. Inspect the inside of the burner for blockage. The burner is comprised of a perforated stainless steel tube with a woven metal wrapped around the outside. Do not attempt to stick objects into the woven metal for cleaning purposes. This may damage the burner and reduce performance. If blockage cannot easily be removed from inside the burner, compressed air may be used to blow out any buildup.

Reassemble the burner carefully placing all gaskets in their required location according to Figure 43. Remount the blower assembly to the mounting flange with the nuts and lock washers. Reconnect the gas control to the flange with the four screws and reattach the air intake piping to the blower. Finally, reinstall the ignitor and flame rod. Connect the wiring harnesses to the blower. Restore power to the water heater and visually inspect the burner ignition through the sight glass at the front of the mounting flange. When the system is working properly, ignition should be smooth with an even flame distribution along the surface of the burner. The flames should be short and blue with some yellow at the tips.
### Table 9: General Troubleshooting

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<tr>
<th>Problem</th>
<th>Possible causes</th>
<th>Recommended Action</th>
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<td>Unable to light the burner</td>
<td>1) Check display for error code.</td>
<td>1) See Tables 12 and 13.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2) Air in the gas line.</td>
<td>2) Contact qualified agency to purge the air from the gas line.</td>
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<td>3) Loose wire connection.</td>
<td>3) Contact qualified agency to inspect wiring.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Burner does not stay lit</td>
<td>1) Check display for error code.</td>
<td>1) See Tables 12 and 13.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rumbling noise in the tank during</td>
<td>1) Scale or sediment build-up in tank.</td>
<td>1) Drain the water heater to remove scale and sediment.</td>
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<tr>
<td>burner operation</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insufficient hot water</td>
<td>1) Heater undersized for load</td>
<td>1) Reduce hot water usage rate.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2) Check display for error code.</td>
<td>2) See Tables 12 and 13.</td>
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<td>3) Temperature setting of control is too low.</td>
<td>3) Adjust setting as required.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water too hot or not hot enough</td>
<td>1) Control temperature setting is too high or low.</td>
<td>1) Adjust setting as required</td>
</tr>
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<td>T&amp;P relief valve is dripping water.</td>
<td>1) Excessive pressure condition in tank (greater than 150 psi).</td>
<td>1) Contact qualified agency to inspect water piping system. Expansion tanks are required in closed systems.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T&amp;P relief valve is gushing hot water.</td>
<td>1) Excessive temperature condition in tank (greater than 210°F).</td>
<td>1) Lower the temperature setting on the control. See “Section V: Operation” for instructions to adjust the temperature setting.</td>
</tr>
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</table>
**SECTION VII: TROUBLESHOOTING**

Table 10 shows a list of lockout error codes. A lockout code will be visible on the control display in the form of a code (letter “A” followed by a number) and a short message. Lockout errors require a manual reset to resume operation after the root cause of the problem has been solved. To manually reset the control, press the “i” button on the user interface.

**Table 10: Lockout Error Codes**

<table>
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<th>Code</th>
<th>Error Message</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Causes &amp; Actions</th>
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<tr>
<td>A00</td>
<td>EXTND BLOCKING ERROR</td>
<td>A blocking error has been present for more than 20 hours in a row.</td>
<td>Investigate the blocking error that caused the lockout.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A01</td>
<td>IGNITION LOCKOUT</td>
<td>There have been three unsuccessful ignition attempts in a row.</td>
<td>Dirty or faulty flame rod - see manual.</td>
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<td>Damaged or worn hot surface igniter - see manual.</td>
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<td>Faulty or loose wiring - check wiring and connections to flame rod, hot surface</td>
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<td>igniter, gas valve and blower.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Improper venting or restricted inlet/outlet - see manual.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A05</td>
<td>GV RELAY ERROR</td>
<td>A failure was detected in the GV Relay in the main operating control.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A06</td>
<td>SAFETY RELAY ERROR</td>
<td>A failure was detected in the Safety Relay in the main operating control.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A08</td>
<td>FAN ERROR</td>
<td>The actual fan speed differs more than 300 RPM from the target fan speed.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control and wiring to blower.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A09, A11, A13, A14</td>
<td>RAM, X-RAM, STATE OR ROM ERRORS</td>
<td>Various internal software errors.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A09, A12</td>
<td>EPROM ERRORS</td>
<td>Various errors caused by EPROM file.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A16</td>
<td>15MS XRL ERROR</td>
<td>Internal software error.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A38</td>
<td>High Limit Lockout</td>
<td>Water temperature higher than 350 degrees F detected when the burner is on.</td>
<td>Faulty temperature regulation - contact qualified service agency to inspect the control</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A19, A27, A28, A29, A30</td>
<td>various software errors</td>
<td>Internal software error.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A20</td>
<td>FLAME ERROR 2</td>
<td>The flame is still present 10 seconds after closing the gas valve.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the gas valve.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A21</td>
<td>FLAME ERROR 1</td>
<td>The gas valve is not closing properly - contact a qualified agency.</td>
<td>Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A24</td>
<td>FLAME FAIL LOCKOUT</td>
<td>Flame signal has been lost ten times during one demand.</td>
<td>Dirty or faulty flame rod - see manual.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Faulty or loose wiring to gas valve - check wiring and connections.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A56</td>
<td>BLOCKED VENT</td>
<td>Blocked vent error occurs 3 times in a 10 minute period.</td>
<td>See blocking error F36.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A38</td>
<td>LOW GAS PRESSURE</td>
<td>Low gas pressure error occurs 3 times in a 10 minute period.</td>
<td>See blocking error E36.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 11 shows a list of blocking error codes. A blocking code will be visible on the control display in the form of a code (letter “E” followed by a number) and a short message. Blocking errors automatically reset once the error is corrected.

Table 11: Blocking Error Codes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Code</th>
<th>Error Message</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Causes &amp; Actions</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E34 - E38</td>
<td>WD INTERNAL ERROR</td>
<td>Description: Internal software error.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E31 - E34</td>
<td>REF HI/LO TOO HI/LO</td>
<td>Description: Internal hardware error.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E35</td>
<td>FALSE FLAME</td>
<td>Description: A flame is detected when no flame is allowed.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E36</td>
<td>BLOCKED VENT</td>
<td>Description: The blocked vent circuit is open.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E38</td>
<td>LOW GAS PRESSURE</td>
<td>Description: Gas supply pressure is too low.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E39</td>
<td>FLUE GAS LIMIT</td>
<td>Description: The flue gas temperature has exceeded the high limit.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E43, E47</td>
<td>various WD ERRORS</td>
<td>Description: Various WD communication errors.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E44</td>
<td>PHASE ERROR</td>
<td>Description: The polarity at the main power supply is reversed.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E46</td>
<td>EARTH GROUND ERROR</td>
<td>Description: A faulty earth ground connection is detected.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E51 or E52</td>
<td>WATER T SENSOR OPEN</td>
<td>Description: The water temperature sensor is open.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E59 or E60</td>
<td>WATER T SENSOR SHORT</td>
<td>Description: The water temperature sensor is shorted.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E65</td>
<td>FLUE SENSOR SHORT</td>
<td>Description: The flue sensor is shorted.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E66</td>
<td>RESET BUTTON ERROR</td>
<td>Description: An error has occurred with the reset button (“i” button)</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E72</td>
<td>APPLIANCE SEL ERROR</td>
<td>Description: An error has occurred due to incorrect appliance selection.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E76, E77, E79, OR E81</td>
<td>various fan errors</td>
<td>Description: A communication error has occurred with the fan.</td>
<td>Causes &amp; Actions: Contact a qualified agency to inspect the control.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 12 should be referenced when troubleshooting the powered anode system. If the status LED is off or flashing red, a problem has occurred and service is required. When the LED is a constant green, the system is operating properly. **NOTICE:** The tank must be filled with water prior to connecting the water heater to the power supply. The powered anode system will only work properly if the tank is filled with water.

**Table 12: Powered Anode Troubleshooting**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LED status</th>
<th>Problem</th>
<th>Solution</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>The water heater is not connected to the mains power supply.</td>
<td>Ensure that the water heater is plugged in.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flashing Red</td>
<td>Error occurred during start-up.</td>
<td>Reset power to the anode power supply by resetting the mains power supply to the water heater.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The tank is not filled with water.</td>
<td>Disconnect water heater from mains supply and fill tank with water.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Poor electrical connection between anode power supply and anode rod.</td>
<td>Check the insulation on all connecting harnesses for bare spots. Check the connections at the power supply and anode terminals.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Defective seal in anode bushing; anode rod is no longer insulated from tank.</td>
<td>With an ohmmeter, check for electrical continuity between the powered anode terminal and the bushing. If there is continuity, replace the anode rod.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**SERVICING THE FLAME ROD AND IGNITOR**

If an A01 lockout error code is present there has been a problem with lighting the burner. Two possible causes for this error are a dirty or faulty flame rod or a faulty ignitor. Each component can be checked for proper operation.

The hot surface ignitor can be checked with a visual inspection through the burner assembly sight glass. Before the gas valve opens in the ignition sequence, the ignitor will warm-up for 8 seconds. During this time, an orange glow will be visible through the sight glass. If accessing the sight glass is not feasible, two simple checks can be made with a multimeter. First, ignitor resistance may be measured at the end of the ignitor wiring terminal. Turn off power to the water heater and disconnect the ignitor wire harness from the wire harness with the two orange wires. Insert the multimeter probes into the ignitor wire harness terminal. At normal room temperature, the ignitor resistance will be approximately 38 ohms. After a heating cycle, the resistance will be in the range of 38 - 80 ohms (depending on when the measurement is taken after the cycle). Besides resistance, the continuity of the ignitor circuit can be checked. With the multimeter probes still in the terminal, switch the meter to check for continuity. If continuity is not indicated, the ignitor must be replaced.

If the ignitor is working properly and the burner lights but goes out right away, check the flame rod. The rod may be dirty or it could be damaged and a replacement will be required. Start by turning off power to the water heater and remove the flame rod. Inspect the ceramic insulator for cracks (replace if cracked). Clean the rod with fine steel wool and reinstall. Turn on power to the water heater and enter the Installer Menu on the control display (see next subsection for instructions). Arrow down until the third screen that displays the flame signal. During the next ignition attempt, a flame signal (in microamps, “μA”) will be displayed. Under normal operation, the flame signal will be between 2 - 5 μA during a successful ignition period. As the fan speed increases the flame signal will become stronger and eventually be in the 5 - 7 μA range. A minimum flame signal of 1.25 μA is required to avoid a flame failure. If the flame signal is 0 μA when a flame is present during the ignition period, the flame rod needs to be replaced.
**SECTION VII: TROUBLESHOOTING**

**INSTALLER MENUS**

System and troubleshooting information such as fan speeds, flame signal, ignition attempts, and error history is available in the Installer Menu. Refer to Figure 40 for instructions to access this menu and useful tips.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>Fan Speed</th>
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<tr>
<td>Actual</td>
<td>xxxx RPM</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low Power</td>
<td>xxxx RPM</td>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>Ignition</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Signal</td>
<td>0.0 uA</td>
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</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>Ignition Attempts</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Successes</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Failures</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>Heater Run Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DHW</td>
<td>0 HR</td>
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</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>E x y 1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Description of blocking error</td>
<td>x Hrs (active or cleared)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x Hrs since err 2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
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<tr>
<th>STATUS</th>
<th>A x y 1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Description of lockout error</td>
<td>x Hrs (active or cleared)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x Hrs since err 2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
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</table>

To access the Installer Menu, hold down the “OK” and “M” buttons together for 5 seconds. Make sure the display is at the home screen before pressing the buttons.

The Installer Menu screen will be displayed. Heater Status contains useful, real-time information pertaining to fan speeds, flame current, flame failure history, ignition attempt history, and lockout-blocking error history. The Heater Status menu can be used when troubleshooting the water heater.

The Heater Config menu can be used to set a service reminder.

System Test can be used to maintain a constant input rate at low, ignition, or high input fan speed. This can be useful when troubleshooting the heater or performing combustion tests. The default setting is “OFF”. Use the default setting to resume normal operation.

Press the “OK” button to select Heater Status.

The first screen in the STATUS menu displays actual fan speed and the low power fan speed (factory settings). As a reference point, when the fan speed is displayed as “1%” at the home screen the actual speed will match the low power speed.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The second screen in the STATUS menu shows the ignition speed and high power fan speed (both are factory settings). As a reference, when the fan speed is displayed as “100%” at the screen the actual speed will match the high power speed.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The third screen displays the present flame current measurement. When a flame is present this value will vary based on fan speed, but it will be in the range of 5 - 7 microamps most of the time.

A running total of the number of flame failures is also displayed. A flame failure is defined as a loss in flame signal after the flame has been proven during the trial for ignition period.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The fourth screen displays the history of ignition attempts. A running total of successful and failed attempts is given.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The fifth screen displays the total hours of heating time for the water heater.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The sixth screen displays the history of blocking errors (“E” codes). The most recent error is shown first (indicated by #1 in top right corner). Cycle through the error history by pressing the “Y” button. The most recent error shows the time since the error occurred and if the error is active or cleared. The time interval between the displayed error and previous error is also given.

Use the down arrow (“.”) to advance to the next screen.

The final screen displays the history of lockout errors (“A” codes). The most recent error is shown first (indicated by #1 in top right corner). Cycle through the error history by pressing the “P” button. The most recent error shows the time since the error occurred and if the error is active or cleared. The time interval between the displayed error and previous error is also given.

Press the “M” button to exit the STATUS menu.

Figure 40: Using the Installer Menu
**SECTION VIII: PARTS LIST**

Table 13: optiTHERM Parts

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<td>1</td>
<td>Junction Box [Part# 21640]</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>Hand Hole Cover [Part# 17190]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Power Cord [Part# 21665]</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>Control Enclosure Cover [Part# 17111]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Intake Pressure Switch [Part# 20012]</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>Knob [Part# 19867]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Exhaust Pressure Switch [Part# 20014]</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Control Panel Assembly [Part# VARIIES]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Tank Top Insulation [Part# 18153]</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>Second Pass Flue Sensor [Part# 21599]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Powered Anode (400mm) [Part# 15152]</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>Refractory Disk [Part# 18006]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>Baffle [Part# 16604]</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Flame Rod [Part# 19853]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Chamber 2 Cover Plate [Part# T-17036V2]</td>
<td>23a</td>
<td>Flame Rod Gasket [Part# 18209]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Hot Water Outlet Nipple [Part# 15407]</td>
<td>23b</td>
<td>Flame Rod/Ignitor Screw [Part# 25137]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>T&amp;P Valve [Part# 21785]</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Hot Surface Ignitor [Part# 19945]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>Tank Temperature Sensor [Part# 21594]</td>
<td>24a</td>
<td>Ignitor Gasket [Part# 18207]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>Cold Water Inlet Nipple [Part# 15340]</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>Intake Assembly [Part# 19978]</td>
</tr>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Powered Anode (500mm) [Part# 15153]</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>Burner Assembly [Part# VARIIES]</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>Hand Hole Gasket [Part# 15560]</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>Exhaust Temperature Sensor [Part# 21596]</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>Drain Valve [Part# 15590]</td>
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<td>Exhaust Pressure Barb [Part# 17277]</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>Condensate Drain Assembly [Part# 19986]</td>
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Figure 42: optiTHERM Control Panel Parts

Table 14: optiTHERM Control Panel Parts

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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Control Display</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Powered Anode Status LED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Display Bracket</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>Powered Anode Power Supply</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Main Operating Control</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Standoff, 2.5 in. length</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Terminal Block</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>Power Switch Bracket</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Relay</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>Power Switch (for main control)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Standoff, 3.5 in. length</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Status LED Bracket</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>Fuse Block</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Control, Argus IF (optional)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Fuse, 5A (delay)</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>Control, ProtoAir, FPA-W44</td>
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<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Transformer (120 VAC/24 VAC)</td>
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<td>Control, ProtoAir, BACnet (optional)</td>
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### Table 15: optiTHERM Burner Assembly Parts

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<td>1</td>
<td>Gas Pressure Switch</td>
<td>20008</td>
<td>Gasket (blower to transition tube)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Gas Control Flange (w/ gasket)</td>
<td>20007</td>
<td>Transition Tube</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Gas Control (NAT GAS, 0-2,000 FT ALT)</td>
<td>20006</td>
<td>Gasket (Burner to Mounting Flange)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Gas Control (LP GAS, 0-7,800 FT ALT; NAT GAS, 2,000-7,800 FT ALT)</td>
<td>20013</td>
<td>Mounting Flange</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Pipe Nipple (NAT GAS models)</td>
<td>15205</td>
<td>Burner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Pipe Nipple w/0.391&quot; Orifice (LP GAS models)</td>
<td>19880</td>
<td>Blower</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Gasket (Burner to Transition tube)</td>
<td>18212</td>
<td>Gasket (Mounting Flange to Bracket)</td>
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</table>

**Figure 43:** optiTHERM Burner Assembly Parts

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### Table 16: optiTHERM Wiring Harnesses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Part #</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Connections</th>
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<tr>
<td>21650</td>
<td>Blower Power Supply &amp; PWM</td>
<td>Main Control (J9) &amp; Fuse Block</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21652</td>
<td>Transformer &amp; Flame Rod</td>
<td>Main Control (J13)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21655</td>
<td>Tank Temperature Sensors &amp; Display</td>
<td>Main Control (J5)</td>
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<td>21657</td>
<td>Hot Surface Ignitor</td>
<td>Main Control (J4)</td>
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<td>21660</td>
<td>Main Power Supply</td>
<td>Main Control (J2)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21664</td>
<td>Safety Switches</td>
<td>Main Control (J16)</td>
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<tr>
<td>21680</td>
<td>Gas Control</td>
<td>Gas Control</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21677</td>
<td>J-Box to Terminal Block</td>
<td>Junction Box</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21665</td>
<td>Plug-in Power Cord</td>
<td>Junction Box</td>
</tr>
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<td>21667</td>
<td>Power Switch</td>
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<tr>
<td>21669</td>
<td>Gas Pressure Switch</td>
<td>Gas Pressure Switch</td>
</tr>
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<td>21673</td>
<td>Blower Relay (2 req’d)</td>
<td>Relay</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21675</td>
<td>Power to Anode Controller</td>
<td>Terminal Block</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21671</td>
<td>Flue Gas Temperature Sensor &amp; Safety Switch</td>
<td>Harness #21655 &amp; Harness #21664</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15155</td>
<td>Anode Rods</td>
<td>Anode Power Supply</td>
</tr>
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</table>
SECTION IX: WARRANTY

LIMITED WARRANTY FOR GAS-FIRED WATER HEATER

Bock Water Heaters, Inc.
110 S. Dickinson Street
Madison, WI 53703
Phone: 608-257-2225

WHAT DOES THIS LIMITED WARRANTY COVER?

This limited warranty applies only to the original consumer purchaser.

**General Defects and Malfunctions:** This warranty covers defects and malfunctions in your new water heater for a period of one year from the original installation date. We will repair or replace, at our option, any defective or malfunctioning component of the water heater. This limited warranty will terminate if you sell or otherwise transfer the water heater, or the water heater is installed at a location different from its original installation location.

**Tank and Heat Exchanger:** We also warrant that the tank and heat exchanger will not leak due to defective materials or workmanship for five years from the date of original installation or from date of manufacture in the event the Limited Warranty Registration Card was not completed and returned to manufacturer. If the tank and heat exchanger is leaking and we have verified that the leak is due to a defect in materials and workmanship, we will replace the tank with a tank that is the nearest Bock model available at the time of replacement. If a replacement tank is provided, it will remain warranted under this section as if it were the original tank. For example, if we send you a replacement tank under this limited warranty two years after the original installation date, then the replacement tank will remain warranted for the remaining three years after the original installation date.

HOW DO YOU GET SERVICE UNDER THE LIMITED WARRANTY?

In order for the warranty period to begin on the date of installation, you must return the warranty registration card attached below within 30 days of purchasing the water heater. You may also register your water heater online at www.bockwaterheaters.com. You must have a copy of the original sales receipt at the time you request service. Failure to return the warranty registration card and provide a copy of the sales receipt will result in the warranty period beginning from the date of manufacture.

To get service under this limited warranty you should contact either the dealer or installer. If dealer or installer is unknown you can contact us via e-mail at warranty@bockwaterheaters.com or call us Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 o’clock a.m. to 5 o’clock p.m. Central Time at the following number: 1-608-257-2225.

You can also write us at the following address:

Bock Water Heaters, Inc.
Warranty Support Group
110 S. Dickinson Street
Madison, WI 53703

We will respond not later than ten days after we have received your request for service.
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WHAT DOES THIS LIMITED WARRANTY NOT COVER?

This limited warranty does not cover water heaters that are or were:

- Incorrectly installed, especially where the installation violates state or local plumbing, housing or building codes.
- Operated at inappropriate settings, excessive pressures or temperatures.
- Exposed to adverse local conditions and specifically sediment or lime precipitation in the tank or corrosive elements in the atmosphere or unacceptable water quality.
- Installed outside the United States or Canada.
- Accidentally damaged.

Also, we will not cover the following charges, costs and losses:

- Any freight or delivery charges.
- Any removal or installation charges.
- Charges to return the water heater or part to the manufacturer.
- Water damage, loss or damage to property, inconvenience or loss of use.

WHAT WILL VOID THE LIMITED WARRANTY?

If you do any of the following, you will void this limited warranty:

- Fail to retain an original copy of your sales receipt.
- Fail to retain the actual rating plate from the water heater.
- Alter or remove the serial number.
- Transfer or sell the water heater.
- Remove the water heater from its original location and install it somewhere else.
- Fail to follow the care and maintenance instructions provided with the water heater.
- Alter, disable or in any way cause the Impressed Current Cathodic Protection system to be inoperable.
- Fail to maintain in continuous good working condition the Impressed Current Cathodic Protection system.

HOW DOES STATE LAW RELATE TO THIS LIMITED WARRANTY?

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